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EDITORIAL

A QUESTION OF "ALLERGY"?

From whatever angle one views us, we British do undoubtedly appear to be quite a strange people. Our contribution to human civilisation over the past thousand years, and our influence in making for the general welfare and betterment of mankind, have been unsurpassed and all of it within the framework of what we have been calling a "Christian" society.

And yet, as the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr George Carey, says, we are not really a very religious people. A few years ago, it may be recalled, he said that Britain "has an allergy to religion", and last week he has felt himself obliged to recognise that "a tacit atheism" now prevails here. I am sure he is entirely right.

Unquestionably the perfunctory practice of church-going has fallen off immensely, as I have been able to observe in the course of my own rather long life. But I would never have felt that the mere perfunctory church attendance could have meant much anyway. (Was it not largely a social or tribal habit?)

But it would have been a vastly different matter had one been considering a much deeper question -the habit and practice of prayer.

I recall that in my childhood there were often moments when one could really feel that there was in our nation a profound sense of prayer -for example as on such unforgettable occasions as when, at the close of a football match at Wembley Stadium, one had the spectacle of massed thousands singing *Abide With Me*, with the King sitting there with his people. Who imagines that there could be anything like that now?

With regard to the matter of prayer, the

mystical writers of the Russian Orthodox Church had an interesting concept -not known among us, I believe -the concept of "prayer of the heart" -a system of what one might call "permanent inner prayer". It is a great pity that our people here know nothing of such a practice.

And it might be well to recall that, in those very special "Monthly Messages" that have been coming for years past from the Catholic community of Medjugorje in Bosnia, there has always been an intense and steady insistence on the power and value that prayer could have for mankind if only we humans could awaken sufficiently to perceive the reality of our own situation.

In one particular message, as I well recall, the Lady's emphasis was on what might be brought about, what changes wrought, in our lives -even changes of climatic and environmental conditions -if only humans could grasp the meaning and the potentialities of prayer!

In Britain as it is now, we might think that we have moved a long, long way from the days when, at a football match, attended by the Monarch himself, a vast crowd would be singing *Abide With Me!* -and with what fervour...

Nevertheless I find myself wondering how much praying we are going to see here again, in a near future, when the crunch really starts! Were I "a betting man", I think I would feel inclined to wager pretty heavily that, before very long, an awful lot of praying will be going on in these parts. G.C.■

MORE UFOS SEEN AT ARECIBO RADIO

OBSERVATORY: CONTACT ALREADY? ALIEN INTERVENTION?

OR SECRET GOVERNMENT EXPERIMENTS? © BY JORGE

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CONSULTANT. (Translation from Spanish G.C., EVIDENCIA OVNI No. 18, 1998)

We learn that the SETI Programme has started up again in Puerto Rico, with fresh private funding of \$40m aimed at securing proof of extraterrestrial life.

Twenty years ago - in 1974 - from the Arecibo Radio Observatory a powerful electronic signal lasting three minutes was sent out to star-cluster M13. It gave the following details about us:-

- (1) In binary code, our numbers 1 10.
- (2) The elements. Our atomic numbers: 1,6,7,8,15 for our key elements for life hydrogen, carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, and phosphorous.
- (3) The DNA. The chemical blocks of the construction of the DNA, the genetic human material.
- (4) The DNA Double Helix
- (5) The physical shape of man, and the human population, and a general statistical résumé of it.
- **(6)** Our Solar System, Sun, and Planets, with the emphasis on position of our own Planet, Earth.
- (7) The Arecibo Radio Telescope, scheme of its lay-out, its size, and the figures for the wave-length used in the transmissions.

Along with this new SETI initiative, to be known as PROJECT PHOENIX, production teams arrived in Puerto Rico recently from the TV *Discovery* channel, the newspaper *NEW YORK TIMES*, and *the NATIONAL GEOGRAPHICAL JOURNAL*.

In order to improve signal reception from Outer Space, a new building, a Gregorian Dome, 70 ft in diameter, weighing 75 tons, and costing \$25,000,000, has been installed. This Dome, with its accompanying technical equipment, will increase the efficiency of signal reception from its present figure - namely a capacity to study 1,000 stars - to a capacity for studying some 100,000.

It is estimated that in our Galaxy, the MILKY WAY, there are about 400,000,000 stars, many of which may

have planets and maybe have advanced life. The estimate is that at least one in every 400,000 stars might have civilization.

The well known American astronomer Dr. Jill TARTER (who was the inspiration for the leading figure-played by Jodie Foster - in the film CONTACT, based on Carl Sagan's book) is going to spend five years here at the Arecibo Observatory along with a team of international astronomers, one of them being the well known scientist DR. SETH SHOSTAK.

All of this is splendid news for Puerto Rico, and puts us right in the centre of the international picture!

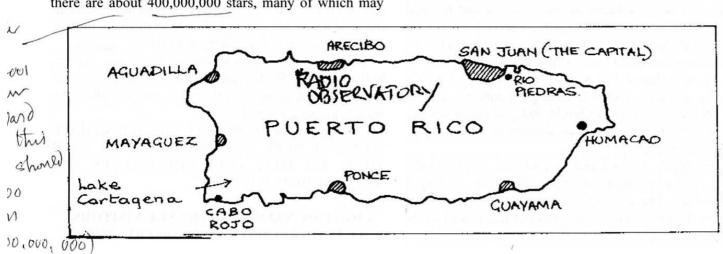
But let us now describe a series of events that are so far quite unknown to the Puerto Rico public and also to the international public, and which appear to suggest that personnel of the Arecibo Radio Observatory, and very possibily also personnel of the Security Services of the United States, might in fact *already be in touch with* "somebody" very strange indeed.

Some of these happenings to which I now refer were already mentioned in our last issue (EVIDENCIA OVNI No. 17), but here we are now going to give you more details.

CONTACT AT ARECIBO RADIO OBSERVATORY?

From the end of September 1998 onwards, the family of Sr. William Jiménez have been living as refugees from *Hurricane "George"* in a house in the Esperanza suburb, right beside the Arecibo Observatory, their own home having been badly damaged by the storm.

In the very early hours of October 9, 1998 - i.e. some 18 days after the Hurricane - the family were awakened by one of their sons who had just got back from his night-shift work and who was calling to them to come outdoors and see something enormous flying overhead. Sr. Jiménez, the father, described it to us thus:



"It was about 1.30 a.m. Our son woke us up to go out and see the great oval light - rather longer than wide, and almost rectangular - moving slowly overhead, enveloped in a yellowish glow.

"As it passed over the house we could see that it had five very powerful white lights set in the form of a cross, and in the middle of three of them was a red light and also an amber-coloured (yellowish-orange) light. There were seemingly seven *independent* lights - not necessarily forming one solid mass.

"At first there was scarcely much sound from it - just a faint, low 'bru-bru-bru'.

"It was astounding to see such an immense thing right there so close to us, just above us. It performed a circular movement and then went off, seemingly in the direction of the Observatory, and was now making a noise like a rocket. It was bigger than the largest U.S. military cargoplanes, which are *enormous*.

"It headed off towards the West, then performed one more circle, and was finally gone".

We asked him if he thought the people at the Arecibo Radio Observatory could possibly have failed to see it? He replied that obviously they MUST HAVE done!

A SAUCER AT EL MIRADOR.

When, in one of our Thursday 9.30 p.m. *Noturno* radio programmes, we were describing this experience of the Jiménez family, calls came in from several other people living in the same area where the Observatory is and reporting things they had seen.

One of them, a Sr. Guillermo Acevedo, came and gave us a personal account of something of enormous interest and enormous implications.

Here is his statement, from which you will see why! It is of something that he and his wife and a group of other people, all dwelling in the Hato Viejo suburb (close to the Radio Observatory), had seen in May or June of 1994:

"It was between 2.30 and 3.00 p.m. We were visiting friends at Hato Viejo who live high up on the mountainside. We were on the balcony of their house, looking out over an area called El Mirador on Highway No. 10 leading to Utuado, and we saw something flashing brightly in the sunshine, and it was vast, enormous. And it was on the ground, landed, and silent!

"It was dazzlingly bright. A few minutes later, it rose up slightly from the ground, then dipped down again, then shot away suddenly at such a speed that it could never have been from this Earth. I served in the U.S. Navy, and I've been in the biggest Navy bases, and I know of nothing that could go at such a speed as that did!

"It was shaped like a round hat - a topee - with a cupola, and a completely circular great outer rim around it. It was so dazzlingly bright that you could not say what metal it was - not even aluminium is that bright. More like nickel!

"Suddenly it tipped, and we could see, just below the rim, a sort of platform with things like rays - looking, I should say, like a lot of little steps. Before the craft departed the platform was drawn in and disappeared below the round saucer-shaped craft.

"It was a fine sunny day, and when that thing took off like a shot, there was a pretty loud explosion, like a mighty clap of thunder, and the ground where we were shook! It was like one of those explosions you hear when the soundbarrier is broken, and there was an echo after it.!"

But the greatest surprise for the whole party watching came a few moments after it had gone. Sr. Acevedo went on:

"Before that, I had never believed much in those things. But now I know that they exist and that they are here, and I know they have got contact with people here. Because when that thing took off, a van was where it had been standing.

"It was a white van, with heavily darkened windows, and it went off towards the north, as though to Arecibo. Whether bound for there or for San Juan or Mayaguez I don't know, but I do know it went off up the No. 10.

"It was totally white, seemed new, and was totally closed. No side-windows or rear window - only darkened glass, on the two front doors and on the windscreen.

"I wanted to follow that van, but my wife was nervous, and wouldn't let me..... I would like to have seen what sort of person was driving that van and what sort of relationship he had to that *thing!*"

In conclusion, Sr. Acevedo said this: "When I saw that, I couldn't help thinking that here in Puerto Rico, and especially this region around here (where the Observatory is) something very very queer is going on. People are being misled about it all. I used to think none of it was true - I didn't believe a word of it. But now, after seeing that thing, I'm convinced that they exist and that they are watching us. They are studying our actions, and we are being accompanied, all the time, by something that is not of earthly origin.

"But what intrigues me most of all is that van." BECAUSE WHOEVER WAS IN THAT VAN IS CONNECTED WITH WHOEVER WAS IN THAT UFO THING. WE QUITE DEFINITELY ARE NOT ALONE, AND THERE IS SOMEONE HERE WHO IS IN CONTACT WITH THEM. THE U.S. INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES MUST HAVE PEOPLE HERE IN PUERTO RICO WHO ARE IN CONTACT WITH THEM!"

"Furthermore, the lady in whose house we were at Hato Viejo told us that her sons, who get home late at night, had told her that during the nights and the early hours of the mornings they have seen lights and shining objects coming down and landing at that very same spot, and had often said they wanted to go out down there to see what it was, but she never would let them go, for fear that something bad might happen to them."

Another witness with whom we talked was Señora Sylvia Acevedo, Sr. Acevedo's wife. When we asked her for her opinion about what they had seen, and about the white van, her comment was:

"IT HAS GOT TO BE THAT THE ALIENS HAVE SOMEONE HERE WHO IS IN CONTACT WITH THEM, OR THAT THEY THEMSELVES ARE ALREADY HERE WITH US".

LIGHT SIGNALS AND STRANGE VISITORS AT THE ARECIBO RADIO OBSERVATORY.

While we were investigating the UFO events that had happened in the Arecibo area in the course of the Hurricane, we received other very important reports. And one of these reports came to us from someone in the Puerto Rico Police and who himself lives in Hato Viejo, close to the Observatory.

As to the identity and rank of this Police Officer in question, we shall continue to keep them both strictly confidential and for obvious reasons, as you will realize when you know what he told us. For he gave us details of something very alarming that he himself had seen in October and November of 1994.

He said: "Behind my house are some mountains and the Arecibo Radio Observatory lies on the other side of those mountains.

"One night we saw a number of lights coming out of the area of the Observatory. There were lots of those lights, of laser type and of various colours. It lasted for several minutes, and we saw light beams of various shades, white, greenish, reddish.

"Then, after those lights, a big object, shaped like a cylinder suspended vertically, appeared right above the Radio Observatory. It was simply enormous, and covered in a green glow emanating from it.

"Behind it there were some immense clouds and it was hanging there beneath them. And behind the clouds you could seen an intensely bluish-white light - as bright as lightning - but it was *not lightning*, because it was constant, for spells of five to seven minutes or so at a time. Underneath the clouds all was dark.

"It was about 9.30 a.m. when that happened. The cylinder hung there for several minutes, and then suddenly it, and also the glow behind the clouds, vanished.

"There were also lights shining up from below, and without any doubt, because I live in the area and I know, those lights were coming from the area of the Radio Observatory. There were lights, beams of red light, and white flashes. There were some beams that were very fine and narrow, and there were others that were wider."

And, as he went on, he said this: "I don't have any explanation as to how such a big object - the cylinder - could remain hanging and stationary up there. I know of no machine made by man that could do that.

"To start with you think, with a thing like that, that it must be some experimenting that they are doing there at the Radio Observatory, but then after that you begin to say to yourself 'Wait a minute - yes, I have seen displays with laser beams and light effects and that wasn't anything like any of it! That was something apart.... totally different. And nor had I ever seen anything, ever, like that enormous thing that was hanging up there".

As we chatted with this Officer, we suggested to him that, on the basis of the scene and of the facts described by him it would seem that somebody of the staff of the Observatory was making some kind of luminous signals to someone else, and that this someone else - in the cylinder - was answering the signals.

His instant comment was as follows: "Yes - that is it what it seemed to be - a communication - and that 'somebody' was answering. That is the impression that one gets.

"Now over the course of all these years that have passed since then I've been thinking about this matter, and, like you, I have come to the conclusion that yes, they were indeed communicating, they were in some way or another each in contact with the other. That is positive and that is definite. There *is* something This sort of thing, these sorts of sightings, there is a lot of talk about them here." Those were his words.

OUR OWN FINAL COMMENTS.

As we said at the beginning, all this has profound implications. And why do we say this? It is because, analyzing what the eywitnesses say they have seen, it is impossible not to speculate that the Government of the United States has involved the Island of Puerto Rico in one or other of the two following scenarios:

SCENARIO NO. 1: Puerto Rico is being used as the testing-ground for trying out a new aeronautical technology capable of overcoming gravity. These new craft would be of "flying saucer type", or of triangular craft type.

SCENARIO NO.2: Puerto Rico could be being used in establishing and testing contact with beings of extraterrestrial or alien origin.... and the region of the Arecibo Radio Observatory and other adjacent areas in particular are being utilized for this purpose.

The statement made to us by the Puerto Rico Police Officer who lives near the Radio Observatory about what he had seen in 1994 when large numbers of coloured beams of light were sent out into Space after which an enormous unidentified cylindrical object lit with a greenish glow came down and remained stationary above the Radio Observatory for a few minutes would seem to indicate that such is the case.

We can only think that what happened was indeed the result of some type of communication. Which therefore implies that the Arecibo Radio Observatory has possibly succeeded in making contact with intelligences - possibly extraterrestrial ones - some time ago and, if this is so, it would be a fact of vastly transcendental importance which has been kept hidden from the public of the world.

On the other hand however, the Police Officer's account is very like the scenes of the moment of contact with alien beings in Steven Spielberg's film CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE THIRD KIND. This might of course be mere 'coincidence', but it would seem to us to be a very curious 'coincidence.'

A few days ago, Sr. Francisco Vázquez of the Municipality of Manatí told us (quite independently of what the Police Officer had said) that he had watched a similar situation from the Esperanza Beach at Manatí one night in the summer of 1996, when he and several friends had seen a lot of bright laser-type coloured light beams, white and green, being sent up into Space from the area where the Radio Observatory is located.

It had lasted for some three minutes. After that, as it seemed in response to the lights from the Observatory, a

series of bright light beams, white and reddish-magenta, came down out of the sky towards the site of the Observatory. As Sr. Vázquez said to me "It looked like a communication from somebody up there".

On the other hand, what Sr. Guillermo Acevedo saw clearly implies that here among us *someone is in contact* with the crews of some of the UFOs seen over the Arecibo area.

Let us remember that the disc-shaped craft seen by him and his wife and their friends at El Mirador on Highway No. 10 was standing on the ground with, protruding from it, a platform with what seemed to be a flight of steps.

WHO OR WHAT USED THE STEPS? WHO WAS DRIVING THE WHITE VAN WITH DARK SMOKED WINDOWS THAT MOVED AWAY FROM THE SPOT WHEN THE SAUCER HAD LEFT?

Clearly (or so we hope) the driver must have been a human. BUT WERE THE CREW OF THE SAUCER HUMANS, OR WERE THEY ALIENS?

For the moment, the question remains unanswered and, as I have said, we cannot exclude the possibility that all of it is air and ground experiments of the U.S.A. using very, very advanced technology - possibly of an antigravitational nature.

But if so, well then - how could all that fit in, maybe, with what happened during HURRICANE GEORGE?

BEYOND PROJECT "PHOENIX".

Here at our publishing office of EVIDENCIA OVNI, we have received confidential information that the contact with beings of other worlds has already taken place.

According to our sources, whose identities we must for the time being keep confidential, both for their security and also in order to avoid reprisals against ourselves for revealing this, the world powers, and most particularly the United States, have contacts and agreements with various species of extra-terrestrial or alien beings.

Among these various species are several types of the so-called "Greys" and one of very human aspect but with pale and pinkish skin and fair or white - very white - hair.

It is claimed that the U.S.A. is in contact, in Puerto

Rico, with this last-mentioned "human" E.T. type, and trials are going on here, in Puerto Rico, relating to contacts between the Aliens and the population of our Island.

At the same time, alien technology is being tried out and tested on our Island, including the use of new types of craft of mixed terrestrial and alien technology, with mixed crews of aliens and terrestrials.

There are also tests going on with specifically extraterrestrial types of craft which the aliens are revealing to us but only up to a certain extent, in accordance with various agreements already concluded. (This would account for the big triangular and circular craft recently seen over Puerto Rico, as reported by us in recent issues of this magazine - Nos. 13, 14,15,16,17).

All this would likewise account for the extraordinary activities around the Arecibo Observatory, (where some of the alien craft may actually be kept).

The type of aliens involved in this collaboration with the U.S.A. are the tall human-like "Nordics" or "Albinos", and they are now planning to let mankind know officially that they are here and have been here for quite some time.

These revelations are supposedly to be made at or around the year 2,000, and "would involve changes in how we do things on this planet". (Our source did not explain what those changes would be). Our source also indicated that there is still a situation of some distrust between the two sides.

AN EXPLANATION FOR THE HAPPENINGS DURING THE HURRICANE.

This is merely our theory, and we may not be right. But it seems to us that the demonstrations of the capacities of the alien craft during the very height of the hurricane could have been *designed* to indicate to the U.S. authorities how incredibly advanced this alien technology is which can operate in the midst of such storm conditions!

And the hurricane also gave the aliens an unequalled opportunity for further close scanning of our attitudes and behaviours in the storm.

Such then, is our outline of the facts, and it is now for you, our readers, to draw your own conclusions.■

MORE ON JILL TARTER! BY GORDON CREIGHTON.

In his foregoing article, Jorge Martín informed us that a well known woman astronomer, Dr Jill Tarter, is going to spend five years at the Arecibo Radioastronomy Observatory in Puerto Rico along with a group of other top astronomers.

I found that statement intensely interesting, because here are two more remarkable items on Dr Jill Tarter, the second of which tells us not only a lot about herself and her qualifications,

but also reveals that she "is certain that her team will soon be making contact with aliens".

What's the betting that, in the light of the stream of reports that we have had from Jorge Martín, SUCH CONTACT HAS ALREADY BEEN MADE AND IS ON-GOING AT ARECIBO? AND IF AT ARECIBO, THEN AT MANY OTHER PLACES TOO? -G.C.

TELESCOPE TO SEARCH FOR ALIEN INTELLIGENCE. BY TIM FRIEND, *USA TODAY*, March 25th, 1999.

The world's first telescope dedicated primarily to the search for extraterrestrial intelligence will be built over the next four years and have the power to scan for signals at the edge of the universe, scientists announced Monday.

The unique radio telescope will be built by the

Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (SETI) Institute and the University of California-Berkeley, using 500 to 1,000 inexpensive antennas 12 to 18 feet in diameter and similar to backyard satellite dishes. the antennas will be electronically coupled to form a single "radio ear" spread out over 2.5 acres, or 1 hectare. It is called the One Hectare Telescope, or 1hT.

Leo Blitz, director of the UC-Berkeley Radio Astronomy Lab, says the new telescope will cost less than \$25 million and easily can be expanded by adding new antennas. It will be located at UC-Berkeley's Hat Creek Observatory in the mountains of northern California.

The SETI Institute is the privately funded radio astronomy group that listens for strong, single-frequency radio signals and pulsed signals that repeat. Such signals stand out markedly from the background hiss generated by different stars and natural objects in the universe. (The hissing sound you hear between radio stations is what the universe normally sounds like.)

Scientists have developed racing heartbeats on more

than one occasion after picking up signals from stray or secret satellites.

SETI is based on the idea that intelligent life beyond our solar system would generate radio waves similar to those made by humans on Earth. So far, SETI astronomers have had to rely on buying and competing for time at radio astronomy observatories such as Arecibo in Puerto Rico and the Very Large Array in New Mexico.

Now the group will have its own permanent site, reducing operating costs and dramatically increasing the amount of time spent on searches, SETI's Jill Tarter says.

The first task of the 1hT will be to search 1,000 nearby sunlike stars, then expand outward to 100,000 and finally to 1 million suns in the Milky Way. UC-Berkeley astronomers also will use the telescope to conduct studies of pulsars and to survey stars in other galaxies. Tarter says the telescope will have capabilities beyond those available on other radio telescopes.

Scientist Jill Tarter is certain that her team will soon be making Contact with aliens -from Daily Express, 24th April 1999.

In a laboratory high in the rainforest of Puerto Rico is a refrigerator -empty save for a bottle of champagne which has been there for more than two decades. The only event that will see it uncorked will be earth-shattering. It will be the day humankind learns that we are not alone.

A rather embarrassed NASA coughed up the funds for SETI -the project to Search for ExtraTerrestrial Intelligence -leaving a dedicated band of scientists to go it alone in their quest to detect a radio signal produced by aliens.

But SETI has had a string of recent discoveries which, says its chief scientist, Jill Tarter, indicate the champagne may well be opened rather sooner than anyone had expected.

Jill is the real-life model for Ellie Arrowway, the alienchasing boffin played by Jodie Foster in *Contact*, a recent movie based on the late Carl Sagan's novel; the two were good friends.

At a conference in Washington last week on the origins of the universe, she spoke exclusively to the *Express*.

Jill, 55, is as glamorous as her Hollywood counterpart -tall ("Jodie, who I got to know really well, comes up to my shoulder"), blond and very elegant. She got into the "bug-eyed monster" business by accident.

"I was approached back in the seventies -I was the only person who knew how to program the old computers they were using," she says. "I got hooked on the idea that astronomers and engineers could do experiments that would answer questions that, up to then, had only been tackled by philosophers."

She adds: "My eight-year-old daughter, asked in school what her mother did, said 'Look for little green men!' "

But SETI is not about searching for alien visistors or UFOs. Two huge radio telescopes at Arecibo in Puerto Rico, and Jodrell Bank in Cheshire, scan the skies searching for a "narrow-band" radio signal.

So far SETI has searched about 400 nearby stars for intelligent signals. It works on the assumption that aliens would put a message in "code" understandable by any intelligent life form -say a "language" based on the atomic spectrum of hydrogen -the most common element in the universe.

We cannot guess what aliens might want to say to us but it is possible that we would feel compelled to reply. But we may not want to broadcast our presence to possibly predatory species. Strict international protocol is in place to govern the nature and timing of any reply.

Jill says that several dozen interesting signals have so far been discovered, though none have been confirmed as alien signals. They could be radio blasts from natural objects such as pulsars or black holes, or possibly from satellites.

Many scientists outside SETI have been sceptical, but a string of exciting discoveries show that the chances of us being alone are very small. Many researchers now believe there is a good chance that life evolved on Mars. Even if Martians turn out to be bugs, the fact is that a kind of life has turned up on the first planet where we went looking for it.

As Jill says: "Finding a second genesis in our solar system will greatly increase the chances of life being ubiquitous in the universe."

Indeed, last Thursday, it was revealed that another entire solar system had been found, 44 light years away. Three planets orbit a sun-like star called Upsilon Andromedae

Finding a solar system so close, after so little searching, shows that planets orbiting stars must be the norm -and many astromers believe that planets around most stars in the galaxy equals billions of potential homes for life.

Even if only one per cent of **those** have advanced technology, that is still 100,000 advanced civilisations in the Milky Way alone.

Jill Tarter believes that computers will finally make SETI pay off. "Our new system is five times as good as the old one. In six years we will be able to search 100,000 stars."

With similar technology, an alien civilisation 10 light years away could detect our radio broadcasts with ease. But these advances, impressive as they are, used current telescopes; what SETI wants is its own dishes in the California desert that could listen to a million stars a decade.

"Bill Gates said no to helping us, for the time being," says Jill, although she is confident that with the fast-improving technology at her disposal (the current search is a trillion times more sensitive than when SETI began) champagne corks may be popping long before she retires.

"A signal would make us realise that the differences between us and this other species were vast. I would hope that this knowledge would trivialise the differences between us humans."

ENTITIES NEAR ARECIBO OBSERVATORY IN PUERTO RICO, © BY JORGE MARTÍN, Editor of EVIDENCIA OVNI (PUERTO RICO) and FSR Consultant. (Précis translation from Spanish. G.C., EVIDENCIA OVNI No. 20, 1999)

[As is known, Cornell University in the USA and the N.S.F. (National Science Foundation of the USA) are collaborating at the great radio-astronomical observatory at Arecibo (Puerto Rico) in a programme allegedly (?) of experimentation relating to the Ionosphere (?).

Some of the masts and antennae used by the Observatory stand on a well drained and dry little patch in the adjacent marshy area known as the Caño Tiburónes or Cienaga Tiburónes (meaning literally, in English, "Shark Channel" and "Shark Swamp" - though I have no idea what on earth *sharks* are likely to have to do with a *marsh*! G.C.)

For Jorge Martín's most important previous report on events around the Arecibo Observatory see my translation, from *EVIDENCIA OVNI* No. 17, *ARE UFOS WATCHING THE U.S. RADIO-ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATORY AT ARECIBO*?: *MAYBE CONTACT HAS ALREADY OCCURRED*?, which we published in our last issue, FSR 44/4 -EDITOR.]

The eyewitness in this case, Señor Juan B. López, informs me that at about 5.30 pm one day in 1990 he got on his bicycle and went to the Caño Tiburónes to inspect some fish-traps which he maintained in one of the lakes in the marsh, and he was astonished to see what at first he took to be "three small children" standing among the reeds there, with their backs turned towards him.

They seemed to be less than 4ft or so in height, and to be gazing fixedly at something in the water. Drawing nearer however he saw for a certainty that these were no "lost children" as he had surmised!

They were slim of build, clad in greyish-creamy coloured tight-fitting one-piece garments, with a touch of blue about them, and they were bare-headed, without helmets. He rode on past them to his fish-traps, thoroughly puzzled as to what *children* could be doing out there in the marsh!





For comparison: Entities reported in FSR 45/2.

He returned about 45 minutes or an hour later, having seen to his traps, and there the three beings still were, standing at precisely the same spot! So he stopped, and shouted to them: "Hi there! Are you all alone?"

Instantaneously the three figures whipped around, "in unison, just like robots" (1), and to his great astonishment, they had red eyes, from which came as it were red beams of light, and instantly he felt himself paralyzed and rooted to the spot, and a sensation came over him, like a douche of cold water covering him from head to feet.

He went on "And there they stood - just like triplets! (2) They were all of the same height, with scarcely any hair - just a fine little whitish woolly fuzz (lanita). I'd say they were fair-skinned - of a same over-all 'greyish-strawy' sort of complexion, big red luminous eyes emitting red light.

They were thin and slim, with long arms, and heads just a bit bigger than ours, small noses and thin little mouths. Their heads were white, in a pale sort of way - a bit like albino kids you might say - yes, just like that, *albino kids*.

"I was pretty nervous. I could see that they weren't children as I'd been thinking! I was really scared, and I was trying to move, to get away from there, but my body wouldn't respond. Somehow I managed to get to my bicycle, but somehow it wouldn't work and it fell down, and I picked it up again and again I dropped it.

Then I found I could move again, so I seized the bike by the handlebars and just ran..... And then I started to hear something inside my head (3) that kept saying: 'Don't be afraid....stop, stay... nothing is going to happen to you!' But of course I was in panic - I admit it — so I went on struggling against it in my mind and kept replying mentally 'No! No!' and that I was scared and that I wasn't going to stay there."

Once he had got away, López reflected on all that had happened, and he concluded that definitely **they were**

not of this world and must have been extraterrestrial beings. "Because they weren't kids, and our kids don't have eyes that shoot out beams of light. And they weren't spirits either! They were material, solid, completely physical, but they also were doing something in the marsh".

We asked López whether he knew that in that very same area of the Tiburónes Marsh there had already been a number of UFO-related events? He replied that yes - he had heard reports of people seeing lights

and balls of light coming down on the Marsh, but that he had never heard of such things as he himself had just seen. He added that had he heard of such happenings he assuredly never would have been going there to look at fish-traps!

But he then went on to say that he had heard talk about hunters and fishermen who said that, when out there on the Marsh at night, they had suddenly found themselves face-to-face with military personnel in camouflage battle-kit who harassed them and wanted to know what they were doing there? These troops had searched their vehicles, pointed their rifles at them and told them to get out and said they couldn't be there at that time of night.

And he went on, it is necessary to point out that there are masts and antennae there which have to do with the investigations that the Arecibo Radio-astronomical Observatory is conducting. And it is only since those masts and antennae have been there that people have been encountering these military personnel. People think the troops are guarding those masts and antennae... or watching over something that is going on there."

ANOTHER STRANGE INCIDENT.

López did not dare to return there for about three weeks. Then, in order to see to his fish-traps, he went back there with a friend in the latter's van. And at about 7.00 p.m., when they had finished seeing to the traps and collected their fish, the friend suddenly shouted: "Look - the van's on fire!".

The vehicle was at some distance, and it took about 10 minutes to get back to it, to find that it was somehow illluminated as it were by a mysterious yellow light shining on it and causing the metalwork to appear to flash. Although they were unable to see where the light was coming from, it looked as though it was from inside the vehicle itself!

The friend yelled "UFOs! Down!" and both at once

threw themselves down and waited. And after a while the light suddenly ceased. They both got up and ran on towards the van, but his friend warned: "Don't go near - it may still be hot!". So they waited for ten more minutes or so. And López continued:

"When I got in and switched on, and went into top gear, it started up straight away before I had even set foot on the accelerator. A bit later, as we rounded the bend near where the masts and the antennae are, the engine cut out momentarily, but as soon as we were out of the Marsh she was running well".

WHAT IN THE MARSH ARE THE AUTHORITIES TRYING TO HIDE?

In due course the knowledge of what had happened leaked out, and shortly afterwards, while at his place of work in Arecibo town, two mysterious visitors arrived and harassed López, and ordered him not to speak about what he had seen. Here is his account of it to us:

"It was about two days after I had seen the three little chaps in the Marsh. It was about 12.45, and I had just got back to my work from lunch - and there were these two tall men, one about 6 ft., both well dressed, in blue and white shirts, with long sleeves, and wearing ties, and one of them wearing dark glasses.

"One of them was tall and white, and the other, also tall, was more of an olive-white complexion. Both had black hair. They came up to me at the entrance of my work-place and asked if my name was López, and I said "yes".

You could see that they were educated people. And one of them said: "Look - we've come to investigate what happend to you at the Caño Tiburónes". I said "All right, but just wait till I have clocked on and then I'll come and talk to you". So I went in and clocked on and then I came out and we went and sat down near by, on the Arecibo Recreation Plaza.

"They started plying me with lots of questions and asking me all about what had happened, until finally I asked *them* who *they* were and asked them for their identifications because their attitude towards me was very strange, very harassing - in fact I'd go so far as to say quite *hostile*.

At that they changed their tone and replied no - they were not going to identify themselves and were not going to answer any questions; that it was they who were going to do the questioning, and I was there in order to give my replies and not to ask any questions about anything. At that point I realized that they weren't what they appeared to be but were possibly Government agents.

"They were typically just like agents conducting an interrogation, with them directing the conversation and not permitting the person being questioned to express an opinion or deviate at all, just like a programmed interrogation. And all the time threatening me and warning me that I should not talk of what I had seen out on the marsh.

That attitude of theirs annoyed me, because they seemed to be sort of taking the line that they doubted me and were telling me I must not talk about what I had seen on the Tiburónes Marsh because folk would say I was *mad*. And therefore I was going to have to keep my mouth shut....

"On the one hand they were telling me that I hadn't seen anything, and on the other hand they were saying that they wanted to take me to the place where it had all happened.... and at the same time telling me that I must not talk about the incident or about those creatures.

They kept insisting that I go to the Marsh with them, and I said yes, but it would have to be after I had come out from my work at 4.00 p.m. They said that was alright, but when I came out at 4.00 o'clock they weren't there and they never came back".

FINAL COMMENTS

Why were these apparent Government agents insisting that López must not divulge what had happened on the Tiburónes Marsh? What did they know about what is going on? Why try to terrorize the witness?

And why does this occur in an area where Cornell University has a complex system of antennae for experimenting with the Terrestrial Ionosphere - a project that is being supervised precisely by the personnel of the Arecibo Radio Observatory - a location around which there has been verified and established, in recent years, the strange presences of UFOs and of alien beings? (See my reports on this in issues Nos. 17 and 18 of *EVIDENCIA OVNI*.)

Is it maybe because the Authorities have knowledge of this strange presence in the area.... or is it perhaps that they are in contact with those beings, whoever they are, and are attempting to conceal it from the public? Our investigation of all this is still going on.

On another hand, the type of beings seen by Sr. Juan B. López on the Tiburónes Marsh is similar to a type of being seen together with the so-called "EBAS" (in Spanish "Anomalous Biological Entities" - i.e. the "Chupacabras") in various parts of the Island of Puerto Rico (See EVIDENCIA OVNI Nos. 9 and 10) and which have also been seen by residents of the Punta Palmas section of Barceloneta - a residential area close to the Marsh, through which those entities have been seen running and plunging into the water of the mangrove swamp and disappearing (see EVIDENCIA OVNI No. 13). The canals of that mangrove in question eventually join up with the Tiburónes Marsh.

Another point to be noted is that there have been many UFO sightings right over the Punta Palma mangroves. Clearly, if we look at the picture objectively and if we analyze what I have set out above, we can say quite definitely there is no "chance" or "coincidence" about all these cases and all these happenings. For which reason we can say that something very important is going on in this region of the Island. -J.M.

NOTES BY EDITOR OF FSR.

(1) & (2): When I have had an opportunity to do a little more research in the FSR archives I will be able to show that, more than 20 or 25 years ago, when our Correspondent and Consultant in Puerto Rico was the engineer Sebastián Robiou Lamarche (who is still alive), he sent us several reports describing precisely such creatures as these, who seemed to move about and operate in groups of three or more, standing shoulder to shoulder, and behaving "mechanically", without

individuality, as though "bio-robots", which they no doubt are.

(3): "I heard it in my head" or "I heard him in my head" is something that contactees have been telling us for years past, in reports from all parts of the world.

POSTSCRIPT.

Now see, and compare the two entities seen at night in the car headlights in precisely the same region, near the Observatory, as described by Jorge Martín in his article on page 15 of our last-but-one issue, FSR 45/2. These beings are surely identical! -G.C.■

AN INTERESTING SITUATION IN PUERTO RICO!

I. HOW "OBJECTIVE" IS THE PUERTO RICO GOVERNMENT'S OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION OF THE CHUPACABRAS? © BY JORGE MARTÍN, Editor of EVIDENCIA OVNI (Puerto Rico) and FSR Consultant.

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The incidents of strange deaths of animals, attributed to "Anomalous Biological Entities" or "Chupacabras", continue to occur throughout the whole Island. A group of Government Agencies, including the Puerto Rico Department of Agriculture, the Department of Natural Resources and the State Civil Defence for the Area of Mayaguez, represented by the Division of Special Operations, have now created an investigative body, using the Department of Agriculture's laboratory at Dorado as the centre of operations to which the dead animals will be brought so that they may be 'necropsiado' as we say in Spanish and an answer be found for the many enquiries.

But unfortunately certain details seem to indicate that the investigation is already flawed, and that the whole thing springs simply from an intention to allay public opinion even though it be by means of deception. Ah yes! and while this is going on, UFOs are still being seen at the places affected by the presence of the creatures, and where the mysterious deaths of animals are occurring. Read - and judge for yourselves. -J.M.

With vast panoply and fuss the various organisations involved in this 'Task Force' have let it be known, via the media, that they have already commenced "the most serious and most objective" investigation of the myth of the so-called "Chupacabra" aimed at explaining the mystery deaths of animals throughout the entire Island which have been attributed to the activities of a strange creature.

The said investigation is however vitiated from the start, inasmuch as its organizers referred to what has been happening as "the MYTH" of the "Chupacabra", thereby insinuating that the whole business about the mysterious creature-seen by dozens and dozens of people, and of which there are detailed sketches - is completely false.

While on the one hand they were saying that the investigation would be a totally objective one, directed at finding what is responsible for the killings, on the other hand they were saying that they would prove that what

was causing the deaths of the animals were feral dogs or monkeys! In other words, they were launching an allegedly objective investigation with an already completely biased *a priori* estimate of the situation which - patently - disqualifies the entire enterprise!

But as if that were not sufficient, what has happened in the days following was ever worse. In what was a patent spectacle set up via the communication media, particularly the Television, an attempt was made to manipulate public opinion by showing an autopsy of a goat that had died in the same fashion as thousands of animals throughout the country.

Those who saw the pictures will remember how the body of the goat was shaved in order to show numerous small holes which - so the professionals running the autopsy were telling us - were "only superficial marks on the skin, not bites, and that they did not penetrate into the interior of the body of the animal".

This was stated with all the naturalness in the world, even when everyone could see for himself that they were indeed holes going deeply into the body. Likewise, they were mighty careful not to stick their instruments into the holes, which would have let the televiewers see how deep the wounds really were!

Clearly the aim was still to bolster up the official theory that what was responsible for the wounds was *dogs*, and that those "tiny little holes" were made by the dogs' teeth. That, gentlemen, is false, and a clear manipulation of information as was clearly visible when they showed the carcase opened up right along the body.

It was then clearly to be seen that the "tiny" holes reached right down to organs inside the animal such as its stomach and its liver, which means that whatever penetrated down to those organs had been between four inches and six inches long. And the maximum length that a dog's or a monkey's tooth can have is one inch.

But despite it all, the representatives of the Department of Agriculture were once more repeating that what they had seen so far indicated that possibly dogs were