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UFO-Observation (pp. 2-7)

On 19 November 2017, at Hamburg-Niendorf, a man described by friends as psychologically unstable, saw two strange people (a man and a woman) who passed him at a super-market while talking about him "as if they knew all about me". The witness thought them extra-terrestrials, and has now started a YouTube-channel with little plays with actors about his experiences. It is assumed he either mistook some ordinary event, or else it was a hoax.

GEP received sighting report no. 4000 (pp. 8–15)

The GEP has received the sighting report no. 4000. In this article, Ha-We Peiniger outlines the history of his cataloguing the cases, and briefly describes cases 1, 1000, 2000, and 3000. Case 4000, just in, has not yet been fully investigated, but reports a large saucer seen over Switzerland.

Brief Notes (p. 15)

Speculations about a secret Pentagon project: Recent coverage in the *New York Times* reported on a project carried out by Tom DeLonge. Called the "Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program", it was to investigate UFO sightings. Results are mixed, and have been criticised by competent UFO researchers.

The Nature of UFO Evidence: Two Views (pp. 16-24)

70 years after Kenneth Arnold's iconic sighting, veteran UFO researchers Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos and Thomas E. Bullard have voiced their opinions on the state of UFO research. This issue, we have Bullard who thinks that consistencies in reports hint at a phenomenon that is worth investigating: "The reason behind these consistencies might be cultural influence or investigator bias, but actual observation in contrast to imagination might also be the cause. At least the possibility is worth exploring. [...] I see reason to believe that some distinctive consistencies in the phenomenon may yet be forthcoming, and that reliance on quality cases as the database will reveal those consistencies in sharper relief. At least the effort should be made before we give up the spaceship."

Reviews (pp. 25-32)

Ballester Olmos and van Utrecht: *Belgium in UFO Photographs* – A 400-pages strong, excellent book on 84 photographs from Belgium, each one exhaustively investigated in detail. The photos that remain unidentified are those with insufficient data.