

THE CASE OF THE "GREEN MEN"

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PART I: OUTLINE OF THE CASE

WHEN Carlos Alberto Diaz, aged 28, left his home in the town of Puerto Ingeniero White (just outside Bahia Blanca, Argentina) at 7.00 p.m. on January 4, 1975, to go to his night-job in a restaurant-club, he could not have imagined, even remotely, that during the course of that night, which was overcast and later rainy, he would have one of the most terrifying experiences of his life, such as would not only remain for ever engraved upon his mind but would affect his whole future.

After finishing his long stint as a waiter, he sets off again for home in the early hours of January 5, and, as he goes out, he buys a newspaper, *La Nueva Provincia* (published in Bahia Blanca) at the club entrance. This newspaper will later prove to be an important piece of evidence regarding his adventure.

Catching a bus, he reaches a spot near his home at 3.30 a.m. Then, after walking, in total darkness (the sky, as stated, being overcast,¹ and it being just about to rain), a distance of several blocks across a large deserted railway yard, he suddenly sees a very bright "beam of light" which momentarily blinds him and which he takes to be a lightning flash from an approaching storm. But he states firmly that the beam was not straight, but "broken", and that there was no sound whatever with it. Once the temporary blindness is past his sight is completely restored, but he is very frightened, and tries to make a run for his home, which is now within viewing distance. But he is unable to run, completely immobilized by a total paralysis² of his body, which keeps him rooted to the spot. However his sight and other senses remain working perfectly, and from this moment onwards he starts to perceive an intense "hum"³ – not loud, as though "of air or wind", as he puts it.

This is where his strange and unbelievable adventure begins, for, despite all his struggles to escape it, he is *drawn and absorbed upwards*⁴ by the "windy humming of the beam," to use his own words. He retains full consciousness of what is happening, and his sight is in perfect condition until he is some three metres or so into the air, but then he loses all sight⁵ and consciousness of everything around him, while still being sucked upwards.

He awakens, without being able to know how much time has elapsed, inside something which he describes as a "sphere", completely smooth and shining, yet not lit by lights – since there are none – but with a brightness coming from the walls themselves,⁶ which resemble semi-transparent plastic. The whole "sphere" is moreover totally devoid of any furnishings or instruments.

Here Diaz remains, now recovered and fully

lucid, half-kneeling, half-crouched or lying on his side, all the time keeping right up against a number of orifices, about three cm. wide, in the floor of the sphere, through which pure air is gushing, which he breathes avidly and which enables him to retain consciousness.

He finds that whenever he moves away from these orifices he feels nausea and begins to faint, and so he sticks always to the same spot.⁷

When we asked him about the diameter and height of the sphere, he estimated it at 2.5 metres wide and almost 3 metres high, and he reiterated that it contained no furnishings or instruments.

And now suddenly there come sliding in, very smoothly, three beings of human appearance, a particularly notable feature being the "green" hue of their heads and faces. But the faces are totally devoid of eyes, nose, mouth, or ears, and the heads are quite devoid of hair and about half the size of our heads. Their height is between 1.75 and 1.80 metres, and their bodies are slim and rather thin and covered with something which Diaz describes as extremely soft, pale cream-coloured "rubber" (as he was repeatedly able to feel subsequently) and contrasting profoundly with the "moss-green" colour of their skin, which was completely smooth and even, with no protruberances or concavities. The description of this "moss-green" colour came out in the course of the minute, extensive, and thorough examination to which Diaz was subjected by doctors, psychiatrists, psychoanalysts and other specialists, together with the Federal Police authorities, at the Hospital Ferroviario (Railway Hospital) in Buenos Aires, where he was detained for observation for several days. (In all, some 46 specialists took part in the enquiry. The "moss-green" colour came out when colour samples were produced for Diaz to look at.)

Diaz describes the beings as wholly without hair. They were equipped with two arms resembling ours, which were grotesque and impressive, as they had no hands or fingers to them, and terminated in a sort of "stump"⁸. The arms were almost completely straight, and at no time did he ever see them bend them, and yet the arms had great flexibility, as he was again able to ascertain subsequently. They too were covered with the soft pale-coloured "rubber."

And now begins for Diaz what he terms the second stage of his terrible adventure, for the green beings start pressing down with both arms upon his head of long and abundant hair (or rather, what *had been* long and abundant hair until this moment) and begin pulling out tufts of it, in which task they are perfectly successful for, as they withdraw their arms from his head, they bring away great clumps of hair, which seemingly causes them great pleasure and

rejoicing (such being the interpretation which Diaz puts upon the fashion in which they jumped up and down and waved their arms about) — for this seemed to be their principal interest — to secure samples of hair.⁹ And all this in the midst of a tremendous struggle, with Diaz putting up a stubborn resistance, in the course of which he is able to feel physically the softness of the covering of their bodies, described by him as *rubber*. Despite his terror, Diaz is able to take note of the fact that the arms of the beings are equipped with some sort of “suckers” which are tearing out his hair, though with the weird peculiarity that at no time does he feel any pain whatsoever.

They repeat these operations a number of times, and Diaz is able to note that although the beings move around very slowly, they possess extraordinary strength and appear to be indefatigable. They also repeat the operations on his chest, removing hair from there, as can still be seen from photographs¹⁰ of Diaz taken some time afterwards.

After these dreadful experiences, Diaz' eyesight slowly begins to grow cloudy, until finally it fails altogether and he faints again. After which he remembers nothing more. (It is to be noted that, at the beginning of his experience, as at the end, *the last of his senses to be lost is the sense of sight.*)

Diaz awakens suddenly some hours later and finds himself stretched out upon the grass. He is obliged to close his eyes because of the bright sunlight beating down upon him, and he does not know where he is. By now he has totally recovered, and is conscious of his movements and feelings. And he is near to what seems to be an important highway. He looks at his watch, *and finds it stopped at 3.50*, which gives him the exact time of the commencement of his adventure. Then he begins to feel nausea, and continues trying to vomit until he is taken to the Railway Hospital, and thereafter through all that day. By his side he finds, still quite intact, his bag which he had been carrying, containing his working clothes, and also the copy of the newspaper, *La Nueva Provincia*, that he had bought at 3.30 that morning in Ingeniero White.

Just as he is awakening, a man appears, driving a car along the road about 30 m. or so from where he is lying. The driver stops and, seeing Diaz lying there with his bag and his paper beside him, concludes that he has been run over. When he has heard his explanation and seen that there are tufts of hair missing from his head, he offers to take him to the Railway Hospital, where they arrive twenty-five minutes later. (The time is now 8.00 a.m. on January 5, 1975.) By now Diaz has no doubt that he has been aboard an aerial craft of extraterrestrial origin and driven by extraterrestrial beings.

And so he is booked in at the Railway Hospital at Retiro, in the Federal Capital, Buenos Aires, at 8.30 a.m. on that day. There he is under constant investigation and examination, over a period of four days, by a numerous group consisting of 46 doctors and specialists from various branches of medicine. The Director of the Hospital himself notifies the Federal Police (Commissariat No. 46), who come at once, they too having advised the Judge for the area

in question, given the physical condition of Diaz. And the Police proceed forthwith to an investigation of the case.

Notification is also sent to Diaz' wife and other relatives in Ingeniero White, who are already alarmed at his absence, since he normally never arrives home later than 4.00 — 4.30 a.m., and it is now already 8.30. The phone call put through from Buenos Aires reaches them at 9.20 a.m., producing great shock and consternation. They set out for Buenos Aires by train the same day and arrive in the Capital just before midnight. (The distance from Ingeniero White to Buenos Aires is 785 kms.)

Meanwhile, the sustained investigation of Diaz is proceeding, involving examinations, tests, analyses by psychoanalysts and psychiatrists, and including study by a team of doctors, without any kind of illness being diagnosed in him or any sort of physiological/psychological changes, other than the attacks of nausea, already mentioned, which he continues to suffer throughout the whole of January 5, and his lack of appetite. The only food that he takes is a cup of milk — and this is given forcibly.

PART II: PERSONAL INVESTIGATION

N FEBRUARY 4, 1975, at 9.00 a.m., I made a personal visit to the eyewitness Diaz, in his own home. This was 24 days after he had returned from the hospital. And instead of meeting the sort of individual described by his friends, who considered him dynamic, restless, a steady worker, somewhat nervous, I find a very nice, quiet young man, self-controlled and measured in his actions and his expressions, very modest, honest and sincere, which was immediately noticeable and — added to all this — with a steady, straightforward gaze, indicative of a degree of control and self-possession such as is seldom encountered.

Highly sensitive, he states frankly that I am the first investigator of extraterrestrial science whom he has allowed into his home, as he has already refused all other attempts made to investigate him, or to get him to appear on radio or television or in press interviews (with the exception of one interview already given to the magazine *Asi*). For, says he, he has absolutely no interest either in the money they might offer him or in the publicity he might gain from it. He expresses to me simply a burning desire to make known, by means of “free lectures”, the true facts about what has happened to him.

His home is very modest, as he lives on the meagre salary, eked out with “extras”, which he earns regularly as a waiter in various restaurants near the port. He says he has no desire to make money out of the adventure he has undergone, but that he will be willing to submit straight away to any kind of test that I may wish to conduct with him.

We begin accordingly with an experiment in “mental exploration”, with me trying to read what is registered in his subconscious. We start by “visualising” the experience he underwent, and we proceed quite smoothly, with no difficulty, as far as the precise moment when the three beings — “humanoids, but not terrestrials,” as he describes

them — make their appearance inside the sphere, whereupon he reacts abruptly, pushes away violently my hands which have been resting on his head, and flatly refuses to go on with the experiment.

We continue talking however, and after half an hour has elapsed I insist once more on continuing the experiment. To this he replies that I should come back a couple of hours later, and that in the meantime he will reflect on what he thinks is the best course to follow.

After 3.00 p.m. I return to his house, and this time, he having consented, we start once more on the psychic investigation of the impressions in his mind up to the moment where the three extraterrestrial beings appear. At this point I would add the following details:

1. The bodies of the intelligences — which appear to be entirely covered, including the feet, and right up to the neck — are very slim, and all three extraordinarily alike, without any devices or belts of any kind.

2. Their heads are extremely strange. They are small, about half the size of our heads. They display no signs of protuberances or concavities of any kind, in view of which we can consider two possibilities: firstly, that they are wearing a mask or helmet, which hides their true features. Such a helmet might indeed be of a "moss-green" colour, without this being the colour of their actual skin, particularly as Diaz did say that he never succeeded in touching one of the heads during his struggles. We must also not forget that orifices had been provided for him in the sphere through which he obtained air to breathe, a fact which would indicate that the conditions inside the craft might not have been suitable for the extraterrestrials themselves in view of the fact that they were in our atmosphere. This too would explain their need for helmets.

The second possibility relates to the following considerations. Given the higher level of evolution that must logically be possessed by such beings coming here to visit us, it is a possibility that they might have developed beyond such physical sense organs as the ones that we possess, and might have replaced these "extrasenses" or "extrasensory faculties" which are more perfect, more extensive, and more complete than our own very limited sense of sight, hearing, touch, smell, and taste, for which reason they would have no need of eyes, ears, hands, nose, or mouth at all.

Continuing now with my report on my psychic investigation of Diaz, it can be surmised that the primary interest of these beings was centred on human hair and human body-down, features that would be totally absent in their own selves. The lack of pain¹¹ felt by Diaz while his hair was being pulled out is confirmed, since had the experience been painful it would have set up a psychic trauma in his mind that would have been easy to detect. It is to be noted that in certain areas on his head the hair had been "cut", due presumably to the enormous suction to which it had been subjected, while in two or three other areas I observed that it had been totally extracted, right down to the roots,

leaving the capillary tissues completely clean — a phenomenon for which there is no scientific explanation. Whether the capillary bulbs were "dilated" by the action of some strange force generated by the beings, thus permitting the hairs to slip out freely, or whether, alternatively, the hairs were simply torn right out from the capillary bulbs, in either of these cases the beings must have exercised some sort of psychical influence upon the mind of Diaz that rendered him insensible to the pain it would cause.

Owing to the fact that the 46 members of the medical and psychiatric professions who examined him only a few hours later had no knowledge of this type of phenomenon, they conducted no "microscopic — photographic" analysis on his capillary bulbs, and so we can merely express an opinion on the basis of what he found in our own mental exploration of the eyewitness. We found moreover in the course of our investigation no traces of any process of "desensitization" that might have been left impressed upon the mind of Diaz, and so, in the light of this, we may accept that, through some strange energy emitted by the beings (similar in its effects to the dilation that hot steam produces on our skin) they might have caused the capillary bulbs to expand greatly, thereby permitting the "suckers" on their arms to withdraw the hairs with ease.

A further detail that we must mention here refers to two people (both sensitives) who have detected a very intense vibrational energy in Diaz. The first case occurred on January 5, when he was being seen by an X-ray specialist (some ten X-ray pictures of him were taken). The X-ray specialist, who knew nothing whatever about the experiences that Diaz had just undergone, *felt a powerful shock when he took hold of Diaz' head in order to place it in a better position for the X-raying*. The other case occurred during the psychical investigation of Diaz. For this reason we are inclined to the view that in about three or four months from now Diaz may experience important changes¹² or mutations of a psychical/emotional/mental kind such as could even bring about fundamental alterations in his behaviour.

We detect no other important psychic changes in the subconscious of Diaz, but we do see physical changes, for it is observed that he is sure of himself and well-controlled, self-possessed, and measured in his movements and in his way of talking.

Another proof corroborative of the fact that the beings are of an evolution superior to our own is, in our view, to be found in the method employed by them for drawing or raising the body of Diaz towards their own craft, which was outside his range of view. It indicates very definitely a technology such as is at present un-attainable for human science, as they must have made use of processes akin to teleportation, that is to say, as a first step, the transformation of Diaz' physical body into energy; then, secondly, the projection of the said energy towards the aerial craft out in Space; and finally, the conversion of the said energy back into the form of the physical body of Diaz.

When I have completed my proposed personal interviews with the doctors and other professional

specialists of the Railway Hospital, as well as with another hospital (of the Armed Forces) and with the Federal Police Authorities, who have prepared a statement on the case (containing also the conclusions reached by the Judge who was involved) I shall produce a further report with additional details.

Notes and Comments by Gordon Creighton

Once again we see a case that presents many interesting features, not a few of which are already familiar to us from other episodes that, I suggest may not have been known to Carlos Alberto Diaz, a young man in a far-distant provincial town of Argentina.

1. It would be interesting to see a catalogue of the UFO encounter cases that happen during electrical storms or heavy rain. I call to mind immediately those of Bruno Facchini (FSR Vol. 20, No. 6, p.30) and of truck-driver Eugenio Douglas at Monte Maiz (No. 33 in "The Humanoids in Latin America", published as Chapter 4 of FSR's paperback, *The Humanoids*, Futura Books, London 1974). There must be a great many others.

2. We recognize this "paralysis" as a frequent feature.

3. The "hum" likewise.

4. This removal of individuals upwards is another feature which calls for much reflection and study. In Jewish and Christian traditions we have the Biblical accounts of what befell Enoch and Elijah — and *Jesus of Nazareth too, and also his Mother*. In the article entitled "Attempted Abduction by UFO Entity?" on page 23 of FSR Vol. 13, No. 2 (March/April 1967), I gave an account from the Iranian newspaper *Ettela'at* of October 15, 1954, about a Mr. Ghaseme Fili, who claimed to have seen a luminous craft containing a small man clad in black and wearing a strange mask "like an elephant's trunk." The craft, he said, approached his house at night and tried to draw him upwards off the balcony of the second floor. When he cried out in terror and awakened the neighbours, the luminous craft moved off. (I am not of course suggesting that the same type of entity, with the same motivation, is involved in all these cases. If we look closely, I think we shall find both an "Angelic" and a "demonic" agency at work, and this no doubt holds true for the whole of the UFO Phenomenon.)

5. Another important detail. In how many cases do we hear that the percipient experiences either a loss of the faculty of vision or some modification or change in his power to see?

6. In how many cases have we now heard that the cabin of the UFO was brightly lit, but that this illumination *came from the walls themselves*? The "clinical" or functional bareness of the cabin, totally devoid of fittings and furnishings, or containing only very few, also sounds familiar. (See the AVB case and the case of Betty and Barney Hill, as examples.)

7. For *nausea* see the AVB case. And the AVB case also has small tubes or orifices (though seemingly not furnishing pure terrestrial air for the victim, but rather a mixture or compromise such as would perhaps permit his female friend to enjoy her encounter without having to wear a helmet.)

8. See the case of the Wyoming man, Carl Higdon, who claimed to have been kidnapped in October 1974 by black-clad beings about two metres in height. His account of them does not seem to resemble in any way the account of Carlos Alberto Diaz, *except that their arms too ended in stumps*. The sudden appearance of such an *improbable* feature (how likely would a hoaxer be to make it up?) in two cases, is certainly weird.

9. In precisely the same fashion, we are told, the abductors

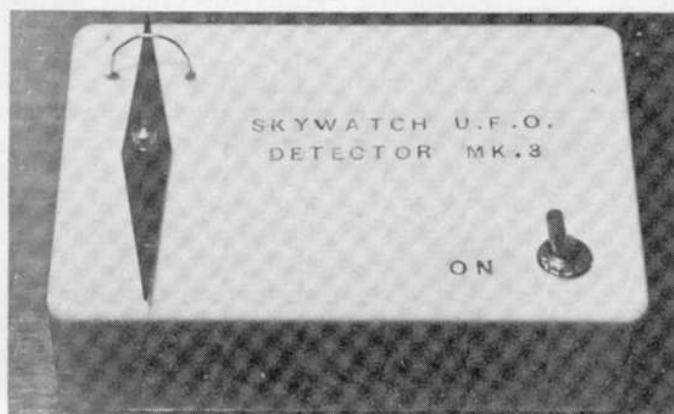
of Betty and Barney Hill became immensely excited by the discovery that *Barney's teeth were removable whereas Betty's weren't*. (Presumably there is now a report on file somewhere to the effect that this is one of the regular sexual differences to be looked for between male and female specimens of *Homo Sap.*)

10. In the Spanish original of Pedro Romaniuk's article which Jane Thomas has kindly also sent us, there is a reference to accompanying photographs of Diaz. However there do not seem to be any, so it is to be hoped that we shall find they are in the promised follow-up report of his further enquiries.

11. It will be recalled that, when in the course of the alarming operations conducted on Betty Hill, she felt pain as the entities drove a long needle into her (possibly into the region of the ovaries), the "skipper" of the craft at once calmed her and dispelled the pain by making passes of a hypnotic type before her eyes.

12. There is no more important work waiting to be done than the collation and analysis of the physical, psychological and other changes alleged to have taken place in percipients after they have had UFO experiences. Such study would involve the follow-up and regular observation of all contactees, possibly over periods of many years. It is difficult to conceive how such studies could possibly ever be made, but until they are made we shall have little chance of knowing precisely what alterations are being wrought in our species, whether for good or for ill, by these other beings. Wherever they are from, be it from *Tau Ceti* or from the *Kingdom of the Elves*, right here, it looks as though somebody, or rather a whole lot of *somebodies*, must be inordinately interested in us. From which it is difficult not to draw the conclusion that some extraordinary events, whether of a cosmic or solar or terrestrial nature, must be impending.

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THE MYSTERIOUS "UMMO" AFFAIR—PART 5

Antonio Ribera

Translated from the Spanish by Gordon Creighton

THE REPORT published in the previous two parts of this article [see FSR Vol. 21, Nos. 1 and 2], like the letter before it, is "authenticated" by its curious lilac-coloured seal (this being the colour corresponding to the Spanish network; each national network has a distinct colour.) It is one of the most interesting of the reports and one of those in which the subject-matter is expounded with the greatest precision.

The section of the UMMO Reports entitled, *Our Views regarding relations with Earth-men*, is highly revealing. For note that in it they clarify their standpoint, and explain to us, *inter alia*, the reason why they do not desire at the present moment to establish contact with us.

The most revealing passage from this report is the one where they do not seek to influence or change us.* A fuller version of this, which I have, reads as follows:

"We do not have the slightest desire — indeed we warn you most strictly against such a course — that you be tempted to give up your religious, scientific, or political and economic ideas and adopt ours instead. You yourself will recognize the rightness of such a warning.

"Firstly: because our reports are purely DESCRIPTIVE. We offer you a statement, but without any positive, rational, or convincing arguments to support it.

"It would be a mistake for you folk to inject these bare ideas, concepts, and affirmations into the ideological situation and climate established by those who are in charge of your educational systems on EARTH.

"But, more than that, if you were to do so, you would be perpetrating a grave distortion of the normal rhythm of your social life and of the development of culture on the EARTH. You would change the normal process of technology, and you would gravely damage the present-day geosocial pattern.

"Any revolution in your structures has got to be forged within your own social system. There is a moral law, to which we ourselves adhere, and which forbids us to intervene, except in unforeseeable and limited cases.

"We have not come — at any rate any brethren from UMMO and I have not come — to bring you a

* [With regard to this one must take note of the revelations only under hypnosis, of the Rhodesian contact-witness Peter —, who, knowing little or nothing of flying saucer lore, said the self-same thing. It is extremely unlikely that he knew anything of this aspect of the UMMO affair, and in his subconscious state, for although this article was written for FSR (in Spanish) three years ago, and so well before Peter's experience, this now is the first time, as far as I am aware, that it has appeared in English. See *Escorted by UFOs from Umvuma to Beit Bridge* by Carl van Vlieden, and *Investigation under hypnosis: contact revealed*, both in FSR Vol. 21, No. 2 — Editor]

new doctrine. We have not come as prophets, descending from the Heavens, prophets of a new Religion or of new mathematical concepts, or, availing ourselves of our own more advanced cultural maturity, offering you panaceas for your social or pathological ills. Just as on your planet EARTH, if an engineer specializing in construction work were visiting a kindergarten, it would never occur to him to do violence to the normal cycle of infant education by trying to explain to the UYIIE (children) how to build the arches of a bridge with keystones of pretended concrete."

And then again, further on, they make this surprising statement, inset in a box to emphasise its importance:

"This is all that we ask: You can disbelieve us. You can treat these concepts with mistrust. For the time being do not divulge them among the mass-communication media. You can even show yourselves sceptical in front of those OEMII (men) who are unfamiliar with your science (which science is analyzing these facts), but do not destroy these printed sheets. Along with a few thousand other sheets which have been secretly distributed, they constitute the historical beginnings of the first relations between our two hominid systems."

In this selfsame vein, they said the following in a previous report which they sent to Fernando Sesma:

"It is consequently not our intention to act as a Terrestrial International Police Force. We repeat that our passive mission of study and analysis prohibits our doing that.

"The reasons which induce us to remain hidden are several, but we can say straight away that fear of a possible aggressive reaction by the men of Earth is not one of them. And we continue to repeat, until you are tired of hearing it, that we have no interest in being believed by you. Some of you keep saying that we must 'give you proofs.'

"We still do not know what it is that in your childish fashion you are trying to say. We have already placed a number of technical ideas within your reach, but notwithstanding all this, your technicians who received them attributed them to eccentric scientists among your own people. Those who insist that they must TOUCH such proofs with their own hands do not perceive that their attitude is about as intelligent as the attitude of a peasant who doubts the reality of the LASER because he has never had one of these devices in his hands.

"But we repeat to you once again that *we respect your disbelief*. We can work much better in anonymity, and we are not going to be so naive as to present ourselves to you ostentatiously simply in order that you may be satisfied.