

# Robert Hastings has a message for UFO non-believers., page 1

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Topic started on 23-1-2010 @ 07:59 PM by gortex

Noted UFO researcher, lecturer and author Robert Hastings has researched the UFO-Nukes Connection since 1973 through declassified U.S. government documents released under the Freedom of Information Act On July 16, 1945, Los Alamos had secretly tested the first atomic bomb in the desert near Alamogordo , then bombs two and three were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan on August 6th and 9th, Not long thereafter, according to the declassified documents, someone piloting "flying discs" or "flying saucers" began to monitor America's atomic and thermonuclear weapons program on an ongoing basis.

Information uncovered by Hastings and other researchers reveals that intermittent UFO surveillance of Los Alamos, and other nuclear weapons-related sites, continued throughout and the Cold War era and beyond, occurring as recently as 2006.

Robert Hastings says he has a message for non-believers.

"There is a distinct and fundamental difference between having an opinion and having an informed opinion. I've done the research for 30 years and they

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haven't. If they wish to indulge themselves with their uninformed opinion there is nothing I can do about that," said Hastings.

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Robert Hasting website Dont shoot the messenger 😁

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reply posted on 23-1-2010 @ 08:36 PM by Solar.Absolution

S&F! Ooooooh! I'd love to see that whole lecture I've read some documents here and there about the UFO sightings at nuke sites but haven't read about how they are connected now I'm intrigued.

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# reply posted on 23-1-2010 @ 08:43 PM by drew hempel

Hastings is relying on Salas' claims. I was debating "alien believers" over on **unexplained-mysteries.com...** and it was going as usual. I continually presented strong evidence that the military was promoting alien invasion disinformation while the "believers" had NO EVIDENCE of aliens except testimony from --- military believers! haha.

So it was going as usual -- until the following came on to back up my position -- and blow away the ETHers:

#### www.unexplained-mysteries.com...

You're right -- that's exactly what Salas says -- and for years he maintained that UFOs shut down the missiles at Echo-Flight on March 16 1967. **But, he was never there, he was never involved in the investigation, and everything he's ever said on the subject of Echo-Flight has been repeatedly disproven**. Everytime an incident he that he's

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discussed is disproved, he changes his story. And now, he maintains that he had it all wrong -- UFOs had nothing to do with the shutdown at Echo-Flight. He says his memory of the events is faulty, but he still wrote a book on the subject! That doesn't sound like faulty memory -- if you've got faulty memory you don't write a book on he subject. You might do that, however, if you're a liar. The final report of the shutdown at Echo-Flight is very well known; if missiles were also shutdown as Oscar-Flight, as Salas now contends, why was there no summary or final report of the investigation , like there was at Echo-Flight? Salas wants us to believe that the government didn't publish a final report because they wanted to cover up the incident, but you and I both know that the government doesn't cover up an incident by ignoring it -- they publish a report of an investigation that says the reason the missiles shut down was something very conventional, like a computer error. By ignoring it, especially when there are other witnesses, you're simply throwing extra wood on the fire, calling attention to the incident by your very silence on the matter. Before believing him, I'd like to know why the Crew Commander -- his direct superior -- has never mentioned it to anybody; I'd like to know who thesesecurity personnel he continuously mentions were, why there aren't any debriefing statements available, even if just to deny any UFO observations. In fact, Salas never changes his story until someone comes around and refutes his "evidence," so as far I'm concerned his credibility is crap. You can believe him if you want to, but I think you'd have to be pretty naive to do so. As for non-military reports of UFOs, I've got to tell you, that has no bearing at all on whether or not the missiles my father was in charge of were shut down by UFOs. There are no witnesses at all, civilian or military, that indicate UFOs were hovering around or landing at Echo-Flight. Security teams at both Echo-Flight and November-Flight were interviewed -- interviews that even Salas now agrees were accurate -- and they all said the same thing: nothing strange happened. At Echo-Flight, the power grid dropped off line, the backup generators came on automatically as it was designed to, and the ten Echo-Flight missiles shut down. This was due to a power surge in the logic coupler of about ten volts. There were no reports of UFOs except those from Salas made many years later, reports that he now claims were incorrect. There were no civilian UFO reports made that night, and nomilitary reports made that night either. The investigation even went into full radar and atmospheric characteristics, because they needed to know whether a lightning strike may have caused the power surge; all of the radar and atmospheric reports were also negative. There isn't a single piece of evidence supporting the claims Salas made regarding the Echo- and November-Flights -nothing. The man has simply been caught telling too many lies, and I think any honest person would have to discount everything he has ever said on the subject -- and this is the ONLY person who has ever claimed thatUFOs They had UFOs "were hovering, not at the launch control facility but at the actual launch facilities where the missiles are located. They had some maintenance and security people out there at the time and they observed the UFOs at those sites. Now they lost all ten of their weapons' all ten." The reports of the investigation, however, includes interviews with all of the maintenance and security people. and not one of them support his claims. There's absolutely nothing that supports his story in way whatsoever. On the other hand, there are a lot of people who have said there were no UFOs. You can believe his story about Oscar-Flight, if you like, but ask yourself, if a member of Congress was trying to substantiate some kind of an outrageous claim, and was forced to retract those claims on three separate occasions, changing his story each time to take into account each discrepancy, finally resting on a single tale that no one can challenge until the next eyewitness comes forward to note another fault in his story, and if this Congressman then writes a book on the topic, much of which he ends up having to deny -- well, would you believe him? Would you still trust him? I don't discount that UFOs may have showed up in other places from 1967 to now. Maybe they did buzz nuclear missiles sites in Great Britain, the Soviet Union, or other U.S. sites -- I just don't know. What I do know, however, is that UFOs were not involved in the shutdown of missiles at Echo-Flight on March 16, 1967, and that Robert Salas has repeatedly lied about the topic -- lies that have all been disputed so often and so definitively, that he has now been forced to change his entire tale. In my opinion, everything he has ever said on the subject should be most strenuously doubted. As for me, I believe my father, who was only the on-duty Crew Commander at Echo-Flight on March 16, 1967 when the ten missiles dropped offline for what was later determined to be a power surge. Not only can he speak on the subject with a hell of a lot more authority than Robert Salas, he's also possessed with a hell of a lot more integrity. ciao -- James Carlson

EDIT: Emphasis bolded in quote, as the big quote can tend to lose a reader...

[edit on 15-4-2010 by Gazrok]

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reply posted on 23-1-2010 @ 08:47 PM by Aquarius1

reply to post by gortex

Thanks Gortex, also would love to hear this whole confernce, like Hastings..

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#### reply posted on 23-1-2010 @ 08:49 PM by talisman

I really appreciate people like Hastings, and I wish there were more in the field. The Hynek's and the Hastings are the people that give credibility to the subject matter.

Thanks you to the Op

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reply posted on 23-1-2010 @ 08:50 PM by xfiler

reply to **post by gortex** 

I've just read a very, very interesting article in the January 2010 edition of Share International Magazine that details the relationship between the UFO phenomenon and our Nuclear activities.

Not only are UFO's actively watching and monitoring our use of Nuclear Fission, they actually mop up the radiation as best they can within Karmic Laws. They have also been instrumental in helping to mitigate internationals conflicts that would have led to nuclear confrontation

The growing incidence of Alzheimer's disease at ever younger ages throughout the world is a direct result of the high concentration of nuclear energy at the higher etheric levels, not registered by the instruments of our present-day scientists. This energy plays on the human brain, causing more and more Alzheimer's, memory loss, disorientation, and the gradual breakdown of our body's defence system.

The Space Brothers, mainly from Mars and Venus, are engaged on a spiritual mission to neutralize this nuclear radiation. They are not allowed to completely neutralize all the extant nuclear radiation, but within the karmic law they do, using various implosive devices. They neutralize the radiation that we are pumping into the atmosphere from every nuclear power station without exception, and from all nuclear experimentation. We are continually making more and craftier bombs that will be more deadly than previous bombs. All of that

experimentation releases into our atmosphere clouds of nuclear radiation that we do not know about. We cannot measure it and therefore we deny its existence.

Our nuclear scientists believe they have total control of nuclear energy, which, demonstrably, they do not. They have no understanding of the four etheric levels of matter above the solid, liquid and gaseous levels and therefore a limited knowledge of what they know as nuclear energy. It is deadly and is increasingly damaging the health of the people of this planet.

There's also included an amazing photo of a huge extraordinary object in the sky over Peru.

Here's the link to this article:

www.share-international.org...

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reply posted on 23-1-2010 @ 08:54 PM by drew hempel

Again I posted James Carlson's information -- the link to it -- on **ufomystic.com...** when Greg Bishop was in contact with Robert Hastings. Hastings never responded to these direct contradictions with the research of Salas whom Hastings relies on for his book. So all I'm asking is for James Carlson to be heard in light of Salas' book -- we need to consider that it's possible the source for Salas is bunk:

You state here: "Captain Robert Salas -- Airforce base, Montana 1971 Minuteman Missiles sees red glow, oval hovering outside gate and losses 6 to 8 missiles -- confirmed by retired colonel. Echo-flight also lost 10 weapons with a UFO -- confirmed by Captain Eric Carlson and Lt. Colonal Walt Feigel with FOIA documents from Airforce stating UFOs. (again top secret aircraft -- big deal). SAC Headquarters telexes the same information." CAPT Eric Carlson is my father and he never confirmed anything regarding the UFO sighting referred to above (it was in 1967, by the way). You should know also that Robert Salas is a liar, confirmed as such many times in the past. Salas' account states that my father and First Lieutenant Walt Figel, the Echo-Flight Missile Combat Crew, were below ground in the E-Flight Launch Control Center (LCC) or capsule during the incident, and that during the early morning hours, more than one report came in from security patrols and maintenance crews that UFOs were in the area. A UFO was supposedly reported directly above one of the E-Flight launch facilities. These sightings supposedly occurred at the same time the missiles went into "off-alert" status. In other words, the UFOs were supposedly the cause of the entire flight of ten ICBMs going offline. All of their missiles reported a "No-Go" condition - i.e., they became inoperable, apparently due to a Guidance and Control (G&C) System fault. Although declassified documents support the assertion that there was a missile line failure throughout the E-Flight complex, no documentation supports the story told here of UFOs having anything whatsoever to do with the failure. True believers see this as "proof" that the government is hiding the actual facts of the March 16, 1967 incident. It's apparently far more reasonable to believe that the government is lying about UFOs, than to believe that Jim Klotz and Robert Salas - who actually made some money off of this smelly butt - might have lied about UFOs being involved in a national security incident 30 years earlier. Since the publication of their article, the motivation to maintain this series of half-truths and lies has escalated: Salas and Klotz have now published a book on the incident titled Faded Giant. Contrary to accepted probabilities, the book is being sold as "non-fiction". I can assure you that absolutely nothing out of the ordinary happened that Thursday morning, March 16, 1967 in the E-Flight Launch Control Center. There was a computer malfunction, but given the quality of computers used in 1967 - even state of the art computers -- this was hardly a rare occurrence. There was an investigation, but this was standard operating procedure, and again was nothing new. Everything else is totally false, from the UFOs on down. There was a security breach, one that actually explains Don Crawford's tale in which he tells a security guard that "We no longer record those kinds of reports," indicating he didn't want to hear about the UFO.' Security called in to report that a bear had been seen, not a UFO, and it was scratching itself on an alarmed fence. The security crew was told to shoot at it, to get it go away, since nobody wanted the alarms going off all night but this wasn't given as permission, as Crawford asserts, since the security guards didn't need permission to fire their weapons. There wouldn't be much point



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giving security guards weapons if they had to get permission every time they needed to use them. Crawford's story notwithstanding, security breaches were rare. Computer failures, however, were not. And when the computers failed, the missiles tended to go offline. That's why mobile crews were always part of the watch structure. Security alert Teams were often dispatched from Echo in those days, because they provided tier one security for the missiles. There were, however, no UFOs seen by anybody concerned, and had Figel received such a report from one of the mobile security crews and not informed the strike teams - or my father, who was in charge during the watch - as all the above article asserts, he would have been arrested. That didn't happen, however, and my father, being the watch Captain, is absolutely certain that no such report was ever made. Searches were made, but no record or log entry was ever uncovered This wasn't due to a conspiracy. Nothing was found because nothing was there. Captain Don Crawford's crew relieved the Echo Flight crew later that morning, and his statement many years later that both Carlson and Figel were "still visibly shaken by what had occurred" is also a lie, one that he has since routinely told whenever he can get the ear of the press. The fact that "missiles had been lost to our deterrent forces," and had remained out of service "for an entire day" is irrelevant - as I said, silo, computer, and power losses were common; they were also cause for investigation, but investigations were also common. Declassified documents support this, and in act the command history states that a "walk-thru inspection of the HF Hardened Antennas at Malmstrom was conducted during February by Boeing and SATAF personnel. The antennas were already equipped in the LFs but were not in working order. The walk-thru inspection had an average of 40 discrepencies per site." This was only one month before the supposed UFO incident that Klotz and Salas discuss above. The men and women who gave so much of their time and ability to protect America from any and all imaginable threats were under a lot of pressure to develop a state of the art defense system, and were in the unenviable position of having to deploy such systems before they were perfected, or in many cases, even completed. In 1967, upgrading of live, operable systems was the norm. Failure of operational systems was common, and to blame such failure on the presence of a UFO is absolutely ridiculous. It is a good way to get attention, though, and there are a lot of people out there who like to get attention. These people tend to start reckless rumors: such rumors were even mentioned in the unclassified command history: "Rumors of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO) around the area of Echo Flight during the time of fault were disproven. A Mobile Strike Team, which had checked all November Flight's LFs on the morning of 16 March 67, were questioned and stated that no unusual activity or sightings were observed." Please note that originally, Salas told everyone that he was on duty March 16, 1967 in the November Flight Launch Control Center (LCC), not Oscar-Flight as he now admits. November was closest to Echo Flight, where the missile failures occurred, and it was at November Flight - as indicated in the above noted history - where UFO rumors centered. Oscar-Flight, being 20 miles away, wasn't even mentioned. UFO reports were never logged and no investigation of UFO sightings by Air Force or civil personnel was ever conducted. Some years ago, my father was asked to appear on a television show with Mr. Robert Salas, and those who requested this intimated that some money could be made out of the situation. I'm proud to say that my father has a lot more integrity than some of the other parties involved and didn't even consider appearing. Mr. Robert Salas was the Deputy Missile Combat Crew Commander at the Oscar Flight during the morning hours of 16 March 1967. He contends that a security NCO at the front gate called him to report a UFO maneuvering above the silos, although there are no records of this. He's also responsible for a lot of the dissemination of this abortion of an "eyewitness" account, and contends that the reported electrical problems at the Echo Flight LCC – where my father was on watch – were somehow linked to the UFO maneuvering above the silos of the Oscar Flight LCC twenty miles away. It's almost as if someone in an area of classified authority and legal trust was looking about for an incident of some sort that was reported with which to link an outlandish tale of UFO interference with national defense interests. Ideally, such a tale would have been far more effective had this hypothetical manipulator been able to convince my father to play along. But a statement from Captain Don Crawford that the Echo Flight crew was "still visibly shaken by what had occurred," as well as a description from him of an undated, unreferenced UFO sighting by security personnel that was never entered into a watch log or investigated by any military or civil authority would also tend to lessen any impact from the absence of corroborating data. Retired Air Force colonel Bill Coleman - the Air Force's chief public relations officer during the early 1970s - has stated that in his opinion, upon reviewing the case, the absence of any records whatsoever supporting Robert Salas' contention is probably due to the fact that Salas was rattled by a routine SAC shakedown. "SAC was famous for running all kinds of tests to challenge security systems - they did it all the time,' adding that it "could easily have been a test created by the SAC commander to neutralize the weapons site to gauge the response measures. These are the kinds of things SAC does routinely. This captain should've known it was a test. Either that, or he's lying about it." Mr. Robert Salas states that although the Air Force conducted a thorough investigation of these supposed UFO sightings and the defense shutdowns, no cause could be determined, although he does theorize that an electromagnetic pulse (EMP) of the kind created by an atomic weapon's blast may be the culprit. His account, however, isn't exactly thorough. To be accurate, no cause for the outages could be determined by the

investigators at a "field" level - in other words, they couldn't find an exact cause through the testing of live, operational equipment without bringing all of the systems down for a complete check. They couldn't do this while still retaining 24-7 defense capabilities for reasons I've already stated: any work, even component upgrading, for the most part had to be completed on live, operable systems. This tends to limit conclusions during troubleshooting trials. The initial investigation report, in fact, states that "Further studies of this problem will be accomplished at the contractors [sic] facility since a full engineering investigation is not feasible at this level." The investigators did, however, eventually complete a "full engineering investigation" at the contractor's facility. My father recalls a technical publication of many hundreds of pages detailing this and other computer failures. It was a requirement that such a publication be written to prevent such failures happening in the future. He told me that his recollections are that the failure that night was due to a power surge in the guidance and control system - a common enough incident even today. In fact, the civil and military investigating teams determined that by introducing a 10 volt pulse onto a data line leading into the logic coupler, they were able repeat the shutdown effects 80% of the time. To say, therefore, that no explanation could be found for the failures is arrogant and foolish, when anyone who takes the time to look into the matter can easily figure out the truth of what actually went on. Salas says that such a pulse or "noise" occurring in the field and getting inside the shielded missile system equipment was impossible, but that too is technically incorrect, since the computers running everything to do with the missiles naturally had a power source that could be traced and studied easily enough to inject a 10 volt pulse into the logic coupler as the investigating team did. Such voltage spikes in the electric potential in a given circuit are typically caused by lightning strikes, power outages, tripped circuit breakers, short circuits, and power transitions in other large equipment on the same power line. In this case, the emergency generators kept tripping on and off, which is indicative of power losses within the system. So, what do we call it when a ten-volt pulse is introduced into a data system? We call it a power surge; surge protectors of the kind we can now pick up for \$30.00 at Walmart hadn't yet been introduced into the U.S. economical system, and surges happened a lot, even in shielded systems. Even today, shielding is never 100% efficient, as any electrical engineer can tell you. In fact, computers in general circa 1967 weren't exactly as sophisticated as they are today. The processing capability I have in my living room is more than NASA used to put a man on the moon, so when these screwballs use the technical reports to indicate that the missile failures were the result of a UFO contact, they're more insulting than they are convincing. I guess one of the more annoying characteristics of modern man is that he tends to believe everything he reads, and that's a definite problem for anybody who prefers to limit disinformation before it creates a hot-air windstorm through the social synapses of our national counter-culture. f\*\*\*ers like these need public humiliation, but instead our TV time in 30 minute increments puts them on the air, and pays them to repeat their irrelevant loads of gibberish, until suddenly there are new stars in America. I just wish they'd keep my family out of it. Regards, James Carlson

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#### reply posted on 23-1-2010 @ 09:13 PM by stanlee

great find and thanks for the info Op... I cant wait to see the whole. I am dying to know how many people have been documented. Well, considering he's going from 47 to 50 to 75, probably quite a few. S+F4U

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reply posted on 23-1-2010 @ 09:16 PM by stanlee

reply to post by xfiler

please tell me you're not taking that dribble seriously

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reply posted on 23-1-2010 @ 09:21 PM by stanlee

reply to post by drew hempel

ok.. all the long winded posts won't draw you any more attention beyond annoying people. Now.. have you read hastings' book? Read it for yourself? or are you relying on what james carlson said? either way, even salas was never credibly or officially debunked, or labelled a liar. As far as the airforce is conserned, his claim, and involvement was official, important, and legitimate enough to take seriously. SO whats next, the Air FOrce is not credible because of.....

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reply posted on 23-1-2010 @ 09:34 PM by drew hempel

genocide. Yes the air force is not credible because of genocide.

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reply posted on 23-1-2010 @ 09:36 PM by Aquarius1

Knew I heard an interview with Hastings this past year, you can download it here at the Paracast

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reply posted on 23-1-2010 @ 09:47 PM by drew hempel

O.K. so Hastings is relying on Salas -- both of whom are interviewed on the paracast -- only Eric Carlson's son James Carlson says that Salas is LYING about Eric Carlson. And James Carlson has posted this information online. I've had it forwarded to Hastings.

No response from Hastings.

So I'm not going to listen to Hastings if he refuses to respond to someone's son saying that Salas lied about his dad.

Hastings said he would get back to us on this lie by Salas. Thus far nothing.

reply to post by Aquarius1

<u>COPY</u>RIGHT & USAGE reply posted on 23-1-2010 @ 10:17 PM by Grayelf2009 Sounds like to me that if a person was inclined to increase one's chance of seeing a magnetic/plasma type craft or UFO....they should keep an eye on the local Military base or Nuclear plant. **COPYRIGHT & USAGE** reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 01:07 AM by downisreallyup Here's an interesting UFO video... YouTube Link It helps to read the information to the right of the video (in YouTube). **<u>COPY</u>RIGHT & USAGE** reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 01:23 AM by 2012grad Connection!!! it would be easy for them to watch our nuclear program if area 51 is what we believe it to be according to project bluebook. because there is a bombing range a nuclear testing lab and range not even 30 miles away from area 51. on another note my dad had a friend when he was stationed in nellis AFB and he is a pilot and it is said his wing clipped a corner of area 51's airspace and that pilot disapeared for 8 months and when he returned he wasnt the same and was forced to resign from the air force. this man was an afgahn and iraqi war vet so kinda odd that 1 slip up and he's out. apperently he was a steller fighter pilot too. **<u>COPYRIGHT & USAGE</u>** reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 04:08 AM by Wh00pS Originally posted by downisreallyup Here's an interesting UFO video ...

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And what does that video have to do with this topic?. Those video's have been discussed on ATS many times btw.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 05:58 AM by Meesterjojo

Wow I sure got told! LOLOMFGBBQD!

Lets see. I read (trudged through, really) one of this guys articles on his websitesomething more (no doubt) than most tin-foil hat wearers here would do (We all know you don't: you'd rather read the sensational bits and get a cursory view, then copy/paste the garbage all over the net, right Chicken Little?)

He footnotes himself. Nice. And the 2 external footnotes/citations are all hearsay.

He offers no less than 3 dozen "I have"'s throught this article "UFO Sightings at ICBM blah blah", and yet cannot produce 1. Single. Shred. Of Evidence other than "the documents have been released! They are there!" and then proceeds to quote himself as further proof.

#### Lame.

Here's the problem UFO declassification people: Until you can present some credible link to supposedly declassified documents (per the Freedom of Information Act-which this guy

Now I realize it takes some work to go to google and look up hearsay. I could tell you what it means now, but I won't. You need to learn to do the most remedial research yourself. Further, you need to learn what is, and what is not, credible evidence. Finally you need to learn what is sensational bullcrap/fearmongering, and what is relating an honest opinion or thought beyond your copypasta standards.

In short- Is this guy credible? Not at all. Could he back up any single statement he

made? Not at all. Does he provide any sources for any statements, any hint of where to go? Not at all.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 06:26 AM by gortex

reply to post by Meesterjojo

to go on about), it's called "Hearsay".

Well its not hearsay because the documents exist if you can be bothered to look for them .

Just one example

Hastings first became interested in UFOs after an experience he had while visiting his father on Malmstrom Air Force base, a nuclear missile site in Montana, in 1967. "I happened to be present at the base air traffic control tower when five UFOs were being tracked on radar," Hastings said. "I learned later that these objects had been maneuvering near underground nuclear missile silos."

Here is a link to the FOIA Documents on that case for you .

# community.theblackvault.com...

This site contains an extensive collection of FOIA Documents for your enjoyment if you can be bothered to look through them .  $\textcircled{\textcircled{}}$ 

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[edit on 24-1-2010 by gortex]

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 06:37 AM by borastankovic

great information, i been claiming the same here on ATS fro past 2 years, but someone on ATS didnt liked it

well, im BACk

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Drew Hempel has nearly everything wrong in his posts on this thread. I wonder why? Let's take his comments one-by-one: So, I haven't responded to James Carlson's tirades against Robert Salas? Wrong, Drew. See www.theufochronicles.com... and www.theufochronicles.com... The bottom line is that the elder Carlson's deputy missile commander, now-retired USAF Col. Walter Figel, has confirmed the presence of UFOs at Echo Flight on March 16, 1967, in an audiotaped interview with me. An excerpt: RH: What was the demeanor of the guard you were talking to? WF: Um, you know, I wouldn't say panicked, or anything [like that]. I was thinking he was yanking my chain more than anything else. RH: But he seemed to be serious to you? WF: He seemed to be serious and I wasn't taking him seriously. -RH: Alright. If it was a large object, did he describe the shape of the object? WF: He just said a large round object. **REAL TIME: New Topics** Newest topics, updated in real-time: Mblah's Berry Chocolate Crescent Roll Pockets RH: Directly over the LF (Launch Facility)? Food and Cooking: 45 minutes ago 9/29/2012 -- Brightest Comet in Human History Coming! Comet 2012 S1 (C/2012 S1 ISON) Space Exploration: 59 minutes ago LAKOTA SIOUX NATION Secession In Progress WF: Directly over the site ... and YOU are invited to join them! Political Issues: 1 hours ago Tens of thousands hit Tbilisi streets in 'largest-ever' rally on eve of election (PHOTOS, VIDEO) RH: When you got the first call, well, when the missiles went down, you didn't have Breaking Political News: 1 hours ago XL Foods Recall (E-coli Contamination) an inkling of an alleged UFO-involvement until you got the report back from the Diseases and Pandemics: 1 hours ago first Strike Team member? Saudi Health Officials Brace for Haii Pilorimage to Mecca Diseases and Pandemics: 1 hours ago Turkish pilots killed by Syrian intelligence, AI Arabiya claims WF: That's correct. World War Three: 1 hours ago Jesse Ventura: Call the Commission! Let Gary Johnson Debate! 2012 US Elections: 1 hours ago RH: Okay, uh, and only one of the two teams reported seeing an object?

WF: Right.

RH: Uh, did you discuss the report with Mr. Carlson—that you were being told that there was a UFO at one of the sites?

WF: Um, he could hear it, uh, I mean he was sitting right there, two feet away from me—

RH: So-

WF: Whatever I said, he would have heard.

Figel also said that James' father, Eric, was standing right next to him when both officers were told not to divulge the UFO incident by their commanders back at Malmstrom AFB.

The full transcript of Figel's verbatim comments to me appear in the first link.

As for Salas, he was at Oscar Flight, not Echo, on March 24, 1967, when a UFO shut down those missiles en masse. His fellow launch officer that night, now-retired Colonel Fredrick Meiwald, has confirmed Salas' statements. Documentation recently discovered by researcher Jim Klotz establishes the date of the second shutdown.

Drew also claims that he forwarded info about James' Carlson's statements to me but that I never responded. Please produce evidence of your having sent me anything, Drew, and then I will respond. Post it here, please.

Drew claims that I never responded to an email sent to me by Greg Bishop. Please produce that email Drew or Greg. Post it here, please. I never received it. (Or do you claim that Bishop's "contact" with me occurred in a manner other than an email?)

A press conference, to be held at the National Press Club in Washington D.C. in the fall of 2010, is currently being organized by Mr. Salas and myself. At that event, a dozen former or retired Air Force officers will divulge their knowledge of the official cover-up of the UFO-Nukes Connection. These persons were trusted by the U.S. government to operate or guard weapons of mass destruction. Now, they have independently come forward and stated that UFOs have monitored, and sometimes, tampered with our nuclear missiles.

As I said in my recent interview with the television reporter in Idaho, cited at the beginning of this thread, there is a distinct and fundamental difference between having an opinion and having an \*informed\* opinion on any given topic. I have interviewed more than 120 ex-USAF personnel about their involvement in nuclear weapons-related UFO incidents. The doubters have not. No matter how they dress up their views, they are offering opinions having no basis in research.

Prior to the creation of the Internet, and blogs, these uninformed persons would have been restricted to sharing their, ahem, insights about UFOs with fellow patrons at their neighborhood bar or pub. Now, if they have a mouse and a keyboard, they can inflict their ignorance on the world.

--Robert Hastings www.ufohastings.com

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Hello Robert , welcome to the thread its good to have you here .

Could you please tell me what is the most compelling case/evidence you have come

across in your investigation so far and do you think we are any closer to disclosure

given President Obama's recent executive order on freedom of information .



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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 08:25 AM by Lil Drummerboy

reply to post by xfiler

Why is no one looking at the object? surely if that were, there someone would have noticed it and at least one person would be looking up at the sky.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 08:26 AM by seethelight

Pretend, for a second, that I've researched elves for 30 years -- that wouldn't make them exist.

This kind of rhetoric is completely meaningless unless backed up with hard facts.

I've looked, btw., for years, for something you could call definitive and what I've found is 99% hoax and 1% unexplainable.

It would be illogical for me to assume that simply because someone can't explain something away then it MUST be aliens.

I would have to assume some of the 1% is military, some of it is HOAXES which haven't been discovered and some we may never know.

Standing up and pretending to have proof, when all he has is conjecture is not being "informed", it's lying.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 08:39 AM by Lil Drummerboy

# reply to **post by seethelight**

Come on, there are UFOs in Dublin all the time, and they carry messages about 2012... just look up and see the light s

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 08:48 AM by gortex

reply to post by seethelight

I have never seen an Atom but I believe they exist , I have never seen a Black Hole or Dark Matter but I believe they exist only because of scientific documentation . Sometimes when the only proof available is the testimony of highly qualified military personnel obtained through declassified government documents and then as Robert has you get the story told to you first hand , I think that's the closest thing you are going to get to proof of ET existence this side of official disclosure .

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#### reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 09:34 AM by rickyrrr

Originally posted by drew hempel

Hastings is relying on Salas' claims. I was debating "alien believers" over on **unexplained-mysteries.com...** and it was going as usual. I continually presented strong evidence that the military was promoting alien invasion disinformation while the "believers" had NO EVIDENCE of aliens except testimony from --- military believers! haha.

So it was going as usual -- until the following came on to back up my position -- and blow away the ETHers:

www.unexplained-mysteries.com...

You're right -- that's exactly what Salas says -- and for years he maintained that UFOs shut down the missiles at Echo-Flight on March 16 1967. But, he was never there, he was never involved in the investigation, and everything he's ever said on the subject of Echo-Flight has been repeatedly disproven. Everytime an incident he that he's discussed is disproved, he changes his story. And now, he maintains that he had it all wrong -- UFOs had nothing to do with the shutdown at Echo-Flight. He says his memory of the events is faulty, but he sill wrole a book on the subject! That doesn't sound like faulty memory -- if you've got faulty memory you don't write a book on he subject. You might do that, however, if you're a liar. The final report of the shutdown at Echo-Flight is very well known; if missiles were also shutdown as Oscar-Flight, as Salas now contends, why was there no summary or final report of the investigation , like there was at Echo-Flight? Salas never other who was there no summary or final report to because they wented to cover up the incident, but you and I both know that the government dion't publish a final report because they wanted to cover up the incident, but you and I both know that the government dions't publish a down was something very conventional, like a computer or. By ignoring it, especially when there are other witnesses, you're simply throwing extra wood on the fire, calling attention to the incident by your very silence on the matter. Before believing him, I'd like to know why the Crew Commander -- his direct Superior -- has never changes his otry unit is omeone comes around and refutes his "evidence," so as far. I'm concerned his credibility is crap. You can believe him if you want to, but I think you'd have to be pretty naive to do so. As for non-military reports of UFOs, I've got to tell you, that has no bearing at all on whether or not the missies my father was in charge of were shut down by UFOs. There are no witnesses at all, civilian or military, that indicate



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That is definitely a UFO! haha. Does it provide any evidence of aliens or extraterrestrials? No -- none what so ever. Does it indicate that something very powerful and unknown shut down the ICBMs? Yes and that truly is astounding.

I mean the Swords to Plowshares activists need to know about this if anything -- all those priests going to jail to stop the apocalyptic military industrial complex are obviously getting some help from somewhere! haha. I, myself, got arrested protesting against Project ELF, the Navy nuclear weapons antenna system that was subsequently shut down in Wisconsin.

Thanks again Robert Hasting for your great research and I look forward to reading your book.

## reply to post by Robert Hastings

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 12:17 PM by karl 12

Originally posted by Grayelf2009 Sounds like to me that if a person was inclined to increase one's chance of seeing a magnetic/plasma type craft or UFO....they should keep an eye on the local Military base or Nuclear plant.

Grayelf, you may be right about that -there seems to be quite a lot of UFO incidents (and government documentation) involving Nuclear facilities and weapon storage areas:

Incidents

## Documents

Cheers.

[edit on 02/10/08 by karl 12]

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 01:12 PM by arizonascott

reply to post by gortex

I don't know all that much about the hollow earth theory, but if advanced intellegent life does exist underground I could see their concern with nuclear technology and detonation above ground.

Sharing a planet would be a viable reason for the immediate sightings after we had achieved our nuclear capability.

I am just sayin.....

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 01:15 PM by seethelight

reply to **post by gortex** 

Such a hugely disingenuous argument... or you're not too bright.

Atoms, even if you haven't seen them, have been first proven with the scientific method, then seen with microscopes by tens of thousands of scientists, world-wide, for decade, in repeatable circumstances.

In fact, we spilt atoms to win WW2.

Nothing even vaguely similar at all can be said about UFOs (and I mean alien craft).

If there was a huge history of people faking photos of atoms and to this day no one ever had seen them... well, you might have a point.

But as that's not even vaguely, remotely close to being true... well, like I said, you're either being offensively disingenuous... or you're not too bright.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 01:17 PM by drew hempel

Yeah actually **anomalist.com...** the book publisher will release Mac Tonnies' book Cryptoterrestrials this spring which presents the underground race argument with some paranormal twists I think. Greg Bishop has read the book already and **ufomystic.com...** has been talking about it.

reply to post by arizonascott

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 01:20 PM by seethelight

reply to post by gortex

To your other point.

Many many people hold high-ranking office/commissions that are crazy.

Just looney tunes crazy.

On this very board is a guy that invented (or helped invent) the word processor.

HE also believes aliens are behind 9/11 and that he's a faith healer and has healed, with his touch, people's cancer.

Being high ranking != honest or sane.

[edit on 24-1-2010 by seethelight]

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 01:24 PM by Atomic

One interesting thing I've pondered is if we will see a "showing" of UFOs when the Hadron Collider attempts its full power efforts. Might be a good idea to have some cameras ready.

IMO, Hastings is one of the few that I trust in this UFO field. Anyone that calls out Michael Salla's shoddy nonsense, like he does, will always have my respect. Hastings isn't one of those UFO hucksters, you're getting someone that takes the job seriously.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 01:27 PM by seethelight

reply to post by Atomic

Serious people don't claim that things definitively exist without definitive proof.

Has he shown his definitive proof to people?

What is it?

As far as I can tell, no one has EVER found definitive proof of intelligently controlled extraterrestrial UFOs.

If someone has that definitive proof, that's agreed to be genuine, please post it for all of us to see...

...that's what I thought.

[edit on 24-1-2010 by seethelight]

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 01:45 PM by Xtraeme

Originally posted by seethelight I've looked, btw., for years, for something you could call definitive and what I've found is 99% hoax and 1% unexplainable.

It would be illogical for me to assume that simply because someone can't explain something away then it MUST be aliens.

I agree that a great number of reports are misidentifications and hoaxes. When I find cases that check out factually the way I delineate between the truly extraordinary versus fluff is by asking myself at any leg of the investigation, "Does this anomalous characteristic suggest intelligence?"

There are **several cases** that really do imply sentient-control and where the observed properties of the object are so far outside the envelope of what modern technology even comes close to approaching that one has to suspend disbelief to find a reasonable explanation.

All anyone has to do to convince themselves of this is read Brad Sparks' analysis of the RB-47 case (available in Clark's UFO Encyclopedia).

I would have to assume some of the 1% is military, some of it is HOAXES which haven't been discovered and some we may never know.

Your argument here is, "Since I don't have perfect information and I don't have the tools to *easily* know, it's not worth doing more investigation, and therefore I'm going to come to a prearranged conclusion for my own sanity."

Yes, your sanity will benefit, but your intellectual honesty will suffer.

[edit on 24-1-2010 by Xtraeme]

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Drew Hempel: So a "large round object" was seen in the sky. That is definitely a UFO! haha. Does it provide any evidence of aliens or extraterrestrials? No -- none what so ever. Does it indicate that something very powerful and unknown shut down the ICBMs? Yes and that truly is astounding.

RH: As long as I have been speaking publicly and writing about UFOs, I have said that a critical mass of evidence is currently lacking to \*prove\* the extraterrestrial hypothesis of UFOs.

That said, after researching the UFO "phenomenon" for 37 years, I must conclude that the technology involved is so advanced that a human origin for it can be automatically ruled-out in almost every bona fide sighting case. The radar data alone substantiate the presence of craft operating in our atmosphere whose capabilities are vastly beyond our own aircraft and which defy known aerodynamic principles.

Of course, the persons who pooh-pooh this idea have never examined those radar data, or done any other research on the subject. No, it's much easier to blog the



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day away, sharing one's "wisdom" with the world and patting oneself on the back for being so very clever. Beats doing anything resembling work.

One of the very few scientists to have actually \*studied\* the UFO phenomenon before opening his mouth about what it could or could not be (i.e. practicing the scientific method) was the late Dr. James McDonald, a physicist, who wrote:

"From time to time in the history of science, situations have arisen in which a problem of ultimately enormous importance went begging for adequate attention simply because that problem appeared to involve phenomena so far outside the current bounds of scientific knowledge that it was not even regarded as a legitimate subject of serious scientific concern. That is precisely the situation in which the UFO problem now lies. One of the principal results of my own recent intensive study of the UFO enigma is this: I have become convinced that the scientific community, not only in this country but throughout the world, has been casually ignoring as nonsense a matter of extraordinary scientific importance."

After two years of rigorous research, McDonald tentatively concluded that UFOs were extraterrestrial probes, and stated as much when he was asked to address the U.S. Congress in July 1968.

--Robert Hastings www.ufohastings.com

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#### reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 01:51 PM by drew hempel

The problem with this approach is that Jacque Vallee discovered there was indeed a higher level CIA coverup of Bluebook and it's well recognized that Condon was also a coverup. Besides there's been TONS of military PROMOTION of the alien invasion, as Greg Bishop's book "Project Beta" documents. **ufomystic.com...** 

The Stargate conspiracy by Prince and Picknett is another great read.

Messengers of Deception by Vallee is another one.

On the other hand there is a lot of evidence for secret military technology of craft going much faster than "current technology".

I, myself, had an equilateral triangle with no fuselage fly over our house. Military.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 01:56 PM by Robert Hastings

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#### reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 02:01 PM by Robert Hastings

To finish a thought, here is an excerpt from my book UFOs and Nukes:

Scientists universally profess allegiance to the lofty principles comprising the Scientific Method, both in the pursuit of their own research, as well as when reviewing the work of their peers. Therefore, one might predict that they will indignantly dismiss the suggestion that, on occasion, they have temporarily abandoned those cherished principles. Nevertheless, as regards the subject of UFOs, very few scientists actually practice what they preach.

In essence, to engage in science is to search for knowledge. This exploration is conducted through the systematic collection and objective analysis of facts. If one aspires to understand the nature of an unexplained phenomenon, one must first assemble and evaluate data—or, at least, impartially examine the data gathered by others—before drawing conclusions.

Unfortunately, most scientists reject outright the validity of UFO research, refuse to engage in it, and deliberately ignore the intriguing data compiled by a handful of their more inquisitive, less-biased peers. If this were not enough, despite their profound unfamiliarity with the subject, many of these same intransigent individuals pontificate about UFOs in the most shameless and presumptuous manner. If they were to apply this same "methodology" to their own research, their colleagues might justifiably consider their conduct incompetent, if not fraudulent. Nevertheless, it is rare to hear a scientist speak or write knowledgeably about the UFO phenomenon, and rarer still to find one who has actually studied it.

Accuse a scientist of being closed-minded about UFOs and he or she will recoil: "I'm not closed-minded, but I am skeptical!" Because the former term implies inflexible prejudice and the latter one prudent caution, it is understandable that these UFO "skeptics" would prefer to view themselves in a more flattering light.

One scientist who has advocated a comprehensive, unbiased investigation the UFO phenomenon, astronomer Dr. Bernard Haisch, defines a Skeptic as, "One who practices the method of suspended judgment, engages in rational and dispassionate reasoning as exemplified by the scientific method, shows willingness to consider alternative explanations without prejudice based on prior beliefs, and who seeks out evidence and carefully scrutinizes its validity."

By Haisch's definition, very few scientists are true skeptics on the subject of UFOs. On the contrary, over the years, most have behaved as self-appointed experts, having all the answers, without first investigating any of the facts. Although scientists profess a deep curiosity about little understood or unknown phenomena, when it comes to UFOs, this assertion rings hollow. At the moment, the UFO phenomenon is a blind spot in most scientists' field of vision. There is definitely something there to be seen, but they can not, or will not, bring themselves to take a look.

As noted above, the late Dr. James McDonald—one of the few scientists to have actually studied the UFO phenomenon before holding forth on the subject—once pointedly criticized the thoroughly unprofessional posture toward UFOs he observed

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among his colleagues and the scientific community at large.

Sad to say, some 40 years after Dr. McDonald's lament, the same smug, dismissive attitude toward the phenomenon remains firmly entrenched in scientific circles, resulting in a pervasive, self-imposed ignorance about UFOs among those who supposedly seek the truth. At the beginning of the 21st century, it remains true that the overwhelming majority of scientists, if they consider UFOs at all, consider them to be beneath their dignity, and worthy of outright derision. With this self-righteous stance, they have effectively abdicated their collective professional responsibility in the most unscientific manner. This is not so much an accusation as it is an objective statement of fact.

Fortunately, despite the collective disinterest in UFOs exhibited by the scientific community as a whole, there have been a few brave pioneers. In the mid-1960s, Jim McDonald was well ahead of the curve, with his repeated, plaintive calls for a legitimate investigation of the UFO phenomenon. Seeking to review the available data for himself, he persistently demanded access to the Air Force's UFO files—at least those held by Project Blue Book—and was ultimately granted repeated access to the ones that were not classified.

As noted earlier, following those reviews, McDonald wrote, "...There are hundreds of good cases in the Air Force files that should have led to top-level scientific scrutiny of [UFOs] years ago, yet these cases have been swept under the rug in a most disturbing way by Project Blue Book investigators and their consultants."

Despite, or perhaps because of, the Air Force's ongoing attempts to suppress the frequently high-quality data on UFOs it collected, McDonald began to investigate the phenomenon on his own time and at his own expense, while ignoring the very real risk to his scientific reputation. This diligence paid off and, by 1968, McDonald was widely regarded—although not among his still-dubious peers—as one of the world's leading scientific experts on UFOs. Consequently, he was invited to address congress on the subject, during hearings held that year. McDonald's full statement before the House Committee on Science and Astronautics, presented on July 29th, may be found in the U.S. Congressional Record, as well as on the Internet.

While acknowledging that the overwhelming majority of UFO sightings undoubtedly had prosaic explanations, and that a great many questions about the phenomenon remained unanswered, McDonald succinctly summarized his conclusions regarding the most credible of the unexplained cases: "My own present opinion, based on two years of careful study, is that UFOs are probably extraterrestrial devices engaged in something that might very tentatively be termed 'surveillance'." 4

Although this was merely an opinion, it was after all an informed opinion on UFOs, something very few other scientists could offer, then or now. Many of McDonald's published papers, private research notes, and personal letters relating to his investigations of the UFO phenomenon are now accessible online, providing insight into the cautious, rational reasoning underlying his dramatic conclusions.

There is an old joke about the intellectual who sniffs, "Well, it may work in fact, but it will never work in theory." While most UFO skeptics are quick to dismiss as impossible the idea that UFOs are alien spacecraft, very few of them will ever make the effort to learn whether any evidence exists to suggest otherwise. Instead, they merely continue to assert that, as an idea, it simply does not work. However, as the joke implies, the real question to be asked is whether it works in fact. That is, is there evidence in the real world which lends credence to the validity of the ET hypothesis of UFOs.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 02:05 PM by Crito

As Kurt Gödel incompleteness theorems demonstrate, truth does not require proof.

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Conspiracies in Religions: 7 hours ago, 35 replies

Einstein conceived the theory of relativity using no experiments whatsoever, just the power of his mind and reason. In fact, his first attempts at creating mathematical proofs were badly flawed and failed. That didn't invalidate the truth of relativity, however. The math just had to be refined to prove what he intuitively knew to be true.

Endless debate with straw-man and ad-hominem arguments is a waste of time in my opinion. To me it's sufficient to argue that it's more reasonable to assume we're not alone than to believe mankind is the only form of intelligent life in a universe far older and more vast than most here can even imagine.

[edit on 24-1-2010 by Crito]

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 02:06 PM by seethelight

reply to post by Xtraeme

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Ironic.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 02:18 PM by seethelight

reply to post by Crito

That's ridiculous, because in Godel's case he was talking about mathematical theorems, not UFOs.

Talk about ripping something out of context.

Why must believers be sooo disingenuous?

Do you not think sceptics can possibly be intelligent people?



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Relativity didn't have "proof", but it was based on a deep understanding of physics and was a theory.

Einstein never stated it was definitely true... go read what he wrote.

Neither of those examples are in ANY WAY good enough to justify believing a chosen explanation of a unexplained phenomena, just because the chosen arbitrary belief appeals to you.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 02:22 PM by Crito

Mainstream thought used to be the Earth was flat and the Sun revolved around us.

I've given valid, rational reasons to believe we're not alone (billions of years older parts of the universe and a number of stars with more zeros than Bill Gate's bank account). I'd like the skeptics to give the reasons why I should believe mankind is the only intelligent life in the universe. Quoting Bible verses and because everyone else thinks so aren't valid arguments.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 02:23 PM by seethelight

Here's a good "in plain english" version of what Godel said:

In brief, Gödel's Theorem says that in any axiomatic mathematical system that is sufficiently rich to do elementary arithmetic, there will be some statements that are true but cannot be proved (from the axioms). In technical terminology, the axiom system must be incomplete.

As far as I can tell, UFOs are not, "n any axiomatic mathematical system that is sufficiently rich to do elementary arithmetic".

And even if you replaced the word mathematical with scientific you wouldn't be talking about UFOs.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 02:27 PM by Xtraeme

Originally posted by drew hempel

The problem with this approach is that Jacque Vallee discovered there was indeed a higher level CIA coverup of Bluebook and it's well recognized that Condon was also a coverup. Besides there's been TONS of military PROMOTION of the alien invasion, as Greg Bishop's book "Project Beta" documents. **ufomystic.com...** 

The Stargate conspiracy by Prince and Picknett is another great read.

Messengers of Deception by Vallee is another one.

On the other hand there is a lot of evidence for secret military technology of craft going much faster than "current technology".

*I*, myself, had an equilateral triangle with no fuselage fly over our house. Military.

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I've read the above referenced works and I'm a big proponent of the idea that we're seeing a large amount of **"grand foul-up" mixed with "situational cover-ups."** I think there's a very good argument to be had showing the military benefited by manipulating people in to believing that UFOs represent a non-human phenomenon.

As Duke Gildenberg pointed out in Nick Cook's documentary `UFOs The Secret Evidence` on the History channel,

"Every flight we flew generated UFO reports. In fact for awhile we were even using it as a backup tracking system. We would call up a town and ask, 'Did anyone see a UFO this afternoon? Yeah, one to the ... Okay, what direction, to the south? Okay keep an eye on it.' We allowed them to remain UFO reports, with the hope being once they got over the Soviet Union they'd still be registered as UFOs instead of as our reconnaissance balloons."

So the question becomes is public disinformation for the purpose of continued violation of friendly air-space using UFOs as a convenient cover? Or maybe the cover-up is due to continued lack of knowledge and fear of panicking the public in light of their lack of knowledge?

I think the memo the Acting Chief of the CIA's Weapon & Equipment Div sent out August 1, 1952 neatly illustrates this,

It is recommended that CIA surveillance of subject matter, in coordination with proper authorities of primary operational concern at ATIC, be continued. It is strongly urged, however, that no indication of CIA interest or concern reach the press or public, **in view of their probable alarmist tendencies to accept such interest as** "confirmatory" of the soundness of "unpublished facts" in the hands of the U.S. Government.

The fact that a cover-up can be demonstrated does not imply the government knows the whole kit-and-caboodle nor does it imply some nefarious end.

The only thing I can say with 100% clarity is there's no good ways to fake huge 1000 foot "crafts" over Phoenix sighted by hundreds of people.

So even though I know some USAF data has been **intentionally poisoned**, I think it's quite another to say it's all a plant (i.e. See 1000 foot aircraft over Phoenix noted above ).

It's just very difficult to distinguish truth from fantasies and lies.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 02:30 PM by Crito

I'm not going to engage in your straw-man argument.

The fact remains that it's more reasonable to believe we're not alone than to believe mankind is the only intelligent life in the universe. Science is not a popularity contest or a democratic election process.

[edit on 24-1-2010 by Crito] **COPYRIGHT & USAGE** reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 03:06 PM by Robert Hastings Drew Hempel: The problem with this approach is that Jacque Vallee discovered there was indeed a higher level CIA coverup of Bluebook and it's well recognized that Condon was also a coverup. RH: Vallee did no such thing. The person who documented the CIA's control of the cover-up was W. Todd Zechel. In 1976, after the agency claimed that it had no--zero--documents on UFOs, except for the by-then declassified Robertson Panel Report, researcher Zechel and attorney Peter Gersten began legal action to prove otherwise. In response, and under pressure, the CIA wrote a letter to Gersten in which it stated that a second search of it's files turned up some 15,000 UFO documents! But the agency pleaded for time to review those, before releasing them to the public domain. Ultimately, the CIA changed its story yet again and claimed that it had only 900 or so UFO files, 57 of which it withheld, for reasons relating to national security. Researcher Stanton Friedman has noted that while all of the released CIA files were "Secret" or lower in classification, one declassified National Security Agency document reveals that the CIA had shared "Top Secret" UFO files with NSA on at least one occasion. In other words, the CIA still has highly-classified UFO files in its possession but refuses to publicly acknowledge their existence. Drew Hempel: Besides there's been TONS of military PROMOTION of the alien invasion, as Greg Bishop's book "Project Beta" documents. RH: Bishop relied on the testimony of now-retired USAF Office of Special Investigations agent Richard Dody, who belatedly admitted to forging UFO files, to further a disinformation scheme. Doty led Bishop around by the nose. For a thoroughly documented exposé on the disinfo op, which resulted in the creation of the MJ-12 documents, read my article "Operation Bird Droppings" at UFO Chronicles. Drew Hempel: On the other hand there is a lot of evidence for secret military technology of craft going much faster than "current technology". RH: Current technology is not the issue. Thanks for proving one of my earlier points. Do you know anything about the early history of radar trackings of UFOs? For example, have you ever researched the UFOs that flew over Washington D.C. in July 1952? Again, from my book: At the time, the Chief Civil Aeronautics Administration Air Traffic Controller at National Airport, Harry Barnes, publicly confirmed that multiple radar tracks of unknown targets had correlated exactly with pilot reports of various UFOs' positions and flight paths. Barnes further confirmed that the UFOs had performed literally 90-degree turns, as well as 180-degree course changes-that is, instantaneous reversals of their direction of flight, with no turn per se. No known aircraft is capable of these feats, even today, nearly 60 years later. However they were achieved, it appears as if gravitational and inertial forces were suspended, resulting in no adverse effects to the craft or their presumed pilots. If this were not enough, one of the UFOs over Washington D.C. was tracked as it traveled at 7,000 miles per hour! At the time, the fastest American and Russian jet fighters could fly just under

700 m.p.h.

Although there now might be an experimental aircraft at some secret base in Nevada capable of these fantastic speeds and maneuvers, in 1952, humans had not yet built such a craft. After all, if we, or the Soviet Union, or any other nation, had our own UFOs decades ago—which were capable of executing right-angle turns at 1000 m.p.h., or instantaneously hovering in mid-air—why would we, or they, continue to manufacture fixed-wing aircraft which require, in some cases, a half-mile to turn in the air, and really long runways to roll to a stop?

Moreover, if either the U.S. or the Soviets possessed an advanced aircraft of the type that over flew the nation's capital in 1952 then, at some point during the nearly 50-year-long Cold War, that aircraft would have certainly been unveiled in the most menacing manner possible, just as each country periodically flaunted its latest nuclear weapon systems, during that anxious era's recurring episodes of mutual saber-rattling.

If either of the superpowers had an aircraft that could travel thousands of miles per hour, and literally fly rings around the other's own airplanes, neither government would have waited until the nukes started falling to reveal such a weapon. Instead—if an American or a Russian UFO actually existed—the government possessing it most likely would have hoped that merely revealing its existence would be so intimidating that the enemy would stand down and reevaluate his own plans for nuclear war.

In an alternate, far more harrowing scenario, a superpower's UFOs, if they existed, could have been used preemptively, as a low-altitude platform to deliver nuclear bombs. Such an unexpected first strike—involving neither ICBMs, whose launch would be detected by long-range radar, nor high-altitude strategic bombers which would also be tracked—could have potentially neutralized the other's ability to launch its own nuclear weapons. Therefore, a nation possessing UFOs might conceivably be immune from nuclear attack.

In any event, neither the "flaunt-your-stuff" nor the "hit-'em-first" scenario ever played out during the Cold War era, providing additional evidence, in my view, that the mysterious intruders we call UFOs are not advanced manmade aircraft.

Whatever their actual origin, the objects over Washington D.C. in 1952 were explained away by the U.S. Air Force as optical illusions and false radar returns caused by a weather phenomenon known as "temperature inversion." However, this official explanation, hastily issued by public relations personnel at the Pentagon—and undoubtedly designed to calm public anxiety—was empirically discredited by meteorologists long ago.

Therefore, given the validity of the still-unexplained and utterly amazing radar data—in this, and hundreds of other UFO tracking cases—I suggest that bona fide UFOs are most likely piloted by beings from one or more technologically-advanced civilizations in our galaxy.

[edit on 24-1-2010 by Robert Hastings]

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 03:39 PM by Xtraeme

Originally posted by seethelight reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

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First I'd like to mention that BJ's ufocasebook, though a good website, has a number of mistakes about the RB-47 incident.

The incident extended over 2 hours not just 1.5 hours. If one tries to be smartalecky and only count actual minutes of continuous UFO encounter then that adds up to only about 1.3 hours.

Likewise the distance in which the UFO followed the RB-47 is erroneous. The RB-47 was at maximum speed of about 600 mph through much of the UFO chase, or at about 515 mph cruise speed at other times. If one counts only elapsed time of UFO encounter then we are cut back to about 1.3 hours and therefore about 700 miles distance traveled but not "well over 700 miles."

McDonald's characterization is also misleading because he keeps referring to the ELINT equipment as "ECM" gear, which was merely the cover story for ELINT. That may not have been so bad if he had phrased what it did correctly.

The UFO was EMITTING a radar beam, i.e., transmitting a radio signal. It was NOT merely "detected" on "ECM monitoring gear aboard the RB-47" as if the ECM was some kind of radar that actively sent out signals and listened to returns.

These aren't minor mistakes.

Like I said in my first reply to you. Please read Brad Sparks' 30+ page dissertation on this case. It's an extremely technical analysis, well sourced, and it's withstood debunking for some 12 years now.

I'm by no means saying you should accept his work as implicitly true.

Rather I encourage you to give an honest appraisal by checking his numbers, reviewing the evidence he uses for the basis of his work, and see if it all checks out.

I've done this myself, after many months of careful scrutiny, and what I can tell you is Brad's work is entirely on the level.

I do agree it sounds very reputably documented. but to me, this is probably evidence (of something not necessarily aliens, that's for sure), not definitive proof.

Evidence of something unknown is not evidence of alien intelligence.

I'd urge you to read the full write-up before coming to a prearranged conclusion. The most anomalous aspect of the observation is that the object paced and overtook the RB-47. It also strangely enough blinked-in & out which was corroborated by numerous independent channels monitoring the object. This demonstrates it was faster than the RB-47, extremely maneuverable, and whatever it was it followed the RB-47 in trail over several states as the RB-47 made course corrections.

I wouldn't claim ET intelligence, but I think it's highly indicative of some form of intelligence. I've discussed this with several people who vehemently oppose this statement.

in·tel·li·gence

-noun

1. capacity for learning, reasoning, understanding, and similar forms of mental activity; aptitude in grasping truths, relationships, facts, meanings, etc.

7. interchange of information: They have been maintaining intelligence with foreign agents for years.

I find it hard not applying the most basic definition "capacity for learning, ... facts."

To completely mimic the RB-47's movements, in trail, epitomizes "interchange of information." There is no known natural phenomenon capable of these types of maneuvers.

I'll be the first to admit this doesn't stipulate biological understanding or consciousness, but at a minimum it does exhibit intelligence on the order of what's possible with robotics and computer learning techniques.

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Ironic.

I follow the RRRGroup and I'm open to any theory, but a hypothesis is worthless without tests to try and invoke it.

Frankly **we need to cut the crap** and restart actual scientific UFO investigations. Not this haphazard, amateurish bull- that's been going on for the last 40 years.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 03:51 PM by seethelight

reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 03:54 PM by Robert Hastings

Gortex: Could you please tell me what is the most compelling case/evidence you have come across in your investigation so far and do you think we are any closer to disclosure given President Obama's recent executive order on freedom of information.

RH: "No" to your second question. As regards the most compelling incident I have investigated, the Big Sur case ranks high. There is a 24-page article on my website about that, however, a shorter summary follows here:

The highly-classified Big Sur UFO Incident—according to the former U.S. Air Force officers who publicly revealed it—involved the inadvertent telescopic filming of a UFO that had suddenly appeared near a dummy nuclear warhead in flight. Both men say that the unknown object approached and circled the warhead and used beams of light to shoot it down.

Then-Lieutenant (now Dr.) Robert Jacobs and then-Major (later Dr.) Florenze J. Mansmann, Jr.—both of whom were highly-decorated by the Air Force and eventually became distinguished academicians—are adamant that the nearly unbelievable incident occurred and say that the amazing film was quickly confiscated by the CIA.

In an effort to debunk these dramatic revelations, Kingston A. George, a former civilian colleague of Dr. Jacobs, has written two articles for Skeptical Inquirer magazine, in which he makes demonstrably factual errors, easily-refutable claims, and unfounded, libelous personal attacks on Dr. Jacobs. George claims that Jacobs "concocted" the Big Sur UFO Incident, despite Mansmann's unequivocal written endorsement of the former lieutenant's account, in which he says that it is "all true as presented."

Regardless, George claims that the UFO was actually a group of decoy warheads sailing along near the genuine article. He further claims that the resolution of the telescope's recording system was so poor that the missile, the separated dummy warhead, and the decoys all appeared as points of light, with no resolvable detail, thus accounting for Jacobs' misinterpretation of what was actually on the film.

However, retired USAF Major Florenze Mansmann, the officer who actually analyzed the film at Vandenberg AFB in 1964, has written: "The [UFO's] shape was [a] classic disc. The center seemed to be a raised bubble...the entire lower saucer shape was glowing and seemed to be rotating slowly. At the point of beam release—if it was a beam, it, the object, turned like an object required to be in a position to fire from a platform...but again this could be my assumption from being in aerial combat." Mansmann said that the craft was assumed to be "extraterrestrial," given its appearance and amazing performance.

Moreover, the highly-experienced Air Force photo-analyst said that the footage clearly showed that the domed-disc UFO \*came into camera-frame\* before shooting beams of light at the dummy warhead; it did not show the release of decoy warheads \*emerging from\* the missile's payload package itself, which then flew along near the warhead, as George claims.

Obviously, there is a wide gulf between Kingston George's more recent claims about the missile launch in question and the statements of the person the Air Force officially tasked with examining the film footage, frame-by-frame, immediately after the alleged UFO incident.

Interestingly, but not widely known, the individual who twice published George's attempted debunking of the Big Sur UFO Incident, Skeptical Inquirer magazine editor Kendrick Frazier, worked for over two decades as a Public Relations Specialist for Sandia National Laboratories, which has been involved in manufacturing many of the U.S. government's nuclear weapons since the 1940s.

Curiously, one has to search diligently to discover this highly-relevant fact, given that the magazine has consistently referred to Frazier only as a "Science Writer" in its Publisher's Statement, which appears in every issue. Moreover, for some reason, Frazier chose not to mention his day job as a spin-doctor for the U.S. government's nukes program in his online biography, even though an earlier editorial position with Science News magazine was readily acknowledged by him. It was left to me to point out all of these rather interesting facts to ufology and the general public in my well-documented Big Sur exposé, "A Shot Across the Bow: Another Look at the Big Sur UFO Incident," first published in International UFO Reporter in 2006.

--Robert Hastings

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#### reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 04:02 PM by Unity\_99

reply to post by drew hempel

Now this explains your presence on my thread about morningmayan's frequency and manifesting class. You were debating believers of ufos, so I can deduce without reading this thread that you're a skeptic. Of course I will read this entire thread. I've starred and flagged it, it looks wonderful, but I have to say I've been an experiencer since I was 4 years old, my family as well. The classic, abductions, missing time, even involved a driving partner for my brother when they experienced it during a truck run for more produce for the farmers market, ie. in a semi or the 5 ton, can't remember which. And have had contact all my life with non terran humans as well, my own star family.

Really complicated mess it all becomes especially when the elite have been conspiring with greys for quite some time, I call that Vrill. I know two people I've written to with connections to underground bases that are linked to this program throughout the world and in the US. This is connected to the eugenics, abductions and depopulation agendas. But this is also connected to more negative controlling type ets, the primary ones being zetans. In these abductions, children were worked with long term in kind of M'Kultra type programs as well.

Moving along. There is another force here, and when you talked about the Cosmic Mother, or Divine Mother, you're talking about something real, something that my pleiadian angelic walk in friend discusses alot of.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 04:05 PM by Xtraeme

Originally posted by seethelight reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

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I appreciate that.

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I think you bring up a fantastic point (no insult taken!).

There's a guy here on ATS, goes by the handle of sirnex, who asked a rather apropos question, "**Does probability really exist?**" As a computer scientist I've professionally worked with cryptography, randomness batteries, and my specific training has to do with game development which requires a rather good understanding of physics & analytic geometry.

The more time you spend dealing with crypto the more you realize that randomness simply represents a really hard problem. Everything has symmetry. There are very few things in nature that actually produce asymmetric results. Humans are one of the few things we observe that are actually stochastic.

The way I evaluate "coincidence" versus an actual pattern is by what I call "counting coincidences." If you count up the coincidences in the case of the RB-47 incident the odds become overwhelming that something extremely bizarre was in the air and to try to come up with an explanation that doesn't invoke intelligence requires ignoring a great bulk of the evidence.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 04:07 PM by traditionaldrummer

An "informed opinion" is still an opinion. Bring us some facts, something we can touch and test and verify beyond a reasonable doubt. Otherwise, your informed opinion and \$2 will get you a subway ride in Manhattan.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 04:14 PM by Unity\_99

Originally posted by xfiler reply to **post by gortex** I've just read a very, very interesting article in the January 2010 edition of Share International Magazine that details the relationship between the UFO phenomenon and our Nuclear activities. Not only are UFO's actively watching and monitoring our use of Nuclear Fission, they actually mop up the radiation as best they can within Karmic Laws. They have also been instrumental in helping to mitigate internationals conflicts that would have led to nuclear confrontation

The Space Brothers, mainly from Mars and Venus, are engaged on a spiritual mission to neutralize this nuclear
radiation. They are not allowed to completely neutralize all the extant nuclear radiation, but within the karmic law they do, using various implosive devices. They neutralize the radiation that we are pumping into the atmosphere from every nuclear power station without exception, and from all nuclear experimentation. We are continually making more and craftier bombs that will be more deadly than previous bombs. All of that experimentation releases into our atmosphere clouds of nuclear radiation that we do not know about. We cannot measure it and therefore more with every the context of the test of test of the test of test of the test of therefore we deny its existence. Our nuclear scientists believe they have total control of nuclear energy, which, demonstrably, they do not. They have no understanding of the four etheric levels of matter above the solid, liquid and gaseous levels and therefore a limited knowledge of what they know as nuclear energy. It is deadly and is increasingly damaging the health of the people of this planet. There's also included an amazing photo of a huge extraordinary object in the sky over Peru. Here's the link to this article: www.share-international.org... And these are the good ones, the confederation ones, along with those connected to terran bases here probably, and in our solar system. They also protect some of us from grey abductions and implants as well, and have removed implants from some experiencers. **<u>COPYRIGHT & USAGE</u>** reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 04:16 PM by seethelight reply to post by Xtraeme I hear all of that, but human minds and groups tend to be self-reinforcing. Once we believe in a pattern, everything falls into place. The blinking in and out of the anomaly, for instance... If when it disappeared, it reappeared in front of another human, that human would assume that they were its "target". Not saying that happened, btw., but that when we start believing things our entire world-view tends to mould to our beliefs. Not matter what reality actually ... well... is. I understand you have developed methods you trust, when you evaluate information, and that's admirable, but unless this happens repeatedly we already have "all the available information" on this case. The rest is supposition based on our beliefs and our passions and our desire.

I'm not saying your wrong, per se, but that we can't know, probably ever, what "right" is/was in this case.

So that's not good enough for me to make "definitive" claims.

And that, at the core, is my problem with the OP.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 04:18 PM by Unity\_99

### Originally posted by Grayelf2009

Sounds like to me that if a person was inclined to increase one's chance of seeing a magnetic/plasma type craft or UFO....they should keep an eye on the local Military base or Nuclear plant.

And also they can meditate and work at overcoming any belief systems that allow them to think this world is ok, and people should be starving if they don't work for big corporations, and that exploiting animals and nature is natural and a God given right. Because if you're way ahead of this in your world view and meditate and ask out under the stars, I'll think it wont be long before flashes that respond to your thoughts and even sitings of crafts begins.

[edit on 24-1-2010 by Unity\_99]

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 05:01 PM by Robert Hastings

Atomic: IMO, Hastings is one of the few that I trust in this UFO field. Anyone that calls out Michael Salla's shoddy nonsense, like he does, will always have my respect.

RH: Sad to say, many people think that Salla is a credible source of information on the subject of UFOs and nukes. He is nothing of the sort and I told him so, after he wrote about my research in one of his articles, in July 2009, and then mingled my findings with a hoax perpetrated by a well-known fraud and con artist, Bill Knell, involving a supposed incident during which newsman Walter Cronkite allegedly saw a UFO shoot down an ICBM. The story was made up by Knell.

Salla, being the thoroughly incompetent "researcher" that he is, swallowed the tale without any attempt to verify its veracity and posted it online, where it was quickly picked up and disseminated by other websites.

Similar inexcusable gaffes by Salla can be found in abundance, far too many for me to address here. One especially grievous example is his blind acceptance of the MJ-12 hoax, which I first exposed in 1989 as an USAF Office of Special Investigations disinformation scheme, involving ex-OSI agent Richard Doty and now-discredited UFO researcher Bill Moore.

While Moore long ago slunk away into well-deserved oblivion, Doty and fellow disinformation specialist Robert Collins are still gleefully spreading their lies on the Internet. As noted earlier, my most recent expose on the subject is the article "Operation Bird Droppings" which may be found at the UFO Chronicles website and elsewhere.

In short, Michael Salla's uninformed rants muddy the waters and, therefore, complicate the inevitable disclosure of the reality of the UFO phenomenon by the U.S. government and other governments worldwide. It is difficult enough for the average person to weigh claims and counterclaims, in an effort to separate fact from fiction, without useless hacks like Salla creating more problems for them.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 05:06 PM by Xtraeme

Originally posted by seethelight reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

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If when it disappeared, it reappeared in front of another human, that human would assume that they were its "target".

I would only say "I'm the object's target" if it happened numerous times, after I had changed position in a manner that was discontinuous. Which is what we see with the RB-47 case.

Not saying that happened, btw., but that when we start believing things our entire world-view tends to mould to our beliefs.

Not matter what reality actually ... well... is.

This is an inevitable problem with humans projecting & trying to force an idea "to fit it in to the shoe." A common approach to get around this is to use computer modeling, applying a consistent approach on a large set of data, to see what falls out.

I understand you have developed methods you trust, when you evaluate information, and that's admirable, but unless this happens repeatedly we already have "all the available information" on this case. The rest is supposition based on our beliefs and our passions and our desire.

The age old, "If it's not repeatable it can't be said to be true" problem. This is a huge hurdle. I've put together a proposal to resolve this issue in a scientifically rigorous manner as I somewhat touch on below ...

I'm not saying your wrong, per se, but that we can't know, probably ever, what "right" is/was in this case.

So that's not good enough for me to make "definitive" claims.

And that, at the core, is my problem with the OP.

Your point demonstrates the difficulty of dealing with anecdotal evidence. However most people are intelligent enough that they can distinguish earnest accounts from fluff. Absolutely some people are schizophrenic. Others so badly want for their observation to be something extraordinary that they jump to the conclusion that it must be alien despite other possible mundane explanations. This is why the AF, in 1952, stopped giving credence to many UFO reports simply because it required a



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The Art of Protest in Pictures. General Chit Chat: 1 hours ago considerable amount of time sifting through peoples biases / perceptual errors. It's well known that 90-95% of all UFO observations are mundane, but the residue of truly astonishing accounts is what's interesting and worth narrowing in on.

Where the subject of UFOs becomes truly compelling is when there's objective evidence supporting the notion of an airborne object.

Annecdotal accounts, though not rigorous, have scientific value. More to the point I was even able to demonstrate how **anecdotal UFO reports have tangibly benefited science**. The trick is making those anecdotal accounts as objectively rigorous as possible to reduce the signal-to-noise ratio.

Furthermore at the heart of your post is that as people collect data, they often try to fill in the "holes" with various hypotheses to rationalize the observation. Something that ufologists need to learn is to separate hypotheses from identifications and keep the facts separate from pet theories.

The study of UFOs is effectively what intelligence analysts deal with on a daily basis. They gather imperfect information, make an assessment, and then pipe data reduction reports to various governmental departments.

Much the same science still has lots of swiss-cheese sized holes and we have to take our leads wherever we get them (anecdotal or otherwise). Defining UFO as a "process to identify an unidentified aerial sighting" correctly illustrates the notion of how we as humans deal with incomplete information and how we go about gaining clarity.

In the cases where UFO sightings aren't simply misidentifications, the concept of UFOs as a process to identify the sighting provides a mental framework so the information derived from rigorous analysis reveals unassailable properties about the sighting.

The details that "fall out" of this process potentially highlight a new phenomenon. Thereby giving scientists in all areas of study ideas on how to induce / better study it.

In my view the study of UFOs can be thought of as "Intelligence gathering for Science." So at the heart of the "Ufology" is the need for an automated "process to identify an unidentified aerial object." I've been working on an application to perform this function and I've been courting NAS, NSF, & various other agencies to gain further funding.

Proof is in the eye-of-the-beholder. Thankfully scientific processes makes the bar very high. So we can say with a great deal of confidence what we know is true.

My goal is to decrease the time we spend bickering about what is and what isn't by simply ruling out what is. Then we can focus on the facts of these truly astonishing cases & try to answer for ourselves what they might represent.

To be honest I would be much happier if UFOs that exhibit craft-like properties DO NOT represent non-human or non-present-day human crafts. I'm strongly against the idea of spraying radio signals out in to space. We simply have no idea what we're exposing ourselves to. The longer we can isolate ourselves the better.

If, and I say a big IF, some UFOs represent a non-terrestrial intelligence, I can't help but think we're f##ked.

Besides, as you pointed out, very often things we ascribe somewhat incredible properties to often turn out to have more down-to-earth explanations. I'm all for this type of thinking.

Even if we're only encountering a new physical aspect of reality (ha! - only), it's still useful to our understanding of the world around us. It's the very point of science to explain things & to rigorously ascertain aspects of our reality.

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# <u>NEW-HOT</u>: Active New Topics

Newest topics getting replies, in real-time:

Romney TORTURE Memo Leaked US Political Madness: 14 hours ago, 83 replies

Why is there a shadow of a "person" in this Mars rover image?

The second science stops answering peoples questions in an unbiased manner, it's no longer serving its function. Furthermore it's the point of government to ensure its people safety. Many people, myself included, are floored at the utter irresponsibility of the DOD flatly stating,

No UFO reported, investigated, and evaluated by the Air Force has ever given any indication of threat to our national security." **www.dod.mil...** 

This is blatant misinformation and patently false.

Thanks to Mr. Hastings we know that on Mar. 16, 1967 in Montana at the Malmstrom AFB Minutemen Missile Launch Control Center (LCC), a perimeter security guard phoned the on-staff Deputy Crew Commander (DMCCC), Cpt. Robert Salas, in the LCC capsule to report a glowing-red orb floating over the facility. Salas not believing this instructed the man to "call [back] when something more significant happened."

5 to 10 minutes later, following another distressed security call, the alarm klaxon sounded and lights at the commander's station flashed indicating missiles were entering a "no-go," or unlaunchable, condition. Oscar-flight lost 6 to 8 missiles that morning. Several miles away at Echo-flight, under similar circumstances, another LCC crew lost all 10 missiles.

The loss of 1 nuclear missile let alone 18 is unprecedented.

According to **FOIA declassified Strategic Missile Wing documents** and interviews with ex-Boeing engineers' tests were unable to identify a pathway for missile shutdowns. Mr. Salas has since gone before the National Press Club and stated that he's willing to **testify before Congress** to the truthfulness of this account.

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### reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 05:06 PM by Xtraeme

So I find this subject to be of the utmost importance not only to our understanding of the world around us, but as it relates to our very survival. The extremes of what these reported phenomena possibly represent are so dramatic that they practically scream for real scientific analysis & governmental involvement.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 05:19 PM by gortex

reply to **post by Robert Hastings** 

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Member of 'Obama Boyz' gang charged in St. Louis shootings Global News Discussion: 9 hours ago, 40 replies

I never worked and never will Rant: 9 hours ago, 37 replies

'Jesus Not Allowed': Anti-Faith Sentiment Sweeps US Conspiracies in Religions: 7 hours ago, 35 replies Thanks for that Robert , I am aware of the incident with the dummy warhead and have seen various interviews with Robert Jacobs , who seems to me to be a take it or leave it kind of guy , Level headed and convinced of what he saw . I appreciate the extra detail on the case and will check out the article on your site . Keep up the good work



### reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 05:39 PM by Robert Hastings

Traditionaldrummer: An "informed opinion" is still an opinion. Bring us some facts, something we can touch and test and verify beyond a reasonable doubt.

RH: There are thousands of facts on my website and in my book. Although the vast majority of Americans are completely unaware of \*this\* fact, hundreds of U.S. Air Force, FBI, and CIA documents—declassified via the Freedom of Information Act—establish a convincing pattern of UFO incursions at U.S. nuclear weapons sites, decade after decade, beginning in December 1948.

These dramatic events have occurred at missile launch sites, bomb and missile warhead storage facilities, nuclear development laboratories, and weapons test sites in Nevada and the Pacific.

Over the past 37 years, I have taken the testimony of more than 120 ex-Air Force personnel—ranging from former airmen to retired colonels—who report extraordinary encounters at nuclear weapons sites which have obvious national security implications. In fact, taken to their logical conclusion, the incidents described have \*planetary\* implications, given the horrific consequences of a full-scale, global nuclear war.

While most of the reported UFO incidents apparently involved mere surveillance, a few of them resulted in the shutdown of large numbers of nuclear missiles, according to former and retired U.S. Air Force personnel interviewed by myself and other researchers. Upon inspection, the missiles' guidance and control systems were found to have been disrupted in an unknown manner, requiring the complete replacement of key components.

The most terrifying nukes-related UFO incident occurred at Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota, in the mid-1960s, according to former Minuteman launch officer David H. Schuur, who says that a UFO temporarily \*activated\* most of his missiles, requiring the immediate implementation of emergency procedures to abort their unauthorized launch!

A nearly-identical incident occurred in Soviet Ukraine in 1982, according to two retired Soviet Army officers interviewed by ABC News in 1994.

Now, granted, none of these facts are testable, per se. Nevertheless, we now have dozens of ex-USAF personnel--individuals trusted by the U.S. government to operate or guard weapons of mass destruction--coming forward and revealing that UFOs have long monitored, and sometimes tampered with, our nuclear missiles. And, according to the Soviet Army officers referenced above, the Russians have apparently had the same problem.

True, all of this is anecdotal. If you want \*empirical\* data related to UFOs, search websites devoted to the radar tracking evidence. For example, **www.narcap.org...** 

Also, Ted Phillips' physical trace data website, at www.ufophysical.com...

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reply to post by Robert Hastings

Welcome Mr. Hastings, just so happens I am listening to an interview you did with George Knapp on July 26, 2009 to refresh my memory.

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### reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 06:44 PM by ikonspyre

can anyone tell me what the point of finding all this evidence is if you know the gov will never cop to it? you know practically speaking that you will never convince the masses...for lots of obvious reasons. So...practically speaking what does anyone have to gain by trying to convince anyone of anything? especially in this age when no one trusts anything because everything can be faked to a very believable degree for 99% of those who even care enough to read anything beyond a headline.

Im sorry, i totally respect the intellectual and argumentative capacity of you guys....and this is coming from a person that believes in 'ufos' per se. I just dont think anything short of an actual invasion scenario will mean dick to the average joe or jane.

usually when i try to 'enlighten' someone to fringe technology (and i think ufo's might qualify) i like to do some background historical stuff on people and things they have never heard of but should....like Tesla and all the tech he helped create or influence. Then ill cover a few other ppl like Agnew Bahnson and T.T. Brown, Viktor Schauberger etc. ...all people and things that are pretty easy to document and prove are/were real. By this time most ppls heads are spinning and i didnt even really get to the ufo subject, albeit perhaps obliquely through some of those characters.

and whats more is....lets say i manage to, by some feat of sound reasoning, convince my audience there is somethin to all of this..... \*clears throat\* now what? 99% of my audience wont have the time, money, or anything else necessary to do anything to change anything....and even if that isnt true in reality.....its often already true in ppls minds....so they wont even try. This is why the whole theme, it seems....is largely a philosophical discussion/argument among those that actually care about the subject.

anyway....

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### reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 07:40 PM by Indivisible Year of Christ

What I can't stand is that people have never settled one revolving argument!

First we know our government is corrupt. If you just watch the billions of dollars that spin through our politician's offices everday, that is quite literally all the evidence you would need to understand that there is an agenda and those who dictate are those with the largest wallets. Second we think that all Politicians have no code of ethics and lie through their teeth from every angle. Henceforth all the BS that comes from campaigning and seemingly never gets achieved once in office.

So NOW all of a sudden this freedom of information act happens, which I think is a clever ploy at a seeminly clever moment in time, and we are all there waiting with our drueling mouths hanging open to cut through a whole lot of nothing, only to draw large inferences from a group of people that we already know are full of crap. WOW!



You can have your UFO dream! IMO this is crap flung from one side of the room to the other. Legitimacy is earned I think when the information presented provides a real benefit, NOT a mountain of paperwork that our bueracratic system shoveled out that seemingly leaves us scratching our heads.

As for the professor guy at IDAHO STATE! LOL! get a life your grabbing at straw this guy looks like a 78 year old wash out who is just now finally hitting the height of his career because he is to unwilling to admit that his years of research has gotten him nowhere.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 07:41 PM by drew hempel

Robert Hastings -- thanks again for providing so much detailed information in your responses.

By "current technology" I did mean in relation to the UFO sightings -- not just to "present" time -- but then it is possible that technology exists which actually bends spacetime.

Also I, myself, had a very close encounter with a big black equilateral triangle in the summer of 1997. I was watching X files with my sister. The show ended. She said -- there's those lights I've seen before. We go out on the deck -- there's balls of light -- each a different color -- doing wild formations on the horizon. She gets bored and goes in. I stand there and determine what it's not -- I rule out helicopter, airplane, headlights, tower lights. Then I see the lights are on a craft heading towards our house!

The craft appears over the woods of our neighbors -- slowly flying. It then goes right over our hill and then over the tree next to the hill -- so I could triangulate its size and height in the sky. It's equilateral, no fuselage, and making a humming noise, lights on each corner.

Now when I saw this I could have hit it with a rock! But I didn't dare take my eyes off it. I had already been investigating UFOs a bit -- I had read John Keel's Operation Trojan Horse and I had read Jacque Vallee. Still I had no other witnesses but my immediate reaction was this was a secret military craft.

So I told my family and my mom ran the local legal newspaper and one of the workers showed me her 3-ringed binder of all the local clippings from a mass sighting in 1978. I recently got those articles from her -- and guess what -- same craft -- a triangle. She had told me that there were cattle mutilations and one rancher even moved away. She said we "lived in a military flight test corridor."

O.K. then I discovered on rense.com that there had been many SAME sightings -humming noise -- equilateral craft -- no fuselage. But more so -- these craft can accelerate incredibly fast!!

Robert Hastings -- have you seen the youtube footage of these triangles? About a third of them are actually the secret spy satellite which makes a triangle -- not the actual triangle craft. But there is some footage of the triangle craft actually accelerating!! It is amazing and just like you describe for the D.C. mass sighting.

O.K. I emailed this info -- most of it -- to Nick Redfern back around 2005. Redfern then told me that he had documented a triangle craft - just as all these other sightings -- equilateral - no fuselage -- only this was at a military base in the U.K. -- a U.S. military base -- 1949 I think. It was in the late 1940s.

Then I studied the articles for the local 1978 mass sighting -- Brad Ayers came out from J. Allen Hynek's Center for UFO studies -- to take witness statements. A lady had missing time. She was hypnotized and she stated she had been abducted into the craft.

So what is "current technology"? Nazi technology? Tesla technology? Tesla was working on electromagnetic propulsion systems as were John Keely and Victor Schauberger, etc. Electrogravitics is a documented field for propulsion, as are ion thrusters and various other plasma designs.

Now I don't expect there to be some hard evidence that in fact this technology is military and not extraterrestrial. In fact I expect that even the military does not know. The black operations budget is HUGE and the military is so compartmentalized that no one really knows what is going on.

reply to post by Robert Hastings

[edit on 24-1-2010 by drew hempel]

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 07:48 PM by BlackShark

Originally posted by gortex "There is a distinct and fundamental difference between having an opinion and having an informed opinion. I've done the research for 30 years and they haven't. If they wish to indulge themselves with their uninformed opinion there is nothing I can do about that," said Hastings.

So he wasted 30 years trying to prove aliens exist, unsuccesffully and now demands rest of us do the same before we come to the conclusion they don't?

Well, I do believe they exist somewhere in the universe..without any doubt. But..do they visit Earth? I don't think so.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 08:05 PM by Xtraeme

reply to post by BlackShark

The song in your sig is absolutely hilarious!

I vote you internet troll of the year.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 10:45 PM by Atomic

reply to **post by seethelight** 

LOL...I'm not sure your definition of "serious" is acceptable, but apparently mine was not to you. I doubt I can change that seeing how if the real UFO proof existed then this message board would not exist-nor would our discussion. So let's not go down that road of "give me what I want or you're a fool" talk. We're not at a Eagles vs Giants game where you need to shout down everyone that isn't rooting for your team. I'm not rooting for anyone, but I do like to see a good player perform and Hastings, I believe is moving the yardsticks. He's opening doors that may lead to more revelations...I consider that a sign of a serious researcher.

This board can wear on you if you let it get to you...not everyone is a star child lover looking for magic aliens, or a "follower" of some UFO investigator. I take it for what it is; a possibility that other living conscious creatures evolved before us somewhere in this universe (sorry just an opinion, I can't produce one for you). There were lifeforms on our own planet 500 million years ago...nothing says other planets haven't done the same and evolved intelligent creatures ahead of us. I try to keep a universal view and not a human centric one of "our time" being equal to "life's time".

I'm not here to defend Hastings. But I love that he is going after those that have plagued us with disinformation and their kooky bull----. His conclusions are his, I'm not 100% sure of anything.

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 11:13 PM by drew hempel

Another factor to keep in mind about this type of "government reports" research is the "Double Bubble" technique:

cannonfire.blogspot.com...

reply to post by Atomic

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 11:16 PM by talisman

reply to post by drew hempel

I find it hard to believe that Our Technology accounts for the phenomena that has been going on for so long. It probably accounts for a lot of it, but not all of it. The amount of sightings the world-over would require an \*enormous\* production of such craft and resources and to have been kept up for so long.

Some of the sightings occur in remote areas while others not, some occur right over people's homes and to fly such "sensitive craft" so close to "home" is not only dangerous but foolish should something go wrong, it could leave something for the "enemy" or claims of negligence by people who could be injured if such a thing like a crash happened.

Can you imagine the consequences of "toying" with "nuclear missiles?"

It seems to me that the most reasonable explanation of the facts is that the craft(some of) we are witnessing are indeed not from here.

[edit on 24-1-2010 by talisman]

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reply posted on 24-1-2010 @ 11:30 PM by drew hempel

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l	Nuclear weapons are foolish. Possible modern males are foolish in general. Take the toys away from the boys according to Dr. Helen Caldicott's book, "Missile Envy"



I don't know anyone who primarily researches this stuff for the purpose of trying to 'convince the masses'.

Edit:

Hey Mr Hastings,

I'm glad you stopped by (I just realized it was you).

Thanks for all that research you did over these years. There are plenty of us here who appreciate what you've done and the way you approach the subject. Good stuff.  $\searrow$ 

Now I gotta go think of a good question for you.

[edit on 25-1-2010 by Exuberant1]

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reply posted on 25-1-2010 @ 01:44 AM by Exuberant1

Mr Hastings,

I have often wondered about how I would treat the UFO problem, were I in charge of deciding on the courses of action to be taken with regards to it.

However, you probably have a great deal more experience with the phenomena and how it has related to military issues than this researcher, so I'd like to get your answer to the following question:

Do you think we (the United States) should be making attempts to shoot them down, or should we be passively observing the phenomena and gathering data on it that way?

\*I cannot remember if you have already answered a similiar question elsewhere. I hope I'm being original here.

[edit on 25-1-2010 by Exuberant1]

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The CIA and the UFO Mythos Posted 16 days ago with 26 member flags [edit on 25-1-2010 by BlackShark] UFO Reporting for the 21st Century! **COPYRIGHT & USAGE** Posted 12 days ago with 26 member flags reply posted on 25-1-2010 @ 11:52 AM by Robert Hastings Drew Hempel: Redfern then told me that he had documented a triangle craft - just as all these other sightings -- equilateral - no fuselage -- only this was at a military base in the U.K. -- a U.S. military base -- 1949 I think. It was in the late 1940s. RH: Highly doubtful but I am interested in the specifics, if you can provide them. Redfern is another well-intentioned but gullible soul who got taken by retired OSI disinfo agent/now chronic liar Richard Doty. If Redfern can fall for Doty's BS, I wonder about the credibility of his other "sources." ^^^^ Exuberant1: Do you think we (the United States) should be making attempts to shoot them down, or should we be passively observing the phenomena and gathering data on it that way? RH: The "shoot-em-down" response is predictable, given the military mindset, but it is not prudent.(BTW, my father was in the U.S. Force for 20 years; his father was U.S. Army for over 30. I never joined up because I have this tendency to talk back.) On the subject of allegedly downed UFOs, either those that crashed or were shot down, see former CIA officer Victor Marchetti's article "How the CIA Views the UFO Phenomenon" at: www.baron-family.net... Marchetti also speculates about the reasons underlying the UFO cover-up, not only in the U.S. but worldwide. (Marchetti resigned from the agency in the mid-1970s, citing CIA's rampant disregard for law and morality. He co-wrote the best-selling book The CIA and the Cult of Intelligence, which the agency tried to block, or at least censor, taking their case all the way to the Supreme Court.) **COPVEIGHT & USAGE** reply posted on 25-1-2010 @ 12:02 PM by Robert Hastings Now, back to the missile-related cases. From my book UFOs and Nukes: Coincidentally or not, UFO activity at ICBM sites appeared to escalate during the 1960s as well. If UFOs were not sighted more frequently—something that would be difficult to determine with precision-the phenomenon's actions were certainly more audacious. Although UFOs had been sighted at F.E. Warren AFB's Atlas missile sites VIDEO) in the early 1960s, their next known appearance, above several Minuteman missile sites, on August 1, 1965, was nothing less than spectacular. Fortunately, those incidents were documented in stunning detail by the Air Force's UFO investigations group, Project Blue Book. to Mecca By that time, the base, located at Cheyenne, Wyoming, had phased-out its obsolete Arabiya claims

Atlas nuclear missiles and installed in their place the less vulnerable and more powerful Minuteman I ICBMs. At the time of the documented incidents, the 90th Missile Strategic Missile Wing had over 200 of them, scattered across the tri-state area of Wyoming, Colorado, and Nebraska.

Beginning at 1:30 a.m. on August 1st, various personnel at F.E. Warren AFB, Wyoming-including the base commander-telephoned the Air Force's UFO Project

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Blue Book, at Wright-Patterson AFB, to report several UFOs near the base's Minuteman Launch Control Facilities designated Echo (E), Golf (G), and Quebec (Q), and at Launch Facilities designated B-4, E-2, G-1, and H-2.

The Officer-on-Duty at Blue Book that night was a Lt. Anspaugh (first name unknown), who carefully logged the flurry of incoming calls.4 Shortly thereafter, an official memorandum was written which summarized the information that had been reported to him. Following the closure of Project Blue Book four years later, the contents of the memo were published in 1972, by Dr. J. Allen Hynek, who had served as the civilian scientific consultant to the project at the time of the sightings.

The significance of this Air Force memorandum can not be understated. It documents a series of stunning UFO sightings by various individuals stationed at the missile base, including several security guards posted at Warren's ICBM sites.

# THE LOG ENTRIES:

1:30 a.m. - Captain Snelling, of the U.S. Air Force command post near Cheyenne, Wyoming, called to say that 15 to 20 phone calls had been received at the local radio station about a large circular object emitting several colors but no sound, sighted over the city. Two officers and one airman controller at the base reported that after being sighted directly over base operations, the object had begun to move rapidly to the northeast.

2:20 a.m. - Colonel Johnson, base commander of Francis E. Warren Air Force Base, near Cheyenne, Wyoming, called [Blue Book] to say that the commanding officer of the Sioux Army Depot saw five objects at 1:45 A.M. and reported an alleged configuration of two UFOs previously reported over E Site. At 1:49 a.m. members of E flight reportedly saw what appeared to be the same [formation] reported at 1:48 a.m. by G flight. Two security teams were dispatched from E flight to investigate.

2:50 a.m. - Nine more UFOs were sighted, and at 3:35 a.m. Colonel Williams, commanding officer of the Sioux Army Depot, at Sydney, Nebraska, reported five UFOs going east.

4:05~a.m. - Colonel Johnson made another phone call to [Blue Book] to say that at 4:00~a.m.,~Q flight reported nine UFOs in sight; four to the northwest, three to the northeast, and two over Cheyenne.

4:40 a.m. - Captain Howell, Air Force Command Post, called [Blue Book] and Defense Intelligence Agency to report that a Strategic Air Command Team at Site H-2 at 3:00 a.m. reported a white oval UFO directly overhead. Later Strategic Air Command Post passed the following: Francis E. Warren Air Force Base reports (Site B-4 3:17 a.m.) –A UFO 90 miles east of Cheyenne at a high rate of speed and descending—oval and white with white lines on its sides and a flashing red light in its center moving east; reported to have landed 10 miles east of the site.

3:20 a.m. - Seven UFOs reported east of the site.

3:25 a.m. - E Site reported six UFOs stacked vertically.

 $3:27 \mbox{ a.m.}$  - G-1 reported one ascending and at the same time, E-2 reported two additional UFOs had joined the seven for a total of nine.

3:28 a.m. - G-1 reported a UFO descending further, going east.

3:32 a.m. - The same site has a UFO climbing and leveling off.

3:40 a.m. - G Site reported one UFO at 70' azimuth and one at 120'. Three now came from the east, stacked vertically, passed through the other two, with all five heading west.

END OF LOG ENTRIES

This Blue Book memorandum reveals, in dramatic detail, the extraordinary nature

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<u>NEW-HOT</u>: Active New Topics

Two of those teams, positioned several miles apart, had reported the objects to be oval-shaped, while other observers in the city of Cheyenne had reported a "circular" UFO. Furthermore, two base commanders—Colonel Robert Johnson at Warren AFB, and a Colonel Williams at the Sioux Army Depot—had been among those who had reported the sightings to Project Blue Book.

When Blue Book's former scientific consultant, Dr. J. Allen Hynek, published these telephone log entries in his 1972 book, The UFO Experience: A Scientific Inquiry, he also revealed that he had once approached the project's chief about the ICBM-related sighting reports referenced in it. He wrote, "When I asked Major Quintinilla what was being done about investigating these reports, he said that the sightings were nothing but stars! This is certainly tantamount to saying that our Strategic Air Command, responsible for the defense of our country against major attacks from the air, was staffed by a notable set of incompetents who mistook twinkling stars for strange craft."

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### reply posted on 25-1-2010 @ 12:09 PM by Robert Hastings

Regarding the UFO incursions at F.E. Warren AFB, here is another excerpt from my book:

During a telephone interview, Jay Earnshaw told me, "I was a captain, a Missile Combat Crew Commander or, early on, a Deputy Commander, primarily at Echo Flight. Between 1965 and 1968, except for assignments overseas, I was with all three squadrons at Warren—the 319th, the 320th and the 321st. Echo was assigned to the 319th. We did have [UFO] sightings at Echo Flight. There were times that our security forces up above would report strange things. Lights in the sky. Because I was a missile commander, the security people were required to call down to the capsule and report anything unusual going on up there. The information we got about the UFOs was that none of them came inside the fenced area [around the Echo Launch Control Facility], and none of them touched-down in the area outside the fence. As reported by the on-duty security controller, the [unexplained] lights visible from Echo Flight would have extended from the northwest to the southeast. So they were all just strange aerial lights, making no noise, that would stack on top of one another [my emphasis] and then just disappear."

I asked Earnshaw if he could recall any specific description of the aerial lights. He

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'Jesus Not Allowed': Anti-Faith Sentiment Sweeps US Conspiracies in Religions: 7 hours ago, 35 replies said, "The security people described them as oblong or, from the correct perspective, disc-like. No reported markings or navigation lights. If a color was reported, it was usually reddish or orange-ish shades. They were reported as 'aloft' or 'up in the air' but I don't recall any mention of altitude—no reliable estimated distance other than 'close."

He continued, "At first, I thought of temperature inversions because I'm technicallyoriented. I'm a pilot and I know that the atmosphere can create illusions [involving refracted lights that appear nearby but are actually miles away]. I tend to hold things off at arm's length and consider all of the possibilities."

I asked Earnshaw about the approximate time-frame for those incidents. He responded, "The sightings at Echo were around 1965, '66, '67—probably more around the beginning of that period and tapering off around the end. There were times when that went on at more than one [launch control] site. They were not reported during daylight hours"

Earnshaw then said, "There was a continuing ruckus about those kinds of sightings and, ultimately, we were told by the Operations Branch officers to ignore them. As everything is 'down-channel' in the military, they themselves were probably told by the Squadron Commanders who, in turn, were probably advised by the 'Wing King' to stifle the 'ridiculous' reports, and he was probably directed by SAC [Headquarters] to pass that along to the launch officers. They told us that UFOs had been officially disavowed by Project Blue Book, that they had turned out to be swamp gas and weather balloons and all that jazz. After awhile, [the launch commanders] started saying, 'Well, it's going to affect my OER (Officer Efficiency Report) if I keep insisting on this.' We were led to believe that if we continued to report those sightings, it would lead to a loss of our credibility. So, instead of notifying the Wing Command Post, we just started logging those reports down and then never heard another thing about it."

Earnshaw added, "I heard that OSI (the Office of Special Investigations) was debriefing people. OSI was charged with doing whatever the commanders above them wanted done. That was one of the reasons why we didn't want to report the sightings—we didn't want to get involved with OSI. You never knew what could happen to you should they start looking into your professional and personal lives. Even an innocent can spend a great deal of his precious off-duty time giving statements, and so on. Also, even though they were not officially allowed into your OER's, the crews knew that OSI questions, and the answers you might give, could seriously sway the commanders' rating your performance reports."

I asked Earnshaw to estimate the number of UFO-related calls he had received from the security police topside at Echo. He said, "There were a few. It wasn't a multitude of calls. Those calls were eventually discouraged by higher command, as I mentioned a moment ago. There was a lot of pressure by Blue Book to keep this under wraps and, you know, they were saying publicly that there was nothing to [UFOs] and all that. But [among the missile launch commanders] there were reports by word of mouth. The sightings of 1 August [1965] that you mentioned a moment ago, I heard about those. But it was one of those things that was never officially acknowledged. I heard about it through scuttlebutt and, sometimes, scuttlebutt is the best A-number one source [of information], particularly in situations where the primary concern is security."

Earnshaw then said firmly, "But we got reports from our security people that there were objects in the sky stacked up, one on top of the other, just hovering there. The Russians sure didn't have the capability to do that! So that leaves only one other possibility. I am one who believes that we are not the only ones in the Universe and, well, I think someone might have been interested in what we were doing at our [nuclear missile] sites. I wasn't one of the witnesses to these events, because I was underground in the capsule, but my second-hand information from the security people up above was that the objects were really there."

Although Earnshaw said that he had only heard about the incidents of August 1, 1965, I quickly wondered if that was correct. I am aware of only two reported sighting incidents—at any SAC base, during any era—during which the Air or



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Security Police had reported UFOs "stacked" above a Launch Control Facility, and both of those occurred at F.E. Warren AFB, on August 1st, 1965. More to the point, one of the reports was at the Echo Flight LCF, where Earnshaw usually pulled alert duty. As noted above, the Project Blue Book telephone log compiled by Lt. Anspaugh had stated:

"3:25 a.m. - E [Echo] Site reported six UFOs stacked vertically."

I told Earnshaw that because the SPs had told him that the UFOs were stacked-up over Echo during one of the incidents, I was inclined to believe that he may have actually been in the launch capsule for the August 1st event. He replied, "I guess it could've been. I pulled alert there that month too, as well as [during most of] '66, and '68, as I previously mentioned."

I asked Earnshaw if he recalled hearing scuttlebutt about missiles dropping off alert status at a time when UFOs were in the vicinity of a given missile flight. He paused awhile and then said, "Well, of course, we would often have a missile go off alert, but not in any unusual way. The guidance system wouldn't spin-up right, for one reason or another. But, yes, I heard reports like that—of [several] missiles going off alert simultaneously [during the UFO incidents]—but I wasn't privy to the big picture, only the narrow one. Nothing like that happened at Echo when I was there." I quickly pressed for details about the reports he had heard. After another pause, Earnshaw said somewhat warily, "It was a long time ago, and what I heard was second-hand." It seemed clear that this particular line of questioning would elicit no more useful information, for one reason or another.

At the end of the conversation, once I had Earnshaw's testimony on record, I told him about the two UFO-related, large-scale missile shutdowns at Malmstrom AFB, in March 1967. Obviously surprised, he responded, "Really?! Twice? Wow! That's a national security situation!"

I thanked Earnshaw for allowing me to publish his comments and told him I strongly believed that this kind of information should finally be in the public record. He responded, "I couldn't agree with you more."

--Robert Hastings

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reply posted on 25-1-2010 @ 12:41 PM by gortex

reply to post by Robert Hastings

Hi Robert , I have just one more question for you , As I am from England I have an interest in the Rendlesham Forrest UFO , do you have any information or an opinion on the Rendlesham incident , rumor has it that the base housed Nuclear weapons though this has never been officially confirmed or denied to my knowledge . Thanks for the posts of extracts from your book , interesting reading.

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reply posted on 25-1-2010 @ 12:47 PM by Robert Hastings

Now, back to Malmstrom, some eight years after the 1967 missile shutdown incidents. From my book UFOs and Nukes:

The following NORAD log entries, relating to the sightings at Malmstrom's Launch Control Facilities and Launch Facilities, were listed in an official U.S. Air Force letter released to researchers in 1977, via the Freedom of Information Act.2 The time of each report is expressed in Z or Zulu Time, the military's version of Greenwich Mean Time. My own comments, in brackets, follow a few of the log entries:

24th NORAD Region Senior Director's Log (Malmstrom AFB, MT)

7 Nov 75 (1035Z) Received a call from the 341st Strategic Air Command Post (SAC CP), saying that the following missile locations reported seeing a large red to orange to yellow object: M-1, L-3, LIMA, and L-6...Commander and Deputy for Operations (DO) informed.

7 Nov 75 (1203Z) SAC advised that the LCF at Harlowton, Montana, observed an object which emitted a light which illuminated the site driveway.

7 Nov 75 (1319Z) SAC advised K-1 says very bright object to their east is now southeast of them and they are looking at it with 10x50 binoculars. Object seems to have lights (several) on it, but no distinct pattern. The orange/gold object overhead also seems to have lights on it. SAC also advised female civilian reports having seen an object bearing south of her position six miles west of Lewistown. [Note that all of these reports refer to the observation of aerial "objects". Apparently, the Security Alert Teams could not identify them as either military or civilian aircraft.]

7 Nov 75 (1327Z) L-1 reports that the object to their northeast seems to be issuing a black object from it, tubular in shape. In all this time, surveillance has not been able to detect any sort of track except for known traffic. [In other words, when these sightings were first reported by SATs, radar personnel at Malmstrom AFB and Great Falls International Airport could not detect any unknown aerial objects near the missile sites. As we shall see, radar contact with the UFOs was finally established as the sightings continued to unfold.]

7 Nov 75 (1355Z) K-1 and L-1 report that as the sun rises, so do the objects they have visual.

7 Nov 75 (1429) From SAC CP: As the sun rose, the UFOs disappeared. Commander and [Director of Operations] notified.

8 Nov 75 (0635Z) A security camper team at K-4 reported UFO with white lights, one red light 50 yards behind white light. Personnel at K-1 seeing same object.

8 Nov 75 (0645Z) Height personnel picked up objects 10-13,000 feet. Track J330, EKLB 0649, 18 knots, 9,500 feet. Objects as many as seven, as few as two A/C. [Height-finding radar finally confirmed that UFOs were present, varying over time between two and seven in number.]

8 Nov 75 (0753Z) J330 unknown 0753. Stationary/seven knots/12,000...two F-106...NCOC notified. [Radar confirmed that one UFO, at an altitude of 12,000 feet, had hovered—that is, was "stationary"—before resuming flight at a leisurely 7 knots, or 9 mph. Shortly thereafter, two F-106s were scrambled to intercept it.]

 $8\ \text{Nov}\ 75\ (0905Z)$  From SAC CP: L-sites had fighters and objects; fighters did not get down to objects.

8 Nov 75 (0915Z) From SAC CP: From four different points: Observed objects and fighters; when fighters arrived in the area, the lights went out; when fighters departed, the lights came back on; To NCOC. [As SAT personnel at four different locations watched, the UFOs played cat-and-mouse with the F-106s, extinguishing their illumination as the jets approached their position and re-illuminating themselves after the fighters returned to base. The NORAD Combat Operations Center (NCOC) in Colorado Springs, Colorado was immediately informed of this incident.]

8 Nov 75 (1105Z) From SAC CP: L-5 reported object increased in speed — high velocity, raised in altitude and now cannot tell the object from stars. To NCOC.

9 Nov 75 (0305Z) SAC CP called and advised SAC crews at Sites L-1, L-6, and M-1 observing UFO. Object yellowish bright round light 20 miles north of Harlowton, 2 to 4,000 feet.

9 Nov 75 (0320Z) SAC CP reports UFO southeast of Lewistown, orange white disc object. 24th NORAD Region surveillance checking area. Surveillance unable to get height check. [Note the reference to the UFO having a "disc" or saucer shape. Two more log entries from November 9th confirm that UFOs continued to be reported by SAT teams positioned near various missile launch facilities. Then the action moved from Malmstrom to Minot AFB, in North Dakota.]

10 Nov 75 (1125Z) UFO sighting reported by Minot Air Force Station, a bright star-like object in the west, moving east, about the size of a car...the object passed over the radar station, 1,000 to 2,000 feet high, no noise heard...NCOC notified.

# END OF NORAD LOG ENTRIES

Actually, before being officially declassified, these dramatic disclosures had been leaked to a UFO research organization—the National Investigations Committee of Aerial Phenomena (NICAP)—in 1976. NICAP's president, Jack Acuff, had developed a secret "Deep Throat" source—an air force analyst working for the Defense Intelligence Agency—who, on at least one occasion, surreptitiously passed along classified documents relating to UFOs, including a four-part message sent by NORAD's Commander in Chief to all NORAD units on November 11, 1975. The message contained the log excerpts listed above. While we can argue about the ethical questions surrounding these unauthorized releases—in the context of military secrecy vs. the public's right-to-know—the leaked documents nevertheless provided a rare inside look at the U.S. military's covert response to UFO activity at its nuclear weapons sites.

Eventually, the leaked NORAD and National Military Command Center messages were circulated within the UFO research community, prompting various individuals to file FOIA requests, in an effort to force their formal declassification. Initially, the NMCC message was held back, while the NORAD log entries were reluctantly released by the Air Force, chopped into the curt passages I inserted above. Much later, the original NORAD message was also declassified.

--Robert Hastings

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### reply posted on 25-1-2010 @ 01:00 PM by Robert Hastings

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RH: A summary of my investigation of the case may be found at:

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In short, the base Weapons Storage Area (WSA) did hold tactical nuclear bombs; UFOs did maneuver around it, on at least two different nights between Christmas and New Years Eve in 1980; laser-like beams of light were observed emanating from at least one object, down into or near the WSA; one UFO was tracked on radar at the base. I interviewed a number of ex-USAF witnesses who were at the WSA or the air traffic control tower--persons who had never gone on-the-record before. Those interviews appear in the article linked above.

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### reply posted on 25-1-2010 @ 01:14 PM by drew hempel

Robert can you further explain why you think Greg Bishop and Nick Redfern were used by Richard Doty? Quite on the contrary -- Greg Bishop is the one who EXPOSED Richard Doty's tricks! Nick Redfern has never used Richard Doty as a source that I can recall and I've read all of Redfern's UFO books. His 1940s triangle report from the U.S. base in the U.K. is in his "Saucer Spies" book I think. Honestly your comments about Bishop and Redfern seem to be just out right wrong. But then I do understand that people who have published UFO books tend to be territorial about the topic with other UFO published authors. Admittedly trying to sell a book is a hard job. Still I appreciate you being forthright with your views and giving even excerpts from your book. Very kind of you.

O.K. Robert you refer to Greg Bishop in your Operation Bird Droppings without naming him -- here:

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Moore also admitted that he had performed the same shameful service by monitoring the late Paul Bennewitz, who had been provided with OSI-created lies about alleged UFO activity and alien schemes against humanity. According to Moore, Bennewitz had become a target for this disinformation and harassment after he informed OSI, in October 1980, that he had photographed UFOs over the Manzano [Nuclear] Weapons Storage Area, located just east of Kirtland AFB, on several occasions during the previous 15 months. Soon-to-be-released evidence, collected and analyzed by another researcher, will prove that this was indeed true.

Then Robert you go on to state that we have ONLY Doty's unsubstantiated claim that he was in fact covering up secret military technology whereas YOUR research leads you to believe that the real cover up is not of military technology but of ufos not of human origin:

Doty and Collins, in their thoroughly unsubstantiated book, Exempted From Disclosure, have come up with a questionable, or at least incomplete, story to explain why Bennewitz was originally targeted. They claim that Bennewitz had also stumbled upon a top secret counter-intelligence program based at a facility south of Kirtland, where the Air Force was attempting to disrupt Soviet satellites by beaming electronic signals at them. Perhaps this was the case, however, as far as I am aware, we have only Doty's and Collins' word for it. That, obviously, falls far short of verification. (Based on my own research into nuclear weapons-related UFO activity, it seems as likely to me that Bennewitz was targeted simply because he began telling anyone who would listen that UFOs were repeatedly hovering over the Manzano WSA. As I mention in my book, UFOs and Nukes, I now know that similar events occurred at the Weapons Storage Areas at Malmstrom AFB in 1975; at F.E. Warren AFB in 1980-81; and at RAF Bentwaters in December 1980. Other researchers had already established that such incidents also occurred at the WSAs at Wurtsmith and Loring AFBs in 1975. Doty himself wrote an OSI report about the 1980 UFO sightings at the Manzano facility, however, certain elements in that document now appear to be suspect. Jeez, whatta shock!)

This is all great Robert -- but again you failed to even MENTION GREG BISHOP's NAME!! And then you mention he's writing a book on the subject -- but neglect to mention that possibly Greg Bishop's book might have more information about whether there was secret military technology. Personally I do think that Greg Bishop's Project Beta book does give further substantiation to there being secret military technology involved. But for those who want to know more they will have to read Bishop's book -- **ufomystic.com...** is the website he uses for blogging.

## reply to post by Robert Hastings

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reply posted on 25-1-2010 @ 01:54 PM by drew hempel

thanks for the info. Yeah I'm watching this "black box" UFO doc which is the same thing -- FAA pilot recordings about UFOs --

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And the military "does not admit" to it being any secret technology.

reply to post by Xtraeme

[edit on 25-1-2010 by drew hempel]

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reply posted on 25-1-2010 @ 03:16 PM by Robert Hastings

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RH: Drew, you make so many incorrect assumptions, I don't know where to begin. I haven't got the time, frankly, to educate you about the actual time-line re: the MJ-12 hoax, the players, who exposed whom first and so on. But Bishop came late to the game and was indeed misled by Doty, as was Redfern.

Try to read Robert Durant's excellent article in the International UFO Reporter (published by the Center for UFO Studies in October 2005). If you can't find it online, write to me at hastings444@att.net and I will send it to you as a pdf file.

Believe what you want. (Yeah, James Carlson makes legitimate claims; Vallee exposed the CIA's involvement in the cover-up; the military flies top secret aircraft over civilians' homes.)

As you wish, Drew...

[edit on 25-1-2010 by Robert Hastings]

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reply posted on 25-1-2010 @ 03:48 PM by drew hempel

Robert: Thanks again for providing me more concrete followups for information. I googled the information you gave me and got this from Saucer Smear:

In our Dec. 1st, 2005 issue, we commented favorably on Bob Durant's negative remarks in

'International UFO Reporter' about Greg Bishop's current book, "Project Beta". Below, Bishop tries to set the record straight: "I have to disagree with your positive assessment of Robert Durant's review of 'Project Beta' in the last IUR. Since by your own admission you have not read my book, you did not realize that Durant apparently hasn't read it either. He seems to be the sort of ufologist who has decided to 'defend the faith' rather than deal with any facts. He takes me to task for overlooking the elusive reason as to why the AFOSI did not simply tell Paul Bennewitz to cease and desist his investigations, when I actually answered this in at least two places in the text. He goes on to repeat some of the things covered in the book, and ask why I ignored them' I don't know if this is funny or tragic, but it certainly does not bode well for ufology. "I think what upset him the most is that 'Project Beta' does not treat ufology very kindly; but many of the stories that were spawned by the Bennewitz affair were accepted by a few excitable and loud individuals who sowed the bad seeds so thoroughly that we are still recovering from the fallout. Durant missed this point entirely. Fundamentalism trumps reason once again, sort of like a dog who insists on looking at your finger rather than what you are pointing at. "Saucer Smear' continues to be the guy that stands off to the side, laughing at the dog. Keep 'em coming!..." reply to post by Robert Hastings **<u>COPYRIGHT & USAGE</u>** reply posted on 25-1-2010 @ 04:01 PM by Faiol thats true and thats what happens here in ATS a lot of people with uninformed opinions talk like they researched about it thats the most proof of ignorance or paid agents ... **<u>COPY</u>RIGHT & USAGE** reply posted on 25-1-2010 @ 04:59 PM by Robert Hastings Drew Hempel: Robert: Thanks again for providing me more concrete followups for information. I googled the information you gave me and got this from Saucer Smear: RH: So, since Bishop's retort fits your perception of the facts, you prefer to go with that. Like I said, as you wish, Drew. **<u>COPVEIGHT & USAGE</u>** reply posted on 25-1-2010 @ 05:00 PM by converge

Originally posted by Faiol

thats true and thats what happens here in ATS a lot of people with uninformed opinions talk like they researched about it thats the most proof of ignorance or paid agents...

That is no way a unique situation to ATS. Uninformed people talking as if they are experts you get everywhere! And you get that on several other mediums other than the internet, so it's not even unique in that point. Admittedly, on the internet it is easier for uninformed people to get a bigger audience though.

If you see these uninformed people and "paid agents" posting on ATS I'm sure you have shown them to be uninformed or "paid agents" by demonstrating, through argumentation based on factual information, that they are such a thing. Right?

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reply posted on 26-1-2010 @ 12:42 AM by dierxdiets

reply to post by Grayelf2009

Every time I seen a UFO it was near a military base. I've seen about 4 UFOs in my life. I've seen mini mushrooms clouds too....Maybe UFOs are secret military craft or something else...who knows.

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reply posted on 26-1-2010 @ 12:55 AM by Robert Hastings

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RH: Sorry Drew. I was NOT referring to Bishop here but someone else altogether. And \*his\* book has yet to be published. I will notify you when it is.

I just reviewed all of your posts on this thread and I am rather taken aback by the large number of factually-inaccurate statements and/or misinterpretations of my remarks and/or off-base assumptions about one thing or another.

Not that I expect all of this to resonate with you but, in the future, I intend to concentrate on responding to my more astute critics.

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reply posted on 26-1-2010 @ 01:25 AM by Exuberant1

Originally posted by Robert Hastings

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You don't have to answer his questions here on ATS. (We are not like BAUT)

If having to continually correct someone is monopolizing too much of your time, then by all means ignore them. Likewise, if someone asks off-topic or loaded questions, feel free to dismiss them too.

I believe Mr. Hempel has had several hours of your time already. You certainly could not be blamed for refusing to further entertain him and I'm sure many of my fellow members would agree with and support that course of action.

Also, thanks for the swift reply re: my questions earlier.

I appreciate it.

\*For my fellow members who are not familiar with Mr Hastings - You may have seen him on Larry King 'pwning' Bill Nye with Bob Sallas and Bob Jacobs.

Here is what he looks like in action, below that is his Book:



If anybody's got any questions about UFOs and nukes or missiles - Ask Mr Hastings while he is here. Even ask for his opinion on things.

Edit:

Here is the Larry Show were an ill prepared Bill Nye gets his hat handed to him by Mr Hastings, Mr Jacobs, and Mr Sallas:

YouTube Link

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reply posted on 26-1-2010 @ 12:00 PM by Robert Hastings

In an earlier post I referenced U.S. government documents, declassified via the Freedom of Information Act, describing early UFO activity at American atomic (later thermonuclear) weapons sites. One such FBI memorandum may be found at:

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The memo was directed to FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover; the sender was the Special Agent in Charge (SAC) in the FBI's San Antonio field office. The first paragraph reads: "At recent Weekly Intelligence Conferences of G-2, ONI, OSI and FBI, in the Fourth Army Area, Officers of G-2, Fourth Army, have discussed the matter of 'Unidentified Flying Aircraft' or 'Unidentified Aerial Phenomena' otherwise known as 'Flying Discs,' 'Flying Saucers,' and 'Balls of Fire.' This matter is considered top secret by Intelligence Officers of both the Army and the Air Forces." (The last sentence was underlined for emphasis.)

And why was the subject of "Flying Discs" considered top secret? The memo continues, "During the past two months various sightings of unexplained phenomena have been reported in the vicinity of the A.E.C. [Atomic Energy Commission] Installation at Los Alamos, New Mexico, where these phenomena now appear to be concentrated. During December 1948 on the 5th, 6th, 8th, 13[th], 14th, 20th and 25th sightings of unexplained phenomena were made near Los Alamos by Special Agents of the Office of Special Investigation; Airline Pilots; Military Pilots; Los Alamos Security Inspectors, and private citizens. On January 6, 1949, another similar object was sighted in the same area."

Another FBI memorandum, dated August 23, 1950, discusses those, and other UFO sightings near atomic weapons sites, during the previous twenty months. The full text may be found at:

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Directed to FBI Assistant Director D. M. Ladd, and titled "SUMMARY OF AERIAL PHENOMENA IN NEW MEXICO", the memo states,

Observations of aerial phenomena occurring within the vicinity of sensitive installations have been recorded by the Air Force since December 1948. The phenomena have been classified into 3 general types which are identified as follows:

1) Green fireballs, objects moving at high speed in shapes resembling half moons, circles and discs emitting green light.

2) Discs, round flat shaped objects or phenomena moving at fast velocity and emitting a brilliant white light or reflected light.

3) Meteors, aerial phenomena resembling meteoric material moving at high velocity and varying in color.

The memo continues, "...Since 1948, approximately 150 observations of aerial phenomena referred to above have been recorded in the vicinity of installations in New Mexico. A number of observations have been reported by different reliable individuals at approximately the same time."

In response to these unsettling developments, the Air Force had earlier approached Dr. Lincoln La Paz, director of the Institute of Meteoritics at the University of New Mexico, and persuaded him to undertake a classified study of these aerial phenomena, in particular the green fireballs. At the time, La Paz was widely regarded as one of the world's leading experts on meteors and meteorites.

A short time later, on December 12, 1948, Dr. La Paz had his own green fireball sighting as the object "passed almost centrally across the Los Alamos reservation." Eight days later, another fireball essentially repeated the feat, prompting one witness, an Atomic Energy Commission security agent, to muse, "It might damage some of our atomic installations eventually, if it is not a natural thing [but rather] man-controlled."

The FBI memo cited above summarizes the professor's findings: "[La Paz] concluded, as a result of his investigation, that approximately half of the phenomena recorded were of meteoric origin. The other phenomena commonly referred to as green fireballs or discs he believed to be U.S. guided missiles being tested in the neighborhood of the installations. La Paz pointed out that if he were wrong...a systematic investigation of the observations should be made immediately. La Paz pointed out that missiles moving with the velocities of the order of those found for the green fireballs and discs could travel from the Ural region of the [Soviet Union] to New Mexico in less than 15 minutes. He suggested that the observations might be of guided missiles launched from bases in the Urals...On the basis of the investigations made by Dr. La Paz and the Air Force, it was concluded that the occurrence of the unexplained phenomena in the vicinity of sensitive installations was a cause [for] concern."

Despite La Paz' theories about the nature of the UFOs (i.e. secret U.S. government aircraft or Soviet spycraft) no evidence has ever surfaced to support either explanation.

But sightings of UFOs at nuclear weapons sites in New Mexico were only part of the picture. One U.S. Army memorandum relating to UFO activity at the Hanford Plutonium Production Facility, near Richland, WA, may be found at:

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The memo reads:

CONFIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

SUBJECT: Flying Discs

The following information was furnished Major Curlen by Lt Colonel Mildren on 4 August 1950:

Since 30 July 1950 objects, round in form, have been sighted over the Hanford AEC plant. These objects reportedly were above 15,000 feet in altitude. Air Force jets attempted interception with negative results. All units including the anti-aircraft battalion, radar units, Air Force fighter squadrons, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation have been alerted for further observation. The Atomic Energy Commission states that the investigation is continuing and complete details will be forwarded later.

[Signed]

U.G. CARLAN Major, GSC Survey Section

END OF MEMORANDUM

Note the mention of the failed aerial intercept by Air Force fighters. Apparently, that was not the first such attempt at the Top Secret site. Anecdotal evidence suggests that UFO activity at Hanford first took place during World War II, in January or February 1945, months before the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, which occurred on August 6th and 9th, respectively. (The fissile material used in the bomb that destroyed Nagasaki was produced at Hanford.)

In 2009, I interviewed a former U.S. Navy pilot, Clarence R. "Bud" Clem, whose F6F Hellcat squadron, Air Group 50, was based at Pasco Naval Air Station in Janurary-February 1945. The base was located a few miles SE of Hanford.

Then a Lieutenant Junior Grade (Lt. jg) in the U.S. Naval Reserves, Clem told me, "One night, shortly after the evening meal, the officers were gathered at the Officers Club for relaxation when the duty officer at the tower called our commander with a request. Lt. Commander Richard Brown took the call, as the Captain was in conference. Ensign C.T. Neal and I were with Brown and he asked us if we would volunteer to go with him to the flight line for possible duty. We both agreed and a jeep was waiting at the door to take us to the flight line. We learned that an unknown 'bogey' was over the Hanford Ordnance Works, according to the radar operator located on an auxiliary field just across the Columbia River from Hanford reservation."

Clem continued, "We had been instructed upon arrival that the Hanford Ordnance Works was Top Secret and NO flights over any part were permitted...We did not know about the radar, but the duty officer stated that something was in the sky over the area and wanted someone to investigate. A plane was [already] armed and warmed-up on the tarmac. Brown stated he would go and Neal was to stand-by in another plane, in case of trouble. I was to join the [controller] in the tower and communicate info from radar to the pilots."

Clem concluded, "Brown quickly found the object, a bright ball of fire, and took chase. But he could not close, even with water injection that gave a quick boost in speed. The object headed out NW towards Seattle and was quickly lost by radar. Brown returned to base and we three retired to the club, still shaking and wondering what we had encountered."

I asked Clem if the pilot, Lt. Commander Brown, had described the object in detail, either over the radio or back at the Officers Club. Clem replied, "He just said it was so bright that you could hardly look directly at it. As he closed on it, it took off to

the northwest at a high rate of speed. No maneuvers really, just a straight-line course."

Following World War II, Air Force and FBI investigators were not the only members the U.S. government worried by these developments. At least one high-level CIA analyst also expressed concern over UFO sightings at sensitive government installations.

On December 2, 1952, Dr. H. Marshall Chadwell, Assistant Director of the CIA's Office of Scientific Intelligence, wrote a Secret memorandum to CIA Director Walter B. Smith, titled, "Unidentified Flying Objects." The memo noted repeated UFO sightings at important, but unspecified U.S. "defense" sites and stated, "At this time, the reports of incidents convince us that there is something going on that must have immediate attention...Sightings of unexplained objects at great altitudes and traveling at high speeds in the vicinity of major U.S. defense installations are of such nature that they are not attributable to natural phenomena or known types of aerial vehicles."

While Dr. Chadwell did not identify the "major" defense sites at which the sightings had occurred, it is almost certain that he was referring to the plants at which nuclear weapons materials were being produced. Within the previous seven months, UFOs had been reported by military personnel or civilians near Oak Ridge, Savannah River and Hanford. (Another military UFO sighting and radar tracking occurred at the Hanford plant eight days after Chadwell wrote his memorandum.)

Dr. Chadwell concluded his memo to the CIA director by stating, "Attached hereto is a draft memorandum to the NSC (National Security Council) and a simple draft NSC Directive establishing this matter as a priority project throughout the intelligence and the defense research and development community."

Clearly, Chadwell considered UFO sightings at nuclear weapons sites to be of great concern and, therefore, urged that they be brought to the attention of the highest levels of the U.S. government. By the time he wrote his memo, the mysterious aerial objects had been intermittently observed near installations associated with atomic, or the new thermonuclear weapons for a full four years—their origin, and the intentions of their presumed pilots still unknown.

--Robert Hastings

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reply posted on 26-1-2010 @ 12:16 PM by Sean48

reply to post by Robert Hastings

Sir

1 Quick Question , quick answer would be fine.

I live near a Nuclear Power Plant .

Are these Plants visited by UFO'S , or is it just Nuclear Military Sites.

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reply posted on 26-1-2010 @ 12:16 PM by drew hempel

O.K. so Robert you are referring to a "mystery" author of a forthcoming Bennewitz book -- the name has to remain a secret?

That's HILARIOUS!

Thanks for the "clarification" there.

Yes I would not want to waste any more of your valuable time holding such valuable secrets.

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On June 18, 1982, pilots and crews of Japan Air Lines Flights 403 and 421 reported sighting a giant, expanding globe of light in the North Pacific, 700 kilometers east of Kushiro. This was another test of a scalar EM howitzer/interferometer producing a "giant globular shell" of energy at a great distance. When small, the intense shell produces a very high EGP and also a very high EMP inside the matter of any object penetrating the shell. The EMP will dud any and all electronic equipment; explode high explosives, fuels, and combustibles; and render any modern weapon harmless.

reply to post by Robert Hastings

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September 13, 1967: In October 1967, physicist and UFO researcher Dr. James E. McDonald interviewed three individuals--F. Ward Fenn, Mrs. John E. Muzik, and Mrs. Ralph Rarey—who had reported seeing a UFO near the Yankee Atomic Power Plant, at Haddam Neck, Connecticut. According to the witnesses, the sighting occurred just after 11:00 p.m. As they were driving past the plant, they noticed "6-7 very bright lights" hovering over it, blinking on and off. 1 (Adapted from a synopsis by Mary Castner.)

### Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant

June 24, 1984: Between 10:30 to 10:45 p.m., twelve security guards at the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant, near Peekskill, New York, reported seeing a UFO over the plant. It hovered directly above the exhaust funnel of one of the plant's three nuclear reactors. UFO investigator Philip J. Imbrogno later interviewed six of the twelve security guards who saw the object. According to the witnesses, it was diamond-shaped and estimated to be 450 feet in length. It changed colors from white to blue to red to green to amber. Local police in Peekskill received numerous UFO sighting reports that same night.2 (Adapted from a synopsis by George D. Fawcett.)

### Chernobyl Nuclear Power Station

April 26, 1986: Referring to the Chernobyl disaster, Dr. Vladimir V. Rubtsov, Director of the Research Institute on Anomalous Phenomena, in Kharkiv, Ukraine, has reported:

"...about one month before the Chernobyl disaster I had a talk with an air traffic controller of the Kharkov airport. He told me that, according to pilots' reports, there was a rising number of UFO observations in the area of the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Station (ChNPS). Later it became known that on the night of the fire in the ChNPS, some 3 hours after the explosion, a team of nuclear specialists saw in the sky over the station a fiery ball of the color of brass...Just before the observation these specialists measured the level of radiation in the place where they were standing. It was...3000 milliroentgens per hour. [After the UFO left, it was] only 800 milliroentgens per hour..." 3 (Adapted from MUFON's 1994 Symposium Proceedings)

In September 2002, Pravda published an article titled, "UFO Prevents Blast at Chernobyl Nuclear Plant", saying that hundreds of witnesses saw the UFO. One, Mikhail Varitsky, was quoted as saying, "I and other people from my team went to the site of the blast at night. We saw a ball of fire, and it was slowly flying in the sky. I think the ball was six or eight meters in diameter. Then, we saw two rays of crimson light stretching towards the fourth unit. The object was some 300 meters from the reactor. The event lasted for about three minutes. The lights of the object went out and it flew away in the northwestern direction." 4

### Palo Verde Nuclear Power Station

Over the last decade there have been UFO sightings just west of Phoenix, Arizona, at the Palo Verde nuclear power plant. The National UFO Reporting Center (NUFORC) has posted accounts by at least three individuals who witnessed strange aerial activity there. One of the reports is presented here:

July 20, 2004: Bright lights southwest of Phoenix near Palo Verde Nuclear Power plant

[At 10:15 p.m.,] I was driving my 18-wheeler west on I-10. At about 20 miles west of Phoenix I noticed two bright glowing lights southwest of [me] and just east of the Palo Verde nuclear power plant. They were very bright [and illuminated] the foothills that run on the south of the freeway. [There was] about a 10-mile-distance from where I was and the lights in the sky. The lights were a bright orange, kind of like a street light. These two balls of light [were] side by side...As I was looking at them, all of a sudden, they just slowly faded away and then reappeared further west of the first [position] but this time the lights were on top of each other for about 5-6 min. I had just pulled off the freeway so that I could view them through The CIA and the UFO Mythos Posted 16 days ago with 26 member flags

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The Art of Protest in Pictures. General Chit Chat: 1 hours ago my binoculars, but all I could make out was the bright light, and no formation. What was kind of rare was to see what seemed to be some jets flying close to the lights in a circling motion. Then all of a sudden [the lights] slowly dimmed out into the night sky. I could still see the jets flying around [and] I could hear them. I didn't see the lights anymore. A driver who was [traveling] with me saw this as well.5

Surry Nuclear Power Plant

May 19, 2008: Disk Sighted Over Surry Nuclear Power Station, Surry County, Virginia

"At about 12:20 p.m., 19 May 2008, I observed what appeared to be a large, metallic disk hovering very near the Surry Nuclear Power Station. [The sighting was] a little more than hour from the time of this writing, so the memory is still fresh and vivid.

... I spotted an object over the James River, moving from east to west at a very slow speed. At first I thought it may have been a kite because it was a very windy day (the winds were gusting out of the SW at 20-30 mph)...But when I came to an open spot in the road unobstructed by trees I stopped to get a better look and decided it was much too large to be a kite. It is a about a mile across the channel to the Surry Station and what I saw appeared to be very near the station's twin domes and it must have been at least as large as they are, and perhaps larger. Besides that the object was moving very slowly against the wind, left to right from my vantage point, and its upper surface caught the sunlight and reflected like a sheet of aluminum foil. Its underside was dark. Then I thought that it might be an advertising balloon or dirigible, but the shape did not seem right. This was definitely a flattened disk. And, because it was so windy it did not seem like a good day to take a blimp up. (And, with security so high these days it does not seem logical that anyone would be permitted to get that close to power station. I have seen military helicopters on training missions over the river, but even they keep a wide berth from the power plant.)

I have eliminated the possibility of helicopters and small aircraft because, as I say, this object was hovering/drifting and appeared to be making a very leisurely circuit of the power plant. I walked down to water's edge to see if I could get a better look, but without binoculars I couldn't make out any other useful details. I watched it like this for a good 15-20 minutes. In that time it completely circled the station, moving against the wind. It appeared to correct its angle at times, very slowly rocking up and down..."

When NUFORC Director Peter Davenport posted this online, he wrote: "Traditionally, we do not post reports immediately upon receipt, given that even dramatic sightings often end up having some terrestrial explanation. However, in this case, the witness is a skilled scientist (retired), and he was able to observe the object for a considerable length of time, up to 20 minutes, he estimates." 6

--Robert Hastings

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reply posted on 26-1-2010 @ 01:13 PM by Robert Hastings

Drew Hempel: O.K. so Robert you are referring to a "mystery" author of a forthcoming Bennewitz book -- the name has to remain a secret? That's HILARIOUS!

RH: The researcher in question has specifically asked me not to reveal his name until the book is published. You find \*that\* hilarious? Perhaps honoring promises is not part of your own modus operandi.

# NEW-PICKS: Newest Flags

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**<u>NEW-HOT</u>: Active New Topics**
Further, given your seemingly perpetual cluelessness, in your earlier post you not only jumped to conclusions about the author but also misinterpreted my remark about the information that will be forthcoming: This person has definitive photographic evidence of UFO activity at the Manzano WSA, not evidence of secret military activity at Kirtland, as Doty claims, and Bishop repeated.

I had written, "Moore also admitted that he had performed the same shameful service by monitoring the late Paul Bennewitz, who had been provided with OSI-created lies about alleged UFO activity and alien schemes against humanity. According to Moore, Bennewitz had become a target for this disinformation and harassment after he informed OSI, in October 1980, that he had photographed UFOs over the Manzano [Nuclear] Weapons Storage Area, located just east of Kirtland AFB, on several occasions during the previous 15 months. Soon-to-be-released evidence, collected and analyzed by another researcher, will prove that this was indeed true."

From this, you incorrectly assumed that I was referring to Bishop, and that the soon-to-be-released evidence related to secret military activity. As I stated in my "Operation Bird Droppings" article, it was only \*after\* Bennewitz reported bona fide UFO activity at Manzano (now verified by the researcher in question) that OSI began its disinfo op against Bennewitz, directing him to northern New Mexico, and away from the WSA, by telling him of the supposed underground alien base at Dulce, and the alleged horrors occurring there.

In short, Drew, your inattentive reading or, perhaps, basic inability to comprehend information not in-synch with your own biases, is the reason you are a waste of my time.

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#### reply posted on 26-1-2010 @ 01:33 PM by drew hempel

Robert how many years will it take for this secret author to finish their book on Bennewitz? Greg Bishop published Project Beta what - 10 years ago? O.K. 5 years ago -- that's not too long ago I guess. But apparently if your secret friend has a secret photo of UFO activity -- NOT secret military technology -- then it's too bad they have to hold back. haha.

Seriously Robert UFO stands for UNIDENTIFIED which, btw, does not preclude secret military technology! That's just a basic point in logic which I realize you are making a point to differentiate.

I wish I could make the same conclusions as you Robert -- that round objects in the sky are NOT secret military technology and therefore must be extraterrestrial.

Again Robert I look forward to reading your book and it's great that you are providing so many free excerpts. You've obviously devoted your life to researching this topic of UFO and Nukes.

The problem of unknown phenomenon is obviously a very emotionally stressful topic -- especially around nuclear weapons and nuclear power. For example emissions of radioactive waste from nuclear power plants continues to be a very taboo topic.

This quarterly newspaper NukeWatch is the best source that I can find on these secret taboo technological snafus about nuclear power. I'm sure you know that regulation of nuclear energy is considered federal as it's a military issue -- even industrial nuclear energy. It's not even possible for nuclear energy to have insurance -- any nuclear energy disasters have to be paid for by taxpayers. Pretty nice deal!

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Drew, I hope I'm not out of line getting in the middle of this discussion, but frankly, I don't see how the time it will take someone to finish their book is relevant to Mr. Hastings' point. Nor should it be to the larger point he's been making—that *UFOs* flew over and perhaps interfered with military bases which housed and operated nuclear weapons.

Seriously Robert UFO stands for UNIDENTIFIED which, btw, does not preclude secret military technology! That's just a basic point in logic which I realize you are making a point to differentiate.

I believe you are confusing the evidence Mr. Hastings is putting forward, and talking about—of UFOs flying over these bases—with his opinion that some of them display characteristics well beyond the capabilities of, publicly, known aircraft.

It seems as if your argument to Mr. Hastings information can be roughly described like this: "All of what you are saying doesn't matter because you think these were alien craft and we have no way of knowing what these objects were."

The opinion that they might be extra-terrestrial craft or whatever is, in my opinion, another question that shouldn't detract us from focusing on the main issue—did the events, in which apparently unknown objects displayed interest and interfered with nuclear weapons in these bases, happen or not?

The military has denied—as far as I'm aware—of anything ever happening in every one of these cases; and Mr. Hastings—and others—are making, and have been making, the case that they indeed happened. Let's focus on that, and leave for another time the question of the origin of these objects; because even if these things truly happened, maybe no one even knows what the origin of these objects was/is, and that includes the military.





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reply posted on 26-1-2010 @ 06:03 PM by Robert Hastings

From my book:

Of all the interviews I've conducted with former or retired ICBM launch officers over the past three decades, this was perhaps the most disturbing. According to the source, David H. Schuur, a UFO had apparently activated the launch sequence in most of his Minuteman missiles.

In August 2007, Schuur told me, "I saw your request for information in the [June 2007] Association of Air Force Missileers Newsletter. I was involved in a UFO incident at Minot AFB in the mid-1960s. I had read your earlier article [in the September 2002 AAFM Newsletter] but was hesitant to respond." I asked Schuur why he had been hesitant. He replied, "Well, we were basically told, way back when, that it was classified information and, you know, it didn't happen and don't discuss it. I guess I was still operating on that idea when I saw your first article."

Schuur had obviously had a change of heart. He continued, "Anyway, I was a Minuteman missile crewmember in the 455th/91st Strategic Missile Wing at Minot from December 1963 through November 1967. I was a 1st Lieutenant during that period and the deputy commander that night. Since the incident occurred some 40 years ago, my memories are a bit foggy but, based on who my commander was at the time, I would say it occurred between July 1965 and July 1967."

I asked Schuur if he could narrow the time-frame during which the incident occurred, by associating it with another event. He replied, "Not really, but my sense is that the incident occurred toward the end of my duty in the [missile] field, so it was probably during 1966, or '67. I was pulling alert in the Echo [Launch Control] Capsule and was at the console at the time, probably early in the morning when the commander was sleeping. I know I was at Echo because that's where I pulled almost all of my alert duty. My crew commander at the time has died. He was a Lieutenant Colonel at Minot, in his 50s—he was in the reserves, an old Korea veteran, who was recalled to duty in the early 1960s."

"As far as the incident, here's my best recollection of it: Alpha capsule, which was east of us, reported on PAS—the Primary Alerting System—that their security personnel were observing a large, bright object hovering over some of their missile sites. It was moving from missile to missile. I think the Alpha missile crew also reported that they were receiving 'spurious indicators' on their missile control console, but I'm not certain about that. I know that a few minutes later our capsule had spurious indicators—anomalous readings—from some of our missiles."

I asked Schuur to explain PAS. He said, "It was an open line between SAC headquarters and the wing command posts. There was a speaker in each launch capsule and when the command posts issued a directive, or whatever, we were able to hear it. When Alpha had their UFO sightings, they alerted the command post, at which time the command post called SAC headquarters. So, when the report of the sightings went out, we all heard it on PAS."

Schuur continued, "But it wasn't just Alpha and Echo. Over the next hour or so—I don't recall exactly how long it was—all of the flights reported that their [Security Alert Teams] were observing a UFO near their facilities. The path of the object could be followed as it passed over each flight area by the reports on the PAS. The object moved over the entire wing from the southeast to the northwest, following the layout of the wing."

Schuur elaborated, "All of them—Bravo Flight, Charlie, Delta, right on down the line to Oscar—were reporting sightings of this object. Minot's missile field is laid out like the letter 'C'. Alpha is located southeast of the base, and the other flights—Bravo, Charlie and so forth—were south, southwest, west, northwest, then north of Minot. Oscar, the last flight, is at the top of the 'C', north of the base. The object—as far as I know, it was only one object—came across Alpha Flight, then moved all the way around the flights and ended up at Oscar. We could hear that on PAS. At Echo, it didn't come close to the Launch Control Facility, it just visited the LFs (silos), then passed onto the next flight."

"As far as our flight, Echo, a few minutes after hearing the report from Alpha, I received a call from topside security that a large bright light—actually, a large, bright object would be more accurate—was in the sky, to the east of the launch control facility. When the guard called down, he may have used the term 'UFO' but I don't recall. He didn't describe it's shape or altitude because it was too far away. It never got close enough to the LCF to see any detail. At its closest, it was two, three, maybe four miles away from us, near one of the missile sites."

Schuur continued, "However, when the object passed over our flight, we started receiving many spurious indications on our console. The object was apparently sending some kind of signals into each missile. Not every missile got checked [out] by the object, but there were several that did. Maybe six, seven, or eight. Maybe all ten got checked, but I don't think so. As this thing was passing over each missile site, we would start getting erratic indications on that particular missile. After a few seconds, everything reset back to normal. But then the next missile showed spurious indicators, so the object had apparently moved on to that one, and did the same thing to it. Then on to the next one, and so on. It was as if the object was scanning each missile, one by one. The Inner Security and Outer Security [alarms were triggered] but we got those all the time, for one reason or another. However, on this particular night, we had to activate the 'Inhibit' switch because we got 'Launch in Progress' indicators! After a few minutes, the UFO passed to the northwest of us and all indicators reset to normal."

I wanted to be certain about what I had just been told. I asked Schuur, "So, if you get a Launch in Progress indicator, does that mean the launch sequence has been triggered—that the missile is preparing to launch?" Schuur replied, "That means the missile has received a launch signal. When that happens, we get an indication in the capsule that a launch command has been received by that missile. If that happens, without proper authority, you flip what's called an "Inhibit" switch, to delay the launch for a given period of time. If an Inhibit command comes in from another launch capsule, that shuts down the launch totally. But if that second command doesn't come in, the missile will wait for a specified period of time and then launch automatically at the end of that expired period—theoretically. Of course, that night, we had all kinds of other indicators coming on from each missile so, in that situation, the launch probably would have aborted itself. I honestly don't know."

I asked Schuur if the Launch in Progress indicator had ever been triggered on any other occasion, either before or after the UFO incident, while he was on alert duty. He replied, "No, never."

I asked Schuur if he had heard about missile maintenance teams having to replace components or whole systems in the affected missiles—the ones that generated the spurious readings. He replied, "No, if that happened, I never heard about it."

Schuur said, "Upon returning to the base the next day, my commander and I were met by the operations officer. He just said, 'Nothing happened, nothing to discuss, goodbye.' Our logs and tapes were turned in. Every capsule had a 24-hour tape that, as I recall, recorded the communications that went over the PAS system, so all the reports would have been on that tape. But we were essentially told that nothing had happened that night and to discuss it no further. It was a non-event. We were never debriefed, by OSI or anyone else. We just went home. Most of the returning missile crews drove back to the base from their facilities, so they all arrived at different times. There was no group debriefing that I know of. I never heard another thing about the incident."

I asked Schuur, "I know that you were given no feedback from your superiors, but what is your personal assessment of the event?" He replied, "Oh, I think something was up there, uh, scanning the missiles, seeing what was going on. Some kind of a scanning process." I asked Schuur whether he thought the launch activation had been incidental or deliberate. He seemed surprised by my question and said, "I think that the scanning just set it off. It set all kinds of things off, we were getting all sorts of indicators. There were some kind of signals being sent [from the UFO] to the missile that inadvertently triggered the launch activation, but I don't think it

was deliberate. I hope not! That would have been—." Schuur didn't finish this sentence. His voice broke and he heaved a deep sigh. Apparently, the thought that those aboard the UFO might have deliberately attempted to launch his nuclear missiles that night had caused him to pause—and probably shudder—over 40 years later.

I obviously accept Schuur's report as credible, but am of course attempting to locate other former members of his squadron who are willing to corroborate it. As Schuur candidly admitted, after reading my first article in the September 2002 AAFM newsletter, he waited some five years before approaching me. It was only after my second published request for information from former/retired USAF missileers, that he decided to unburden himself. This hesitant response is not atypical. Many of my former missile launch officer sources have not readily or easily divulged their UFO experiences to me, for one reason or another.

Importantly, to my knowledge, Schuur's testimony represents the only credible report on record of a UFO temporarily activating a U.S. nuclear missile. However, there is one other reliable report of such an activation—in the Soviet Union. That incident will be discussed at length in a later chapter.

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#### reply posted on 26-1-2010 @ 06:09 PM by Robert Hastings

The Soviet case referenced above:

The following is a transcript from ABC News Prime Time Live, a segment about recently released Soviet KGB UFO files. The broadcast date of the original program was October 5, 1994.

DIANE SAWYER: In an ABC News exclusive, first broadcast last October, we asked ABC News Correspondent David Ensor to find out what's in the KGB UFO files.

DAVID ENSOR: During a five month investigation Prime Time obtained over a thousand pages of documents collected by the old KGB. We spoke to dozens of Russian scientists, government officials, and military men. We now know that the entire Soviet armed forces, a total of 15 million people over ten years, was involved in a UFO study that turned up forty major incidents, including one that prompted fears of starting an accidental nuclear war.

As a result of the study hundreds of UFOs were recorded and some were photographed. Some of the reports and some of the photos are clearly faked. But in other cases there were multiple witnesses. [Image of a huge triangular UFO, filmed by a Soviet propaganda crew doing a film about military preparedness in the 1960's. The UFO image is very clear, showing a triangle shaped object a few miles high. The report states that the film was locked up by the KGB.]

DAVID ENSOR: October 4th, 1982 Byelokoroviche, Ukraine. Near a sleepy farming village our search brought us to perhaps the most frightening case of all, an incident that could have started an accidental nuclear war.

RUSSIAN MAN, EYEWITNESS: "I was riding a motorcycle not far from here. I saw a large object in the air. It had a perfect geometric shape."

DAVID ENSOR: Every person we spoke to in Byelokoroviche said they saw a flying saucer on that day. They told us it was huge, about 900 feet in diameter. For hours it hovered over the nearby ballistic missile base, where Lt. Col. Vladamir Plantonev worked as a missile engineer.

LT. COL.VLADAMIR PLANTONEV: "It looked just like a flying saucer. The way they

show them in the movies. No portholes, nothing. The surface was absolutely even. The disk made a beautiful turn, like this, on the edge just like a plane. There was no sound. I had never seen anything like that before."

DAVID ENSOR: Lt. Col. Plantonev took me to the ruins of what was then a missile silo with a nuclear warhead pointed at the U.S. It was dismantled 3 years ago after an arms reduction treaty. Plantonev was in the bunker on that day 12 years ago. In this room were dual control panels for the missile, each hooked up to Moscow. What happened next so alarmed Soviet Military leadership that a four man commission was sent to investigate, including Col. Chernovshev.

COL. IGOR CHERNOVSHEV: "During this period for a short time signal lights on both the control panels suddenly turned on, the lights showing that missiles were preparing for launch. This could normally only happen if an order were transmitted from Moscow."

DAVID ENSOR: No one had touched any buttons. No one had entered any codes. And yet as the UFO hovered over the base, the control panel showed the missiles were preparing to launch. For 15 agonizing seconds, the base lost control of its nuclear weapons.

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#### reply posted on 26-1-2010 @ 06:26 PM by Robert Hastings

To finish a thought:

So, let's see, at Minot AFB, the U.S. government, using one of its Top Secret UFOs, decided to activate several nuclear missiles targeted at cities and military bases in the Soviet Union--although their launching, had it actually occurred, would have triggered World War III.

No, that doesn't make sense. Maybe the Soviets, using one of their Top Secret UFOs, decided to activate several nuclear missiles targeted at their own country. No, wait, that doesn't make any sense either.

Hmmmm...

And, in Soviet Ukraine, maybe the U.S. used one of its Top Secret UFOs to activate several Soviet missiles, aimed at American cities and military bases.

No, that doesn't make sense. Maybe the Soviet Union, using one of its Top Secret UFOs, activated its own missiles--although their launching, had it actually occurred, would have triggered World War III. No, wait, that doesn't make any sense either.

Hmmmm...

Gee, I wonder if a third party was involved in these incidents? Let's see, maybe the Samoans, using one of their Top Secret UFOs, activated the superpowers' missiles...

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reply posted on 26-1-2010 @ 06:32 PM by drew hempel

Depleted uranium makes sense:

www.naturalnews.com...

I got arrested twice at the largest depleted uranium producer in the world -- Alliant

Tech.

UFO targeted a nuclear weapons facility in U.K. or plasma? One report among dozens.

www.downdemocrat.com...

This case and hundreds of others are documented in the MoD report entitled 'Unidentified Aerial Phenomena in the UK' which was only released after a university academic made a request for it under the Freedom of Information Act. Its conclusions are that 'no evidence exists' to confirm that UFOs are alien spacecraft and attributes most sightings to weather conditions, flocks of birds, or, intriguingly, to interference with witnesses' brains by the presence of 'plasma fields'. These fields, which occur naturally in the atmosphere, distort the workings of the human brain, leading to firmly held false memory and can also interrupt the normal running of machinery and car engines.

reply to post by Robert Hastings

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reply posted on 27-1-2010 @ 10:24 AM by Robert Hastings

In an earlier message to Gortex, regarding the UFO activity at RAF Bentwaters, in December 1980, I inadvertently provided the wrong link to my article about the case. The correct one is:

www.ufodigest.com...

Although skeptics have tried to dismiss the reports of UFOs at the nuclear Weapons Storage Area (WSA) as plasmas, meteors, hallucinations, etc., the witnesses' testimony proves otherwise. (For example, one of the UFOs was tracked on radar, performing a 90-degree turn, as it covered 120 miles in 8-12 seconds, according to the Air Force air traffic controllers I interviewed.) Talented plasma!

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reply posted on 27-1-2010 @ 10:27 AM by drew hempel

TR-3B is a talented military machine. Stan Deyo figured this out as well. Thanks for the correction Robert Hastings!

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reply posted on 27-1-2010 @ 10:31 AM by Aquarius1

Robert my ex was a Radar Tech in the Air Force from 1964-68 and was stationed in Labrador and Montauk among other places, the stories he told me years ago before I was interested in this subject parallel with what you are saying, he is many things



RH: Deyo is a fraud. Long story, google it.

On the road for a few days. Later.

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reply posted on 27-1-2010 @ 10:46 AM by converge

reply to **post by Robert Hastings** 

That was exactly where I was trying to get.

Drew is constantly talking about how people aren't reliable and don't have any evidence, but he seems to accept Stan Deyo and the TR-3B story because it perhaps fits with his belief that the UFO phenomenon is nothing but military in origin.

I hope it's not that—and Drew will clarify his position—because that would be quite hypocritical.

[edit on 27-1-2010 by converge] **COPYRIGHT & USAGE** reply posted on 27-1-2010 @ 10:50 AM by drew hempel Converge I'm glad you hope that the triangles are extraterrestrial. You might want to read the Stargate Conspiracy by Prince and Picknett which details how the CIA have been promoting the "aliens" as the new religion. Here's a new blog post on the triangles which I just posted a comment on -- and you can read that for further details on my evidence: devoid.blogs.heraldtribune.com... reply to post by converge COPVEIGHT & USAGE reply posted on 27-1-2010 @ 11:07 AM by Robert Hastings Aquarius1: Robert my ex was a Radar Tech in the Air Force from 1964-68 and was stationed in Labrador and Montauk among other places... RH: I know that UFOs were tracked at Montauk in the early 1950s and probably later on as well. Not to mention at Malmstrom AFB. Another excerpt from my book: In the late 1960s, Grover Austad worked as an FAA controller at the SAGE building on Malmstrom AFB. In a telephone interview conducted in December 2003, he described his involvement in the radar tracking of a UFO. "One night this object came on the radar and it was moving at tremendous speed," he said, "We estimated that it was flying about 2,400 mph. Now, the controllers who worked at SAGE knew about the SR-71—even though it was still secret. [This was confirmed to me by a retired high-level FAA administrator.] But this thing, whatever it was, was even faster than that." (The SR-71 "Blackbird" still holds the official record as the world's fastest jet—at 2,193 mph—a speed achieved during a short-duration, straight-course flight on July 28, 1976.) Austad continued, "So I called ADC-that's Air Defense Command-to see if they had it too. The controller I talked to said, 'Yeah, I see it, but UFOs don't exist, do they?' Then he laughed sarcastically. The object played around for a few minutes. It zigzagged back-and-forth, covering hundreds of miles. Then it disappeared off the scope." Austad said that this tracking, and similar ones that he only heard about, involving other controllers at Malmstrom, were formally logged by the FAA controllers and then reported to the ADC radar unit at SAGE. "We always told them about what we saw [on radar], but they never gave us any feedback." Austad then said that while the UFO he had tracked at SAGE was certainly startling, he had once been involved in another, truly astonishing incident. "I don't remember the exact year that this occurred," he said, "but one time, when I worked at the

[FAA Air Traffic Control] Center in Salt Lake, we got a phone call from a radio station in Burley, Idaho. People had been calling them to report a huge cigar-shaped vehicle in the sky, about 60 to 70 miles north of Burley. So I called Hill AFB to tell them about it, and they scrambled an F-80. A little while later, the pilot radioed the base and said, 'Well, this thing is up there, big as life, and 21 disc-shaped craft just came out of it!' About ten minutes later, he came back on and said, 'I'm at [my operational ceiling], but this thing is still far above me—at around 80,000 feet.' That was probably the most spectacular incident that I

remember."

Perhaps significantly, if the huge cigar-shaped UFO was located some 70 miles north of Burley when it released the discs, it would have been less than 30 miles west of the National Reactor Testing Station (NRTS). Established in 1949, under the auspices of the Atomic Energy Commission, the NRTS was for many years the site of the largest concentration of nuclear reactors in the world. Over time, 52 were built and operated there, including the U.S. Navy's first prototype submarine reactor.

Multiple incidents of unexplained aerial phenomena were indeed reported at the NRTS in the mid-1950s—the general time-frame of Austad's account. For example, in his book, The Flying Saucer Conspiracy, researcher Donald Keyhoe wrote:

Saturday, June 26, 1954, at 12:40 A.M., a blinding glow—like an enormous floodlight suddenly appeared over the Atomic Energy Commission's test station in eastern Idaho. Coming with the suddenness of an explosion, it dumbfounded night-shift workers who had just left the AEC plant.

Two of the witnesses, Kelly Brooks and A. L. Taylor, reported that the light remained motionless in the sky for several seconds, illuminating the ground for six or eight miles around. Then, rising at tremendous speed, it vanished.

Several times in the past three months identical lights had 'exploded' over the AEC plant. They were said to resemble gigantic flash bulbs. Until now this had been kept secret by the AEC. Hastily efforts were made to hide this incident too.

But the startled AEC workers were not under blackout orders. Within 30 minutes night-shift workers had phoned the Idaho Falls Post Register, and now the [Associated Press] had it.

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#### reply posted on 27-1-2010 @ 11:12 AM by converge

Originally posted by drew hempel Converge I'm glad you hope that the triangles are extraterrestrial.

So questioning the reliability of Stan Deyo and his TR-3B story automatically means I think "*the triangles are extraterrestrial*"? You are mischaracterizing my position.

I don't even dismiss the possibility of the TR-3B, or some other craft like it, existing and being completely 'earthly,' I would, however, like to see the convincing evidence of its existence, and the people claiming it to be held up to scrutiny. Isn't that what you ask of people claiming UFOs flew over military bases operating nuclear weapons? The standards of evidence and burden of proof must apply to everyone, not just to those you qualify as *believers*.

So my position is clear and explicit I would like, at this point, inform you that I think only *a small percentage* of UFO sightings and cases *aren't* explainable as natural phenomena, hoaxes, misidentifications and secret military aircraft. I make no assumptions about the origins behind such cases as I have absolutely no way of knowing and I have yet to see the evidence that conclusively explains those cases one way or the other. I am, however, convinced—based on the existing evidence—that some of them don't appear to have prosaic explanations.

I hope that in the future you correctly address my position, or at least ask me what my position is—as I've asked of you just recently—before assuming I defend

absurdities such as "the triangles are extraterrestrial", which I never claimed. Ever.

[edit on 27-1-2010 by converge]

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reply posted on 27-1-2010 @ 11:17 AM by drew hempel

Well I've thus far presented various alternatives which I think are more feasible than assuming there are humanoid extraterrestrials who happen to fly human-like technology a bit more advanced than currently public military craft.

So I appreciate you clarifying you don't think that the UFOs are extraterrestrial.

reply to post by converge

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reply posted on 27-1-2010 @ 07:41 PM by Aquarius1

reply to post by Robert Hastings

Thank you for your reply Mr. Hastings, much appreciated.

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reply posted on 3-2-2010 @ 02:30 PM by Robert Hastings

Researcher Antonio Huneeus has just written an article about the 1982 incident in Soviet Ukraine, when a UFO hovered over a nuclear missile launch capsule and temporarily activated several missiles. I mentioned this case in an earlier post, in relation to my own interview with former U.S. Air Force ICBM launch officer David Schuur, who told me that a nearly identical incident had occured at Minot AFB, North Dakota, in the mid-1960s.

Huneeus' article is at: www....(nolink)/soviet-nukes-and-ufos/

It begins: ...Did UFOs almost trigger an accidental nuclear war in 1982? The incident in question occurred in south-central Ukraine on the evening of October 4th, according to official depositions from Soviet military units and interviews with one of the officers in charge of the investigation. There were multiple witnesses to the event, which took place between 7:30 and 9:37 pm, and many of them were Soviet military officers and personnel stationed at a long-range nuclear missile base in Usovo, near Byelokovoriche.

The depositions describe nighttime unidentified lights performing acrobatics in the sky over several villages around the missile base. That, in itself, is not particularly worrisome, as the reports don't indicate any sign of hostility from the lights. But what happened at an underground bunker of Military Unit (MU) 52035, one which contained nuclear missiles launch control panels, is another matter entirely.

"For a short time," retired Air Force Colonel Boris Sokolov told ABC TV News Moscow correspondent David Ensor, "signal lights on both the control panels suddenly turned on, the lights showing that missiles were preparing for launching. This could normally only happen if an order was transmitted from Moscow." As director of the Ministry of Defense's effort for "research into the field of anomalous phenomena in the atmosphere and in outer space," Sokolov became a member of the four-man commission set up to investigate the so-called Usovo case... Major Kataman wrote in his deposition that, "on the 4th of October 1982 at 21:37, I observed spontaneous illumination of all displays: BR, P, Sh, DR, GP, SR, PR, CZ, BT, NBT, GP, message, GB message, PP, PS, OR, PNS, Z, PZG, PZNS, figure indicators as in the regime 'light marks' at first push on the information board." Confusing as this sounds—and the difficulties of translation notwithstanding (1)—the Major is implying that someone or something was apparently manipulating the series of precise control codes, four spaces and control code combination, which regulate the computerized missile control launch panel. His deposition added that, "testing of apparatus and measurement of parameters according to technical map 1-30 showed no defects. The apparatus was functioning normally," that is, before and after the strange "illumination of all displays."

Huneeus' article goes on to describe another Soviet UFO case, also mentioned on this thread in an earlier post, involving a UFO that hovered over a Soviet nuclear missile warhead depot, sending down beams of light into it. The same thing happened at RAF Bentwaters in December 1980, according to retired USAF Col. Charles Halt, when a UFO sent down beams of light into a U.S. Air Force nuclear weapons storage bunker.

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litigation and in a research project in which I was involved several years ago. My first impression of the book was that nobody would take it seriously. It is poorly written, disjoint, made many extravagant claims on an unsatisfactory evidential basis and published what purported to be a set of equations which "proved" Einstein had made an error. I do not recall the precise details and I have long since thrown the book into the rubbish, but as I recall Deyo made a fairly obvious mistake by trying to equate a Newtonian formula with a relativistic one. As Newtonian mechanics is merely an approximation of relativity in circumstances where relativistic effects are minimal, it is hardly surprising that he found inconsistency.

I did find it odd that anyone would take this nonsense seriously and I wondered about his background. Not particularly surprising was the dearth of detail about his background and qualifications in the book. There was reference to involvement in secret projects, but no detail, and of course such claims are easily made but impossible to prove or disprove. Most significantly there were no records of qualifications from any recognized university or research institute and nothing I saw that suggested that he was qualified in any field.

I knew nothing of his supposed status as an "expert" on earthquake prediction until I stumbled across this website but I think he can safely be regarded as a charlatan. If there were a correlation between ocean surface temperature and earthquake incidence one might imagine that the records of recent earthquakes in coastal areas such as Los Angeles, San Francisco, Kobe (Japan), Indonesia and in other countries (including my own country, New Zealand) could be correlated. I am not aware that anyone has established a statistically significant link and I cannot see any scientific justification for supposing that one exists.

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reply posted on 8-2-2010 @ 09:43 PM by Aquarius1

reply to post by Robert Hastings

Thanks for your take on Stan Deyo, I also bought his book "The Cosmic Conspiracy." way back when and it totally confused me, could never figure him out, what was the deal with him living in Australia, he said something to the effect at that time he couldn't come back to the U.S., never got why that was if it was true or not???

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#### reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 04:18 AM by James Carlson

reply to post by Robert Hastings

Before you rush into complete agreement with sloppy researchers like Hastings, you may want to consider all of the evidence. You should at least consider the facts. My recent narrative "Americans, Credulous - or - The Arrogance of Congenital Liars & Other Character Defects - Establishing the Truth Behind the Echo Flight UFO Incident of March 16, 1967" proves that the Echo Flight UFO Incident of March 16, 1967" proves that the Echo Flight UFO Incident of March 16, 1967 is a non-event, and the myth of UFO interference with the nuclear weapons systems at Malmstrom AFB in March 1967 is a nothing but a poorly executed lie that has no basis in fact and lacks even the most liberal standards of proof. Fully documented and footnoted, I examine in some detail all sides of this surprisingly well-documented event, reaching the only possible conclusion that UFOs had nothing at all to do with any of the events at Malmstrom in March, 1967 and nothing whatsoever to do with the missile failures that occurred. I'm distributing this book completely free of charge in order to correct the historical record that's been so badly maligned by people like Robert Hastings, and because my father was the commander at Echo Flight on March 16, 1967. I believe that his entire, very

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#### reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 10:19 AM by Xtraeme

reply to post by James Carlson

Funny thing is I was actually interested to read your book, that is until I saw the first several pages were little more than snipes and jabs. If you really care about "the truth" stick to the facts and remove the personal innuendo.

I also find it a bit questionable that you're willing to defer to official records when it suits your position, but when the more anomalous aspects of the event come in to play (i.e. ex-Boeing engineers' failing to identify a pathway for missile shutdowns) you relegate the subject-matter to the end of the book and address it in a rather superficial, non-technical way.

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reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 11:46 AM by drew hempel

Thanks James -- I'll be reading your book asap.

reply to post by James Carlson

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reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 12:29 PM by drew hempel

O.K. I just read the first 20 pages and already it's a damning expose on Robert Salas -- the strongest "witness" in Hastings book.

Thanks for your research James Carlson -- and I look forward to the rest of the book.

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reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 01:18 PM by Xtraeme

reply to post by James Carlson

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On page 9, you assert,

Contrary to suggestions by a number of individuals that he has confirmed their insulting and ridiculous assertions, he firmly believes that one or more UFOs had absolutely nothing to do with the malfunctions that did occur on that date, a claim supported by the undeniable fact that **UFOs were never reported by civilian or military observers on March 16, 1967 anywhere in the state of Montana. That deserves to be repeated: there were no UFOs reported on March 16, 1967 by anybody.** 

If this were the case then why does this FOIA document state,

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The only possible means that could be identified by the team involved a situation in which a coupler self test command occurred along with a partial reset within the coupler. This could feasible cause a VESA 9 and 12 indication. This was also quite remote for all 10 couplers would have to have been partally reset in the same manner.  $\bigotimes_{i=1}^{30} (O_i)$ 

Further studies of this problem will be accomplished at the contractors facility since a full engineering investigation is not feasible at this level. (U)

In the researching of other possibilities, weather was 81 ruled out as a contributing factor in the incident. (U)

A check with Communication maintenance verified that there was no unusual activity with EWO-1 or EWO-2 at the time of the 82 incident. (U)

Rumors of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO) around the area of Echo Flight during the time of fault were disproven.

A Mobile Strike Team, which had checked all November Flight's LFs on the morning of 16 March 67, were questioned and stated 83 that no unusual activity or sightings were observed. (U)

The Solst Hadar Squadron, Malmstrom AFB, gave a negative re-

port on any radar or atmospheric interference problems related 84 to Echo Flight. (U)

 Rpt, (S) "Report of Engineering Investigation of Echo Flight Incident, Malmstrom AFB, Mont - 16 Mar 67," by Engineering Investigation Team, 23 Mar 67, p 30.

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<sup>82.</sup> Tbid., p 25.

<sup>83. &</sup>lt;u>Tbia</u>., p 27.

If there were no reports, what was there to disprove?

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#### reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 01:54 PM by Xtraeme

#### reply to **post by James Carlson**

... my father has never changed his story, while Salas, as we'll see, has done so, repeatedly, while losing little credibility with the true believers and other confused individuals who have decided that it is apparently more likely that UFOs completely shut down the nuclear missiles manned by members of our military forces forty years ago – an incident that was never even hinted at during the course of more than three of those four decades – then it is for Robert Salas to have lied about the matter, lies that eventually forced him to step back a bit from that precipice of his self-righteousness in order to declare that he was mistaken when he convinced himself that he was at Echo Flight on March 16, 1967, and assert instead that he was at November Flight, and that the missiles failed there, as well. No matter that his own resource, the command history already alluded to, specifically states that "No other Wing I configuration lost strategic alert at that time", or that this statement refers the reader to a classified SECRET message originating with SAC, "Subj: Loss of Strategic Alert Echo Flight, Malmstrom AFB, 17 Mar 67" stating the same. Robert L. Salas knows better – and we can trust him.

While I'm not questioning the factualness of this segment, I do think it's worth pointing out that the military does hush-up unpleasant aspects of the record,

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reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 02:46 PM by James Carlson

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Since when do "Rumors of Unidentified Flying Objects" constitute a UFO report? They don't -- they never have. There were rumors, because nobody was willing to come forward and actually report a UFO. During the investigation, my father and his deputy, Walt Figel were required to account for everything that occurred over the course of their watch -- particularly and in some detail the events surrounding the actual failure of the missiles. During the previous evening, three maintenance teams had been sent out to work on three of the silos -- this happened a lot, because equipment failed all the time from '65-'68, and needed to be replaced or upgraded. These three teams, each made up of maintenance personnel and security personnel who were there to protect the maintenance folks and to maintain continuous radio comms, were out all night, and they didn't report a thing. A couple hours after sunrise, when the missiles went offline, instead of sending out additional teams to silos where personnel were already encamped, my Dad and Figel simply radioed the security teams with each of the three maintenance groups and told them to check the status of the missiles -- they were looking for channel 9 & 12 No-Go indications, because that was what VRSA pointed at when the missiles went down. The first mention of UFOs was made by a member of the maintenance team on the landline -- at the same time he reported the status of the missile, he said something to the effect of "Yeah, we've got a channel 9 No-Go -- it must be that UFO floating over the silo." Now this report was on the landline, which means the guy reporting the missile status was about six feet underground at the time -- he was with the equipment, reporting the status of the missile. He was screwing around, and that's exactly what Figel and my Dad believed -- Figel said the guy was yanking his chain, and he was right. If this had been a genuine report of a UFO, why was there no reaction from the security detail who was actually on the surface? Y'know the guy with the radio who was maintaining continuous comms? The security detail didn't report it, and didn't fire on it as they were trained to do, because there was nothing there. The fact that it was never mentioned again proves that there was nothing there. The fact that Robert Hastings isn't bright enough to figure this out is the only reason we're even discussing it. THIS is what constitutes a rumor -- because when everyone was questioned about the matter later, they all said the same thing -- there was nothing there. That is NOT a UFO report -- it's a couple of guys screwing around. In addition, there were standing orders throughout the Air Force that any UFOs reported to or by the military had to be reported to Project Blue Book -- there were no exceptions to this, and nobody at Malmstrom AFB or SAC had the authority to circumvent those orders. And yet, there were no reports made to Project Blue Book. None. If there had been, the Malmstrom UFO officer, Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase, would have been required to investigate the matter for Blue Book, and he did not do this, because there were no reports made. By anybody -- civilian or military.

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reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 03:22 PM by James Carlson

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#### reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 03:39 PM by Xtraeme

First I'd like to say I appreciate the great attention to detail you included in your reply, thank you!

Originally posted by James Carlson reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

Since when do "Rumors of Unidentified Flying Objects" constitute a UFO report? They don't -- they never have. There were rumors, because nobody was willing to come forward and actually report a UFO.

Not to mince words, but a report can be either formal or informal. A rumor is what most would consider an informal report.

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As for the remainder of your rebuttal let me share a little story,

There were two particular cases which intrigued [Dr. James E.] McDonald, and which he planned to look up at a Blue Book. The first was a report by Maj. Rudolph Pestalozzi, a Tucson resident. Pestalozzi had been an air intelligence officer who, from about 1950 to 1960, was stationed at Davis Monthan (D-M) AFB, just south of Tucson. Upon occasion, in the course of his duties, Pestalozzi made "Air Intelligence Information Reports" regarding UFO sightings by military personnel. He'd talked with McDonald on more than one occasion about a sighting on which he stated he'd "filed the thickest report he'd ever filed on a UFO." The main observers were the crew of an airborne B-36 which was passing over Davis-Monthan AFB at the time of the encounter. Pestalozzi said he also had seen the objects near the B-36 while he was standing on the steps of the Base Hospital with another airman. The two ground-based witnesses saw two round metallic UFOs approach the airborne B-36 and overtake it at 3-4 times its speed. Reducing speed, they paced the aircraft for approximately 3-5 minutes. One object flew behind the port side of the aircraft while the other stationed itself on the starboard side, fitting rather snugly between the right engines and the leading edge of the tail.

The 10-man crew, thoroughly shaken up, requested permission to land at Davis-Monthan after the UFO departed, and Pestalozzi personally interrogated them. All but the pilot had ample time to get to the starboard side of the B-36 to view the UFO up close. The object was symmetrically convex top and bottom, about 10-12 feet thick at the middle, quite sharp at the edge and approximately 20-25 feet in diameter. The crew stated that the object did not interfere with navigation and radio equipment on their aircraft.

To the best of his recollection, Pestalozzi thought the incident had occurred in June 1953. The B-36 was on route from Carswell AFB in Texas headed to March AFB in California at the time of the sighting. He suggested that the incident was probably in the files of Project Blue Book under those names.

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While Lt. Marley watched from his corner, McDonald decided to try to track down Rudy Pestalozzi's report, in which he had become vitally interested and had even discussed with NASA personnel. Working from Rudy's estimated date of June 1953, Quintanilla, Jones and McDonald searched through all the 1953 cases arranged chronologically, and in another cross-file which McDonald guessed was geographical. They failed to find the B-36 case about which Pestalozzi had told him.

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At McDonald's urging, Major Dolan began searching for Rudy Pestalozzi's B-36 case. He dug out a February 1953 case at Ft. Worth, which involved radar frequencies from a B-36. McDonald found this information extremely interesting and put the data in his notes for future reference. The case did not match Pestalozzi's precise description of the startling objects which had reportedly paced the B-36 over

Davis-Monthan AFB, and Major Dolan went back to his search ....
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"We all along debated the cover-up vs. foul-up thing," says Dick Hall, who shared, in part, McDonald's skepticism regarding a widespread "conspiracy." "He did acknowledge that some of the things we came up with shook his faith a little bit" (1 [Author's interview with Dick Hall, 7 May 1994])
At times, McDonald conceded that particular situations in to which he'd stumbled didn't really fit his foul-up theory, but were more like a cover-up. He'd found cases where the documentation had vanished, such as the B-36 case which Rudy Pestalozzi had described to him. On each of his visits to Project Blue Book, McDonald tried to locate that particular report in the Air Force files, and each time came up empty.
(p. 361)
Source: Druffel, Ann (2003). Firestorm: Dr. James E. McDonald's Fight for UFO Science. Columbus, NC: Wild Flower Press. ISBN 0-926524-58-5.

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reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 04:03 PM by James Carlson

Originally posted by Xtraeme reply to **post by James Carlson** 

Funny thing is I was actually interested to read your book, that is until I saw the first several pages were little more than snipes and jabs. If you really care about "the truth" stick to the facts and remove the personal innuendo.

I also find it a bit questionable that you're willing to defer to official records when it suits your position, but when the more anomalous aspects of the event come in to play (i.e. ex-Boeing engineers' failing to identify a pathway for missile shutdowns) you relegate the subject-matter to the end of the book and address it in a rather superficial, non-technical way.

[edit on 12-2-2010 by Xtraeme]

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As for official documents -- I defer to them because they aren't anecdotal. There is

NOTHING to suggest that Salas and Company are correct except their little list of people they say they've spoken with who confirm their story. But they've said that my father confirms their story, too -- how ridiculous is that? Hastings doesn't even bother to let us know exactly what his witnesses say -- he tells us himself. Frankly, he could be imagining it and nobody would know. Anecdotal evidence is nothing. If Salas come forward and says "I saw a UFO at Echo Flight on March 16, 1967" and I have an official document that says he was not even there, which evidence are you going to believe? I defer to official documents, because it's documented history -- I admit, I would probably defer to ANYTHING in reference to Robert Salas, because I already know, and can prove, that he's repeatedly lied in the past about this very subject. If you think that's a problem, I'm sorry, but I've no intention of pulling back. I've had a number of people come to me and say "don't you think think you're being too personal? Maybe you should stick with 'he's mistaken' instead of 'he's a liar'." But I believe he's a liar, I believe I've proven it, so I might as well say so. As for Hastings, I DON'T think he's lying -- I'm fairly sure he believes about everything he's written. That doesn't make him terribly bright or a good judge of character, but it doesn't make him a liar either. He does refuse to consider other evidence even when it's shoved down his throat, but I think that's an ego problem more than anything. He's certainly not doing mankind any service here. Look, I don't want to change anybody's mind about UFOs or whether they target nuclear facilities -- I really don't know or care much about UFOs. But I do know a lot about Echo Flight, Minuteman missiles, and Malmstrom in March 67, and UFOs just weren't involved there and then.

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reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 04:40 PM by Xtraeme

Originally posted by James Carlson

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Actually Salas does mention that there were localized reproductions. Quoting FOIA documentation published in *Faded Giant*,

In mid-April, tests run in the Seattle Test Facility by The Boeing Company revealed that an induced electronic pulse "noise" introduced into the Wing I C53P logic coupler could cause the system to shut down. Also, recent tests at Hill AFB by

OOAMA have revealed that the Wings II through V C53D logic coupler reacts in a similar manner when this noise is introduced into that coupler.

So I think in this instance you're misrepresenting Salas when you say they were "ignored."

Reading the remainder of the page you'll note that the report distinguishes between what "could" have happened versus what did happen:



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Not discussing something is a lie by omission, but again that's splitting hairs. I

think the MSNBC article that I linked to previously captures my view-point nicely,

While historians dismiss claims of a cover-up by pointing out that some details of the Exercise Tiger deaths were released in August 1944 and highlighting that many documents relating to it were declassified long ago, some survivors have more questions than answers about what happened that night.

So I hope to god you're right!

I'd like to give our military the benefit of the doubt, but if you do any real research in to the Robertson Panel's Durant Report you'll see there were two versions: the SECRET copy and the readily available unclassified print-out. Indicating that the mode of operation was "misinform" on one hand and keep the full-truth tucked away in the other.

Which doesn't bode well ...

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I'll definitely read the remainder of your book. I'm just saying the way you've written it really makes it look like an op. ed. rather than a cool-headed, objective assessment.

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reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 05:17 PM by James Carlson

reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

Unless somebody says "I saw a UFO", there is no report. That's the case of March 16, 1967; nobody reported -- formally or informally -- a UFO on March 16. The "rumors" was 2 guys screwing around; it was admitted, and everybody knew they were screwing around, but it had been said on the landline and had to be accounted for by the investigating team. It was accounted for, and then properly dismissed.

As for the B-36 case, they did find the original write up. It was May 1, 1952 and the report is accounted for, along with the letters by McDonald and Pestalozzi in the Project Blue Book Files. Go to: **www.bluebookarchive.org...** 

The quality isn't very good, but it's good enough to tell that the earlier parts of the file are the original report made by the UFO officer. The point, however, isn't that the file may have been lost or the date was wrong or somebody had a hard time tracking it down 15 years later. The point is that the UFO officer investigated the matter, was very honest about it because it was his duty, and did a report -- he understood exactly what he did, why and how he did it, and it was on record as having been done.

The UFO officer at Malmstrom AFB on March 16 was Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase, and he emphatically did NOT investigate any UFOs on March 16, and denied in full that UFOs were involved with the Echo Flight Incident. He also reported, very insistently,

to Project Blue Book that his investigation of the Belt UFO sighting on March 24 had established that there were no equipment malfunctions whatsoever, so we know that missile failures didn't occur on the 24th as well, which is what Salas now claims. If Salas and Hastings are right about Oscar Flight (he no longer claims he was at Echo Flight or November Flight) going down due to UFO interference on March 24-25, then Lt. Col. Chase must have lied to his immediate superior officers at Blue Book when he told them no malfunction of equipment occurred. Salas, in fact, states that Chase lied to FTD in order to keep the missile failures at Oscar Flight a secret. It's very apparent from his write up that he was unaware that FTD (Foreign Technology Division at Wright-Patterson AFB) was in charge of Project Blue Book. Before FTD at Wright-Patterson AFB was called the Foreign Technology Division, it was the Air Technical Intelligence Center (ATIC), and was under the direct command of the Air Materiel Control Department. The Foreign Technology Division would later become the National Air and Space Intelligence Center. It was in 1961 that ATIC became the Foreign Technology Division (FTD); at that time it was also reassigned to Air Force Systems Command. As ATIC, it was in charge of Projects Sign and Grudge. As the Foreign Technology Division, it was in charge of Project Blue Book. By the spring of 1967, when Headquarters Research and Technology Division staff was also consolidated with Air Force Systems Command, all of the high technology research and development laboratories were interconnected all the way to the top of the Air Force authority structure via Air Force Systems Command, with the FTD running everything having to do with UFOs. This meant all of the development by civil contractors of the Minuteman II and III missile systems were consolidated with AFSC, who ran FTD, who ran Blue Book, who ran Lt. Col. Chase. He would NEVER have lied to FTD about equipment malfunctions caused by UFOs; there would have been no need, because they were the ones giving him his orders, and they would have been involved in any investigation had it occurred.

In March 67, UFOs had NOTHING to do with any of the missile failures at Malmstrom AFB. There are people who want you to believe that UFOs were involved, and they've refused to discuss any of this. But please, do the research -- it's all readily available.

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#### reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 05:45 PM by Xtraeme

#### Originally posted by James Carlson

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Hey if you have evidence of this by all means, please, expose these emails. It would bolster your case.

These people have been lying to Americans for 15 years now, and they've done everything they could to try and profit from it, selling their books, going on TV, speaking at MUFON conferences, doing videos and documentaries -- and the entire time they've been lying, and it disgusts me and it should disgust you.

I have zero patience for people who waste my time. There are snake-oil salesman out there and I loathe them. What I don't do however is write people off wholesale because of a potentially misconstrued comment, difficulties in communication, or due to fuzzy memory. I've had more than my fair share of tiffs with people due to failure to communicate effectively and it's ended up causing much-ado over nothing.

Basically my approach to this particular case is rather simple.

If Robert Salas wants to give his testimony **under oath**, then I'd absolutely love to see everyone that's still alive from Echo & Oscar Flight subpoenaed before Congress.

I don't make a cent off of any of this and I have no intentions of doing so. I'm giving it away for free and distributing it myself to anybody who wants it.

And it's much appreciated!

As for official documents -- I defer to them because they aren't anecdotal.

Sadly these official documents are anecdotal, the write-ups aren't necessarily peer-reviewed nor are the results reproducible. The only thing that gives official documentation any weight is that there's an implied legal obligation when a contractor or government-official prepares a report.

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Couldn't the same be said for you? You're speaking in your father's place.

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It's understandable that you're going to have an emotional investment in all this; and clearly you've put a lot of time and effort in to explaining your position. You simply do yourself a disservice when you put yourself in the role of an attack-dog because for me, as a reader, I have a hard time discerning where all this vehemence is coming from; and since you don't make it immediately obvious in the first chapter of your book it can be slightly off-putting.

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reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 08:19 PM by James Carlson

reply to post by Xtraeme

You're probably right -- but I can live with that.

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reply posted on 12-2-2010 @ 08:43 PM by drew hempel

Well there's one aspect that I haven't notice James Carlson mention -- the government does LIE to coverup lack of UFO evidence. For example Greg Bishop's book on Project Beta -- or Jacque Vallee's "Messengers of Deception" book or Prince and Picknett's book "The Stargate Conspiracy" or Nick Redfern's "Body Snatchers" book on Roswell.

The fact is the CIA has promoted the ETH to cover up secret military technology. So when someone does make the "extraordinary" claim that UFOs could not be secret military craft and must be extraterrestrial, etc. then their claim is promoted by the corporate media due to the massive amounts of propaganda already out there.

So James Carlson has done an excellent job showing that Salas is internally inconsistent -- and therefore his testimony is not valid. Beyond that, the statements on record at the time are not based on visual witnesses -- so there's no way the sighting could have happened. The only explanation is the one that was given at the time -- it was a joke.

As for the cause of the shut down -- James Carlson has also provided the details.

That's just in the first 20 pages of his book! So to claim that James Carlson's book is an op-ed is not accurate -- he's giving plenty of detailed evidence and documentation, despite any stylistic presentation.

So will James Carlson be on Larry King? I doubt it -- because the expose of James Carlson goes the opposite direction of the CIA propaganda promoting the aliens as the ETH.

#### reply to post by Xtraeme

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#### reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 12:23 PM by Robert Hastings

In a recent email exchange, James Carlson claimed that I had never provided detailed responses to his criticisms. Actually, I posted two lengthy responses to his nonsense at:

#### www.theufochronicles.com...

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Please note that James continues to sidestep the fact that he still refuses to call his father's deputy missile commander, retired Col. Walter Figel, to hear what actually happened in the Echo Flight launch capsule when his father's missiles shut down. (Even though I offered to provide Figel's phone number to James over a year ago!)

As noted in my posted rebuttals, Figel completely contradicts Eric Carlson's claim that no UFOs were involved.

Nevertheless, I called Figel, and taped the conversation with his permission. One key excerpt from my initial rebuttal to James (the first link inserted above) concerns the transcript of that phone call:

#### EXCERPT BEGINS HERE

Below are pertinent excerpts from my taped telephone conversation on 10/20/08 with retired Col. Walter Figel (USAF Ret.). Figel was Eric Carlson's deputy missile commander at Echo Flight on March 16, 1967:

WF: [At the time of the Echo Flight shutdown] what was unusual was that several

of the missiles were open...for some routine maintenance. I don't remember why. But, uh, at least two of them were running on diesel power so they were not connected to the power grid. I don't remember if it was three open or four open [but] it was just routine maintenance. Nothing had happened [to the missiles]. It was just the time of the year for routine maintenance. Um, and the day before, there were maintenance teams out there. They had stayed overnight—

RH: Do you know how many maintenance teams were out overnight?

WF: You know, I think it was four. It was the two sites that had diesels running and two others. And when maintenance stays overnight they...stay in a camper...When you have maintenance on the site and they're going to stay overnight, you have a security team on the site.

RH: Right.

(Break. Figel goes into detail about security procedures.)

WF: [When] the missiles dropped off alert, I started calling the maintenance people out there on the radio to talk to them. I had the security guard authenticate so I know I'm talking to a security guard and, you know, [I asked] "What's going on? Is maintenance trying to get into the silo?" [The guard said,] "No, they're still in the camper." [So, I said,] "Get 'em up, I want to talk to them." Then I tried to tell them what I had was a Channel 9 No-Go.

RH: Uh huh.

WF: Uh, we did that with the sites that were there, that [had maintenance teams and their guards on site] and I sent Strike Teams to two other sites. There's no sense sending them where I [already] have a guard and a gun and an authenticate.

RH: Right.

WF: Uh-

RH: So far in this narrative, you haven't mentioned UFOs.

WF: [Laughs] That's correct. Um, somewhere along the way, um, one of the maintenance people—cause he didn't know what was going on any place else either, they have no capability of talking to each other [at different launch sites], in other words, they can talk to the [launch] capsule but they can't talk to each other—

RH: Right

WF: —unless they were on the radio and no one was using the radio except the security police. And the guy says, "We got a Channel 9 No-Go. It must be a UFO hovering over the site. I think I see one here." [I said,] "Yeah, right, whatever. What were you drinking?" And he tried to convince me of something and I said, well, I basically, you know, didn't believe him. [Laughs] I said, you know, we have to get somebody to look at this [No-Go]. [A short time later] one of the Strike Teams that went out, one of the two, claimed that they saw something over the site.

RH: How did they describe that?

WF: Oh, on radio, [they said,] "There's this large object hovering over the site!" I've always been a non-believer [in UFOs] so I said, "Right, sure you do." [They responded,] "Yeah! Yeah, we do!" So, [I said,] "There's two of you there, saying so, so write it down in your report." [The Strike Team leader] said, "What do you want us to do?" [I said,] "Follow your checklist. Go to the site, open it up, and call me."

RH: What was the demeanor of the guard you were talking to?

WF: Um, you know, I wouldn't say panicked, or anything [like that]. I was thinking

he was yanking my chain more than anything else.

RH: But he seemed to be serious to you?

WF: He seemed to be serious and I wasn't taking him seriously.

RH: Alright. If it was a large object, did he describe the shape of the object?

WF: He just said a large round object.

RH: Directly over the LF?

WF: Directly over the site.

(BREAK. Figel describes hearing from the maintenance man about his opening up the silo, going down into it, and reporting that even though the missile was offline, nothing was visually damaged or otherwise amiss at the site.)

RH: Did he describe the object leaving the scene?

WF: No. He never said anything about it again.

(BREAK. Figel describes telling all the maintenance teams to stay at their sites until relieved, and not to attempt repairs until told to do so, since the missile silos were in effect "crime scenes".)

RH: When you got the first call, well, when the missiles went down, you didn't have an inkling of an alleged UFO-involvement until you got the report back from the first Strike Team member?

WF: That's correct. (RH: Actually, upon reviewing the taped conversation with Figel, I realized that the missile maintenance man had apparently mentioned seeing the UFO first.)

RH: Okay, uh, and only one of the two teams reported seeing an object?

WF: Right.

RH: Uh, did you discuss the report with Mr. Carlson—that you were being told that there was a UFO at one of the sites?

WF: Um, he could hear it, uh, I mean he was sitting right there, two feet away from me—

RH: So-

WF: Whatever I said, he would have heard.

(Break. Figel describes going back to Malmstrom with Carlson and being debriefed by "everybody and his brother.")

RH: Did any of the conversations back at squadron headquarters, uh, was there any mention of UFOs?

WF: I told them everything everyone told me. No one made any comments or inquiries—

RH: So you did mention the report that you got from the Strike Team?

WF: Yes.

RH: And no one asked any questions about UFOs per se?

WF: No.

RH: Did they act skeptically or negatively when you mentioned [the Strike Team's UFO report]?

WF: They just wrote things down.

RH: [Laughs] That sounds right. Poker-faced and-

WF: [Laughs] Poker-faced and wrote things down. They just said, "Thank you very much. Don't talk about it." I didn't sign anything, I can tell you that.

(Break. Hastings describes similar testimony from other missileers who were debriefed at Malmstrom and other Strategic Air Command bases, following UFO-related incidents in the missile fields.)

WF: What did Eric [Carlson] have to say [about the shutdown incident]? (RH had interviewed Carlson two weeks earlier, on 10/6/08)

RH: Uh, he said that he couldn't recall any UFO-involvement in the incident. He couldn't remember if you had mentioned UFOs, one way or another. His son [James] has now [posted] on a blog, a web log, a couple of lengthy statements in which he defamed Salas, said Salas was a liar, [and said] there was nothing involving UFOs at Echo...

WF: Did Eric say anything else that was a discontinuity [relative to what I've said]?

RH: ...Well, I [told Eric] that you had [heard from] a guard or a maintenance person that there was an object above the site, which you've confirmed today—

WF: Yes.

RH: —And I asked Eric if he remembered any of that, and he said that he did not. And, um, I asked him why his son would have written this scathing, very negative summary, which I will send [to] you, about the event—

WF: That will be interesting.

RH: --calling Salas a liar, and so on and so forth.

WF: Well, I didn't do that.

RH: Well, I know, but his son, you know, for whatever reason, his son, James Carlson, has got a bug up his nose and said that nothing happened, there were no reports of UFOs, which you told me is incorrect because you got one.

WF: I did!

RH: Well, according to James, it was all bull and Salas was basically pulling it out of the air. [Eric] Carlson just, he didn't really want to talk about it, frankly, but he did answer my questions. He just was kind of circumspect. I can't say that he's not being truthful when he says he doesn't remember talking to you about UFOs, but that's what he told me.

WF: I'm sure we had a long conversation [right after it happened]. I mean, I reported everything to him that I heard or was told. I mean, we were together, you know? [Laughs]

RH: Well, it has been 40 years, so we have to take that into account. [That is, the possibility of faded memories.]

END OF TELEPHONE TRANSCRIPT

So, folks, James Carlson has it all wrong, according to his father's deputy missile commander that day at Echo Flight, now retired Col. Walter Figel. Actually, James, the presence of a UFO at one of Echo's missiles was indeed reported to Figel, by both a missile maintenance technician and a Security Alert Team (or Strike Team)

member. It was described as a "large, round object", hovering directly over the launch facility. Moreover, Figel insists that your father was fully aware of the situation, given that he was sitting "two feet away" from Figel during his phone calls with the on-site maintenance man and the responding missile security policeman. As to why your father can not, or will not, confirm Figel's story, I won't speculate.

So, James, will you also now call Col. Figel a liar, just as you have called the other honorable Air Force veterans liars, simply because they have come forward and spoken the truth about UFO activity at ICBM sites? If you would like to speak to Col. Figel yourself, please email me at hastings444@att.net and I will provide you with his telephone number.

#### END OF EXCERPT

BTW, James Carlson also conveniently neglects to mention that Robert Kaminski, the Boeing Corporation engineer responsible for investigating the Minuteman missile shutdowns at Echo Flight, wrote to researcher James Klotz on February 1, 1997, and told Klotz what actually happened after his team began their inquiry.

#### KAMINSKI'S LETTER TO JAMES KLOTZ

#### "Hi James,

I received your package of information on Tuesday January 28, 1997. After reviewing the information it sure revived memories concerning the Malmstrom AFB E-Flight investigation of which I was the Boeing in-house project engineer for the field team investigation. Per your request I have documented my direct involvement as I recall the event and give names and other information not previously covered in my book, " Lying Wonders."

As I previously mentioned to Bob Salas and others, I never submitted a final report from Boeing to the Air Force. A final report was generated but not submitted. This will become clear as you will see in my recollection noted below. The same engineering report you refer to is in all probability in Boeing archives. I'm not sure how to get access to it at this time--however I will make a few suggestions.

# Report of E-Flight Incident by Robert Kaminski

At the time of the incident, I was an engineer in the MIP/CNP (Material Improvement Project/Controlled Numbered Problem) group. This was a Logistics Engineering group. The group was contracted by the Air Force so that Boeing could respond to specific Air Force Minuteman Missiles problems that occurred in the field. The assignments came from the OOAMA Air Material Command. Our group was made up of a small unit of engineers that were knowledgeable of, and had worked on the Minuteman Missile program. The supervisor of the group at the time was a person named Donald Heck.

We were usually notified by our OOAMA Boeing contact (located at Hill AFB) when a request was coming in from the Air Force. Don Peterson, was our Boeing OOAMA contact. The requests came usually in two forms. One was a MIP request that covered a variety of things. These would range from quality problems, corrosion problems or the unavailability of parts needed for maintenance and so forth. The second type was called a Controlled Numbered Problem. These types requested Boeing engineering support for a particular problem. The E Flight incident fell into this second type--It was a Controlled Numbered Problem. I was handed the E-Flight CNP assignment when it arrived by the group supervisor. As the internal Boeing project engineer I arranged meetings necessary with management and technical personnel required to determine a course of action to be taken, in exploring why 10 missiles had suddenly fallen from alert status,--green--to red, with no explanation for it. This was an unusual request and we had no prior similar incident or experience to this kind of anomaly. At the time of the request, no mention was made of an UFO involvement. Meetings were held with parties from Test Engineering, and Systems Engineering along with Logistics who ran the meeting. This project was not classified~

Since this was a field site peculiar incident, a determination was made to send out an investigation team to survey the LCF and the LFs to determine what failures or related incidents could be found to explain the cause. The team was made up of qualified engineers and technicians headed by scientific person who was a glaciologist. There were about 5 persons in all that were sent out. After a week in the field the team returned and pooled their data. At the outset the team quickly noticed a lack of anything that would come close to explain why the event occurred. There were no significant failures, engineering data or findings that would explain how ten missiles were knocked off alert. This indeed turned out to be a rare event and not encountered before. The use of backup power systems and other technical system circuit operational redundancy strongly suggests that this kind of event is virtually impossible once the system was up and running and on line with other LCF's and LF's interconnectivity.

The only thing that even came close to a failure was that a transformer on a commercial power pole down the road from one of the sites was in the process of failing. It exhibited a intermittent transient type of failure that could have generated noise spikes on the power line. This in itself could not have caused the problem at E-Flight. The problem was reported to the local power company who took action to replace the transformer.

The team met with me to report their findings and it was decided that the final report would have nothing significant in it to explain what happened at E-Flight. In other words there was no technical explanation that could explain the event. The team went off to do the report. Meanwhile I was contacted by our representative at OOAMA (Don Peterson) and told by him that the incident was reported as being a UFO event--That a UFO was seen by some Airmen over the LCF at the time E-Flight went down.

Subsequently, we were notified a few days later, that a stop work order was on the way from OOAMA to stop any further effort on this project. We stopped. We were also told that we were not to submit the final engineering report. This was most unusual since all of our work required review by the customer and the submittal of a final Engineering report to OOAMA.

Days later, I asked our Boeing OOAMA rep what was going on. His reply to me--off the record---was that the LCF capsule jockeys were suspected of causing the problem somehow by something they did to one of the digital racks in the LCF. The Air Force capsule officers apparently were quietly removed from their job as LCF officers. This part of the story can not be verified by me, as it was hearsay.

Other information [:]

I also know that OOAMA conducted some engineering tests on their own, in their HETF (Hill Engineering Test Facility) at Hill AFB. The results of those tests were not made known to group I worked for. The HETF was a place where OONE-engineering at Hill AFB did some of their own analysis.

Boeing did however have engineering support at Hill AFB and assisted them as requested. Don Peterson our Boeing rep at Hill AFB is probably the key to uncovering this information. Another Boeing person there was Bob Blair.

Other engineering testing was conducted by Boeing at their Network Resolution Analysis (NRA) facility in Seattle. There was probably a report generated on that work and is referred to in the papers you sent me. However, as I recall nothing explained the anomaly at E-Flight. The location of this effort is also probably in Boeing archives. Current Boeing Minuteman personnel may shed light on prior activity.

Don Peterson the Boeing Rep at Hill AFB may have additional leads on who the Airmen were that reported the original UFO story. I never had that information. I would think that Malmstrom AFB is the place where that information resides. I have not talked to Don Peterson for some years but will make an attempt to contact him for you. He may have other leads and personnel names.

Don Peterson is believed to have retired in the Ogden area. Donald Heck did live in the Juanita area of Lake Washington several years ago. As I remember key other names I will let you know.

Sincerely Yours;

z~~ [Robert Kaminski]

END OF LETTER TO KLOTZ

In summary, the Air Force eventually lied about the reasons for the Echo Flight shutdown by telling Boeing rep Don Peterson that the launch officers (James' father and Walt Figel) had screwed up and had been relieved of their positions. We now know that was a cover story. Kaminski had earlier learned the truth—about airmen reporting UFOs at E Flight—from Peterson.

In short, while James Carlson's deluded misrepresentations about the Echo Flight may fool a few uninformed persons, the facts are available for anyone who wishes to pursue them.

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 01:33 PM by Unity\_99

reply to post by Robert Hastings

Thank you so much for this very telling transcript. You have more than demonstrated your excellence at research and presenting the information, and this



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Originally posted by Robert Hastings Traditionaldrummer: An "informed opinion" is still an opinion. Bring us some facts, something we can touch and test and verify beyond a reasonable doubt.

RH: There are thousands of facts on my website and in my book. Although the vast majority of Americans are completely unaware of \*this\* fact, hundreds of U.S. Air Force, FBI, and CIA documents—declassified via the Freedom of Information Act—establish a convincing pattern of UFO incursions at U.S. nuclear weapons sites, decade after decade, beginning in December 1948.

These dramatic events have occurred at missile launch sites, bomb and missile warhead storage facilities, nuclear development laboratories, and weapons test sites in Nevada and the Pacific.

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While most UFO skeptics are quick to dismiss as impossible the idea that UFOs are alien spacecraft, very few of them will ever make the effort to learn whether any evidence exists to suggest otherwise.

Perhaps a UFO skeptic's standard of evidence is greater than that of a UFO researcher's standards, particularly when the researcher has the clear bias of attempting to link UFO's to aliens and their spacecraft. Until someone produces an alien or their spacecraft which can be verified and tested using scientific methods no reasonable person should conclude that either exist based upon a preponderance of documents, reports or eyewitness accounts.

I'm in favor of researching anything unidentified but UFO skepticism remains valid.

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#### reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 06:18 PM by Robert Hastings

Speaking of the UFO-Nukes Connection, and other national security-related UFO activity, here is an excerpt from my book, UFOs and Nukes, addressing files that have been kept back from declassification:

From the chapter, "Look Over Here, Not Over There!"

The \*selective\* declassification of UFO-related information by the U.S. government has been routinely utilized for decades to steer public perception in a certain direction. It's commonly called "spin." The purpose of this propaganda tactic is to alter the actual story of official interest in the UFO phenomenon, so that it appears as if there exists only minimal concern, or none at all.

A case in point is the Air Force's closure of Project Blue Book in 1969. The project's termination, and the eventual declassification of its files in 1974-75, left the impression—as was intended—that the military had lost interest in UFOs and was making public the sum of its knowledge about them. In reality, other groups within the Air Force, and other agencies, had also routinely collected information on UFOs for decades, out of public view, especially in cases where the national security of the United States was potentially impacted.

For example, consider the dramatic information provided to Office of Special Investigations (OSI) agents by Bob Salas and the other missile launch officers at Malmstrom AFB, in March 1967, in the wake of the large-scale missile shutdown incidents. Did Blue Book staffers even know that OSI had interviewed at least four launch officers, all of whom reported apparent UFO-involvement in the missile malfunctions? If the declassified Blue Book files are any indication, they did not.

The same holds true for most of the other accounts presented in this book, provided not only by ex-Air Force personnel stationed at various SAC missile bases over the years, but also by various airmen, sailors and marines who participated in the atmospheric nuclear tests of the 1950s and early 1960s. Many of these UFO sighting witnesses report that they were subsequently questioned by an agent working for OSI or some other military or civilian intelligence group. As far as I am aware, none of the written reports relating to those interrogations have been declassified. Consequently, according to the official record—at least the version of it publicly available following the release of Blue Book's files—the great majority of the incidents reported in this book never even happened.

\*\*\*Researcher Jan Aldrich notes, "In [a] 1952 LOOK article, [then Project Blue Book chief, Captain Edward] Ruppelt mentions a file of 63 cases of UFOs over nuclear installations, but such a file is not in currently-declassified Blue Book





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That missing file aside, one declassified Air Force document explicitly explains why Blue Book may not have routinely received national security-related UFO reports, including those at nuclear weapons sites...The memorandum, dated October 20, 1969, and signed by Air Force General C.H. Bolender, the Air Force's Deputy Director of Development, was directed to all Air Force commands. While the memo did indeed suggest that Project Blue Book should be terminated, it then stated, "...reports of UFOs which could affect national security should continue to be handled through the standard Air Force procedure designed for this purpose." General Bolender emphasized this point, adding, "Reports of unidentified flying objects which could affect national security are made in accordance with JANAP 146 or Air Force Manual 55-11, and are not part of the Blue Book system." As researcher Barry Greenwood has noted, sixteen attachments which once accompanied the Bolender memorandum are no longer in Air Force files, at least according to the FOIA managers who responded to various requests for their release.

Regardless, the Bolender document confirms that the most important UFO cases—those potentially affecting national security—were never routinely funneled to Project Blue Book in the first place, but were sent to other, less-publicized groups within the Air Force, which were still tasked with collecting and evaluating such reports after Blue Book's official and highly-touted closure.

It will be remembered that in my chapter on the Minuteman missile shutdown incidents at Echo and Oscar Flights, outside Malmstrom AFB, in March 1967, the Air Force—in response to an FOIA request filed by researcher Jim Klotz—declassified portions of the 341st Strategic Missile Wing's history, as well as various engineering reports, one of which claimed that reports of UFOs from Air Force personnel in the missile field at the time of the Echo Flight shutdown had later been "disproved". Significantly, although a number of ex-USAF personnel have now discussed the subsequent shutdown at Oscar Flight, there is no mention of its occurrence in the declassified files. Officially, it was a non-event.

While the documents released to Klotz would seem to squelch any notion of UFO involvement in the shutdowns, the OSI reports relating to the debriefing of the launch officers who were involved in the incidents were not released, and their very existence has never been acknowledged by the Air Force. The release of the wing history and other reports was, in my view, most probably an attempt at spin, designed to refute the now-public testimony of the former or retired Air Force launch officers, and other missile personnel, who have confirmed a UFO involvement in the shutdown incidents. As the Air Force historian who wrote the 341st SMW history later admitted to Klotz, after he had learned about UFO sightings in the missile field and wrote about them, his superiors edited—that is, censored—the "UFO aspect" of his report. It was this edited version of events that was later declassified.

Although the U.S. Air Force had declassified all of the Project Blue Book files by 1975, including some number of previously unavailable OSI reports sent to the group, no OSI reports relating to the debriefing of the launch officers at Malmstrom in 1967—or other Air Force personnel involved in this or that nuclear missile-related UFO incident—were among them.

So, James Carlson, Drew Hempel, and anyone else critical of Bob Salas' revelations, as noted above in the \*\*\* bracketed sentence\*\*\*, 15 years before the incidents at Malmstrom AFB, Project Blue Book Chief Captain Ed Ruppelt told a nationally-prominent magazine that UFOs had hovered over nuclear weapons-related facilities on 63 occasions (!) between 1947 and '52.

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#### reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 06:59 PM by Robert Hastings

More on the magazine article mentioned in my last post, again from my book:

An important, if brief, public examination of this situation was provided in June 1952, when LOOK magazine published an article titled, "Hunt For The Flying Saucer".8 Among other revelations, the exposé quoted Captain Edward J. Ruppelt, chief of the U.S. Air Force's UFO investigations group, Project Blue Book, as saying that many of the sighting reports had originated at one atomic weapons-related site or another, not only in New Mexico, but all around the country. Given its investigative mission, Blue Book had been privy to classified intelligence summaries relating to these still-unsolved incidents at "sensitive" installations. According to LOOK, the "ominous correlation" between such sightings and these top secret facilities had been brought to the attention of high ranking Air Force officers, prompting a meeting at the Pentagon to discuss the apparent UFO-nukes link.

Later, after resigning from the Air Force, Ruppelt wrote the book, The Report on Unidentified Flying Objects, in 1956, in which he expanded upon his earlier comments to LOOK, noting, "UFOs were seen more frequently around areas vital to the defense of the United States. The Los Alamos-Albuquerque area, Oak Ridge, and White Sands Proving Ground rated high." 9

Each of these locations was directly or indirectly involved in America's nuclear weapons program: Los Alamos Laboratory conducted theoretical research and designed the bombs. In Albuquerque, Sandia Laboratory engineered those weapons, which were often transported to nearby Manzano Base, an underground storage facility. At Kirtland Air Force Base (AFB), located just west of Manzano, the nukes were loaded onto strategic bombers and cargo aircraft and flown to test sites in Nevada and the Marshall Islands, in the Pacific Ocean, as well as to military bases throughout the continental U.S. and Alaska, then not yet a state.

Meanwhile, at the Oak Ridge facility, in Tennessee, reactors feverishly produced weapons-grade uranium and plutonium for an ever-expanding nuclear arsenal. (Oak Ridge had also played an essential role in the World War II-era Manhattan Project, by providing the uranium for the bomb dropped on Hiroshima.) Various declassified FBI and Air Force memoranda, and other reliable reports, note no fewer than 14 separate UFO sightings at Oak Ridge, during the period from October 12 to December 20, 1950. The tally was based on reports provided by various governmental security officers at the installation, as well as military pilots and radar personnel.10

At the third UFO sighting hot spot mentioned by Ruppelt, White Sands Proving Ground, in southern New Mexico, the military was engaged in ongoing tests of the rudimentary rockets which would, within a decade, evolve into highly accurate, intercontinental delivery systems for U.S. nuclear warheads—as well as the boosters NASA would use to take its first, tentative steps into space.

But these key strategic sites were not the only ones under apparent UFO surveillance. In his book, Ruppelt revealed a dramatic incident which had occurred at yet another. "On the night of December 10, 1952," he wrote, "near another atomic installation, the Hanford plant in Washington, the pilot and radar observer of a patrolling F-94 spotted a light while flying at 26,000 feet. The crew called their ground control station and were told that no planes were known to be in the area. They closed on the object and saw a large, round, white 'thing' with a dim reddish light coming from two 'windows.' They lost visual contact but got a radar lock-on. They reported that when they attempted to close on it again it would reverse direction and dive away. Several times the plane altered course itself because collision seemed imminent." 11

At the time of this incident, the Hanford nuclear plant was the world's largest producer of weapons-grade plutonium. Moreover, during World War II, its reactors had provided the fissile material used in both the first atomic bomb test in New Mexico, and the bomb that destroyed Nagasaki.

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Sweeps US Conspiracies in Religions: 7 hours ago, 35 replies But the attempted intercept of the UFO was not the first such incident near the Hanford plant. A now-declassified Air Force intelligence report confirms that on May 21, 1949, a "silvery, disc-shaped" object had been sighted hovering directly over the plant by Hanford personnel. Simultaneously, the UFO was being tracked on radar at nearby Moses Lake AFB, where an F-82 fighter had been scrambled to intercept it. However, before the jet could get close enough, the UFO left the vicinity at a high rate of speed—faster than any aircraft—according to the report. Although this incident was publicly dismissed by the Air Force as the sighting of a conventional aircraft, the classified report on the case contained the investigating officer's written remark that the sighting involved "flying saucers" [sic].12

Another case of documented UFO activity in the restricted airspace above the Hanford plant occurred fourteen months later. A declassified but undated U.S. Army Memorandum For Record, whose subject was "Flying Discs", states, "The following information was furnished Major Carlen by Lt. Colonel Mildren on 4 August 1950: Since 30 July 1950 objects, round in form, have been sighted over the Hanford AEC [Atomic Energy Commission] plant. These objects reportedly were above 15,000 feet in altitude. Air Force jets attempted interception with negative results. All units including the anti-aircraft battalion, radar units, Air Force fighter squadrons, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation have been alerted for further observation. The Atomic Energy Commission states that the investigation is continuing and complete details will be forwarded later." 13 The memo was signed by Major U.G. Carlan, General Support Center (GSC), Survey Section.

As if to underscore the importance of the Hanford site, five months before the jet intercept attempt mentioned by Ruppelt in his book, another UFO sighting occurred at Hanford, and was reported by The Miami Herald: "On July 6, 1952, four non-scheduled airline pilots reported they saw a saucer hovering near the atomic energy plant at Richland, Washington. The four were Captain John Baldwin of Coral Gables, Captains George Robertson and D. D. Shenkel of Miami and Steven Summers of Hialeah—all of them veteran airmen." 14 (Ruppelt later claimed the sighting was of a Skyhook Balloon, but this seems questionable, given the details in the published report.)

Elsewhere in his book, Ruppelt noted that UFOs had also demonstrated a distinct interest in yet another nuclear weapons-related plant which had just come online. He wrote, "Many of the reports came from people in the vicinity of the then new super-hush-hush AEC facility at Savannah River, Georgia [sic]."15 The fissile materials plant is actually in South Carolina but located on the river which serves as a common boundary between that state and Georgia. It became operational in 1952, and would for the next 40 years produce much of the plutonium and tritium used in America's nuclear weapons.

One declassified FBI letter, dated May 15, 1952, reports that miniature "flying disks" had been sighted at the Savannah River Plant just days before, on May 10th. The lengthy letter was sent by FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover to the director of the Air Force's Office of Special Investigations, as well as the Inspector General of the Air Force.

According to Hoover, four DuPont company employees working at the plant "saw four disk shaped objects approaching 'the four hundred area' from the south which disappeared in a northerly direction." Two other disks, each flying alone, were sighted by the same workers shortly thereafter. Hoover continued, "The disks were described by the above-mentioned employees as being approximately fifteen inches in diameter and yellow to gold in color. All of the objects were allegedly traveling at a high rate of speed and at a high altitude without any noise." Hoover wrote that one of the solitary discs "was reportedly traveling at such a low altitude it had to rise to pass over some tall tanks which are in 'the four hundred area.' The employee referred to above advised the objects were weaving form left to right but seemed to hold a general course." 16

The 400 Area contained a number of large holding tanks in which plutonium processing-related effluents were stored. Apparently, the size of the diminutive discs was estimated based on the one observed maneuvering at low altitude near the tanks, whose dimensions were known and used for comparison. As will be

discussed later in this chapter, other sightings of mini-UFOs—which are presumably remote-controlled—had been reported three years earlier at Killeen Base, a nuclear weapons storage site in Texas.

Air Force and FBI investigators were not the only members the U.S. government worried by this kind of development. At least one high-level CIA analyst also expressed concern over UFO sightings at sensitive government installations. On December 2, 1952, Dr. H. Marshall Chadwell, Assistant Director of the CIA's Office of Scientific Intelligence, wrote a Secret memorandum to CIA Director Walter B. Smith, titled, "Unidentified Flying Objects." The memo noted repeated UFO sightings at important, but unspecified U.S. "defense" sites and stated, "At this time, the reports of incidents convince us that there is something going on that must have immediate attention...Sightings of unexplained objects at great altitudes and traveling at high speeds in the vicinity of major U.S. defense installations are of such nature that they are not attributable to natural phenomena or known types of aerial vehicles." 18

While Dr. Chadwell did not identify the "major" defense sites at which the sightings had occurred, it is almost certain that he was referring to the plants at which nuclear weapons materials were being produced. Within the previous seven months, UFOs had been reported by military personnel or civilians near Oak Ridge, Savannah River and Hanford. (Another military UFO sighting and radar tracking—the one reported by Edward Ruppelt—occurred at the Hanford plant eight days after Chadwell wrote his memorandum.)

Dr. Chadwell concluded his memo to the CIA director by stating, "Attached hereto is a draft memorandum to the NSC (National Security Council) and a simple draft NSC Directive establishing this matter as a priority project throughout the intelligence and the defense research and development community." 19

Clearly, Chadwell considered UFO sightings at nuclear weapons sites to be of great concern and, therefore, urged that they be brought to the attention of the highest levels of the U.S. government. Researcher Brad Sparks correctly notes that CIA Director Smith did not approve Chadwell's recommendation that the NSC be presented with the matter. Regardless, by the time Chadwell wrote his memo, the mysterious aerial objects had been intermittently observed near installations associated with atomic, or the new thermonuclear weapons for a full four years—their origin, and the intentions of their presumed pilots still unknown.

--Robert Hastings

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## reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 07:08 PM by Robert Hastings

And now for a clarification: In the early days, Blue Book was indeed an investigative group, not the PR front it later morphed into. The nuclear weapons-related cases mentioned by Ruppelt, in the June 1952 LOOK article mentioned above, verify that he was at that time privy to UFO incidents affecting national security. However, as I also note in my book, by November of the same year, Blue Book had essentially

been frozen out of the loop. Therefore, after the project's closure in 1969, General Bollender could accurately state that UFO cases affecting national security were not "a part of the Blue Book system."

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 07:27 PM by drew hempel

reply to post by Robert Hastings

With all due respect Robert this phone call is very ambiguous -- you first lead the enquiry by asking about UFOs since they have not been mentioned, then the maintenance person is brought up by WF stating the maintenance could not know unless they were on the radio but only security police was using the radio.

So why was the maintenance person even mentioned? Did the maintenance person see the UFO -- according to James Carlson no because the maintenance person was underground.

So if it was not the maintenance person then why did WF even mention the maintenance person and why only AFTER you prompted him by asking about UFOs?

Then WF says about the maintenance person UNLESS THEY WERE ON THE RADIO....

So again why mention the maintenance person if they were not on the radio and if they could not see the UFO?

So then we are led to believe the maintenance person was NOT on the radio -- but apparently saw the UFO (even though it's not possible since they were underground -- so why mention them?)....

And THEN we get apparently the security police on the radio (although it's unclear for sure)... and when the person on the radio is serious about a "large object hovering over the site" then why is this reported as

"rumor of UFO" on the record.

So, [I said,] "There's two of you there, saying so, so write it down in your report."

So WF states he told the person on the radio to report what they saw down on record yet the only record is

rumor of UFO.

So if the person on the radio SAW the ufo -- and was told to report it on record -- why does the record say "rumor"?

RH: So far in this narrative, you haven't mentioned UFOs. WF: [Laughs] That's correct. Um, somewhere along the way, um, one of the maintenance people—cause he didn't know what was going on any place else either, they have no capability of talking to each other [at different launch sites], in other words, they can talk to the [launch] capsule but they can't talk to each other— RH: Right WF: —unless they were on the radio and no one was using the radio except the security police. And the guy says, "We got a Channel 9 No-Go. It must be a UFO hovering over the site. I think I see one here." [I said,] "Yeah, right, whatever. What were you drinking?" And he tried to convince me of something and I said, well, I basically, you know, didn't believe him. [Laughs] I said, you know, we have to get somebody to look at this [No-Go]. [A short time later] one of the Strike Teams that went out, one of the two, claimed that they saw something over the site. RH: How did they describe

	that? WF: Oh, on radio, [they said,] "There's this large object hovering over the site!" I've always been a non-believer [in UFOs] so I said, "Right, sure you do." [They responded,] "Yeah! Yeah, we do!" So, [I said,] "There's two of you there, saying so, so write it down in your report." [The Strike Team leader] said, "What do you want us to do?" [I said,] "Follow your checklist. Go to the site, open it up, and call me."
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roply pos	sted on 13-2-2010 @ 07:41 PM by <b>Robert Hastings</b>
Drev mair	v Hempel: So why was the maintenance person even mentioned? Did the ntenance person see the UFO according to James Carlson no because the ntenance person was underground.
cam	Wrong, as usual, Drew. The maintenance guys were still sleeping in their per, as noted by Col. Figel. He told the guard to get them up. (Gee, James son got something wrong?! I'm stunned!)
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thing you can s in th phor elder	entioned to Figel that he had not yet said anything about the UFOs, to move gs along. He then got into the meat of the conversation. I am not surprised that consider the conversation ambiguous, given your perpetual cluelessness. You swallow Stan Deyo's BS with no problem but if Figelthe guy who was actually he capsule with James' fathersays, point blank, that a guard reported on the he that a large round object was hovering directly over the LF, and that the r Carlson heard the exchange because he was sitting right next to Figel, then 's somehow not clear enough for you.
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	Originally posted by James Carlson reply to <b>post by Xtraeme</b>
	Unless somebody says "I saw a UFO", there is no report. That's the case of March 16, 1967; nobody reported formally or informally a UFO on March 16. The "rumors" was 2 guys screwing around; it was admitted, and everybody knew they were screwing around, but it had been said on the landline and had to be accounted for by the investigating team. It was accounted for, and then properly dismissed.

I think you'd benefit by exposing yourself to the atmosphere of the time-period. If you watch this clip from CBS's 1966 airing of **UFO: Friend, Foe or Fantasy** you'll see that Frank Manner (@7:01) was extremely upset about his entire experience after reporting a UFO through official channels:

YouTube Link

Interviewer: Are you sorry now that you did tell people what you saw?

**Frank:** Yes I am, I am sorry. ... Not that it's not the truth, but it's just the idea of the reaction of the people. They think you're a nut. Tell you the truth, that's just what they figure you are. And I'm not going to take it no more. I don't want nobody down in here ... just leave me alone. And if the thing lands right there by that pump I'd never say a word. And he got out and talked to me, I wouldn't tell nobody. ..."

It's very easy to imagine that people at Echo & Oscar Flight may have reneged on their original statements due to similar motivations and/or perhaps because of **AFR 200-2** (later AFR-187) / JANAP-146, "both of which specified heavy fines and/or prison sentences for individuals who revealed details about unexplained UFO sightings in which they had been involved in the course of their employment." [Druffel, ibid p97]

So the fact that we have a comment from the maintenance team which you readily concede ("Yeah, we've got a channel 9 No-Go -- it must be that UFO floating over the silo."), Salas, Figel, and an official document is indicative of *something* that's not entirely on the level.

As for the B-36 case, they did find the original write up. It was <u>May 1, 1952</u> and the report is accounted for, along with the letters by McDonald and Pestalozzi in the Project Blue Book Files. Go to: **www.bluebookarchive.org...** 

The quality isn't very good, but it's good enough to tell that the earlier parts of the file are the original report made by the UFO officer. The point, however, isn't that the file may have been lost or the date was wrong or somebody had a hard time tracking it down 15 years later. The point is that the UFO officer investigated the matter, was very honest about it because it was his duty, and did a report -- he understood exactly what he did, why and how he did it, and it was on record as having been done.

While I appreciate you searching the Blue Book files, the case that you reference sadly isn't the same one originally mentioned by Pestalozzi.

As Druffel notes,

McDonald did comes across another B-36 case which had also been reported by Pestalozzi, involving a <u>May 1, 1952</u>, observation by a master sergeant of two UFOs pacing a B-36 as it passed over Davis-Monthan AFB. (ibid, p. 62)

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 07:51 PM by drew hempel

reply to **post by Robert Hastings** 

Robert you didn't answer my question -- the same point James Carlson is making.

The only written record about UFOs is that "rumor of UFO was disproven."

So again, Robert, James Carlson has shown extensively that Robert Salas has changed his story numerous times.

So now you rely not on Salas (who wrote a whole book based on his flimsy story changing!) but on Figel.

Figel tells the TWO security to record their UFO sighting in a report.

So why didn't the UFO sighting by the two security guards get recorded in a report as Figel ordered?

All that is recorded is "UFO rumor disproven."

Or are you claiming the security report was disappeared? If not then why was it not recorded as Figel ordered the security to do?

If it wasn't recorded then it remains a rumor -- one, again, disproven.

Please clarify because James Carlson has also explained WHY the shut down happened.

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 08:00 PM by Xtraeme

Originally posted by drew hempel reply to **post by Robert Hastings** 

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So why didn't the UFO sighting by the two security guards get recorded in a report as Figel ordered?

Blue Book's charter didn't include investigating issues that involved national security, which likely explains why there are only a handful of above-SECRET classifications in the Blue Book files. You have to also realize Blue Book was a small organization. There were usually only handful of three or four people on staff.

There were several other divisions purportedly investigating more classified incidents with UFOs, or in more neutral terms "foreign technology," including the 4602 air intelligence service squadron (AISS), as mentioned in AFR 200-2, and William Moore's less believable **1127th Field Activities Group**.

Since the '67 incident was related to Minuteman missiles the event would have been classified SECRET or above, as evidenced by the **declassified Strategic Missile Wing documents** and therefore very likely outside the jurisdiction of Blue Book and possibly other AF intelligence offices.

So additional records may exist in another sub-organization though there's also a chance they may have out-lived their retention date.

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### reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 08:12 PM by James Carlson

reply to post by Robert Hastings

Once again, Robert Hastings has proven that he won't answer the questions put to him. Why don't you read my book, Robert? I discuss your interviews and transcripts, and I prove that once again you've interpreted what's been said poorly because you're only interested in ONE outcome. You're not looking for information -- you're looking for UFOs. As for my questions, I've asked you dozens of questions that you have simply ignored for months and months. When I posted them on your regular forum at UFO CHRONICLES, they were ignored, my statements were removed, and either you or the people who run that forum closed it out, presumably so my questions wouldn't be answered. You print a lot of noise, but there's nothing of substance here, which I prove in my book. You make a big deal out of the fact that I haven't spoken to Walt Figel, without seeming to realize that I don't need to -- everything I need to prove that UFOs were not involved is already in the interviews YOU conducted, the articles written by Robert Salas and James Klotz, and the websites at CUFON and NICAP. The very obvious point to all this is none of you know anything about the subject -- military missile systems and the classification of military documents; you make assumptions that don't make sense and you don't understand what people are very clearly telling you. I've asked you questions and you've ignored them; I've pointed out fallacies in your argument and you don't care; and when I tried to point them out to your readers at UFO CHRONICLES, I was shut down, and the forum closed out, my last emails removed. You and the others I've discussed above have purposely hidden information, misinterpreted details that -- at least as far as Salas is concerned, having actually served in the military in a position requiring knowledge of DoD procedures -- should not have been misinterpreted, and have gone out of your way to throw scads of irrelevant information at the subject in the hope that the sheer amount alone will fool people into thinking you know what you're talking about. I can and have proven all of this and documented it in my book, which you very obviously still haven't read. Before sounding even more ridiculous, you should at least take a look. After all, I'm giving it away for FREE -- so it won't hurt you to download a copy and at least familiarize yourself a little bit with my argument before trying tp refute it with information I have already taken into account. You can download it at www.scribd.com... -- I still have a number of questions for you that you've never answered or attempted to explain, and such a fabulous researcher as you pretend to be should be able to do so easily. For instance, if the Oscar Flight missiles were either taken offline by UFOs or failed on March 24-25, why did Lt. Col. Chase inform FTD that no equipment failures at all occurred? After all -- FTD would have been running the show had such interference by UFOs actually happened, and they were

his immediate superiors. Also, nobody at Malmstrom or SAC had the authority to circumvent such orders. Why no investigation of UFOs sighted on March 16 by Blue Book if such an event happened? This was REQUIRED. Why was the Echo Flight Incident classified SECRET when the minimum classification for an such event, if caused by a UFO, would have been TOP SECRET by definition? Why did maintenance first tell Figel about the UFO when they were on the landline 6ft underground with the equipment, and not security, who were on the surface with a 2-way radio and assigned to protect the maintenance guys? And why did nobody ever fire their weapons at the UFO as they were expected and trained to do? You're a lot of noise, Bobby, but not much else. If you've got something, show me. Please.

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 08:15 PM by drew hempel

reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

If they records existed they would have come up with the same FOIA request which brought up the "UFO rumor disproven" record as the security guard report would not have been any more classified.

As James Carlson details security guards are not trained to distinguish different types of "lights in the sky" over bases -- that's not their job -- and indeed there's going to be a lot of strange lights over bases.

On the other hand James Carlson also details that 1) Salas has been amazingly inconsistent about his report of Malstrom to the point of dishonesty 2) There was a very real reason the shut down happened.

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 08:16 PM by amazing

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This is coming from a different angle and I find him to be sincere.

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 08:17 PM by Robert Hastings

Drew Hempel: Figel tells the TWO security to record their UFO sighting in a report. So why didn't the UFO sighting by the two security guards get recorded in a report as Figel ordered?

RH: Each SAT team has two members. Figel sent out two teams, or four individuals.

As noted, the 341st SMW historian, David Gamble, told Jim Klotz that his initial comments about the UFO activity at Echo, in the wing history he was writing, were censored by his superiors. Presumably the guards did file their UFO reports (something noted by Boeing's Don Peterson, who mentioned it to Boeing engineer Kaminski) but no mention of their reports appeared in the censored history.

As for your statement that James Carlson figured out, and explains how, the missiles went down, that contradicts the statement of Robert Kaminski, the Boeing engineer who actually did the investigation, who said that \*no\* reason for the 10-missile failure could be determined. Reread, sloooowly, Drew, what Kaminski wrote to Klotz.

As I mentioned, Carlson conveniently omits any mention of Kaminski's comments in his own misguided summary of the case.

None of your questions are surprising, Drew, given your pathetic track record of making unsupported claims, and citing bogus "experts", rather than listening to the primary source testimony in these cases. (Or even reading that testimony \*attentively\* and accurately repeating it here.)

I have better things to do than trying to convince someone as biased and intellectually-challenged as you of anything. The others on this thread have enough data to make a decision about the facts.

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## reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 08:23 PM by Robert Hastings

James Carlson: You make a big deal out of the fact that I haven't spoken to Walt Figel, without seeming to realize that I don't need to --

RH: This sums it up nicely. No, let's not talk to the man who was actually with your father when the missiles went down, and who contradicts everything your father told you. Nope, we don't want to go there!

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 08:25 PM by Xtraeme

Originally posted by drew hempel reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

If they records existed they would have come up with the same FOIA request which brought up the "UFO rumor disproven" record as the security guard report would not have been any more classified.

I wish this were true. Most FOIA requests go to a specific office and the first line of defense is simply searching against a card catalog to see if there are any hits. If there aren't it's fairly common for the FOIA officer to send back the request stating that there were "no pertinent records found." If you're persistent and demand further investigation then they might go down to the boxes to actually physically look through the old paperwork.

Remember most of the old data hasn't been scanned into an electronic format so it requires a lot of manual leg-work. This gets more complicated in the sense that each division maintains its own paperwork. So you have to know which group specifically to send your request to if you want to get any results. There was a very real reason the shut down happened.

I've never contested this if you look back in **this post** I actually call out the physical paperwork rather than simply alluding to it like everyone else here.

It's an illuminating read.

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 08:26 PM by drew hempel

reply to **post by Robert Hastings** 

So Malstrom was not reported to Blue Book because the "rumor" of a UFO was completely covered up due to an unnamed security guard sighting?

Apparently there are still classified documents of this security guard? Is that what were waiting for -- because obviously Salas' whole Malstrom schtick is rife with inconsistencies -- as James details.

So we have 1) Salas' blatant inconsistencies 2) Censored reports about a secret security guard sighting which has only been documented as a "disproven rumor" 3) James Carlson providing a DETAILED explanation, based on his dad's information, for why the shut down occurred.

If someone comes along later and can not figure out why the shut down happened because they don't have inside knowledge that makes perfect sense to me.

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 08:36 PM by drew hempel

reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

Yeah but the FOIA result was the COMMAND HISTORY INVESTIGATION OF THE ECHO FLIGHT INCIDENT stating

all members of this Mobile Strike Task Force "were questioned and stated that no unusual activity or sightings were observed."

p. 57 -- James Carlson, Americans, Credulous....

So if the FOIA request got that information it should have gotten any related documents pertinent to that investigation.

Carlson also notes that other UFO sightings by nuclear missile bases were reported to Blue Book and if there had been a Malstrom sighting it would have to be reported to Blue Book -- as that was the command procedure.

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 08:49 PM by Xtraeme

Originally posted by drew hempel reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

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If you remember after 9/11 Bush spent a lot of time talking the good of talk of making it easier for Departments to share information. There was a reason for this, things become extremely compartmentalized as they reach higher classifications.

Now if you notice with this Echo incident not all the documents were isolated to a single location. The Wing Command History gave an overview of the field reports, Boeing documentation, and Intelligence assessments which is exactly what we expect when the wing command historian comes in to interview the flight staff and review the official documents as they were placed on the record. There's a huge difference between a historical accounting, first hand witnesses, and the organization of documentation as it branches out amongst the numerous departments that make up the US government.

To assume that a single FOIA request would capture all related information, especially as it relates to an incident that had massive implications for the entire defense structure of the United States is naive.

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 08:53 PM by James Carlson

reply to post by Robert Hastings

More guestions: Why do you always counter my guestions about Echo Flight or Malmstrom AFB in March 1967 with pages and pages of information from your very flawed book about >NOTHING having to do with those topics? Who are you trying to persuade here? Do you think I care about nuclear reactors, Ruppelt, or anything else having to do with your fetish-like fascination with UFOs? I've gotta tell you, I don't. I don't care. Nothing you waste my time with has any bearing at all on the only thing I care about here: whether or not UFOs shut down Echo Flight or any other flights at Malmstrom in March 1967. That is the limit of my interest in you and anything you've ever said or written. >That's it. Show me why you believe what you believe is true as it relates to March 1967 -- everything else you've got just bores the hell out of me. You make these wild claims that you haven't supported very well, and when someone comes to you and points this out and shows you exactly why you're wrong, and exactly how you've misinterpreted the topic of discussion, you get angry and start throwing irrelevant information around. I don't want to change your mind about UFOs or about their supposed fascination with nuclear facilities -- I don't give a damn about UFOs and I don't care that you think they're an interesting subject; a lot of people do -- why in the world would that bother me? But what you guys have done is unconscionable and sickening. You published lies about my father, even going so far as to claim he confirmed this

ridiculous story, when he very clearly has not. And rather than answer the questions regarding the events of March 1967 that I've put to you publically, you chose instead to publish that my father told you I was psychologically disturbed -and although that isn't true, I still reacted with anger -- but I also reacted by writing an entire book, well researched and fully footnoted, all consisting of facts that you refuse to discuss or counter in any way except to point out that in SOME WAY your version of these events must be correct because of everything else you've documented over thirty years or so that has nothing to do with March 1967, and never has. Is it surprising to you that for these reasons I think you have no valid argument to make? And if you are surprised, where is your evidence that UFOs were involved? Why do you refuse to take into account what has been so patently and plainly documented? Why do you believe that a man who has repeatedly told you that he did not consider the phone calls he received to be a valid UFO report for over thirty years, that he thought then and for decades afterward that those guys were just "yanking my chain", simply didn't realize that they were telling him truth, when nobody ever mentioned it afterwards, nobody ever discussed UFOs with him again, and nobody ever bothered to investigate the UFOs? Why did the entire Echo Flight Incident investigation center immediately on faulty equipment in guidance and control units if a UFO did the job? If a UFO was seen over one of the silos, why were all of them shut down at the same time from the LCF -- which was also proven in the investigation? Why were the errors received exactly like those received at Alpha Flight in December 1966 if UFOs shut their flight down? Did UFOs also shut down Alpha Flight? It was daylight when Echo Flight went down, so why did nobody else see anything, even though there were at least 2 other teams out at the time, not to mention those guys at November Flight? Why has Salas claimed that it was very rare for missiles to go offline, when documents all over the place assert that missiles were going down all the time in '66-'68? Why do you ignore all of the inconsistencies that I've documented in your witness' reports? Why don't you read my book before trying to discuss it?

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## reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 09:01 PM by drew hempel

reply to post by Xtraeme

Which is why it was not even reported to Blue Book and not classified "Above Top Secret"?

If it was "censored" then why was "UFO rumor" even mentioned in the investigation?

Also what about the very specific reason for the shut down which James gives -- it makes complete sense?

Also why did the UFO sighting occur by someone who was underground? The maintenance person was clearly JOKING -- and James' dad confirmed that it was a

JOKE

and the investigation confirmed it was a JOKE.

End of story.

If Figel told the security guards to make a report then that report would obviously be included in an investigation which covered the reason for the shut down.

Also why would nothing about the UFOs be known until Salas comes along and blatantly misrepresents the whole scenario?

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You're taking that on faith from James's second hand accounting of his father's statement. I don't know either way. All I do know is an event did happen and the report does mention the fact that a discussion of UFO's had taken place.

and the investigation confirmed it was a JOKE.

End of story.

## So in this post you state,

Well there's one aspect that I haven't notice James Carlson mention -- the government does LIE to coverup lack of UFO evidence

But here you accept the statement wholesale? I'm not trying to convince anyone of anything. Believe as you will. All I know is the whole thing smells rotten and the simple way to resolve this issue is to subpoena everyone from the flight staff in front of congress to get all of their statements on the record.

Those who come out lying end up in jail and the story gets sorted out one way or the other.

[edit on 13-2-2010 by Xtraeme]

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 09:22 PM by James Carlson

### Originally posted by Robert Hastings

And now for a clarification: In the early days, Blue Book was indeed an investigative group, not the PR front it later morphed into. The nuclear weapons-related cases mentioned by Ruppelt, in the June 1952 LOOK article mentioned above, verify that he was at that time privy to UFO incidents affecting national security. However, as I also note in my book, by November of the same year, Blue Book had essentially been frozen out of the loop. Therefore, after the project's closure in 1969, General Bollender could accurately state that UFO cases affecting national security were not "a part of the Blue Book system."

Blue Book was not frozen out of the loop on anything related to UFOs reported by or to the military. You have absolutely no evidence to support that reckless claim. Air Force Regulation 80-17, which went into effect in September 1966 very clearly spells out the standing orders expected of all Air Force personnel in regard to UFOs. Nobody at Malmstrom AFB or SAC had the authority to circumvent or ignore those orders, and if they had done so they would have been brought up on charges for disobeying a direct order. Where UFOs are concerned, Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase was the final authority at Malmstrom AFB and it was his responsibility to investigate all UFOs. It's also well-substantiated that Lewis D. Chase was well aware of the incident at Echo Flight on March 16, and its investigation, and he was equally aware that UFOs were not involved. Salas' irresponsible slanders about this man after he died and could no longer defend himself is worse than any of the garbage you've said about my father, and people shouldn't applaud him for it -- he should be ashamed for making such comments without any evidence whatsoever to back up those claims. His whole Chase commentary is nothing short of *sickening* and adds nothing at all to his argument or yours, since standing orders in the Department of Defense is standing orders, period. You obey them, you don't treat them as recommendations. Those orders came from and with the full authority of the Secretary of the Air Force, and there's not a commanding officer or UFO officer in

## **REAL TIME: New Topics**

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 09:24 PM by drew hempel

reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

O.K. first of all the shutdown clearly occurred because of an electromagnetic pulse to the logic couplers -- James Carlson's book, if you read it, goes into great detail about this. The investigation documents clearly show this.

The shutdown was replicated -- the reason, again, was clearly demonstrated.

Even Figel's testimony, which Hastings relies on, states that the maintenance man is the first person to "see" the UFO as a JOKE from underground.

Then we have an investigation which clearly stated no one reported seeing anything unusual.

So to say that this is some cover up makes no sense -- the only cover up is the  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{OPPOSITE}}$  way.

1) pretending that there is no reason for the shutdown when this is clearly not true.

2) pretending that there is a written record of a UFO sighting when this is not true.

3) pretending that the UFO was not first brought up as a joke when this is not true.

4) pretending that the UFO "sighting" was not brought up years later in a clearly dishonest fashion, with the story changed numerous times, when this is not true.

5) Finally pretending that despite a reason for the shutdown, despite the UFO first brought up as a joke, and despite the UFO sighting then made up dishonestly years later -- in fact there is really a huge government coverup of the actual nonexistent UFO sighting.

The problem with this final last claim is that the government lies in this case would be the OPPOSITE of normal. It's on the record that the government has promoted UFOs as disinformation but now it's claimed that the government is trying to hide the fact of a UFO sighting, when in fact there's absolutely no evidence to indicate any cover up whatsoever.

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**NEW-HOT: Active New Topics** 

reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 10:06 PM by James Carlson

Originally posted by Xtraeme

Originally posted by drew hempel reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

All I know is the whole thing smells rotten and the simple way to resolve this issue is to subpoena everyone from the flight staff in front of congress to get all of their statements on the record. [edit on 13-2-2010 by Xtraeme]

So you want to subpoena everybody and have them testify to an event that was well documented and considered closed and proven for 30 years until Salas made his provably ridiculous claims -- claims that he changed repeatedly every time someone pointed out an incrensistency or impossibility, until any intelligent reading of this garbage demands that you treat him as brain-damaged or a liar -- and do all of this for no apparent reason excepting the satisfaction of your own curiosity, that maybe, just maybe, there's some truth to this story of his that nobody else has ever come forward to confirm in any way whatsoever, and in the total absence of any believable evidence, anything that can be confirmed. I don't think our Constitution works that way. Why should my father have to travel to Washington, DC to call am an allar, when everything that man asys and writes does that very well without it? You can't just claim an outrageous story is a fact. You once asked me why toler to official documents. One reason is because official documents are confirmed. They're drafted by an E-2 clerk, sent to his superior who makes corrections if necessary and sends them back down to be corrected. Once they're done to his satisfaction, he sends them up the chain of command -- and to do that he has to sign them; he's putting his authority on the line that what's been written has been approved. Then he sends them up to his boss, and so forth until they reach the commanding officer, who places his signature on it, showing that he accepts final responsibility for the contents. When that's all done, the document is sent to wherever it's supposed to go for final deployment. If it's classified information, that document retains the same classification throughout the entire process, and everybody from the drafter on up thas the clearance and need-to-know to access that document. If there are changes made, anybody who worked on it would know what those changes are. One person never drafts a classified document -- they are always confirmed all

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#### reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 10:36 PM by James Carlson

### reply to post by Robert Hastings

In response to Hastings' ambiguity regarding his conversation with Figel -- the way I read it, and the way I'm certain Figel meant it is that the first call to security is to wake the maintenance team up, because they need to check the missile status immediately. Only security has the 2-way radio. Maintenance can only check the status of the missile by entering the equipment room 6ft underground. That's also where the landline is, which is the only way Maintenance can talk to Figel without the 2-way. The security personnel have the radio, remember? 6 ft underground, maintenance calls Figel and says "Yep, we've got a channel 9 No-Go -- I guess that UFO above us did it."

Now Robert, please answer the question. Why didn't the security personnel report the UFO on the radio, since they were outside and had already pre-established comms with Figel? After all -- that's the only reason they were there. Did nobody see the UFO above the silo before entering the equipment room to check on the missile status? That's a little odd if the UFO is what shut down the missile to start off with, don't you think? Isn't it a little strange that nobody mentioned seeing a UFO while they were outside, even if just to say "there's a UFO right up there -- do you still want me to check the missile status?"

### Your story is not believable if a real UFO was present above the silo.

And yet, your interpretation of your own phone call is *still* poor, lacking any sense at all if this were a UFO report and not playful banter by a guy who was still sleeping at 0845 in the morning -- not exactly military hours. I didn't get anything wrong, Bobby. I simply quoted YOU!!

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#### Romney TORTURE Memo Leaked US Political Madness: 14 hours ago, 83 replies

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 10:54 PM by Xtraeme

Originally posted by drew hempel reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

O.K. first of all the shutdown clearly occurred because of an electromagnetic pulse to the logic couplers -- James Carlson's book, if you read it, goes into great detail about this. The investigation documents clearly show this.

Yes, I pointed out that documentation myself, **here**. Note there's a difference between finding a potential reason for a defect versus the pathway. As the documentation, which I've pointed out several times now, says quite explicitly that,

"... neither the source or paths have been determined to date."

Discovering how something *can* happen versus how it *did* happen are two separate things. James, whom you seem to currently take as an authority, himself spends a great deal of time expounding on this in his book about the nature of transient's being just that ... transient. (see p. 241)

So to say that this is some cover up makes no sense ...

I highly recommend familiarizing yourself with the circumstances of the time-period. The Condon report was underway and the AF wanted to get out from under the burden of having to investigate UFOs.

If you doubt this read Blue Book Project Dir. Hector Quintanilla's own auto-biography (**UFO's: An Air Force Dilemma**) to get a better understanding of the mindset of the people running the organization.

Also if you look at the **NAS review of the Condon study by the O'Brien committee**, as it was published in Icarus, Volume 11, Issue 3, November 1969 (doi:10.1016/0019-1035(69)90082-7), it becomes immediately clear that the entire basis of their assessment was put together during a rather quick two week review of the Condon report (a rather short amount of time for a peer-review process). Interestingly enough Dr. J. E. McDonald published **his own commentation in the same issue** and if you compare the two it becomes immediately obvious who had the better leg to stand on.

The problem with this final last claim is that the government lies in this case would be the OPPOSITE of normal. It's on the record that the government has promoted UFOs as disinformation but now it's claimed that the government is trying to hide the fact of a UFO sighting, when in fact there's absolutely no evidence to indicate any cover up whatsoever.

While there are instances where intelligence officers have surreptitiously done this there isn't any official or overt- documentation to speak-of. I'm of the opinion this was all a sort of slight-of-hand, to convince other governments of our military superiority in the sense that we might have unfathomable-alien-technology (i.e. psychological warfare, noted by CIA Director **Wilbur Smith** & Duke Gildenberg in "UFOs: The Secret Evidence" @ **22:50**), but officially document it such that any real researcher wouldn't want to touch it with a six-foot pole because it looks



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ludicrous as one digs in to the details.

So, in one sense it provides a useful function for the US government as a decoy tool, secondly acts as a form of psychological warfare, and simultaneously deflects all responsibility away from the military to have to do further public investigations into the PR disaster that was the UFO phenomenon.

Rather clever if you ask me! However it does prevent any real investigation in to the subject of actual UFO claims.

[edit on 13-2-2010 by Xtraeme]

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 11:10 PM by James Carlson

Originally posted by Robert Hastings

Speaking of the UFO-Nukes Connection, and other national security-related UFO activity, here is an excerpt from my book, UFOs and Nukes, addressing files that have been kept back from declassification:

From the chapter, "Look Over Here, Not Over There!"

Yeah, *blah, blah, blah,* we know -- you did this at the BAUD forum as well, and they kicked you off because you were incapable of sticking to the point. Please answer the questions I've asked.

For example, consider the dramatic information provided to Office of Special Investigations (OSI) agents by Bob Salas and the other missile launch officers at Malmstrom AFB, in March 1967, in the wake of the large-scale missile shutdown incidents. Did Blue Book staffers even know that OSI had interviewed at least four launch officers, all of whom reported apparent UFO-involvement in the missile malfunctions? If the declassified Blue Book files are any indication, they did not.

And your source for this information is what? The ever-trustworthy Robert Salas? Yeah -- *that's* believable.

As far as I am aware, none of the written reports relating to those interrogations have been declassified. Consequently, according to the official record—at least the version of it publicly available following the release of Blue Book's files—the great majority of the incidents reported in this book never even happened.

And yet, you fail to note that all of those interrogations (which still have nothing at all to do with Malmstrom AFB in March 1967) would not have occurred at *all*, exactly as the official record indicates, if none of the events had actually happened -- none of which, and I admit, I'm guessing here, you can prove actually took place anywhere except in the imaginations of the men who told you about them after you "invited" people to tell you their UFO experiences. You talk about classified written reports of interrogations, but do you actually have anything that's been documented to indicate that the interrogations themselves took place? Or the events they supposedly describe? Do you even know how a classified report is prepared? I've looked at your evidence, and you have nothing except a bunch of stories that these people have told you. No offense, but this doesn't exactly qualify as historically relevant. That's the reason your book is *flawed*. And I'm not the only guy in the world who's noted this.

Has it ever occurred to you that the reason Oscar Flight missile failures have never

been mentioned by anybody or discussed in any official documentation anywhere in the world is because it did not happen? I've read your nonsense about Jamison and I discuss it in my book, and it doesn't exactly qualify as believable -- in fact, there's a lot of it that's just *absurd*. For instance, orders he recieved to stay put at Malmstrom until all UFO reports had ceased -- that's nonsense, and I can give you the names of 50-60 in the missileers community who would agree with me. If Jamison's "story" about Oscar Flight is true, how come in his first interview, he didn't know the date of the event, or the flight? And why doesn't he know the time? And if his experience is about the Belt event, why don't any of the facts fit? Why does he say he saw a lot of Air Force vehicles at the location, when we know there was only one, with only four personnel in it? Why would the USAF stop him from working at Oscar Flight when all of the UFO reports were around Malmstrom, about 120 miles away? Why does the military in ALL of your stories refuse to act in the way expected if a nuclear facility were attacked -- nobody ever fires weapons they've already got, jets are never scrambled, instead you give us Jamison saying "we were told we couldn't do our job -- the only reason we were there -- because UFOs that were never investigated were still being reported." Nonsense!

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 11:12 PM by drew hempel

reply to post by Xtraeme

*I highly recommend familiarizing yourself with the circumstances of the time-period.* 

As I already pointed out the CIA realized that promoting UFOs was an excellent coverup for secret technology.

That was already the case by that time period.

Again the shut down of the site was REPLICATED -- and the SAME EQUIPMENT CAUSED THE SAME SHUTDOWN on another site.

As James has pointed out shutdowns were not that unusual.

Anyone who wants to rationally and honestly investigate whether there was a UFO sighting at Malstrom can easily find out there was no sighting.

There was a rumor of a sighting that was disproven.

The tragedy is that, again, James Carlson will not be on Larry King because he's not promoting the extraterrestrials.

I defer to the EVIDENCE -- and Robert Hastings has stopped replying because he does not want to deal with the evidence which James has provided.

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 11:14 PM by Xtraeme

## Originally posted by James Carlson

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Holy run-on-sentence batman. Well if we harken back to the days of Roswell, it's clear the entire thing was a non-event, blissfully ignored for a decade or so until S. Friedman, W. Moore, and C. Berlitz dug up the details.

It's since become the biggest hubba-loo in the UFO circuit. Now that the USAF was forced to confront the whole affair they admit that they outright lied (**muller.lbl.gov...**).

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Shouldn't this make you happy? Every other line in your book is a caps-locked outburst declaring, "LIAR!" Why not get it officially on the record?

This way if you're right the man faces a severe penalty, we resolve this issue, and there's no question about the security of our great nation.

I see this as a win-win.

[edit on 13-2-2010 by Xtraeme]

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 11:21 PM by drew hempel

reply to post by Xtraeme

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There's absolutely no way you can compare this to Roswell -- to do so is really an insult.

The only "rottenness" is that it's clear Salas was changing his story all the time and he's the one to try to claim a UFO was seen.

If you ignore that is the "rottenness" and try to pretend the "rottenness" is somehow a cover up of some secret crash or something -- that's really in poor taste.

I'm no longer going to respond on this thread.

Hastings is not responding and your responses are just BAITING the issue -- they're not sincere -- you have nothing of substance to say.

No evidence.

Case closed.

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reply posted on 13-2-2010 @ 11:41 PM by Xtraeme

Originally posted by drew hempel

reply to post by Xtraeme

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Salas did change his story and I don't like it, but I'll admit there are details of my work history that I just outright forget. For instance when I was with Microsoft back in Washington it's easy to get confused as to which specific building I was working at: Millenium D, E, F? ... beats me. It was a fun time of my life, and I have a lot significant memories that have stuck with me, but the letter of the building is a rather unimportant detail.

So I'm willing to be somewhat forgiving on this count.

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I've provided actual documentation from the Echo flight incident (1, 2, 3), peer-reviewed sources for other aspects of the conversation, and I'm baiting the issue?

I think you may have somehow misinterpreted what I've written as a personal attack and if that's the case I apologize, but all I've attempted to do is show you the sources that I'm drawing from.

No hard feelings, cheers!

[edit on 13-2-2010 by Xtraeme]

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reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 12:25 AM by James Carlson

Originally posted by Xtraeme

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Although I was born in Roswell, I don't know much about it and I really wasn't trying to be offensive. I'm sure you're right, that something odd may have happened -- I know there are about 20 books out claiming that there were

problems and detailing them, but that's about the extent of my knowledge. I remember when the DoD came out with this book detailing the entire investigation, and someone gave it to me as a gift after getting it autographed by the Captain who actually drafted it, but I admit I haven't read all of it -- just the first third or so -- it did seem a bit convoluted, I agree. But I have looked very, very much in depth at Echo Flight, and I honestly cannot see why anybody on earth would believe UFOs were involved. Looking at all of the evidence, well -- there just isn't any, so I'm a bit shocked that so many people think UFOs were involved -- there's absolutely nothing there. In my military career I worked with classified information on a daily basis, and I understand how it's put together and what can and can't be plainly accepted as simple fact -- and it's very apparent that a lot of people just don't understand this aspect of information control. I tried my best to explain how things worked in 1967, and the importance that's put on the preparation of classified materials and why most information that's been previously classified can generally be trusted. It's very possible I failed at this to some extent -- I tried not to talk down to people, but there was information I needed to put out in order to explain why the documents we have seen that discuss Echo Flight should be trusted, and I may have failed at that. I also wanted to make sure that most of the sources I've used to discuss everything were as close in date to 1967 as possible to be historically applicable -- that meant looking for sources that discuss old computers and noise pulse affects and missiles and Autonetics, and a whole host of stuff which isn't easy. I also wanted to find as many sources as possible on the internet, so anyone with a laptop could verify what I wrote, and that's not easy either. But that has nothing to do with the argument I make. I KNOW there were no UFOs involved and I wanted to convince others of that. In general, I think I've written a book that does that -- with all the personal faults it probably has.

Granted I think the whole thing is a non-event, but regardless there were details being concealed. So I don't see why this event is likely going to be any different especially with the rottenness written all over it.

And that's something I don't see -- the only "rottenness" I notice is coming from a man that I already know is a liar. If you start with that assumption, the entire incident becomes immediately clear, and the only thing USAF did was keep a classified incident classified for 12 years until it was automatically declassified.

Shouldn't this make you happy? Every other line in your book is a caps-locked outburst declaring, "LIAR!" Why not get it officially on the record?

See, that's the thing -- it's *already* officially on the record, and it has been for forty years. And my Dad is old and has heart problems -- and I don't want him going anywhere anytime soon. That's half the reason I'm doing this and he's not. He doesn't have the *time* to talk about an incident that to him has been closed for decades. I don't even bring it up anymore.

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reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 01:19 AM by James Carlson

Originally posted by Xtraeme The entire Roswell event is based on 2nd hand testimony, whereas the Echo flight scenario is based on 1st hand witnesses. That's a big difference for credibility.

This will also be my last posting, but only because it's getting late, and I've got a lot of unrelated stuff to do before turning in for the night.

I just wanted to point out that Salas' story is emphatically *not* first hand. He never saw a UFO, and he's never named anybody who did. His discussions of what supposedly occurred at Echo-November-Oscar Flights have never been confirmed, and nobody has ever reported that they saw a UFO at Malmstrom AFB in March 1967. Nobody -- and please believe me when I say I looked for them.

Salas changed his story a lot, and not just to the extent of simple memory loss -he's made a lot of changes that make little sense to me unless he was blatantly lying. For instance, he claimed for 13 or so years that he knows the date was March 16, because his commander, while speaking to SAC (although one account claims my father called, another claims a different LCF called, and he finally settled on SAC) was told that the same thing happened at Echo Flight. This was supposedly at 4-5 in the morning, although Echo Flight went down at 0845, 2 hours after sunrise. He remembers particularly reading about the UFO reports at Belt a week or so after this incident he was involved with, and some other sightings a couple of weeks earlier. Thats why he was so certain March 16 was the correct date. He now claims that the event he remembers happened on March 24-25, and he's certain of this because he remembers being told after his watch ended that the same thing happened at Echo Flight a week earlier, and that he distinctly remembers reading all of the UFO reports about Belt the next day in the newspaper. That's a little hard to reconcile with just poor memory -- not when he has continuously said things like "I know this is true because I remember such and such happening."

And on that note I have only this to add -- please notice that once again Robert Hastings refused to answer the questions I've put to him. And tell people they should read the book if they're interested in what occurred -- I've tried very hard to make it readable and easily available. Ciao.

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reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 01:24 AM by Xtraeme

reply to post by James Carlson

I appreciate the level of integrity of your post. I'll read the remainder of your book (I've already cut through approx. a hundred pages) and give a critique, if you like.

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I understand your motivations here, but I'm also keenly aware of the fact that there are shades of gray. It's fairly common tactic in the intelligence community to shroud a lie in truth and, really, there's no difference with your average Joe. People embellish to advocate their particular agenda all the time.

I'm pretty simple. My goal is to cut through the crap and figure out what's-what. As I've said before when I first investigated this case I didn't like the inconsistencies with Salas' statements. It made me leary.

However we do have some backup from Figel, **Jamison**, and the official documentation does show anomalous circumstances surrounding the failure. Granted correlation is not causation, *but despite that* it's worth listening to all sides in this matter especially since the DOD/USAF has been caught with their pants down on numerous occassions.

Shouldn't this make you happy? Every other line in your book is a caps-locked outburst declaring, "LIAR!" Why not get it officially on the record?

See, that's the thing -- it's already officially on the record, and it has been for forty years. And my Dad is old and has heart problems -- and I don't want him going anywhere anytime soon. That's half the reason I'm doing this and he's not. He doesn't have the time to talk about an incident that to him has been closed for decades. I don't even bring it up anymore.

That's a noble reason for speaking on your father's behalf. I'm sure if the matter was elevated to a higher-level a recording could be used to give his personal statement before a committee.

Actually, if you would, I'd absolutely love if you could give us a sound-byte of him declaring, definitively once and for all exactly what you've claimed he's been saying from the beginning. Not a text-excerpt, but his voice, or even better a video of him speaking denouncing the entire thing. A signed affidavit before a notary would also be useful. This would lay to rest any doubts I might have that you're simply embellishing due perhaps to some other agenda.

Fair?

[edit on 14-2-2010 by Xtraeme]

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reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 01:58 AM by drew hempel

reply to post by Xtraeme

No it's not fair -- leave his dad alone!

Seriously have some consideration.

Just finish the book already. I just finished it. Jamison is not a credible witness.

As James already stated there are no first hand witnesses.

So why not demand an apology from Salas or Hastings?

Stop harassing the victims.

As for the cause of the shut down -- again it was replicated and fixed. James explains why Hastings, et. al. misunderstood the Boeing report, etc.

James' book also goes into great detail about the cause of the shut down, how it was fixed, etc.

The book by James Carlson is very thorough.

I find it quite amazing that a whole "Nukes and UFOs" book could be based largely on Salas when Carlson shows that Salas is so blatantly disreputable.

And that this Echo Flight incident was included in Paul Kimball's top 10 list of Best Evidence is really tragic.

I've posted this book link over on **ufomystic.com...** so Paul should see it and then can read the truth.

James has provided a free book which covers a great amount of analysis in extensive detail with thorough documentation.

But I guess finding out the truth is not enough?

Maybe you're in denial about being had?

Why are you continuing to demand more information?

It's really shameful.

[edit on 14-2-2010 by drew hempel]

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reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 02:13 AM by Xtraeme

reply to post by drew hempel

Somehow I think **this** is extremely relevant to our conversation.

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reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 08:22 PM by Robert Hastings James Carlson: ...please notice that once again Robert Hastings refused to answer the questions I've put to him. RH: Actually, James, I answered all of your criticisms a year ago, in the rebuttals I posted on UFO Chronicles. You just didn't like my answers and, given your recent posts, apparently learned nothing from them. **COPVEIGHT & USAGE** reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 08:43 PM by drew hempel reply to post by Robert Hastings Robert when you write to James on your website UFOchronicles: As you know, you've attempted to spin those facts, by incorrectly portraying the Strike Team leader's report of a "large, round object hovering directly over the site" as a joke. Figel doesn't claim that it was a joke, only you do. What report are you referring to? My understanding is that there is no report -- there is Figel's conversation with the security guard -- as reported to you in an interview with Figel. Then there's the investigation report which states: "Rumors of UFO have been disproven." So please correct this if you have any more information. Thanks. Here's what James Carlson says about this so-called "report" There were, however, no UFOs seen by anybody concerned, and had Figel received such a report from one of the mobile security crews and not informed the strike teams - or my father, who was in charge during the watch - as all the above article asserts, he would have been arrested. That didn't happen, however, and my father, being the watch Captain, is absolutely certain that no such report was ever made. Searches were made, but no record or log entry was ever uncovered This wasn't due to a conspiracy. Nothing was found because nothing was there. [edit on 14-2-2010 by drew hempel] **COPYRIGHT & USAGE** reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 09:16 PM by Robert Hastings The Other Roswell Incidents (From the book UFOs and Nukes) So far as is known, based on eyewitness testimony, it appears that the first confirmed UFO sightings at nuclear missile sites occurred near Walker Air Force

Years earlier, in 1947, when it was named Roswell Army Air Field, the base had briefly received international attention after its commander publicly announced that a crashed "flying disc" had been recovered nearby. Later, from 1962 to 1965, Walker AFB was home to the 579th Strategic Missile Squadron, which ultimately controlled 12 first-generation Atlas ICBMs. To maximize their survival in the event of a Soviet attack, the Air Force isolated the missile sites from one another, installing them miles apart in the barren desert terrain surrounding Roswell.

Base, New Mexico, over a several-month period in 1963 and 1964.

In June 2001, Florida Today newspaper columnist Billy Cox wrote an article titled, "UFOs Haunt Missile Crew", in which he reported on mysterious sightings that had occurred at some of Walker AFB's Atlas ICBM sites.2 Cox had interviewed three former Air Force missile personnel stationed at the base, who revealed startling details about the eerie incidents.

Jerry C. Nelson, had been a Deputy Missile Combat Crew Commander at an Atlas silo designated Site 9, located west of Roswell. He told Cox that on several occasions unidentified aerial craft had silently maneuvered above the site. "The guards were scared," said Nelson, "These objects would hover over the silo and shine lights down on them without making any noise. So I'd call the base and the base would say, 'We'll take it under advisement,' but I never got a chance to see [the UFOs], because I couldn't leave my post." 3

After reading Cox's article, I called each of the individuals interviewed by him, in an effort to learn more about the incidents. Jerry Nelson confirmed the accuracy of Cox's story and said that, at recent reunions of the 579th Strategic Missile Squadron, he had heard strikingly similar accounts of sightings near silos from other former missile launch personnel. When I asked him if he recalled how many incidents he had personally been involved in at Site 9, he replied, "probably more than three but fewer than ten" over a period of a month or so. He also remembered that the sightings had occurred "at least six months, maybe more like a year" after the Cuban Missile Crisis of October 1962, when the squadron had been placed on high-alert. He recalled that the weather had been cold and, therefore, estimated that the sightings occurred either late in the winter of 1962/63 or, more probably, during the winter of 1963/64.

Nelson emphasized that because he was a deputy missile commander, he could not leave his post in the underground launch capsule to go up and look at the UFOs. Regardless, during each incident, he had been impressed by the security guards' obvious fear as they reported a strange, silent object hovering above the silo. "I could tell they weren't pulling anybody's leg," he said, "Their voices were actually trembling." He added, "I do remember that several different guards were involved [on different occasions] and all reacted in a similar manner." 4

More disturbing to Nelson was the base's reaction to the UFO sightings. He was puzzled and frustrated by the missile operations center's casual indifference toward the urgent reports he had repeatedly phoned-in. Only years later did he learn that another individual at Site 9 had in fact been interviewed about the incidents by investigators from the Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI). Apparently, the missile command center's deliberate nonchalance toward Nelson masked an active, if low-key, inquiry into the sightings at the silo.

Bob Caplan, another former member of the 579th Strategic Missile Squadron, was the person who had been interviewed by AFOSI. As mentioned in Billy Cox' Florida Today article, Caplan had been a missile facilities technician, and had witnessed yet another mysterious incident at Atlas Site 9.

As Cox reported, Caplan had been on duty one night when the guard called the site commander to request that the security lights be dimmed so that he could more clearly see a peculiar light which had suddenly appeared just beyond the site's security fence. The commander complied, and then ordered Caplan to leave the underground launch capsule to help investigate. Once outside, he quickly located the guard, who appeared to be badly frightened. As his eyes adjusted to the darkness, Caplan quickly located the strange light.

I interviewed Caplan in 2003, and he provided me with additional details relating to his experience. "It was on the western perimeter fence line, just outside the complex," he told me. Caplan said that, upon further reflection, he realized that the light "was neither white nor intense as I have reported before. It was more of a yellowish color and somewhat dim. Not extremely dim, but hardly bright. It wasn't pulsing. It was circular and flat to the ground, like the beam of a flashlight would look on the ground without the beam. It was, maybe, 6-inches in diameter, not a lot more. It was very flat to the ground, it was not three-dimensional at all. Think of a piece of paper laying on a table." Because former launch officer Jerry Nelson had reported UFOs directing spot-lights down on Atlas Site 9 on several occasions, I asked Caplan if the circular light might have been projected on the ground by something from above. He responded, "The skies were very dark with the [security] lights off. There was no moon to be seen. I didn't see anything in the sky that would lead me to believe that the light came from that direction. I must say that I didn't spend a lot of time looking up, the show was on the ground. However, if something was up there and had any light at all, it would have stuck out like a sore thumb."

As the two men nervously approached the light, they directed their flashlights onto it, whereupon it immediately disappeared. Moments later, it reappeared some 20-30 feet away. Caplan and the guard once again trained their flashlights on the elusive intruder, at which point it vanished without a trace. Unsettled and mystified, Caplan returned to the launch capsule and reported the details of his curious encounter.

Apparently, this incident did not go unnoticed by the missile squadron's command personnel, because shortly afterward, Caplan had been ordered to report to Walker AFB's Office of Special Investigations, where he was interviewed about it by an agent on duty.

Caplan also confirmed that the incident at Site 9 had been only one of a series of similar sightings at the missile sites over a several month period in, he estimated, 1963. However, he declined to discuss the other cases because he was not personally present when they had taken place. Nevertheless, he did acknowledge that he had been aware of instances in which officers had acknowledged being involved in one UFO incident or another, but later denied that anything unusual had occurred. Said Caplan, "Those kinds of things were kept very quiet."

He also confirmed that, on another occasion during that period, he had witnessed a fast-moving, erratically-maneuvering light in the sky. "It was star-like," he recalled, "very high up, and moving at high speed. At one point, it moved across a quarter of the sky in a couple of seconds, stopped dead, reversed its course, stopped again, then moved off at a 45-degree angle [to its last course]. There is no aircraft that can do what that object was doing." This sighting occurred, not at one of the Atlas sites, but on Walker AFB itself, and involved many witnesses. Caplan was later told by a member of the base's 6th Combat Defense Squadron—an elite security police unit—that the UFO had been tracked on radar and chased by jet fighters. Because there were no fighters stationed at Walker at that time, Caplan guessed that they had been scrambled from Holloman Air Force Base, located some 100 miles southwest of Roswell.

Another former member of the 579th Strategic Missile Squadron, Airman 1st Class Tom Kaminski, also reports watching an intriguing UFO display—similar to the one mentioned above—while living on base. Like Caplan, Kaminski had also been an Atlas missile facilities technician.

"At least half of my barracks saw this," he said, "It was at night and there were two or three lights—possibly four or five—that were moving around in the sky. They looked like stars but, from time to time, they did 90-degree turns. Not all at once though—they moved independently. They obviously knew that they wouldn't run into each other. I don't understand why we didn't hear any sonic booms. That bothers me. They stayed in the same general area [of the sky]. After about 15 minutes, zoom, they were gone."

Then he added, "Actually, [sightings of UFOs] were fairly common on base. I think that a lot of guys saw them. It wasn't something that you discussed."

But the incident at the barracks was not Kaminski's only UFO sighting. He recalled, "Once I was at one of the Atlas sites northeast of the base, sometime in 1964, possibly 1965. We were down in the launch capsule when we got a call from the security guard, who said that he saw some unusual lights moving in the sky. The missile commander, Captain D-----, took the call and told me to go topside to see what I could see. I asked the guard to point out the lights. They were west-southwest of us, and looked like stars. At first, they didn't seem unusual but, a little while later, two of the 'stars' begin to move in unison. They shifted directions several times, but they stayed in that general area in the sky."

When Kaminski called Captain D----- to report his observations, the missile commander had news. "He said he had notified the base [about the lights], and was told that they had them on radar, and were sending up two fighters to investigate. So, I stayed topside and, about five minutes later, I could see two other lights coming from the direction of the base and moving toward the first two lights. I assumed they were the fighters. As they approached the unidentified lights, [the UFOs] began to move north, again in unison. The two fighters closed on, but could not catch, the lights." Kaminski said that shortly thereafter, the UFOs flew into some Cumulus clouds, followed the jets. A few seconds later, the jets emerged from the cloud bank but the UFOs were no longer visible. "That was that," he said, "and the jets went back to base."

The next morning, upon returning to Walker AFB, Kaminski and the other members of his missile team were routinely debriefed. "During that briefing," he recalled, "my captain asked, 'Whatever happened to the two UFOs?' The response was, 'What UFOs?' My captain said, 'The ones you sent the fighters up after!' They said, 'We didn't sent up any fighters." Said Kaminski, "We knew that was the end of that conversation!"

The third person quoted in Billy Cox's Florida Today article was Gene Lamb, who had been a deputy crew commander at several of the 579th Strategic Missile Squadron's Atlas sites. I conducted a telephone interview with Lamb in December 2002, in which he acknowledged the UFO sightings at ICBM silos outside Walker AFB, and estimated that they had occurred sometime during the period 1962 through 1964.

Lamb said that while he had not personally witnessed any of the incidents, he had spoken with one missile crew commander who had. This individual stated, decades later, that he had briefly left his launch capsule to go topside to observe strange aerial lights that were being frantically reported by the site's guards. According to Lamb, the officer said that the lights "gave him the creeps. They were fast and they were moving in different directions." He told Lamb that he was familiar with all types of aircraft but had never seen anything like the extraordinary display in the sky above the Atlas silo. "These were not just lights," the commander emphasized, "This was something else."

"People talked about [the sightings] at Happy Hour, after work, or after we got off-site," said Lamb, "but it was kept pretty quiet as far as official statements went. To my knowledge, we were never briefed about it as a unit."

Lamb said that after he was contacted about the UFO incidents by reporter Billy Cox in 2001, he had mentioned the subject to a few of his former unit's missile crew members. The response that he got surprised him. Said Lamb, "Some people were still reluctant to talk about it."

Perhaps some, but not all. In March 2005, retired USAF Lt. Col. Philip E. Moore agreed to tell me about his own UFO experience at Walker AFB. At the time of the incident, Moore had been a Deputy Missile Combat Crew Commander (DMCCC), and was on duty in one of the 579th Strategic Missile Squadron's underground launch capsules.

Moore told me, "It was late at night. My crew was on alert at 579 Site 7 in late 1964, when my crew commander, Major Dan Gilbert, and I got a call from one of our 'sister' sites. The other missile crew said that a UFO was alternately hovering over their site, rapidly moving away, then returning."

He continued, "It was Major Gilbert who took the call, most likely from the other MCCC. I believe it was Site 6 that called, but it might have been Site 8. Sites 6, 7, and 8 were in a cluster south-southeast of Roswell. My rough estimate is that the sites were 10 to 15 miles apart. The sighting could have been made by a guard or enlisted crew member at the other site. There were items on the Silo Cap requiring

periodic checks and an enlisted crew member might have been 'topside' at the time. But I don't know whether it was a guard or enlisted crew member at the other site who initially saw the UFO. My statistical guess is that it was a guard, because one was on duty there 24 hours-a-day"

"I was a first lieutenant at the time, one of three crew members certified to monitor the launch console. Any two of the three were required to stay at the console at all times, so Major Gilbert sent our enlisted crew members—Technical Sergeant Jack Nevins, Airman 1st Class Bob Garner, and Airman 1st Class Mike Rundag—up to the Silo Cap, at ground level, to see what they could."

"They reported the UFO zooming from the direction of Site 6 to the direction of Site 8 and hovering for awhile at the end of the movement. I recall my crew members saying that the hovering was instantaneous. At times, it hovered over Site 6, then flew extremely rapidly to the other site, and instantly stopped and hovered in-place over that one. I can't remember how many round-trips were involved. I'm not sure if anyone was even able to count because of the various crew members coming and going during the show. They all described it as a silent light that moved extremely rapidly—instant go and instant stop, no getting up to speed or slowing down. Unfortunately, no binoculars were available."

Moore continued, "The common comment I remember was that everyone thought it was a UFO, and that it was hovering directly over Sites 6 and 8 and nowhere else. Thus, it was specifically interested in those sites."

When I asked Moore whether the crew members had been certain that the UFO was stopping directly over the other missile sites—given their estimated 10 to 15-mile distance from Site 7—he responded, "They assumed that the hovering was directly over the sites, because the crew commander who called us said that it was definitely over his site. After awhile, Major Gilbert ordered Nevins to sit at the console with me and he went topside. He saw the same activity. During the event, the UFO did not come to our site. By the time my turn came to go topside, the show was over, so I didn't see anything."

I then asked Moore how he had determined the approximate date of the incident. He replied, "Major Gilbert became our Missile Combat Crew Commander in mid-to-late '64, and the UFO event occurred after he had been the commander for a few months, so I think that it was during October, November, or December 1964."

I asked Moore if he and his crew were debriefed about the incident. He responded, "Our report to the Walker Command Post got the similar ho-hum response that (former Deputy Missile Combat Crew Commander) Jerry Nelson described to you. We were never debriefed, never warned not to discuss it, nor was it discussed beyond crew member-to-crew member. In other words, there was no official discussion or acknowledgment. It seemed to be ignored above crew-level. But some of us crew members discussed it freely. I suspect that the majority of those who didn't were folks who either didn't believe in UFOs, or didn't want to get involved, or were the kind who don't open up about controversial things. But the four eyewitnesses weren't sensationalists. All of them saw the UFO, and I completely trusted their word about it. Over the years, I've lost track of Rundag and Garner, but Jack Nevins is alive and well in California. He was at the Roswell Reunion."

Moore provided me with Nevins' email address, so I wrote to him and asked about the incident in question. He replied, "I recall going up to the silo cap one evening to check out a strange light observed by the security guard and our crew's power production technician, Mike Rundag. Our crew commander, Major Gilbert, asked me to go topside and confirm what the others had seen. I observed a bright light to the east of our location quite a distance away, sometimes hovering then moving quickly to the right, then to the left, as if searching the area below. I recall the light moved in a darting motion, seemed to hover, then moved rapidly to a new location. This went on for several minutes before I returned to the below ground control center. Some might say that this [sighting] could be explained as distant headlight lights from an oncoming vehicle reflecting off low clouds. This was not possible as the night was crystal clear with no clouds. But I cannot say I saw a UFO, only a light in the sky."

When I reported these comments to Moore, he said, "Site 6 was further east than our site. If you stood on the Site 7 cap and looked south, Site 6 would be to the left and Site 8 would be slightly to the right."

I then asked Moore if he remembered hearing any rumors about unusual missile malfunctions at Sites 6 and 8, over which the UFO presumably hovered at the time of the incident. He said, "I don't recall the mention of equipment at the other sites being affected by the UFO. Certainly none of our Site 7 equipment was affected." The purpose of this particular question will become clearer to the reader in a later chapter.

Referring to some of the other former members of the 579th Strategic Missile Squadron who have gone on-the-record about the UFO sightings at Walker AFB, Moore added, "Jerry Nelson, Gene Lamb, and Bob Caplan are friends. All of those guys are solid citizens, stable, and have intact faculties and memories. They are definitely not kooks. I consider myself in the same category, and I'm not a kook either. I think you know why I said that. There are folks who haven't experienced UFOs who too quickly judge folks like Jerry, Gene, Bob, you, and me."

Moore concluded, "I personally believe that there is something to the UFO-ICBM connection. I know the Air Force covers-up when it feels the official need. UFOs over ICBM sites could be one of those official needs."

Significantly, a letter written in 1964 has come to light which almost entirely substantiates the 40-year-old memories of the former Atlas missile personnel whom I interviewed. Written by an Air Force missile facilities technician who was stationed at Walker AFB at that time, it describes in detail multiple ICBM-related UFO incidents—just after they had occurred. A copy of the letter was sent to me by researcher Jan Aldrich.

On December 20, 1964, Airman 2nd Class Barry L. Krause wrote to the civilian UFO research organization, NICAP, to inform the group of several spooky—and apparently highly classified—incursions by mysterious aerial objects near the base's missile sites.

(NICAP—the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena—was at that time the foremost UFO research group in the country. Its director, U.S. Naval Academy graduate and retired Marine Major Don Keyhoe, had openly and repeatedly called for congressional investigations into government secrecy surrounding the subject of UFOs. At various times, the organization had on its Board of Governors such persons as retired Vice-Admiral Roscoe Hillenkoetter, who was later the first director of the CIA, and retired Rear Admiral D. H. Fahrney, who served as the chief of the Navy's first guided missile program.)

In his letter to NICAP, Krause wrote, "I am attached to the 579th Strategic Missile Squadron. We support the Atlas 'F' which is located in this area. There has [sic] been, and still are, frequent sightings of U.F.O.'s at the missile [sites]. At one of our sites in particular, there are recurring sightings...the site in question is site eight, located south of Roswell N. Mex. on route 285."

Krause continued, "Some of the people in our squadron thought the guards were seeing things until, one night an E.P.P.T. (Electrical Power Production Tech.) on one of the Combat Crews on duty that night went on the silo cap for some fresh air. He sighted a strange light in the Western sky. The light was doing weird movements...He went in the silo and told the Missile Combat Crew Commander what he had seen. The Commander called the S.A.C. command post. While he was reporting the incident S.A.C. headquarters came in on the line and was listening. They told the command post that they had a KC-135 in the area (a KC-135 is the jet tanker employed by the Air Force) and that they would deploy it to the area in which the object was located. Just shortly after the KC-135 flew over the site to get his heading, the U.F.O. shot out of sight."

Krause then mentions another incident and the apparent secrecy surrounding it, "Some people might not believe a guard of the lowly airman ranks, but one night a Lt. Col. sighted [a] U.F.O. and was telling how he saw it with his own eyes. After someone put the word to him he wouldn't tell anyone about it."

Krause concluded his letter to NICAP: "There have been sightings at most of our missile sites. It got so bad the guards were afraid to go on guard duty...My roommate and I talk to the guards and try to learn everything we can. We gave up on trying to look at the incident report[s] at the sites. Every time we tried, they told us that [they were] top secret and [we] couldn't read them. So, we have to go by word of mouth. That is about all I know at this moment." 5

Upon learning of the existence of this letter, I attempted to locate Krause and sought the assistance of others in this effort. Two individuals—former 579th SMS member Bob Caplan, and a private investigator—independently discovered that he had died in September 1973.

In summary, Krause's contemporary letter confirms that several different UFO-related incidents had indeed occurred at Walker AFB's Atlas missile silos in the early 1960s. It also mentions alleged efforts to silence witnesses, notes that the security guards involved were badly frightened by the UFOs, and reveals that the Air Force had apparently classified the incidents "Top Secret". In other words, the letter substantiates much of the information provided to researchers much more recently by other former members of the 579th Strategic Missile Squadron.

--Robert Hastings

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### reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 09:23 PM by drew hempel

Well I guess Echo Flight doesn't count -- too bad Robert Salas is supposedly such a main source for the UFO and Nukes book. Good luck otherwise Robert Hastings. Thanks for the feedback otherwise.

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bother to get up off his ass to call the guy who was there with his pops.

I mean seriously everyone and their brother seems to contradict what James's dad is saying. Since his father is the only one who apparently disagrees with the story, why doesn't HE say something? Or how bout putting him on the stand with these other old codgers who ARE willing to place themselves before our nations law-makers and subject themselves to potential perjury charges.

By the sounds of it James doesn't want dear old dad to have to face that kind of scenario. Wouldn't want to jeopardize the poor mans health for something as trivial as our NATIONS NATIONAL SECURITY!!!

You guys can go on and on all day about who knows more about the specifics of the story and the history of the UFO-thing, but for me as an outsider it's pretty damn simple. There are documents showing there were failures during a weird-ass event, people have since come forward saying there's more to that story, and they're asking to testify about it under oath. Seems to me we should let them.

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reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 10:23 PM by drew hempel

reply to post by TheMalefactor

For Christ's sake the base had a \_\_UFO officer\_\_!

Who was the "UFO officer"?

If the base had a "UFO officer" why is there no report of a UFO sighting?

James Carlson simply reports the FACTS

An underground maintenance man jokingly says he sees a UFO.

The security guard then REPEATS what the maintenance man said right afterwards.

Figel then told the security guard to write a report down IF he saw a UFO.

No report was written.

Figel then repeated what was told him as a JOKE to the security team.

THERE IS NO REPORT OF THIS JOKE FROM THE SECURITY TEAM.

The security team was then interviewed by the shut down investigation team and no information of a UFO sighting could be found.

Therefore the rumor of a UFO was disproven.

James Carlson then shows that Robert Salas is the only person to make numerous erroneous claims about the Echo UFO rumor -- some 30 years after it happened.

So there are no first hand witnesses of a UFO.

There's no REPORT of a UFO.

It doesn't matter if the base had a "UFO officer" -- if no UFO was seen apparently the "UFO officer" had a lot of free time.

So unless someone has some evidence then all the people watching and believing the Larry King show are idiots.

It's as simple as that. Of course Robert Salas changed his story so many times that

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We only know this because James Carlson gives the detailed evidence.

James Carlson also explains that

the Minuteman ONE missiles had their computer control centralized at the launch facility.

That's why all 10 missiles shut off at the same time.

The Minuteman 2 missiles have their computer control on each missile.

So there was a faulty logic coupler and a "noise filter" corrected the problem.

There was never a report of a UFO at Echo Flight.

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reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 10:48 PM by James Carlson

Originally posted by Robert Hastings

The Other Roswell Incidents (From the book UFOs and Nukes)

So far as is known, based on eyewitness testimony, it appears that the first confirmed UFO sightings at nuclear missile sites occurred near Walker Air Force Base, New Mexico, over a several-month period in 1963 and 1964.

Yeah, I know -- *blah, blah, blah...* I'm not surprised to see that you're still unable to remain on topic. Somebody says something you don't like or asks you to answer direct questions, and all you can do is throw pages and pages of quotations from your book at them, none of which have any real relevance to the subject -- you're worse than a one-trick pony -- you're a one-trick pony who forgot how to walk...

Tell me, is it just *impossible* for you to talk about the events at Echo Flight without sounding ridiculous? Do you have *anything at all* to contribute other than your poorly interpreted interview with Walt Figel, a man who confirms he was at Echo Flight on March 16, has repeatedly told you that he figured these guys were "yanking my chain," a man who never had to sign any of the documents Salas insists he was made to sign (a practice that the USAF has *never* followed, since disclosure of classified materials has always been a crime), a man who confirms in every interview that nobody who investigated the incident cared a spot for UFOs, a man who you've gone back to reinterview at least twice as a result of the questions I put to you at UFO CHRONICLES, and which, contrary to your repeated declarations, you have still never answered -- just as you've not answered any of the questions I asked you last night on this very forum.

Y'know, for a guy who makes so much noise, you sure don't have much to say. Is this your idea of "answering direct questions"? Somebody asks you about a specific incident on March 16, 1967 and you toss off like a drunk bowler 20 pages of scratch from your book that details events everywhere and when excepting the *one thing* the question specifically concerns? If you don't know what happened at Echo Flight, if you have no evidence beyond Robert Salas' ridiculous and unbelievable statements that anything happened at Oscar Flight, if you have nothing that can clear up the numerous inconsistencies and provably incorrect statements made by Jamison, if all of your years of research and interviews can bring you no closer to

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the truth of March 1967 than where you stand right now, alone on a shoddy strip of beach without even the grace of a sunny disposition and nothing new or interesting to add to the conversation because you can't answer the questions, you won't explain the inconsistencies, and you simply do not possess the knowledge of military culture and classification protocols to even understand the events you continuously discuss and get wrong, then you should seriously consider telling us that, grab yourself a cup of iced coffee and a coconut cruller, pick up your toys and go home. I don't know about everybody else, but I for one am absolutely disgusted with your easily confirmed inability to stick to the topic of discussion. If you refuse to answer a few direct questions about March 1967, which you've done for two days now, preferring instead to stun your prey with everything but March 1967, you should just ball up your character into the stunning pile of crap you've turned it into and go home. Here's a thought, go back and read all of the questions I've asked you in this thread, give each one a little thought, and then answer them. Or is that too much to ask?

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## reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 11:22 PM by James Carlson

## Originally posted by TheMalefactor

Frankly I'm more willing to believe these guys who have manned up saying they're willing to confess before congress under oath (around the end: **www.youtube.com...**) than I am this guy James who apparently won't even bother to get up off his ass to call the guy who was there with his pops.

I mean seriously everyone and their brother seems to contradict what James's dad is saying. Since his father is the only one who apparently disagrees with the story, why doesn't HE say something?

Wow -- you know absolutely nothing about this subject. Nobody has ever testified about this under oath to Congress. Nobody. These clowns gave a press conference -- not testimony. There are no witnesses to this non-event. Nobody has ever claimed they saw a UFO -- Robert Salas came out of the closet 15 years ago to report an incident that was repeatedly proven to be false -- he changed his statement repeatedly, and nobody has ever come forward to confirm anything that he has ever claimed -- he has made statements regarding this event that have been time and time again proven to be wrong; he's changed the date, the location, the command, and not one person has ever confirmed any of it. Why don't you do yourself a favor before making comments that come off as undeducated and meaningless and read my book, just so you can learn a few facts before sounding like a fool. It's FREE at www.scribd.com... -- it's well-documented, it's fully sourced, and I've heard from dozens of people who have said the details are spot on. In every single article Robert Salas has ever written on the subject, he has made comments and pointed out facts that are easily proven to be lies. The FOIA documents you've put such faith in that Salas sometimes uses as a source were written by an E-2 airman with little supervision, and Salas has refused to discuss the *rest* of those same documents, such as those that explain in detail exactly what happened. There are ICBM histories that weren't classified SECRET like those that Salas has used, but were TOP SECRET NOFORN that also explain in detail exactly

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what happened, but everybody seems to want to ignore those documents in favor of a bunch of crap that Salas says that isn't even mentioned in the FOIA docs that he's used. There isn't a single confirmation by anybody in 40 years, 15 of which since Salas came out with his fictional accounts to confirm anything about his story, including Walt Figel's account, all of which has been confirmed by my father. You put your faith in SECRET documents that by law would require a minimum classification of TOP SECRET if UFOs were actually involved in any of these events, documents that at one time Salas himself refused to believe in. There were no equipment failures on March 24-25 -- which is the date Salas now claims -- and this is easily proven; there were no UFOs reported on March 16, and this is also easily proven. Now you can believe in them if you want, but you'd be locking yourself in the closet with one man who's a confirmed liar with poor memory and another man who's a confirmed flake without any ability whatsoever to defend his point of view -- or you can take off a couple of days, read up on the subject so you know what you're talking about, and then come back and say something intelligent and on point. Or you can just go on like you are -- adding nothing useful and giving your opinion on subjects that everybody else is well past. I don't mean to be rude, but if this is the extent of the argument that the folks around here are capable of raising, this discussion is already over.

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reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 11:52 PM by TheMalefactor

Originally posted by drew hempel reply to **post by TheMalefactor** 

For Christ's sake the base had a \_\_UFO officer\_\_!

Who was the "UFO officer"?

Reading comprehension isn't your strong point is it? Your buddy James was extolling his hard-on for some dude named Lewis Chase, a page back (**www.abovetopsecret.com...**):

"Where UFOs are concerned, \_\_\_\_Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase\_\_\_\_ was the final authority at Malmstrom AFB and it was his responsibility to investigate all UFOs. It's also well-substantiated that Lewis D. Chase was well aware of the incident at Echo Flight on March 16, and its investigation, and he was equally aware that UFOs were not involved. Salas' irresponsible slanders about this man after he died and could no longer defend himself is worse than any of the garbage you've said about my father, and people shouldn't applaud him for it -- he should be ashamed for making such comments without any evidence whatsoever to back up those claims. His whole Chase commentary is nothing short of sickening and adds nothing at all to his argument or yours, since standing orders in the Department of Defense is standing orders, period. You obey them, you don't treat them as recommendations. Those orders came from and with the full authority of the Secretary of the Air Force, and there's not a commanding officer or \_\_\_\_UFO officer\_\_\_\_ in the entire USAF who would have ignored them."

If the base had a "UFO officer" why is there no report of a UFO sighting?

You do realize when words leave a persons mouth that amounts to a "report" right? If not then clearly your brain is wired to your arse because as far as I'm aware right



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now we have no government officials investigating UFOs. Meaning no \_\_\_report\_\_ of any UFO at this point in time can be considered a "report."

Guess all those clowns in Stephensville were just spouting rumors -- radar be damned. LOL

James Carlson simply reports the FACTS

Oh really. Facts you say. I seem to remember several posts showing his blatant misrepresentation and distortion of the truth:

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I also remember another guy asking him, if he was being slandered that he produce the documentation to show this was the case (**www.abovetopsecret.com...**).

Nope, that didn't materialize, but we can take James on his word because lord knows he was there (oh right that was his DAD) and he clearly knows so much about what he's talking about with his extensive referencing wikipedia articles in his book. Seriously? Do you know what an actual research paper looks like?

An underground maintenance man jokingly says he sees a UFO.

The security guard then REPEATS what the maintenance man said right afterwards.

Didn't we go over what a "rumor" constitutes? Show me where that is in the official documentation. Oh it's not recorded. Well then it must be false, because based on your logic if it's not documented it didn't happen. LOL

The security team was then interviewed by the shut down investigation team and no information of a UFO sighting could be found.

Therefore the rumor of a UFO was disproven.

Ah here we go again with the boy who likes some UFO conspiracies but not others.

"The problem with this approach is that Jacque Vallee discovered there was indeed a higher level CIA coverup of Bluebook and it's well recognized that Condon was also a coverup. Besides there's been TONS of military PROMOTION of the alien invasion, as Greg Bishop's book "Project Beta" documents. "

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reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 11:52 PM by TheMalefactor

James Carlson then shows that Robert Salas is the only person to make numerous erroneous claims about the Echo UFO rumor -- some 30 years after it happened.

I keep hearing all this talk, but no where has anyone actually pointed out what he



screwed up on. Someone hinted he messed up on referencing the correct launch facility. Wow, wooptie-doo. Echo, November, Oscar flight, like a person can't mess up on something as superficial as the name of the facility after some 30-40 odd years after the fact.

How about illuminating me with HOW he screwed up rather than simply saying, "HE'S WRONG." Because if that's all you got, that leg your standing on looks a rotten piece of wood with worms stickin out.

So there are no first hand witnesses of a UFO.

Do you know what a material witness is? Yeah you got a whole bunch of those.

We only know this because James Carlson gives the detailed evidence.

You do realize a book isn't evidence right? LOL

James Carlson also explains that the Minuteman ONE missiles had their computer control centralized at the launch facility.

That's why all 10 missiles shut off at the same time.

The Minuteman 2 missiles have their computer control on each missile.

So there was a faulty logic coupler and a "noise filter" corrected the problem.

You're like a broken record ... I'll just reference you back to the same old-rehashed debate you were having with that other guy.

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reply posted on 14-2-2010 @ 11:55 PM by TheMalefactor

Originally posted by James Carlson Wow -- you know absolutely nothing about this subject. Nobody has ever testified about this under oath to Congress.

Damn your reading comprehension is as bad as the other guy.

Originally posted by TheMalefactor Frankly I'm more willing to believe these guys who have manned up saying <u>they're</u> <u>WILLING TO confess</u> before congress under oath (around the end: **www.youtube.com...**) than I am this guy James who apparently won't even bother to get up off his ass to call the guy who was there with his pops.

I mean seriously everyone and their brother seems to contradict what James's dad is saying. Since his father is the only one who apparently disagrees with the story, why doesn't HE say something?

reply posted on 15-2-2010 @ 01:44 AM by James Carlson

## Originally posted by TheMalefactor

I mean seriously everyone and their brother seems to contradict what James's dad is saying. Since his father is the only one who apparently disagrees with the story, why doesn't HE say something?

Nobody who was actually there has ever contradicted my father -- you're making an assumption because you know nothing about the topic. Walt Figel and my father were the only people in the room, and Figel has repeatedly stated that he had the impression the guys who said "This UFO must have brought the missiles down" were joking around -- in every single interview with him, he has said the same thing: "I thought it was a joke, that these guys were yanking my chain," exactly as every investigator who ever talked to them over the course of the next few months. The security personnel who were with the maintenance men who first reported this statement did not notice a UFO over the silo, and they were outside with already established comms via the 2-way that only they carried. The only reason they were there was to maintain these comms and to protect the maintenance personnel. The security guys were awake when the incident occurred and had to wake up the maintenance crew who were asleep. Maintenance had to go inside to the equipment room that was 6 ft underground in order to call Figel and my father at the LCF while the security men stayed outside, supposedly where the UFO was, and yet nobody mentioned a UFO until after the maintenence personnel had actually checked the status of the missile in the silo -- and then, that notification did not come from the security team -- the guys still outside with a 2-way with already pre-established comms who were the only ones awake when the missiles went offline -- but from the guy 6 ft under who said, "yeah, we've got a channel 9 No-Go, a UFO must have done it." And shortly afterwards, the next "report" came from another security crew, who had heard everything because they were required to monitor the 2-way as part of their job, and one of them said. "hey, yeah -- we see one over here too". Figel told them -- make sure you log it down, which they failed to do, reporting instead that nothing odd was noted. Nobody thought this was a real UFO, and nobody ever interpreted this crap as a real sighting until Robert Hastings came around -- and he's got a record for believing everything anybody has ever told him about UFOs even when there is no evidence for it -- case in point, his insane claims about Jamison -- all of which I've detailed in my book, but you wouldn't know anything about that, would you, because you obviously know nothing about this case. ONLY Robert Hastings says there was a UFO --Walt Figel has never claimed there was a real UFO, my father has never claimed there was a real UFO, and doesn't even believe in UFOs, and Robert Salas' commander, who Salas claims was with him during the events at Oscar Flight has also said that he does not believe in UFOs. Robert Salas also claims that there was a UFO at E-Flight, but only because he says someone told him about it the day after his watch at Oscar Flight was over, saying "the same thing happened at Echo Flight." Except for 13 years he was claiming first that my father called and told him while he was on watch, which was a lie, and then that "another LCF" officer he never named told him, which was a lie, and then SAC called his commander and said the same thing happened at E-Flight, and his commander informed him. That all changed when he changed the date, so now, although for years he was positive his commander told him while they were still on watch, he says somebody else told him, but he won't say who, although he's now certain it was the day after O-Flight. Unfortunately, it's already been proven that no equipment failures occurred on this new date, but he was too stupid to take any already proven facts into consideration, 'cause he's a brainless twit. Okay? Got it?

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## reply posted on 15-2-2010 @ 12:21 PM by TheMalefactor

## Originally posted by James Carlson

Walt Figel and my father were the only people in the room, and Figel has repeatedly stated that he had the impression the guys who said "This UFO must have brought the missiles down" were joking around -- in every single interview with him, he has said the same thing: "I thought it was a joke, that these guys were yanking my chain," exactly as every investigator who ever talked to them over the course of the next few months.

Rather than paraphrasing, because lord knows we can't trust your capability to read

(www.abovetopsecret.com...), lets show exactly what \*was\* said:

RH: What was the demeanor of the guard you were talking to?

WF: Um, you know, I wouldn't say panicked, or anything [like that]. I was thinking he was yanking my chain more than anything else.

RH: But he seemed to be serious to you?

WF: He seemed to be serious and I wasn't taking him seriously.

RH: Alright. If it was a large object, did he describe the shape of the object?

WF: He just said a large round object.

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Ah of course it was all a joke! Now I see it! See guard #1 was the straight-man and guard #2 was the funny man, sad thing is guard #2 never bothered to add anything to the conversation.

... he's changed the date, the location, the command, and not one person has ever confirmed any of it.

Holy sh\*\*, he forgot the date too?! Stop the presses, "OLD MAN FORGETS \*\*EXACT DATE\*\* OF EVENT 30-UMPTEENTH YEARS AGO!"

Well you know what buddy? His memory was good enough that he found official documentation related to something apparently pretty damn similar to what he remembers happening. That's a hell of a lot more than the amount of material you're bringing to the table.

How about showing me \*EXACTLY\* where he made these mistakes that you're claiming.

I want to see it IN PRINT from an ORIGINAL SOURCE because I'm not taking your word for anything.

Why don't you do yourself a favor before making comments that come off as undeducated and meaningless and read my book, ...

I think I'll just quote back some of your own putrid bile:

- blah, blah, blah... I'm not surprised to see that you're still unable to remain on topic. Somebody says something you don't like or asks you to answer direct questions, and all you can do is [tell them to read your] book ... none of which have any real relevance to the subject -- you're worse than a one-trick pony -- you're a one-trick pony who forgot how to walk...

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I'd rather be \_uneducated\_ (<--correct spelling) than behave the way you've been acting (yeah I know it's too late for that but it takes an ass\*\*\*\* to know one). Hastings and several other people in this thread have been more than professional

with you, but by the sounds of you can't stand it when people actually \*do\* address your questions with counter-information.

So why the hell should I bother to "learn the nitty-gritty details," when all you seem to do is ignore and flame those people who point out things you don't want to hear? Grow the HELL up and then I might think you have anything worth saying.

It's FREE at www.scribd.com... -- it's well-documented, it's fully sourced, and I've heard from dozens of people who have said the details are spot on.

Haha... nice little bit of self promotion there. Since you're a big fan of wikipedia you might get this joke:  $\{\{who\}\}\}$ 

[edit on 15-2-2010 by TheMalefactor]

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reply posted on 15-2-2010 @ 12:22 PM by TheMalefactor

The FOIA documents you've put such faith in that Salas sometimes uses as a source were written by an E-2 airman with little supervision, and Salas has refused to discuss the rest of those same documents, such as those that explain in detail exactly what happened.

haha ... wow, just wow man. See I actually read the thread. Yep even what \*you\* had to say. I think I'll just let you debate yourself:

One reason is because official documents are confirmed. They're drafted by an E-2 clerk, sent to his superior who makes corrections if necessary and sends them back down to be corrected. Once they're done to his satisfaction, he sends them up the chain of command -- and to do that he has to sign them; he's putting his authority on the line that what's been written has been approved. Then he sends them up to his boss, and so forth until they reach the commanding officer, who places his signature on it, showing that he accepts final responsibility for the contents. When that's all done, the document is sent to wherever it's supposed to go for final deployment. If it's classified information, that document retains the same classification throughout the entire process, and everybody from the drafter on up has the clearance and need-to-know to access that document. If there are changes made, anybody who worked on it would know what those changes are. One person never drafts a classified document -- they are always confirmed all the way up the chain of command. Sometimes mistakes are made, but these can usually be checked and verified in other documents. But, the higher the classification, the less people are involved, but the more care is taken with the contents. And in 1967, when documents were regularly assigned automatic declassification instructions, it was well understand that information that there was a particular need to keep safeguarded would not be assigned to that category, where it would drop a level every three years or so. None of the documents related to Echo Flight were in such a protected category. They all had automatic downgrading associated. This kind of classification demands very careful handling, because nobody wants military secrets disclosed automatically because someone put them in the wrong downgrading category. So in these, everything is double-checked and confirmed by everybody who has a hand in their development. It's just irresponsible to suspect that these documents can't be trusted

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There isn't a single confirmation by anybody in 40 years, 15 of which since Salas came out

with his fictional accounts to confirm anything about his story, including Walt Figel's account, all of which has been confirmed by my father

If wishes were ponies ... How about this, you get your father to put together a video stating exactly what \*YOU\* say has happened and then get it confirmed before a notary.

You know the standard legal mumbo-jumbo, an affidavit confirming,

"(1) These recollections were written independently. (2) I did not confer with anyone to make this document / video appear to support each other. (3) These accounts are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge."

You do that and then you might be worth listening to. Until then you're just some random guy who's got a whole lot of nothing.

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reply posted on 15-2-2010 @ 04:25 PM by James Carlson

Originally posted by TheMalefactor

How about showing me \*EXACTLY\* where he made these mistakes that you're claiming.

I want to see it IN PRINT from an ORIGINAL SOURCE because I'm not taking your word for anything. [edit on 15-2-2010 by TheMalefactor]

Are you brain dead? I wrote a 357 page book that I'm giving away for FREE at www.scribd.com... in which I give you direct quotes from the original sources; I show you EXACTLY where those sources are so you can check them yourself, and in most case I include links to those sources on the internet so any moron with a laptop can look it up himself. If you don't want to read the book, fine, don't -- but quit asking for pages and pages of evidence and commentary from me when I've already compiled it and made it available. I've even included 80 pages of FOIA documents that Salas and Klotz have, for the most part, ignored. I'm not going to rehash an old argument that I already put a great deal of time and effort into preparing so that you have everything in one place, simply to satisfy the infantile arguments of a man who refuses to even look at the evidence that's available. Do I need to lead you by the hand to at least look at what's being brought to the table, or are you happy sitting in the children's section with the happy meals and the punch? I suspect that it doesn't matter how much evidence anybody puts in front of you, you're still going to stick with your steadfast opinion, refusing to look at anything else. Robert Salas is a confirmed liar and Robert Hastings is a buffoon who insists upon ignoring everything except the outrageous, unlikely, and completely unbelievable utterances of the "witnesses" he's solicited on the internet. I don't say that to be mean, I say it because I believe I've PROVEN it, but if you refuse to examine in any way whatsoever that PROOF, then it's a complete waste of time to even discuss the matter. You don't know what's on the record, you don't understand the arguments being made, you lack any substantive knowledge at all regarding the issues, you refuse to look at the documents explaining everything that went on in March 1967, and you think your understanding based on the flawed perspective of a few mindless individuals who have consciously hidden the facts of this case from their readers for at least 15 years is superior to evidence already confirmed and and easily verified by anybody with a laptop and some common sense. No offense, champ, but you are a waste of my time, so I'm going to respond in the only mature way available -- I'm going to take my argument to someone who will at least look at it. You can stand with Robert Hastings and ignore the world around you for as long as you like; I hope you have fun, and I hope your life continues to be whatever you want it to be, but I won't discuss this matter with someone who refuses to to even try to understand the points being made. Go with God ...

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reply posted on 15-2-2010 @ 07:21 PM by Xtraeme

Hey James, as I've been reading your book I've been checking some of your

sources and there are some things that concern me. Early on, in the middle of pg. 14, you note:

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place, but why would they? November Flight was not even in the same chain of c Echo Flight, which, as we've seen, was manned by personnel attached to the Squadron. There is no reason for anybody at Echo Flight to communicate with Nove such a call being the responsibility of SAC. That's the only way a military chain of cc ever worked in this nation. As affirmed above, each Missile Alert Facility has t command and monitor all 50 Launch Facilities in the squadron, just in case othe disabled. This level of Inter-flight connectivity precludes any need to communicate it missiles at a single facility to another squadron. And yet, Salas insists that:

The Echo MCCC related to me that prior to the shutdown of all his missiles he had received than one report from security patrols and maintenance crews that they had seen UFOs, one directly above one of the LFs in Echo Flight. The Echo crew confirmed that they had spok my commander that day and told him of their incident.<sup>18</sup>

Technically, this may be feasible since no actual date or length of time is ass "prior to the shutdown". More to the point, however, the Echo MCCC was my father D. Carlson, and he did not receive any such reports regarding UFOs hanging a Flight on March 16. He also did not speak with Salas' commander regarding the

18 Salas, Robert L., "Minutemah Missiles Shutdown", Mutual UFO Network UFO Journal, January, 1997, No. 345, pp. 15-13

(fig. 1 - full book, pg. 14)

This entire piece above *completely* misrepresents the actual meaning of what Salas wrote in the MUFON article. Salas himself notes,

This statement was informative in that there would be no reason to query the November Flight strike team (security) about rumors of UFOs in the area of Echo flight

As seen below:

## MUFON UFO JOURNAL

Since the termination of **Project Blue** Book, the Air Force has maintained the position that no reported UFO incident has ever affected national security. But the incident described here clearly had national security implications.

Jim Klotz, the investigator who had submitted the FOIA requests, and I had previously narrowed the time period by retrieving news reports from the Great Falls Tribune about UFO sightings during the early part of 1967. I had recalled reading such reports after my incident. In fact there were many news articles about UFO sightings a few weeks before and one week after the Echo incident. We requested USAF to release any information they had of such an incident that occurred during the spring of 1967. We made no reference to UFO sightings in our request. As a result of these FOIA requests USAF sent us copies of the unit histories for the 341st Strategic Missile Wing, Great Falls, Montana for 1967. The histories, which included the Echo incident, had been classified. In addition, USAF sent copies of some previously classified messages regarding the incident. One message was sent from SAC headquarters. The Echo incident, as related in one of those messages, is described as loss of strategic alert of all ten missiles within ten seconds of each other for no apparent reason and a ... cause for grave concern ... [to SAC head-

quarters]". The date of the Echo incident is March 16, 1967. When we received this information, I assumed that I was in the Echo capsule during this incident because the events of the incident were very similar to my recollection.

The first unit history (January - March 1967, pg. 38) also has a brief statement suggesting reports of UFO activity. It states the following: "Rumors of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO) around the area of Echo Flight during the time of fault were disproven. A Mobile Strike Team, which had checked all November Flight's LFs (launch facilities) on the morning of 16 March 67, were questioned and stated that no unusual activity or sightings were observed." This statement was informative in that there would be no reason to query the November Flight strike team (security) about rumors of UFOs in the area of Echo Flight. This is the only reference to UFOs regarding this incident in any of the documents received from USAF and the statement is simply untrue. None of the reports we received from guards or maintenance personnel were ever retracted

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After reading this statement I recalled something my commander had said during our incident. After we reported the incident to the command post, he had received a call

# (fig. 2 - full pdf here.)

And, clearly, if anyone reads the entire article it's immediately obvious Salas is discussing his research *after the fact*. The way you describe it in the book characterizes it as though he's saying that's what happened *during* the incident.

What Salas is discussing here is the page below (fig. 3) from the FOIA packet that he received from the 341st Strategic Missle Wing unit history:

from another LCC. After that call he turned to me and said, "The same thing happened at another flight." With this "new" recollection, I began to question if I was at Echo during the time of our incident since I knew I was assigned to the 490th Squadron, which did not have responsibility for Echo Flight. We did however, occasionally, man LCCs outside our own squadron.

With some assistance, I was eventually able to contact on old friend who had served with me at Malmstrom. He recalled the Echo incident and was certain that I was not in that LCC at the time of the incident. He also recalled the names of the Echo crew and the name of my commander. With some additional effort, and a lot of phone calls, I was able to locate and speak with both crew members of Echo, the commander of the Echo relief crew, and my own commander.

As a result of these conversations. information was revealed. The Echo MCCC related to me that prior to the shutdown of all his missiles he had received more than one report from security patrols and mainte nance crews that they had seen UFOs, one was directly above one of the LFs in Echo Flight. The Echo crew confirmed that they had spoken to my commander that day and told him of their incident. They also told me that they were flown to SAC headquarters, Omaha, Nebraska the next day and had to brief CINCSAC (Commander in Chief, Strategic Air Command) about their incident. The Echo DMCCC also informed me that he had written an extensive log of the Incident and turned that over to staff officers at SAC headquarters. They certainly did report the UFO sightings and their guards and maintenance personnel were interviewed about their sightings by Air Force investigators. The MCCC of the crew that relieved the Echo crew also confirmed that the Echo crew had spoken to him about the UFO sightings during the time immediately preceding their shutdown incident.

My own MCCC confirmed my recollection of events with the exception that he recalled that about five of our ten missiles shut down in rapid succession. My own recollection is that it was more than five. However, he did add something 1 had not recalled. We sent a security parol to our LFs after the shutdown of our missiles and they reported sighting another UFO during that parol. They also lost radio contact with our site immediately after reporting the UFO.

Rumors of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO) around the area of Echo Flight during the time of fault were disproven. A Mobile Strike Team, which had checked all November Flight's LFs on the morning of 16 March 67, were questioned and stated that no unusual activity or sightings were observed. (U) The SOlst Hadar Squadron, Malmstrom AFB, gave a negative report on any redar or atmospheric interference problems related 84 to Echo Flight. (U) Rpt, (S) "Report of Engineering Investigation of Echo Flight Incident, Malmetrom AFB, Mont - 16 Mar 67," by Engineering Investigation Team, 23 Mar 67, p 30. 81. Ibid., p 28. <u>Tbid.</u>, p 25. <u>151a</u>., p 27. 82. 63. 84. Thid., p 26.

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And it's in fact accurate to say,

... prior to the shutdown of all his missiles he had received more than one report from security patrols and maintenance crews that they had seen UFOs, one was directly above one of the LFs in Echo Flight.

## As is noted by Figel himself,

WF: Oh, on radio, [they said,] "There's this large object hovering over the site!" I've always been a non-believer [in UFOs] so I said, "Right, sure you do." [They responded,] "Yeah! Yeah, we do!" So, [I said,] "There's two of you there, saying so, so write it down in your report." [The Strike Team leader] said, "What do you want us to do?" [I said,] "Follow your checklist. Go to the site, open it up, and call me."

RH: What was the demeanor of the guard you were talking to?

WF: Um, you know, I wouldn't say panicked, or anything [like that]. I was thinking he was yanking my chain more than anything else.

RH: But he seemed to be serious to you?

WF: He seemed to be serious and I wasn't taking him seriously.

RH: Alright. If it was a large object, did he describe the shape of the object?

WF: He just said a large round object. (**source**)

The only thing that's in question is whether it was a joke or not.

I'm also a little concerned here, because clearly Salas is admitting up front his mistakes about Echo, November & Oscar flight. Yet you've been insinuating that this was all brushed under the carpet.

[edit on 15-2-2010 by Xtraeme]

**COPVEIGHT & USAGE** reply posted on 15-2-2010 @ 08:34 PM by drew hempel [edit on 15-2-2010 by drew hempel] **<u>COPYRIGHT & USAGE</u>** reply posted on 15-2-2010 @ 08:55 PM by Xtraeme Originally posted by drew hempel reply to post by Xtraeme Salas is the one misinterpreting the information because the report says rumor of Echo Flight UFO was disproven. THEN the report says November Flight is question. Salas then claims -- this is INFORMATIVE BECAUSE NOVEMBER FLIGHT WOULD NOT KNOW ABOUT ECHO FLIGHT. Did you bother to read the entire thing? Do you understand that I'm pointing out that James is completely taking a quote out-of-context to portray Salas in a negative light? Do you know what libel is? Salas does a rare and somewhat amusing thing here, by describing in some detail an incident he wasn't present at to observe, but what's most interesting is his account of an event that almost goes unnoticed in the paragraphs above. He says here that among the many phone calls that went back and forth at Echo Flight was one from the E-Flight LCC to the MCCC of November Flight (which was later relocated to Oscar Flight, for reasons Salas has refused to discuss in any detail). This is a fairly important phone call, because as you shall see, it was this phone call, and only this phone call, that enables Salas to date the event he supposedly remembers so well. It is this phone call that lets him say, "I was at November-Oscar Flight when UFOs interfered with the nuclear strike capability of the United States of America on March 16, 1967." It's a shame that nobody at Echo Flight is willing to confirm that this phone call took place, but why would they? November Flight was

not even in the same chain of command as Echo Flight, which, as we've seen, was manned by personnel attached to the 10th Missile Squadron. There is no reason for

anybody at Echo Flight to communicate with November Flight, such a call being the responsibility of SAC. That's the only way a military chain of command has ever worked in this nation. As affirmed above, each Missile Alert Facility has the ability to command and monitor all 50 Launch Facilities in the squadron, just in case other MAFs are disabled. This level of Inter-flight connectivity precludes any need to communicate the failure of missiles at a single facility to another squadron. And yet, Salas insists that:

The Echo MCCC related to me that prior to the shutdown of all his missiles he had received more than one report from security patrols and maintenance crews that they had seen UFOs, one was directly above one of the LFs in Echo Flight. The Echo crew confirmed that they had spoken to my commander that day and told him of their incident.18 Technically, this may be feasible since no actual date or length of time is

Frankly if Salas presses charges, which he should, you should be included in the suit.

There's a big difference between misinterpretation, as you portray it, and blatant, wanton mischaracterization for the purpose of defamation.

[edit on 15-2-2010 by Xtraeme]

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reply posted on 15-2-2010 @ 10:09 PM by James Carlson

## reply to post by Xtraeme

Communication between squadrons is never necessary; in fact. when communication between squadrons is considered important, it is done by SAC, because that's part of their responsibility. That's part of the means provided by the military to prevent excessive communications that aren't necessary -- a squadron is answerable to their own chain of command -- not to other squadrons, and that's why such communications are generally not considered helpful. If one squadron needs knowledge that another squadron has, then it will be provided by their own chain of command -- in this case SAC. Communications, particularly during an emergency or an event that may result in an investigation, is ALWAYS up and down the direct chain of command -- nobody communicates outside of the direct command structure, which in this case would be from one squadron to another. SAC is in charge; they distribute information and they ensure information that isn't necessary to communicate is not communicated.

Salas' statements regarding the investigation's query to November Flight has nothing to do with squadron to squadron communication; he's saying that there's no reason to question November Flight security personnel regarding the rumors of UFOs at Echo Flight -- and he's wrong about that, because the questioning being done by this point isn't between squadrons, it's between the investigators and November Flight personnel; by this point everything's accelerated. SAC is now involved. Since UFOs were mentioned on the landline between the LCF and the maintenance crew checking on the status of the missiles, the investigation is required to clear that up, and since there was a crew out at the time -- it being 0845 after everybody else has already started their regular workday -- this being the November Flight crew, they needed to find out if they saw anything. They made up the only crew that was outside at the time, and they were questioned. They said they didn't see anything. That covers everybody's ass, so investigators can dismiss the question of UFOs entirely. Salas assumes they were questioned because they knew something, and that just can't be supported. They were querstioned, because they were outside, and that's the only reason they were questioned.

As for his statement that the Echo MCCC related to him information that discusses multiple UFO reports, it just isn't true. My father was the Echo MCCC and he didn't

talk to Salas except to say that nothing happened, they used to receive UFO reports a lot, especially from maintenance or security crews that used to spend the night out at the silos, but none of them panned out and none of them were ever shown to be anything more than overactive imaginations by a bunch of 18-19 year-old spending the night in a spooky, extremely quiet place. These comments were received well after the investigation had ended, while Salas was trying to get confirmation for his story.

Salas *also*, claimed, however (he doesn't anymore, but he did at one time and I address all of that in the text) that my father called him while they were still at the LCF trying to find out what was going on with the missiles, and *that* represents squadron to squadron communication that would not occur. And my father agrees that it *did not* occur. This is first mentioned at the top of p.13 and has been on the CUFON website since well before 1999 (unless they removed it sometime the past week). In the pages 14 on, I discuss this phone call and point out that only this phone call allows Salas to confirm the March 16 date that he swore to for 13 or so years. You're looking at a section which discusses how Salas tried to find confirmation for a story he had already discussed on a couple different radio programs, while I'm talking about what his actual claims were in regards to the events at the LCF.

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reply posted on 15-2-2010 @ 10:18 PM by James Carlson

reply to post by Xtraeme

Look, there's no reason to get upset here, because we're talking about 2 completely different statements that Salas has made. You're talking about the statements he made in a section that discusses his attempts to find confirmation, while I'm talking about statements he made describing what was actually going on on March 16, 1967. I'm trying to show that the only reason he settled on a date of March 16 and not some other date is because of his claims that my father called him at the LCF on March 16, 1967 -- that didn't happen, it wouldn't happen in any branch of the military, and it didn't happen -- it was a lie, not a mistake, and he found it necessary, not because my father confirmed everything he says and he desperately needed that, but because that phone call is the ONLY thing in any of his statements that confirms the date of March 16. And when he eventually -- 13 years later -- settled on March 24-25 as the new date, his memory of these events changed significantly. I believe it was significant enough to dioscount mere memory loss. You can believe what you like, but his claims are in print, and I've repeatedly noted them for you.

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reply posted on 15-2-2010 @ 10:31 PM by Xtraeme

Originally posted by James Carlson reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

Look, there's no reason to get upset here, because we're talking about 2 completely different statements that Salas has made.

James, I don't think you realize that summaries on websites are frequently wrong and written by people who are less than in the know. What you did in that section is unabashedly manipulate what Salas said to frame it in a way that was convenient for your argument. The only reason I even bother to mention November flight and Echo flight is to show the man clearly recognizes the chain of command as you've described it, though you obviously have a spin here.

You're talking about the statements he made in a section that discusses his attempts to find confirmation, while I'm talking about statements he made describing what was actually going on on March 16, 1967. I'm trying to show that the only reason he settled on a date of March 16 and not some other date is because of his claims that my father called him at the LCF on March 16, 1967

You're not an idiot James.

If this was put before a judge you'd get slammed with libel. This is so clearly a misinterpretation of what's written that it's blatantly obvious to any fact-checker.

I have all the information I need at this point and I wish you the best of luck, but seriously you should have legal counsel. I can tell you self-publishing & distributing a book isn't going to protect you from the usual statutes.

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reply posted on 15-2-2010 @ 10:43 PM by drew hempel

reply to post by Xtraeme

Well I hope James cleared things up for you. I was giving my OPINION based on how I read the article. Obviously I'm just posting opinons on this thread in reply to other people's comments.

Please continue to read James' book and continue to ask further questions for clarification from James.

Personally I find the issue fascinating which it why I previously have asked Robert Hastings for his responses. It's unfortunate he has not replied to James' specific comments so maybe you can do that for Robert.

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reply posted on 15-2-2010 @ 11:04 PM by James Carlson

reply to post by Xtraeme

I'm sorry you feel that way -- I might agree with if that's as far as he went, but it isn't -- he continuously makes up events that never happened, and when fallacies are discovered in his statements, he makes up something else. This argument you're making right now is entirely groundless because you're not even looking at the things he described as occurring at the LCf on March 16 -- and it's the only thing in everything he's ever written up to his equally groundless date change that enabled him to say "thisd happened to me on March 16, and I know it was March 16 because ---" His recollections are extremely detailed until he changes them, at which point he offers up more information that is equally detailed to illustrate why he believes such facts are facts ... but none of match he said prior to these, and most of them can be shown to be the impossibilities they are. If you don't see that, fine -- everybody's entitled to their opinion, but I can guarantee that there isn't a jury in the world who would believe what he has to say given his absolutely ridiculous record of changing events, facts and stories to fit whatever his current point of view is. You can believe, if you want that a UFO took out the missiles on March 16 at Echo Flight, but you're doing so in the face of insurmountable evidence that nothing more that an electronic noise pulse typical of the period and the

technology actually did the job, a noise pulse that also took out the missiles at Alpha Flight in December 1966. You say he made some mistakes while I say he's a liar, but in the long run, he wasn't there, nobody ever suspected a UFO until he came around and said there was a UFO, and nobody has ever come forward to confirm anything he's said, while a lot of people have come forward to dispute his claims. If you actually read what he's written, you'll see that, and you'll also notice that he almost HAD to change the date to March 24, because that's the only day in the month of March that he can claim there's some kind of confirmation -- this being Hastings' discussion of Jamison which everybody who has ever served in the Air Force for that time period insists is absolutely absurd. My point of view isn't full of holes and I don't have to go begging for someone to confirm any of it -- it's all confirmed and verified, and yet you consider it negated by the fact that Salas insists otherwise. Have I gotten my facts wrong somewhere? Because if you show me any errors I'll happily remove or correct them, but you're reaching a conclusion based on absolutely nothing except your misguided confidence that Salas is an honest man when all you have to do to prove that he is not is to read his most recent collection of nonsense at UFO Chronicles. I don't want to change your mind if you have some reason to believe differently, but so far you haven't shown me anything. NOBODY believed there was a UFO anywhere near Echo Flight on March 16, 1967 until 1995 when Salas started talking about it. And since then he's changed significant parts of his story at least a dozen times. He's shown that he has absolutely no knowledge of military administration or classifcation protocols, although he would have been required to learn this at one time. And yet in the face of his absolutely unexplainable ignorance of the events of March 16, you are still convinced that he's an honest man who's telling the truth -- God love you, but I swear I don't see any of that. But you're welcome to your opinion. I wrote what I believe is true, and I've documented a lot of evidence to support it -- what has Salas documented other than some ridiculous rumors that were disproven within a week during an investigation that took months? Peace...

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## reply posted on 15-2-2010 @ 11:20 PM by James Carlson

# reply to post by Xtraeme

Y'know I'm really to hear you say that -- it's also apparent you don't understand the law -- what I've said I can prove. All you have to do is read it. Salas' discussion of his attempts to confirm what he said wioth my father is not even part of what I was discussing in my book -- I deal with that elsewhere. What he said, and what I wass commenting on is very plainly spelled out. Christ, I put all of his comments in blue font, so how the hell can you get that mixed up?

I agree, Salas does know the difference between November Flight and Echo Flight, and he knows just as well that the fact they were in different squadrons precludes any communications between them. And yet, he nonetheless told the whole world that my father, the MCCC at Echo Flight, called his commander and told him that the missiles at Echo Flight were brought down for the same reason! How can I possibly explain this more clearly? You are not reading the section I am plainly referring to -- you are looking at something else entirely. Salas claimed my father called him on March 16, and that phone call is the only reason he has **ever** given that can serve in any way as a confirmation for the date of March 16, 1967 -- and I showed that not only was that statement false, but it also would never have occurred due to the fact that communications between squadrons doesn't occur when this type of thing happens. Of course, he knows that! That's why I'm certain it's a lie and not an error!!

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reply posted on 16-2-2010 @ 12:12 AM by James Carlson

reply to **post by Xtraeme** 

I also want to add that I *pray* every night that Salas or Hastings is stupid enough to sue me for something I've said, but I'm equally convinced that any lawyer any of them would ever go to for advice would tell them immediately that they would lose should they press the case. Why is it that people insist libel is so easy to prove? And why is it that ignorant people always threaten to take other folks to court for what they've said? I assure you, no court in this country would ever find for Salas because he is completely unable to substantiate ANYTHING he's ever said on the subject. Why do you think he keeps changing his story whenever someone comes along and says, "y'know, that never happened..."

Robert Salas is a liar -- he's one of the most irresponsible researchers I have ever come across in my entire life, and everything I've ever said about him is not my OPINION, it's a FACT -- is that grounds enough for a lawsuit? I hope so -- I would welcome a lawsuit. ANYTHING is better than having to listen to him change his story every other year. Find me one shred of evidence that even comes close to

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ATS Live North America is broadcasting now. Today's Show: ATS Live: 129: Surveillance, Cold War shocker, Hackers, Mid-East, Boy Scouts, Yeti, Turbo's.... proving what he's said -- just one -- and I can GUARANTEE that I can show it doesn't apply. I'm confident enough to make that claim because I know for a fact that he's been lying for years. Now you don't have to believe that -- you don't have to believe *anything* I've said, and that's fine -- but when you find yourself with an extra few minutes, please ask yourself -- WHY do I believe what Salas is claiming? I actually looked for reasons, because I don't like believing that some guy I really don't know is a schmuck. But I didn't find anything, and now I know better. In fact I found so much evidence *contrary* to the man's claims, that I wrote a friggin' book about it. So are you so certain he's telling the truth because you've looked at all the evidence carefully, because you like the guy and figure he needs a break, or is it because you just want to believe that UFOs were involved? I can tell you *exactly* why I think he's a liar, but in the long run, that doesn't mean *anything* if you're predisposed to believe his claims on the basis of faith alone. Ciao...

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## reply posted on 16-2-2010 @ 12:43 PM by Robert Hastings

Xtraeme: This entire piece above [written by James Carlson] \*completely\* misrepresents the actual meaning of what Salas wrote in the MUFON article.

RH: Thanks, Xtraeme. Anyone who reads James Carlson's take on things, including what he \*says\* Salas (or Col. Figel or I) supposedly said, and then checks his comments against the original source material, will quickly learn how reckless and selective James is with the facts. A perfect example is his recent exchange with Malefactor:

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## Originally posted by James Carlson

Walt Figel and my father were the only people in the room, and Figel has repeatedly stated that he had the impression the guys who said "This UFO must have brought the missiles down" were joking around -- in every single interview with him, he has said the same thing: "I thought it was a joke, that these guys were yanking my chain," exactly as every investigator who ever talked to them over the course of the next few months.

Malefactor: Rather than paraphrasing, because lord knows we can't trust your capability to read (www.abovetopsecret.com...), lets show exactly what \*was\* said:

RH: What was the demeanor of the guard you were talking to?

WF: Um, you know, I wouldn't say panicked, or anything [like that]. I was thinking he was yanking my chain more than anything else.

RH: But he seemed to be serious to you?

WF: He seemed to be serious and I wasn't taking him seriously.

RH: Alright. If it was a large object, did he describe the shape of the object?

WF: He just said a large round object.

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This is typical: James always picks the part of any given witness' testimony that seems to support his claims but conveniently leaves out the rest of it, because it trashes his bogus argument. A very strange mental dichotomy. Is it dishonesty or delusion?

This fall, a dozen or so former or retired U.S. Air Force personnel, including Bob Salas, will speak at the National Press Club in Washington D.C. and divulge their involvement in nuclear weapons-related UFO incidents, including the two separate missile shutdown incidents at Malmstrom AFB in March 1967. Nothing they will say

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will satisfy James Carlson but then why does that matter? Carlson's track record of rejecting or distorting key witness testimony, such as that offered by Col. Walter Figel, is well-established and his take on things is, therefore, irrelevant. His manic tirades, both here and in his "book", will only serve to strengthen the testimony of those speaking at the press club.

[edit on 16-2-2010 by Robert Hastings]

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## reply posted on 16-2-2010 @ 01:01 PM by Robert Hastings

In 2002, The Association of Air Force Missileers (AAFM) published a brief article of mine it its September newsletter, in which I asked former or retired USAF nuclear missile personnel to contact me with their UFO experiences. Among the 30-plus responses I received was this letter from former 1st Lt. Walter F. Billings, regarding three incidents at F.E. Warren in the early 1970s.

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## Robert

Dear Mr. Hastings:

This is written with the assumption that you are an ex missile man and that I do not need to go into an explanation of my position at F.E. Warren AFB or what the job entailed.

I arrived at F.E. Warren AFB in Cheyenne, Wyo. in late January of 1972 from Vandenburg AFB and had been trained in Minuteman One, and after further training at F.E. Warren was sent with the operations crews as a Deputy Missile Commander and assigned to a Squadron for the typical duty as a 2nd Lieutenant. I was later trained as a training officer for the Wing in Minuteman One, which encompassed assisting new arrivals in training and running simulators, and other duties. This was the standard duties until the Spring of 1973.

As a First Lieutenant, along with so many others, went back to school at F.E. Warren to learn the new Minuteman Three system that was to be installed during the year of 1973. After training and evaluations, alert duties were assigned for the new system to those that had completed their training. We were to go on alerts as the new missile system was installed. In those days, F.E. Warren had 200 missiles on alert and was very active.

I am afraid that the dates that I will provide are somewhat vague. I wrote my experiences for a publication in this arena back in September 1993 and even then the dates were not exact. Also, some of the missile terminology may not be exact. I have forgotten some of the terms. I am sorry that I did not keep a private log of these events, back when they occurred.

The first event took place in the Fall of 1973, over half of the [Launch Control Capsules] had been converted to Minuteman Three by this time and I was on alert at Golf LCC, it was late at night. The UHF radio linking all twenty LCCs opened up with urgent talk from India LCC. In those days, the UHF radio was turned on, at all times, and if one LCC spoke to their SAT team or other LCCs, all twenty LCCs heard the conversation. After the India crew received a Outer Security Zone indicator on one of their missiles and sent their SAT crew out for the standard investigation trip, we began to hear over the radio the events that developed.

From the UHF radio communication between the SAT team and the India LCC crew, as we listened, we heard that as the truck was heading to the missile silo, the Inner Security Zone indicator had been tripped at the silo. Upon arriving near the subject silo, the SAT team observed a bright UFO hovering above the silo. The LCC crew advised the SAT team to proceed no further and to observe only. Approximately a

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minute later, the UFO moved off slowly for several thousand feet and then sped off at a high rate of speed. The conversation between the India LCC crew and the SAT team was heard by 19 other LCC crews on duty that night.

Upon relief by the next crew and upon return to F.E. Warren AFB, all crews on duty that night were informed that they would not speak to civilians or the news media about what they had heard on the UHF radio that night. Severe penalties were mentioned for those that did not heed this warning.

We, the LCC crews in general, began to hear rumors and stories, from other officers in operations and maintenance, that SAC headquarters at Offut AFB had sent the OSI to investigate this incident by helicopter. The India crew of that night, would not speak of the incident, at all. There were stories from missile maintenance, that the missile in question had been carefully examined and that they found the target tapes on the three warheads, had been supposedly erased that night by the UFO. Needless to say, I only heard that these things had occurred. These stories were told between missile guys over the following week, but they were reliable people, who did not speak to civilians or the press about this subject. However, the Squadron commanders warned us, again, not to speak of the incident.

The second incident involved an entire missile maintenance crew, I believe six enlisted men and one officer. This, also, occurred in late1973. A Minuteman III missile was being worked on for some routine problem during one of those late fall nights. A UFO was observed by the entire maintenance crew. The UFO appeared to be watching the work and was seen for a full five minutes has it maneuvered close to the missile silo. This was told to me by a missile maintenance 1st Lieutenant, approximately three days after the incident occurred.

The third incident took place in early Spring of 1974. As I was arriving at Charlie LCC, in the morning with my captain, to begin an alert duty, we were told by the Staff Sergeant and two security police, who had been on duty that night, of the strange thing that had happened. They told us that a UFO had actually landed near the LCC and had been observed by the three, and that a minute by minute report had been given to the operations crew downstairs. When we asked about this, as we were relieving the LCC crew for our duty to begin, they would not talk about it with us. I heard a few days later that the Staff Sergeant was in some sort of trouble for speaking to us about what he saw, and that the OSI, was again, involved.

While I was in SAC, I, personally, was not directly involved with a UFO incident, while on duty. However, during June of 1974, while on a camping trip in Dubois, Wyoming with three other Lieutenants, we observed a UFO flying relatively low. It was similar to the ones that were described to us, in the above three incidents. Since all four of us were AF Lieutenants, we knew that this low flying object was not an aircraft. From that time forward, I have had an interest in this subject and have read some on the subject, as well.

I can tell you that these three incidents, at F.E. Warren AFB, did occur. It was a long time ago and I am sure many other things have happened since. I have not been able to find any written statements of these three incidents since. This could be because there was a very good cover-up of the situation, at that time, or they were not deemed important enough to bother with. Though, I doubt that the later is true.

I have always wondered as to what really happened to the missile that had the UFO hovering above it, and if the warhead target target had really been erased.

I wish you good luck on any research that you may do on this subject. I doubt that you will receive any help from those that might know the truth. I am sure that the cover-up that I observed many years ago, is still in effect.

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Walter F. Billings

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Like a Diamond in the Sky

The following report is extraordinary. The source is highly credible and the importance of the incident is self-evident. Simply put, this case is among the most fascinating I have encountered during my decades of research into nuclear weapons-related UFO sightings. It all began with an email:

According to now-retired USAF Technical Sergeant John W. Mills III, the events described below occurred in very late December 1978, or early January 1979, outside of Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota, at one of the base's remote Minuteman missile launch facilities. At the time, Mills was an airman assigned to the 44th Organizational Missile Maintenance Squadron (OMMS) and a member of a missile targeting team.

After I interviewed Mills, he provided me with various USAF records relating to his assignment, including security clearances and performance reviews. Given the astounding, almost unbelievable nature of the UFO incident he reports, I will first briefly excerpt some of those files to establish his professional expertise and psychological stability.

One document describes Mills' duties this way: "Performs a series of precision angular measurements to establish an accurate heading of Minuteman missiles...Loads the onboard guidance and control computer with essential launch and targeting information using preprogrammed tapes."

Mills' performance reviews are impressive. In one, covering the period 1 March 1978 to 28 February 1979, Mills' superiors had rated his performance in the most favorable terms. The reporting officer, a 2nd Lieutenant—whom I must not identify —concluded the performance review by writing: "Airman Mills performs his duties in an outstanding manner...SUGGESTED ASSIGNMENT: Airman Mills would make an excellent Combat Targeting Team Chief."

This recommendation for promotion and assignment was approved. By the summer of 1980, Mills was a Staff Sergeant and being evaluated for further promotion. As a part of his review for the period 19 January 1980 to 14 August 1980, various superiors had commented upon his performance and evaluated his potential. While I have been asked to withhold the identities of those persons, their comments are noteworthy.

A sergeant wrote, "Sgt Mills' adaptability to stressful situations and maturity have made him a tremendous asset to the [missile targeting] branch as well as to the [missile] wing. He continually strives for excellence in all facets of duty performance. This is exemplified by having 100 percents on paper work audits on 15 [missile launch] sites without any errors. Recommend promotion as soon as



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possible."

A major wrote, "Sgt Mills is a highly qualified Team Chief whose extensive system knowledge and dedication makes him a very valuable asset. His efforts during the SAC worldwide readiness exercise "Global Shield" were particularly noteworthy and greatly enhanced the wing's ability to place 100% of assigned missiles in alert for simulated execution. Promote [him]."

In short, John W. Mills III was hard-working, an expert in his field, and highly-rated by his superiors. Even so, he was not prepared for what he experienced one night while working in Ellsworth AFB's missile fields. In many ways, it would change his life forever.

During two taped interviews, combined here, Mills told me,

"I was an Airman 1st Class at the time, part of a two-man Combat Targeting Team. A week, maybe two, after Christmas 1978, I was dispatched out to the Delta missile field, to do a targeting alignment procedure called RMAD (Reference Mirror Azimuth Alignment), which measures earth movement—whether the site has moved or not—so that the targeting would be accurate. My team chief was on Christmas leave so I was paired with a temporary chief, 2nd Lt. -----. We were on-site at Delta-3. It was about 6 to 6:30 at night, pitch black, one of those cold winter nights in South Dakota.

The RMAD procedure is very sensitive to vibration. Our guard, who was topside, suddenly started banging on the ladder. We were screaming, 'No, no, no! Don't ever do that! Now we have to reshoot the set!' But he kept banging on the ladder and started screaming at us. He said, 'You've got to get up here now! Either you come up or I'm coming down!' Well, the cops were never allowed below grade.

So, my team chief and I went up the ladder, really frustrated. We were screaming at this kid. He said, 'You tell me what's going on here!' It was then that I noticed this low-frequency hum. I don't know what it was—I've never heard anything quite like it. It wasn't like a hum from machinery. It was coming from everywhere. It was loud! You could feel it on your skin. It permeated everything—you could feel it inside you. You could feel it in your teeth. It was like a microwave except it wasn't heating you up. You could feel it vibrating off the [Launch Facility's] access hatch. The truck [parked next to the access hatch] vibrated. You could feel that reflecting onto you.

We asked the kid, 'When did this start?' He said, 'Five minutes ago.' He told us he had already called the Flight Security Controller and reported the hum. He thought the [missile site's] diesel generator was breaking down and had reported it. According to procedure, the FSC should have called the crew in the [Delta Flight launch] capsule and then they would have called us. But that didn't happen for some reason. Instead, the cop was apparently told to contact us directly. That's when he started banging on the ladder. So, we went upstairs, really angry about the RMAD being ruined. Then we heard the hum too. We thought there had to be a logical explanation. At first, we agreed with the cop that something had gone wrong with the generator.

Then suddenly the kid starts freaking out. He was going nuts! He said, 'Look up!' We looked up. All I saw was black. He said, 'Look to the East.' We did. We saw stars. He said. 'Look to the North.' We did. We saw stars. He said, 'Look to the West.' We did. We saw the light from [the town of] Wall. He says, 'Look to the South.' More stars. Then he said, 'Now look up!' We did. No stars. Nothing, just black. We said, 'It's just clouds.'

By now, we're ready to kill this kid. He said, 'Follow me.' We walked to the north side of the site and went up to the gate. You could hardly hear yourself think, because of the hum. Then we saw it. There was a straight-edge in space. On one side, there were stars, on the other side, it was black. That floored us! But again, we were trying to be logical, you know, maybe some idiot parked a barrage balloon above the site. Looking back, I was thinking really stupid things, trying to explain this thing we were seeing.

But we weren't scared. We were just puzzled. We went out of the gate. Now that we're talking about all of this, it occurs to me that we couldn't hear the hum once we opened the gate and walked off-site. It wasn't outside the site, at least it wasn't as loud. I seem to recall hearing my boots crunching through the snow once we were outside. And I think I was talking to Lt. ----- and the guard. Huh, it just dawned on me that I had forgotten that until now. But on the site itself, you couldn't hear yourself walking through the snow, and you could barely hear each other talking—all you heard was the hum.

Anyway, [once we were outside the gate], we walked along the edge of this dark thing to its end. There was a corner, where the edge turned and went another direction. It wasn't 90-degrees, it was maybe 60- to 70-degrees. But it was a hard corner. So we turned left and followed that edge. By now, we were about 80-feet west of the entry road. Well, we kept walking and followed that edge to the end, which was back over the site.

Of course, by now, we knew it wasn't a cloud, but you could not see what it was! We turned at that corner and walked, maybe a hundred feet, until that edge turned a corner. I do remember walking to the north side [of the site], and exiting the gate, then heading west, south, east and returning to the gate to get back in. Anyway, the object was not a triangle. It looked like it was four-sided, like a parallelogram or a rhombus [which is diamond-shaped]. But you couldn't tell how high it was.

So, we went back on the site and closed the gate. By then, the noise was deafening. Still, we weren't scared, just perplexed and maybe apprehensive. We had heard rumors about UFOs, and we had heard that people had been discharged for reporting them. I began to wonder if it was some kind of SAC exercise. If it was, we were in trouble. You are not allowed to go off-site, and we had walked out the gate. So, I was concerned we would get in trouble."

As I listened to Mills' account, it seemed to me that his thoughts and behavior that night were strangely inappropriate for the situation at hand. While his attempt to comprehend the object in familiar terms is perhaps understandable, his relative lack of fear struck me as bizarre. Given the looming, even menacing presence of the dark shape hovering overhead, and the increasingly oppressive humming sound, one would think that he would have been far more concerned, if not completely terrified. And yet—although the guard was apparently very frightened—Mills and his Combat Targeting Team partner were basically going about their business in a relatively calm and orderly manner.

Over the years I had read about various close-proximity sighting cases during which one or more witnesses had inexplicably reacted to the presence of the UFO in a strangely calm, almost nonchalant manner—as if some sort of mental-conditioning field was present, capable of suppressing emotions such as fear. But I had never personally interviewed such a witness before.

One will recall the statements of former Minuteman launch officer Bob Salas, regarding the missile shutdown incidents at Malmstrom AFB in March 1967. Salas told me, "[I later interviewed] a person who was out in the field working to put the

Echo Flight missiles back on line. His statement was that he had been called topside by a security guard shortly after he began to go through his targeting and alignment procedures. Once outside, he saw a round orange glowing object hovering 'not far out' at about 30 degrees from the horizon, which was witnessed by the security guard as well. He stated that he did hear a low-level hum, and could definitely feel the energy field [emanating] from the object, but did not feel threatened by it. He then went back down to continue his procedure—which seemed odd to me, in light of what he just saw. You would think he would have been terrified, but he said he wasn't."

The similarities between this witness' experience and the one reported by Mills are striking. In any case, I mentioned to Mills my incredulity over his apparent nonchalance during the incident. He replied,

"This may seem strange but we figured, well, this thing is not hurting us, so we walked back to the personnel access hatch [to go down into the missile silo]. As I was about to descend the ladder, the lights went out. The topside lights, and the lights downstairs. Then the truck quit. We always let the engine run in winter, the whole time we were working, so we could leave the site when we were finished. The Air Force-issued batteries were terrible. We always had the guard run the truck for 15 minutes, turn it off for 15 minutes, and then run it again, the whole time we were on site. When the truck suddenly died, the guard tried to call the LCF on his radio. It didn't work.

We got flashlights from the truck and they worked. We figured the back-up generator would kick-in and get the lights back on, but that didn't happen. There are tertiary batteries down in the Launcher Equipment Room, if the generator doesn't work, to keep the site up, but the site was dark. By now, we were more than perplexed. We were freaking out. But not because of the object—we figured we were going to be in trouble for having a site drop-off alert while we were on it. We tried to start everything back up but couldn't, so we went back upstairs.

When we got back outside, the humming had stopped. But the object, whatever it was, was still above us. Then—I don't know how much later, five minutes, thirty minutes, I don't know—the lights came back on. The generator started cranking. That's when I noticed that the object was gone, and you could see the stars overhead. We never saw it leave.

We went back downstairs. The site was down. As far as I could tell, it was a G&C (Guidance and Control) No-Go. I got my control monitor and cable set and began a [missile] start-up procedure. That's when the [LCF] called. They were screaming at us. They said, 'What did you guys do?!' We told them, 'We didn't do anything, the site just lost power.' We didn't mention the object. We told them that we would get the site back on line, and we had to finish our RMAD. By now, Job Control had called and they were screaming at us. We were long overdue to leave the site and proceed to the next one, to do the RMAD on that one, so we figured they were upset about that. But Job Control said, bring the site up, finish your RMAD, but as soon as you're finished, we want you back on base.

We went, 'Uh oh.' We began getting our story straight right then: We didn't see anything, we didn't know anything. The site just lost power. So we went back to the base. On the way, we told the cop, 'This is how we're going to play it—we didn't see anything...' and so on. He said, 'Okay. I understand.' When he called the FSC to report the hum, he'd said that he thought the generator was acting up. He hadn't seen the object overhead yet, so he never mentioned it, thank God!

There were two other targeting teams out that night, at Echo Flight. Lt. -----

headed up one of them. I forget the name of the officer on the third team. They had been called in too and we all got back to base around the same time. We talked with the other teams, before we were debriefed. We found out that Lt. ------'s team had the same problem we did. They were doing RMADs over at Echo Flight. They told us that they saw something [directly above their site] and what they described was very similar to our something. They had an identical experience. Their lights went out, their site went off alert. The third team saw something too.

Now, after we dropped-off our equipment, we went back to the [missile maintenance] hanger. The entire building was full of people. There were colonels—we didn't have a general on the base at that time—but the missile Wing Commander was Ralph Spraker. He was there. Colonel Stone, the Deputy Commander of Maintenance was there. My commander, Fenimore, he was there. [The targeting teams] were all divided and conquered. They separated the enlisted men from the officers, they put us in separate rooms and they told us to fill out a report—an official inquiry—of what went on. That way, you can't get your story straight, unless you already got it straight [before you arrived]. I filled out the report, about what we didn't see. I gave my statement, my team chief gave his, and I guess the cop gave his.

So, for the record, we didn't see anything. But [I later learned that] Lt. ----- and his team told the truth. They said they saw something, and heard something. They said they didn't know what it was, but they admitted that something [unusual] had happened. His team was told, 'Keep your mouths shut.' They signed a national security agreement—agreeing not to talk about the incident. So, they signed their statements and went about their business. But Lt. ----- got passed over for captain. He was in the reserves. Ordinarily, if reserve officers did well, they would be promoted. But ----- was passed over. He had an absolutely splendid record. Nobody had a bad word to say about him. But he was history.

The [third] team—they were new and I didn't even know their names—they also admitted that they saw something, I don't know, maybe it was just lights in the sky, but they were bragging about it. Well, they were gone. Twenty-four hours later, they were gone [from Ellsworth]. We never saw them again. We didn't know what happened to them.

Me, I kept my mouth shut and got my career and retired. [My temporary team chief] is still on active duty. The last I heard, he was a full colonel. We kept our mouths shut. We made it, the other teams didn't."

I asked Mills if OSI had been involved in the debriefings. He said, "No, I never saw anybody in suits. (OSI agents are alleged to dress in civilian clothes when debriefing UFO sighting witnesses.) I talked to Colonel Stone. He questioned [our team] separately and together. Our stories were similar, but different enough to be believable. That was the last duty I had with Lt. -----. I was assigned to the [missile maintenance] shop for about a week and then re-assigned to my normal duties. So, I went about my business. That was in December 1978, or January 1979."

Mills continued, "But later, after this had settled down, these two officers approached me—they were former Combat Targeting officers—who told me that all of Echo Flight had gone down that night, and part of Delta [Flight] went down, even Delta-1, which was the squadron command post for the 66th [Strategic Missile Squadron].

At first, I thought that the two officers were probing—to see if I would change my story—but after awhile I decided they were just curious. We were just shooting the

breeze, you know? They said, 'So, your site went off alert. You think that's bad? We lost 12 or 13 missiles that night.' I was stunned. I said, 'You're kidding! I was only aware of three.' They said, 'Oh no, all of Echo and two or three in Delta went down, plus D-1.' By the way, the two missile crew who were at D-1, they told the truth [during the debriefing] and they disappeared too."

I then asked Mills whether the officers who told him about the missile shut-downs had mentioned that UFOs were involved. "No, that terminology was never used. Never once did I hear that term, even during the debriefing. We talked about 'anomalies', you know, we asked each other, 'Did you have any unknown anomalies?' Later on, we were trying to explain to a bunch of pencil-pushers how a three-tier power system with commercial, diesel back-up, and batteries [at each of the missile sites] could completely fail all at once, and then become functional again. You know, I said, 'I'm trained on this system, and I can't figure out how a you can have a simultaneous failure on all three systems, and then have them all magically reappear."

--Robert Hastings

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reply posted on 16-2-2010 @ 06:18 PM by LogicalThinker

Carlson aren't you tired of getting owned yet? give it up buddy boy

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reply posted on 16-2-2010 @ 09:48 PM by Robert Hastings

Bruce Fenstermacher recently posted the information below at **ufo.cordmagic.com...** Bruce will appear at the press conference at the National Press Club this fall.

He wrote: I spent 20 years in the Air Force. The first nine years I served as an enlisted man and the last 11 as an officer. Initially I was very skeptical about all the "UFO nonsense".

In the fall of 1975 I was a Minuteman III Combat Crew Commander [Launch Officer] on alert with my deputy "Sam." ...We monitored radio communications between the topside NCOIC ("Sgt Jones") and the cops—actually a Security Alert Team or SAT. They were on patrol near one of our 10 missile sites which was south about 9 or 10 miles from the Launch Control Facility or LCF.

Sometime around 2 A.M. we heard Sgt Jones ask the two cops to stop the vehicle, look around and report anything that the saw that looked unusual. He gave no hints about where to look or what to look for. The response at first was that they didn't see anything. Then a few seconds later, they reported in an excited voice that they saw a pulsating white thing in the sky. They could see flashing red and blue lights between the pulsations. Jones asked where they saw it. The cops responded that it was to the north about 10 miles and that it looked very close to the main capsule. Now fully awake, Sam and I looked at each other and wondered what was going on. I called Jones on the hot line between us and asked him about the conversation he just had with the SAT. He said that right now above the Launch Control Facility (100 feet or so) was a white pulsating light with red and blue lights visible between the pulsations. He also said it was shaped like a "fat cigar" and appeared to be about 50 to 60 feet long. He was looking at it while we talked on the phone. Jones reported that it moved away.

Sgt Jones called back in a few minutes and said that it appeared to stop a few miles away - very close to one of the Launch Facilities (LF) or missile sites. We ordered

the cops to that missile site but they had to return to the capsule for batteries for their flashlights and other equipment. When they finally headed towards the silo, the pulsating light moved away before they got there. Over the next couple of hours the pulsating light made stops very close to several more missile sites. Each time we tried to send the cops to the site in question. Each time the cops said they had car problems and/or other equipment problems and never actually made it to any of the sites. According to Jones, some time around 4:30 AM it "whooshed away" and turned into a white dot within a few seconds. The white dot stayed in the sky for a few more seconds and then totally disappeared.

While this was going on, during one of our communication checks with all the other launch control capsule commanders in our squadron we mentioned the object and received some chuckles and ridicule. Within a minute or so one of the other commanders called our capsule said that he was told by his topside crew that they had the same sort of lights over their missile sites earlier that night but didn't want to say anything about it in the communications check for fear of ridicule. He said that he had not and would not report the incident to headquarters – again for fear of ridicule. Sam and I reported it to SAC and Warren Control center right after that call and were laughed at and told to call back if it "ate the cops" we had sent to check it out, which of course did not happen as they never got close to the sites. Even though we were laughed at each time we called, we made sure that it was officially reported with about 3 or 4 more calls to the Control center. On the final call we insisted that they include it in their log or we would wake the base commander. I wish we had.

The next morning after our alert we were relieved by a new crew and went topside. Sgt Jones was there curled up in a chair. He was wide awake and still quite upset and scared about his experience. We spent some time talking to him and trying to calm him down. Under promise that we wouldn't report the SAT actions, Sgt Jones also told us that the cops (SAT) were scared to death last night and had decided they were not going to drive to any of the sites that had "that thing" over it under any circumstances. That explained all their vehicle and equipment problems. To this day I am convinced that Sgt Jones believed that he saw something very unusual that night and was sincere in his description of the activity. I did not see Sgt Jones again on any other alert duty.

At the next several crew departure meetings all outgoing crews were briefed that this event never officially happened and not to talk to anyone about it. I did not recognize the individual who briefed us at that departure meeting. As a serviceman who followed orders for 20 years I have had reservations about mentioning this incident.

However, in the past several years I have read about or seen on the Larry King TV show cases where similar incidents have been reported by former military members. A former Missile commander, Robert Salas, especially comes to mind. Since skeptics appear to have challenged their integrity as well as their memory I think it is time for all of us that have been silent to talk about what we observed.

23 Feb 09 Update: Recent discussions with a flight commander have refreshed my memory that the year is in fact 1976 (previously listed as 1975).

RH: Here is an example of a former missile launch officer recalling a certain date for a UFO event which turned out to be in error. After conversing with other former colleagues, with myself acting as a go-between, the date was amended simply because other information became available which put the event in the proper context.

This is precisely what happened to Bob Salas, two or three times over the last 15 years, as new data developed by Jim Klotz and myself forced a revision of the date, and location, of Salas' incident.

James Carlson views this kind of natural progression as sinister and evidence that Salas is lying. Of course, given Carlson's own suspect behavior, one might understand how he would think that others stoop to the level he does. It has now been established, beyond a reasonable doubt, that Salas and his missile commander, now-retired Col. Fred Meiwald, were at Oscar Flight on March 24, 1967, when their missiles went down. The incident described by Col. Walt Figel and conveniently forgotton by James' father, Eric, occurred at Echo Flight on March 16, 1967.

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reply posted on 16-2-2010 @ 09:50 PM by Robert Hastings

----- Original Message -----From: Patrick McDonough To: hastings444@att.net Sent: Tuesday, February 24, 2009 5:13 PM Subject: My Malmstrom UFO Incident

Robert,

I enjoyed hearing you on Coast to Coast AM last week. I ordered your book. I am attaching my UFO experience at Malmstrom which occurred in 1966. I can send you my DD214 and/or my DD256AF. Just send me your fax # or your snail mail address. My squadron, the 1381st Geodetic Survey Squadron, is having its 50th anniversary party this summer and I would like to ask the other former members at our get together if any of them also had a UFO experience. If they did, I will give them your name and e-mail address. The squadron, which has now been disestablished, was under the Defense Mapping Agency and the National Geospatial Intelligence agency.

Pat McDonough, DBA

(Pat then summarized his experience, below, but wrote it in the third-person. --RH)

Airman 1st Class Patrick McDonough - Former Chief of Party, Field Survey Team, 1381st Geodetic Survey Squadron (Missile), F.E. Warren AFB, Wyoming (1962-1966).

Joined the Naval Reserve after active duty with USAF and retired in 2003 as the Navy Intelligence Command Master Chief, Southwest Region, USN Ret.

McDonough stated that his squadron was responsible for setting exact latitude and longitude coordinates for missile and aircraft guidance systems using star observations. The squadron members went TDY worldwide from F.E. Warren AFB to perform these surveys for Atlas, Titan, Minuteman, Mace, Matador, and on missiles carried on B-52 nuclear bombers. They also performed these same surveys for aircraft that also used similar guidance systems such as the SR71.

In early September of 1966, McDonough and his team of two other airmen (A1C Al Cramer and A3C Charley Coates) were living off base in Conrad, Montana, and working on the last 50 missile sites (Fourth Squadron) under construction at Malmstrom AFB and were assigned to SATAF and Boeing (SATAF – Site Activation Task Force; Boeing was prime construction contractor). Their work was primarily done at night.

The three airmen were completing an astro-azimuth observation at a missile site (the concrete blast hatch of the silo was wide open awaiting a missile to be installed at the site) when at approximately 0130, a UFO came in from due North and stopped directly over the missile site. The UFO was at an approximate altitude of 300 feet. It was a circular disk and its diameter appeared to be around 30-50 feet. It appeared to have dim lights outlining the disk and a white light emanating from the center. It stayed there approximately 20-30 seconds, and then from a dead stop above them sped off to the East at a tremendous speed. There was no noise or wind.

After the UFO departed, they immediately grabbed their gear and sped off from the

missile site to return to Conrad, and while enroute there and making a high speed left turn at an unmarked T intersection the brand new Chevrolet truck right side tires blew and the vehicle flipped upside down. No one was hurt and they walked to a not-so nearby farm house where the Montana Highway Patrol and a tow-truck were called. When the Highway Patrolman arrived, he stated that his dispatch had received over 20 reports from local residents observing a UFO in the vicinity that night. Incident Reports were made to SATAF, Boeing, and the Air Force. Nothing was ever heard from the Air Force about the incident and no retribution/reimbursement was ever requested for totaling the new truck. It was like the incident never happened.

Airman McDonough stated he had worked on the latest missiles and aircraft that the U.S. Air Force had at that time and never saw any Air Force aircraft that could perform like this craft.

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----- Original Message -----

From: David Hughes

To: 'Robert Hastings'

Sent: Sunday, December 14, 2003 2:29 PM

Subject: RE: Malmstrom AFB

Mr.Hastings,

Good to hear from you. I was stationed at Malmstrom from Jan. 1966 thru Aug. 1967. I was an Air Policeman, assigned to "B" flight, with the 341st CDS. I worked at the Foxtrot site. Many nights we observed a light in the sky between Choteau, Mont. and Augusta, Mont.

This light would move at incredible speeds, make right angle moves, and continue for hours. And when seeking further info from wing command, we were often insulted when told it was a Telstar satellite. On one occasion we were told by other friends working in the Tower at the base that aircraft had been launched to seek to identify a strange radar echo that had appeared on their screens and on the screens of the local airport. This was later denied the next day, but if memory serves...the local newspaper had an story on it the next day. This must have happened sometime in early 1967 or late 1966.

All I know is that some strange things consumed our attention MANY nights while on patrol. We patrolled from Augusta to Choteau each night and always saw something that lent credence to the UFO concept. To us UFO simply meant it was an Unidentified Flying Object, either from our military or some unknown source. We never believed the satellite story. However when learned that the jets had been scrambled and the next day it was denied...then we knew something was up.

Hope this helps. I enjoyed my stay at Malmstrom, and especially Augusta. We used to go to Augusta when we were off duty and had a great time.

David Hughes

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reply posted on 16-2-2010 @ 11:00 PM by James Carlson

reply to post by Robert Hastings

Hi, Bobby! Nice to hear from you again. I'm happy to see you're still mucking up

the issue by scattering lots of irrelevant information around. Why don't you answer a few of the questions I've been repeatedly asking you for a year -- you always end up ducking the issue and talking about every UFO report besides the only one I'm really interested in. Look, I even numbered some of my questions for you today. Anytime you feel like answering some of these, please do -- your constant avoidance of both historicaal relevance and making a valid point is really starting look congenital.

1. Why is there only one mention of UFOs in all of the documents related to Echo Flight, and that one mention is not only unclassified, but found to be groundless?

2. If UFOs were involved, why was the Echo Flight Incident classified SECRET, when all Air Force instructions agree that the classification of such an incident would be a minimum of TOP SECRET due to national security affected by unknown weaponry?

3. Why weren't UFOs reported to Blue Book for March 16, when Air Force Regulation 80-17 orders established in September 1966 required that such a report be made? This was, after all, well before 80-17 was cancelled, and well before the Bolender memo's discussion of JANAP 146 and AFM 55-11, which in any case doesn't order that Blue Book reporting be ignored; standing orders required a Blue Book report be made, regardless of what other reporting procedures were in use. We know this is the case, because there are *numerous* Blue Book reports that were also reported in accordance with JANAP 146 and AFM 55-11, one example being the 22 July 1965 military source report from Forbes AFB, Kansas (**www.bluebookarchive.org...**) Requirements for one report has never meant that you ignore the other. So why weren't these instructions followed at Echo Flight?

4. Why weren't any UFOs reported in accordance with JANAP 146? And why didn't any of the messages involving Echo Flight utilize a flash precedence, a DoD requirement for all threat contacts within the borders of the US? JANAP 146 procedures require immediate notification to Wright-Patterson AFB if UFOs were involved, yet nothing involving Echo Flight went to Wright-Patterson -- NOTHING. Why? And keep in mind that message redundancy is always an issue.

5. Why weren't any UFOs reported in accordance with Air Force Manual 55-11? The reports of the missile failures were made in accordance with 55-11, but UFOs were not, and 55-11 dictates no redundancy, so UFOs, if present, were required to be reported at the same time as the Echo Flight missiles went down; why weren't they? And again, none of the 55-11 message traffic was sent to Wright-Patterson, a requirement for all UFO reporting procedures. Why wasn't this done? I swear, Bobby, everytime you make a claim it becomes more and more evident that you know absolutely NOTHING about military message systems -- and yet, you nonetheless claim some authority on the subject of military reporting of UFOs.

6. If UFOs were present, why did Lt. Col. Chase, the Malmstrom UFO officer, affirm repeatedly that UFOs were not involved?

7. If UFOs were involved, why did the Air Force spend so much money simply to confirm that the commercial power grid was incapable of producing a noise pulse that would couple with the shielding in use to send a signal from the position of a known transformer fault? The USAF missile system was, after all, in the middle of a budget crisis precipitated by numerous equipment failures and reassessed vulnerabilities in the course of being repaired.

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reply posted on 16-2-2010 @ 11:00 PM by James Carlson

reply to post by James Carlson

8. If UFOs were involved, then the event qualifies as an attack on US soil -- so why wasn't any of the reporting traffic given a flash precedence? All reporting on the missile failures went out to and from SAC as general traffic, with an ordinary level

of precedence. In addition, much of the message traffic was only classified CONFIDENTIAL -- if UFOs were involved, all of this would have been different, so why wasn't it?

9. Three maintenance groups with associated security personnel were camped out at three of the Echo Flight silos -- why didn't anybody report anything until after the missiles went offline? Why did Walt Figel have to call THEM?

10. The combination of VRSA errors noted for Echo Flight had also occurred in December 1966 at Alpha Flight in conjunction with the loss of three missiles, but nowhere else in the entire system -- why hasn't anybody ever associated those losses with UFOs?

11. Why did nobody mention UFOs in connection with Echo Flight until 1995?

12. Why was nobody at Echo Flight required to sign the type of nondisclosure agreement that Robert Salas claims he had to sign?

13. If the phone calls made to Walt Figel were valid UFO reports, why didn't anybody mention anything while they were still outside? Why didn't anybody fire on the UFOs, as they were required to during an invasive attack against a US nuclear missile facility?

14. Why is it that Salas' commander to this day claims that he doesn't even believe in UFOs if they shut down missiles under his care?

15. Why are there no eyewitnesses to any of the UFO events asserted by you and Salas?

16. Why are there no UFO reports for the entire state of Montana for March 16, 1967 when the Echo Flight Incident occurred at 0845 in the morning, when a lot of people would have been outside? Why is it that nobody ever noticed any UFOs in transit to and from anywhere at Malmstrom AFB? On March 24-25, so many people were out looking for UFOs due to the radio reports that they had already compromised a supposed landing area at the bottom of gully that under daylight conditions would have been difficult to get to, yet nobody saw any UFOs leave in the direction of Oscar Flight, 110 miles to the east.

17. Why did investigators report that at least partial responsibility for the susceptibility of the logic couplers to noise pulse was due to Autonetics over-ambitious use of integrated circuitry?

18. If Blue Book is out of the loop where UFO events affect national security, why did they investigate the sightings at other military bases, including missile bases?

19. If UFOs were involved, why were none of the messages regarding Echo Flight sent to Wright-Patterson AFB or the Foreign Technology Division? FTD used to be the Air Technical Intelligence Center (ATIC). They not only ran Blue Book, they were also in charge of all unknown, experimental, and foreign technology developments -- after all, they would have been in charge if UFOs were involved, not OOAMA, not SAC, and certainly not BSD -- and yet, they weren't even listed for Info only. Everything went to Hill AFB, kind of a waste if UFOs were involved, don't you think?

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reply posted on 16-2-2010 @ 11:01 PM by James Carlson

reply to post by James Carlson

20. Why were all messages involving the incident sent out with normal precedence of priority? After all, if UFOs were involved in an incident like this, all message traffic is immediately incorporated into the early warning system, as required in ALL of the procedures listed above -- and yet, nothing was sent with an immediate or

flash precedence -- only priority, a precedence required for normal, daily traffic. These messages are supposed to be handled as quickly as possible, with in-station handing time not to exceed 6 hours; that's only one step faster than routine. And yet everything involving Echo Flight went out with this low precedence. Had UFOs actually been involved, you wouldn't have seen a single message with lower than Immediate precedence, and the first few messages would have been flash precedence. Why do you think that's the case? Even the Blue Book messages that went to Air Force staff in 1965 had an Immediate precedence (see **www.bluebookarchive.org...**), but all of the Echo Flight messages? PRIORITY.

21. If UFOs were reported at Echo Flight, why has NOBODY come forward to claim they actually saw something? The only perdson to ever come forward to claim that they knew a UFO came down and did the job is Salas, and he saw nothing. Why have no eyewitnesses come forward in the past 40 years? According to Salas, the entire security team was outside with weapons drawn, and yet not a single confirmation.

22, Salas has stated that Lt. Col. Chase knew about the UFOs at Echo Flight and Oscar Flight, but lied about there being no equipment malfunctions to the Foreign Technology Division at Wright Patterson AFB in regard to March 24-25. Seeing as how FTD not only ran Blue Book, but were also in charge of all unknown, experimental, and foreign technology developments, why would Lt. Col. Chase lie to them?

23. Why is it that Roy Craig of the Condon group and Raymond Fowler of NICAP were both aware of the Echo Flight Incident, and the rumors of UFOs in connection to that incident, but nobody was willing to say that anything actually happened in connection to UFOs until 1995? After all, even as a *rumor* the information could have been used by NICAP. And yet, nothing until 1995.

24. Why was Echo Flight documented so thoroughly by the Air Force, yet Salas' claims regarding Oscar Flight were never documented at all, not even as message traffic which was REQUIRED.

25. Why would anyone believe a maintenance personnelman who says "We got a Channel 9 No-Go. It must be a UFO hovering over the site. I think I see one here." when that person couldn't see anything, being in an equipment room next to the silo 6ft underground?

26. Why is it the second report came from the only guy who would have heard both sides of the first conversation, a security team leader, the guy manning the 2-way radio who said "Hey, I see one, too", about whom Figel said, "I was thinking he was yanking my chain more than anything else."

27. Why would Figel order everybody to remain on station until they were relieved if a UFO security breach were in progress? Why would the security personnel, obviously witnessing a high-level security breach, do absolutely nothing, even so far as reporting the incident to their direct chain of command at the security command post? That was, after all their job...

28. Why does the only document discussing the Echo Flight Incident that has a high enough security classification to actually express information regarding a UFO attack on an Air Force nuclear weapons system not even mention a UFO or any sort of interference by a UFO?

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reply posted on 16-2-2010 @ 11:02 PM by James Carlson

## reply to post by James Carlson

29. Why has Salas interpreted all information regarding this incident without once taking into consideration his knowledge of security classification protocol -- knowledge he was required at one time to know and understand -- unless he were trying to prove a point beyond what can actually be proven?

30. If UFOs were involved in the Echo Flight Incident, why was NSA not involved in the investigation?

31. Why would the Air Force conduct an expensive investigation lasting months with the assistance of two contract corporations that ignores entirely any interference by UFOs if that were the cause? By refusing to take UFOs into consideration, the entire investigation would be invalidated if a UFO were to blame.

32. Why have none of the witnesses involved in the investigation discussed any tests at all that would have taken UFO interference into question, if the cause of the missiles going offline was a UFO?

33. Why does Salas insist a UFO took out the missiles from a location adjacent to the front gate of the LCF, while the UFO that supposedly took out the missile system at Echo Flight was at a silo location 20 miles away from the Echo Flight LCF?

34. How could the investigation prove that an electronic noise pulse in the logic coupler took out all of the missiles at Echo Flight, resulting in exactly the same combination of errors noted only once before in the entire history of the Minuteman system, if a UFO knocked off all of the missiles from a silo location too far away from the LCF to actually do anything at all that would affect all of the missiles?

35. Why did Salas lie about the high number of missile failures typical nation wide in the Minuteman system between 1966 and 1968, stating instead that such failures were extremely rare?

36. Why did Salas claim that my father called him at the Oscar Flight LCF to notify him about the Echo Flight missile failures when communications of that sort would never occur?

37. Why did Salas lie about being notified by another LCF about the missile failures at Echo Flight, when communications of that sort would never occur?

38. Why did Salas claim for 13 years that he first heard about the failures of Echo Flight while he was still inside the LCF on the day it occured, his confidence strengthened by the fact that he specifically recalls his commander discussing the matter with him before they were relieved, if -- as he now claims -- he only learned about Echo Flight from another unnamed individual a week after the fact?

39. Why did Salas claim for around 13 years that he's certain the date of the incident at Oscar Flight was March 16, because he specifically remembers reading about the UFOs sighted over Malmstrom a week later, but now claims that he's certain the date was March 24-25, because he specifically remembers reading about those same UFO sightings the next day after his watch ended?

40. Why did Salas claim for years that an Electromagnetic Pulse of the same type caused by a nuclear detonation caused the Echo Flinght Incident, when we know for a fact that didn't happen, that it was an electromagnetic pulse created internally by the equipment itself that actually took out the flight, as all records and documents assert, including those documents used by Salas to support his UFO claims?

41. If UFOs took out the missile systems at Echo Flight and Oscar Flight, a minor inconvenience at best, why did they do so? And why did they make it look so much like a relatively mediocre electronic event?

42. Why did the the electronic circuitry making up the logic couplers and the guidance and control units start failing all at the exact time period that they were expected to fail as a result of testing that wasn't conducted until the 1970s?

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43. Why did the NS-17 guidance and control units start failing at the same time as the Echo Flight and Alpha Flight incidents for exactly the same reasons if UFOs weren't also involved at Alpha Flight and the numerous NS-17 failures?

44. If electromagnetic noise wasn't an important factor in the failure of missile systems nation wide, why was so much money and man hours spent to conduct the testing and the incorporation of hardware to prevent such electrical events from occuring, and if UFOs caused theevent at Echo Flight, why was everybody so certain the problems that caused the incident could be solved by reducing the susceptibility of the logic couplers to electronic noise?

45. If UFOs were involved at Echo Flight, why was nothing done to find a solution to the problem other than incorporating and applying already scheduled modifications to the Minuteman II system to the Minuteman I missiles as well?

46. Why did the Air Force emphasize poor quality control, sloppy workmanship, and too much dependence on the possibly poor understanding of new science and technologies incorporated by Autonetics in their contracted development of the guidance and control systems if UFOs were actually the cause of the missile failures at Echo Flight?

47. Why did the number of failures of the guidance and control units drop significantly as a result of the force modification incorporated as a result of the Echo Flight Incident if UFOs were responsible for the Echo Flight failures?

48. Why did investigators test for electromagnetic pulse injected directly into the logic couplers from the LCF if the noise pulse was injected externally by UFOs over the silos?

49. Why did the investigators tell the Air Force that the cause of the missile failures was an electronic noise pulse that affected the only susceptible equipment that had the ability to shut down the whole system -- the logic couplers -- if it was a UFO that did it?

I'm guessing you'll ignore most of these as well -- just like you've ignorted all of the other questions I've put to you.

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## reply posted on 16-2-2010 @ 11:46 PM by Robert Hastings

A number of the questions were answered a year ago, James, in my rebuttal posts at UFO Chronicles. All you did then, in response, was reject the credibility of my

sources, persons other than Salas, and distort the things that Walt Figel told me, just as you are doing this time around.

Others posting on this thread have picked up on your methodology, James, and you look increasingly naked and foolish with every successive rant.

But I will accommodate you once again. I am flying to Alaska tomorrow to give a lecture at UAA. I will print out your list of questions, read them on the flight, and have answers for you sometime over the weekend.

However, already, with just a cursory review of your list, I see that you distort a number of things and misstate witness testimony. Your trademark. You will not benefit from my responses, nor will your lapdog, Drew Clueless, but others posting here deserve some kind of response to your questions. My answering them will give me yet another opportunity to reveal you for what you are: misguided and dishonest.

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reply posted on 17-2-2010 @ 04:11 AM by James Carlson

reply to post by Robert Hastings

I can't wait...

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reply posted on 17-2-2010 @ 07:21 PM by James Carlson

## reply to **post by Robert Hastings**

Hastings is misleadng people completely -- everything that I point to in my book is direct quotes -- I not only tell you exactly where it's from, I show -- I give you links so you check the sources yourself on the internet. Hastings has a bad of paraphrasing everything that everyone says in his book, so you don't know exactly his supposed witnesses actually have to say. I'm not the only one who's noticed this -- there's a large of number of substantiated historians and researchers who all say the same thing. He doesn't give his sources, nor does he tell you exactly what they say in many cases. This is because when he does, it becomes noticeably easy for anyone to reinterpret what these conversations actually meant. And Robert Salas is exactly -- he tells his audience that both my father and his ex-commander, Frederick Meiwald, have confirmed his story -- yet if you talk to either of those two, they will both say they do not believe that UFOs shut down any of the missile systems in 1967. What kind of confirmation is that? Hastings is absolutely correct that I do paraphrase things that people say -- but only in forum discussions, because it saves space. He does it throughout his book on the subject. I don't -- I give direct quotes and tell you where to find the sources on the internet so you can not only check it yourself, you can check the context as well -- there is NOTHING in my narrative tht's been misrepresented -- For 15 years Salas has repeatedly changed his story, and has done so again this year as well, while Hastings has in many cases refused to discuss what his witnesses actually said, and consistently explains things for his witnesses. Case in point if Jamison -- he went to Hastings with a story that he said was sometime between 66-67, he didn't know what the actual flight was, just that it was somewhere close to Lewistown, he didn't see anything and couldn't testify to anything, he only overhesard a few details on somenody else's 2-way radio in another room, and before Hastings even got him written up for a second interview, he was telling folks that Jamison was talking about an event at Oscar Flight opn March 24-25, 1967. And even then, he still got most of his facts wrong regarding an event he supposedly witnessed! He's written an entire book full of asbsolute bunk just like this! Now I don't ask you to believe me, I don't even ask you to care -- but when I discuss in my book, I do give you

exact quotes and I tell you exactly where it came from, and I do tell you where you can look it up yourself in order to decide for yourself what the context is!

These people are irresponsible researchers, they paraphrase, they don't list their sources or what their sources actually said, and their interpretations of events are totally ignorant.

Throughout the entire course of the Echo Flight incident and the following investigation, not one message detailing any of the events at all was sent to the Foreign Technology Division at Wright-Patterson AFB -- not one. And these were the guys who's responsibility was to follow up on anything regarding new technology, new weapons, the abilities of new weapons and how effective they were against US targets; these were the guys who used to rebuild captured or wrecked MIGs during the war. They were also in charge of everything having to do with UFOs -- the ran Blue Book and every other research project that the Air Force ever had regarding UFOs. They didn't even get a heads up via INFO only messages. They were completely left out of the process -- all messages and notices went to OOAMA, BSD, Hill AFB, locations that you would completely expect if this were an electrical malfunction or event of some kind and not an attack on the most powerful means of waging war the world has ever witnessed.

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## reply posted on 17-2-2010 @ 07:21 PM by James Carlson

## reply to post by James Carlson

All of the message traffic that from the very beginning had a PRIORITY precedence; if this had been a UFO the very first notification would have had a FLASH precedence as an attack on a DoD system, and everything after that would have been IMMEDIATE. Nothing like that went out in reference to Echo Flight. In addition, there three different notification systems that could have been used -- and UFOlogists argue amongst themselves all the time regarding which ones should have been used and when; the procedures are all outlined in AFM 55-11, JANAP 146, and AFR 80-17, which went into effect September 1966. NONE of these was used to report a UFO at Echo Flight, and the station UFO officer, Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase, while well aware of the events at Echo Flight, conducted NO investigation regarding UFOs and repeatdly told those who asked that UFOs were not involved. Had a UFO been present, standing USAF orders via AFR 80-17 would have required that he not only conduct such an investigation, but immediately notify Project Blue Book and FTD at Wright-Patterson AFB that such an event had occurred. There is NOTHING to indicate that anything more complex than a relatively mediocre and prosaic electrical event was to blame, except for Robert Salas, who has changed his story so much and so significantly that he's no longer a credible witness, and a couple of guys Robert Hastings solicited on the internet who tell stories that are absolutely absurd.

Most recently, Robert Salas has decided that the date for the event he "remembers" is March 24-25. Unfortunately for that supposition, Lt. Col. Chase conducted an investigation of the Belt sighting outside of Malmstrom on the 24th. As a result, the sighting was recorded and dicussed by Project Blue Book. One of the NICAP investigators attached to this story worked for Sylvania Corporation -- a guy named Raymond Fowler. Salas implies or states repeatedly that Fowler knew all about the Echo Flight incident, and told Roy Craig of the Condon Committee, who supposedly investigated it as a UFO sighting. But Sylvania didn't know squat about Echo Flight, because Sylvania was never involved in the investigation. They had absolutely nothing to do with any of the electrical systems at Malmstrom AFB, as Salas contends, excepting the 564th Squadron, which was all Minuteman II missiles. As a result, the information Fowler gave to Roy Craig was incorrect; he told him the Echo Flight Incident happened coincident to UFO sightings, because of the UFO rumors the investigation had already cleared. The only sightings of UFOs in Montana for March 1967 were those around March 24-25. So both Fowler and Craig, who was told by Fowler, believed the Echo Flight Incident occurred on March 24-25, which we know is incorrect. So while Fowler was running around investigating an event he

didn't know the correct date of, Craig went directly to Lt. Col. Chase and asked him about the Echo Flight Incident. Chase was not about to correct the date, which Salas interprets as Chase hiding information from Craig in a dishonest attempt to hide something, when he didn't correct the date because everything having to do with Echo Flight was still under investigation and was classified SECRET. And Craig had no clearance. Fowler had a SECRET clearance, but since Sylvania had nothing to do with Echo Flight, he lacked the "need-to-know" for access. There's nothing more mysterious here than the standard application of security. As a result, half of the UFO rumors that Salas asserts are an indication that UFOs were actually involved at Echo Flight stemmed up in response to a NICAP investigator's ignorance during an investigation that he admits turned up NOTHING having to do with UFOs.

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reply posted on 17-2-2010 @ 07:23 PM by James Carlson

reply to post by James Carlson

Both of these guys -- Craig and Fowler -- are now asking questions about Echo Flight missiles going offline coincident to UFO sightings which occurred on March 24-25 -- because remember, that's the only date they've got for any UFO sighting in Montana, because Lewis Chase investigated that sighting for Blue Book, as was his duty as UFO officer at Malmstrom. So because of this, we now have rumors attached to an actual missile flight being taken offline for March 24-25. A NICAP investigator who's also on Sylvania's Minuteman Board as a result of the contract to work the ground electrical grid at 564th SMS and at other Minuteman II Wings and an investigator for the Condon Committee at the University of Colorado asking questions about UFO sighintgs already investigated in some detail by Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase coincident with missile failures that didn't happen, creates a lot of fodder to burn in the rumor mill, and as would be expected the Foreign Technology Division at Wright-Patterson AFB gets wind of it. Their immediate response is to send off a letter to Lt. Col. Chase asking him to clarify some rumors they've heard about equipment failures coincident to the March 24-25 UFO sighings reported in the newspapers and investigated by Chase. Chase immediately writes back, telling FTD that there were NO equipment failures anywhere at Malmstrom during the March 24-25 sightings or around the same period of time -- not failures that might have been mistakenly interpreted as linked to the UFO sighings, but no failures at all. He references his previous report, already sent to FTD, because they run Blue Book and all new technology offensive matters. Before FTD was called FTD, they were Air Technical Intelligence (ATIC). They changed their name in 1961. Today they're called National Air and Space Intelligence Center. If UFOs take down a nuclear missile system, they're the very first guys you call. So we have proof from Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase that not only was Echo Flight not associated in any way with UFOs -- because that's what he told Roy Craig, when he first started nosing around for Condon on the basis of information he received from Fowler -- we also know that nothing involving equipment malfunctions happened on March 24-25. Now all of this information was available since 1995 at least, because that's when Craig published his book about his UFO investigations for Condon. Salas, however, doesn't discuss any of this until 15 years later, after both Roy Craig and Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase have died and can no longer discuss the matter or defend their reputations. And his take on the whole thing amounts to one, inflammatory statement: Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase LIED to FTD to avoid discussing missile failures with a military unit outside of his chain of command!! And all of this when FTD WAS his chain of command. It's like he has no idea who FTD was, what they were in charge of, what their responsibilities were, like they were some minor local Coast Guard group out of Maine or something, and not representing the VERY FIRST GROUP who would have been told if UFOs had caused equipment malfunctions anywhere in the country! And that's just about all Salas has said on the subject: Lewis D. Chase is a liar. He also says Roy Craig was incompetent for not properly investigating the matter -- taking little notice that Craig's investigation didn't get anywhere because he lacked any security clearance for access -- and yet, Craig nonetheless got more than Salas has, because he walked out of Chase's office confident that Echo Flight had absolutely nothing to do with UFOs, a confidence Salas attributes once again to Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase being a good liar, and passing false information to the Condon Committee.

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reply posted on 17-2-2010 @ 07:29 PM by James Carlson

reply to post by James Carlson

Well, I find Salas to be an absolutely sickening individual, and while I was writing my narrative, I vowed that I wasn't about to step back from telling people exactly what kind of person Salas is, what a poor researcher Hastings is, and how badly they have both interpreted everything that happened at Malmstrom AFB in March 1967, simply to sell a few more books, and get asked to appear on Larry King. They have ruined this man, Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase's reputation, over absolutely NOTHING -- and I do not intend to cow back from telling people exactly what I think of them just so my book -- that I'm giving away to whomever wants to read it, sounds a little more professional.

I'm not asking you to believe anything at all that I'm telling you -- I'm giving you the means to check it yourself. I'm not mislesading anybody, and I'm taking anything out of context. In fact, I'm telling you EXACTLY where to go if you want to check it for yourself. I honestly don't know why anybody bothers listening to these guys, but if you're going to do so, then God love, have fun -- but these ridiculous claims they make about me without even bothering to look at what I've produced is nothing more than character assassination in a schoolboy attempt to convince people not to look at the information I've gathered and the narrative I've produced. If you don't care to read it, don't -- nobody's forcing you. But to not read it because some buffoon is telling you lies about what to expect is sadly inappropriate -- and folks wonder why I think these clowns are so relentlessly sickening. Make up your own mind -- letting Hastings do it for you is a stinking joke.

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#### reply posted on 17-2-2010 @ 09:58 PM by James Carlson

## reply to post by James Carlson

For more evidence on the way Hastings has completely subjugated the facts of this matter to his own imagination, readers only have to go to one website: **www.bautforum.com...** 

Hastings wrote:

"One of those launch officers, retired Colonel Don Crawford, arrived for alert duty at the Echo LCF some hours after the malfunctions occurred. The missile crew he relieved, composed of Captain Eric Carlson and 1st Lieutenant Walt Figel. Figel told Crawford about the UFO sightings and subsequent shutdowns. Figel said that a number of unusual calls had come in to the LCF during the early morning hours, sometime before dawn. Carlson was sleeping at the time -- one officer sleeping at night, while the other remained alert, was standard operating procedure for the two-man launch crews, who worked a 24-hour alert shift -- so Figel took all of the calls."

Interviews with Figel, my father, and the FOIA documents themselves all agree that my father, CAPT Eric D. Carlson, was the first to notice that the missiles were going offline. No UFOs were reported prior to the missiles going offline. They were the result of queries by Figel to the crews who had spent the night at the silos for other maintenance problems, and -- as I've repeatedly shown and Figel has repeatedly told Hastings -- everybody considered the mention of UFOs to be a joke.

Hastings wrote:

"RH 10/12: Earlier this week (10/6/08), I spoke by phone with Eric Carlson, one of the launch officers at Echo during the shutdowns and the father of the above-linked article's author. Although the senior Carlson stated that he could not say with certainty that UFOs were involved in the Echo shutdowns, he did not deny that his deputy missile commander that day, Walt Figel, had in fact told him of a UFO-involvement. (Remember, Carlson was sleeping when the flurry of calls came into the launch capsule, and Figel took them.)"

He was not asleep; he was awake and sitting right next to Figel when all the calls came in, and he was the first to note that the missiles were going offline. And my cfather told Hastings that there was mention of UFOs, but he didn'tbelieve they were real, and Figel didn't either.

## Hastings wrote:

"Moreover, Eric Carlson told me that UFO reports from missile guards were so numerous while he was at Malmstrom and, earlier, Walker AFB, New Mexico, that he began to ignore them. He said, "I'm a pragmatist. I will believe in UFOs when I see one." Other launch officers apparently reacted to such reports from their guards much differently, as Col. Meiwald, Lt. Col. Figel and former Captain Bob Salas have all confirmed."

My father also told Hastings that there most of these numerous reports were false -- hoaxes, jokes, etc., that were very common at time, and that I've documented throughout my narrative. I invite readers to go to any of the missileer community websites and ask the members themselves. UFO jokes were extrememly common at the time, and were even told on TV throughout the period -- UFOs were pop culture, and the jokes were popular; I've also documeted that in my narrative. In fact, the night before the Echo Flight Incident, "Green Acres" aired an episode called "The Saucer Season" all about a UFO hoax that was investigated by an Air Force Lt. played by Bob Hastings of "McHale's Navy".

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reply posted on 17-2-2010 @ 09:59 PM by James Carlson

reply to post by James Carlson

Hastings wrote:

"When I told Bob Salas about my call to Carlson, he called Eric himself two days later (10/8/08). Salas then emailed me and wrote, "I just finished speaking with Eric Carlson... What he told me is that he could not say for sure if UFOs were responsible for his missiles being shutdown. He said there were so many reports of UFOs from security guards that he could not say for sure that they received such reports on that day. Of course, he was not the guy on 'Alert' duty at the time of the shutdowns. Walt Figel was the one who was awake and was speaking with the maintenance and security teams at the time of the shutdowns. While he said he did not recall being interviewed by any 'top brass' he did say he received a call from the senior controller at SAC headquarters after the event. He said that because it was so long ago, he does not recall if Figel told him about the UFOs during the shutdowns or not. It is important to note that this statement by Carlson does not negate or contradict Figel's statements."

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Once again -- everything wrong, this time by both Hastings and Salas. My father was awake, he was the first to noice that the missiles were going offline, and he was right next to Figel when all of the calls came in. Figel also agrees with all of this, and the FOIA documents note as well that my father was the first person to see the missiles going offline. No reports of UFOs came in prior to the missiles going offline, and everything these guys have said on the subject is slanted to make them appear honest, and they are not.

## Hastings wrote:

"The facts of the matter as stated by Col. Meiwald, Lt. Col Figel, Boeing engineer Robert Kaminski, to name a few—fully support Salas' (and Klotz') published material on the Malmstrom cases. Too bad you also did not buy Faded Giant either, but instead accepted the rantings ("smelly butt" "abortion") of the younger Carlson who, by the way, also talks in his posts of lightning at Malmstrom and computer failures at Echo, neither of which were reported by the Air Force or Boeing in their reports relating to the causes of shutdowns."

Col. Meiwald does not believe UFOs shut down the missiles ANYWHERE -- he does not believe in UFOs period. Robert Kaminski's quotes by Hastings and Salas are incomplete, but also support in whole the actual version of what went down on March 16, as reported by the investigating team that detail in my narrative. And, although I have discussed lightning at the site, it was only to point out that the lightning can cause as well an electromagnetic pulse sufficient to shut down electrical systems, and that weather reports were fully investigated by the Echo Flight team in order to ensure that lightning was NOT present and could nopt have been a factor in the shutdowns. What I wrote was "The investigation even went into full radar and atmospheric characteristics, because they needed to know whether a lightning strike may have caused the power surge; all of the radar and atmospheric reports were also negative." Lightning effects, were, however, tested for by the investigating team at Echo Flight, as was the transformer failure, because both incidents could have potentially been a source for the electronic noise pulse that actually shut down the system. All of this is spelled out very clearly in the FOIA documents, all of which I've included in my narrative. The CUFON website, however, has only published pages 32-34 and page 38 of only one quarter from the command history, and doesn't discuss most of the ongoing investigation at all.

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## reply posted on 17-2-2010 @ 10:00 PM by James Carlson

reply to post by James Carlson

## Hastings wrote:

"When I asked Jim Klotz about the claim of a computer failure, he responded, "As for a computer being 'faulty,' this is not the case. I base this on many things, not the least of which is that no equipment was changed out after the incident and before the (E) flight was completely back on strat alert. True, it was a 'fault' in the logic coupler which could loosely be called a computer (by today's understanding of that word) (presumably) caused by the mysterious "noise" that somehow got into the system. The term 'fault' is a technical computer term that (in this case) implies nothing wrong with the system, but refers to an unexpected behavior of the system in response to an un-planned-for 'noise' or signal being supplied to a system input. Perhaps the junior Carlson is confusing these ideas."

I haven't confused anything. I never said a computer error caused the failure of the missiles. What I wrote was, "Salas wants us to believe that the government didn't publish a final report because they wanted to cover up the incident, but you and I both know that the government doesn't cover up an incident by ignoring it -- they publish a report of an investigation that says the reason the missiles shut down was something very conventional, like a computer error." Everything this individuals say on the subject is slanted to attack their opponents -- it's absolutely sickening they way they go about it. Anmd yet people oln this forum don't understand why I refere

to thrm as "liars." I don't say it lightly -- I say it because it's a proven fact.

Hastings wrote:

"Here are the actual facts: Salas approached researcher Jim Klotz in 1995 and asked him to file FOIA requests, regarding the Malmstrom incidents, on his behalf, in an effort to find out whether his own experience had been recorded in the wing history. When the history was finally declassified, acknowledging a full-flight missile shutdown at Echo, on March 16, 1967, and also referencing UFO sightings at November (supposedly disproven, but we now know the truth from the historian himself) Salas assumed that he and his missile commander, Fred Meiwald, were at November Flight, the other flight mentioned in the history, because the two launch officers at Echo, Figel and Carlson, had already been identified."

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reply posted on 17-2-2010 @ 10:01 PM by James Carlson

reply to post by James Carlson

Salas was telling radio audiences that he was at Echo Flight in 1995. He wasn't. The history that Hastings refers top was declassified automatically in 1979 -- not as a result of anything Salas did. This is proven. There was no reference in anything from 1967 referencing UFOs seen a November Flight. Those individuals were all questioned and all agreed that they saw nothing odd. This is all in the FOIA documents requested by Salas. Nowhere is there mention anywhere that UFOs were seen at November Flight. These references Hastings discusses simply don't exist. Klotz and Hastings both refer to "the Wing Historian" David Gamble, who supposedly confirmed that lots of UFOs were seen but every mention he put into the command history were removed by his superiors. But if you actually examione the FOIA documents that I've included in my narrative -- ALL of the documents -you'll immediately note that Klotz and CUFON and gang published the WRONG cover sheet those very few pages they actually discuss. The cover page that actually belongs with all of the entries involving the actual Echo Flight Incident do not show that anything was actually approved for inclusion by David Gamble, who -- as Wing Historian -- was simply an E-2 clerk in the Information Office, who had no authority, no rank, and had been in the Air Force for only a year or so. Subsequent command histories also indicate that when he was finally given the authority to approve content and draft the command histories himself, he did such a bad job of it, that he was replaced by an E-4 Sgt. So whatever Gamble has to say, is irrelevant as comments by an incompetent clerk in the Information Office. I've also documented all of this my narrative.

Hastings wrote:

"Salas' conclusion was based on two things: When Meiwald called the command center to report the Oscar missiles going off alert status, he was told (according to Col. Meiwald himself) that the same thing "simultaneous, multiple missile failures" had happened earlier at another flight. Once the wing history was declassified, Salas initially assumed (correctly) that the earlier flight was Echo and also assumed (incorrectly) that he and Meiwald had been at November, since that was the other flight mentioned in the history. At that point, Salas had not yet located Meiwald to confirm the facts. That happened later on, after the Salas/Klotz article was published online in 1996."

Not even Salas says that now -- Salas now claims that he didn't find out about Echo Flight going down until March 25, when someone told him that "the same thing happened at Echo Flight". Originally he said my father called to tell him while they were still on watch; then he said another LCF called to tell his commander, and finally, that Meiwald was told by SAC when he first started reporting the incident at November-Oscar Flight -- an incident that still has not been confirmed, since there's no mention of it anywhere, and nobody except Salas is willing to go on the record that a UFO was ever seen by anyone near Oscar Flight -- which is about 120 miles away from all of the sightings made at Malmstrom on March 24-25. In any case, he now says he didn't find out about Echo Flight until after his watch was over and he had gotten some sleep -- a week or so after the Echo Flight missiles were taken offline.





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reply posted on 17-2-2010 @ 10:02 PM by James Carlson

reply to post by James Carlson

Hastings wrote:

Because 341st SMW Historian David Gamble stated "the UFO aspect of the incident" was rewritten, that is, the "rumors" of the presence of UFOs were portrayed as unfounded by his superiors in the Wing History, Salas reasonably concluded that UFOs had indeed been sighted at November Flight and, therefore, that was the flight he was at. However, when Salas' missile commander that day, Col. Meiwald, was finally located and interviewed by both Salas and Klotz, Meiwald insisted that the second full-flight shutdown -- the one he and Salas had been involved in -- was at Oscar, not November Flight. So, Salas deferred to Meiwald's recollection of the flight's designation. As noted earlier, with the exception of the number of missiles that malfunctioned, Col. Meiwald completely endorses Salas' account."

Except for the date, which he isn't certain of, and the fact that UFOs were involved. These guys don't know how to tell the truth.

Look don't believe me -- look for yourselvers; I tell you exactly where to look, and in many cases, I give you the internet link. Please -- take a look, judge for yourself. I'm willing to let you see everything, not just a few pages, and know exactly what these people have said, not just my version of it. If you still believe what they're telling you -- fine. At least now you'll be able to back it up with a few facts and not just their summations aqnd conjectures.

My narrative is available for free at: www.scribd.com...

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reply posted on 17-2-2010 @ 11:28 PM by James Carlson

Originally posted by Xtraeme

James, I don't think you realize that summaries on websites are frequently wrong and written by people who are less than in the know. What you did in that section is unabashedly manipulate what Salas said to frame it in a way that was convenient for your argument.

No, I'm referring to a joint statement made on the CUFON website by the same 2 guys who wrote a book on the subject. If they got it wrong -- they should have removed it. Unfortunately, as of last week, it's been up since 1999.

The only reason I even bother to mention November flight and Echo flight is to show the man clearly recognizes the chain of command as you've described it, though you obviously have a spin here.

You're talking about the statements he made in a section that discusses his attempts to find confirmation, while I'm talking about statements he made describing what was actually going on on March 16, 1967. I'm trying to show that the only reason he settled on a date of March 16 and not some other date is because of his claims that my father called him at the LCF on March 16, 1967

You're not an idiot James.

No, I'm not. And I understand when somebody makes a statement they intend to make. And I know exactly what I said and what I was reffereing to. He lied about what my father told him on the phone call that never happened, and he lied about what my father told him years later when he was supposedly looking for confirmation. And he has said repeatedly that my father confirms his ridiculous story about UFOs, and he has not done so. The only person who seems to be confused about what's been said here is you. I know exactly what my father told him, and I know exactly what he SAYS my father told him. And Salas has been all over the place on this one issue -- as well es every other issue related to this ONE event. Are you trying to tell me that I should ignore all internet commentary that discusses members of my family if it's on the internet, because it's probably not true? I gotta to tell, I don't see your point. I'm not putting a "spin" on anything. I'm taking direct quotes from a guy who should know better. He's given three different versions of one phone call, and two of another 30 years later, so which one am I supposed to concern myself with? I think I'll take the most logical choice and concern myself with ALL of them.

If this was put before a judge you'd get slammed with libel. This is so clearly a misinterpretation of what's written that it's blatantly obvious to any fact-checker.

It's a shame you don't understand the law a bit better. I guess that's one thing you have in common with all the other conspiracy junkies -- you talk a fine game about the law, but you don't understand it very well. Keep in mind, that my book is also distributed only on the internet. And keep in mindf that I haven't lied ONCE about anything. And I don't need legal counsel -- I can find by myself. And I don't need legal protection, because I can easily prove every word I've included.

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#### reply posted on 17-2-2010 @ 11:49 PM by James Carlson

reply to **post by James Carlson** 

And because I'm the sort of guy who likes to position all of this information together, and because Xtraeme mentioned in an earlier section that I should collect what Hastings has said that I dispute, because it would make my argument stronger, here's another statement he made, this time on this website.

James Carlson wrote: And this is how disinformation is spread throughout the internet. There are not two different stories here -- only one. The only people who were at Echo-Flight on March 16, 1967 and therefore the only people who can assert any possible authority for the event, were Walt Figel and my father, who was in charge. And both deny the presence of UFOs at Echo-Flight.

Robert Hastings: This is a complete lie, James, and you know it. I have Walt Figel on audiotape saying that UFOs were indeed reported by one Security Alert Team member and one missile maintenance technician. Further, he said that your father was sitting "two feet away" when he took both calls about a UFO hovering over one of Echo's missile sites. Figel further stated that your father was also sitting next to him back at Malmstrom during their debriefing, at which time both officers were told not to discuss the incident. All of Figel's comments have been posted on UFO Chronicles, as you well know.

Walt Figel and I accept that fact that your father chose to lie to you, given his secrecy requirement, but you are free to believe what you wish. However, when you tell bold-faced lies about Figel, you become a con artist. You haven't called Figel to confirm what he told me, despite my pleas for you to do so, because you are afraid to learn the truth: Your father lied to you, you believed him, and have chosen to smear the reputations of anyone who has attempted to expose that lie.

As your own father told me during my taped interview with him: You have some "problems." Get some professional help, James, and spare the rest of the world your delusional rants.

--- of course, prior to this he was telling everyone my father was asleep, but here he's just telling everyone that my father thinks I have "psychological problems" as he stated on another website. These clowns do whatever they think is necessary to stifle debate, regardless what the source is. I for one am sick of it -- but I think everybody knows that by now. Of course, by Xtraeme's logic, I can't even call this a lie, because it was said on the internet. So I'll just call it obscene, and leave it at that.

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reply posted on 20-2-2010 @ 01:49 PM by Robert Hastings

Originally posted by Robert Hastings I will print out your list of questions, read them on the flight, and have answers for you sometime over the weekend.

Three developments--two of them directly related to the ongoing exchange between James Carlson and myself--will delay, by up to two weeks, my posting my responses to James' questions. When I do respond, the information I will provide should leave no doubt as to who is accurately reporting on the events occurring at Echo Flight, on March 16, 1967, and who is not.

In the interim, as time permits, I may post additional exerpts from my book which confirm that the type of events described by former Minuteman missile launch officer Bob Salas occurred at several Strategic Air Command ICBM and bomber bases, both prior to and following the UFO-related incidents at Malmstrom AFB, in March 1967.

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reply posted on 20-2-2010 @ 01:51 PM by Robert Hastings

From my book UFOs and Nukes:

In 2002, I interviewed retired USAF Colonel John W. Haley III, who had been assigned to Strategic Air Command Headquarters in the mid-1970s. Before discussing the Northern Tier cases, Haley described an earlier assignment:

"I was the 5th MMS (Munitions Maintenance Squadron) Commander 5th Bomb Wing from June 1973 to August 1975, at Minot AFB, North Dakota. My Squadron loaded [nuclear] weapons on the B52H [bombers] and serviced, stored and provided Reentry Vehicles/Reentry systems to the 91st Strategic Missile Wing. We had no anomalous UFO sightings during this period. However, the incident I am going to relay to you occurred shortly after I returned to SAC Headquarters in 1975."

"From June 1975 to December 1977, I was again stationed—it was my second tour—at Headquarters, SAC, at Bellevue, Nebraska, as a Munitions Staff Officer. A daily report, assembled by the Office of Information—of any information that might be of interest to the General Officers—was circulated first to the generals and then to the total staff."

"In the fall of 1975—September, I believe—a series of UFO sighting reports, at the Loring AFB Weapons Storage Area and the Malmstrom AFB ICBM field, were detailed in the daily report for at least a week. The Loring incident [involved] a UFO that periodically hovered over the WSA and was reported to be taking radiation readings. I do not know how this was determined."

"At Malmstrom, a UFO followed, at low altitude, a missile crew on its way to a site. They were told by radio not to proceed with the changeover [of the personnel on duty], but to drive around. Meanwhile, an F-106 from the 5th [Fighter Interceptor Squadron] at Minot AFB was scrambled for an intercept. The pilot did get the UFO on radar and [had a] visual but was outdistanced and could not achieve a lock for firing. The intercept was broken off due to low fuel. The UFO returned. Another F-106 was scrambled with the same results. This took several hours. Years later, I asked the Malmstrom area Air Division Commander what he knew of this incident. He would not discuss it and neither would any of the HQ SAC generals at the time."

I asked Haley if he could recall the exact title of the daily report he had mentioned. Researcher Jim Klotz had volunteered to file an FOIA request for it, but needed that information to do so. Haley replied, "The report was known as the daily recap but did not have a formal name and, surprisingly, did not have an official cover letter. It did have a SAC staff routing page for the applicable deputy—Deputy Chief of Staff/Logistics, for instance. Each directorate received their [own] copy to route to the branches and their individual staffers. The report was quite crude, with different sizes of paper, copies of cut-out newspaper articles, logs, and command and control reports—anything the Office of Information thought the staff might be interested in."

I then asked Haley if he recalled any details regarding the reported UFOs. He replied, "I do not recall any description being given other than metallic objects that hovered or zoomed away."

Finally, I asked Haley about the UFO hovering over the Loring AFB Weapons Storage Area, where nuclear bombs were stockpiled. I wondered whether the written reference to the radiation-monitoring had been speculative, or expressed as a certainty. He replied, "I think it was conjecture, based on the assumption that radiation was the only signature of the nuclear weapons that could have been monitored. This presumes that looking into buildings and bunkers was not possible —which was probably a naïve assumption."

Haley's perspective as an insider is invaluable. His recollection of the incidents having occurred in "September" 1975 is in error, but understandable given the passage of decades. The documented incidents at the Loring AFB Weapons Storage Area occurred on October 27th and 28th. On the other hand, his description of the two attempted fighter intercepts may be a previously unknown case. I am unaware of any declassified reference to fighters being launched from Minot AFB, North Dakota, in the fall of 1975, to intercept any of the UFOs reportedly maneuvering over the missile field in Montana. All of the fighters had been scrambled from Great Falls International Airport, because Malmstrom AFB's lone runway was under repairs during that period. If the intercept incident did indeed occur as Haley remembers, the reason for the launches from Minot, rather than Malmstrom or Great Falls, remains unclear.

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reply posted on 20-2-2010 @ 03:37 PM by Robert Hastings

From my book UFOs and Nukes:

Although the following incidents were not as dramatic as the two missile shutdowns which occurred at Malmstrom AFB in March 1967, they do indicate continuing UFO activity at ICBM bases as the 1970s unfolded—including reports of missile tampering—as well as at SAC nuclear bomber bases and even one U.S. Army tactical nuclear weapons storage depot.

Retired USAF Security Policeman ---- told me, "I was assigned to Malmstrom from 1962 to 1964, and again from 1969 to 1972, and finally from 1975 to 1977. I was in the Security Police Group all three times. I worked several positions in missile security: Standboard section, Scheduling, and as flight security supervisor."

"I can't recall any occasion when I had a personal experience with UFO activity, but there was a location in the 490th Strategic Missile Squadron, generally referred to as the Kilo Triangle by security forces working in this area. This location was from the Kilo-1 [Launch Control Facility] to the Launch Facility at M-6 and another LF in the Mike Flight area—I can't recall [its designation]—that formed a triangle. I had heard several strange events had occurred in this area."

He continued, "One particular event I heard about happened to a Camper Alert Team (CAT) at the LF M-6. This LF is located south of Eddie's Corner near U.S. 87 and U.S. 191, along the boundary of the Lewis & Clark National Forest. Supposedly they had experienced an incident where a very bright light from the sky—possibly coming from an object—had illuminated the site and scared the hell out of the team in the early morning hours of darkness. I also heard the site may have gone off alert about this same time."

"Allegedly one of the Camper Team guards had taken Polaroid photos of the light. I never heard what happened to the photos. The incident was reported to the command post, but I never heard anymore about it—it wasn't publicized. This was in the spring of 1972. I was not working in that area, but I was a Standboard evaluator and we made trips to the field to evaluate the security forces and [that's when] we heard these stories. I never paid much attention to them until years later when UFOs became an item of interest."

Finally, referring to the reported UFO sightings at missile facilities, ----- said, "I have no doubt the security personnel [accurately] reported what they had seen, and I can understand why commanders would suppress the information, to keep the public from learning of a possible threat to military resources when there was virtually no way to defend against it."

--Robert Hastings

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reply posted on 20-2-2010 @ 03:47 PM by Robert Hastings

From my book UFOs and Nukes:

I have interviewed two individuals who reported UFOs near Atlas missile silos at F.E. Warren Air Force Base, Wyoming, during the early 1960s. One of them, Airman First Class Arthur McEnaney was an Air Policeman assigned to the 809th Combat Defense Squadron, which provided security for the 566th Strategic Missile Squadron at F.E. Warren AFB.

In August 1964, McEnaney and his fellow guards sighted a UFO above the four-silo Atlas launch complex they were patrolling. "We were at Site 1, Pad 1," said McEnaney, "Around midnight we saw an object hovering over the site. It was round and shone brightly. After we reported it to the NCOIC (Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge), we were informed that interceptors had been dispatched from Denver and reported it to be a weather balloon. The only problem with that explanation was that no aircraft were seen in the area, and we were later told to keep quiet about it as it was national security. Our NCOIC, Staff Sergeant Fred Coffer told us that."

Another SAC missile base, Altus AFB, Oklahoma, also experienced a UFO hovering over at least one of its Atlas sites in 1964. The base commander, Colonel Raymond J. Lacombe, reported the incident to the Air Force's Foreign Technology Division (FTD) at Wright-Patterson AFB. Such sighting reports were mandatory according to Air Force Regulation (AFR) 200-2. The terse heading on the now-declassified document reads, "Missile Site 7, Altus AFB, Oklahoma" and states in part:

UFO report from SAC. Received at 1135Z at SAC Command Post. At 1030Z Missile Site 6, Altus, Oklahoma reported a large bright light (size of aircraft) overhead, below 10,000 feet, directly over silo. Light was bright enough to light silocap. Reported to people in silo, and crew silo commander sent a maintenance man up, who saw light and verified it being there. By the time he got there it had moved to an extremely high altitude. Moved vertically in NW direction...6

According to the report, an Air Force investigator later spoke with various missile personnel who had been on-site at the time of the sighting, at which time it was determined that the missile site involved was Site 6, not 7.

In 2002, I interviewed former Air Force Security Policeman (SP) Terry Stuck, who related similar experiences near F.E. Warren AFB in "late summer of 1965." By that time, the obsolete Atlas missiles had been replaced by Minuteman missiles.

Stuck had reported for duty at the Oscar Flight LCF one morning, and was informed about a UFO sighting by the departing night-shift guards. "The night team had observed fast moving lights or objects," said Stuck, "vehicles moving with incredible speed." Apparently, during the shift-change, the departing security team leader also informed the arriving missile commander about the UFOs. Stuck overheard the exchange. "The OIC (Officer in Charge) was a Captain. I don't recall his name," said Stuck, "I do remember him saying that he had been a pilot in Korea and had observed UFOs and had reported the incident. He said they had sent him to the base psychiatrist and had basically put a stop on advancements in his career."

The moral of this story was clear to Stuck and the departing security team leader: Be careful what you report because there may be repercussions. Stuck did not know whether the team leader had ever filed an official report about the incident. In any event, the Oscar Flight UFO sighting incident is not mentioned in the Project Blue Book memorandum quoted above. Perhaps it took place on another date during that period or, perhaps, it did indeed occur on August 1st, but went unreported.

A few days after these events, Stuck had his own UFO sighting, again at the Oscar Flight LCF. "The observations," he recalled, "were actually made in front of the launch control security facility which was at ground level, facing the access gate of the main launch control facility. I was never able to determine the size or shapes [of the UFOs]. When I saw them, they were at extreme distances and were doing right [-angle] turns at unbelievable speeds. I never heard any sounds."

Another UFO report at F.E. Warren during that period appears in the National Institute for Discovery Science (NIDS) sighting database. The report was filed by an

unidentified individual who had seen a UFO in the Foxtrot Flight area on an unspecified date in August 1965. Although the source remains anonymous, because the sighting occurred within the missile field itself, he was probably an Air Force security policeman. The witness reports observing a dark boomerang-shaped object with two yellow lights, one on each wingtip. He wrote, "When it took off it went so fast that the lights on the ends appeared as two continuous streaks of light for an instant." The UFO was described as silent and "very big".

--Robert Hastings

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reply posted on 20-2-2010 @ 05:46 PM by Xtraeme

reply to post by James Carlson

Originally posted by James Carlson 6. If UFOs were present, why did Lt. Col. Chase, the Malmstrom UFO officer, affirm repeatedly that UFOs were not involved?

I'd like to point out a few things here. In 1957 Chase piloted an RB-47 that encountered an unidentified object that followed the aircraft in-trail across several states as they did a test run of the ECM/ELINT gear. Chase made clear that they had been recording flight communications made by the SIGINT operator including interphone and command position conversations. Chase was very specific that there should have been a permanent magnetic tape recording made from the wire recording plus a written report.

No such recording has ever been released, not to the Condon committee which investigated the '57 RB-47 incident, not to McDonald, Klass, no one, not even till this day has access to that recording.

In a similar instance involving another RB-47 that received radar jamming signals from unidentified aircraft over Canada in 1955, resulted in a highly classified investigation by the Air Force Special Security Office (AFSSO), which then forwarded the results to the AFSS and NSA. Nothing from the AFSSO investigation was sent to Project Blue Book.

This somewhat starts to touch on this question:

30. If UFOs were involved in the Echo Flight Incident, why was NSA not involved in the investigation?

In 1980, CAUS sued the NSA for access to files as they might relate to UFOs. The Agency admitted it was sitting on 239 documents, 156 of which were communications intelligence reports gathered from 1958-1979. The NSA's Office of Policy Chief Eugene Yeates submitted a 21-page summary of its reasoning in federal court, refusing the judge access to any of the material. CAUS sued for release of Yeates' synopsis. In 1982, a federal judge ruled that releasing an unredacted summary would undermine national security. Eventually what CAUS ultimately got its hands on were so many blacked out pages — each one stamped "Top Secret Umbra" — the feds' insistence it wasn't hiding anything about UFOs became a laughing stock. (www.nsa.gov...)

The point being such a thing may exist, but it may still be classified.

But getting back to my main thought...

Since you believe so strongly in corroborating documentation as necessary evidence to confirm the authenticity of human testimony, by your logic we have this either-or scenario:

\* Chase is a liar (since no magnetic-recording was reported to ever exist) XOR the USAF is lying.

Based on the below quote it's obvious you believe Col. Chase is an admirable and trustworthy person,

Salas, however, doesn't discuss any of this until 15 years later, after both Roy Craig and Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase have died and can no longer discuss the matter or defend their reputations. And his take on the whole thing amounts to one, inflammatory statement: Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase LIED to FTD to avoid discussing missile failures with a military unit outside of his chain of command!! And all of this when FTD WAS his chain of command. **www.abovetopsecret.com...** 

Which I agree with! This then implies that the USAF is guilty of public misinformation. As you note in your book on pg 16-17,

... [Salas] was in completely virgin territory, here – territory that should have been a warning to him, because legally (if he was an honest man and we actually had any reason to believe that he was telling the truth) he should have assumed that **whatever true facts he was about to make public <u>were still highly classified</u>, and as far as the Department of Defense was concerned, it really didn't matter what his reasons were for breaking the law,** 

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But if he was telling the truth... well, someone representing either the Department of Defense or the U.S. Marshals Service would have visited him.

And the fact that the Air Force apparently decided not to prosecute him for what they usually consider to be a very serious crime doesn't really add much to his credibility.

This entire segment shows you clearly recognize that not all documents are assigned an immediate declassification schedule and furthermore that you're well aware of the possibility of there being some form of Special Access Project (SAP) tied to the investigation of the event, potentially explaining why Kaminski relates that they didn't submit the final engineering report.

Now we both know the whole idea behind a SAP is plausible deniability. Officially reprimanding Salas would blow any chance of that out the window. Furthermore it potentially explains the reference to a UFO in the Echo flight report.

I understand that all you care about proving is that Salas is a liar. However, I think you should tread with caution here because as noted on at least one missileer forum,

I made a quick scan of the provided literature and can say at least this much: your writing style is far, FAR too informal; If you're attempting to discredit something, don't use incessant hyperbole, statements of opinion, or vulgar language (unless quoted); it would also behoove you to heavily edit your writing when dealing with the Salas individual; I get the impression you have a vendetta, and your point will most certainly be lost on people if they think your sole purpose is to drag the man through the mud. I have particular tastes

when it comes to presentation and writing style, and I find that the inclusion of such techniques tend to a.) make me uninterested or b.) discredit the work, as it strikes me as unprofessional, and with a potential axe to grind. Take it for what you will. **www.missileforums.com...** 

So take your pick.

Either Chase is a confirmed liar with the RB-47 incident and therefore no longer useful for your argument; or we've got something else going on here.

*If* there's something else going on then the remainder of your questions become somewhat rhetorical.

[edit on 20-2-2010 by Xtraeme]

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reply posted on 23-2-2010 @ 09:35 PM by Robert Hastings

As previously noted, Col. Walt Figel told me that at least one missile maintenance team member working at one of Echo Flight's missile sites reported seeing a UFO at the time the flight's 10 missiles simultaneously malfuntioned.

From my book UFOs and Nukes:

Other reports from former members of the missile maintenance and targeting teams, who were actually out in the field restarting the missiles, are also intriguing. Regarding the full-flight missile shutdown at Echo Flight, on March 16, 1967, N. Henry "Hank" Barlow told me,

I arrived at Malmstrom in October 1966 and left in November 1967. I was on Electro-Mechanical Team 24 at the time [the Echo Flight shutdown] happened. We had to go out to Mike-1 for about four or five days. We had to stay out there and cover the sites. The day we were supposed to return [to base,] my team chief called Job Control to see if we could come in because it was really starting to snow. It was really miserable out, windy and all. Job Control said, 'Yeah, come on in, there's nothing going on, everything seems okay.' So we packed up and started back to the base.

Then Job Control called us on the radio and said, 'Hey, we've got a problem here, part of Echo Flight has shut down, so we want you to go to the nearest site.' I think that was Echo-6, but I'm not sure. Anyway, somewhere around that area. We checked VRSA and there was nothing on it. [That] was a unit in each launch facility, with something like 19 or 20 channels on it. [Actually, VRSA or Voice Reporting Signal Assembly had 23 channels, one for each problem area.] If the missile went down for any reason, or if there was some other problem, Job Control back at Malmstrom would know about it, know what is was, from the kind of signal it sent. But when we got to the site, there was nothing on [VRSA] to indicate the reason for the missile shutting down. That in itself was unusual. I had never seen that before.

(RH: Col. Walter Figel recalls getting a Channel 9 No-Go in the launch capsule, but Barlow says here that there was no indication of the \*type\* of failure--the channel number--at the missile site itself. James Carlson makes much of this discrepancy, claiming that it confirms that Barlow is lying. Of course, James makes lots of claims--almost all of them bogus--and Barlow's comment, while puzzling, does not negate the legitimacy of his testimony. )

So Job Control said, do a start-up, which takes about four hours. After you initiate the startup, you can back out of there and leave because its automatic after a

certain point. Usually, if there was nothing else going on, we would stay at the site to make sure everything was working fine. But that night, Job Control said go to the next site, whatever that was. So we did that, and [restarted] three or four missiles before going back to [Echo-1]. Of all ten missiles that went down, only one wouldn't come back up, but that was due to something that was going to [fail] anyway, like a Logic Coupler Drawer, or something like that. But none of the missiles had anything on VRSA.

[When we got back to Echo-1] we heard what happened. At Echo-2, there was a team in there earlier that afternoon that could not get the security [telemetry] to set-up, through the parabolic antenna or the soft support building or something like that. So, they put an Air Police team out there, in a camper, two guys. Anyway, one of the guys went out to take a leak, and he noticed that it wasn't snowing over top of his head. The perimeter lights were on and he could see the snow coming down all around him so he looked up and saw a ring of lights right over top of him. He was scared stiff, so he went back to the camper and woke up his team partner.

When this other guy came out, he had a camera with him, which they weren't suppose to have, but guys would do stuff like that. By then this thing had moved off the perimeter fence and he took pictures of it. [When the security team was debriefed back at the base,] the Air Force confiscated the camera and film. I was told all of this back at Echo-1. We had passed our 'timelines' because we had worked 16 hours, or something like that, and could not go back to the base so we had to go back to Echo. [During that era, maintenance teams were left out in the field for four to five days, working a maximum of 16 hours per day—the timeline. If a team got close to reaching that limit, it was sent to the nearest Launch Control Facility for Remain Over Night, or RON status.] When we got back there, there was brass all over the place. They were from Offutt AFB—SAC Headquarters—they had brought them in. There were just a lot of high-ranking officers there.

I asked Barlow who had told him about the incident involving the Camper Alert Team. He responded, "I don't remember. I don't know if it was one of the security guys or someone else. I was so tired when we got back to Echo 1. We had worked long hours, we had been out almost a week by that time and we were just pooped. All I remember is that there were lots of people there and there was no place to lie down. But we were told that it was a UFO shutdown—that UFOs had been responsible—and that's why all those guys were there."

I asked Barlow if he had been surprised or shocked or skeptical when he was informed that UFOs had shutdown the missiles. He replied,

Oh no! On many other occasions, we were out at the sites when Job Control called and told us that, you know, there are reports of UFOs in the area, so keep your eyes open. That happened many, many times. And I saw them! I would see a light in the sky and it would make a right-angle turn. Or it would make two different right-angle turns, one after the other. I saw that more than once. They were much faster than a helicopter and we certainly knew that aircraft [couldn't] do that.

I once saw a light come straight down, hover at maybe 1000-feet, and then shoot straight off [horizontally] and out of sight. It was crazy! Job Control always called us first, before we saw anything. They would call and say, you know, heads-up. Then, most of the time, we would see something a little while later. So, they were getting reports from somewhere, and maybe they had [the UFOs] on radar, but I don't know for sure. Sometimes, when the call came in, we were down in the missile [silo] and we would talk to the guard topside about what he was seeing. I remember one time, the guard was just a nervous wreck. Job Control had called and said UFOs were sighted in the area. Then, I'm not sure, but I think he saw some lights himself. But anyway, he was just scared out of his wits. He wanted to come down in the silo with us. But the guards weren't allowed to do that.

One time, [probably during the summer of 1967,] we were at one of the Bravo sites when we got a call from Job Control saying that there were UFO sightings in our area. Then, a short time later, we saw a green light come straight down out of the sky and land on this hill. Then two lights separated from it, straight out to each side. We were sitting in the pick up truck, eating our box lunches, when we saw

this, along with another team we were training, plus the guard. We reported it to Job Control. They told us to close up the site and go check that out. We told them that we didn't think we were qualified to do that! [Laughs] This was around 4 a.m. When it got light, we were amazed how far away the hill was, where this thing had landed. It was far, far away. We thought it was much closer, so the light was really bright.

I asked Barlow if he had later been debriefed about the incident at Echo Flight. He said, "No, never! It was almost kind of a joke, we would all laugh about it. Now, it wasn't a joke [with all the missiles down] but it was a joke because nobody would believe it if you told them about it."

--Robert Hastings

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## reply posted on 23-2-2010 @ 11:55 PM by Smell The Roses

I would like to say that Mr. Hastings, given the obvious amount of work he has put into this, deserves more attention than he is getting imo. I have been researching the unexplained for many years and this man has put in so much effort that it is truly admired by someone such as myself. I have only just now become a member of ATS, and that is to reply to this post, and show Mr. Hastings that there are many of us out there that admire your work and appreciate it very much.

I am a believer in life outside what we know, and I have for a long time felt we are not alone. Reading through your work and the countless interviews with credible sources, one must be ignorant, naive, in denial or a combination of the sort to not understand what is going on here.

The Governments of this world can only hold the cork on the bottle so long. I see little bits of slipping and sliding and the inability to hold these secrets becoming evident every day that passes. We are in the Information Age and what do you know...we are getting more and more info leaked all the time and works such as this will only receive more attention and the credibility they deserve when it all hits the fan so to speak. We need more people that truly dedicate their efforts to the cause to take action like Robert Hastings has.

Thank you Mr. Hastings for all your work.

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#### reply posted on 24-2-2010 @ 12:03 AM by Robert Hastings

Thanks, Roses. Much appreciated. Yes, the Big Secret can only be kept for so long. We Earthlings are all in for a very interesting future. Hope I live long enough to see a bit of it.

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## reply posted on 27-2-2010 @ 05:40 AM by James Carlson

## reply to post by Robert Hastings

Is this what you call "answering questions"? 90 percent of this is a complete data dump that has nothing to do with March 1967, and the remainder is absurd information that cannot be documented in any way except by those individuals who have told you their little nonsense stories that cannot be confirmed by anybody. How can you possibly say that an event attested to by Lewis D. Chase from 1957 has any bearing at all on his trustworthiness? The only relevant point is that Chase reported this incident, and that report is still on file. Whether or not something happened to his tapes is meaningless because it doesn't speak to his honesty and efforts -- only those who lost or his the tapes he submitted. The point is something you've completely missed once again: he reported the incident, and there are records of the incident as a result of his report. There is nothing indicating a UFO investigation took place in reference to Echo Flight, and standing orders required that such a report be made in conjunction with such an investigation. As the UFO officer, Chase would have been conducting that investigation. Plainly, he did not do so, and he repeatedly affirmed that Echo Flight was not investigated by him because it wasn't a UFO incident. There were rumors of UFOs in relation to Echo Flight, but I have shown in my narrative that these rumors were very likely the result of discussions between Raymond Fowler, a NICAP investigator employed by Sylvania Corporation, and Roy Craig, an investigator with the Condon committe tasked by the Air Force with studying UFO phenomena, such rumors stemming from the fact that Raymond Fowler didn't know as much about Echo Flight as he thought, including the date on which it occurred. All of this has been documented since 1995, as I discuss in my narrative. As for your absurd sources, they don't even agree with each other; most of the time, they don't remember the date, they discuss events that would not have occurred in a highly classifed military environment, and they never saw anything. You continuously affirm nothing except your witness' and your own ignorance of military culture and classification protocol, and you continue to say nothing relevant that even comes close to answering the questions I have continuously put to you. What you do isn't research -- it's folklore at best. It would be a change of pace for you simply to answer a few questions, but you continuously fail to do so. You attack, but you can't support. What possible relevance to March 1967 can events from the 1950s and 1970s and etc. have? They have none. You never answer questions, you refuse to acknowledge events documented continuously since the incident itself, and your conclusions simply cannot be supported in any way whatsoever. You're worse than a politician with nothing to say, because nearly everything you say, all that you insist is evidence, cannot be corroberated at all. I asked you 50 questions that you promised to answer; in return you discuss events that cannot in any way at all be considered a substantive argument, most of which isn't related at all to the incident at Echo Flight or to 1967. Is it impossible for you to at least remain somewhere in the ballpark? If you advertised a need to interview shape-changing werewolves, you'd very likely get the opportunity to discuss in some detail the characteristics of a werewolf from the werewolf's own mouth, but that doesn't mean you've been talking to actual werewolves -- it just means someone told you a story that can't be confirmed.

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reply posted on 27-2-2010 @ 05:41 AM by James Carlson

Originally posted by Robert Hastings

Yes, the Big Secret can only be kept for so long. We Earthlings are all in for a very interesting future. Hope I live long enough to see a bit of it.

You won't.

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reply posted on 27-2-2010 @ 01:26 PM by Robert Hastings

James Carlson: Is this what you call "answering questions"? 90 percent of this is a complete data dump that has nothing to do with March 1967...

RH: As noted earlier, I have a couple of things in the works which are germane to my answering your questions. You won't like or accept the outcome but, once I post the next installment in this debate, others posting here will have an even clearer sense of just how deluded you really are.

BTW, there is a James T. Carlson living in Albuquerque (as you do) who uses the cyber name "acid\_head" and lists one of his interests as "acid." Would that be you, James?

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reply posted on 28-2-2010 @ 12:50 AM by James Carlson

reply to **post by Robert Hastings** 

Yeah, that's about the response I expected -- we've played this little game of yours before, so if you don't mind, I'm not going to hold my breath or anything waiting for you to say something relevant.

In the meantime, please note the following:

Figel doesn't confirm anything that Hastings claims, and certainly doesn't indicate that anything very strange occurred. Everything that Hastings posits as "evidence" is no more than his own insistence -- even to Figel -- that the UFO was actually a real object, and not just an example of witless banter. And, in fact, everything that Figel asserts is more evidence that NOTHING was actually seen by anybody. Let's just look at this event in some detail, shall we? This is something that Salas and Hastings have both repeatedly refused to even contemplate, preferring instead to attack the problems that I've noted in their tales with little more than personal attacks directed at me, not my argument, which I've put down in some detail in my narrative. Now the following interpretation depends to a great extent upon the input I've received from various members of the missileer community. Since most of the readers of this forum are, I believe, intelligent enough to follow a military discussion, I'd like to ask you in particular to note this exchange and tell me whether or not my interpretation is the more likely, or did a UFO take out the missiles at Echo Flight?

On March 16, 1967, while on watch with Walt Figel at Echo Flight, shortly after he awoke from his sleep period, and during the time Figel was debriefing him on the mundane events of the previous night, my father, CAPT Eric D. Carlson, the MCCC at Echo Flight that morning, noticed that the missiles started going offline, because he happened to be the one facing the monitors. He didn't remember who specifically checked, or if it was the two of them together, but the VRSA indications showed that a specific series of errors -- channel 9 and 12 faults according to the command histories -- had taken down all of the missiles in the flight within ten seconds or so. To his knowledge, that had never happened before. In the command histories that were drafted every three months, and in the message traffic used as sources for those histories, are indications that these same errors -- contrary to

what Kaminski told Salas some thirty years later -- had occurred once before, at Alpha Flight on December 19, 1966, taking down three of the ten missiles. It was due to this that the Boeing contractors had a fairly good idea what the cause was, or at least where they should start looking. These records were ignored by Salas and Hastings, and were purposely left out of the list of documents they have published on the CUFON website, even though they published other pages from the very same quarterly history in support of their version of these events.



reply posted on 28-2-2010 @ 12:52 AM by James Carlson

reply to post by James Carlson

Also contrary to what Salas has written in his various articles, and as the Top Secret Norforn ICBM histories that were only declassified a few short years ago, all assert quite plainly and with complete and unconfusing rhetoric, equipment failures, especially in the guidance and control units, that resulted in the failures of missiles in their silos, happened all the time between 1965 and 1969, when the contractors finally got everything under control. From what Figel states and as the command histories affirm, there were a number of maintenance crews that had gone out the night before, spending the night in the field. It was one of these crews that Figel asserts -- again plainly and with no confusion -- first mentioned a UFO; and it is this conversation that Hastings claims to be an actual UFO report. My father told me that there was no UFO, that the crew on the ground was just screwing around. But let's take a look at what transpired, because I believe the events make very plain what happened -- events that have been detailed by Walt Figel to Hastings, and that I believe Hastings has poorly interpreted due to his own insistence that a UFO was involved.

From what I gather and from what I've read in the documents I've examined (all of which I've made available in my narrative to whomever wants to examine them in turn), there were three teams out who spent the night in the field, not four. That's what the command histories assert. When the missiles went offline it became necessary to determine the status of as many of those missiles as possible and as quickly as possible -- the VRSA indications read channels 9 and 12 No-Go from the LCC, but they needed to find out what errors were noted at the LFs as well, because if they're different they can indicate what kind of problem is registering; so the missile status has to be checked. There's no need to send out a team to check the three silos that already have teams present, so they determined to call those outcamping teams and have them check the actual status of the missiles at the LFs, since they were already there. Keep in mind that the missiles went offline at 0845 -- not terribly late in the day, but definitely after the work day has begun, and about two hours after the sun went up.

Each maintenance team was accompanied by a Security Escort Team who were there to provide protection, if necessary, and *more importantly*, to provide continuous communications via the 2-way radios that only the security personnel carried. Figel confirms all of this. So a little after 0845, Figel contacted security on the 2-way, established open comms and asked if the maintenance team was up yet; security said no, so he told security to get the maintenance guys up and have them check the missile status. Keep in mind that according to Hastings, *a UFO has already shut down the missiles,* doing so at 0845. Security was awake, but they saw and reported nothing. Maintenance was still asleep. *Nobody has even said "UFO" yet, and the missiles are all officially offline.* 

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reply posted on 28-2-2010 @ 12:53 AM by James Carlson

reply to post by James Carlson

In order to check the missile status, the maintainer has to go into the launcher equipment room which is 6-10 feet underground and can only be accessed from above by using the personnel access hatch -- this is very heavy and has to be unlocked and cranked open with a manual screwjack, which can take from 10 to 15 mins, in order to open it; but it can't be cranked open until a circuit lock adjacent to the access hatch has been removed first -- and that means a huge lock pin that's set inside the circuit lock has to be manually cranked up and removed, and that also adds another 5 minutes or so to the process, at least. The security personnel normally remove the lock pin, but that doesn't make the process go any faster, because you can't even start cranking open the access hatch until the lock pin has been removed. And before cranking open the the access hatch, which weighs almost a ton (although at the siloworld.com website, it says the access hatches at Ellsworth were 8 tons), a little cage of "barrier poles" also has to be set up, which looks kind of like the safety barrier that city workers put up surrounding a manhole whenever work is done underneath a road in the city. Now if it's cold outside, everything's frozen up, and this can add another few minutes to the process. And sometimes there's corrosion or rust -- it all depends on the last time the hatch was opened. Once it's open, the maintenance personnelman sets up the access ladder, and then he can climb down into the upper level of the launch equipment room. Once he's in the launch equipment room, only then can he check on the status of the missile in the silo, because everything that's necessary to do so is underground.

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reply to **post by James Carlson** 

What I don't know about the process, and what nobody else has mentioned to me, is whether or not the crews that were camping out at the launch facility needed to be authenticated to get access to LER-1, the upper level of the launch equipment room. When they were camping out, were they inside or outside the fence of the LF? As I understand it, if they were camping outside the fence, they need to be authenticated in order to be allowed access to the LER. Now if they need to be authenticated, this adds more time to the process, although in this case it could probably have been done almost immediately -- but I'm not certain, and that's why I mention it. Figel mentions authenticating security, but he doesn't mention authenticating maintenance, nor how long it took if it was done, and it might be significant. If the maintenance crew doesn't need to be authenticated, we're still looking at about 20-30 minutes average just to get down into LER-1 to check on the status of the missile, unless the access hatch was opened the night before and left open throughout the night. That doesn't seem very likely to me for security and

weathering reasons, but if I'm wrong, someone please tell me -- I don't think I am wrong, because I know how the military usually works, and that's by checklist (which Figel also refers to), and I don't believe anybody would put "open the access hatch, and leave it open all night while you're sleeping" on a checklist. I also don't know whether or not the team member going below into the underground LER-1 still has to "safe" the site before checking the missile status -- and that's kind of important, since below ground in the silo is a "No-Lone-Zone", and whoever goes below can't be alone with the equipment, except for a very, very brief time, because by doing so, he's breaking visual contact with the security crew or other maintenance crew members above ground. If he's still required to safe the site, then he's got to click in a digital safety switch in order to disarm all of the explosive devices on site, at which point he has to reestablish immediately visual contact with another member of his maintenance team or security. I don't know whether it was done or not, but I can't think of any good reason why 2 men wouldn't have gone below, so this might be entirely irrelevant to the actual process. However this is done, though, the security team still remains on the surface with the 2-way radio.

Once the status has been checked underground, the only way that maintenance can report to the LCC is by using the SIN telephone that's underground with all the equipment, since the security personnel stay on the surface, and they're the only guys with the 2-way radios. This is also confirmed by Figel in his "interview" with Hastings. This whole process is the major reason why I don't believe that the mention of UFOs to anybody on the SIN telephone was a valid report. And *that's* why I remain convinced that they were just screwing around. Security wakes them up, they throw on their clothes unless they slept rugged, and then they take about 20 minutes plus to open up the access hatch, climb down into LER-1 and check the status of the missile. Maintenance then calls the LCC on the SIN telephone below ground, and says something to the effect of, "yeah, we've got indication of a channel 9 No-Go -- I guess the UFO that's up there must have shut down the missile."

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## reply posted on 28-2-2010 @ 12:56 AM by James Carlson

## reply to post by James Carlson

And he says this while the security crew is still on the surface with the 2-way radio on which they've already established comms with the LCC. And yet, the first mention of a UFO comes from maintenance on the SIN telephone underground, and not by the security team on the surface with the supposed UFO and communications already established and open via the 2-way. Once the guy underground has said this, it's overheard by the team leader of one of the other security teams who are with another maintenance group at another silo, because they're also required to monitor the 2-ways -- that means they can overhear everything that's being said at the LCC -- he pops in with "yeah, there's one out here too!" and all of a sudden it's a regular holiday crowd of UFOs on the comms side, but no actual UFOs on site. Had there been a real UFO present, security would have notified either the command post or the LCC immediately, to determine whether Figel still wants them to go below, wait for a strike team or what. However the event occurred, though, it would never have been reported first by the maintenance crew underground -- I believe Figel and my father would have heard about it immediately from security on the surface, because that's their job -- they aren't checking the status of the missile -- they're looking after the maintenance team. So during the 20 plus minutes it takes to open the access hatch, go into the LER to check the status, and call the LCC on the SIN telephone, either nobody else saw the UFO except the guy preparing and then opening the access hatch, descending into the LER, and then calling the LCC, or nobody on the security team thought a UFO on site was important enough to call in via already established comms with the LCC, or there was no UFO. Common sense should tell you that there was no UFO, only a half-assed attempt to be amusing by a guy who was still asleep at 0845 when the missiles actually went offline. This is not a difficult scenario to follow through, unless you're just so convinced that UFOs were involved

that you no longer consider the most obvious explanations for *anything* in relation to the event.

In addition, Hastings never explains what the UFO was doing hovering over the silo a good half hour (at least) after the missiles were already taken offline. Are the pilots just hanging out to see what affect their little "screw up the American missiles" game has on the natives? There are so many obvious holes to his version of this supposed flying saucer interference event that it surprises me the damn thing doesn't just sink along with other obvious fictions from its own weight. I guess because people like Hastings and Salas keep it alive for no purpose, with no evidence, and in obvious contradiction to anything that looks even remotely like common sense.

Everything that Figel has said to Hastings in every interview he's done, including the one Hastings repeatedly discusses above, as if it's some holy recognition of demonic possession or something equally and controversially important, sounds EXACTLY like this to me -- just a couple of guys screwing around, which according to some guys I've met at different missileer websites, used to happen a lot. Just a week or so ago, I got an email from a guy who was somewhat familiar with a hoax story out of 490th SMS in 1970-71, and he was told (by a drunken team member at a local watering hole, so you decide how accurate the story is) about a hoax that even ended up being reported in a UFO magazine -- which were also extremely plentiful at the time, more so than now, because UFOs were a lot more culturally relevant then; you couldn't turn on the TV without hearing about UFOs, watching a show about UFOs, or listening to people talk about UFOs. Anything for a laugh, y'know?

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#### reply posted on 28-2-2010 @ 12:57 AM by James Carlson

reply to post by James Carlson

When I first asked my father about Echo Flight, he told me basically the same thing. He also told me that in the late 1960s he used to hear UFO "reports" all the time, at both Malmstrom AFB and in New Mexico, and this escalated the more that UFOs were in the news and discussed on television. He also said that to his knowledge not one UFO ever "reported" to him turned out to be anything to be concerned with, and that most of time it was just lights in the sky that the kids who were on watch would imagine to be more mysterious than they actually were. He said a point was reached when it happened so often that he was certain folks were reporting UFOs when there was nothing to report -- just to be funny or amusing -and that a lot of this was due to television. I got interested in that portion of it, because like any other kid who grew up in the 60s and 70s, I spent a lot of time in front of the TV, so just for kicks I looked up what was on TV for March 1967, and was surprised to notice that there was a lot of mention of UFOs in the Sci-Fi shows like Star Trek, Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea, Lost in Space, and The Invaders, crime shows like the Green Hornet, and comedies like Green Acres -- and this was just between March 9 and March 15, 1967; all of them dealt with flying saucers, either as real Sci-Fi threats or as hoaxes. I was particularly amused to find out that on March 15, 1967, the day before the Echo Flight Incident, Green Acres aired an episode called "The Saucer Season" about a UFO hoax investigated by an Air Force Lt. played by Robert Hastings, who was also a regular at that time on McHale's Navy. Deja Vu? Coincidence? Synchronicity? Irony? Or just stupid-weird? You decide...

And so, in both the short and the long run, we end up with an Echo Flight Incident having more in common with a repeat of the <u>Green Acres</u> episode "*The Saucer Season*" just a few hours after it had originally aired the day before than with an actual report of a UFO. This isn't even rocket science anymore -- it's just a pathetic manipulation of already established facts by some guy with a tape recorder and a pen looking for anything at all that might show how Robert Salas' ridiculous little fiction about UFOs and missiles may have actually occurred. But anybody with an

open mind who looks close enough can't help but notice that there is NOTHING there.





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## reply posted on 28-2-2010 @ 12:58 AM by James Carlson

## reply to post by James Carlson

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Now from the outside, that's what it looks like to me. Maybe I got some minor details wrong, but I don't see the USAF spending so much money to conduct all of those tests if they knew a UFO had actually shut down the missiles, particularly since they were in the middle of a very well-documented budget crisis at the time. And from what I see, Walt Figel's version of these events is pretty much the same. I believe Mr. Hastings is neglecting a more common sense explanation in favor of something he desperately wants to believe in, but can't possibly prove. If I'm wrong, please tell me -- I'll apologize for the things I've said to Robert Hastings and to Robert Salas for my insistence that they have misinterpreted what Figel told them. I have no wish for my argument to prevail on the basis of my own stubborn adherence to an explanation that can't be otherwise supported -- that position on the field has already been co-opted by others. So if I'm wrong, tell me. Show me how I'm wrong -- explain to me in a sensible fashion that doesn't rely on Hastings' and Salas' insistence that "everybody else lied about it" except the witness -- oh, wait -- they don't have any real witnesses. I keep forgetting that bit. Okay, then,

explain why you think I'm wrong, and make some sense, y'know? Because nonsense like Hastings regularly comes up with is always the last resort of idiots, and I don't think the readers of this forum are that stupid. You might as well just believe the first guy you meet on the street tomorrow, for all the good you'll get out of it.

But if you think I'm right ... please tell everybody else.

Most sincerely, James Carlson

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## reply posted on 28-2-2010 @ 10:02 AM by Robert Hastings

RH: BTW, there is a James T. Carlson living in Albuquerque (as you do) who uses the cyber name "acid\_head" and lists one of his interests as "acid." Would that be you, James?

James Carlson: Yeah, that's about the response I expected -- we've played this little game of yours before.

RH: You didn't answer the question, James, as everyone reading this thread must have noticed. Given the comments made to me by your own father, regarding your psychological "problems" (amply demonstrated here and elsewhere, IMHO) my question is relevant. Either you are the James T. Carlson who uses the cyber-name "acid\_head" or you're not. Which is it?

James Carlson: Figel doesn't confirm anything that Hastings claims, and certainly doesn't indicate that anything very strange occurred.

RH: As for Col. Walt Figel not confirming what I've written, how would you know, given that you have been too cowardly to call him, to hear what he told me directly, despite my pleas that you do so? His comments posted on this thread are verbatim excerpts from my taped conversation with him. As others posting here have previously noted, you are the \*only\* one who thinks that Figel agrees with your position. Talk about deep denial. (Drew Clueless doesn't count here, given his 100/1 inaccuracy-to-accuracy ratio when attempting to interpret anything anyone else has posted here.)

Now, how about my question regarding your interest or non-interest in LSD? Are you "acid\_head" or not?

[edit on 28-2-2010 by Robert Hastings]

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reply posted on 28-2-2010 @ 10:41 AM by rusethorcain

reply to post by gortex

Great post. A couple of possibilities. Maybe the ET's are concerned about our use of nuclear weapons just because it is a function of theirs to monitor dangerous elements in the universe.

Then again perhaps they are especially interested because they are responsible for us having the information in the first place and with that they are obligated (by some other universal law or entity perhaps?) to make sure it goes no farther than earth or that we do not use it to cause irreversible damage.

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authenticated in order to be allowed access to the LER. Now if they need to be authenticated, this adds more time to the process, although in this case it could probably have been done almost immediately -- but I'm not certain, and that's why I mention it. Figel mentions authenticating security, but he doesn't mention authenticating maintenance, nor how long it took if it was done, and it might be significant. If the maintenance crew doesn't need to be authenticated, we're still looking at about 20-30 minutes average just to get down into LER-1 to check on the status of the missile, unless the access hatch was opened the night before and left open throughout the night. That doesn't seem very likely to me for security and

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Once the status has been checked underground, the only way that maintenance can report to the LCC is by using the SIN telephone that's underground with all the equipment, since the security personnel stay on the surface, and they're the only guys with the 2-way radios. This is also confirmed by Figel in his "interview" with Hastings. This whole process is the major reason why I don't believe that the mention of UFOs to anybody on the SIN telephone was a valid report. And *that's* why I remain convinced that they were just screwing around. Security wakes them up, they throw on their clothes unless they slept rugged, and then they take about 20 minutes plus to open up the access hatch, climb down into LER-1 and check the status of the missile. Maintenance then calls the LCC on the SIN telephone below ground, and says something to the effect of, "yeah, we've got indication of a channel 9 No-Go -- I guess the UFO that's up there must have shut down the missile."

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And he says this while the security crew is still on the surface with the 2-way radio on which they've already established comms with the LCC. And yet, the first mention of a UFO comes from maintenance on the SIN telephone underground, and not by the security team on the surface with the supposed UFO and communications already established and open via the 2-way. Once the guy underground has said this, it's overheard by the team leader of one of the other security teams who are with another maintenance group at another silo, because they're also required to monitor the 2-ways -- that means they can overhear everything that's being said at the LCC -- he pops in with "yeah, there's one out here too!" and all of a sudden it's a regular holiday crowd of UFOs on the comms side, but no actual UFOs on site. Had there been a real UFO present, security would have notified either the command post or the LCC immediately, to determine whether Figel still wants them to go below, wait for a strike team or what. However the event occurred, though, it would never have been reported first by the maintenance crew underground -- I believe Figel and my father would have heard about it immediately from security on the surface, because that's their job -- they aren't checking the status of the missile -- they're looking after the maintenance team. So during the 20 plus minutes it takes to open the access hatch, go into the LER to check the status, and call the LCC on the SIN telephone, either nobody else saw the UFO except the guy preparing and then opening the access hatch, descending into the LER, and then calling the LCC, or nobody on the security team thought a UFO on site was important enough to call in via already established comms with the LCC, or there was no UFO. Common sense should tell you that there was no UFO, only a half-assed attempt to be amusing by a guy who was still asleep at 0845 when the missiles actually went offline. This is not a difficult scenario to follow through, unless you're just so convinced that UFOs were involved

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that you no longer consider the most obvious explanations for *anything* in relation to the event.

In addition, Hastings never explains what the UFO was doing hovering over the silo a good half hour (at least) after the missiles were already taken offline. Are the pilots just hanging out to see what affect their little "screw up the American missiles" game has on the natives? There are so many obvious holes to his version of this supposed flying saucer interference event that it surprises me the damn thing doesn't just sink along with other obvious fictions from its own weight. I guess because people like Hastings and Salas keep it alive for no purpose, with no evidence, and in obvious contradiction to anything that looks even remotely like common sense.

Everything that Figel has said to Hastings in every interview he's done, including the one Hastings repeatedly discusses above, as if it's some holy recognition of demonic possession or something equally and controversially important, sounds EXACTLY like this to me -- just a couple of guys screwing around, which according to some guys I've met at different missileer websites, used to happen a lot. Just a week or so ago, I got an email from a guy who was somewhat familiar with a hoax story out of 490th SMS in 1970-71, and he was told (by a drunken team member at a local watering hole, so you decide how accurate the story is) about a hoax that even ended up being reported in a UFO magazine -- which were also extremely plentiful at the time, more so than now, because UFOs were a lot more culturally relevant then; you couldn't turn on the TV without hearing about UFOs, watching a show about UFOs, or listening to people talk about UFOs. Anything for a laugh, y'know?

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24-25, 1967. I also show in my narrative that while there *were* rumors of UFOs in relation to Echo Flight, these rumors were very likely the result of discussions between Raymond Fowler, a NICAP investigator employed by Sylvania Corporation, and Roy Craig, an investigator with the Condon committe tasked by the Air Force with studying UFO phenomena, such rumors stemming from the fact that Raymond Fowler didn't know half as much about Echo Flight as he thought he knew, including the date on which it occurred. All of this has been documented since 1995, as I discuss in my narrative, and can be examined by anybody at any time; in most cases my sources can be downloaded or otherwise accessed on the internet. I didn't make up anything, my conclusions are valid and far more likely than the one espoused by Hastings and Salas, and my sources are very well regarded by both scholars and historians.

All of the logic couplers used by Autonetics throughout both the Minuteman I and the Minuteman II systems were highly susceptible to noise pulse, and when such an EMP was injected into the logic coupler, 7 out of 10 times the result was the same series of errors noted at Echo Flight, and then everything goes offline. A transformer had apparently blown around the time as the actual incident, so a lot of testing was conducted in an attempt to determine whether or not the transformer voltage could have coupled with the shielding in use on the LF cabling, but all the testing was negative. This indicated that the transient voltage spike affecting the logic coupler had to have originated somewhere adjacent to the LCC. Since no such testing could really be done to prove where the noise came from without taking down an LCC -- and even then it was doubtful that they'd find anything positive for the money they'd have to spend -- it was decided to correct the problem at the logic coupler by removing it's susceptibility to EMP noise -- a fix which, thankfully, was already scheduled system wide as part of the Minuteman II Force Modernization; the Air Force had been testing EMP affects on the electrical grid and LCC to LF cable systems at Hill AFB, Warren AFB, and contractor facilities since 1965 as part of their plans to upgrade the EMP defenses, and had made suggestions that would shield the logic couplers from electromagnetic interference of all kinds. They were also certain this would prevent electromagnetic noise from entering the logic couplers of the Minuteman I systems. So the Air Force simply ordered the fix to Minuteman I as well, as part of the new Force Mods. By July 1968, all the changes had been made, and the problem never occurred again. All of the command histories indicate that this is what happened, and the Top Secret Noforn ICBM Histories that the Air Force declassified a couple of years ago all say the same thing. The ICBM histories don't even mention UFOs in relation to any equipment problems at Malmstrom AFB (they might mention them elsewhere, but I only looked at the late 1960s at Malmstrom AFB -- but they're all online now at Georgetown University, so maybe I'll check someday, just for fun).

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#### reply posted on 28-2-2010 @ 01:04 AM by James Carlson

## reply to post by James Carlson

Now from the outside, that's what it looks like to me. Maybe I got some minor details wrong, but I don't see the USAF spending so much money to conduct all of those tests if they knew a UFO had actually shut down the missiles, particularly since they were in the middle of a very well-documented budget crisis at the time. And from what I see, Walt Figel's version of these events is pretty much the same. I believe Mr. Hastings is neglecting a more common sense explanation in favor of something he desperately wants to believe in, but can't possibly prove. If I'm wrong, please tell me -- I'll apologize for the things I've said to Robert Hastings and to Robert Salas for my insistence that they have misinterpreted what Figel told them. I have no wish for my argument to prevail on the basis of my own stubborn adherence to an explanation that can't be otherwise supported -- that position on the field has already been co-opted by others. So if I'm wrong, tell me. Show me how I'm wrong -- explain to me in a sensible fashion that doesn't rely on Hastings' and Salas' insistence that "everybody else lied about it" except the witness -- oh, wait -- they don't have any real witnesses. I keep forgetting that bit. Okay, then,

explain why you think I'm wrong, and make some sense, y'know? Because nonsense like Hastings regularly comes up with is always the last resort of idiots, and I don't think the readers of this forum are that stupid. You might as well just believe the first guy you meet on the street tomorrow, for all the good you'll get out of it.

But if you think I'm right ... please tell everybody else.

Most sincerely, James Carlson

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### reply posted on 28-2-2010 @ 10:02 AM by Robert Hastings

RH: BTW, there is a James T. Carlson living in Albuquerque (as you do) who uses the cyber name "acid\_head" and lists one of his interests as "acid." Would that be you, James?

James Carlson: Yeah, that's about the response I expected -- we've played this little game of yours before.

RH: You didn't answer the question, James, as everyone reading this thread must have noticed. Given the comments made to me by your own father, regarding your psychological "problems" (amply demonstrated here and elsewhere, IMHO) my question is relevant. Either you are the James T. Carlson who uses the cyber-name "acid\_head" or you're not. Which is it?

James Carlson: Figel doesn't confirm anything that Hastings claims, and certainly doesn't indicate that anything very strange occurred.

RH: As for Col. Walt Figel not confirming what I've written, how would you know, given that you have been too cowardly to call him, to hear what he told me directly, despite my pleas that you do so? His comments posted on this thread are verbatim excerpts from my taped conversation with him. As others posting here have previously noted, you are the \*only\* one who thinks that Figel agrees with your position. Talk about deep denial. (Drew Clueless doesn't count here, given his 100/1 inaccuracy-to-accuracy ratio when attempting to interpret anything anyone else has posted here.)

Now, how about my question regarding your interest or non-interest in LSD? Are you "acid\_head" or not?

[edit on 28-2-2010 by Robert Hastings]

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reply posted on 28-2-2010 @ 10:41 AM by rusethorcain

reply to post by gortex

Great post. A couple of possibilities. Maybe the ET's are concerned about our use of nuclear weapons just because it is a function of theirs to monitor dangerous elements in the universe.

Then again perhaps they are especially interested because they are responsible for us having the information in the first place and with that they are obligated (by some other universal law or entity perhaps?) to make sure it goes no farther than earth or that we do not use it to cause irreversible damage.

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reply posted on 28-2-2010 @ 05:19 PM by James Carlson



Hi Mr Hastings -I just wondered if you'd ever come across any further info regarding the Minot AFB incident from 1968 - its seems its quite a popular Air Force base as there were also unexplained UFO incidents in 1967 and 1966 but there does exist some pretty strange claims made about the 1968 case - heres one intriguing statement from Bill McNeff:

"There were incidents during the Minot episode that did not make it into the Blue Book files," said McNeff, who added the official record doesn't reflect that two airmen passed out after a close approach from the UFO.

He said a report that the lid of a missile silo was tampered with was also left out.

"What I learned later is that the lid was completely off the silo and lying on the grass," McNeff said.

The Minot AFB B-52 UFO Incident.

Cheers.

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reply posted on 1-3-2010 @ 01:06 PM by Robert Hastings

Hi Karl,

Regarding the story of the two airmen passing out, I offer this, from my book UFOs and Nukes:

Although this bizarre report is strikingly similar to a scene in Steven Spielberg's 1977 movie, Close Encounters of the Third Kind, researchers Jim Klotz and Tom Tulien have heard an account involving two USAF missile guards who were stationed at Minot AFB, in North Dakota, in 1968. Tulien told me, "This 'second-hand' story was apparently provided to a B-52 crew [we interviewed] by the commander of the 810th Strategic Aerospace Division, during a debriefing following a UFO event at Minot on 24 October 1968...The navigator recalled being informed that a large brightly-lit UFO was hovering close above a SAT team vehicle at one of the missile sites, frightening the occupants...when their B-52 appeared over the base flight line the UFO went dark and lifted up in the direction of the B-52. [Similarly,] the co-pilot recalled being informed that a large UFO was hovering close over a SAT vehicle at one of the missile sites, which frightened the SAT team who exited their vehicle running away. Since the team did not report-in, a second SAT team was dispatched and found the first team on the ground unconscious with the paint burned off the top of the vehicle."

[edit on 1-3-2010 by Robert Hastings]

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reply posted on 1-3-2010 @ 03:40 PM by karl 12

reply to post by Robert Hastings

Hi Mr Hastings, thanks for the reply -thats certainly a very intriguing report and I'd never heard about the paint being burned off the top of the vehicle before. With all the witness testimony and radar evidence from the Minot case you'd think it would

be more widely publicized (and discussed) but, as usual with these incidents, they're either forgotten about or wilfully ignored (so good job on the book  $\frac{f_{\rm cons}}{2}$ ).

There was also another very strange aspect to this case involving claims of a missing combination lock on the inner door but I don't know how reliable the information is.

Missing lock.

Now comes one of the most interesting parts, and one that seemed to have slipped by the Air Force investigators at Blue Book. "Fourteen other people in separate locations also reported sighting a similar object. **Also, at this approximate time, security alarm for one of the sites was activated. This was an alarm for both the outer and inner ring. When guards arrived at the scene they found that the outer door was open and the combination lock on the inner door had been removed.**"

Link

Cheers.

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reply posted on 3-3-2010 @ 02:26 AM by James Carlson

reply to post by Robert Hastings

Gentlemen, and Ladies,

Robert Hastings has made much of the fact that I have refused to interview his witness, Col. (Ret.) Walter Figel, Jr., regarding his recollections of the Echo Flight Incident on March 16, 1967. To be precise, he has written "I note first that James Carlson still refuses to call retired Col. Walt Figel, to hear from his own lips, as I did in October 2008, that while on alert as the DMCCC at Malmstrom's Echo Flight, in March 1967, he spoke with two individuals via the phone in the capsule--a missile maintenance team member and an arriving SAT team member--about a "large round object" that was hovering over one of the flight's LFs. James' father, Eric Carlson, lied to him some time ago--telling him that no UFOs were present when all 10 missiles dropped-off alert status--and so James has been slandering and libeling everyone who disputes that version of events ever since, Including one former MIMS tech whom I interviewed a few years ago." He stated as well: "So, James Carlson, rant on. If you ever find the courage to call Col. Figel please let me know. I will provide his phone number, as I first offered to do a year-and-a-half ago."

Frankly, I've never needed his assitance to contact Col. Figel -- I've managed to do so quite easily on my own. The fact that I have been reticent to discuss the matter in more detail has very little to do with cowardice. I have, in fact, contacted Col. Figel, but didn't feel that it would be very ethical to discuss in detail the event he recalls without securing first his complete cooperation, authority, and permission to do so. Having secured that this very evening, I am now prepared to discuss the matter in full. I can also add, very strongly, that my father never lied to me about anything, as Hastings claims, and that his recollections match exactly those of Col. Figel's. I've "slandered and libeled" nobody, and I can say with complete confidence today that both Robert Hastings and Robert Salas have knowingly mislead their entire audience into believing a lie they were well aware of in order to sell their books.

To begin with, Col. Figel does not believe in UFOs and does not believe that they were even remotely associated with the Echo Flight Incident, or any other equipment failures at Malmstrom AFB in 1967 (or any other year, for that matter). In one of his emails to me, he stated conclusively that "I am not a fan of Salas, Hastings, or the whole UFO crowd. I have never seen one and flatly don't believe they exist at all. I just want you to be clear of my position on UFOs. They make good science fiction - nothing more." In a discussion of Robert Salas and James Klotz's book "Faded Giant" and Robert Hastings' book "UFOs and Nukes", Col. Figel states unequivocably that "I have read both of their books. There are many inaccurate statements and events in the books. I have told them both that." Apparently, both authors ignored what Figel told them. In addition, he states that "Oscar Flight NEVER had any problems and Salas was NEVER involved in any of them at all." Now that's a pretty definitive statement to make in light of the categorical importance both authors have previously invested the testimony of Col. Figel with.

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reply posted on 3-3-2010 @ 02:27 AM by James Carlson

#### reply to post by James Carlson

More specifically, Col. Walt Figel has definitively agreed with the scenario of events that I have outlined on numerous internet forums, including this one, a scenario that shows exactly how laughable it is to believe that the "report" of a UFO received by Figel and my father could be anything other than a badly wrought joke made by junior enlisted military members in the course of establishing the status of the missiles at the silos they were encamped at. He states that NOBODY ever believed that UFOs were involved in this incident until Robert Salas came forward with his ridiculous and silly science fiction tale of interference from beyond the stars, and that he has told in no uncertain terms this very assessment to both Hastings and Salas. He is also as disgusted as I am and as every other citizen of this country should be at the systematic trashing of reputations these men have engaged in to no purpose whatsoever except to increase the sales of their inaccurate and fictional books -- destroying the reputations and decent memories of men like my father, MAJ (Ret.) Eric D. Carlson, the UFO Officer at Malmstrom AFB -- Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase -- the Condon Committee UFO investigator Roy Craig, and everybody who was ever involved with the investigation of this singular event in USAF history.

Let me be very clear, especially as Robert Hastings in particular has been saying the most sickening things -- things that cannot be supported in any way whatsoever by anybody: the Echo Flight Incident did not involve UFOs. It was a comparatively mediocre electronic incident that Robert Hastings and Robert Salas have manufactured in order to sell books. Col. Walt Figel concurs in this estimation, and admits as well that he has told both individuals that their versions of this incident are not only inaccurate, but are simply works of fiction. In light of these revelations from Col. Figel, and as well as in anticipation of future contacts with ex-missileers more involved in the actual investigation of the Echo Flight Incident that he has very kindly given me, I will be updating the book that I have written "Americans, Credulous - or - The Arrogance of Congenital Liars & Other Character Defects - Establishing the Truth Behind the Echo Flight UFO Incident of March 16, 1967". As always, it can be read or downloaded for free at www.scribd.com... -please tell your friends. Investigating the unknown is always an appreciated undertaking and always should be, but lying about your findings, destroying the reputations of those who can no longer defend themselves, and proposing as fact easily provable fictions and deceits for no other reason than the sale of your books is and ought to continue to be looked upon as unethical, dishonest, and criminally stupid, regardless of the source.

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#### reply to post by James Carlson

Since I am very much aware of the strategies undertaken by Robert Hastings in particular regarding matters like this that question his veracity, honesty, motivations and ethics, I would like to assure the members of this forum that I have no intentions whatsoever of conducting any sort of debate regarding these matters on this forum. Robert Hastings is welcome to respond to me privately at any time, but if he wishes to conduct a campaign of disinformation and deceit, he must do so within the confines of another forum entirely. Frankly, most people are absolutely sick of his dishonest arguments and intellect, as well as his habit of countering facts with a continuous helter-skelter of nonsense and trivia. I will not respond to Hastings at all on any forum that is not willing to put up with his crap, but I did think that these revelations were substantive enough to interest many members of this community. The fact of the matter is, every member of the crew that was on duty when the Echo Flight missiles were taken offline by an electronic noise pulse on March 16, 1967 are adamant that no UFOs were involved, no actual UFOs were ever reported to them, and they have repeatedly said the same to both Robert Hastings and Robert Salas. A poor joke was made at the time, as I've delineated recently in this forum, and Col. Figel confirms that it was understood by everyone at the time as just a joke. Nobody reported UFOs. There was no investigation of UFOs at Echo Flight. The only instructions they received from anybody at anytime was a reminder not to discuss the event or the ongoing investigation; they were never told not to discuss the UFOs, because the subject of UFOs never came up except during a very short interview in which the "joke" was offhandedly mentioned; NOBODY ever mentioned UFOs in relation to Echo Flight or any other equipment failures again, and Col. Figel has in the past explained all of this to both Hastings and Salas.

Only "rumors" of UFOs were ever discussed by anybody, just as the command histories all assert, and these -- as I've repeatedly affirmed -- were caused by a combination of this single, poorly executed joke, and the already confirmed fact that Raymond Fowler, a NICAP investigator who worked with Sylvania Corporation, was made aware -- due to his employment -- that the Echo Flight Incident had occurred. He didn't know any details regarding this event, because Sylvania wasn't involved even remotely with the investigation, so the information he had was based entirely on rumors -- he wasn't cleared for any details whatsoever. Unfortunately, Fowler told what little he knew to Roy Craig, an investigator with the Condon committee tasked by the Air Force with studying UFO phenomena, and told Craig as well that he suspected UFOs may have been involved. They weren't. The fact of the matter is that Fowler did not know the exact date of the incident, and told Craig that he suspected it had occurred coincident to a UFO reported on March 24-25, and subsequently investigated by Lt. Col. Lewis D. Chase for Project Blue Book and Malmstrom AFB. These "rumors" referred to in the command histories, therefore, stemmed from the fact that Raymond Fowler didn't know as much about Echo Flight as he thought, including the date on which it occurred. All of this has been documented since 1995, as I have also discussed in my narrative, and can be examined or downloaded by anybody at any time at www.scribd.com... completely without charge.

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reply posted on 3-3-2010 @ 02:28 AM by James Carlson

reply to post by James Carlson

Thank you, and please feel free to contact me at any time at jtcarl@yahoo.com if you have any comments regarding this matter. Please note as well that I have no intention of responding to Hastings on this forum -- although I'm equally sure he'll respond to this with more layered objections that are essentially meaningless. If he wishes to respond in any way, he can do so under the concerned but honest moderation at Reality Uncovered. They won't put up with his nonsense.

Most sincerely, James Carlson

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reply posted on 3-3-2010 @ 06:33 AM by karl 12

Originally posted by James Carlson Please believe me, I have no intentions of disputing with anybody the existence of UFOs or even whether UFOs are overly fascinated with nuclear facilities.

Frankly, I'm not much interested in UFOs, and what I know about them is almost entirely the result of research stemming from this one incident.

Hi James - according to government documentation, there have been *quite a few* incidents where unknown objects have been witnessed (and confirmed on radar) in the vicinity of nuclear-weapons storage areas.

Can I ask you what you think the nature of these objects are (or why it is of no interest to you)?

## Documents

\* DOD, USAF, and CIA document reveal that during October, November, and December of 1975, reliable military personnel repeatedly sighted unconventional aerial objects in the vicinity of nuclear-weapons storage areas, aircraft alert areas and nuclear-missile control facilities at Loring Air Force Base, Maine; Wurtsmith AFB Michigan; Malstrom AFB, Montana; Minot AFB, North Dakota; and Canadian Air Forces Station, Ontario. Many of the sightings were confirmed by radar. At Loring AFB, the interloper "demonstrated a clear intent on the weapons storage areas."

\* The incidents drew the attention of the CIA, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Secretary of Defense. Though the Air Force informed the public and the press that individual sightings were isolated incidents, an Air Force document says that "Security Option III was implemented and that security measures were coordinated with fifteen (15) Air Force bases from Guam to Newfoundland. Another AF document reveals that the Air Force conducted an investigation into the incidents but found no explanation for their occurrence.

\* It appears Air Force "security measures" provided no protection against the "invasion." One month later, on January 21, 1976, UFOs "25 yards in diameter, gold or silver in color with blue light on top, hole in middle, and red light on bottom" were observed "near the flight line of Cannon AFB, N.M." Ten days later, on January 31, a UFO was observed "over the ammo storage area" at Fort Richie, Maryland.

\* From 1948 through 1950, an FBI document reveals, UFOs were sighted by "persons whose reliability is not questioned, "near highly sensitive military and government installations, including nuclear weapons design, construction, testing and stockpiling sites. Security officials were greatly alarmed by these incidents."

\* A CIA document reveals that in 1952 "sighting of unexplained objects at



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months...?

Posted 8 days ago with 29 member flags

The CIA and the UFO Mythos Posted 16 days ago with 26 member flags

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and **here**. You've also flip-flopped on certain issues, which I find a bit disconcerting, as pointed out by another member **here**.

I asked you, here, to show the emails where Salas or Hastings has defamed you.

You ignored this.

If you had done this, I, and others, might have a better picture of how you've arrived at your rather venomous position. You've alluded to these messages, but you haven't posted them in full-detail (screenshots with internet header information) nor have you provided corroboration by other people on the mailing list.

While you may point to Hastings asking you, **here**, about your potential interest in what's commonly seen as a dangerous mind altering narcotic. I'd point out that asking a question is about as non-confrontational as it gets, especially compared to the accusations and emotional vitriol I've seen coming from your end in this mud-slinging contest. (**here**, **here**, **here**).

 I've also asked you, here, again very nicely, to give a statement from your father either notarized or on camera, so we can hear his position from his own mouth.

You ignored this.

Hastings has provided Figel's commentary in its original audio format, as well as the full exchanges, with signature, from Kaminski.

4.

Frankly, I've never needed his assitance to contact Col. Figel -- I've managed to do so quite easily on my own. The fact that I have been reticent to discuss the matter in more detail has very little to do with cowardice. I have, in fact, contacted Col. Figel, but didn't feel that it would be very ethical to discuss in detail the event he recalls without securing first his complete cooperation, authority, and permission to do so. Having secured that this very evening, I am now prepared to discuss the matter in full.

After having gone through your book, I admit, I'm a little concerned about the way you selectively pick and choose what to paraphrase from your sources (detailed **here**). So I'd much rather have the whole dialogue in its original format, rather than your interpretation of that conversation.

Posting the original audio transmission or email exchange, as a series of screenshots, with full internet header, would strengthen your case.

- 5. At least twice now on this forum you've massaged or misunderstood what people were saying, whether this was intentional, or more a strategy to reframe the debate, I don't know. But I find it odd that a person who's usually fairly precise in his thinking and wording would, on several occasions, distort peoples questions and statements. ex./
  - A. reply #1
  - B. reply #2 -- you mention, "You once asked me why I defer to official documents" when I did nothing of the sort I stated,

I find it a bit questionable that you're willing to defer to official records when it suits your position, but when the more anomalous aspects of the event come in to play (i.e. ex-Boeing engineers' failing to identify a pathway for missile shutdowns) you relegate the subject-matter to the end of the book and address it in a rather superficial, non-technical way. (1)

That wasn't me asking why you "defer to official documents" it was me asking why you're *selective* in what you choose to discuss.

# REAL TIME: New Topics

Newest topics, updated in real-time:

The Salted Caramel Bars of Crom! Food and Cooking: 4 minutes ago

Mblah's Berry Chocolate Crescent Roll Pockets

Food and Cooking: 56 minutes ago

9/29/2012 -- Brightest Comet in Human History Coming! Comet 2012 S1 (C/2012 S1 ISON)

Space Exploration: 1 hours ago

LAKOTA SIOUX NATION Secession In Progress and YOU are invited to join them! Political Issues: 1 hours ago

Tens of thousands hit Tbilisi streets in 'largest-ever' rally on eve of election (PHOTOS, VIDEO) Breaking Political News: 1 hours ago

XL Foods Recall (E-coli Contamination) Diseases and Pandemics: 1 hours ago

Saudi Health Officials Brace for Hajj Pilgrimage to Mecca To an outside observer it looks like you're trying to misdirect people.

6. Throughout your book (and on this forum) you keep portraying Salas and Hastings as though they feel this was a direct and/or intentional attack on US soil and then proceed to mock them due to the implications you believe this would have in the "real world." To give a few choice examples,

> It's an absolute joke that we have to look at an open and shut case of two guys screwing around this closely simply because Robert Hastings is not bright enough to tell the difference between an "oh, wow, I'm just kidding" incident and an invasive attack on the nation's most powerful means of waging war. (p.66)

Why does the military in ALL of your stories refuse to act in the way expected if a nuclear facility were attacked  $\dots$  (2)

You make such a large point of this issue you even go out of your way to describe McNamara's offensive strategies during WWII (pg. 193) and from this purport to induce how he would've dealt with a flying-saucer threat.

Salas and Hastings concede the possibility this was a shot-over-the-bow, but more often then not they refrain from speculating about the nature of transients. If, and this as a big if, there was something in the air (perhaps a hitherto unknown atmospheric phenomenon) it could have easily been an entirely passive effect. If such an object was present then it may have naturally emitted an EM pulse triggering the defect in the coupler by virtue of its presence rather than as an act of hostility or intention to cause the "no-go" condition.

This is a legitimate possibility especially when you consider there are countless reports (**ex.**) from military personnel describing anomalous circumstances where a vehicle has shutdown in the presence of a UFO. Hell the 'War of Worlds' movie even alludes to this bit of trivia when the cars are knocked-out by the tripod's EMP blast and Tom Cruise suggests to his mechanic buddy, "replace the solenoid!"

So I find your reducing the debate to "an attack" to be trivializing the possibilities, and therefore reducing your logic to a very specific line of thinking potentially leading you to an assessment that had nothing to do with the actual circumstances.

To give an example of how bad this logic really is, you keep saying, "The security detail didn't  $\dots$  fire on it as they were trained to do, because there was nothing there."(3)

Should guards fire at every "unknown" thing they come across? Would you seriously want military personnel shooting at lenticular clouds and other unfamiliar phenomena?

A UFO is just that an unidentified, anomalous observation.

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reply posted on 4-3-2010 @ 05:37 AM by Xtraeme

(continued...)

A. Your attempts to deride people in the UFO community by portraying them as though they're hiding information, for some ulterior purpose, makes you look silly.

Diseases and Pandemics: 1 hours ago

Turkish pilots killed by Syrian intelligence, Al Arabiya claims World War Three: 1 hours ago

## **NEW-PICKS: Newest Flags**

Newest topics getting flags, in real-time:

Romney TORTURE Memo Leaked US Political Madness: 14 hours ago, 40 flags

ATS Live: 129: Surveillance, Cold War shocker, Hackers, Mid-East, Boy Scouts, Yeti, Turbo's.... ATS Live: 12 hours ago, 24 flags

Exclusive: CNN Exposed! Caught Producing "State Sponsored News" in Bahrain Breaking Alternative News: 12 hours ago, 18 flags

Virginia man kills family and himself over fear Obama would be re-elected US Political Madness: 10 hours ago, 18 flags

Unbelievable Facts, Something to Take Your Mind Off The Heavy Stuff..... Education and Media: 10 hours ago, 17 flags

Had My Last Chemo Treatment! General Chit Chat: 7 hours ago, 15 flags

Alaskan Alien Pyramid, Real and Humming No doubt no more. General Conspiracies: 17 hours ago, 13 flags

Ann Romney worries about Mitt's 'mental well-being' if he wins election 2012 US Elections: 10 hours ago, 11 flags The CUFON website, however, has only published pages 32-34 and page 38 of only one quarter from the command history, and doesn't discuss most of the ongoing investigation at all. (4)

You yourself admit the majority of the official documentation in your book wasn't due to your own leg work (as noted on pg.67), but rather pulled from the Black Vault (a pro-UFO website).

That should be enough to tell anyone here the information isn't being "hidden" by UFO advocates attempting to do away with information that might go contrary to their beliefs.

B. Your rebuttal to my commentary about Chase is wanting,

How can you possibly say that an event attested to by Lewis D. Chase from 1957 has any bearing at all on his trustworthiness?

Isn't the very basis of trustworthiness built on the integrity and reliability of the persons past actions and deeds?

The only relevant point is that Chase reported this incident, and that report is still on file. Whether or not something happened to his tapes is meaningless because it doesn't speak to his honesty and efforts -- only those who lost or his the tapes he submitted.

Is it common for the USAF to lose data from, then, TS equipment? Perhaps if this is a regular occurrence in the military it's possible to say someone lost the report detailing Salas' description of the Oscar flight incident? Because, after all, the fact that another person may have misplaced the material evidence "doesn't speak to his honesty or efforts."

While you may look at this and think I'm being facetious, I'm not.

You simply can't have it both ways without exposing yourself as being biased beyond reason. As I mentioned previously,

Since you believe so strongly in corroborating documentation as necessary evidence to confirm the authenticity of human testimony, by your logic we have this either-or scenario:

\* Chase is a liar (since no magnetic-recording was reported to ever exist) XOR the USAF is lying. ...

[T]ake your pick.

Either Chase is a confirmed liar with the RB-47 incident and therefore no longer useful for your argument; or we've got something else going on here.

If there's something else going on then the remainder of your questions become somewhat rhetorical.

# **NEW-HOT: Active New Topics**

Newest topics getting replies, in real-time:

Romney TORTURE Memo Leaked US Political Madness: 14 hours ago, 83 replies

Why is there a shadow of a "person" in this Mars rover image?

General Conspiracies: 6 hours ago, 68 replies

Virginia man kills family and himself over fear Obama would be re-elected US Political Madness: 10 hours ago, 58 replies

Real Christianity = not being a Christian Philosophy and Metaphysics: 8 hours ago, 51 replies

2012 planet x nibiru undeniable proof 2012: 13 hours ago, 49 replies

Member of 'Obama Boyz' gang charged in St. Louis shootings Global News Discussion: 9 hours ago, 40 replies

I never worked and never will Rant: 9 hours ago, 37 replies

'Jesus Not Allowed': Anti-Faith Sentiment Sweeps US Conspiracies in Religions: 7 hours ago, 36 replies

Now you don't have to believe that -- you don't have to believe anything I've said, and

that's fine -- but when you find yourself with an extra few minutes, please ask yourself --WHY do I believe what Salas is claiming?

I'll be perfectly clear I tilt towards Salas if only because he's given his testimony on camera, publicly in front of the world, and stated unambiguously he's willing to testify before Congress. If your father were willing to do the same I'd be much more amenable to believe you're speaking out of a sense of integrity and honesty rather than simply acting out hostility due to a bruised ego or perhaps to fulfill some other personal or professional agenda.

Given the opportunity I'd ask your father the following questions, with the caveat, that since certain lines of inquiry might violate a oath, putting your father in a position where he might feel it wouldn't be possible to answer honestly, or even in the case where he might feel uncomfortable addressing a given topic, that he simply state, "next question."

- 1. Do you know how many maintenance teams were out overnight?
- 2. Who was the first person to respond to the missiles going offline? You or Figel?
- 3. What happened before and after the missiles went off alert?
- 4. Do you remember hearing mention of UFOs over the comms?
- 5. What was the demeanor of the people you heard over the comms?
- 6. If there was mention of UFOs, did you take this to be a joke?
- 7. If you took it to be a joke, why? Did they frequently play pranks? Was it due to the tonality of their voice? Or was this attitude simply based on disbelief?
- If there was mention of a UFO, did you receive this report about the UFO preor post- "no-go"?
- 9. If there would have been an eye-witness to this event who would that have been? Even if you don't remember their name could you relate their position or some other identifiable characteristic?
- 10. Were you friendly with Walt Figel at this time?
- 11. Are there other shortwave communication techniques that would allow one LCC to learn the status of another, indirectly, rather than from the usual chain of command?
- 12. Do you remember any communication at all between LCCs? Rather than up and down the chain to SAC or the MAFs?
- 13. If so, do you remember which LCC you were communicating with and who specifically?
- 14. Were you, or Figel, asked to fill out a report?
- 15. Was there any mention of a UFO in that report?
- 16. Do you remember if there was any briefing after the fact (whether with SAC, squadron hq, or elsewhere)?
- 17. Did you speak with OSI after the fact?
- 18. If so, was there any mention of UFOs during the debriefing(s)?
- 19. Did you have to sign any "nondisclosure" agreements?
- 20. Did you or anyone else related to the incident ever speak with Lewis Chase about this event?
- 21. If you did speak with Chase, could you relate the conversation?
- 22. Did you or anyone else speak to the Condon Committee (perhaps Roy Craig rings a bell) about this incident?
- 23. Did anyone from Blue Book get involved that you're aware of?
- 24. Do you remember the names of any of the guards or maintenance men on duty?
- 25. How common or infrequent was it for DMCCC's and MCCC's to man other LCCs?
- 26. How often did missiles fail during this time period?
- 27. Is it fair to say that 10 missiles all simultaneously going into a no-go condition was rare?
- 28. Were you ever given an explanation as to why the missiles went into a "no-go" status.
- 29. Did Hastings talk with you at any point?
- 30. If so, when you spoke with Hastings, did you mention to him, even if only cavalierly, that your son had issues of any sort (mental, emotional, etc.)?



Think of it as a tool for discovering the vital information that mainstream media is keeping **from you.** 

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- 31. Did Salas or Klotz contact you around '97?
- 32. Are you still friendly with Walt Figel to this day, or has anything changed?
- 33. Would you testify to these statements under oath, that everything you've stated here is true to the best of your knowledge, under penalty of perjury, so help you God?

I'm sure I'll come up with more questions later.

[edit on 4-3-2010 by Xtraeme]

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## reply posted on 4-3-2010 @ 04:57 PM by Robert Hastings

In response to James Carlson's claims of no UFO involvement in the shutdown of nuclear missiles at Malmstrom AFB in March 1967, I offer the following verbatim excerpt from the testimony of retired USAF Lt. Col. Dwynne Arneson. The full statement may be found at:

## www.bibliotec...yades.net... ... sure07.htm

## EXCERPT:

My name is Dwynne Arneson. I was born in Rochester, Minnesota back in 1937, and went to Rochester High School. From there I graduated and went on to St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota where I got my degree in physics and math. Upon graduation, I competed for Officer's Training School in the Air Force and then was selected to get a commission, went to Officer's Training School, and was commissioned back in 1962. I went on to spend twenty-six years in the U.S. Air Force as a communication-electronics officer and retired in 1986.

I held a top-secret SCI-TK clearance. That means Special Compartmented Tango Kilo information, which is above top secret, if you will. It takes a special investigation to get that sort of a clearance. Upon getting out of the Air Force, and retiring as a colonel in 1986, I applied for work at Boeing, and I came to work for Boeing as a computer systems analyst, and I've been working since 1987 in that capacity with Boeing. I retired in 1986 as Director of Logistics at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

...The next thing that comes to mind is one that took place in 1967. I was in charge of the Communication Center, the Twentieth Air Division at Malmstrom Air Force Base, Montana. I was again the top-secret control officer there. I dispatched all the nuclear launch authentications to the SAC missile crews, so I had a very good top-secret background. One day, I happened to see a message that came through my communications center. There again, I cannot quote the date, where it came from, where it was going to, but I do recall reading it and seeing it. It said, basically, that "A UFO was seen near missile silos" and it was hovering. It said that the crew going on duty and the crew coming off duty all saw the UFO just hovering in mid-air. It was a metallic circular object and from what I understand, the missiles were all shut down...What I mean by "missiles going down," is that they went dead. And something turned those missiles off, and so they could not be put in a mode for launching.

## END OF EXCERPT

James Carlson always claims that those who disagree with his take on things are lying. He will no doubt do the same with Lt. Col. Arneson.

Robert Hastings www.ufohastings.com

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reply posted on 5-3-2010 @ 10:18 AM by Kandinsky

I've followed this thread with great interest...who wouldn't? I've starred many posts including some by Carlson...I try to remain objective.

I'm looking forward to Robert Hastings' forthcoming **Press Conference** when a collection of former-US Airforce personnel will share their experiences. Having followed Hastings' research with interest...I know he'll be vetting the witnesses. No Greer-style fantasists undermining the evidence with demonstrable lies.

For anyone interested in hearing more about Malmstrom and other incidents...

May 24, 2009 - Robert Hastings and Don Ecker

UFO investigators Robert Hastings and Don Ecker discuss UFOs and disinformation. They will cover such issues as how the spread of false information has hindered efforts to get to the bottom of the mystery. One of the key topics dealt with during this discussion is whether or not some of the people who are perpetrating UFO hoaxes and spreading disinformation might be, in fact, government agents who are acting with official sanction.

#### **Paracast Interview**

March 29, 2009 — Robert Hastings, Bruce Fenstermacher, Patrick McDonough and Robert Salas

Longtime UFO/Nukes connection researcher Robert Hastings joins The Paracast as guest co-host to bring two new military witnesses forward to describe — for the very first time publicly — their experiences with UFOs sighted over sensitive nuclear missile launch sites. Our special guests include Bruce Fenstermacher and Patrick McDonough. Also joining the show will be former USAF Captain Robert Salas, who will be discussing his well-known encounter at Malmstrom AFB in 1967.

#### **Paracast Interview**

Have a listen and make your own mind up.

(To Robert Hastings...I dispute the Valsequillo assertions in the May Paracast interview! Otherwise, great work in publicising the UFO accounts/incidents centred around nuclear facilities. You're certainly amongst the cream of credible UFO researchers...I look forward to your next Paracast interview ( $\circular)$ )

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reply posted on 5-3-2010 @ 11:00 AM by Robert Hastings

Kandinski: To Robert Hastings...I dispute the Valsequillo assertions in the May Paracast interview!

RH: This name doesn't ring a bell. Is this the proper spelling? Is this something I mentioned? If so, what's the context?

Thanks for your support, for the missileers who will be speaking in Washington later this year, as well as for myself.

[edit on 5-3-2010 by Robert Hastings]

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reply posted on 5-3-2010 @ 01:52 PM by Kandinsky

Originally posted by Robert Hastings Kandinski: To Robert Hastings...I dispute the Valsequillo assertions in the May Paracast interview!

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[edit on 5-3-2010 by Robert Hastings]

You and Don Ecker referred to an archaeological site in Mexico that ruined someone's career...it's Virginia Steen-McIntyre and the **Valsequillo** site. Pre-Clovis etc. The debate continues about the earliest settlers in the Americas.

It's incidental, but stuck in my craw as an ex-history teacher 🤐

As for the Washington Conference...I'm not alone in saying the anticipation is running high. Hopefully, the press will seize on the accounts and generate a lot of interest. In a perfect world you'll also break even after organizing it all and maybe come out on top. In my opinion, it's the event of 2010 for anyone interested in UFOs.

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reply posted on 6-3-2010 @ 09:42 AM by Robert Hastings

Kandinski: You and Don Ecker referred to an archaeological site in Mexico that ruined someone's career...

RH: I have no memory of that. I only know a little about pre-Clovis sites and certainly wouldn't have spoken about that on the air. Don must have done all of the talking.

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reply posted on 13-3-2010 @ 04:17 PM by James Carlson

Originally posted by Kandinsky

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I'm surprised that anybody would willingly make a statement like this, when Robert

Hastings very clearly hasn't vetted any of the witnesses that he's used in the past. You should examine the most recent discussions that have been posted on **www.realityuncovered.net...** instead of lining up with "donations" to publicize the views of men who have provably lied about and distorted the very well-documented events they claim to have valid information regarding. You'll see exactly how careless Hastings is at "vetting the witnesses" and why he shouldn't be trusted to do so regarding his masturbatory goals for a press conference at the National Press Club in Washington D.C. It would be laughable were it not for his insistence that this dreck be paraded about in front of an American public already distressed and fearful about terrorism and the wars we're currently involved in. You should be ashamed of yourselves for patting him on the back and enabling this garbage to continue.

James Carlson

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reply posted on 13-3-2010 @ 05:22 PM by Kandinsky

## reply to post by James Carlson

'Ashamed,' 'garbage,' 'masturbatory' and 'laughable?' Thanks for a reasonable response to my post.

I'm likely the only guy to have starred your posts in this thread.

Hastings has lined up a number of witnesses with credible backgrounds and will stand or fall according to the response they get. In spite of your contempt, people will draw their own conclusions.

Reality Uncovered is a credible site and their research is superb. I've linked the site several times. That you and AccessDenied agree on the interpretation of Malmstrom doesn't preclude other opinions...it doesn't become fact.

I'll wait and see what information sees the light and form an opinion. Until then, I'm skeptical. I look forward to the Hastings conference...he comes across as more rational than you do...fewer insults too

[edit on 13-3-2010 by Kandinsky]

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## reply posted on 13-3-2010 @ 09:44 PM by James Carlson

Robert Hastings has presented at least one witness who has claimed an event from the vantage of a military command that has never existed, the "vetting" of which would have taken no more than 5 minutes to conduct. He paraded for years the testimony of Col.(Ret.) Walt Figel as "proof" of the interference by UFOs with the nuclear weapons at Malmstrom AFB in March 1967 when a single phone call proved in a moment the foolishness of such a claim. Most of the non-witness witnesses he has presented are easily shown to be little more than the foolish affectations of man who has shown no ability to examine even the simplest of claims made. He has habitually attacked and viciously attempted to destroy the reputations of men who are now dead and can no longer defend themsleves or their families, and he has attacked as well with personal insults and suggestions disparaging their abilities and sanity anybody who disputes what he claims, attacking as well their families and those they care about who have done nothing except disagree with him. He has published private emails in order to achieve these goals more than once with more one individual. Because of this combative behavior he has been locked out of numerous forums, including those run by the missileers he claims to speak for. He and Robert Salas are now soliciting funds to present such witnesses at a national

press conference in Washington, D.C. during a period of high interest and national security fears brought about by terrorism and our controversial involvement in two wars -- all of this in order to increase the money received from the sale of books and videos and for discussing nonsense theories in front of paying audiences. And while it's very true that the tone of the narrative I have made freely available to anyone with internet access who desires to read it is generally negative and lacks objectivity, I have also never claimed that it was an objective document. In fact I have repeatedly insisted that objectivity is, for me, impossible due to the many years I have been ridiculed and insulted and attacked by these people for asserting that their claims have no basis whatsoever in fact. They have publically asserted that my own father is a liar, who has lied to his own family for forty years, and that he has publically acknowledged as well, that I have serious mental problems -- all of which is not only more lies, but is also entirely irrelevant to the documented facts I have presented. In the face of these sickening personality defects, the only sane response I can offer to those who assert that the "witnesses" Robert Hastings and Robert Salas are collecting to publically campaign their high caliber nonsense to the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. are bound to be well vetted, as if they've done such a great job of that in the past, is the same one that you have determined to speak out against: you guys should be ashamed of yourselves. By taking this stand, in this place, at this time, you are enabling a sad, easily disputed and insultingly illogical conclusion to be reached by a larger number of people who do not possess the skills to do so for themselves. I don't wish to offend you, but I've given up on politesse and courteous dispute in this case -- it doesn't work with people like Robert Hastings and Robert Salas. I have already measured the breadth of their viciousness and I will not allow them to destroy the reputations of people I care about in the way they have already done with others. And if I can do anything to discredit this insane little dog & pony show that they have proposed and that they are soliciting money from people who cannot afford to give it in order to bring about, I intend to do so. These men are liars and they have not vetted any witnesses whatsoever -- and it is my opinion that I have already proven it.

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#### reply posted on 14-3-2010 @ 01:50 AM by Kandinsky

reply to post by James Carlson

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Stephen Greer's Press Club witnesses have mostly been revealed as liars, fantasists and miscreants. Greer is seen, by most, as a contemptible fraud seeking to rip off the public and validate his crazy fantasies.

In this light, Robert Hastings will also come under greater scrutiny and his witnesses will be critically dissected. Just one disreputable witness will undermine the credibility of the conference.

By taking this stand, in this place, at this time, you are enabling a sad, easily disputed and insultingly illogical conclusion to be reached by a larger number of people who do not possess the skills to do so for themselves.

Come on! The general public have been drawing crazy opinions for ever. Withholding information to protect them from thinking is what's created this whole mess about UFOs in the first place. Whether you 'believe' in UFOs or not, people keep on reporting sightings.

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## reply posted on 14-3-2010 @ 05:00 AM by James Carlson

My apologies -- like I said, this is a very personal reckoning for me. I often find, as a result, that many believe my tone and my reactive acts are aimed at them, and to an extent, I regret that. It has, however, been my experience that many of Hastings' supporters tend to accept his accounting of particular events without any attempt to confirm such folk-tales or to even consider alternate discussions. While it's true that I have an emotional investment in this matter, Robert Salas and Robert Hastings have a financial one, and in my opinion the unethical things they've said and done solely to increase the results of that financial investment. It wasn't my intention to direct the contempt that I hold for them at anybody else, but I'm very willing to accept opposing criticism in order to publically advance that derision toward these men; I assure you, I recognize in myself the tendency to over-react at times when arguments and issues that I believe are advanced in blind acceptance of the proposals submitted by Hastings without even the simplest motivation to examine their faults and the scenarios they have advanced. I do so because I believe what Salas and Hastings are attempting is far more offensive in nature than the acts of Stephen Greer, because Greer has never, to my knowledge, attempted to systematically destroy the reputations of those who dispute his claims. While my disdain is notable, it wasn't wholly directed at you -- certainly nowhere near the level directed at Hastings and Salas. I'm exceptionally angry and bitter regarding this entire matter, and while I am not willing to abandon the contempt I hold toward some people, I nonetheless regret that you thought I was directing it towards you. Since that regret is due, at least in part, to my own attitudes, I apologize.

James Carlson

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reply posted on 14-3-2010 @ 05:23 AM by Exuberant1

reply to post by James Carlson

How do you determine if someone is a "Hastings supporter"?

Can you tell by the questions the ask? or when they point out your poor form, insults, and the other denigrations you have engaged in throughout this thread?

Do you think I am a "Hastings Supporter"?



Sgt Karl Wolf was fairly debunked by Zorgon last year or late 08. I think he



reply posted on 20-3-2010 @ 04:47 AM by xfiler

reply to post by kindred

Hi kindred

The caption under the photo suggests that the image of the craft appeared when the photo was developed, so it's not surprising that no one is looking at it when the photo was taken.

This photograph was taken by a visitor to the Cuzco (ancient Inca city) area of Peru on 16 February 1989 between 9.30 and 10.30 am. The exact location is the Valle Sagrado Urubamba. The extraordinary object in the sky was not seen by the photographer nor by the people buying and selling wares on the mountain. Nevertheless, it appears on two photographs taken at different spots, higher and lower on the mountain.

Fake photo? - who knows, but i've seen a few photos taken by friends of ordinary scenes, that have distinctive light patterns or recognisable images that appeared when the image was developed.

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#### reply posted on 20-3-2010 @ 04:59 AM by Decoy

reply to post by Kandinsky

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Sorry Sir, Bull Pucky. Greer's a devalue anesthesiologist. Steven used his name "md" to provoke people to believe in him and his little alien quests. He was underline: was the big banana.

Certainly in my humble opinion, Camelot grabbed his....2009. The press Club Failure was not of his premise. He was interrupted days later w/...9/11 . Press had other things to do at that point -- yes? So let's stop the Shxx.

Don't know Hastings, perhaps I'd recognize the man (robert) on tv? I don't claim to be an anexpert on anything, less Customs, but I do recognize my own opinion on EBE stuff. Based on mega-years of real-research.

Decoy

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reply posted on 20-3-2010 @ 08:29 AM by karl 12

#### Originally posted by Kandinsky

I should really go back and edit that over-stretching, exaggerating piece of rhetoric. I'll put it down to a bad case of bed-head and not thinking whilst typing. Cheers for pointing it out. If you hadn't it would remain there as a testament to my loathing of Greer rather than my fairness. I'll leave it hanging there despite it being a scurrilous statement of falsity...I'm not a huge fan of editing out examples of my own stupidity.

Hey Kandinsky, kudos for that post - if only some UFO debunkers out there had half your amount of intellectual honesty then maybe we'd start getting some answers (or at least start asking the right questions) about the UFO subject.

I realise its easy for folks to dismiss Stephen Greer (especialy after his recent shenanigans with the ET photograph) - what's not so easy to dismiss is all the testimony and incidents listed at the **DP briefing document**.

Cheers.

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reply posted on 20-3-2010 @ 09:07 AM by Decoy

Hi all,

Well now I know him, as per his lecture about "Father at Malmstrom AFB". BTW: EBEs screwed up their 'computer memory devices', ie the missile trajectory programing was erased on each missile. Kinda tells me the beams at M are the same as Rendlesham, through simple?, electromagnetic proximity. The only thing worse than hearing more about Maelstrom, is hearing anything which slightly to heavily hints the name Rswl.

Decoy

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reply posted on 20-3-2010 @ 09:08 AM by Exuberant1

reply to post by karl 12

The Disclosure project is bad because it has permanently associated the few credible witnesses with a bunch of nutcases and shills.

I think that this (along with monetary incentive) may have been the primary motive for the famous Press Conference; to get all the good apples in with the rotten and right where everyone could see.

Perhaps it was not so much about lending credibility to the topic as it was an attempt to ruin by association the reputations and credibility of those few credible individuals who found themselves involved with the 'project'.

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#### reply posted on 20-3-2010 @ 09:39 AM by Kandinsky

#### reply to post by Decoy

Sorry Sir, **Bull Pucky**. Greer's a devalue anesthesiologist. Steven used his name "md" to provoke people to believe in him and his little alien quests. He was underline: was the big banana.

Now, now Decoy. There's no need for such strong language...lol

Otherwise, I think I agree with you. Greer is a weasel.

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reply posted on 20-3-2010 @ 10:20 AM by karl 12

reply to **post by Exuberant1** 

Exuberant1, thanks for the reply -I agree with your comments but I'd say there was more than *a few* credible witnesses.

Don't realy want to detract from the discussion on this thread but there's another thread **here** which attempts to discuss the contents of the disclosure project briefing document and witness testimony.

Cheers.

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## reply posted on 21-3-2010 @ 06:10 PM by karl 12

Lawrence Fawcett makes some very interesting comments about the 1975 overflights in **this** Paracast interview - he's also uncovered quite a few government documents dealing with the UFO subject.

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Originally posted by James Carlson Robert Hastings has presented at least one witness who has claimed an event from the vantage of a military command that has never existed ... I've already asked once, James, but here goes again: Who are you referring to? Which source of mine, by name, and which supposedly non-existent command? **COPVRIGHT & USAGE** reply posted on 1-4-2010 @ 03:48 PM by James Carlson reply to post by Robert Hastings NEW-PICKS: Newest Flags Newest topics getting flags, in real-time: Romney TORTURE Memo Leaked How many times do I have to say this? I will be pleased to discuss your lies and US Political Madness: 14 hours ago, 40 flags distortions about Malmstrom AFB in March 1967 at any time, but only at ATS Live: 129: Surveillance, Cold War shocker, www.realityuncovered.net... Hackers, Mid-East, Boy Scouts, Yeti, Turbo's .... ATS Live: 12 hours ago, 24 flags Exclusive: CNN Exposed! Caught Producing I am currently (and metaphorically) eviscerating every witness you've ever "State Sponsored News" in Bahrain discussed regarding these events, and I welcome your weak and mostly irrelevant Breaking Alternative News: 12 hours ago, 18 flags commentaries -- they represent a nice, light-headed and comedic breath of air that Virginia man kills family and himself over fear Obama would be re-elected everybody appreciates. US Political Madness: 10 hours ago, 18 flags Unbelievable Facts, Something to Take Your Sincerely, Mind Off The Heavy Stuff ... Education and Media: 10 hours ago, 17 flags James Carlson Had My Last Chemo Treatment! General Chit Chat: 7 hours ago, 15 flags **<u>COPYRIGHT & USAGE</u>** Alaskan Alien Pyramid, Real and Humming No doubt no more. General Conspiracies: 17 hours ago, 13 flags Ann Romney worries about Mitt's 'mental reply posted on 15-4-2010 @ 03:58 PM by Aquarius1 well-being' if he wins election 2012 US Elections: 10 hours ago, 11 flags I am very disappointed that answers from James Carlson are not forthcoming, why can't you answer direct questions **<u>COPY</u>RIGHT & USAGE** reply posted on 15-8-2010 @ 11:08 AM by Aquarius1 Robert Hastings will be on Coast to Coast AM with George Knapp tonight 12:00 AM Pacific - 2:00 AM Eastern 12a-2a: UFO researcher Robert Hastings will discuss the implications of his upcoming press conference at the National Press Club in Washington, DC. Former Air Force officer Bruce Fenstermacher will join the conversation. www.ufohastings.com... **<u>COPYRIGHT & USAGE</u>** NEW-HOT: Active New Topics Newest topics getting replies, in real-time: Pages: << 12 13 14 15 >> ^^TOP^^ Romney TORTURE Memo Leaked

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