the cause of the deaths. And all that is very bad too.

But that's not the end of it. Both in some of the cases investigated by Dr. Carlos Soto and in some of those investigated by myself, it has been found that the blood of the animal does not coagulate, or takes a very long time to do so, and that there is also no rigor mortis, rigidity, which is quite abnormal.

Once again, if that were to be found in only one case, it would maybe pass as being just fortuitous, but when you find it in a whole lot of cases it turns into a disturbing pattern and one for which there is also no easy scientific explanation.

It is certain that, as we have seen, the Authorities are

thrashing about wildly in an attempt to silence public opinion which is clamouring for serious explanations to the enigma of the killings and to the apparitions of the strange creatures.

And why is it that the Authorities are behaving like this Is it that maybe they know something about what lies behind the enigma and they are refusing to reveal it because they are of the opinion that the public is not prepared for accepting it? And maybe the UFO Phenomenon is indeed linked to the matter?

In our next issue we shall analyze certain cases which do appear to indicate precisely that.

II. HOW THE GOVERNOR OF PUERTO RICO SAW A LARGE UFO ENTER THE SEA, AND HOW IT WAS "HUSHED UP"! © BY JORGE MARTÍN, Editor of EVIDENCIA OVNI (PUERTO RICO) and FSR Consultant.

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The United States Government is at present engaged in a project of very great importance, namely the possible transfer of the U.S. Army's Southern Command from its present base in the Panama Canal to a new position in Puerto Rico, this change being necessitated by the fact that shortly the sovereignty over the Panama Canal Zone will revert to the Panamanian Republic.

In the early hours of May 1, 1997, aboard a U.S. warship anchored off the U.S. Naval Station at Roosevelt Roads, at the eastern end of the Island of Puerto Rico, the Governor of the Island, the Honourable Sr. Pedro Roselló González, was engaged in a top secret discussion with top U.S. Naval representatives about the problems involved in such a transfer, when suddenly - around 1.00 a.m. we are told, a large brilliantly lighted UFO of disc type appeared overhead, flew around silently for a while

above the ship and then plunged, also silently, into the sea. One of those personalities who were present with the Governor and witnessed this incident has informed me that it made an immense impression on the Governor and all who were there with him.

I have confirmed through another confidential channel that the incident did occur as I have related it, and that the Governor of Puerto Rico was indeed one of the witnesses. And this confidential source said this to me:

"Look Martin, I don't understand how it is that you know about this. But yes - it did happen. Well now -don't expect an official statement from the Governor, because he isn't going to make one. If of course the U.S. Government says anything about it, well then yes, he could say something. Meanwhile, don't even dream of it!"



A E R I A L VIEW OF A R E C I B O O B S E R V A -TORY.

Courtesy of the NAIC- Arecibo Observatory, a facility of the NSF...David Parker/Science Photo Library

III. A LETTER TO TIMOTHY GOOD FROM THE GOVERNOR OF PUERTO RICO.

(Supplied by the courtesy of Mr Timothy Good.)

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The Governor of Puerto Rico

October 7, 1999

Mr. Timothy Good 20 Morley Court 78 The Avenue Beckenham, Kent BR3 5EY United Kingdom

Dear Mr. Good:

Thank you for the letter of September 24 in which you request that I respond to two questions regarding an "alien presence" in Puerto Rico.

I commend you for having invested so much time and energy to investigating a topic which – though fascinating – inevitably provokes scorn and even ridicule in many quarters.

Accepting your inquiry in the best of good faith, I can assure you that nothing I have heard, read or experienced has given me any reason to believe that extraterrestrial creatures have ever visited Earth. Please accept this as a categorical affirmation of total ignorance on the subject, because the preceding sentence is emphatically not a "craftily-worded" disclaimer designed to withhold any item or items of information.

That said, I appreciate your interest in the United States' Island of Enchantment in the Caribbean Sea, and hope you will contact me at once if your research eventually yields tangible evidence that Puerto Rico has been visited by beings from other worlds.

Sincerely,

Pedro Rosselló

IV. A SECOND LETTER TO TIMOTHY GOOD FROM THE GOVERNOR OF PUERTO RICO.

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The Governor of Puerto Rico



November 29, 1999

Mr. Timothy Good 20 Morley Court 78 The Avenue Beckenham, Kent BR3 5EY United Kingdom

Dear Mr. Good:

Like its predecessor, your missive of November 17 was most welcome. My only regret is that I appear to have been unsuccessful in my earnest effort to impress upon you that I am hiding nothing that might even remotely be relevant to your research project.

So let me try again.

Never has any government official or institution directly or indirectly briefed me, or otherwise provided me with information, either on the topic of unidentified flying objects or with respect to evidence that the Earth may at some time have been visited by extraterrestrial creatures.

On one or more occasions during my incumbency, I have been aboard United States Navy vessels. On no such occasion, however, has anything transpired that could even remotely be deemed pertinent to your studies.

I do not recall whether I was aboard a Navy vessel on May 1, 1997, but I shall have my scheduler look into that and I shall be in touch with you once more as soon as we have the answer.

Although I appreciate your sharing with me a draft excerpt from your next book, it seems premature to give it my blessing because this and my forthcoming letter to you will presumably require amending that passage. Yet I do note that your quotation misspells the word "visited" in the sentence that concludes with the words, "... creatures have ever visited Earth."

With great interest, I await the arrival of ALIEN BASE. Meanwhile, I look forward to being back in touch with you shortly.

Sincerely,

Pedro Rossello

* COMMENT BY EDITOR OF FSR.

Do the rest of us perhaps commence to know enough by now to perceive that His Excellency Governor Rossello of Puerto Rico may quite possibly NOT have been lying about the source and home of strange craft and strange creatures that have been observed or encountered in or over his Island? -G.C.

MORE PLANETS. BY GORDON CREIGHTON.

I. EXTERNAL.

In FSR 45/2 mention was made of recently discovered planets outside of our own Solar System. In May of this year European astronomers using the European Southern Observatory at La Silla (Chile) announced the finding of eight more "probables" orbiting around other stars in our Galaxy, thus taking the total so far to 43. [For full information please see the website of the European Southern Observatory at http://www.eso.org/outreach/press-rel/pr-2000/pr-13-00.html]

One of them, around a star in the Constellation of Scutum, appeared to have about 80% of the mass of our Saturn, and also to be one of the smallest of these newly found planets. Two others, a bit bigger than Saturn, were found orbiting around star No. HD83443 in the Constellation of Vela, and around star No. HD 108147 in the Constellation of Crux.

Three others are considerably larger. One of them, orbiting around star No. HD 52265, in the Constellation of Monoceros, appears to be about the same size as our Jupiter. Another, around star No. 82943 in the Constellation of Hydra is 2.2. times the size of Jupiter, while one more, orbiting around star 169830, in the Constellation of Sagittarius, is almost three times the size of Jupiter!

I recall the very interesting work, in the early 1950s, of the American astronomer Drake, who claimed to have found evidence that about 50% of the stars in our own Galaxy were spinning at far greater speeds than the other 50%. And this, he theorized, might be explicable by the fact that older stars would, in the natural course of their evolution, have developed little families of planets which would inevitably act as "brakes" and slow them down. Does it all indicate that this pioneer, Drake, was right in his theorizing?

II. "DOMESTIC".

In October 1999 there was excitement over reports that two different astronomical research teams had stated that they have evidence which seems to confirm the old tales or rumours of an enormous new "planet-like body" lying far beyond the orbit of Pluto and possibly orbiting our Solar System at a distance of 3 trillion miles (half a light year).

Discussing this, Dr. John Murray of the British Open University says he has been studying incoming comets which seem to have been ejected from the extremely remote Oort Cloud by some powerful gravitational force.

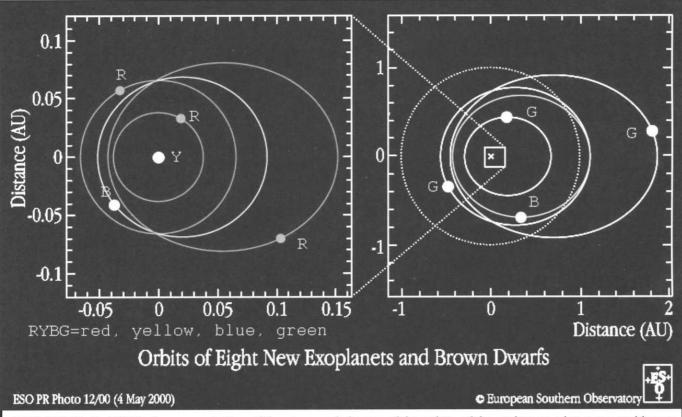
He has analysed 13 of these comets in detail, and he says: "I feel the effect is pretty conclusive. I have calculated that there is only about a one in 1,700 chance that this is in fact 'all due to chance'!"

In his report to the Royal Astronomical Society he suggested that this so-far unseen great planet is "several times the size of Jupiter". And he says a queer thing about it is that it seems to be orbiting our Sun "in the wrong direction - contrary to the orbit of all known planets.

This could mean that the huge object may be a so-called 'rogue planet' that has drifted in from very Deep Space and has been captured by the gravity of our Sun!"

Physicists John Matese, Daniel Whitmire and Patrick Whitman, all of the University of Louisiana (Lafayette), have separately arrived at similar conclusions, and their findings are to be published in a future issue of *Icarus*.

In his own part of the study Dr. John Matese says the new arrival may be a "brown dwarf", and he estimates its mass at three times that of Jupiter. G.C.



ESO PR Photo 12/00 A representation of the sizes and shapes of the orbits of the eight new planetary and browndwarf candidates. The colours indicate the deduced minimum masses: about one Saturn mass or less (red); between 1 and 3 Jupiter masses (green); above 10 Jupiter masses (blue). The dashed line indicates the size of the Earth's orbit (radius 150 million km).