generating "false reports." But in fact during that time, the number of new sightings actually *decreased*. For my part, *Nova* often referred to me as "a therapist," though they are well aware that I've never made that claim and have never charged an abductee a penny for any help I've given.

But the acceptance of false information isn't the worst result of *Nova's* deceptions. Far more damaging is the fact that anyone currently thinking of going public with a personal abduction account will be extremely hesitant to do so. Any physicians, policemen, psychiatrists, scientists, military officers or the like who have experienced UFO abductions will now have even more reason to keep silent. Having seen how *Nova* distorted and dismissed other abductees' accounts, few of these potentially valuable new witnesses will agree to step forward. In the light of all this, it's fair to describe *Nova* as having both tampered with evidence and intimidated future wit-

nesses.

On top of everything, Ms. Dilanni's show was hyped for all the sensationalism and controversy that *Nova* could squeeze out of the subject, going so shamelessly low as to beg the on-camera abductees to appear in advertising spots without first informing them how they would be treated on the programme. It was as if innocent people were being asked to sell tickets to their own public humiliation. What *Nova* produced was not a science programme but a kind of middle-brow Jenny Jones or Geraldo. Denise Dilanni and executive producer Paula Apsell and all those responsible for the final edit of this show should be ashamed of themselves.

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## **GIANTS ENCOUNTERED IN ISRAEL**

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[In FSR 39/4 (1994) we published an article on UFO sightings and landings in Israel by the Israeli political writer Barry Chamish, and we now give below a further extraordinary report from him. EDITOR]

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Gordon Creighton, Hello!

I thought I'd offer you an update on the Israel situation, in continuation to my report published by you in FSR 39/4.

In January 1994 the Sightings programme hired me as an adviser to their crew, and we filmed some quite indisputable scenes. What follows below is my diary of our filming. The first programme will be broadcast on SKY at the same time as this letter reaches you.

Be well, Best,

Barry Chamish.

#### Dec. 8, 1994.

Two weeks ago, I sent the manuscript of my book on recent Israeli UFO incidents, along with photographic and physical evidence, to Paramount Studios in Hollywood, where the *Sightings* programme is produced. Today I received a call from the show's producer hiring me to arrange a few days shooting for the programme beginning January 11.

**December 22**, 1994. A Haifa resident, Yossi Torner, took a photograph of a large UFO over the city, and it appeared in the country's biggest circulation newspaper, *Yediot Ahronot*. The newspaper refused to return the negative claiming it had been lost. All other shots on the film are returned.

First week of January, 1995. Tuesday and Saturday — After a lull of a year and a half, the aliens return to Israel. In 1993, strange giants over seven feet tall were seen and spoken to by four professional women in their

late 30s, three in the area of Kadima, forty miles north of Tel Aviv, and one in Rishon Letzion, twenty miles south of the city.

On Tuesday evening at 8.30, two male residents of Yatzitz, a farm village ten miles east of Rishon Letzion. are terrified to see a giant outside the home of Herzl Casatini, the area security chief. Casatini describes the creature as nine feet tall, wearing shiny metallic clothing, its face obscured by a strange misty glow. He notifies the police who arrive and find peculiar tracks outside his window. Fearing a terrorist incursion, dozens of army and security personnel are called in to investigate. They trace the tracks of two separate creatures for eight kilometres to the village of Karmei Yosef, which had been the scene of a week of UFO activity the year before. The tracks sank 35 cm into the hard ground, and estimates of the weight of whatever made them are in the range of a ton. The tracks are of shoes but the walker stepped on his soles, in tippy toe fashion. The heel sinks only 5cm. Investigators jumping on the ground can only make tracks of a few millimetres in depth. The tracks reveal a gait of from a few feet up to twelve feet, meaning the beings occasionally literally floated between steps. Casatini becomes very ill the next day with an enlarged gonad. Doctors have no explanation for his condition.

At 6.am on Saturday morning, Memuneh Guata, a fortyish resident of the farm village of Porat, three miles from Kadima, awoke to feed her animals. She ventured

into the eerie silence to find carnage. Her dog breathed its last breath in her arms. Its eyes had been surgically removed without blood. Her thirty-five chickens were dead, literally frozen in their place. Her three sheep were dead with perfectly round holes drilled into their cheeks. By May, they had still not rotted in the village dump, and were in a mummified state.

#### Jan. 11 1995.

Sightings cameraman Phil Lapkin arrives. His first two days are spent filming witnesses to the Haifa (Shikmona Beach) and Kadima landings. On the evening of his second day, a UFO is witnessed in Kadima by an American new immigrant and his son. Local researchers found the landing site in the morning and we arrive. The circle is huge, eighteen metres in diameter, and it still smells acrid. When we put our hands in the crushed grass they are coated with the red fluid we assume is the same cadmium-based oil left in the Kadima circles of 1993. Also found were the shards of shiny material previously tested by the Israeli Geological Institute and found to be pure silicon. Some shards weigh over a pound. Ufologist Zvi Bighest photographs the area. He develops the shots and from a distance bald, round-faced creatures appear in five of them. They appear to be observing us. Lapkin takes the photos back to America and we are still eagerly awaiting analysis. We all agree the images are hard to explain but are they really invisible aliens?

#### Jan. 15, 1995.

We visit Hanna Samech, a witness, at her home in Burgata, two miles from Kadima. In June 1993, she saw her barking dog fly in the air and smash against her kitchen wall. She went outside to investigate but was prevented by an invisible shield. She then saw the giant alien and demanded to know what he did with her dog. He smiled wryly and replied that he could do the same thing to her if he wanted to but simply didn't feel like it. The alien's ship left a 4.5 metre circle with the red oil within.

Hanna's married daughter lives in a neighbouring home fifty yards away. Three days before, the aliens visited her. There are circles about a metre in diameter from Hanna's front door to her daughter's bedroom window. I count eighteen of them. Whatever made the circles was a powerful force that crushed bushes and small trees. The alien stood over the daughter's bed and held her hand. Hanna claims on camera that the aliens have been visiting her for years and that when she was twenty five, they removed her baby from her womb. She also stated that she is called by name telepathically from time to time.

#### February, 1995.

The Sightings staff inform me that the material is so strong that a decision has been made to broadcast four segments instead of the intended two. Two video-tapes of UFOs had been verified as real, the oily grass within the Kadima circles had "conformed in molecular struc-

ture with circles found worldwide" and the silvery shards were indeed silicon-based but "with some very unusual characteristics."

#### March, 1995.

Two giants are witnessed again. In Afula, twenty miles east of Kadima, four astonished young women watched an oversized hairy bouncing head in their apartment garden for twenty minutes before the appearance of a seven foot giant in the adjacent parking lot sent them scurrying in terror. All witnesses felt the giant was female. A week later a giant male was sighted by a young woman near Ramat Hasharon not far from Tel Aviv. Plaster casts taken at the site showed a similar track to that of the Yatzitz visitors.

On a Tuesday evening in mid-March, the popular national television programme, the *Ruby Show*, devoted an hour to the wave of sightings and strange occurrences, I was invited as a guest along with Casatini, Guata, Batya Shimon, who had two visitations in Rishon Letzion, and Jonathan G., the American immigrant who witnessed the January Kadima UFO. He brought a document with him from the Israeli Atomic Research Laboratory. Technicians there tested the shards and discovered them to be different from those of 1993. They were found to be 75.6% silicon but significant traces of a wide variety of elements including barium, rhodium, titanium, iron and aluminium were found. Batya informed me that the aliens still call to her by name telepathically.

The show was something of a set-up, with three debunkers as guests. Nevertheless, in my opinion, the sincerity of the witnesses wins the day. I explain that unless fifteen people who didn't know each other yet described seeing the same type of giant formed a conspiracy, there were, in fact, giants roaming Israel. I added that reports of giants in Israel were last made in the time of King David and that the biblical giants were the enemies of God and Israel. I noted that the re-appearance of giants is not necessarily a reason to celebrate.

The show was supposed to have been broadcast two weeks later, But, two months later, the show has still not been seen. I phone every week to find out why, and am told that it will be shown the next week. It never is and I'm beginning to become suspicious.

It is clear to me, as it is to all other Israeli ufologists, as it is to the producers of *Sightings*, that Israel is the scene of intense UFO activity, and the giants of the ships are leaving clues including the shards, oils and tracks as well as permitting themselves to be photographed and seen.

Of the fifteen people who have seen the giants, thirteen have been women and all contactees have been married women. No one has been hurt by the giants except Herzl Casatini and it is likely he was not meant to be a witness. Nonetheless, the behaviour of the tall visitors has been far from friendly and the goodness of their purpose is still in great doubt.

COMMENT BY EDITOR OF FSR: The big question now is of course this: Are these tall entities reported by so many people in Israel the same as Don Worley's "Nordics"?

# I. ABDUCTEE BRAINWASHING?

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[For far too long, some of us think, we have had to put up with a flood of platitudinous guff from abductees - mainly but by no means solely in the USA - who would have us firmly believe that despite having been poked and marked and probed and raped and sexually violated by "something" that isn't human, they are confident that it is all for the best and that their "visitors" are benign spiritual beings from altogether "higher worlds"!

Well now, it looks at last as though a few sharp-witted observers are beginning to speak up and to express grave doubts as to whether these poor folk who had suffered such foul traumatization and violation may not have also suffered some very smart brain-washing and brain-manipulation. It seems that in the USA a growing number of researchers and health area professionals who work with abductees are harbouring these doubts and suspicions.

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And I am delighted to be able to say that we have both her consent, and the consent of MUFON Journal Editor Dennis Stacy, for this most important article to be reprinted in FSR. To both of them we express our warmest thanks. The article originally appeared in MUFON UFO Journal for September 1995.

Editor, FSR]

ttitudes appear to be changing as many abductees who have been traumatized, physi cally abused and violated, are now saying that their abductors have only spiritual and/or benevolent motives behind their actions. This growing new trend is a concern to a number of researchers and health area professionals who work with abductees.

Many abductees who once reported tremendous fear of being taken repeatedly from their bedrooms and cars by non-human entities are now reporting being told by these entities that it was for their own good: that their fear was unwarrranted and was simply a product of the abductee's lack of understanding. In many cases, abductees who accept this explanation are also led to believe that technological advancement equals spiritual advancement. There is no logical reasoning for this, as spiritual advancement may run parallel to technological advancement, the two may not proceed along together at the same pace, or they may not run along together at the same pace, or they may not run along together at all. We cannot assume that where we find one we will find the other.(See Stalin's Russia and Hitler's Germany! ED. FSR).

I believe the reasoning put forth by these abductees to justify abduction is faulty. I am a hypnotherapist in Santa Barbara, California, working with abductees. I became personally involved in this situation when I watched two members of our support group change their stories from one meeting to the next. These were abductees who had been terrorized and abused for years and had only hatred for their abductors. Suddenly, their stories changed and they both, independently of each

other, began saying that recently they were shown that everything that had been done to them was for their own good and facilitated their spiritual growth.

With regard to this, Dr. Karla Turner, in a paper she presented to the MUFON 1994 International UFO Symposium, said the following: "It is odd, however, that such growth seems to come to abductees only after they are aware of their experiences. If indeed this growth is produced by the aliens, then it should have been there long before the abductees were conscious of their evidence of alien involvement since early childhood. The psychic increase and growth of perceptive abilities indicate a different genesis - an internal evolution of consciousness - stemming from our need to know what is and has been done to us and what we can do to meet the situation in a more empowered state. Survivors of great catastrophes such as hurricanes, earthquakes, and war may be crushed by the impact of these events ... or they may find a new resilience, rising to the occasion and reacting with abilities they didn't know they possessed. Given the vast intrusive activities of the abduction scenario, our species may well feel such a threat or stress that a mutational or evolutionary leap is occurring today. ... If this is indeed the case, then any spiritual growth is the abductee's own doing at a deep level of consciousness, and is not coming from an abducting entity".

There can be a number of reasons why an abductee changes his mind. One that has been put forth a number of times is what is termed the Stockholm Syndrome, also the Hostage Syndrome, where a person who has been kidnapped or captured eventually comes to sympathise with and even grow fond of his captors. With some abductees, I believe that this may be occurring. However, I think we are seeing something else happening with this attitude change that goes beyond the easy answer of the Stockholm Syndrome.

Because I was disturbed by the attitude change of the abductees I knew and of many others I had been hearing about, I wrote a letter in February to a group of abductees who were reachable through computer online services. I also posted my letter to a number of bulletin boards on the Internet and asked that abductees please respond with their thoughts and feelings about the situation. I'd like to mention a few of the points I made in my letter and then share with all of you some of the responses I received from people.

In my letter, I stated that by the very meaning of the word, abduction implies being taken against one's will with no say in the matter. It can include experiencing painful physical procedures, being lied to and given screen memories, being mentally terrorized, and being paralyzed, manipulated and controlled. There is noth-