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UFO-OBSERVATIONS (pp. 34-38)

On a photo taken on 31 July 2006 at Erlangen, a young woman discovered a bright spot (no UFO was actually observed). The most likely explanation is an image fault. On 24 September 1988, two boys observed a slowly moving disc-like object with four "bands" hanging down from it at Kelsterbach. It appeared to have a diameter of 5 m, and the form recalls earlier sightings at Zurich, Eschwege and in Portugal. Although it resembles a stratospheric balloon very much, there is no exact match for these reports, and we therefore class the case as a problematic UFO.

ADDITIONAL REPORTS (pp. 39-42)

From this issue on, we will briefly summarize cases received by other organisations, bolide reports and information on military manoevres.

THE CONDIGN REPORT, PART 2 (pp. 43-53)

In the second part of their article, David Clarke and Gary Anthony analyze the content of the British MoD's Condign Report. Most of what we read in it is not the result of in-depth research, but only retells what the anonymous scientist read in the better UFO books, for example works by Paul Devereux and Jenny Randles. It is concluded that the results of the study are scientifically worthless.

BRIEF NOTES (pp. 54-57)

HOW DID LIFE APPEAR ON EARTH?: A simulation of a meteorite impact on Mars (which could send Martian stone to Earth) showed that microbiotic life is able to survive such a catastrophe.

ALIEN IDEA: German Oscar awarded director Florian Henckel von Donnersmarck has a script (which he once tried to turn into a film) about aliens enslaved by Nazis.

PHOTOS OF ROCKET LAUNCH: The pictures show a rocket launch of 18 January 2007, at Baikonur. Similar launches have been mistaken for UFO events in the past.

THE HACKER AND THE USA: The story of Gary McKinnon, the computer buff who hacked into NASA and Air Force computers to prove a UFO conspiracy.

REVIEWS (pp. 58-63)

Ryan S. Wood: Majic Eyes Only – A review of crashed saucer cases, in the main pro-UFO, with some strange judgement (the dubious Spitsbergen and Timmendorf crashes are given the thumbs-up!), although it generally tries to sort fact from fake.