

"Apparently what is now happening is that the Air Force surveillance radar is throwing away the data that is of relevance for this inquiry. In other words, if it sees something that is not on a ballistic or not in orbit, it ignores it, it throws it in the garbage. Well, that garbage is just the area of our interest."

This pick-and-choose attitude often leads to the mistaken belief that serious official attention is being given to the subject, whereas in fact the study is generally narrow in scope and lacking in diligence. On this point Mr. Bray quotes Dr. James E. McDonald, professor of atmospheric physics at the University of Arizona, who has long campaigned for full examination of the UFO mystery:

"Scientists throughout the world have tended to ignore the UFOs as if they were just so much nonsense. From talking to fellow scientists here and abroad, I have seen that most of them believed that Air Force Project Bluebook was really studying the UFOs with scientific competence. The trouble was that almost none of these scientists took time off to check for themselves. I did. What I have found is nothing short of alarming. Bluebook and its consultants have simply swept under a rug of ridicule and innuendo thousands of sightings from credible witnesses, sightings of objects that are neither swamp gas nor secret test devices, nor fireballs nor ball lightning."

Although scientists of real stature who believe the UFO subject merits inquiry are rare, they are by no means without company. In another reference to one of them, Mr. Bray says:

Professor Frank B. Salisbury, professor of exobiology at Colorado State University published an article in *Science* in which he stated that we must concern ourselves with the possibility of technological civilization on Mars. Certain peculiarities of Mars and its moons, Phobos and Deimos, he wrote, "are most easily understood on the assumption that they are the products of intelligent beings." Professor Salisbury's views are shared by Dr. Carl Sagan of Harvard University and the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory. Similarly, attributes of UFOs are most easily understood on the assumption that they are also products of intelligent beings.

To put his presentation into working form, Mr. Bray makes these recommendations:

1. That the Government immediately recognize UFO phenomena as being of major scientific significance and deserving of serious study, in an effort to remove the stigma attached to scientific and public discussion of the matter;
2. That the Government recognize that the UFO mystery has remained unsolved due to inadequate investigations, and not due to the non-existence of unknown objects in our skies;
3. That complete factual information be released in which the public can have confidence, to reduce the confusion and misunderstanding. Such an act will also encourage people to report their sightings for scientific analysis, instead of keeping them to themselves as is more often the case;

4. That Canada take the lead in UFO investigation by establishing a thorough and full-objective study of the phenomena, not limiting this study to a few narrow scientific fields as has been the case. Many fields of science, technology and the humanities must be included in this study;

5. That this study be supplemented by an attempt to build a new model of the universe, not limited to known physical laws, but which would permit interstellar travel in short time periods. This task requires, first, a recognition by Science of the possibility that existing models could be false. In other words, scientists must knock down their own "orthodox barrier;"

6. In conjunction with recommendation 4, and concurrent with it, that Canada strongly encourage other nations to establish similar investigations on the same basis;

7. That further to recommendations 4 and 6, Canada encourage the United Nations Organization to co-ordinate such national investigations and to establish a control or "filter" centre to assimilate sightings and local patterns to determine global patterns (with the assistance of computers) in order to obtain the overall comprehensive world-wide view of the situation, which may lead to an eventual solution.

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