personally collected extremely large mushrooms which I have found in the vicinity of our antennas. When I first found these giant mushrooms, I tested them carefully with a scintillation counter, and could find no trace of any Alpha, Beta, or Gamma radiation. These mushrooms were then eaten (grilled with butter).

The point I am making is that these mushrooms were found in the close vicinity of high-power EM radiation (pulsed), and provide substantial evidence that this type of fungus does thrive under such conditions. It seems to be significant that gigantic mushrooms have been found at UFO landing sites, obviously as a result of EM radiation of great power. I am afraid that we are not going to get away from this subject of pulsed EM radiation, which I believe will eventually crack the UFO phenomena.

As regards your article in FSR 29/1 (1983) on Jinns, I must tell you that I was working in Saudi Arabia at the time, and not only did I enjoy the article very much, but I also agreed with it. I remember thinking at

the time that you had really got something.

Anyway, I had a lot of Arab friends who were officers in the Saudi Air Force, and I took a chance and brought up the subject of Jinns with them. THEY KNEW ALL ABOUT THEM, and showed me where they are mentioned in the Koran. They also told me that Jinns had some power, or some sort of recognition in their own religious courts. I think this fully confirms the statement you made in your article.

Your own psychic experience about which you told me is very interesting, and I seem to recall having read somewhere that the Jinns appear to have an intense dislike for *iron*. This, I believe, was also mentioned by Jacques Vallée in *Passport to Magonia*. Because of this, I keep a powerful limpet magnet handy

at all times.

I have just received Budd Hopkins' book "Missing Time", and although I have not had time yet to absorb all its contents, the amount that I have read is fascinating. The abductors shown in his Fig. 15 can only be factory-produced clones<sup>4</sup> or robots, and bear a striking similarity to the sketches produced by

Leonard Stringfield.

The latest FSR (30/6) was as interesting and enjoyable as ever, and the article on Jinns by the

Turkish Sufi very significant!

Yes — if our technology is approaching theirs, then they could indeed have plans to exterminate us all. Could this plan be to make us all susceptible to disease—hence the spread of AIDS?<sup>5</sup>. (After all, they aren't going to use bows and arrows, are they?!)

Yours sincerely

(Name and address on file)

October 3, 1985.

#### COMMENT

(1) No! Dr Hynek himself has given us details of very important cases that he knew had been the subject of official reports. Yet he could not find them in the Blue Book files! They must have gone direct to the National Security Agency (NSA). The USAF was only a front.

(2) Their existence, as our correspondent confirms, has always been a matter of common knowledge in the Islamic world. In the West, admittedly, few have known about them, but students of Occultism have always known. (But

of course who cares about such matters here!)

(3) There are certain features, which have come down to us in tradition and legend, which suggest that, in the past, more than one highly advanced phase of human civilization may have been terminated by them — "slapped"

down" by them.

- (4) As regards "factory-produced clones or robots", I think the evidence for the existence of these preserved corpses, as claimed by Scully and Stringfield and others, is now very strong. The logical deduction would, however, not be that they are in any way whatsoever the masters or builders of the UFOs, but are themselves simply expendable cloned bio-robots, constructed out of the matter of our physical universe, and for operation on our plane of existence — either because required for the operation of craft here or, conceivably, simply in order to fool us. On the whole, I think I incline to the latter theory.
- (5) Certain material about AIDS which I have already received from an American doctor who is a regular reader of FSR provides food for some very serious thought, I agree.

**EDITOR** 

## THE "PRINCE CHARLES AND UFO" STORY

On March 2, 1986, a British Sunday tabloid printed a sensational story under the headlines: CHARLES IN UFO RIDDLE: PILOT SHOCKED BY CLOSE ENCOUNTER, and the affair was taken up and embroidered upon by one or more of the tabloids in America.

The story was that, during the last week of February, Prince Charles was returning from the U.S.A. in a RAF *VC-10* when, over the Irish Sea, as they were approaching Shannon Airport, the pilot radioed ahead to London Airport (Heathrow) to report that he had been startled by a "glowing red object in the sky" which

lit up his cockpit. According to Heathrow's air traffic control centre at West Drayton, the pilots of four other aircraft also reported the phenomenon.

A Ministry of Defence spokesman was quoted a saying: "Prince Charles' pilot did report seeing a bright flash. But we are satisfied there was no danger to the Prince's aircraft."

The paper went on to say that Prince Philip, Charles' father, is greatly interested in "our subject", and is a reader of *Flying Saucer Review*, thus giving further publicity to a report which appeared in various American publications years ago (particularly in *McCalls' Magazine* for June 22, 1962).

#### What the British Newspaper Says I Said

The British newspaper of March 2, 1986, carried the following comment on the Prince Charles report:—

Former diplomat Gordon Creighton, the editor of Flying Saucer Review magazine said:

"I've no idea what this object could have been, but it would be wrong to dismiss it. There are beings in space watching us very closely."

#### What I Actually Said to the British Newspaper

The representative of the newspaper, who inter-

viewed me at length by telephone, was extremely anxious to get me to say that (1) the red glow was a UFO, and (2) that the occupants of UFOs are deeply interested in the movements and the doings of members of our Royal Family. I replied that, since I had not been there in Prince Charles' plane, I had not the slightest idea what they might have seen, and that, so far as the Royal Family are concerned, any occupants of UFOs would probably already know everything they want to know about them, just as they probably already know all they want to know about the rest of us. As for the red glow, I said it might very well have been from a piece of American or Soviet Space-debris re-entering the Earth's atmosphere and burning up, and I therefore suggested that the newspaper should contact Mr. James Oberg of NASA, at the Houston Space Centre, who is the recognized world-authority on these matters as well as on the non-existence of UFOs.

#### A Lesson

The episode is salutary, because once again it confirms that, in all probability, the less we have to do with the newspapers, and indeed with any of the media, the better so far as we are concerned, for the rendering of an accurate report is not their primary concern. — G.C.

# SOME FURTHER NOTES ON ANTÔNIO ÁLVES FERREIRA

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We held a meeting of CISNE in Rio de Janeiro on April 30, 1985, and invited the "contactee" Antônio Álves Ferreira to be our guest. We also invited Dr. José de Freitas Dutra. (As will be recalled, Dr. Dutra, who, incidentally, has now become Attorney-General for Brazil — Procurador Geral da República — used to be State Attorney in the town of São Luis, in the State of Maranhão, North-Eastern Brazil, where Antônio Álves Ferreira was born, and it was Dr. Dutra who had originally put me in touch with this case, as he had already known the youth and his family — poor but honourable people — for some years past.)

It is reported that Antônio Álves Ferreira has continued to treat many sick people, and cured many of them successfully. But his powers, as happens with so many psychics and mediums, are totally random and unpredictable, and not under his own control. (For

example, his own crippled condition has not been healed or improved at all, but this is often a marked feature with psychics.)

#### A "Disaster"

Antônio Álves Ferreira's appearance at our CISNE meeting proved to be a disaster. Like other paranormals, he gets annoyed when tired, and shows it. Our audience wanted him to speak, but he replied: "I am forbidden to speak their language!"

After this sad display at the CISNE meeting, Antônio stayed on for a few days in Rio at the home of Professor Mario of the Institute of Parapsychology, and, as usual, paranormal things began to occur there. There was a lot of the usual twisting of cutlery—even of a fork while Antônio was eating with it.