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RE: UFO RESEARCH

Dear Philip:

It was a pleasure meeting you in Washington, D.C. recently at the MUFON Symposium. You spoke briefly with me and Dr. Richard Niemtow in reference to the Cash-Landrum case.

What facts are needed for you to believe that UFO's are real? There are a large number of sightings that can be explained; however, there is also a certain percentage that are unexplainable, but real, reported by people from all walks of life - from an ex-president down to the dirt farmers. Do you believe all of these people are suffering from hysteria?

I don't understand how a person in your position could be non-flexible on this subject. If you are a contributing editor for Aviation Week and Space Technology and High Technology, surely of all people you have seen the tremendous advances made in avionics over the past 50 years. Is it not possible that some alien technology has mastered traveling through space from other planets or galaxies?

You stated also that a physician (Dr. Posner) in Florida would like to correspond with us. If I am not mistaken, we corresponded with each other 8 years ago. However, I welcome any views related to physiological and psychological damage as related to abductees/witnesses exposed to close encounters with UFO's with this physician.

I await your reply.

Sincerely,

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Dear Richard:

This will be a very brief reply to yours of July 22 because I am trying to finish my new book on "UFO abductions," while investigating the MJ-12 papers and must write about half a dozen feature stories for Aviation Week during the next three weeks.

You ask "what facts are needed for (me) to believe that UFOs are real?" My reply: The same sort of evidence that the American Medical Assn. would require to convince them that illnesses are not really caused by germs and viruses but by "evil spirits" which are so powerful that they can disguise themselves to resemble germs and viruses. Alternatively, the sort of evidence that would convince the National Academy of Sciences that UFOs are a legitimate scientific mystery deserving the attention of the nation's best scientific minds.

At CSICOP's 1984 conference, where the late Allen Hynek and I both spoke, I challenged him to present the NAS with up to five UFO cases which he was absolutely certain could not be explained in prosaic terms, and to challenge NAS to have its best scientists examine those cases. I pointed out that even if such an NAS panel concluded that four of the five cases submitted by Hynek could be explained in prosaic terms, if NAS agreed that even one of the five had no prosaic explanation, UFOs would thereby achieve scientific recognition and legitimacy. Hynek declined to accept my challenge.

We live in a free country which allows you to believe in UFOs, while Main-Stream Science rejects your best evidence; and it allows me to believe in Evil Spirits as the source of illnesses, while Main-Stream Medical Science rejects that idea.

Reference Dr. Gary Posner, I had understood from Dr. Richard Niemtow, with whom I was talking at the MUFON conference when you joined in, that he/you were seeking other MDS to join in examination of alleged UFO-induced injuries, and so I mentioned his possible interest. Later, when Posner and I talked, he told of his earlier correspondence with you on the Cash-Landrum incident. Posner sent me copies of the correspondence in which you promised to send him data on the two ladies pre-incident health condition--a promise you failed to keep. Why??

Sincerely,

