

UFO-OBSERVATIONS (pp. 2-4)

Again, in this issue we have photos of UFOs which show strange objects. In both cases, no UFO was actually observed. Both pictures – one taken on 7 November 2000 at Kulmain-Zinst, the other on 15 December 2006 at Ibach, only show lens flares.

THE CONDIGN REPORT, PART 1 (pp. 5-15)

In this article, David Clarke and Gary Anthony describe how ufologists learnt of the existence of the British MoD's Condig Report, how the author of the report worked, and what to think of his conclusions. Part 2 will follow in the next issue of the JUFOP.

ALIEN SCIENCE (pp. 16-22)

In this article, Danny Ammon considers the merits of Eric Julien's theory of the „science of the extraterrestrials“. It is pointed out that each new approach should be analyzed, regardless of its source – in this case, a French contactee. However, as much of his physical speculation is based on popular books and a misunderstanding of science, it is concluded that Julien's explanations do not work and have no basis in fact.

BRIEF NOTES (pp. 23-24)

THE TULLY PAPYRUS – A FAKE: The Tulli papyrus, a document allegedly written by scribes of Thutmosis III of Egypt around 1495 BC, has long been regarded as the world's first UFO account. It describes badly smelling rings of fire which force the pharaoh's enemies to surrender. In fact, as several Italian and German authors have found out, the entire body of the text consists of example lines verbatim transcribed from Gardiner's Egyptian Grammar (1926), and put together to form a narrative. The fact that the text is not original, but a collage, shows it has been made up in the first half of the 20th century.

THE ANDREASSON AFFAIR – A HOAX? On his website, Robert Luca, the step son of Bob Luca, claims that his mother Betty Andreasson-Luca has religious fantasies which are exploited by Bob Luca – in short, that the whole abduction is an orchestrated hoax. However, Robert Luca also seems to have financial interests with his revelation, so we need to await further developments.

REVIEWS

Butlar and Nally: Conspiracy of silence – A book on Irish UFOs with many factual errors which contains a hodgepodge of sightings and ideas.