

Cosmic Politics

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Readers of this book would notice that I have quoted liberally from science fiction writers. Indeed, I was an avid sci-fi fan since childhood. I do not apologize for using fiction to back up a non-fiction book because sci-fi writers are modern prophets whose track record of “hits” is far more accurate than tabloid or Biblical seers. Writers like Jules Verne, H.G. Wells, Arthur C. Clark and Isaac Asimov have not only foreseen but shaped the future through their visionary writings. I believe that whatever the human mind can imagine based on sound scientific principles is either likely to happen in the future or has already happened in more advanced non-Earth civilizations.

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In 1981, however, Rev. Moon initiated a weekly supplement entitled “UFOs and Other Cosmic Phenomena” in the *News World*, the newspaper he founded in New York City in 1976. I

volunteered to be its editor and for about a year and a half I was one of the few professional journalists in America who specialized in covering the UFO field.

The supplement came to an end when the *News World* revamped its image and changed its name to the *New York City Tribune*. I continued, however, to field UFO and science-related articles as science editor. A regular contributor to the science section was J. Antonio Huneeus, a prominent Chilean UFO journalist.

Then in 1982 Rev. Moon began the flagship *Washington Times*, after which the *NYC Tribune* ceased publication in 1990. The *Times* still continues as a major conservative voice in Washington D.C.

A former *Tribune* editor who transferred to the *Times* told me that the UFO supplement created the misperception among important people in Washington D.C. that UFOs were part of Unification Church beliefs, which they are not. While there may be some curiosity regarding extraterrestrials within the Unification Church, Rev. Moon is focused on the prescription for salvation outlined in the *Divine Principle*, the movement's core theology, which stresses human responsibility, not extraterrestrial intervention. Rev. Moon therefore had good reason to distance himself from the UFO controversy, but I could not set it aside. I was saddled with a burden of knowledge and nowhere to go with it. I had to seek the answers to my questions on my own.

Nevertheless, I believe the Divine Principle can play an important role in helping to make the transition to the New Age and establishing world peace, which most UFO cognoscenti see as a prerequisite for humanity to join the fellowship of space-faring civilizations. I summarize those ideas, as I understand them, in the chapter "Toward a Theology of Everything."

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PART I: Ending the Denial

Introduction: Education vs. Catastrophe

“History is a race between education and catastrophe.” -- H.G. Wells

The above quote by the visionary writer H.G. Wells, while written at the turn of the 20th century, seems to resonate even more in the 21st. Never before in human history has the balance been more precarious between the potential for a golden age of mankind and an era of wholesale destruction and misery.

On the one hand, we live in an unprecedented age of global unity, with former enemies becoming trading partners, instantaneous communication tying the world together in a “global village,” and technology offering the hope of a brighter future for all.

On the other, disintegrative and destructive forces throughout the world cast doubt upon the ability of mankind to realize the potential of this age. First, there is the threat of global warming and catastrophic climate change, which many scientists see as a greater threat than terrorism. Terrorism itself seems to accelerate daily as growing alienation between the Muslim and Western worlds spawns extremist groups bent on wreaking maximum damage on the West with the horror of nuclear terrorism looming in the background.

The collapse of the Soviet empire brought an end to the so-called “Cold War” but other potential adversaries emerge as China, India and the European Union vie with the United States for superpower status. The competition for limited oil resources is becoming increasingly intense as the booming economies of China and India gobble up more oil. Add to that the threat of unstable rogue nations like North Korea and Iran possessing or developing weapons of mass destruction, and the potential for another global conflagration seems very real.

Clearly, world leaders must adopt new ideas and paradigms suited to deal with the threats and the promises of this new age. Unfortunately, most world leaders still base their policies on outdated world-views, philosophies and paradigms that may have served national or corporate interests in the past, but are now incapable of dealing with the challenges ahead and even lead to destructive policies. The longer it takes for more enlightened ideas and policies to take hold, the more difficult it will be to avoid or recover from global-level catastrophes and the more humanity will suffer.

Global politics are still driven by ideas formulated in the 19th century, like Clausewitz’s doctrine of war being an extension of politics, or Hegel’s dialectic, which sees conflict as the driving force in human progress. Adam Smith’s theories of unbridled competition leading to prosperity holds sway in the capitalist West, while in much of the world Marxism-Leninism, a 19th century doctrine based on 18th century primitive materialistic science, still influences many leaders although it was widely discredited by the collapse of the Soviet empire.

The “neoconservatives” behind the Bush administration’s war in Iraq are pushing old-fashioned power-based “realpolitik” using the “war on terror” as a management tool to create a more compliant populace to further their nationalist agenda while ignoring more serious threats to world peace, like global warming, humanitarian crises in Africa and the growing world-wide gap between rich and poor. All these policies are leading the world towards catastrophe at an accelerating pace.

Perhaps the greatest gap between reality and policy, however, is the official denial of the simple fact that intelligent extraterrestrial beings are now and have long been involved in human affairs. To anyone who takes the time to study the evidence, this fact is so obvious as to be beyond dispute, but world leaders continue to behave as if humans are the only intelligent beings in the universe.

Fortunately, thanks to the untiring work of private UFO research groups, the American people are way ahead of their leaders in acknowledging this fact. According to a CNN poll published on the Internet on June 15, 1997, “Nearly 50 years since an alleged UFO was sighted at Roswell, New Mexico, a new CNN/Time poll shows that 80 percent of Americans think the government is hiding knowledge of the existence of extraterrestrial life forms.”

(www4.cnn.com/US/9706/15/ufo.poll/) This goes far beyond those involved in what is loosely called the New Age movement who believe in the existence of “star people” or “space brothers.”

It includes many thousands of ordinary people who have been “mugged by reality” in having encounters with unearthly craft and beings. It also includes the many scientists and researchers cited in this book and listed in its bibliography, as well as many others not cited, who have published books on the UFO phenomena or who belong to private UFO research groups, others who find evidence of extraterrestrial visitors in the archeological record, and the millions of readers of these books and viewers of TV programs on the subject.

There are also government officials “in the know” like Col. (Ret.) Philip Corso and former astronaut Gordon Cooper, two of the rare cases of officials who have gone public and broken the conspiracy of silence and obfuscation that the government has thrown over extraterrestrial contact. They stand apart from the tight cadre of bureaucrats, scientists, intelligence agents and special troops who carry out and enforce the UFO secrecy policy and will maintain their silence as long as the policy continues. As time goes by, this situation grows more and more untenable.

John Naisbitt in his book *Megatrends*, in reference to the economic shift from a manufacturing to a service economy, writes of the “end of denial” when a paradigm shift finally dawns in the minds of the nation’s leaders and people long after it has been underway. Today the existence of intelligent extraterrestrial life is still denied and debated, although the fact of such life was established over half a century ago. What is the reason for this denial, and when will it end?

A look back in history might suggest some answers to that question. In 1543 official denial also met Polish mathematician Nickolaus Copernicus’ mathematical proof that the earth and planets orbit around the sun, debunking the established world view that the earth was the center of the universe. More than 70 years later, church leaders arrested Galileo, who demonstrated the truth of Copernicus’ calculations with the new invention of the telescope. They threatened him with

death if he didn't recant the Copernican "heresy," which he did to save his life, although he reportedly muttered "and yet it [the Earth] moves" as he left the inquisition.

Consider how long it took for the general public to accept the simple fact that the earth is round. It was only recently in historical terms that most people believed the earth was flat and feared falling off the end of the earth if anyone sailed far enough west, although Greek philosopher Aristophanes had calculated the true circumference of the earth thousands of years ago.

Christopher Columbus in 1492 ended that denial by having the boldness and vision to exploit the roundness of the earth by sailing west to reach the riches of the Orient. The lure of new lands and wealth suddenly made the round earth matter to the people of Europe, so the denial ended practically overnight.

Religious believers aren't the only ones subject to blind faith and denial. Science arose supposedly to counter religious dogma and superstition, but its adherents also proved subject to blind dogmatism. Marxism-Leninism, for example, billed itself as "scientific socialism," but degenerated into a truth-denying dogma more virulent than any before. Communist leaders tried to manipulate and control all information that conflicted with the official "truth" but failed. In the former Soviet Union glasnost, or openness, brought the communist system down after 75 years.

The famed Roswell crash of July 1947, to name only one incident, marked a new era in human-extraterrestrial relations that could bring about a shift in human consciousness at least as profound as the Copernican revolution. True to form, denial still rules as we enter the 21st century.

Life Comes From Life

There are signs, however, that the wall of denial is beginning to crack. For one thing, it is finally dawning on the mainstream scientific community that the Earth is not the center of life in the universe, at least on the cellular level.

The idea that "life comes from life" is not a new concept. I recall reading that phrase in my elementary school science textbook as the first principle that early scientists discovered using the scientific method, replacing Aristotle's subjective concept of "spontaneous generation." Russian biochemist Alexander Oparin and English geneticist J.B.S. Haldane, however, resurrected the doctrine of spontaneous generation in modern scientific dress, theorizing that life began through random chemical interactions in a "primeval soup," then evolved through Darwinian natural selection. In 1953 American chemists Stanley Miller and Harold Urey generated organic material by zapping a mixture of ammonia and methane with electricity, reproducing the supposed conditions of the early earth. Based on that single experiment, the Oparin-Haldane paradigm still prevails among mainstream scientists.

Over the last 30 years two eminent scientists, the late Sir Fred Hoyle and Chandra Wickramasinghe, gave new life to the "life comes from life" concept with the theory called "panspermia," which holds that single-celled organisms are mixed in with the dust clouds that drift between the stars and rain down on the earth through comets, spawning new life and driving

evolution through direct gene transfer. This theory is backed by hard scientific data including spectrographic evidence of single-celled organisms in interstellar dust clouds, fossilized bacteria in Mars meteorites, bacteria discovered high in the fringes of the atmosphere where they could not have come from earth, and genetic evidence of lateral gene transfer.

This evidence and more appears on Brigham Klyce's excellent web site, www.panspermia.org. For example, the site provides a link to an article from Discovery News of May 21, 2001, reporting that Italian scientists "identified and brought back to life extraterrestrial microorganisms lodged inside a 4.5 billion year-old meteorite..." Mainstream scientists, however, invariably dismiss such data as caused by earthly contamination.

The website presents the latest scientific papers and articles making the case for panspermia, as well as news of conferences from all over the world concerning the new science of astrobiology. It shows that astrobiology is a rapidly growing field of mainstream science.

Klyce, in the section titled "How is it Possible?" in panspermia.org, writes, "Hoyle and Wickramasinghe calculate that the amount of biological material in the interstellar dust in this galaxy exceeds the mass of Earth by a factor of about a trillion. They estimate the amount carried by comets, in this solar system alone, could be fifteen times as great as the mass of Earth." This reverses the current popularly held view of Earth as an oasis of life in a sterile universe. The new paradigm sees Earth moving through a cosmic ocean teeming with life, the very small tip of an inconceivably enormous pyramid.

We need only let the other shoe drop—i.e., the massive amount of data from "ufology," the scientific study of UFOs—to conclude that *extraterrestrial life and civilization is the ground from which life and civilization on Earth evolved*. This is true, both from single-celled organisms raining down upon the earth from comets and cosmic dust, and from intelligent star-traveling visitors who have interacted with humanity since ancient times and continue to do so today.

The scientific and factual evidence for this is enormous, unequivocal and accessible to any literate person. The book-length collections of UFO sightings by private researchers since the early 1950s, the historical and archeological record dating back to prehistoric times, and basic science free from political/ideological bias are enough to prove the case beyond doubt, even without alien spaceships landing on the White House lawn.

What about the slogan, coined by the late Carl Sagan and widely repeated by so-called "skeptics," that "extraordinary claims demand extraordinary proof?" It just goes to show how propagandistic catchphrases can substitute for clear thinking. First, the word "extraordinary" is a totally subjective value judgment that true science doesn't recognize.

In the natural world all things are equally ordinary, or equally extraordinary, depending on your point of view. An alien might seem extraordinary to you or me, but not to a fellow alien.

Secondly, facts, not "claims," are at issue. Science depends on facts that can be proven, which speak for themselves and do not require defense or elaboration.

Finally, who are the ones making “extraordinary claims?” The most extraordinary claim is the Air Force’s assertion that the July 1947 incident at Roswell, New Mexico, the most heavily documented UFO retrieval case in history, was only a weather balloon, or that thousands of ordinary citizens claiming to have been abducted by aliens or to have witnessed close encounters suffer from mass hallucinations. In short, insisting on “extraordinary proof” is a semantic trick designed to deny the facts. The facts in the public domain are quite sufficient to prove the case to any objective observer, even without the “smoking gun” evidence, including artifacts and alien bodies, alleged to be held secretly by the U.S. military since 1947.

The problem is not the absence of proof, but the presence of denial. The facts are ignored, suppressed or ridiculed due to long-standing government policy. The major news media have unfortunately played a largely supporting role in the cover-up by hastening to ridicule anyone supporting the view that aliens exist here and now. It is no accident that so-called “UFO believers” are not “politically correct.”

Aiding this policy is psychological denial, one of the most common delusions to cloud the mind of mankind, from alcoholics who insist they are only “social drinkers,” to wives who ignore their husbands’ incest with their daughters, to nations and societies who find comforting lies and myths more convenient than hard truths. The modern political world is rife with examples: Third World governments who deny the AIDS epidemic, Allied leaders’ denial of clear evidence of the holocaust early in World War II, and U.S. scientists who made the ludicrous claim that the “yellow rain” that killed hundreds of Laotian villagers was “bee feces” instead of Soviet-manufactured toxins deployed by the Pathet Lao communist government.

The Costs of Secrecy

Perhaps denial in some cases could be justified to keep people from panicking in the face of threatening conditions. Denial becomes deadly, however, when government bureaucrats, well-meaning or not, deliberately withhold information vital to justice, civil rights and human progress.

Yes, what we don’t know can hurt and even kill us. Consider the 39 members of the “Heaven’s Gate” cult who committed suicide, believing that a UFO would take them to paradise. Heaven’s Gate and other so-called UFO cults would never have come into existence if the military had provided all information about ETs and their technology after the Roswell incident. Religious hysteria thrives in an atmosphere of partial truths and speculation. The denial policy allows just enough information out to tantalize some people into wishful apocalyptic beliefs, but not enough to separate fact from fancy.

Other victims include the thousands of people who have experienced abductions, close encounters or sightings of off-world craft and have been ridiculed, rejected and ostracized as a result. Many have suffered loss of jobs, psychological distress, divorce and other problems with no one to turn to for help. Government secrecy and denial is responsible for these injustices.

Secrecy has other serious costs. According to the National Archives and Records Administration's Information Security Oversight Office, in 1999 the total cost of government and industry secrecy came to \$5 billion with a total of 8 million classification decisions made that year. No doubt many of those billions were spent maintaining the UFO cover-up. How does it benefit the public to spend billions of tax dollars keeping a secret that is no longer a secret?

Following the Sept. 11, 2001 terror attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, the CIA came under criticism for neglecting "human intelligence." It appears that the top priority of U.S. intelligence has been protecting its high-tech secrets rather than protecting American citizens from low-tech terrorists.

Finally, the very fabric of our nation is distorted and corrupted by government lies. Secrecy in the name of "national security" can cover up a multitude of sins against the Constitution and human rights, as well as allow unlimited power to fall into the hands of unelected, anonymous bureaucrats who could well be tyrants and sociopaths using the cloak of secrecy to seize power behind the scenes.

Well-founded suspicions persist in the public mind regarding the assassinations of John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King, the attempted assassination of Ronald Reagan and the alleged "suicides" of Marilyn Monroe and Clinton aide Vince Foster. Numerous TV documentaries, books and web pages have provided solid evidence of government complicity and cover-ups in these and other deaths. (See, for example, www.parascope.com). It is enough to make a reasonable person wonder if our tax dollars are paying for a covert "Murder, Inc."

President Eisenhower in his farewell address warned of the "unwarranted power of the military-industrial complex" as a threat to our freedoms. The ultimate fulfillment of that warning may be the very attacks of Sept. 11, 2001 that justify the Bush administration's so-called "war on terror." The suspicion is growing in America and throughout the world that 9/11 was an "inside job" designed to justify the U.S. invasion of the Middle East and political repression at home. Dismissed in the mainstream media as a paranoid "conspiracy theory," the facts pointing to this conclusion are presented in a number of media, including the book *Inside Job* by investigative journalist Jim Marrs and "In Plane Sight," a DVD produced by Dave vonKleist and directed by William Lewis.

A group of distinguished experts and scholars called "Scholars for 9/11 Truth" (S9/11T) have concluded that these events may have been orchestrated by elements within the administration to manipulate Americans into supporting policies at home and abroad they would never have condoned without "another Pearl Harbor." Their conclusions are backed up with hard research, including calculations drawn from physics that conclude that the World Trade Center towers were brought down by internal explosions, not by fire or airplane impact.

Trust between government and the people is essential for the working of a democracy, and the American government is becoming no more trusted than the defunct Soviet government was by its people. America's new "war on terrorism" has temporarily rallied the people around the government, muting the voices of suspicion, but they have not been silenced.

The anti-government paranoia of Timothy McVeigh that led to the worst terrorist bombing in U.S. history before Sept. 11 is an extreme example of this malaise and it will only grow worse until public trust is restored. While I strongly condemn any violent political act, it is a documented fact that government and military leaders have lied to the American people for more than 50 years about the most important course of events in human history. However benign the original intention, this policy ultimately violates the rights of every American and poses a grave danger to the freedoms we take for granted.

We must therefore use every peaceful legal and political means necessary to change that policy and allow the truth to come out. We cannot begin to deal with the larger philosophical and theological implications of extraterrestrial contact, much less the benefits and/or dangers it might confer upon humanity, until the denial ends and the truth is allowed to run free.

What Ronald Reagan called the “evil empire” of communism toppled, but the reign of lies remains virtually unopposed in the United States of America. As it stands now, three government-fostered “big lies” dominate American politics. These are, in brief:

- * The government has no proof of intelligent extraterrestrial life;
- * A “lone gunman” killed JFK;
- * A group of Islamic terrorists alone launched the attacks of 9/11.

As this book will make clear, the first Big Lie, the denial of extraterrestrial intelligence, is the mother of them all. The desire to exploit extraterrestrial technology while trying to hide it from the public and from international rivals created the conditions for the criminal caste that perpetrated the murders and treason mentioned above.

It may be hard for many to give up the comforting myths promoted by our government, but the truth will inevitably come out and consign these myths to the dustbin of history. The sooner we boldly face the truth, the better off we will be.

My purpose in writing this book, therefore, is to help shatter the myths and end the denial, both political and psychological. Hopefully this will ease the transition to the New Age about which many have dreamed and prophesied, but which will not come about by itself, but only through the determined efforts of enlightened individuals.

Chapter 1: New Age Aborted

According to the testimony of hundreds of eyewitnesses and declassified government documents, the most astonishing and hopeful new age in human history began more than half a century ago, although most people on earth still don't realize it. It is an age in which the human race could potentially advance from an isolated collection of squabbling nations, ideologies and ethnic groups into a united, space-faring species interacting with other intelligent beings in the galaxy. The vast potential of this age remains unrealized, however, due to deliberate policy decisions by our nation's leaders.

Often the salient events that begin a new age are apparent only to historians long after they occurred. One can pinpoint the start of this new age, however, in the summer of 1947, the dawn of what is called the "UFO era." On June 24 of that year pilot Kenneth Arnold in Washington State saw plate-shaped objects that the press called "flying saucers," one of many sightings reported across the country that summer.

Many books, hundreds of eyewitnesses and numerous TV specials have publicized what happened early in July 1947 around Roswell, New Mexico, until it has become a household word. On July 3, after a night of violent thunderstorms, sheep rancher William "Mac" Brazel of Roswell discovered a quantity of strange debris scattered in the desert. He took some of it to Chavez County Sheriff George Wilcox, who notified the local army air base. Intelligence officer Maj. Jesse Marcel retrieved a portion of that debris, which he said many years later displayed qualities unlike any material known. On the same day a crashed saucer-shaped craft was reportedly found nearby in Corona with six small, clearly non-human bodies around it, apparently part of the same disaster that created the debris field in Roswell.

Details vary in the many published accounts, but one fact is irrefutable: On July 8 Lt. Walter Haut, public information officer at Roswell Air Base, issued a press release authorized by Col. William Blanchard, commander of the 509th Bomb Group, announcing that the Army had recovered a "crashed disk," which the Army removed for further study. The release sparked headlines all over the world.

Within hours Brig. Gen. Roger Ramey, commander of the 8th Air Force in Fort Worth, Texas, issued a second press release, later combined with a staged photograph, claiming that the debris was only pieces of a weather balloon and its radar reflector. Local radio stations were severely warned that they would lose their federal broadcast licenses if they should air any more about the Roswell case. At least one news reporter who interviewed Brazel was intimidated into silence by the Army. The press accepted the cover story and thereafter seemed to take pleasure in debunking UFO reports. The story wouldn't die, however, as decades later witnesses began to come forward.

So-called "skeptics" have used discrepancies in the published accounts to cast doubt on the conclusion that an unearthly craft was the center of the incident. The "extraordinary claim" that needs "extraordinary proof," however, is not that the Army retrieved a crashed saucer, since its own press release admitted it did. What needs proving is the Army's claim that the first release was a mistake and the second was the truth.

The military has fallen far short of meeting that burden of proof. In fact, its efforts to debunk the original press release, the key element in the most heavily documented and enduring UFO incident in history, are a transparent tissue of lies.

The first press release has been corroborated by literally hundreds of eyewitnesses who are ordinary citizens with nothing to gain from lying, as opposed to the clearly bogus explanation from the Air Force. A plethora of books have been written about the incident, among them *UFO Crash at Roswell* by Kevin Randle and Donald Schmitt and *The Roswell Incident* by Charles Berlitz and William Moore, which piece together the details of the incidents from interviews with eyewitnesses. In *The Day After Roswell*, Col. (ret.) Philip J. Corso writes that as an army intelligence officer he handled artifacts from the Roswell crash and helped secretly route them to civilian contractors who used them as the basis for transistors, integrated circuits, lasers, fiber optics and other technologies that are now major components of the U.S. economy.

On the other hand, virtually every government public statement or report on Roswell, as well as the UFO phenomenon in general, since the first press release has proven to be false or misleading. The Air Force's current line on UFOs is that they have been thoroughly investigated resulting in no evidence of extraterrestrial origins and that they ceased all interest in the subject in 1969 with the closure of Project Blue Book. Documents released under the Freedom of Information Act, however, prove this to be a lie, according to Timothy Good in *Above Top Secret* (p. 328) among others.

As far as the Roswell case is concerned, the latest official explanation, contained in a 1997 Air Force report entitled *The Roswell Report: Case Closed*, is that witnesses confused sightings of "Project Mogul," a top secret balloon test involving dummies in the early 1950s, rearranging these memories in their minds to create the myth of a crashed saucer. The Center for UFO Studies website offers a detailed refutation of that report written by Mark Rodighier (www.cufos.org/airforce.htm). The most glaring holes in the study among many are that Mogul took place years after the Roswell incident, that human-sized dummies could hardly be mistaken for alien bodies four feet tall, and that the idea that witnesses could confuse their memories to such an extent stretches credulity to the breaking point, besides insulting their intelligence. "One can only conclude that it is simply another government whitewash attempt," Rodeghier writes.

The facts would lead any objective observer to conclude that contact with extraterrestrials and their technology occurred at that time, just on the dawn of the aerospace age. Even kept under wraps as a top secret, it had profound effects on our world, leading to the current computer-driven economy, according to Corso. How much greater would the impact be if our government leaders had not adopted a policy of secrecy and denial? Perhaps we could already be living in the real-life version of the fictional future depicted in *Star Trek*, *Star Wars* and *Babylon 5*, when humanity knowingly joins extraterrestrials in a common evolutionary journey.

Instead, that age was smothered at birth. The tantalizing facts that leaked out and the UFO sightings that could not be suppressed sparked a boom in science fiction and so-called UFO cults to fill the void.

I have heard people ask how the government could possibly keep something like this a secret when it appears impossible for them to keep anything secret without it being leaked to the press. The answer is that it is no secret, and that the press has so far failed its duty in reporting objectively on it. I will deal with the reasons for that in a later chapter.

Anyone with access to a good library can know that aliens are on the earth and the government is covering it up. That is no secret. It is easy, however, for the government to keep artifacts and other material out of sight and under guard. Furthermore, the “top secret” label and security oaths signed under duress threaten sanctions against government workers who might want to reveal the truth.

So why do they continue to maintain this nonexistent secret at enormous cost to the public when most of the population already knows the truth? The short answer is that no one with any political authority has ordered them to stop! The solution, therefore, is for the public to light a fire under our elected representatives so they can get up the courage to dismantle this “bodyguard of lies,” to quote Winston Churchill.

Chapter 2: Bodyguard of Lies

The military may have slipped in allowing Lt. Haut's press release at Roswell to come out, but the swiftness with which they subsequently took control at Roswell and Corona, removing every trace of UFO debris and bodies, intimidating civilian witnesses into silence and manipulating the media into swallowing its cover story indicates that lying to the public was already standard operating procedure. According to British author Anthony Cave Brown in his book *Bodyguard of Lies*, during World War II the Allies had established a covert bureaucracy designed specifically for mass deception, not only of the enemy but of the Allies' own people.

Brown quotes Winston Churchill as saying, "In war-time, truth is so precious that she should always be attended by a bodyguard of lies." In particular, there was the massive strategic deception that fooled the Nazis into thinking that the invasion of Europe would occur at Pas de Calais instead of Normandy. Part of the deception was planting false stories and leaks in the allied countries' newspapers that would be accepted by Nazi intelligence as the truth. Disseminating disinformation to protect the "national interest" became just another routine policy.

An even deeper secret was the Allies' ability to crack the Nazi and Japanese secret codes. The British code-named their code-breaking machine Ultra, while the Americans called theirs Magic. Every military operation was planned so as not to inadvertently reveal the fact that the Allies were reading enemy transmissions. Innocent people were sacrificed for its sake. For example, Churchill knew that the Luftwaffe planned to bomb the city of Coventry, but couldn't warn the inhabitants, saving many lives, because it would have revealed the Ultra secret.

The Cold War saw a geometric expansion of the secret world. Spycraft, media manipulation, disinformation and strategic deception were as much a part of the Cold War as nuclear submarines and ICBMs. The CIA gained immense power, including the mandate to assassinate foreign heads of state who threatened U.S. interests.

Who Killed JFK?

Some believe that mandate extended to our own president, John F. Kennedy. An entire genre of books, movies and television documentaries present evidence of a conspiracy to assassinate JFK, including a documentary that aired on the History Channel entitled "The Men that Killed Kennedy" by British producer Nigel Turner, which asserts that U.S. intelligence agents recruited Corsican hit men to do the deed.

I realize that hearsay won't stand up as proof, but when I was working in Washington D.C. for the *World & I* magazine a man who was introduced to me as a former employee of the CIA told me he overheard other agents talking about JFK's assassination in which they said in effect, "It was a dirty and thankless job, but somebody had to do it."

Corso says the assassination occurred after he warned JFK's brother Bobby that the CIA was feeding false information to the administration. In *The Day After Roswell* (p. 228), he describes JFK's assassination as part of a domestic rivalry that his side lost. "Stacked up against the

enormity of what had happened, [FBI Director J. Edgar] Hoover and I both understood that there are some battles you cannot win. So you leave them alone so you can fight another day.”

This points out that JFK’s assassination is no mystery to members of the intelligence community. They know it was planned and carried out by elements of our own government. What is common knowledge in intelligence circles, however, is kept from the general public, no doubt as they deem “for our own good.” Probably the same attitude prevails about the alien presence on our earth.

Although I cannot claim to be an expert in JFK’s assassination, it is clear to me that two major cover-ups could not be going on at the same time without some connection between them. I suspect, therefore, that the ultra-secret body that lies at the core of the U.S. intelligence establishment, which manages the extraterrestrial program, saw Kennedy as a threat to their operations. Following standard procedure, they would have concocted a “finding” that Kennedy was a threat to national security so dangerous that he could not be removed by constitutional means. Considering Kennedy’s reckless sexual behavior and failure at the Bay of Pigs, this would not have been difficult.

They would have presented this finding to Vice President Lyndon Johnson, who coveted the presidency that he would take over with JFK’s death. The assassination plan went forward setting up Lee Harvey Oswald as a patsy who was assassinated in turn by Jack Ruby, one of the CIA’s mob contacts.

One might question whether the conspirators would leave a paper trail by manufacturing a written finding. I believe they would have done so because they couldn’t resist the main occupation of all bureaucracies, which is to cover their rear ends, to justify their heinous deed for future historians. The Nazis, for example, couldn’t resist documenting their plan to murder millions of Jews. I am confident that somewhere in Washington lies that “smoking gun” document that lays out the rationale for Kennedy’s assassination.

Here is another example of where semantics muddle the debate. The derisive term “conspiracy theory” is applied to those who question the official finding that Oswald acted alone. In reality, the government’s “lone gunman” theory does not square with the facts, so those who question it are not conspiracy theorists, but lone gunman skeptics.

At the same time, those who acknowledge the hard facts of extraterrestrial contact are called “believers” although belief has nothing to do with it. Those who deny the facts are the real “true believers,” like the medieval clerics who threatened Galileo, but the media label them “skeptics!”

After Kennedy’s assassination, a congressional backlash banned CIA assassinations and passed the FOIA. Today, however, despite the end of the Cold War, that bodyguard of lies still thrives and soaks up billions in taxpayer dollars. The code-name “Majestic,” the name of a secret group set up to study the Roswell craft, apparently replaced Magic as the core secret in the U.S. intelligence community.

The Ultimate Secret

British researcher Timothy Good has written definitively of this ultimate secret in his books *Above Top Secret*, *Alien Contact* and most recently *Alien Base*. These books and others, as well as thousands of documents and other data, provide ample evidence that our government knew of the alien presence even before 1947 and may maintain a working relationship with these beings, or at least has acquiesced to their agenda.

Corso, on the other hand, says U.S. military leaders, beset by UFOs buzzing sensitive military installations and U.S. manned space flights, were genuinely fearful of a hostile invasion from outer space. Gen. Douglas MacArthur even prophesied a future war with extraterrestrials in his farewell address at West Point. Corso maintains that secrecy was a legitimate means of preventing panic in the general population such as occurred when Orson Wells aired his famous “War of the Worlds” radio play caused widespread hysteria.

Corso reveals, however, that there was a great deal of rivalry and mistrust between the CIA and U.S. military intelligence. He said the CIA adopted an accommodationist agenda toward the Soviet Union, as opposed to military intelligence who were interested in defending the United States. Such accommodationism may have come to dominate secret relations with the extraterrestrials as well.

Due to this intelligence rivalry, and the compartmentalization inherent in classified operations, Corso would not have gotten the “big picture” of U.S. interplanetary relations. I suspect that the real bodyguard of lies that manages the off-world connection is international in scope and hidden too deeply to have a name or any official traces, although it has a huge impact on the modern world. Brown in *Bodyguard of Lies* makes it clear that the British were a major influence on U.S. intelligence, so it is likely that the top U.S. intelligence leaders are anonymous like the head of the British MI6 and Israel’s Mossad. Whoever keeps the ultimate secret, it is clear that they have been conducting a deception/disinformation operation like the one used against Hitler over 50 years ago, only targeted at the American people. They successfully bamboozled leaders in the government, the media and academia, as well as the general public, into a state of denial about the undeniable evidence of off-world contact.

The credit is not all theirs, however, because the human tendency toward self-deception does much of the work for them. As a character in the movie *American Beauty* said, “Never underestimate the power of denial.” Considering the post-war atmosphere in 1947, the secrecy policy may have been justified at first. What should have been a temporary expedient born of war, however, appears to have grown into a permanent fixture of government, and therein lies a grave peril to our democracy.

Our leaders, during what they believed to be a life-and-death struggle, first with Nazism and then with Soviet communism, invested secret agencies with the power to act apart from the Constitution and its cumbersome system of checks and balances. During World War II, when strange objects that U.S. bomber pilots called “foo fighters” started tailing their bombers, the intelligence community was tasked with acquiring one to exploit their exotic technology. When the alien craft fell into their laps at Roswell, they saw it as a possible secret weapon to be used

against the Soviets. Not wanting it to fall into Soviet hands like our nuclear secrets did, they clamped a lid on it more tightly than on any other black project. Majestic replaced Magic as the ultimate secret and in the process became the bodyguard's means to maintain and expand its power long after the war was over.

The Stealth Bureaucracy

After more than 50 years of operating in the shadows, this bodyguard has become a caste far removed from the common citizens they are supposedly sworn to defend. Unchecked by representative government or the media, it is by now a nightmarish bureaucratic monster that has been called a "shadow government," in the words of Sen. Daniel K. Inoué. Like the stealth bomber, it has a devastating impact on our national life but does not show up on the public's radar.

Many Americans have tried to fight the stealth bureaucracy, most notably with passage of the Freedom of Information Act. While aimed mainly at CIA assassination plots, it also released hundreds of documents regarding UFOs, proving the falsity of Blue Book and its current successor, the so-called SETI program promoted by the late Carl Sagan, which distracts the public's attention from aliens here and now with the myth that, if they exist at all, they are very far away.

The abduction phenomenon, brought to public attention by Bud Hopkins in his books *Missing Time* and *Intruders*, and in Whitley Strieber's book and movie, *Communion*, based on the independent testimony of thousands of abductees, suggest that aliens known as "grays" have been abducting humans as part of some kind of breeding program. Then there is the cattle mutilation mystery, in which thousands of cattle throughout the American west have been found with organs removed with surgical precision, often in concert with UFO sightings, causing economic hardship to many ranchers.

Despite this massive violation of individual and property rights, the government never mounted a public investigation. Could this be because the secret managers of off-world affairs have not only acquiesced to the perpetrators but struck a deal with them?

Human history provides an analogy to this situation in the relationship between developed and developing countries, or the so-called "first world" and "third world." Highly developed industrial societies, having exhausted their own natural resources, seek raw materials abroad while the less developed countries seek technology. It often happens that the ruling elites in developing countries use imported technology more to maintain their power and privileges and give them an economic and military edge against rival nations than to benefit the common people.

What Do They Want?

What would be the most precious raw material in the universe? Frank Herbert in his science fiction series *Dune* saw it as the life-extending spice melange. In reality, the most precious substance would be deoxyribonucleic acid, or DNA, the very stuff of life itself. In a far-off world

where genetic engineering is as common as electrical or cybernetic engineering is in our world, human genes would be an invaluable commodity, in effect microscopic information packets more crammed with data and infinite capabilities than the most advanced computer chips.

Perhaps the aliens need human DNA because their own genetic pool cannot sustain their evolution. Perhaps pollution, radiation or inbreeding on their home planet contaminated their gene pool. Or perhaps fresh DNA is needed to compensate for the time dilation factor inherent in interstellar travel at near-light speeds. While near-light speed confers relative immortality on beings using it, it has a drawback in that their evolution virtually stops compared to planet-bound beings. They would need to update their genome every now and then to avoid genetic obsolescence.

Just as imperialistic nations in the days of steamships needed coaling stations in strategic foreign ports so their ships could make it from ocean to ocean, perhaps star-traveling extraterrestrials need biologically rich planets like ours as genetic way-stations to sustain their existence in some unimaginably vast and ancient cosmic journey. Perhaps the stealth bureaucracy gave the aliens license to harvest our DNA in return for advanced technology. The deal would have been kept secret both to prevent “panic” and to prevent the rival Soviets from acquiring the technology. With the end of the Cold War, the motivation switched from defending against military espionage to protecting America’s global edge in science and technology. Of course, the bodyguard would also be mindful of the legal consequences of their criminal behavior if it should be made public, giving them further incentive to keep it well hidden.

Admittedly, all this is rank speculation in the absence of hard facts. The bottom line, however, is that some people in the government know the truth about extraterrestrials, or at least much more than most people, just as some privileged people know the truth about JFK’s assassination. This creates a “knowledge gap” between those “in the know” and the rest of us so wide that it creates a fatal rift in the body politic.

The situation may be likened to the early days of capitalism, when a few “robber barons” monopolized wealth in this country and ran roughshod over the common people. Then unions developed, muckraking journalists and writers rallied popular opinion against the robber barons, and crusading politicians passed laws that broke up the trusts, improved working conditions and spread wealth more equitably. Today we are living in an information-based economy. An inbred elite who fancy themselves masters of the universe monopolizes the most valuable information, which comes from advanced off-world civilizations. It is time to break up that monopoly and make the knowledge available to all, which will have the effect of generating new wealth and spreading it to all mankind.

We now live under a regime in which a privileged caste enjoys access to the truth and we, the people, are fed a diet of lies. In the Soviet Union, this situation led to its total breakdown. A similar fate awaits America unless we act now to expose the stealth bureaucracy and restore open government.

An informed electorate is the basis of a true democracy. If the government can suppress the truth about something as important as man’s place in the universe, our democracy is a sham. History

shows that the truth never harmed mankind, despite the fears of potentates who tried to “protect” the public from it. Official lies, myths, and efforts to keep the people in the dark cause the most harm.

The revolution that recently occurred in the Soviet Union occurred because the truth of democracy and human rights, which the Communist Party tried to keep from the people, could not be contained. It is high time for a glasnost revolution in the United States, along with perestroika, or restructuring.

Chapter 3: Go Political

Operation Right to Know, founded by Ed Komarek of Georgia, is one of the few groups to mount a public political attack against UFO secrecy. Its debut July 5, 1993 demonstration in front of the White House sparked a chorus of criticism, ironically from the UFO community itself. Critics expressed the fear that reporters would zoom in on the putative “kooks and crazies” in the crowd, holding the entire movement up to ridicule and jeopardizing the work of established UFO research groups that had been trying for years to earn public legitimacy.

Yes, fear of ridicule is a major concern of the UFO community, but the best way to conquer fear is to face it head on. Other erstwhile “fringe” groups have used politics to enter the mainstream. Gays, for example, used politics to bring them from the fringe of society into the cutting edge of social and political change.

After decades of being jerked around by the government, why haven't the leaders of the UFO community seized the constitutional weapon of “peaceful assembly and petition for redress of grievances” that other groups have done with great success? Perhaps it is because the pioneers and leaders of the UFO research community are scientists, not politicians. The late astronomer J. Allen Hynek, the “father of ufology,” while working on the Air Force's Project Blue Book, realized that the project was biased against UFOs as extraterrestrial craft. His solution was to form his own research group, just like Blue Book but open to the extraterrestrial hypothesis. The group he founded, Center for UFO Studies (CUFOS), is a model for most others, based on the premise that only impeccably scientific and objective reports could convince the public of the reality of UFOs.

Hynek didn't realize, however, how bogus Blue Book really was. It was a cover program designed to ease public fears and divert attention from the alien artifacts and bodies the government had already acquired. While private UFO researchers were diligently collecting UFO sightings, the cream of U.S. scientific minds and billions of dollars from the black budget were invested into studying real aliens and their technology.

Don't get me wrong—the work of CUFOS, MUFON, FUFOR and the other UFO research groups deserves the highest praise. What little the public currently knows about UFOs it owes to them. The government's secret research, however, by now holds an enormous quantity of mind-boggling data. It is likely that the bureaucrats who manage this Fort Knox of knowledge can peruse anything one would want to know about aliens—where they come from, why they're here, what they eat, how they reproduce, etc.

Theories abound as to the reason for this continuing secrecy. Preventing panic seems like the most benign reason, but if the aliens really intended to do us harm, surely they would have done so by now. Besides, according to archeological evidence, humanity is not a virginal race that should be protected from culture shock, like some fragile tribe of Amazonian Indians. An entire genre of writers, only a few of whom are cited in this book's bibliography, show irrefutable evidence that humans have long had contact with extraterrestrials. In fact, according to Hoyle and Wickramasinghe, “alien” is the wrong word to use, because we are all aliens in the sense that

our genes come from outer space! I believe, therefore, that we can discount the “alien invasion” theory, because they have been with us all along.

Another theory is that the government fears that traditional power structures of church and state might collapse if people seek direction or salvation from the aliens. The problem with that is that the First Amendment specifically denies government the right to decide such questions—“Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or restricting the free exercise thereof.” If the above theory is true, it means our country is not ruled by a government “of the people, by the people and for the people,” but by bureaucrats who mistrust ordinary people and anoint themselves decision-makers for the rest of us. How ironic that those who set themselves up as humanity’s ambassadors toward other intelligent races have such little faith in their own race!

One theory discussed in UFO circles is “acclimatization,” the idea that the stealth bureaucrats are releasing dribs and drabs of information to gradually prepare us for the “big announcement.” With the prominence of science fiction in entertainment, frequent discussion of UFOs and the abduction phenomenon on network and cable TV, with UFOs being the second largest category on the Internet after pornography, and alien faces appearing on everything from T-shirts to lollipops, how “acclimatized” do we have to be?

Considering the historical record, we have more to fear from the humans who monopolize and micromanage the alien relationship than from the aliens. In fact, considering that the private sector usually does much better than the government in getting the best deal for the money, perhaps it would serve humanity better to end the government monopoly on human-alien relations and get the private sector fully involved.

I suspect the stealth bureaucracy will never release its hold on the truth, however, simply because it is not in the nature of bureaucrats to put themselves out of business or diminish their power. Again, history provides examples galore.

Consider the Internal Revenue Service. Given the mandate to collect revenue from the people, it pursued that mandate to such an extreme that it turned into what was called an American Gestapo. Responding to citizen complaints, Congress passed laws that diminished the IRS’ powers and protect taxpayers’ rights. The stealth bureaucracy, however, can act with impunity because it officially doesn’t exist. Plenty of bureaucrats would kill to have and maintain such a situation.

Isaac Asimov postulated in his *Foundation* trilogy that while individuals behave somewhat unpredictably, in the aggregate they behave in predictable ways, as if by physical laws of motion. One such law might be “a political bureaucracy will continue to acquire power until stopped by a stronger political power.” That is why our founding fathers in their wisdom established three branches of government to create a balance of powers. They never foresaw, however, that wartime secrecy would put unlimited power in the hands of a bureaucracy acting outside the tripartite system.

Closed elites are poison to any society. No matter how noble their initial motivation, over time they become inbred and reactionary. I believe the cosmic cover-up hides such an elite and it will never relinquish or share power until forced to do so.

Coordinated Assault

The solution, therefore, is for all three branches of government and the news media to mount a coordinated assault to expose and dismantle the bodyguard of lies and release all its secrets involving extraterrestrials. I propose three steps, one for each branch, with suggestions for the media in the next chapter.

Grant immunity. The president with a stroke of his pen could issue an executive order granting immunity to all those who have signed security oaths in relation to UFO sightings. President Clinton set a precedent by rescinding security oaths imposed on servicemen who were subjected to secret chemical-biological experiments. Such oaths, backed by threats of legal or extralegal repercussions, have silenced thousands of servicemen and civilians who have witnessed the alien presence. The Justice Department could also grant immunity for crimes committed in the pursuance of the national interest as understood at the time. A promise of immunity with no loss of pension might be all that is needed to persuade some bodyguard members to come clean. Some crimes might not be so easily forgiven and demand restitution, especially the assassination of John F. Kennedy. It may be more tolerable, however, to let some criminals go unpunished than to allow their criminal enterprise to continue harming more innocent people.

Change national security law. Congress should change the National Security Act that gives bureaucrats carte blanche to stamp “top secret” on anything they deem to be in the national interest. Only the people through their elected representatives should determine what the national interest is.

Congress should therefore hold public hearings toward passing a law that lists those things that should be kept secret—identity of agents, design of weapons, intelligence means and methods and so on—leaving all things not on the list in the public domain. Without even mentioning the word UFO, all the government’s files and warehouses holding UFO-related facts would be open to the public.

At the same time, a panel of independent encyclopedists should be contracted to handle the flood of testimony and information that would ensue from the above two measures and make it available to the public, perhaps in the form of an “Encyclopedia Galactica” (to borrow a term from Asimov’s *Foundation* novels) in every university, public library and on the Internet.

Outlaw the bodyguard of lies. The government’s UFO secrecy policy and the very concept of a bodyguard of lies during peacetime should be challenged all the way to the Supreme Court as a violation of civil rights. Keeping the people in ignorance about things that affect their lives is a form of oppression. At the very least it violates the First Amendment guarantees of freedom of religion and the press. Lawyer Peter Gersten and Citizens Against UFO Secrecy (CAUS) have been fighting a lonely battle to declassify secret documents and to seek relief for individuals wronged by official UFO secrecy, but it is time to mount a massive legal campaign akin to the

one that ended racial segregation in the South. UFO leaders should pool their funds to retain a team of top lawyers, not only to handle individual cases, but to challenge the secrecy policy as a whole before the Supreme Court.

Broad constituency

All these steps will require an organization to mobilize grass-roots political pressure, which will in turn require money and volunteers. I believe ample resources already exist for such an organization, both in existing UFO groups and in the increasingly broad constituency that would have a personal or economic interest in the subject. This is no longer a matter for the so-called “granola factor”—the “fruits, nuts and flakes” in the New Age movement, a term I do not mean to use disparagingly. Indeed, New Agers are the logical choice to provide the cutting edge of a New Age political movement.

UFO abductees and witnesses cross all walks of life and ideologies. Most of them are ordinary people who never cared or thought much about UFOs until they were suddenly mugged by reality. They could become the nucleus of a mass movement that could eventually involve the mainstream and be no more “weird” than any other political interest group.

Besides, according to the 1997 CNN/Time poll among others, most Americans have already figured out that aliens are on the earth and that the government is covering it up, but they are complacent about it because it doesn’t affect them personally. In short, a vast untapped political resource exists in this country to challenge the UFO secrecy policy, but it has not been organized.

UFO enthusiasts’ main activity has been attending conferences to share experiences and hear descriptions of the latest sightings, which may be satisfying to them but has as much political impact as bird watching. They should realize that **political action** could unearth information in far greater quality and quantity than they or any private group can hope to match. Ordinary citizens on their part should be outraged that billions of their tax dollars are being diverted to keep them in ignorance of the real world and deny them the potentially enormous benefits of the aliens’ advanced technology.

I call on the UFO cognoscenti to connect with their natural constituents, members of the New Age movement and the general public to bring about a revolution as profound as the one Mikhail Gorbachev began in the Soviet Union, although hopefully not as disruptive. Gorbachev used the terms *glasnost* and *perestroika*, or openness and restructuring.

In the American context, the former means releasing the secret information to the public—just let the knowledge run free and trust the people to sort it out for themselves. The latter means dismantling the stealth bureaucracy and structuring honesty into government so a bodyguard of lies can never rise again, as well as building a political and economic infrastructure to handle interplanetary relations on a more open and honest footing with full involvement of the private sector. It would loose the collective consciousness of mankind to deal with our off-world visitors in a way that brings the greatest benefit to the greatest number.

Business Plan

The organization I have in mind would have a mass membership, a powerful lobby in Washington, a high-powered legal arm and a top-quality media organ. The best example of such an organization is the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), for which I once worked as a temp in the mail room at its headquarters in Washington, D.C. AARP is successful because it goes to bat in Congress for its members regarding political issues that concern them, its monthly magazine provides useful information, and members get other services like discounts on medical insurance, prescription drugs and travel.

The organization could be called, say, “American Citizens for Truth (ACT),” and would attract a mass membership from the millions concerned about space, science and technology, and human progress in general. That membership base would provide powerful leverage for its lobbyists in Washington who would sponsor legislation to address their concerns. A top-quality magazine featuring the latest news, interviews, investigative stories and features would keep members abreast of the latest developments and keep the momentum going.

Most importantly, the organization would instantly respond to members’ needs and interests. For example, it would field a rapid reaction team to respond to “flaps” that would not only investigate sightings, but mobilize political action and pressure local officials for answers. Its legal arm would help members wronged by government secrecy to fight back and receive compensation for their damages.

AARP is also a successful business, its CEOs being among the most highly paid in America, and ACT would also have to be a lucrative enterprise. It is an unfortunate but unavoidable fact that money is the key to political power in America. It takes lots of money to mount political campaigns, pay lobbyists, buy advertising and conduct mass mailings. Its profitability would also demonstrate that fortunes can be made from the extraterrestrial connection. This would be the fastest way to end the denial as eager entrepreneurs join the gold rush, pressuring the government to lower the barriers. All we need to get the ball rolling is visionary entrepreneurs like Christopher Columbus, as well as financial backers like Queen Isabella, willing to risk a bold foray into the unknown.

The private sector already sees space as a tourist destination. I also see a future in “cosmic tourism” packages, offering tours to UFO hot spots, “ancient astronaut” archeological sites, spiritual energy vortexes as well as trips into outer space. The possibilities are endless.

An organization like ACT would rock this country like nothing else and go on to have vast global repercussions. Nothing could bring the world together better than a challenge and an opportunity in which every human being has a stake.

In the recent past the Cold War divided the earth into three major camps, the so-called First World of industrialized capitalism, the Second World of socialism, and the Third World of developing nations trying to decide between them. With the demise of the second world, the globe has fractured into many competing power centers and a uniting global vision seems more out of reach than ever.

The vision of humankind interacting with other races, however, might lead to a global consensus that we earthlings must get our act together to benefit from a relationship with our cosmic neighbors. Perhaps the promise of a new age based on advanced technology from the stars might persuade the contending parties of the world to abandon their petty squabbles for the sake of a more prosperous future for all.

Chapter 4: Exopolitics

Some people see UFOs as a subject of scientific study. Others see them as spiritual phenomena worthy of religious awe or as a sign of the prophesied “last days.” Others search for proof of extraterrestrial intelligence in radio signals from the stars. If one puts all the evidence together, however, it is clear that one word best defines the reality of extraterrestrial life: Politics.

Why are intelligent and well-educated people still debating the issue of whether we are alone in the universe? It is because our wartime military and political leaders in 1947 decided to deny the existence of crashed alien craft and their occupants and to pursue a policy of secrecy and lies to cover up that reality. Our vaunted news media unfortunately has played a shamefully craven role in accepting the government’s “weather balloon” cover story.

As UFO researcher Stanton Friedman points out, (www.newsregister.com/news/story.cfm?story_no=165972) the documents regarding UFOs grudgingly released under the Freedom of Information Act or leaked to private researchers are only the tip of the iceberg. The sheer volume of information concerning extraterrestrials and their technology that has accumulated over the last 50 years in the hands of the government would likely choke the resources of a major library just to catalogue. This Fort Knox of information is denied to the public, however, because of the decades-old policy of secrecy, deception and denial.

That is only politics on one level. There is, of course, a higher level of politics that affects our fate, i.e., the aliens themselves and their agendas. According to people who claim to have come in contact with them, either through “channeling,” abductions or other forms of contact, our earth is the object of a power struggle between different off-world races and civilizations. In short, we humans as a whole are in the same position as developing nations on earth caught between competing great powers that are at a much higher level of technological and industrial development.

Unfortunately, in the absence of corroborating evidence, these accounts can easily be dismissed as fantasies or modern versions of religious myths. An end to UFO secrecy would resolve a lot of confusion, but until then largely anecdotal evidence is all we have to go on.

The descriptions of various alien types on the Web (ufos.about.com/gi/dynamic/offsite.htm?site=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.geocities.com%2FArea51%2FShadowlands%2F6583%2Fet001.html) echo the Biblical tale of the war between angels loyal to God and “fallen” angels that followed the archangel Lucifer, also known as the “serpent” that tempted Adam and Eve to fall. In an article by David House, the two main groups are called “Evademic: Those entities which may be considered to be soul-matrixed members of the human races or the 'angelic' benevolent beings who seek to influence them for the good,” and the “Draconian or Dracos, who are apparently 'soulless' and can be associated with the neosaurian-reptilian or 'fallen' angelics that have been known to accompany or motivate them. Since a cosmic conflict is taking place between these two groups, and especially between the fallen and unfallen angelics which influence the physical world for evil or good respectively, one group may succeed in subduing part of the other's 'physical' dominion or 'territory' at any given time.”

According to the descriptions of abductees – or “experiencers” as they prefer to be called – the so-called “Grays,” the big-headed creatures with wraparound eyes that allegedly abduct people for genetic reasons, are actually needy and pathetic people despite their technological powers. Just like the human colonizers of old, their survival depends on natural resources that are no longer available on their home planet because of their past short-sighted policies.

Abductees say the Grays need our genes to jump-start their own evolution, which reached a dead end because of over-reliance on cloning and genetic engineering. It is said that the Grays even “get off” on human emotions, kind of like a recreational drug.

Author Whitley Strieber, who has had a lifetime of experience with them, in his books *Communion* and *Transformation* describe them as fierce, greedy and sometimes petulant people, even though they possess immense powers to alter reality. Strieber manifests a degree of affection for them, but certainly does not see them as worthy of worship or emulation.

Contactees also describe a human-looking race sometimes called “Nords” because of their Nordic features, although some have been described as olive-skinned or with Oriental features. Sometimes they are seen in collusion with the Grays, but more often seem to have a much more benevolent aspect, seeking to guide mankind to a higher level of development and having an “angelic” quality.

Assuming that this is accurate to a degree, perhaps the best way to make sense of cosmic politics is to use the same categories developed during the Cold War on Earth – the “First World, Second World and Third World.” The First World consists of the most highly advanced industrial and technological societies, which are based on traditional religious beliefs and are politically conservative. The Second World is made up of socialist or communist nations that are in rebellion against the First World, seeking a more radical path to development and rejecting many of the traditional values of the First World. They are more inclined toward violence and dictatorship, rejecting individual freedoms in exchange for rapid development and social cohesion.

The Third World consists of developing nations that aspire to a higher level of development and seek a path between the first two worlds. An arena of competition between the first two worlds, it actually represents the future, because it is there that the contrasting ideologies are played out and tested.

The Third World plays an enormous role in the fate of the entire world. Their role becomes even more acute as they join the ranks of the First World as Japan did at the turn of the century and as South Korea and other countries are doing today.

In the cosmic arena, we could say that the First World consists of those ancient star-faring civilizations described by contactees as the precursors of the human race. They not only share a genetic kinship, but a sense of responsibility toward us as protégés. They are conservative in their approach, using more of a “laissez faire” policy toward humans, preferring instruction and inspiration rather than direct intervention.

The Second World consists of the Grays, Dracos and related beings. They don't care about human development except as it relates to resources for them. They feel no compunction about interfering with individual human lives and seem to adhere to a collectivist or so-called "soulless" lifestyle. Like the communists, their way of life has failed to survive on its own, so they are forced to survive by parasitically drawing resources from more free, robust and adaptable races.

The Third World, therefore, consists of Earthlings and beings on other planets who have not yet developed the ability to travel to the stars and the technology that goes along with that. We should not feel ashamed or in any way diminished to be in that position. In the clash of primitive vs. highly developed civilizations, the "underdog" peoples with ingenuity, pluck and adaptability eventually surpassed their erstwhile conquerors and/or colonizers.

For example, nineteenth-century Japan, which was a medieval civilization when Commodore Perry sailed into Tokyo harbor with his warships, quickly adopted Western technology and began to compete successfully with advanced industrial societies by the early 20th century.

According to Col. Phillip J. Corso in his book, *The Day After Roswell*, American scientists did such a great job of retro-engineering technology from the crashed saucer at Roswell that within a few decades we turned the technology against them, developing "Star Wars" weapons that could be used to defend the earth against alien invaders. We humans should be proud, therefore, to possess that "divine spark" that puts us in the same league as the off-world visitors that our ancestors worshipped as gods.

Although we may be in the position of underdog now, we can have a profound impact on the cosmic balance of power, influencing trillions of beings on other planets and in other dimensions. We have it within our power to reconcile the ancient conflict that communicated itself to our world in ancient times by finding the "golden path," to borrow a phrase from Frank Herbert's *Dune* novels, which is the optimum road to survival and development. We can, in short, be the teachers and saviors of those who once appeared to us as overlords.

On the other hand, we could continue to pollute our environment until we have destroyed our own planet beyond the capacity of any alien invaders to do so. We could continue to close our eyes to the realities, opportunities and possibilities all around us. We could continue to cling to failed policies that benefit only a few in the short term, but harm the whole of humanity in the long term.

We could thus reach an evolutionary dead end and perish as an independent race. The choice is up to us.

Chapter 5: Media Complicity

Sometimes in human history a critical crossroads occurs where the actions of a single man can determine two radically different historical outcomes, like the nexus between two alternative universes. One such moment occurred in the office of Chavez County Sheriff George Wilcox of Roswell, New Mexico, on July 6, 1947.

Rancher Mac Brazel came into Wilcox's office with some strange debris like nothing they had ever seen— foil-like thin metal that returned to its original shape after being crumpled; thin but incredibly strong rods, light as balsa wood, with strange symbols on them, and so on. Wilcox had a choice. The newspapers had been full of stories of flying saucers that summer and one had even offered a reward for hard evidence of their existence. On the other hand, Roswell was a military town and Wilcox was no doubt a patriotic public servant.

He could have called the newspapers or he could have called the Army. Perhaps civic-mindedness, or mere habit, tipped the scales—he called the nearby Army Air Base. The rest, as they say, is history.

What would have happened if he had called the news media? What if reporters and photographers had been on the scene ahead of the army and had broadcast news and photographs of the debris and bodies eyewitnesses described 30 years later? *What if the military could not put a lid on the discovery?*

Perhaps if Wilcox had been a little less civic-minded, or if newsmen of the time had been more aggressive and more skeptical of government claims, aliens would today be as commonplace as any other subject our children study in school. I can imagine one of my high school-age children whining, “Aw, Dad, why do I have to study exobiology? You know I'm never going to use it in real life!”

Why did the media fail to pursue what by any objective standard was, and still is, the story of the century? It is true that reporters and radio broadcasters in 1947 were intimidated and threatened into silence by the military, but would that be enough to silence a media supposedly committed to publishing, as the New York Times puts it, “all the news that's fit to print”?

I surmise that media self-censorship played a large role in the cover-up and continues to do so. This is largely because the top media moguls are joined at the hip with the establishment that initiated and maintains the secrecy policy.

Throughout World War II, the media joined with government as part of the war effort, printing only what would help the war and ignoring inconvenient facts that would help the enemy, as for example Stalin's ruthless dictatorship and mass murder. Stalin was our ally against the Nazis, so he was depicted in the media as “Uncle Joe.” The slogan, “loose lips sink ships” governed the news so any facts that would give aid and comfort to the enemy were self-censored.

Secondly, media people are ideologically inclined toward humanism and materialism, as committed to the belief that man is the measure of all things and that anything “supernatural” is a

fraud or delusion as the medieval inquisitors were to the myth that the earth is the center of the solar system. Exposing UFO hoaxes and holding “believers” up to ridicule is an easy path for many reporters too lazy or intellectually dishonest to question their own assumptions.

Most importantly, the major media are part of the power elite in this country. This not only makes them inherently conservative, but a prime candidate for infiltration and co-optation by the bodyguard of lies, which has targeted the media from the beginning. I regret to say that the image of the crusading, iconoclastic journalist seeking to uncover the truth “without fear or favor” is largely a myth.

Powerful newspapers like the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post*, as well as its conservative rival the *Washington Times*, depend on the favor of the government for their inside leaks, deep background sources, their place on the press pool and other perks. I would even bet that the media barons who know or suspect the reality behind UFOs have the same elitist attitude as the stealth bureaucrats, which holds that the information is too “hot” for the public to handle and that the “responsible” thing is to keep a lid on it.

Then there is the phenomenon known as “pack journalism.” Peer pressure is a powerful force in the media. The “reputable” media do not want to be put in the same league as the “supermarket tabloids” that publish outrageously bogus stories about UFOs. It has been suggested that Majestic plants these stories to cast legitimate UFO reporting into disrepute.

As a journalist of 30 years experience myself, I have some suggestions for any members of the media bold enough to win their Pulitzer by breaking the story of the century. Deep Throat, the anonymous source in the Watergate scandal, told reporter Bob Woodward to “follow the money.” I think the Cosmic Watergate has a number of trails that a reporter could follow.

The people trail. UFO investigators have identified a number of public figures in relation to the cover-up. For example, in Timothy Good’s *Alien Liaison* (page 191), former Naval Intelligence chief and secretary of defense nominee Bobby Ray Inman admitted on tape to UFO researcher Bob Oechsler that the U.S. military possessed alien craft. While disclaiming knowledge of them himself, he named CIA Director of Science and Technology Everett Hineman and retired Naval Intelligence chief Sumner Shapiro as two who might have more knowledge of them. Good also mentions “father of the H-bomb” Edward Teller, who engineer Bob Lazar said recruited him to study alien propulsion systems at Area 51 in Nevada, although Teller denied it to a TV reporter. Lazar has been widely discredited for fudging his bona fides, but it is a fact that Teller would be the logical successor to the late Vannevar Bush who reportedly led research into the Roswell artifacts.

A number of retired military men like Corso are also likely to be sitting on mind-boggling information that they might be willing to reveal to the right reporter. Likely candidates could be found in retired commanders of the Air Force Space Command or those involved in the Strategic Defense Initiative.

I would urge the media to identify likely candidates like these and sic teams of journalists on them, asking pointed questions and following their every move as if they were lawmakers suspected of infidelity. I'm sure at least one of them would reveal something important.

The ultimate goal of any journalist, of course, would be to expose the actual bodyguard of lies. The popular TV show "X-Files" presents what I would call a likely scenario in its "committee of old men" who are shown trying to manage the secret of aliens on the earth.

Based on the description of the intelligence community in Brown's book, I would look for white men in their 70s who were active in World War II intelligence, immensely but discretely rich, anglophiles, and inclined to avoid the spotlight. They would also be connected with high-tech companies that do business with the government.

Personally, I suspect that Bobby Ray Inman may be more involved in the bodyguard than he let on to Oechsler and would be a prime candidate for media scrutiny. I find it telling that he turned down a nomination for defense secretary because, as he admitted, he did not want the media exposure. Former President George Bush, who as former CIA director may have been privy to secrets not allowed to any other president, is another candidate.

The technology trail. Corso named many modern inventions as coming from the Roswell artifacts, but his involvement was limited to the Army's Foreign Technology Office. The Air Force and Navy weapons research programs remain largely untapped for UFO-derived technology stories. Even if Corso is guilty of exaggeration, it is a fact that the military often uses civilian companies for research and development. It is inconceivable that some technological spinoffs would not have occurred by now from the Roswell crash.

One lead I stumbled upon, which I offer here for any journalist willing to track it down, is Nitinol, for Nickel Titanium/Naval Ordnance Laboratory, a substance that exhibits "molecular memory," or being able to snap back to its original shape after being bent, the same quality witnesses described in some of the Roswell debris. According to an article in the September 1993 issue of *World & I*, the NOL says it found this quality by accident in material they were investigating for missile shrouds in 1958. Not understanding how this quality came to be, they brought in an expert, Dr. Frederick Wang, to figure out the molecular structure that made it possible.

I consider it highly unlikely that a research facility could not understand the molecular structure of its own experimental material. This would be perfectly consistent, however, with a cover story to explain retro-engineering of a found substance. And of course, the NOL would have been a prime recipient of Roswell artifacts.

I challenge the major news media to follow up on these leads and others that have been provided in great abundance by private UFO researchers. Lawmakers in this country frequently take their policy cues from the *New York Times*, the *Washington Post* and the major news networks, so an investigative piece or two by them could go a long way to sparking the glasnost revolution in America.

Chapter 6: Exopolitics and Religion

Throughout this book, my main emphasis has been political, but there are vast philosophical and theological implications to the alien presence that cannot be ignored. A clear understanding of these implications, however, is impossible until the denial syndrome ends and all the facts come out, which will require a political effort.

The end of government UFO secrecy might unearth documents that would shake the religious world. Babylonian scholar Zechariah Sitchin, for one, claims that the stories in the Bible and other religious scriptures regarding gods, goddesses and angels should be taken literally instead of as fairy tales or legends, because they chronicle stories concerning real-life extraterrestrials. The story in Genesis about Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden would, therefore, be a greatly simplified version of a cosmic conflict involving three factions: God and His angels, Lucifer and the “fallen” or rebellious angels, and Adam and Eve representing mankind, following the “first world, second world and third world” triangle mentioned earlier.

Most Christians vehemently reject the idea that God and his Angels are extraterrestrials, but the quarrel is purely semantic. If one believes that the Bible is true, one believes in extraterrestrials. Among the otherworldly beings mentioned in the Bible are God Himself, the Sons of God in Genesis Ch. 6 who before the Flood mated with earth women to sire the “giants” of old (“Nephilim” in Hebrew), and angels called cherubim and seraphim. Every major religion has accounts of celestial beings coming from the sky, whether they are called valkyries, apsaras, devas or angels.

The debate between creationism and evolution is also mostly semantic. The story of creation in Genesis is similar to scientific concepts of the earth’s development in that it involves a progression over time, except that fundamentalists insist on translating a “day” of creation as 24 hours. What, however, is a “day?” Einstein taught us that time is relative. Twenty-four hours for someone traveling at near-light speed could be a million years for someone on the earth. If one believes Genesis to be a true revelation from a divine being, then the days of creation would have to be “god days,” not human days.

The controversy over the current “intelligent design” movement among scientists, which mainstream scientists dismiss as merely Biblical creationism in a new guise, is rendered moot if one acknowledges the reality of extraterrestrial intelligence. Let us assume for the sake of argument that intelligence evolved from random chemical reactions and Darwinian evolution. At some point, the intelligent beings that evolve this way would become aware of the evolutionary process and begin to tamper with it. Human beings have been doing this almost from the beginning of civilization, as for example with breeds of dogs and other livestock and food crops. Now we are altering genes on the cellular level with bioengineered crops and animals. In short, intelligent design is already a factor in evolution simply from our own activity.

Since we know as an established fact that we share this universe with intelligent beings far more advanced than we are, it is logical to assume that such genetic tampering had been going on for a much longer time and in much greater depth. Just as dog breeds are a result of human “intelligent

design,” it is quite possible, even likely, that the human race developed at least partly through genetic engineering by a more advanced race or races.

The issue of origins, whether life came from a creator or by random chance, is also merely an academic point. Nineteenth Century scientists assumed that time moved in a straight line, or linearly. Modern astronomy and quantum physics, however, has shown that the universe is curved, and that time is not linear, but circular. Time travel, in which intelligent beings can influence the time streams of the past, is now accepted as a theoretical possibility.

Therefore, if intelligence were to develop anywhere in the time stream, it would inevitably feed back on itself, creating a new time stream that starts with intelligent design. The god-like level of intelligence or organized complexity that linearly-thinking scientists imagine is ahead of us in the future would therefore actually be behind us in our past. In short, if one accepts the reality of extraterrestrial intelligence, then intelligent design as a factor in human origins is not only probable, but inescapable.

The rift between science and religion, which began when the Catholic Church rejected Copernicus’ and Galileo’s discovery that the earth revolves around the sun, is therefore a delusion born of ignorance and denial. It created a false dichotomy between the world of fact and the world of faith. It created two cultures that can’t communicate with each other, creating confusion and misunderstanding that blocks a clear understanding of the real universe.

Ancient Scientist/Priests

Originally, religion and science were not separate. Indeed, priests were scientists and vice versa. They observed and recorded the movement of the stars and could predict equinoxes and solstices and give advice on when to plant and when to harvest. Stonehenge and other prehistoric megalithic sites were not only religious sites, but complex astronomical computers. Those sages of antiquity also carefully noted the medicinal qualities of plants and herbs to heal their people and used psychology to motivate and unite them. No doubt they employed theatrics to impress the masses. They also entertained beliefs and misconceptions that were far from scientific by modern standards—for example magic, astrology, and alchemy. However, these early traditions of learning formed the foundation of today’s astronomy and chemistry, and ancient magical traditions have gained new respect recently from scientists and New Age thinkers.

There is also evidence that some of these prophets or high priests served as compradors for extraterrestrial civilizations, receiving scientific knowledge that supposedly couldn’t have been known without “modern” science. Andrew Tomas in his book *We Are Not the First* lists 27 scientific and technological ideas known to the ancients that were rediscovered with the rise of modern science (p. 177). These include atomic theory, the theory of relativity, the age of the earth (which the Mahabarata set at 4.3 billion years, very close to today’s 4.6 billion estimate); planets beyond Saturn, the moons of Jupiter and Saturn, electric batteries (found in Babylon that were 2,000 years old), aviation, robots and computers, indoor plumbing and sanitation, and so on.

Tomas cites the “mysterious torchbearers of civilization who, at the dawn of history, imparted their knowledge to the astronomer-priests all over the globe” (p. 176). Apparently Roswell was not the first time technology transfer occurred between extraterrestrials and humans. Maurice Chatelain, a mathematician who worked on NASA’s Apollo program, concludes that extraterrestrials intervened in human history about 65,000 years ago, about the same time that anthropologists say homo sapiens, or modern man, appeared on the earth. He calculates this date from the “Nineveh Constant,” an astronomical number found on a tablet from the ruins of ancient Nineveh describing the “great year” when all the constellations return to the same position in the heavens. Chatelain says that this number, which ancient peoples could not have known without outside knowledge, must have been calculated 64,800 years ago. (Chatelain, p. 35).

The knowledge of these priest-astronomers invariably led the masses to stand in religious awe of them. The pipeline to the stars, however, was apparently only intermittent in nature. When the original source of knowledge withdrew, over time the priest/scientists were replaced by sycophants and frauds who mindlessly carried on rituals they did not understand or used their position only for personal power.

What is worse, religions that started out as great truths to benefit mankind often degenerated into ideologies, superstitions and dogmas to benefit the ruling elite or to justify prejudices that led to bloody religious wars. This pattern continues today in sectarian violence in Ireland and the terrorism of Islamic fringe groups, but also infects materialists, as demonstrated by fascism and communism. The twisting of truth into ideologies to fit a partisan political agenda is the enemy of truth and must be fought anew in every age.

Truth is not the property of any individual or group; but exists independently of human perceptions. Both religion and science in their essence are efforts to understand the truth of our universe so we can live in it as best we can.

Memories Survive as Myths

Perhaps extraterrestrial intervention in man’s prehistory survives today in the Judeo-Christian myth of the coming of a supernatural messiah on the clouds of heaven. A similar myth was held by the Aztecs, who anticipated the return of the white, bearded god Quetzalcoatl, which some historians suspect were ancient Phoenecian travelers who imparted astronomical knowledge and the building of pyramids to Mesoamericans. Unfortunately for the Aztecs, they initially confused the rapacious Spanish conquistadors with the return of their hoped-for saviors.

Another more contemporary example is the “cargo cults” among Pacific islanders. During World War II some islanders living at a stone age level suddenly experienced enormous ships and planes disgorging fantastic machines and cargo that turned their world upside down as the U.S. military chose their island as an air base. Then after four years they just as suddenly packed up and departed. The poor islanders concocted a religion based on their longing for the return of the fabulous cargo, complete with native-built effigies of airplanes and a control tower to coax their saviors to return.

Scientists, for their part, have tended to dismiss the Bible and other religious scriptures. These scriptures, however, are a gold mine of useful data that scientists have overlooked, the most important being the historical record of man's relationship with off-world intelligences. Science fiction writer Sir Arthur C. Clark said, "Technology sufficiently advanced would be indistinguishable from magic." A logical corollary to that would be that those who wield such technology would be indistinguishable from gods.

In the South African movie, *The Gods Must Be Crazy*, a Kalahari bushman thought a Coke bottle dropped from an airplane was a gift from the gods. Modern man and his technology were god-like to him. Since we have already established that extraterrestrials with advanced technology have interacted with humanity, it is not farfetched to consider that early accounts of celestial beings chronicle close encounters with ETs.

Divinity and Velocity

One of the "magical" qualities attributed to gods, for example, is immortality, but that quality is simply a matter of velocity, according to Einstein. Poul Anderson's science fiction classic, *Tau Zero*, examines the possible consequences of the time dilation phenomena Einstein discovered in his theory of relativity.

The title of the book comes from the equation "Tau equals the square root of one minus v-squared over c-squared," where v is the velocity of a spaceship and c is the speed of light. That is, tau equals:

$$\sqrt{1 - (v^2 / c^2)}$$

The closer v comes to c, that is, the closer the ship approaches the speed of light, the closer tau comes to zero, which is to say time slows down for the inhabitants of the space ship. In Anderson's story, a group of explorers in a starship traveling at near-light speed are unable to decelerate after an accident damages their interstellar drive. As they go faster and faster, time dilation increases to the point that they watch the universe end its expansion phase and contract again in the so-called "Big Crunch." Orbiting outside the primal plasma cloud, they find haven by surfing along with the next Big Bang and decelerating until they find a new planet where life has evolved sufficiently to sustain them. All this occurs in what is, for them, a matter of months, but encompasses many billions of years for the universe outside the spaceship.

This suggests that divinity is related to velocity. Because of the tau factor, any beings that achieve near light speeds would achieve immortality (relative to planet-bound beings). Other divine attributes like omnipotence and omniscience would logically follow. Such beings could, for example, observe civilizations being born, growing and dying within a working lifetime for them, like biologists observing many generations of bacteria or fruit flies in the laboratory. To do this, they would need a monitoring, sampling and surveillance capability in planetary time, which seems to be part of the function of the UFOs seen throughout human history.

As for omnipotence, as τ approaches zero, the mass of the spaceship approaches infinity, according to Einstein. Such velocities would require the manipulation of titanic amounts of energy, which would give such beings the capability to transform the natural world on a cosmic scale, as in terraforming, just as smaller energy sources like fire and electricity gave man the ability to transform his world.

As support for this postulate, consider how major technological advances are linked to speed. Flight requires take-off speed and space travel requires escape velocity from earth's gravity. As for today's information-based technology, the constant search is for faster computers, leading to "quantum" computers that would achieve magical feats of data processing.

Based on the ufological and archeological record, it appears intelligent beings from other worlds, probably our cosmic ancestors, already accomplished such feats and have visited, perhaps even colonized, our earth. Prescientific earthlings who came into contact with them would of course perceive them in terms they could understand, likening them to emissaries from a celestial kingdom ruled by a god-king. People continue to have such encounters today, but science has changed the paradigm so now we see them as "ordinary" extraterrestrials. For example, the Bible says Elijah was taken up to heaven in a "chariot of fire." If we were to witness the same event today, we would say he was beamed aboard a UFO, like Travis Walton whose abduction was depicted in the movie *Fire in the Sky*.

Consider this passage in Genesis, Chapter 6: "And when men began to multiply on the earth, the sons of God saw that the daughters of men were fair, and chose wives from among them ... and there were giants (Nephilim) on the earth in those days, the mighty men of renown." Zechariah Sitchin, an expert on Babylonian cuneiform writing, concludes that the Babylonian chronicles of the gods are actually accounts of extraterrestrials called the Anunnaki who colonized the earth, genetically engineered modern humans from hominids and sired the biblical Nephilim through cross-fertilization with earth-women.

At first blush this poses a problem for monotheists. The antics of the Babylonian gods in the chronicles are not conducive to respect or awe, since they exhibit human vices.

One God Who Cares

Ethical monotheism, the concept of one supreme and eternal being who loves and cares for mankind, can, however, find scientific backing in the Gaia concept proposed by scientist James Lovelock (see the "Gaia" section in panspermia.com). This is the idea that the biosphere itself is an organism that creates its own conditions for extending life. Gaia, named after the Greek goddess of the earth, is currently thought of as our planetary ecosystem, but Hoyle and Wickramasinghe are proving that the web of life extends throughout the universe.

Physicists are searching for a single "theory of everything" than can tie all other physical theories into one. Since electromagnetic, gravitational and atomic fields exist, why not an energy field as a ground for life forms, a biological or spiritual field? British biologist Rupert Sheldrake's research in "morphic resonance," based on his theory of "morphic fields" that link

life forms across space and time, bridges the gap between physics and biology and fits neatly into the Gaia concept.

Physicists are moving into realms that border on the mystical and magical, for example through experiments in “quantum events” that occur simultaneously with no apparent physical connection. Some biologists postulate that the human brain contains microscopic structures that replicate quantum events, leading to psychic phenomena like ESP, precognition and others. Sheldrake’s experiments suggest that information is not only carried by genes, but transmitted through energy fields across space and time. Evidence supporting this can also be found in the medical documentation that prayer helps healing in hospitals, as described in Dr. Larry Dorsey’s book *Healing Words*.

All these discoveries point to the development of a scientific view of the universe as a living gestalt or organism, the invisible essence of which is an “overmind” or heuristic cosmic energy matrix, which influences life beyond space and time, transcending the cosmos’ individual parts while animating, directing and tying them all together. Any intelligent biological beings, no matter how powerful and god-like, would always be subservient to this Supreme Being, who is in fact the Creator.

Figuring the odds

Dr. Stephen Unwin in his book *The Probability of God: A Simple Calculation That Proves The Ultimate Truth* has calculated that there is a 67% chance that God exists. Unwin uses Bayes’ Theory, a 200-year-old formula used to work out the likelihood of events by balancing the various factors that could affect a situation, to calculate the likelihood of God’s existence.

The theory starts from the assumption that God has a 50/50 chance of existing, and then factors both for and against the notion of a higher being are calculated. Factors that were considered included recognition of goodness, which Dr. Unwin said makes the existence of God more likely, countered by things like the existence of natural evil - including earthquakes and cancer.

The book includes a spreadsheet of the data used so that anyone can make the calculation themselves should they doubt its validity. Unwin says he was interested in bridging the gap between science and religion and argues that rather than being a theological issue, the question of God’s existence is simply a matter of statistics.

One could use the same method to answer other theological questions, such as the Judeo-Christian belief in the coming of a messiah. To apply Bayes’ theorem on this issue, one would have to take the various beliefs and scenarios of the Second Coming and calculate which one is most likely to be true.

As far as the Second Coming of Christ is concerned, for example, let us take the two most well-known scenarios: The one posited by Time La Haye and Jim Jenkins in the best-selling *Left Behind* series of novels, and the claim by the Rev. Sun Myung Moon of Korea that he is the Second Coming.

In the first scenario, in brief, the Antichrist will emerge out of the European Union, faithful Christians will be “raptured” into heaven from wherever they are, disappearing from the face of the earth, then Jesus will descend from the sky, touching down on the Mount of Olives in Israel to face the armies of the Antichrist on the plains of Megiddo. With a single word, Jesus will eviscerate the armies of the Antichrist and then with a gesture cause the earth to open up and swallow all non-believers.

Rev. Moon’s claim to messiahship, on the other hand, is backed up by a comprehensive theology, the Divine Principle, which combines the two major streams of religious thought: classical Chinese philosophy as expounded in the I Ching and the Judeo-Christian Bible. It is also a historical fact that Korea duplicates many of the conditions that gave rise to Jesus, including the cultural clash between east and west, a history of invasion and occupation by foreign powers, a 4,000-year unbroken culture that emphasizes family and lineage, a passionate concern for religion, and native prophets who predicted that Korea would become the chosen nation.

Most importantly, Rev. Moon is a real person with a real record of accomplishment that stands on its own merits. One could wait forever for Jesus to return, but Rev. Moon and his followers have been active for 60 years and will continue to alter the spiritual landscape. An objective assessment of the odds, therefore, would surely be in Rev. Moon’s favor.

Probability theory is not the only avenue of scientific approach to the messiah question. Another is implied by physicist Michio Kaku of New York University in a paper entitled “The Physics of Extraterrestrial Civilizations,” (www.mkaku.org/articles/physics_of_alien_civs.shtml). Kaku theorizes that in order for a planetary civilization to survive and go on to the next stage of evolution – extraterrestrial exploration and colonization – it has to mobilize energy on a planet-wide and even solar system-wide scale to prevent extinction from asteroid strikes, pollution or other catastrophes that have caused the downfall of civilizations and mass extinctions in the past. “Any advanced civilization must grow in energy consumption faster than the frequency of life-threatening catastrophes (e.g. meteor impacts, ice ages, supernovas, etc.). If they grow any slower, they are doomed to extinction. This places mathematical lower limits on the rate of growth of these civilizations.”

Kaku’s thesis implies that world peace is a prerequisite for reaching that extraterrestrial stage of development. Obviously, the energies of this planet cannot be directed toward survival of the whole as long as competing nations squander their resources on huge military establishments. To create world peace, however, the world needs to develop a culture of peace instead of the current culture of conflict.

We can thus tie Kaku’s vision in with the historical analyses of Arnold Toynbee, in which he says civilizations arise from a “creative minority,” and what historian William H. McNeil calls “the closure of the ecumene” in which the entire globe becomes interconnected through trade, exploration and cultural exchanges. History shows that there is only a brief window of time, unfortunately, before the ecumene falls apart again through competition for resources and socio-political breakdowns such as happened with the Roman Empire.

The Closure of the Ecumene took place at the time of Jesus when the Roman Empire spread throughout the Mediterranean, traded with the civilizations of Africa and Asia, and even Phoenecian mariners were believed to have explored the Americas. In order for this closure to remain permanent, however, mankind needed a global vision to transcend narrow concerns of nationality, race and creed and dampen the centrifugal forces of desintegration. Jesus of Nazareth, if he had survived to carry out his original mission, could have provided that global vision in time to halt the breakdown of civilization.

Toynbee says that civilizations arise when a “creative minority” with a vision inspires the masses to cooperate and imitate it through a process he called “mimesis.” Such minorities invariably begin with just one person, such as Jesus, Buddha, Mohammed and Confucius. What made Jesus stand out was location and timing. He came right in the middle of the Closure of the Ecumene and in a part of the world that was a bridge between East and West. He could have provided that global vision, converting the Roman Empire within his lifetime, starting with the Roman soldiers that occupied Judea. The book of Matthew recounts that Jesus already had a Roman convert, a centurion who asked Jesus to heal his servant.

Imagine how different history would have been if Jesus had not only survived, but managed to gain enough support to implement his plan to establish the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth, heading up an army of evangelists spreading throughout the civilized world. Perhaps Christianity could have become the dominant religion in Rome within Jesus’ lifetime, instead of 300 years later.

The orthodox Christian belief that Jesus came to die on the cross for our sins is like saying that Martin Luther King came to be shot down at the Lorraine Motel in Memphis. Just as MLK had a dream, which he expressed in his famous Dream Speech at the Lincoln Memorial, Jesus also had a dream, which was very eloquently expressed in the prophecies of Isaiah (KJV, Is. 11: 6-10), which Jesus probably knew by heart:

“The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. . . . They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.”

Jesus clearly saw himself as the “root of Jesse” in the prophecy who would have liberated his people from Roman oppression by converting the Gentiles to the superior ethical and moral teachings of the Bible. Because he was killed, however, the corruption and brutality that was endemic to the Roman empire continued apace, leading to the desintegration of the ecumene amid barbarian invasions, the collapse of the Roman Empire and consequent isolation of the other major world civilizations. It took another 2,000 years for the ecumene to reach a similar degree of consolidation in the 20th century. And, just as in Jesus’ day, a nation emerges – Korea - - as a bridge between East and West that gave birth to a visionary like Jesus with a global vision that can unite the world.

Without a messiah to provide the vision that can permanently close the ecumene, the opportunity for a global consensus will again slip away, leading to thousands more years of darkness and millions and millions of human deaths, if not the very extinction of the human race. In this way one can present a solid case that the messiah is not just a matter of individual belief, but is necessary for human survival.

Chapter 7: Toward a Theology of Everything

The “theory of everything” puzzle sought by physicists will never be solved as long as they ignore the element of intelligent purpose and will inherent in the cosmos. In effect, they are looking for the physics equivalent of spontaneous generation, which according to Hoyle is a myth. In his words, “A common sense interpretation of the facts suggests that a super intellect has monkeyed with physics, as well as with chemistry and biology, and that there are no blind forces worth speaking about in nature. The numbers one calculates from the facts seem so overwhelming as to put this conclusion almost beyond question.” (Colson).

The theory of everything should then perforce become a “theology of everything.” Indeed, theology would still be “queen of the sciences,” as it was called in medieval universities, if religious leaders hadn’t turned chicken in the face of Copernicus’ and Galileo’s discoveries. Theology should not be different than biology or any other “ology” that seeks knowledge of the real universe. In its truest sense it means knowledge of the divine, which includes cosmic intelligence, man’s ultimate destiny, spiritual growth and universal moral principles.

The religious clerics, however, lost their nerve at the new world Galileo’s telescope revealed, ironically exhibiting a profound lack of faith. If they had truly believed that God created the universe, they would have embraced the new knowledge as deepening their understanding of God. If they had done so, science would have been directed by holistic principles and religion would have been illuminated by science. Many of the subsequent horrors brought about by religious intolerance and pseudo-scientific ideologies might have been avoided.

America’s founding fathers, some of the best-educated men of the 18th century and well-versed in science, in the Declaration of Independence called the existence of a creator a “self-evident” truth. Has science discovered anything since then that debunks this truth or makes it less evident? Quite the contrary, there are plenty of scientists like Hoyle who see the hard facts before them—the complex design of the eye, just for one example—and think, as well as state publicly, that this can’t be random, that there has to be a designer.

The U.S. founders’ reference to the creator and to “nature’s God” reflects a universal human quest for a social order or government based on principles that reflect the divine order of the universe. In ancient China, Lao Tsu and Confucius sought to order society according to natural laws of harmony and balance. The medieval feudalistic order in Europe was believed to reflect the divine hierarchy. The American experiment was based on European philosophers’ understanding of natural law, as was the communist belief system based on Marx’s sophism of dialectical materialism. The disastrous failure of communism proves that Marx’s negatively-biased, anti-god philosophy was dead wrong, but the power of that idea shook this world like nothing had before.

This age-old quest, despite many failures, could reach a successful culmination if science could really discover and prove the existence of basic principles underlying the universe that are applicable to society. Today thinkers are continuing the quest through the ecological sciences, which study the interaction between living organisms and their habitat; and through cybernetics, the study of systems that underlay computers and artificial intelligence.

As an example of the former, Edward Haskell's Unified Science says life is "biased" toward what biology calls symbiosis, or mutually beneficial relationships that prevail within and between plants and animals and also characterize prosperous and free societies. The ethical teachings of all the great religions emphasize cooperation and compassion, which foster such symbiotic relationships and result in growth, development and expansion of life. Haskell calls this ectropy, the opposite of entropy, which is the tendency of things to disintegrate into a lower state of organization, in which harmful interactions like predation, parasitism and mutual destruction predominate.

The Principia Cybernetica Project, known on the Internet as the Principia Cybernetica Web, says it "aims to develop a complete philosophy or 'world-view' based on the principles of evolutionary cybernetics." The PCP, like Haskell, states that cybernetic principles are reflected in the moral teachings of the world's great religions, bringing about what they call negentropy by facilitating energy flow to all mankind.

Most of today's leaders, both on the left and the right of the political spectrum, are greatly influenced by 19th century philosopher Georg Hegel's dialectic, which conceives of progress as being driven by conflict and contradiction through three stages called "thesis, antithesis, synthesis." Although Hegel himself was an idealist, Marxism-Leninism adopted his dialectic and combined it with materialism. The resulting philosophy of dialectical materialism has been used to justify war, violent class conflict and dictatorship. Although the collapse of communism proved the fallacy of this idea, today's so-called "neo-cons" who drive American foreign policy are also dialecticians insofar as they see warfare as a generator of financial profit and a management tool for obtaining greater political power.

Hegel erred in thinking that our diseased, dysfunctional human race reflected natural law. Traditional religions on the other hand have always maintained that mankind has fallen away from its natural state of harmony. Modern science likewise has come to see progress in terms of symbiotic or mutually beneficial relationships. When the innate condition of dynamic equilibrium is disrupted through natural or man-made catastrophes, it inevitably reasserts itself. Just as the body has natural healing powers that can overcome disease, nature and society can heal themselves if allowed to follow natural principles.

For example, Nobel Prize winning-mathematician John Nash in his "Game Theory" proved mathematically that contending parties benefit more when they cooperate than when they compete. In this way the age-old "golden rule" of reciprocity, which most major religions express in some form or another, receives firm scientific backing, debunking the dialecticians.

Modern leaders who are still immersed in 19th century dialectical thinking are like doctors who do not know what a healthy body is like. Without a model of health to guide them, they can only manage the symptoms of the disease instead of curing it. In fact, when health asserts itself, as when peace breaks out among nations, they see this as "unnatural" and try to sicken the patient more so they can continue to "treat" the disease. If our politicians could catch up with modern science, they would "wage peace" instead of constantly fomenting new wars.

Principle of Creation

Sun Myung Moon, the controversial founder of the Unification Church, presents a counterproposal to dialectical materialism through his theology called the Divine Principle. In his youth Moon was schooled in classical Chinese philosophy based on the *I Ching*, or Book of Changes, which stresses energy flow and relationships in nature, and he later majored in electrical engineering at Waseda University in Japan. I am convinced that in the Divine Principle Moon stumbled upon “principles of evolutionary cybernetics” without labeling them as such.

The Divine Principle consists of three parts—the Principle of Creation, the Fall of Man, and the History of Restoration. In a way it reflects an engineer’s approach to salvation: (A) This is how it’s supposed to work; (B) This is how it broke down; (C) This is how we can fix it.

I will deal only with the first part, for the sake of brevity and because it is more universal and scientific than the other two, which are based on the Bible. Unfortunately, the media only mention the Biblical aspects of Moon’s teachings and ignore his basic teleology, which is more relevant to bridging the gap between science and religion.

Here a personal anecdote may help to clarify what I mean. At a church social meeting in New Haven, Conn., I fell into a conversation with a guest who was an electrical engineer working with communications systems for the U.S. government. When I remarked how complicated such systems appeared to me, he said, “Not at all. There are only five things you need to know,” and he ticked them off on his fingers. I believe he said circuits, resistors and capacitors but I didn’t catch the rest. “Everything else is just application,” he said.

As I thought about it, this simple conversation became for me somewhat of an epiphany. Nature is also extremely complex, but organized. Could this organized complexity result from the fact that all things operate according to basic principles that are few in number, but infinite in application?

The Principle of Creation also falls into five parts, which are called Polarity, Give and Take, the Base of Four Positions, Three Stages of Growth, and the Spirit World. Let us examine these principles one by one.

Polarity is the basis of Oriental philosophy, represented by the “yin-yang” symbol. This means that all things exist in relationships of positive and negative, male and female or subject and object. The positive is active and aggressive while the negative is passive and receptive, like electrical energy that flows between positive and negative poles.

Give and take, or reciprocity, follows from polarity. All energy flows in a circuit of give and take. This is not only true of electrical energy, but any relationship. Economics, for instance, is based on supply and demand. Conversation requires a speaker and a listener. Breathing is based on inhalation and exhalation, and so on.

In moral terms, reciprocity is represented by the Golden Rule, “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you” and by the principle of karma in oriental religions, which assert the basic truth that good and bad deeds return like consequences, or as the Bible says, “As ye sow, so shall ye reap.”

The Base of Four Positions, or Four-Position Foundation, follows from the first two principles. The first position is God, the Origin, which divides into subject and object, which then engages in give-and-take action, generating new life in the fourth position. These four positions then engage in circular motion of energy, returning energy to the source. The subject in the give-and-take relationship moves to the center, becoming what cyberneticists call the “control,” hence all organized bodies have a center and revolve around it. For example, vertebrate animals are centered on the spinal cord, cells are guided by a central nucleus, the solar system has planets revolving around the sun and moons revolving around the planets, etc.

Every organism has a center (control), and they all revolve around higher centers. Hence all things form an interconnected web, with the lower centers revolving around the higher centers in a great chain that begins and ends with God, the origin and center of all things.

The Three Stages of Growth deals with the phenomenon of ectropy, which scientists have never been able to adequately explain, seeing how life contradicts the second law of thermodynamics or the law of entropy, according to which matter goes from higher to lower states of organization. The DP says all things grow through three stages called Formation, Growth and Perfection, where perfection is defined as fulfillment of an organism’s innate potential. This derives from the origin-division-union process of establishing the Base of Four Positions.

In nature this can be seen in the growth of a seed to the stalk to the flower, or in the womb from fertilized egg to fetus to child, then from childhood to adulthood to old age. Historical development and evolution also follow this three-stage progression in an ever-expanding spiral. For example, humanity started in a central point then spread throughout the world, coming together again in today’s “global village,” from whence it is destined to expand into the cosmos to come together again in some unimaginable union in the far distant future.

Much of Western philosophy is based on Hegel’s dialectic, which also conceives of progress through three stages, which are called “thesis, antithesis, synthesis,” which the communists and others used to justify war, violent class conflict and revolution. The DP replaces this with “origin, division, union,” a more harmonious and symbiotic progression.

When we understand these basic principles, the difference between good and evil becomes easy to understand, in the same sense that when one understands how a system works, one can easily recognize when and how it breaks down. The system, when it works well, generates expansion of life, abundance, prosperity, energy and joy; and when it breaks down, entropy or “evil” results, characterized by violence, dissolution, poverty, death, decay and ennui.

Evil is simply energy that has lost its connection with that original source, or what is called God. For example, reciprocity in its good sense is mutually beneficial give and take or symbiosis; in

its evil form, it is mutual destruction, as in revenge, vendetta and spite; and what Haskell described as harmful give and take, as in predation (the strong harming the weak) and parasitism (the weak harming the strong).

Ectropy, however, does not work in a closed system. It requires input of energy from an outside source. What is this source?

Spirit World. The answer brings us to the existence of dimensions beyond the physical and temporal, which returns us to the first principle, polarity. According to the DP, the cosmos has a dual nature: the invisible spiritual world and the physical world that we experience with our physical senses. Physicists postulate the existence of as many as 11 dimensions.

The DP says every human has a “spirit man” that survives the death of the physical body. Some people, like TV psychic John Edward can apparently communicate with discarnate entities through extrasensory means. Edward talks about “energy” coming from the spirit side. Religious thinker Deepak Chopra likens the soul to a quantum of energy, which physics defines as a bundle of energy sometimes exhibiting characteristics of both a wave and a particle.

Through Sheldrake’s experiments, science is discovering that life energy involves transmission of information that could be the spiritual counterpart of genetic information transmitted through DNA. This would corroborate the universal religious experience of information received through prayer, meditation, dreams, apparitions, visions or simple intuition. Former astronaut Gordon Cooper, surely a credible witness, says in his book *Leap of Faith* that a woman he knew regularly received detailed psychic transmissions from an extraterrestrial source, one of which saved the Space Shuttle from a disastrous failure by revealing a flaw in the cooling system (Cooper, pp. 228-230).

Energy exists at different vibrations or frequencies, so perhaps spiritual growth is a matter of achieving a “higher” frequency, as depicted in John Redfield’s *Celestine Prophecies* and other New Age writings. The highest frequency is “in tune” with God, the lowest is closer to animal life or to matter. Perhaps “heaven” and “hell” and realms in between are like channels on a radio dial, with souls automatically migrating after death at the frequency they attained during their lives.

The existence of this spiritual field could be the missing piece in the “theory of everything” that physicists seek, as well as a key to understanding the meaning and direction of our lives, although mainstream science does not yet acknowledge its existence. Perhaps scientists’ longstanding animosity toward anything religious is at the root of this denial.

Scientists say our sun will burn out and the material universe will perish in a “big crunch,” but life would seem to find a way to escape the cycle of destruction and be born anew. Beyond the seeming immortality of microbial cells floating in space as posited in the panspermia theory, there is the reality of a spiritual life-energy matrix that interacts with the physical world in ways still only dimly understood. Perhaps, as Klyce suggests, the goal of life is to organize itself into a form that can survive the Big Crunch and sow the seeds of life in new universes (Klyce, “The End and the Big Bang,” panspermia.com). Or perhaps the life energy of the aforementioned

gestalten Supreme Being “reincarnates” in new universes, which constitutes a conscious act of creation such as described in Genesis.

Science might prove this passage to be true after all: “In the beginning, the earth was without form and void, and God’s spirit moved over the face of the waters, and God said, ‘Let there be light!’ And there was light ...”

I believe an all-inclusive scientific theology would help end religious intolerance and false faith, or beliefs that contradict reality and lead to destruction. After all, the end goal of religion is not faith, but knowledge, as Isaiah prophesied (Is. 11-9).

A Global Consensus

That is where science plays a key role. The scientific method separates truth from superstition, fantasy, wishful thinking and ethnocentric bias. It is the only thing that can create a global consensus. Of course, scientific facts alone cannot satisfy the human soul. People possess a spirit that needs spiritual nourishment. Without the discipline and critical thinking of science, however, religious seekers and believers often cannot tell the difference between spiritual food and spiritual poison such as propagated by cults or ideologies that have perpetrated mass murder and suicide, as in the People’s Temple, the Branch Davidians, and most recently Osama bin Laden’s Al-Qaeda. Through science, the elements that foster spiritual growth and happiness could be as well understood as science now understands the basic nutritional needs of the body.

In the past, people believed in many fanciful concepts of the earth and planets, leading to worship of the sun, moon and planets as gods. Science replaced this Babel of beliefs with a global consensus based on reality, except for a few cranks like the Flat Earth Society. Sundry cults may have gone extinct as a result, but hardly anyone misses them.

Science, if freed from its anti-religious bias, could in the same way lead to a universal understanding of the Supreme Being, the spiritual world and basic issues of right and wrong. Then all mankind could share a common worldview and civil philosophy, regardless of individual religious backgrounds. People could still go to church, temple, or mosque; pray or meditate; sacrifice livestock, butter their lingams, or do whatever satisfies their souls, but would all agree on the key issues and work together as citizens of the global village.

Perhaps the extraterrestrials that have made their presence known on this earth are waiting for humanity to demonstrate a certain level of maturity before we can be welcomed into the company of star-faring civilizations. Perhaps an initiative such as described in this book could help bring that about. The key point is it won’t happen until the cosmic denial ends, and that won’t happen by itself, but only through the determined efforts of many individuals.

PART II: Articles

Chapter 1: Goodness Theory

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Several science articles that have appeared on the Web lately suggest that an air of almost religious fervor is sweeping the scientific world. With the application of computer science, also known as cybernetics, to biology, physics, and social science, scientists are in effect coming to grasp the reality of a supreme intelligence behind the universe, i.e., God.

Kevin Kelly of *Wired* magazine makes it very plain in his Nov. 12, 2002 article entitled "God is the Machine." The subtitle is, "In the beginning there was 0. And then there was 1. A mind-bending meditation on the transcendent power of digital computation."

He writes that scientists, in the new field of "digital physics," are beginning to see the universe as a giant information processor in which our brains are in effect microprocessors networked within the cosmic mainframe where every interaction between every thing, from atoms to galaxies, is a "bit" of information based on the binary code of 0 and 1. This recalls the ancient Oriental concept of a world made up of relationships between yin and yang, or positive and negative, subject and object.

These bits make up a universe made up of information, not of "matter in motion" as the Marxists believed, leading to a view of nature as essentially incorporeal – dare we say spiritual? "The spooky nature of material things is not new. Once science examined matter below the level of fleeting quarks and muons, it knew the world was incorporeal," Kelly writes. "What could be less substantial than a realm built out of waves of quantum probabilities? And what could be weirder? Digital physics is both. It suggests that those strange and insubstantial quantum wavicles, along with everything else in the universe, are themselves made of nothing but 1s and 0s."

Kelly then waxes Biblical. "From this perspective, computation seems almost a theological process. It takes as its fodder the primeval choice between yes or no, the fundamental state of 1 or 0. After stripping away all externalities, all material embellishments, what remains is the purest state of existence: here/not here. Am/not am. In the Old Testament, when Moses asks the Creator, 'Who are you?' the being says, in effect, 'Am.' One bit. One almighty bit. Yes. One. Exist. It is the simplest statement possible."

In a more recent article in the *New York Times* (Jan. 25, 2003), Emily Eakin writes about the excitement surrounding network science. She cites several books about network theory "where network science terms and concepts are invoked with near religious fervor."

Network science has practical implications in, for example, fighting terrorism, developing ad campaigns and finding the best way to combat AIDS. Perhaps, however, the "religious fervor" displayed by network scientists and digital physicists comes from a greater dream: science's

Holy Grail, an understanding of basic natural laws that would give scientists the ability to engineer a better society.

The belief that man could build a better world through science is as old as Plato's Republic – or as recent as communism, which failed catastrophically, bringing about the most virulent concentration of evil the world has ever known, which survives today in Stalinist North Korea. Communism failed because it was negatively biased and materialistic, hence the name “dialectical materialism.” It saw class warfare as the engine of human progress and denied any larger reality than matter, which not only contradicts modern science, but in effect rationalizes the darkest side of human nature. As Solzhenitsyn said, “There have always been evildoers, but communism is the first ideology to justify evildoing.”

What if scientists were to actually get it right and come up with a theory that justifies good-doing? In the movie “A Beautiful Mind” the brilliant mathematician John Nash wins the Nobel Prize with his invention of “game theory,” actually a mathematical formula or algorithm, which is applied to such things as resolving labor disputes and handling city traffic. What we need is “goodness theory,” an algorithm that can be applied to bringing billions of human beings all over the world out of the misery, suffering and injustice that they suffer in ever larger numbers.

This might sound farfetched, but such a theory has already been foreseen in science fiction, which has an impressive record of describing things that actually come true later. The late Isaac Asimov, the most prolific science fiction writer in history, wrote a series of novels called “The Foundation Trilogy” in which a brilliant scientist, Hari Seldon, develops a method of computation called “psycho-history” that can predict the course of history with a high degree of accuracy. In the first novel in the series, Seldon knows from his computations that the current democratic society will degenerate into a dictatorship followed by thousands of years of war and turmoil. He also knows exactly what needs to be done to shorten the coming dark age and reduce human misery. The established leaders, however, are loath to give up their habitual ways to follow his prescription. So Seldon and his followers establish two foundations, one public and the other secret, to guide mankind along the optimum path.

This might seem to be a pipedream, considering the complexities and seemingly intractable problems of this world, but scientists often discover that even the most complex realities have a way of reducing themselves to simple laws. There is, for example, an article in the *Albuquerque Tribune* by Sue Vorenberg entitled “Scientists say life moves in fours.” She quotes Los Alamos National Laboratory scientist Geoffrey West as saying that “the number four plays a key role in how all life on earth takes shape.” His studies focus on how metabolic rates between small and large animals change by increments of four, but he intends to expand his studies to larger processes.

"The four should actually be thought of as three plus one - and there are three dimensions of the space we live in," West said. "In the competition for growth in these networks, they fill in the available space. It's as if in trying to fill all space, life behaves as if it were operating in four spatial dimensions." West implies that that we are, in fact, living in four-dimensional space, or space-time as Einstein put it.

Actually, there may be more dimensions than that. Paranormal events that seem to defy scientific explanation could be a result of dimensions outside space and time. In order to formulate a comprehensive goodness theory, scientists will have to take those dimensional links into account, in the process becoming even more “theological.”

Scientists are always looking for that “magic bullet” or formula that can solve human ills without much effort. A recent Reuters story said a pair of British researchers actually worked out a formula for happiness. The article says they “worked out a simple equation to quantify happiness that could put an exact figure on the emotional state. After interviewing 1,000 people, the researchers -- a psychologist and a self-styled ‘life coach’--concluded that happiness equals $P + 5E + 3H$,” where “P stands for Personal Characteristics (outlook on life, adaptability and resilience); E for Existence (health, friendships and financial stability) and H represents Higher Order (self-esteem, expectations and ambitions).”

The problem, of course, is always execution. Science knows the optimum nutritional requirements of the human body, but how to deliver those nutrients in sufficient quantity to starving people, or on the other hand help the obese eat properly? Likewise, even if we know precisely what makes people happy, how do we relieve them of the habits and conditions that make them miserable, for example alcoholism, drugs, crime, poverty and so on? Goodness theory, no matter how accurate and compelling, would never be easy to implement.

It would, however, provide a useful tool for those brave and compassionate souls who are already devoting themselves to doing good with little more than faith in ancient scriptures to guide them. While religions have historically played a divisive role, everyone respects the miracles that science can perform, even those whose worldview is magical and medieval. Science speaks in a universal language, creating a global consensus built around realities that are plain to everyone, except of course for the odd crackpots like the Flat Earth Society. Goodness theory could become a new pedagogy in Christian seminaries, Buddhist ashrams, Jewish yeshivas and Muslim schools, supplementing rather than replacing core beliefs.

I can hear the complaints already from free-spirited souls who would say that goodness theory would simply provide another weapon for self-righteous busybodies to impose their morality on those who prefer to keep their sins and vices. I think, however, that what historian Arnold Toynbee called “mimesis” would be the likely transmission belt of the new theory. This is the process by which a creative minority adopts a vision and a way of life that others see as superior to what they have, so they mimic it until the way of the minority becomes common wisdom. Science at its best doesn’t coerce or even persuade, but creates a *fait accompli* that most find beneficial and choose of their own free will.

Chapter 2: Exopolitics brings UFO issue to a new level

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In some ways, the First Annual Exopolitics Expo, also known as the X-Conference, held last weekend [April 16-18, 2004] at the Hilton hotel in Gaithersburg, Md., outside of Washington D.C. was a typical UFO conference. The usual vendors were there with tables of books and magazines on every esoteric topic under the sun, from extraterrestrials to mystical healing.

The X-Conference was, however, larger than most, with an estimated 700 attendees. Its extensive roster of speakers was unusually high-quality, studded with renowned authors and PhD's. But what really stands out was the conference's theme: Exopolitics.

Until now, UFO conferences had been aimed at convincing the public that the extraterrestrial presence is real and to inform the cognoscenti of the latest sightings and theories. This conference went far beyond that. It operated on the premise that the extraterrestrial presence is an established fact and that now we must actively deal with its political implications.

Conference organizer Steve Bassett in his opening address, co-hosted with former CNN newswoman Cheryl Jones, pointed out that convincing the public is no longer a problem. According to a 2002 Roper poll, two-thirds of Americans believe that UFOs are real and that the government is covering it up and 60 percent support the government revealing this information.

“It's possible that disclosure will happen before the next conference in 2005. The charade is going to end, but people keep on playing the game,” Bassett said.

Exopolitics is the new buzzword that will soon dominate the issue, he said. “Within a year exopolitics will change the government and attitudes of people to the phenomenon, Students will flock to college graduate courses on exopolitics.”

The book *Exopolitics: Political Implications of the Extraterrestrial Presence* by Michael Salla, Ph.D., would undoubtedly be the primary textbook in such a course. Bassett introduced Dr. Salla as an eminent scholar and professional academic who sacrificed his career to pursue his interest in a field shunned by the academic community at large. “He has the kind of guts we hope to see in Congress,” Bassett said.

Dr. Salla is currently researcher in residence at the Center for Global Peace in Washington D.C. and directs the center's Peace Ambassador Program. He got his Ph.D. in Government from the University of Queensland, Australia, and an MA in Philosophy from the University of Melbourne. He has written five books and numerous articles on international affairs and peace, ethnic conflict and conflict resolution.

Dr. Salla defined exopolitics as “the study of political actions made in response to the extraterrestrial presence in human affairs.” He said the same methodologies used to study

international affairs could be applied using data gleaned from a variety of sources, including government whistleblowers, abductees, UFO sightings and close encounters, leaked or declassified government documents, and remote viewers or channelers, although of course some sources are stronger and more reliable than others.

It is clear from all these sources that the U.S. military has known of the ET presence at least since the early 1940s, has acquired alien technology from crashed saucers, and has made a secret agreement with one of the several alien species known to have visited this planet. **Keeping the public in the dark to avoid “panic” and to prevent other countries from acquiring the alien technology we acquired became an integral part of U.S. policy**, Dr. Salla said.

The problem is that the United States, following Henry Kissinger’s doctrine of “realpolitik,” tossed out all considerations of morality in the attempt to maximize U.S. national power in competition with other powers of the earth. Thus our relations with ETs became a matter of what they could provide in technology to increase U.S. power.

An **alien race called the Nordics**, who are human-like in appearance, offered to open relations if we stopped testing hydrogen bombs, but our government refused. Instead, we entered into an agreement with a deceitful and predatory race of grays who hoodwinked our leaders into allowing the wholesale abduction of U.S. citizens for their breeding program in return for technology that they never gave.

Dr. Salla also showed how the CIA’s “black budget” can legally siphon off billions of dollars from other government agencies without accountability. Government audits have uncovered massive irregularities in the Department of Defense budget and other budgets that were never explained that amount to trillions of dollars, presumably gone into the black budget.

There is also evidence that the U.S. intelligence apparatus has engaged in illegal methods of fundraising, such as the sale of illegal drugs. Dr. Salla pointed out that the Taliban halted the production of opium poppies in Afghanistan, but since the U.S. invasion the opium trade there is flourishing again.

In short, the culture of secrecy that evolved around the ET presence contributed to foreign adventurism that has gotten the U.S. mired in Iraq and other areas of the world, to internal subversion by aliens who think of humans as a resource to be plundered, to the murder of U.S. citizens including former defense Secretary James Forrestal and John F. Kennedy, and to wide economic illegality and violation of citizens’ constitutional rights. Clearly this policy is self-destructive and must be replaced with a more transparent and ethical doctrine, Dr. Salla said.

Dr. Salla is only one of many speakers at the conference who provided startling information and insights into the ET presence on the earth and the American government’s failed response to it. Other speakers include British researcher Timothy Good, Disclosure Project founder Stephen Greer, investigative journalist Jim Marrs, writer Richard Dolan, UFO investigator Richard C. Hoagland, Philip Corso Jr. and many more that I wasn’t able to cover.

DVDs from all the speeches are available from the conference website.

Chapter 3: JFK and UFO cover-ups linked

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The alleged conspiracy to assassinate of John F. Kennedy and the cover-up of the presence of extraterrestrials on the earth are the two biggest of the government’s “big lies” alleged by so-called conspiracy buffs. Assuming that a single covert bureaucracy would manage both cover-ups, it is not surprising that the same people show up in both conspiracies.

Kenn Thomas, author of *Maury Island UFO: The Crisman Conspiracy*, identifies one such figure as Fred Crisman, a man with a long and complicated life story involving the UFO subculture, off-beat domestic politics and the JFK assassination. Thomas spoke about his book at the Crash Retrieval Conference in Las Vegas, Nev., on Nov. 14-16. Thomas is also editor of www.steamshovelpress.com/, a conspiracy-oriented magazine and website.

Thomas recounted Crisman’s central role in the Maury Island UFO encounter of June 21, 1947, which involved the recovery of slag-like material ejected from a crippled UFO off the coast of Washington. Crisman is also named in New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison’s 1968 investigation into the Kennedy assassination, in which Garrison maintained that Crisman may have been an assassin working on behalf of aerospace concerns to kill Kennedy. In a well-known underground report called the Torbitt Document, Crisman is named as one of three hoboes picked up in the railyard behind the grassy knoll at Dealy Plaza, Thomas said.

Garrison also investigated Guy Bannister, who was in charge of an office in New Orleans that employed Lee Harvey Oswald in a variety of capacities. Bannister was FBI Special Agent in Charge in the Pacific northwest at the time of the Maury Island case.

The details of the Maury Island UFO case and Garrison’s complicated life and associations are so labyrinthine that one reviewer said of Thomas’ book that it is “information rich to the point of saturation.” Thomas said details of the Maury Island case come from several Freedom of Information Act requests filed by him and other researchers, first hand accounts and various published accounts, including a comic book rendition that he showed in slides during his presentation. They also include such books as Kenneth Arnold’s *The Coming of the Saucers* and Edward Ruppelt’s *Project Blue Book* report.

The Maury Island story *beings* on June 21, 1947, three days before what is widely regarded as the event that launched the modern UFO era, pilot Kenneth Arnold’s sightings of “flying saucers” over Mt. Ranier. A lumber salvager named Harold Dahl, his son and two unidentified people on a salvage boat in the bay witnessed six doughnut-shaped craft, one wobbling, the others surrounding it and apparently trying to help it.

Dahl described the craft as 20 feet in diameter with five-foot portholes in their sides. The craft in the middle wobbled and dropped down about 700 feet before it stopped wobbling. Then one of

the circling saucers broke formation, flew down, touched it and also became still. The craft then spewed two different substances, white paper-like metal that floated into the bay, and a black slag-like substance that came down hot enough to raise steam. Pieces of that material struck Dahl's son and killed his dog.

Dahl reported these events to Crisman, who is described as Dahl's "superior." Crisman went to Maury Island to take a look, and not only saw a great deal of both materials on the shore and recovered some for himself. He also claimed to have had his own sighting of a doughnut-shaped craft.

Crisman reported his experience to Ray Palmer, a publisher of pulp magazines like *Amazing Stories*. Palmer hired Kenneth Arnold to investigate the case, whose own sightings three days later spawned a wave of UFO sightings. A part of that wave was the story of a housewife who recovered in that area a 30-inch saucer that she handed over to FBI officer Guy Banister.

Two Air Force investigators joined Arnold's investigation at Maury island, Capt. Lee Davidson and 1st Lt. Frank Mercer Brown. The two officers worked under Gen. Nathan Twining to collect information on the UFO flap with particular attention to retrieval stories.

Crisman turned samples of the Maury Island debris to them, which was loaded into their plane, a B-25 bomber. Shortly after taking off to return to Wright-Patterson AFB, the plane crashed, killing the two men. The counter-intelligence team sent out to clean up the crash site supposedly failed to find any evidence of the Maury Island debris.

However, Thomas said that one of the recently surfaced MJ12 documents suggests that Crisman turned samples of the Maury Island debris over to Clay Shaw, one of the three people that Garrison attempted to indict in the alleged conspiracy to kill Kennedy. Although Shaw was acquitted of the crime, his role as a CIA agent is well-documented.

Crisman's life followed many strange twists and turns. According to Thomas, "He had one foot in the intelligence world, the other in the world of con-men and bums."

Thomas said Crisman told others that during World War II he fought a race of underground aliens called the Deros in caverns in Burma. He was involved with the Universal Life Church, a right-wing fringe group connected with the Minutemen armed militia. In 1968 he was an early "shock jock" along the lines of Rush Limbaugh, holding forth in a radio talk show in Tacoma. He was also involved in local politics, seeking to overthrow the city management in Tacoma. In 1975, he died of kidney failure at the age of 56.

Chapter 4: Hard evidence: Unidentified Manufactured Objects

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Eyewitness and documentary evidence abounds that the U.S. government has recovered crashed alien craft and the bodies of their occupants, but because the government keeps it under wraps, the hard-edged "smoking gun" evidence that can be touched, photographed and examined by the public is lacking.

That is, until such debris managed to fall into the hands of private researchers who made it public at the Crash Retrieval Conference in Las Vegas, Nev., on November 2003. The astounding artifacts, which might be called UMOs for "unidentified manufactured objects," cannot be dismissed by skeptics as hoaxes or misidentified earthly objects for the simple reason that they match no known manufactured items on earth.



Linda Moulton Howe

At the conference, Linda Moulton Howe displayed her research into fragments of metal made up of magnesium-zinc alloy with thin layers of bismuth that a radio listener sent to her, claiming that his grandfather had retrieved it from a "wedge-shaped" craft at Roswell. The metal displayed unusual energetic properties when subjected to an electric field and gave off measurable amounts of hydrogen gas when immersed in water. All attempts to discover an earthly maker of the metal or reproduce it in the laboratory failed.



Art Campbell

In addition, researcher Art Campbell showed items he recovered from the site of an alleged crash in the plains of St. Augustin in New Mexico, which Stanton Friedman wrote about in his book *UFO Crash at Corona*. It is believed to be part of the accident that befell one or more alien craft in early July, 1947, in the desert of New Mexico, but unlike the debris field discovered by rancher Max Brazel near Roswell hundreds of miles away, the St. Augustin crash reportedly yielded a substantial craft and alien bodies.

After eight years of exploring the site and subjecting his findings to laboratory testing, Campbell showed slides and laboratory analysis of three items: A collapsed polyurethane bag containing a minute amount of starch and some copper and gold wires many times smaller than a human hair; foil-like material made up of various proportions of iron and silicon that are not made by any known foil manufacturer; and two child-size shoe soles that do not fit any human foot, according to experts Campbell interviewed.

Adding to the puzzle is that all the items consist of materials common on earth, but their manufacture does not match any known industry. One must assume that their makers live on the

earth or at least use terrestrial raw materials, but are alien enough to defy any known earthly use or manufacture.

Campbell spent the most time and effort examining the shoe soles because, unlike anonymous pieces of metal or plastic, these were “personal material that had actually been worn.” He divided his research into four areas: “General foot anatomy, infant foot growth and corresponding arch development, manufacture and basic construction, and laboratory analysis of the shoe material.”

The larger sole corresponds to a size 3 child’s shoe, with part of the forward portion missing. Laboratory analysis showed it to be urethane foam, with some darker foam at what appears to be a very low heel. What is unusual about it is that it is way too narrow to fit a child’s foot at that length. “A two to three-year old child has a foot this narrow in front of the heel, yet the projected length of 14 centimeters or 5 ½ inches would be an impossible length for a child of that age,” he said.

The smaller shoe sole has a more complex, layered construction because more pieces of it were recovered. “The scientific investigation to identify the sole layers was extensive,” Campbell said. “Three laboratories were involved; two on the west coast and one on the east.” One of the labs had been involved in research on the Shroud of Turin.

“Diagnostic procedures on the nine layers of the small shoe sole included infrared spectroscopy, differential scanning calorimetry, polarized light microscopy and the use of a scanning electron microscope. The equipment was necessary to analyze six different materials in the multi-layered sole,” he said.

One of the materials in both soles was polyurethane foam, which was invented after the 1940s and did not come into general use until the 1960s, according to shoe manufacturers. Nylon thread used to attach the reinforcing straps was similar to nylon that came into use during World War I. A white pigment, titanium oxide, was also detected.

The first laboratory to look at the smaller sole separated the nine layers, and revealed that six of the layers were made from cellulose plant fibers. The third lab identified six of the layers as cotton, four of woven cloth and two layers of compressed cotton fibers imbedded in other materials.

The bottom of the small sole was a study in itself. The first laboratory reported it as made up of “plant ‘pitch’ and/or oils (like lecithin), minor amount of cellulose and kaolin type clay.”

Campbell gave a detailed description of the shoe to a shoe-industry expert, who said “no one would make a shoe like this – it would be too expensive.” He also said the sole was much too narrow for a human foot. The narrowness of the soles could be accounted for if the original wearers possessed fewer toes!

Howe’s presentation showed dramatic videotape of a sample of the metal literally flying off a plastic pad in the midst of an electric field and giving off tiny bubbles of hydrogen when

immersed in water. When the gas was captured in a beaker and lit by a flame, it yielded a vigorous “pop,” proving its energy potential.

The existence of Howe’s metal and Campbell’s artifacts should make headlines, not only because it proves the existence of alien technology, but because if Howe’s mystery metal can be reproduced, it would provide an inexhaustible source of clean energy. As long as the government’s policy of secrecy and denial, backed up by a compliant media, remains in force, however, these breakthroughs must remain in the shadows.

Chapter 5: The smoking gun

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UFO researchers have long alleged that the U.S. military is hiding crashed flying saucers and alien bodies while lying to the public to cover it up, but skeptics always counter that the government would never be able to keep such a secret when leaks are so commonplace. It turns out the skeptics are right – the ultimate secret has been leaked and is now available to anyone.

At the UFO Crash Retrieval Conference Nov. 14-16, 2004 in Las Vegas, Nev., Robert Ryan, Ph.D., presented a detailed slide presentation proving the authenticity of a top-secret Special Operations Manual with its attention-getting title, “Extraterrestrial Entities and Technology – Recovery and Disposal.” The manual gives detailed instructions on how to recover debris and biological material from downed alien

craft, how to properly package the material, where to send the various items recovered, and how to deceive the public about it.

The manual was sent in a drug store prescription box to UFO researcher Don Berliner in 1994 on a roll of film manufactured in 1954. The developed film showed pages of the manual, often with the hand of the person taking the photographs. The metered stamp on the package, postmarked March 7, 1994, was traced back to Quillin’s Drug Store in La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Berliner gave copies of the manual to researcher and author Stanton Friedman, who showed them to Wood, who had retired in 1993 from his career as an aeronautical engineer to research UFO documents full time. From Berliner’s negatives, Wood made high-quality copies that he then turned into a precise replica of the SOM as it would have appeared in reality. Copies of this replica were sold at the conference and can be ordered from Wood’s website, www.majesticdocuments.com.

“If you are satisfied that we might have had several recoveries prior to 1954, that it is quite logical that a manual of instructions should have been produced,” Wood said. The document is a Special Operations Manual (SOM) classified Top Secret with the code word MAJIC and Eyes Only designation.

The manual is clear about the extraterrestrial nature of UFOs and the entities operating them, as well as for the need for secrecy and on keeping the public in the dark. It justifies secrecy on the grounds that the knowledge would adversely affect the public and that the advanced technology



Cover of the reproduction of a top-secret government manual leaked to researchers.

could fall into the hands of U.S. enemies. Significantly, the Soviet Union is seen as a greater threat to national security than the aliens themselves.

The manual is very specific and practical about shipping instructions, including details about packaging both technological and biological material, where to send the different kinds of debris, even how to fill out the shipping label. All these details fit precisely into what is known about government operations of that era, Wood said.

The manual describes the different kinds of alien craft, including sketches of four shapes – the classic saucer, the cigar-shape, the cone and the triangle. Wood noted that cone-shaped craft resembles the one seen in the 1980 Cash-Landrum close encounter case in Texas. It notes that “Air Force and Central Intelligence” are the source of the data based on wreckage collected from 1947-1953 inclusive.

It also describes two types of Extraterrestrial Biological Entities (EBEs). Forensic artist Bill McDonald provided renderings of both types based on the manual’s detailed descriptions as well as other sources. Wood said the descriptions are consistent with reports from other documents and contactees, although other entities not described in the manual have also been reported.

Type I is described as a small humanoid 5 feet to 5 feet four inches tall, “Oriental”-looking with chalky yellow skin, small, wide-set eyes, and small hands with four long slightly webbed digits. Type II appears to be the typical “gray” entity with large wraparound eyes, grayish skin and long arms.

Security comes first in the manual. There is a security warning on every facing page. “Section 12 on press blackout makes it very clear that virtually any deceptive step is fair, whether it is official or unofficial, true or false, ethical or unethical – and by inference – legal or illegal,” Wood said. Some of the explanations suggested are a “downed satellite” or toxic spill. Section 13 has a specific plan for securing the area, establishing a perimeter, securing communications, and “debriefing” individuals to ensure their silence.

Wood said the methods he used to authenticate the document “are tried and true, and used by professionals all the time for legal or copyright issues.” While the owner of the original manual is still unknown, members of his family have been interviewed and one researcher claimed to have held it in his hand, noting that it was “old paper,” Wood said. In addition, a Navy yeoman interviewed separately said he saw a copy of the manual amid UFO documents he was destroying for an admiral in 1976.

Wood said the type font used in the printing fits the Monotype printing method then used by the Government Printing Office, even to the slightly raised “z” that is a signature of that method. The control numbers and mailing destinations in the manual all correspond to other government documents. Subtle differences in phrasing and etymology also point to the document as true to the era.

Wood concluded “there have been no credible and specific arguments supporting fakery. Therefore, the alternative is the conclusion that it is almost certainly genuine. ... If this Manual is

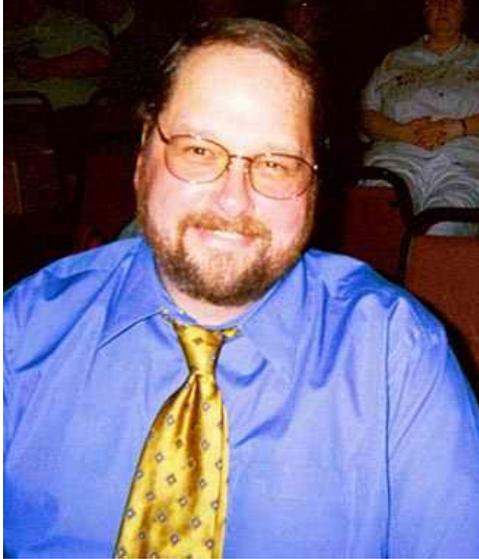
genuine, then almost everything the government has told us about UFOs has been deceptive, although I will concede that so few people know the true story that most of the government people are sincere in what they say – they just don't know!"

Wood also concluded that while the secrecy may have been justified in the Cold War for national security, in 2003 the main reason has become to "avoid criminal prosecution" because of the illegal methods used for more than 50 years. That provides the strongest reason to end the secrecy, because "the price of secrecy has been illegal, unethical acts to ensure silence," he said.

Copies of the manual can be ordered from Wood's website, or send \$8.00 plus postage to Dr. Robert Wood (Wood & Wood Enterprises), 14004 Quail Ridge Drive, Broomfield, CO, 80020, [rswood@ majesticdocuments.com](mailto:rswood@majesticdocuments.com), 720-887-8171, fax 720-887-8239.

Chapter 6: The Grays, Pro and Con

The positive side of alien abduction



The best-publicized accounts of alien abductions, such as the books *Communion* by Whitley Strieber and Travis Walton's *Fire in the Sky*, both of which were made into major movies, are marked by extreme terror by the protagonists when confronted by the weird, apparently unfeeling gray aliens. Jeffrey Morgan Foss, however, claims to have had a mostly positive experience with the Grays, and brings a message of hope for humanity along with his encounter stories.

An accomplished artist and musician, as well as manager of a National Forest area in Maine, Foss is a jovial bear of a man who looks like he would be more at home navigating a buffet table than traveling the cosmos. He backed up his testimony, however, with detailed

illustrations and diagrams drawn on CorelDraw in a talk June 28 at the Alternate Realities Conference at Roan Mountain State Park, Tenn.

Foss said that in his “45 years of peaceful contact with a multiple of visitor species,” mostly small-sized, peaceful Grays, “there was one incident of belligerence from a large-type orange gray” in 1986 in Maine. The alien appeared suddenly and tried to telepathically cripple his musical talent by linking it to images of suffering, implying “if you do this you will experience intense suffering.” Foss said he refused to be swayed by the aliens’ thoughts and instead challenged him. The being vanished “as if being sucked up through a straw,” he said.

“Not every experience is wonderful and positive but a greater many are. Yet their voices are quite suppressed,” he said. All experiencers of whatever type “should be honored as explorers and ambassadors, not just used for their priceless information and then tossed aside. Experiencers chosen from among the world’s citizenry are making real progress on being able to relay social and technological information built on the fundamentals of peace.”

Despite some negative experiences, overall alien contact “is lovingly and thoughtfully done so that all of you may receive directly information untainted by corrupt science, big business greed or government cover-up,” he said. “Welcome aboard the advent of universal contact, not between governments and aliens, but between all worlds.”

The Conservation Exchange vision

Foss also claimed 21 years of Biblically-referenced spiritual experiences “sandwiched in between” his abduction experiences. “These events were created and choreographed by a mind more wonderful than what we experience in our day to day reality,” he said.

In one such spiritual experience, “a great vision of Conservation Exchange was received while I was managing and hosting in 1988 at Flagstaff Lodge in Maine’s 35,000 acre Bigelow Preserve. I saw millions cheering near the Washington Monument and there was an angular granite stone with a bronze plaque stating: ‘In Commemoration of East – West Cultural Exchange -- CONSERVATION EXCHANGE.’ The word Conservation Exchange was on the center line and below it was a polar perspective of the earth raised and polished.”

He said his vision is the fulfillment of Isaiah’s prophecy, “They will bend their spears into pruning hooks and their swords into plowshares.” According to the plan he received, “Global military forces and civilians work together in an exchange in forest recovery and crops” to rapidly heal the earth’s environment and feed the world’s hungry. “The nations are well fed. As well, friendship and peace is procured by application of common mission and no longer merely observed philosophically.”

The trillions of dollars now spent on weapons “are channeled into fuel-less technologies, cures, advanced individualized education, forest and energy savvy homes made more affordable than previous market standard; better, cheaper, lasting and environmentally friendly products; the arts, the disabled, the needy and homeless, etc. It is the principle of universal governance that is acceptable to all life.”

In 1995, “after my third seven of spiritual experiences, I was then taken up by visitors or Grays and brought before a council of worlds. There were beings from several distant worlds and galaxies that form a coalition or federation, as others have said, and bestowed great honor toward me and also many of us on earth because of my fearlessness ... and also mainly because of my Conservation Exchange vision,” he said.

“We are now technically members of this coalition although many others among the same peaceful visitors are yet to be convinced that we are anywhere near ready. However, the council mind and power structure does recognize us with an assurance of preservation toward us and our environment, which includes technological and social exchange and alliance against invading and potentially invading forces. It is an education process for many visitors as well as for man.”

Contrary to popular belief, “We are not a younger world with limited technology as an indicator to this,” he said. “The technological deprivation is intentional ... The visitors are not going to present ships and crew members on a silver platter to a world that still engages in war, greed, oppression, environmental destruction and demonization of a two-thirds peaceful creation,” referring to the aliens, he said.

Finally, in his most recent contact on Dec. 9, 2002, “the Grays revealed that they are assisting many other species genetically to survive here. They are gathering to the throne and footstool of God,” he said.

Family history

Foss said alien encounters run in his family. “My dad was visited in his childhood home in the 1930s” and he had two childhood experiences with globes of light. His father worked on the

Manhattan Project, however, and knew how to keep secrets. "Silence was seared in his soul," he said.

In 1968, when he was 10 years old, his cousin spotted a cylindrical "mother ship" that launched saucers, one of which was later found in hypnotic regression to have abducted him. "My cousin, Gail Wilkins, was driving home late in the evening through Wenham, Mass. What she saw along Limebrook Road was a real live mother ship. She has never commented beyond the description in the drawing and what has been stated here. However, while in my regression, it was uncovered that I was actually taken aboard a ship which had been launched from that same mother ship a few miles from it in Danvers."

In another encounter in 1972, he was playing street hockey in N. Beverly, Mass. "I happened to look up and there were four white globes just above the very low cloud cover of about 200 ft. that day. They formed a rectangle with the greater length running north to south and the 4 globes moved as one heading South. The globes are estimated to be about 30 to 40 feet in diameter (about the size of a plum held at arms length). There was no engine noise whatsoever. And this was an extremely low pass exhibit. My fellow hockey mate, Mike Flynn, also saw the aerial display as I immediately prompted him to look up. We maintained visual for about 12 seconds."

Not content with just recounting his experiences, he revisited his encounter of Sept. 26, 1976, using an astronomy computer program to pinpoint the exact time, including "missing time" during an apparent abduction.

The encounter began when he was standing with two friends along a beach looking out at the water. He had the feeling as if someone was behind him. He turned, and saw the Big Dipper with a light positioned perfectly within the four stars that make up the "pan." He thought, "Approach, we are not afraid," and the object did just that, enlarging to a huge glowing globe.

The next thing he remembered was being on the beach and seeing a police cruiser entering the beach, then putting on its blue lights and speeding away when it caught sight of the globe. Foss said, "people were calling in about that as well across Essex County to Salem Police and possibly several other police stations.

Using the astronomy program to pinpoint the time that the Big Dipper appeared that low on the horizon, he calculated that he had experienced more than two hours of missing time. In 1997, in a hypnotic regression by researcher Joe Nyman, "I am seeing myself standing by a wall sized window or screen aboard the point craft. ... The stars were literally beneath my feet as I struggled to visually acquire some land or ocean surface and there was none. I just went with it."

On Sept. 6, 1995 "I awoke with wet shoes and a terrible itch on my upper right arm just below the shoulder. There was a large round cap of drying blood. So I went into the bathroom for good lighting and peeled it off. Underneath the drying blood was a perfect triangular biopsy with an even depth of 1/45 of an inch and perfect laser geometry along its lines and to its 3 points."

Shortly thereafter, "I started to have sudden and spontaneous recollection of events of September 5 and 6. I know that certain places, smells, objects, etc. can trigger memories. But these would

come regardless of stimuli. And it was agonizingly slow -- an explosion of three distinct initial memories followed by a 2 month wait. The first thing I recalled was sitting in a molded type chair with a city passing beneath me seen through a large curved screen or window. Seated across from me and a little to my right was a young boy who apparently had been abducted as well. We seemed to both be passing in and out of consciousness. At this particular point in time, our eyes briefly met.

“Judging from the particular curve of the window, it seemed that we were near the bottom of a globular craft. In the second memory, I am conscious again but now a floor or two higher up in the orb as the curve of the window was now straighter. Here, I was in a molded chair right up against the window and I didn’t see anyone else. But out the window, I saw some African hunting party (would love having help to identify the weave and pattern of the long gown they were all wearing—and then pay a visit...). They were attempting to run away from the descending craft I was aboard and watching from.

I remember thinking, ‘They’re not going to get very far.’ ”

In a third memory from his childhood, he remembers seeing the window of his living room reflected in the eye of a Gray as he is being carried backward into the craft. “The two who were carrying me placed me in some transparent metal tank resembling a bathtub filled with a cool and almost light as air breathable liquid. I was immersed but barely panicked as I was reassured I was in no danger and could breathe normally.

“The two Grays with me watched me from about a foot and a half away. Their eyes, looking deep into my soul, saw courage and not fear, nobility and not vanity, love and song and not meaningless clanging and greed. Everything suddenly changed. Now there was a warmth, I felt included.” He was then allowed to walk to a window where he saw “pre-docking maneuvers with a mother ship in space.”

When people talk about his Conservation Exchange plan, “I smile inwardly when people say, ‘It will never happen’ and ‘though I appreciate your 'Utopian idealism' ...’ Utopia? I am addressing Earth. Let’s address it together,” he said.

Group of seven recount abduction horror



A salient fact emerges from Constance Clear's book, [Reaching for Reality: Seven Incredible True Stories of Alien Abduction](#). The Gray aliens who are doing the abducting apparently don't have a clue about nurturing people.

It is also clear that the human ability to bond with and nurture one another, which Clear encourages in the support group she formed among the seven, is a source of strength and an antidote to the trauma of alien abduction.

The book reads as an inspiring story of the triumph of human kindness over the cold logic of non-human and human violators.

The aliens' heartlessness is not only apparent in the way they treat their human subjects, which they appear to be processing on a massive, industrial scale for genetic purposes without regards to their feelings or rights. Even young children are given no quarter, which caused the most outrage among the seven.

It also applies to the pathetic results of the alien breeding program: sickly human-alien hybrid children that were presented to some abductees with pleas that they "nurture" them. Andrew, one of the seven testifiers in Clear's book, recounts in hypnotic regression that he was shown some compartments in a wall, kind of like morgue drawers, containing hybrid children immersed in a blue gas.

"I was taken to one of the containers and told that it was my child. I was told that it was very ill. The child was very frail. I told them that it is not doing well because it is not getting any affection, no nurturing. I am real mad. 'How can you just stick a child in a box? Get the child's mother to nurture it.' The aliens said they can't because the child's mother is like them."

Andrew's memories are the most detailed of the seven and accompanied by precise drawings. As an aircraft engineer, he had been trained to memorize and draw accurately what he saw in the innards of airplanes. He put these skills to good use in describing his abduction memories and illustrating them.

Andrew, the oldest of the group, also seemed to have been "picked on" the most, not only by aliens, but by humans -- the infamous "Men in Black." He recounts that he was driving to a session with Clear, having had an encounter in which the aliens assured him that they had finished with him. An alien presented him with a lump of galena, or lead ore, as a parting gift, and said he would find it later.

Sure enough, he found it the next morning on his dresser. He arranged to meet with Clear on April 22, 1997, and was driving to her office with the ore and some pictures he had drawn and other papers on the front seat.

He was driving to his 10:30 appointment when a black Chevy Lumina with a red light flashing on its dash pulled up. Thinking it was an unmarked police car, he pulled over.

"I see two tall men get out of the car. Both are dressed in black suits, sunglasses and hats," Andrew writes. He notices a third man in the back seat of the car. They order him out of the car, then take his alien gift and two of his drawings, throwing the rest of his papers on the road. When Andrew protests that he is an American citizen, one of them says, "that doesn't mean much in this case. You are expendable." The MIB also warned him not to report it to the police, because "We don't exist according to your government. No one will believe you and you will only make it harder for yourself."

Clear said this encounter upset Andrew more than his long years of abuse by aliens. It means that even as non-humans are abducting people, some of our "fellow" humans are standing by

watching it go on without intervening and showing even less consideration and respect for the victims' rights.

The group of seven all came to Clear originally with complaints of depression, anxiety, and night terrors. Some had suspected the alien connection and had sought help from writer Whitley Strieber, who referred them to Clear.

"What are the odds that these seven people, each living within two hundreds miles of San Antonio, Texas and each having maintained silence regarding his or her suspected lifelong involvement with alien abduction, would decide to seek professional help and would end up in my office within fourteen months of each other?" Clear writes.

After 22 years in private practice, including 15 years of working with support groups, Clear recognized that what her new clients needed most was to meet each other. She formed the Friday Night Group in 1996 where each could find the strength to face their ongoing experiences more consciously.

She told them to write down their memories, at first for therapeutic reasons. Eventually they agreed to allow their stories to be published, with their names being changed to preserve their privacy, for the sake of others who may be going through the same experience.

The two men and five women in the group are "ordinary people," Clear writes. "Though two of them are married to each other, the rest met for the first time through me. Their ages range from the twenties to the sixties, and their politics range from liberal democrats to conservative republicans. Six of the seven are married, four have children, and one has grandchildren. Their educational backgrounds include education, computer programming, drafting, mathematics, linguistics, and counseling. Four of them are public school teachers, one works in the aircraft industry and two are currently staying home raising young children."

All of the seven testified to feeling a close bond with their co-experiencers and that sharing helped them to come to terms with their experience, as outlandish and traumatic as it is. The book includes an appendix with suggestions for anyone facing alien abduction.

The book's message, whether to abductees or not, is you are not alone. By bonding together, we can survive anything the aliens -- or their MIB counterparts -- can dish out.

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Hal Corbett McKenzie is one of the few journalists in America who has covered the UFO scene professionally. As a founding editor and writer for *The News World* daily newspaper in New York City, which later changed its name to the *New York City Tribune*, he edited a weekly supplement called *UFOs and Other Cosmic Phenomena*. The supplement featured interviews with the late J. Allen Hynek, the “father of ufology;” New York artist Bud Hopkins who authored the books *Missing Time* and *Intruders* that introduced the abduction phenomenon to the public, UFO archivist and photoanalyst Colman VonKevicsky; and Aphrodite Clamar, a New York psychiatrist who has treated abductees.

Chilean UFO journalist J. Antonio Huneeus, now a writer and editor for *Fate* magazine, was a regular contributor. The supplement also provided a sounding board for local UFO researchers.

McKenzie was born March 19, 1948 in Augusta, Ga., the second of five children of a career officer in the U.S. Army. He grew up in Orleans and Paris, France; Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; Fort Hood, Texas; Alexandria, Va.; Phnom Penh, Cambodia; Carlisle Barracks, Pa., and Falls Church, Va.

He graduated from George C. Marshall High School in Falls Church in 1966 and attended the Philadelphia College of Art, majoring in sculpture. In October 1968 he joined the Unification Church and became a fulltime lay missionary, moving to New Haven, Conn. There he worked with Unified Science founder Edward Haskell and the International Conference for Unity of the Sciences, and was active in other church-sponsored activities like the Freedom Leadership Foundation and American Youth for a Just Peace, where he toured Vietnam with other young people to support “peace with freedom” for Vietnam. He moved to Washington, D.C., in 1970, where he served as associate editor of the FLF newspaper, *The Rising Tide*.

Rev. Moon Sun Myung chose him to edit the church’s magazine, *The Way of the World*, in Seoul, Korea, from 1970 until 1972 when the magazine moved to Washington D.C. In 1975 he was married to the former Lynda Champion in a mass ceremony of 1800 couples in Seoul.

He spent a year at the church’s Unification Theological Seminary in Barrytown, New York, lecturing on international affairs and Victory Over Communism Thought, a critique of Marxism-Leninism. He also helped edit *Toward Our Third Century*, a commemorative publication to mark America’s bicentennial. Then he was chosen to participate in the founding of *The News World* in 1976. During the 14-year life of the newspaper he served as international editor, news editor, science editor, commentary editor and finally senior editor, as well as editor of *UFOs and Cosmic Phenomena*. He also wrote news stories, editorials, op-ed columns and reviews.

When in 1982 *The News World* changed its name to *The New York City Tribune* and dropped the UFO supplement, he continued to field space and UFO-related articles as science editor. The

paperback edition of Whitley Strieber's book *Communion* quotes McKenzie's review of the book.

From 1991-93, while working as current affairs editor for *The World & I* magazine in Washington D.C., he published free-lance articles in *UFO Magazine* and in British UFO writer Timothy Good's book *Alien Update 1993*. He was also active in Operation Right to Know, a political organization dedicated to ending UFO secrecy, serving as secretary-treasurer. In June 1993 he testified before a hearing of the National Archives and Records Administration's Information Security Oversight Office and in July helped organize a demonstration in front of the White House to demand an end to UFO secrecy.

In September 1993 he moved to his late father's hometown of Montezuma, Georgia, after his mother fell ill from progressive supranuclear palsy (PSP) from which she died in 1998. Meanwhile he worked as reporter and editor for the *Americus Times-Recorder*, winning the 1996 Georgia Associated Press Public Service Award, Class A; and staff writer for the *Robins Rev-Up*, the weekly Air Force newspaper at Warner Robins Air Force Base published by the *Houston Daily Sun*.

In March 2003 he became webmaster of www.cosmictribune.com, a website dealing with extraterrestrial, environmental and religious news. He later worked as editor for Insight on the News, a website sponsored by *The Washington Times*, and wrote religion briefs for United Press International. He is currently retired and on disability. He was named to the Board of Advisors of the Exopolitics Institute formed by Michael Salla, PhD.

McKenzie and his wife, who teaches kindergarten, live in Macon, Ga., and have five children and four grandchildren.