



## FIRST HUMANOID CATALOG (FIRSTHUMCAT)

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This is a preliminary census of “first occupant cases” around the world.

I define “first occupant case” as follows:

- a) The first case of this kind denounced after June 1947 in each country.
- b) The entity/occupant should be clearly related with a UFO (no isolated entities, neither BVM apparitions, ghosts, etc.) and clearly described (not just shadows or silhouettes). It does not matter if its form is not humanoid, that is just a label.
- c) The data must be provided by contemporary sources, no remembered and/or investigated years later. Preferentially it should have appeared in the media at the time.

d) “Positive” or “negative”. It does not matter if it was later explained, or if it was a hoax (on the contrary, I am especially interested in media hoaxing).

Those guidelines are only orientative; each case would be evaluated independently.

I have also included other cases that do not exactly fulfil those guidelines, so as to show which ones have been considered and/or discarded and the reasons of the selection.

Regarding sources, I have tried to obtain the nearest to the incident and its alleged explanation (if applicable) and would appreciate any additional information, specially drawings of the entities involved.

This is a continuing effort and any collaboration is welcomed. Please, contact me at: [lrgm@arrakis.es](mailto:lrgm@arrakis.es)

## | America

### | Argentina

#### • 20 February 1949 – El Maitén, Chubut BACKDATED from 1970

Second hand. According to a retired policeman, one day arrived to his military station a salesman, very excited, who said that about 20 km from the town, he had met a UFO. Three human figures emerged, dressed with strange suits and something flashing in their headgear. They were connected to the UFO by something like cords, and signalled

the witness to stop his car.

Sources:

- Roberto E. Banchs, Los OVNIS y sus ocupantes (1980), pp. 8-9 → La Razón (Buenos Aires), 13 March 1970 + personal investigation (January 1978).
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 73.

#### • 18 March 1950 – Lago Argentino PRESS HOAX?

18:30. A rancher, Wilfredo H. Arevalo, saw two lights in the sky, one of which landed about 3 km from him. He

walked within 160 m of the aluminium looking disk. On top of a large, flat revolving section was a glass cabin in which could be seen four tall men, more than 2 m, dressed in white and working at various instruments. Few minutes later, they shone a light in his direction while a blue light illuminated the craft; the vapour increased and a reddish and greenish brightness surrounded the object while it rose with a faint hum. Both craft flew away toward Chile, leaving bluish trails. Next day, the witness informed the Air Force after finding a 6 m burned circle in the site.

In 1986 Roberto Banchs was unable to locate the witness, any familiar or evidence of his existence, and pointed to some signs pointing to a possible press hoax.

Sources:

- Roberto E. Banchs, *Los OVNIS y sus ocupantes* (1980), pp. 11-12 → *La Razón* (Buenos Aires), 13 April 1950.
- Roberto E. Banchs, "El periodismo como generador de informes sobre ovnis con ocupantes (1)", *Cuadernos de Ufología* n° 11 (1991), pp. 14-18.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 73.

## Chile

### • 19 June 1964 – Arica

17:30. A ship watchman, R. A. Donoso, observed a strange machine land in a crossroad. From it emerged two fair-skinned men dressed like "the astronauts" who asked for water first in English and later in Spanish. Donoso took some water from his car radiator for them and they left. Their craft was about 3 m long and 1 m wide with a gun machine on top. The witness got quite upset because nobody believed him.

Sources:

- Diego Zúñiga, personal correspondence (2003).
- Gordon Creighton, "The Humanoids in Latin America", in Charles Bowen (Ed.), *The Humanoids* (1967), p. 150 → *La Razón* (Buenos Aires), 21 June 1964.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 615 (Wrong date)

## Peru

### • 1952 - Pucusana

#### BACKDATED from October 1967

16:30. C. A. V. an oil company employee, 30, was driving to Lima when he saw a shiny disk at ground level. He walked toward it for 10 min. Three figures came out as he was 20 m away. They looked like mummies, had joined legs and one large foot. They "slid" along the ground. They were covered with a strange "towely" skin, asked the witness where they were, had a lengthy discussion with him, and took him for a trip in their craft.

Sources:

- Gordon Creighton "On Unipeds and Asparagus" (FSR 16:3) & "More about unipeds" (FSR 16:6)+ Richard Grenwell, "The Experience of Señor C.A.V." (FSR 16:6).
- Jim & Coral Lorenzen, *UFOs over the Americas* (1968), pp. 122-148.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 68 (Wrong date).

### • 1 August 1965 – Lima

#### PRANKS

19:00. A boy claimed that just as it was getting dark, he saw a UFO land on the roof of a building, and saw a creature emerge from it. He described the entity as "greenish... with air all covered with green lights, and looking like a toad". However, two days later, another paper explained that the boy had now confessed... he had been reading too much Science Fiction.

According to a Reuter report from Lima on August 7, 1965, the authorities in that capital had recently arrested a band of dangerous cat-burglars, led by an individual with the nickname of "Pygmy". They had been masquerading as "Martians" and, taking advantage of the current fantastic wave of flying saucer reports in Lima, they had fitted themselves out with "space suits" and had perpetrated a series of bold armed robberies and attacks against householders.

Sources:

- Gordon Creighton, "The Humanoids in Latin America", in Charles Bowen (Ed.), *The Humanoids* (1967), p. 114.

## Uruguay

### • 15 August 1965 - Salto

2300. Five persons travelling in a car saw a blinding light, heard a humming sound and saw an object land on the roadway a few meters in front of them. The car engine stalled. The light from the object changed colours and then dimmed to reveal a leaden coloured machine about 3m high, occupying the whole width of the road. Three of the people in the car fainted, while the other two were able to see figures moving about inside the craft. Suddenly, bursts of flame shot from the sides of the machine and it rose about 1m from the ground. The humming sound started again, and the machine then took off straight upwards and vanished.

Sources:

- Gordon Creighton, "The Humanoids in Latin America", in Charles Bowen (Ed.), *The Humanoids* (1967), pp. 160-1 → *El Heraldo* (Concordia -Argentina), 16 August 1965.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 681.

## Brazil

### • 23 July 1947 – Baurú, near Pitanga

#### PRESS HOAX?

A group of survey workers ran away as they heard a hissing noise and saw a disk land 50 m away. Jose C. Higgins saw two figures through a window. Later three beings in shiny clothes and translucent suits, with oversized bald heads, huge round eyes, no eyelashes or eyebrows, and a metal box on their back, emerged from the craft. They were over 2 m. tall. They drew the solar system and pointed to

Uranus as if to suggest that was their point of origin. The last sentence of the clipping suggests a dream or press hoax.

Sources:

- *Diario da Tarde*, (Curitiba - Brazil), 8 August 1947
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 61.

### • March 1954 - Santa Maria

#### BACKDATED from 1965

#### FIRST CONTACTEE REPEATER

17:00. Rubem Hellwig was driving when he saw a football-shaped machine, the size of a Volkswagen, on the ground. He walked toward it and met two men of slim build, normal height, their faces brownish, wearing no helmets. One was inside the object while the other collected grass samples. They spoke to Hellwig in a strange language, and yet he said he understood they were asking for ammonia. He directed them to a nearby town. The craft vanished silently and instantly with blue and yellow flames.

Next day, Rubem Hellwig again saw a strange machine the next day. He observed a tall, fair-complexioned man and two women, who had light brown skin, long black hair, dark, slanted eyes. All three wore one-piece garments of a fabric resembling suede, with zippers. They told Hellwig that they were scientists, spoke of the natural riches of Brazil, and expressed surprise that he did not run away.

Sources:

- Coral & Jim Lorenzen, *Flying Saucers Occupants* (1967), pp. 109-10.
- Peter Rogerson, "Notes Towards a Revisionist History of Abductions (Part Two)", MAGONIA #47, October 1993, p. 6 → Gordon Creighton, "The Ruben Hellwig Contact Claim", FSR 12:6 (November-December 1966) → *Diario de Noticias* 25 August 1965.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 126 & 127.

### • 16 October 1957 - Francisco de Sales

#### FIRST ABDUCTION

1:00. Third observation by A. Villas-Boas. Alone in the fields on a clear night, he saw a big, red star which took the appearance of a luminous, egg-shaped object and stopped 50 m above his tractor. Its light was brighter than that of the headlights as it landed 15 m away. The top part was spinning. It became green as it slowed down, was then seen as a flattened dome. Three legs emerged from the machine as it settled down. The tractor engine stalled, and the witness was seized by unknown individuals and carried aboard the craft, where he was medically examined, then left with a woman of short stature with whom he had sexual intercourse. Villas-Boas reported that crewmembers wore tight, white clothes with a light on the belt, heelless white shoes, big gloves, and opaque helmets with a slit at the level of the eyes. Their language was shrill, and he could establish no verbal communication with them.

Sources:

- SBEDV Boletim 26/27 (June 1962), 85/89 (December 1972) 7 90/93 (August 1973).
- Gordon Creighton, "Brazil learns at last about A.V.B.", FSR 18:3,

pp. 9-13

• MAGONIA Catalogue # 414.



Artistic vision of Villas-Boas' abduction

## Colombia

### • 2 May 1958 - Bogota

#### NO UFO

Eight people working in a wood saw a green creature with scaly skin and very long arms. The pointed nails of its long fingers nearly touched the ground

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 467 → L. Bulgarini, *Dischi Volanti*.

## Venezuela

### • 28 November 1954 - Petaré

2:00. G. Gonzalez and Jose Ponce, truck drivers, found their road blocked by a luminous sphere over 3 m diameter, hovering 2 m above ground. A small creature with claws and glowing yellow eyes came toward them. Gonzales grabbed it, found it strangely light (less than 20 kg), and observed its body was very hard and covered with fur and a strange suit. But the creature pushed him back, while two other dwarfs emerged from the bushes and leaped into the sphere, carrying stones and other samples. A light from the craft blinded Gonzales and the strange beings flew away. The witnesses went immediately to a nearby police station.

On the following days, there was a wave of similar cases around Venezuela.

Sources:

- Horacio González Ganteaume, *Platillos voladores sobre Venezuela* (1961), pp. 174-181 → *El Universal* (Caracas) 29 November 1954.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 344.

## Salvador

### • 23 November 1958 – Cojutepeque

23:35. An engineer, Julio M. Ladaletto, stopped when his car hit a can rolling on the road, then observed an object about 35 m away. It was shaped like a lamp shade with an upper transparent sphere emitting a bluish, pulsating light, 12 m diameter, 7 m high, resting on three half-spheres. An occupant 2, 5 m tall was photographed by the witness as he crossed the road and appeared to inspect the craft. He wore a blue coverall and luminescent heelless boots, and had a bald head. The observation lasted 10 min, after which the object took off with a whining sound, sparks and smoke. The following day, before he had revealed anything about the case, Ladaletto was contacted by strange “newsmen” who appeared to know all the details of it.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 476→ Settimana Incom (prima puntata) 16 September 1962 (Serial by Bruno Ghibaudi about flying saucers).

## Cuba

### • 1947 – Remedios

#### BACKDATED?

According to information provided by Dr. Francisco Jover Jiménez, a historian from the city of Remedios, “I was sent for by the local authorities in the City Hall in order to examine a young lady from the Dolores neighbourhood. The young lady was extremely nervous after complaining of what had befallen her only a short distance away from where she was doing laundry. Engaged in her tasks, she claims having seen a large light coming toward her, issuing from an object shaped like “two large plates, when used one to cover the other.” The object, according to the young lady, landed without making any noise whatsoever. A normal sized man, standing some two meters tall and wearing a bright white suit with a light on his forehead, emerged from the object and approached her. With the fingers of one hand extended toward her, he pointed toward the ground and asked: “Terra? Terra?”. The young lady says she fainted to the ground and after regaining her senses, noticed that both the strange object and the being had vanished.

Sources:

- Sebastián Robiou Lamarche, Manifiesto OVNI de Puerto Rico, Santo Domingo y Cuba (1979), pp. 473-4.

## Mexico

### • 15 August 1950 – Texcoco

#### PRESS HOAX

The newspaper La Prensa (Mexico D.F) published a se-

ries of articles beginning with an alleged explosion seen in the Moon early in August, followed by sightings of several “lunaves” (“moon crafts”) around the city, a photo of one of them, the description of one of its occupants (a being clad in gold whose body was surrounded by glass), culminating in an alleged landing on August 15th, when several witnesses saw the occupant described as big, brilliant, beautiful and winged. He left its craft and run away while the UFO disappeared.

Sources:

- Héctor Escobar, “El fenómeno aterrizaje en México”, *Perspectivas Ufológicas* n° 1 (December 1993) & “Los fraudes OVNI en México”, *Perspectivas Ufológicas* n° 2 (April 1994).

### • 15 August 1953 – Ciudad Valles

#### FIRST CONTACTEE

Evening. Cab driver Salvador Villanueva, 40, observed two creatures 1. 2 m tall wearing coveralls with wide, shiny, perforated belts, metal collars, and small, black, shiny boxes on their backs. They had helmets under their arms. The witness thought they were pilots of Indian race. One of them spoke to him in Spanish, “stringing the words together” in a strange accent. Trivial matters were discussed until dawn, when they returned to their craft, 13 m in diameter, through a staircase under the lower disk. They invited him and he spent 5 days in Venus.

Sources:

- Antonio Ribera, *Platillos volantes en Iberoamérica y España* (1968), pp. 27-30→ Salvador Villanueva, *Yo estuve en el planeta Venus* (1958).
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 116 (Doesn't mention the trip).

No occupant cases before 1965 are known in the rest of Central and South America countries (including the Caribbean).

## United States

### • March 1947 – Centralia, Washington

Perhaps significantly, in the 1 April issue of the *Centralia Daily Chronicle* appeared the earliest alleged physical onboard adventure. It was that of Simon Estes Thompson. His story was that driving down a back-road, he saw an object hovering above the ground and was invited on board by curiously naive, naked beings who said they came from Venus. Though they didn't seem to know how their craft worked, they could talk about reincarnation, vegetarianism and similar New Age topics. Kenneth Arnold subsequently interviewed Thompson and felt he was sincere

Sources:

- Peter Rogerson, “Notes Towards a Revisionist History of Abductions (Part One)”, *MAGONIA* #46, June 1993, p. 4→ Jerome Clark, “The coming of the Venusians”, *Fate*, January 1981.

• **17 June 1947 - Webster, Massachusetts**

An elderly woman saw a moon-sized object fly by with a slender figure inside dressed in what appeared to be a Navy uniform. No landing is mentioned neither the closeness of the encounter.

Sources:

- "Headhunt: Seeking the Degenerates among the Primitives (Varicose Brains - Part 3)" Martin S. Kottmeyer, MAGONIA # 77 March 2002→ Isabel Davis & Ted Bloecher Close Encounter at Kelly and Others of 1955 CUFOS, 1978, p. 1→ Worcester Massachusetts Daily Telegram 7 July 1947.

• **7 July 1947 -- Tacoma, Washington**

Residents of the Center and J Street neighborhood, including Gene Gamachi and I.W. Martenson, told of seeing a number of objects, some of which landed on nearby roofs. Witnesses saw several "little people" who disappeared upon the arrival of newsmen.

Sources:

- "Headhunt: Seeking the Degenerates among the Primitives (Varicose Brains - Part 3)" Martin S. Kottmeyer, MAGONIA # 77 March 2002→ Isabel Davis & Ted Bloecher Close Encounter at Kelly and Others of 1955 CUFOS, 1978, p. 1.

• **Mid-July 1949 – Death Valley, California HOAX – UFO CRASH**

Two prospectors - Buck Fitzgerald & Mase Garney - say they witnessed a saucer crash. Two small men, heavily clothed, ran from the crash and disappeared over a ridge. The prospectors pursued but lost them amid sand dunes. The prospectors pursued but lost them amid sand dunes. The saucer is made of calcium, was iridescent and radioactive, and had small green wires running throughout. The Air Force dismissed this as hoax, apparently without investigation

Sources:

- "Headhunt: Seeking the Degenerates among the Primitives (Varicose Brains - Part 3)" Martin S. Kottmeyer, MAGONIA # 77 March 2002→ International New Service item dated August 20, 1949.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 70 (Wrong date).

• **25 August 1952 - Pittsburgh, Kansas**

Early in the morning, a man named William Squyres headed off to his job at a radio station in Pittsburgh, Kansas. He was driving his new Jeep station wagon. When he was about a quarter mile from the main highway he saw off to his right, hovering ten feet above a two acre field of grass used for grazing cattle, an unusual craft. It was platter-shaped, roughly 70 feet long, 40 feet wide, and about 15 feet through the midsection. It looked like it was made of aluminium and had several large windows arranged from top to rear. There was a medium blue continuous light inside and he could see in the front window the head and shoulders of a man sitting motionless. Another identifiable feature was that along the edges of the object...there was a series of propellers about six to seven inches in diameter spaced closely together; these propellers were mounted

on a bracket so they revolved in a horizontal plane on the edge of the object. The propellers were rotating at a high rate Squyres said there seemed to be a lot of activity or movement in the midsection of the craft. He could not be sure if it was human, but it did not have a regular pattern to it. He was able to view the object for about half a minute before it began a rapid vertical ascent reaching a tremendous rate of acceleration as it disappeared into the sky. Left behind in the field there was a sixty-foot circle of grass that was pressed down. Some loose grass laid on top as if drawn in by suction from the vertical ascent. Several witnesses confirmed the presence of matted grass. Samples showed no traces of burning, radioactivity, or other stress. Air Force investigators obtained uniform praise in their search for character references

This seems to be the first Close Encounter of the Third Kind in America to make it into the Project Blue Book files.

Sources:

- "Propeller-powered Saucers" Martin S. Kottmeyer, MAGONIA Monthly Supplement # 28. June 2000.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 98.

• **19 September 1961 – Indian Head (New Hampshire) FIRST U.S. ABDUCTION – BACKDATED 1965**

22:00. Mr. and Mrs. Hill saw a lenticular object with a double row of portholes and half-a-dozen dark figures working at control panels inside, when they stopped to investigate a light following their car. They became afraid and drove away. A "beeping sound" enveloped the car, and they felt a prickling sensation before losing consciousness.



Hill case. Above, first alien descriptions. Below, as seen in the telefilm *The UFO Incident* (1975), which narrates this abduction.

When they came to, they were driving near Ashland. A series of nightmares suffered by Betty made her contact some ufologist who uncovered a “missing time” period. Years later, medically controlled hypnosis brought back what apparently was the memory of their abduction by the occupants of the object. Martin Kottmeyer (among others) has suggested a cultural origin for all the hypnosis data.

Sources:

- John G. Fuller, *The Interrupted Journey* (1966).
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 524.

## Canada

### • 1948 – Swastika BACKDATED

Mr. Galbraith twice saw an object land. The first time, it was a disk-shaped craft. An entity left the object and collected samples of vegetation. The object transmitted a “force field” which pushed the witness to the ground. The second time, the witness observed an object on the ground. Three entities, who smiled at him, were observed outside the craft. A police patrol saw a light in a nearby wood, but couldn’t approach it because of an “invisible wall”.

Sources:

- John Bent Musgrave, *UFO Occupants & Critters* (1979), cases #8 & 9 → *UFO INFO* (Belgium), June 1977, p. 16.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 64.

### • 2 July 1950 – Steep Rock Lake, Sawbill Bay (Ontario) HOAX

In a story strangely similar to that of Mr. Kiehl (Aug. 1914) a man and his wife saw a double saucer with portholes and a rotating antenna come to rest on the surface of the lake. Ten figures, 1.20 m tall, dressed in shiny clothing, emerged and walked on deck like robots” changing direction without turning their bodies. “Their faces could not be seen. One of them wore a red cap, had darker arms and legs and “seemed to be their chief. “ They immersed a hose in the lake, then took off. Fishermen later reported a green moss forming on the lake. Later the same month, the same man plus a male companion saw something similar.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 80 ‡ *The Steep Rock Echo*, September & October 1950.
- John Bent Musgrave, *UFO Occupants & Critters* (1979), cases #10 & 11.
- John Robert Columbo, *UFOs Over Canada* (1991), pp. 32-41.

### • 2 September 1950 – Harmon Air Force Base NO UFO - SILHOUETTE - BACKDATED?

Late evening. A man observed the silhouette of a person between beach and himself at the end of the base runway. When he investigated, he saw a flash and felt his hand burn.

Sources:

- John Bent Musgrave, *UFO Occupants & Critters* (1979), case #12 → *Project Blue Book Case #795*.

### • June 1954 – Harptree, Saskatchewan BACKDATED from 1970

Mid-morning. A man was pumping water on his farm when he heard a droning sound like a motorcycle. Then he saw a transparent disc-shaped object about 15 m in diameter. He could see two men inside with helmets and goggles working a stick shift. The craft flew between man and nearby shed.

Sources:

- John Bent Musgrave, *UFO Occupants & Critters* (1979), case #13 → Dean F. Clausen (SYPR) investigation, 1970 (LDLN 339)

### • 2 July 1954 – Garson, Ontario HOAX

A miner saw three entities 4 m tall descend from a “space ship”. They were described as “built in much the same manner as the ship” which was 8 m in diameter. This craft had electronic ear-like spurs on its top, and 3 sets of arms with claws and six legs. He claimed the ship transmitted radio messages, and the occupants had a “hypnotic power” over him. Both the Ontario Provincial Police and military described this case as a hoax.

Sources:

- John Bent Musgrave, *UFO Occupants & Critters* (1979), case #14 → *Sudbury Daily Star* 6 July 1954. *Project Blue Book Case #3084*.

### • 15 May 1951 – near Salzburg (Austria) BACKDATED from 11 December 1957

According to the Prince George Citizen (British Columbia), in 1951 an unnamed American servicemen in Salzburg was captured by a bug-eyed monster and taken on a 1-hour trip to Mars, on board a flying saucer. The alien was described as being smaller than the witness, with a high, cylindrical forehead, large eyes with smaller eyes in them like an insect’s, two holes for a nose, a slit mouth, holes for ears and a white skull. The torso was round like a tin-can; it had no neck, proportionate legs, but short arms which terminated in three-fingered hands. The story contained one major scientific error: that the narrator and his captor flipped over as they reached the zone of gravitational neutrality between the Earth and the Moon.

Sources:

- Charles Bowen, “Fantasy or Truth? A New Look at an Old Contact Claim”, *FSR* 13:4 (July-August 1967), pp. 11-14.

# Europe

## Spain

### • 23 April 1950 – Málaga

#### PRESS JOKE

“After all those news about flying saucers everywhere, I wondered why they had not visited our hospitable town so I began to watch the skies. My efforts got rewarded. Yesterday I saw a flying saucer! Even more: I had an interview with one of its occupants”!

This is the beginning of a letter to the editor appeared in the local newspaper. The witness does not bother to describe neither the UFO nor its occupants but explains he talked with him about many subjects, including bullfighting!. Clearly a joke.

Sources:

- La Tarde (Málaga), 24 March 1950.

### • 17 April 1950 – Salamanca

#### SILHOUETTE

Dawn. An elliptic flying saucer was seen over the city. As a curious detail, the witness added that he “observed some silhouettes like people around the flying saucer”.

Sources:

- Juan C. Victorio Uranga, personal communication→ El Adelanto de Salamanca, 23 April 1950.

### • 1 July 1953 – Villares del Saz (Cuenca)

13:00. An illiterate boy cowherd, Maximo Munos Olivares, 14, saw a “big balloon” on the ground behind him when a faint whistling attracted his attention. Shaped like a water jug, it was metallic. Through an opening came three dwarfs 60 cm tall, with yellow faces, narrow eyes, and oriental features. They spoke in a language he could not understand. They were dressed in blue, had a sort of flat hat with a visor in front and a metal sheet on their arms. One of them smacked the boy’s face, then they re-entered the machine, which glowed very brightly, made a soft whistling sound and went off “like a rocket “. Police found footprints and four holes 5 cm deep forming a perfect square 36 cm in side.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 113→ Ofensiva (Cuenca) 12, 16, 19 & 26 July 1953.

## Portugal

### • 21 September 1954 – Santa María Airport (Azores)

22:40. A guard, Vitorio Lourenço Monteiro saw a craft, 3.

5 m in diameter and 1, 5 m thick, land near the entrance to the airfield. A blond figure in uniform emerged from the craft and said something he could not understand, before taking off again. There were antenna-like protrusions on top of the object.

Sources:

- Diario Popular (Azores), 3 October 1954,
- Ted Bloecher, “UFO and occupant at Santa Maria Airport, Azores”, MUFON UFO Journal # 160.
- Gordon Creighton, “More on the Azores landing of September 1954”, FSR 27:6.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 150.

### • 24 September 1954 – Almaseda, near Castello

#### Branco

#### HOAX

10:00. Cesar Ferreira Cardoso and three others saw two individuals, 2. 5 m tall, dressed in shiny clothes, emerge from a landed craft and gather flowers, shrubs, and twigs in a shiny box, then take off. They seemed to be inviting the witnesses aboard, but their language was not understood. The witness sent a letter to Diario de Lisboa, which published it on September 27th 1954. After inquiries were made, Ferreira confessed that it was a hoax trying to attract public attention to his isolated village.

Sources:

- V-J Ballester Olmos & J. Vallée, “Fin de una controversia: la mixtificación de Serra de Gardunha”, Stendek # 3 (December 1970) pp. 4-5→ Diario de Lisboa 27 September & 1 October 1954.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 154.

## Italy

### • 14 August 1947 - Raveo

#### BACKDATED from 1955

9:00. Luigi Rapouzzi (a.k.a. R. L. Johannis), painter and SF writer, saw a disk on the ground and two dwarfs less than 1 m tall, wearing dark blue coveralls with red collars and belts. They had oversized heads, greenish faces, huge, salient dark eyes without eyelashes or eyebrows, but surrounded by a ringlike muscle. They wore something similar to crash helmets. The centre of their belts projected a “vapour, “and the witness suffocated, feeling a strong electrical discharge. The creature had greenish hands with eight talonlike fingers.

Italian ufologist Edoardo Russo has provided circumstantial evidence the tale existed as early as 1955 since Johannis mentions it in an unpublished appendix to a translation of the Leslie/Adamski Flying Saucers Have Landed,

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 63→ Clypeus # 2 (April 1969).
- Edoardo Russo "Villa Santina 1947 Case (was: Re: First 'Grey')"  
30 April 1999 UFO UpDates Mailing List + Project 1954 List 10  
February 2003.

### • 3 April 1948 – Fara di Cigno

#### BACKDATED from 1972

6:35. Taxi driver Giuseppe Langiano was waiting for the arrival of a train (delayed) when in the sky there appeared a strange round object flying up to a hill about 500 m away. It hovered 10 m above it. Giuseppe and the junction chief observed the UFO (10-15 m in diameter and orange in colour) during several minutes. From its centre, at the bottom, a strange anthropomorphic figure was coming down until reaching the land below. About 1,5 m tall, it was completely rigid with its arms extended. It looked metallic, with some big gloves and two circles in the face. The witnesses tried to come near, but the being went up again and, once inside, the UFO flew away very quickly but in a complete silence.

Sources:

- Boncompagni et al, UFO in Italia (Volume 1: 1907-1953)(1978), case #23, pp. 94-102.

### • 24 April 1950 – Abbiate Guazzone

#### BACKDATED from 24 August 1952

22:00. Bruno Facchini heard and saw sparks coming from a dark, hovering object, near which a man dressed in tight fitting clothes and wearing a helmet seemed to be making repairs. Three other men were seen near the craft. When the work was finished, a trap through which light had been shining was closed and the thing took off. The witness had the time to note many details of the machine and its occupants, and recovered several metal pieces. No investigated.

Sources:

- Giuseppe Stilo, *Scrutate i cieli!* (2000), pp. 186-199→ *La Domenica del Corriere* (Rome) 7 & 17 July 1952.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 78.

### • 24 July 1952 – Vico

Night. Carlo Rossi was fishing in the Serchio river and saw a disk hovering for 10 min. From it hung a hose that plunged into the water. The object was 20 m in diameter, with five propellers in the rear and a dome with something like three more blades on top. An orange glow could be seen through slits along the deck. A man wearing a diving helmet looked at the witness through a window, and he received a kind of electric shock as a "green ray" hit him. He looked up with difficulty, in time to see the object fly away toward the east. Six days later a stranger with a foreign accent contacted the witness and intimidated him.

Sources:

- Giuseppe Stilo, *Ultimatum alla Terra* (2002), pp. 289-297→ *La Nazione* (Toscana) 26 September 1952.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 95.

### • 31 July 1952 – Scerscen glacier (Alps)

#### PHOTO HOAX

The famous G. Monguzzi's photos showing a landed flying saucer and a small astronaut beside. First published in October 23rd 1952.

Sources:

- Giuseppe Stilo, *Ultimatum alla Terra* (2002), pp. 308-332→ *Le Ultime Notizie*, 23 October 1952.

### • 16 November 1952 - Castelfranco

Nello Ferrari, 41, a farmer, found himself flooded with a reddish light and saw a large plate 10 m above him, between gold and copper in colour. At the centre of the bottom surface, 20 m in diameter, was a cylinder of 5 m diameter made of rapidly rotating parts, producing a noise similar to that of an electric motor. On the upper surface was a turret inside which three occupants were visible, looking directly at the witness. They looked perfectly human, wore rubber coveralls and transparent face masks. They spoke a few words, which were not understood; a loud metallic noise was heard; and the top part of the object lowered itself toward the lower plate. The sound gained intensity, and the craft flew vertically at very high speed.

Sources:

- Giuseppe Stilo, *Ultimatum alla Terra* (2002), pp. 340-350→ *Giornale dell'Emilia* 22 November 1952.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 106.

## | Switzerland

### • 11 November 1954

#### HOAX

23:00. "They appeared in St. Francois, one coming from Pepinet, the other from Grand Pont. And our photographer was able to surprise them, with their fearsomely-shaped helmets, their antennas, and their gait clearly extra-terrestrial. As soon as they were seen, they exchanged signals, not with the aid of the famous paralysing green ray, but with a bizarre red-glowing fire. A knowledgeable professor who happened to be on the scene didn't fail to note the frequency of these luminous devices, and, being there in time to witness it, tried to decipher this Martian language. Curiously, the two envoys from the neighbouring planet each carried a very ordinary-looking suitcase. Were these the products of a robbery? No one knows. Still, the Martians were at one point observed to remove from these suitcases a mysterious set of placards, tools, and other assorted items. To a witness's question ("And where have you left your saucer?"), the first --who therefore understood French, the professor quickly recorded on his notepad-- drew from his suitcase three round objects which could be clearly recognised to be small models of flying saucers. All the while, they kept silent where they



stood in Lausanne. They then tried speaking with the Earthlings, in a long discussion, in the midst of which some believed they recognised the words “electrical metabolism”. Without being concerned about the 300 or so people who were surrounding them, our visitors then continued their calm exploration of the area, not hiding their admiration of, for example, the unfinished architecture of the post office. Then, suddenly, they disappeared, as if they had disintegrated...

At press time, we’re learning that a students’ society is proudly claiming to have created the two Martians. They proclaim the hoax is over, and swear that they chose Thursday night instead of the usual Friday noon simply to avoid the 300- or 500-franc fine for causing a traffic jam”.

Sources:

- Bruno Mancusi, SWITZERLAND UFO Database (1954)→ Feuille d’Avis de Lausanne, Lausanne, Friday 12 November 1954, p. 40.

## France

### • 17 February 1949 – Exact location unknown

#### BACKDATED?

Night. Alain Berard saw a large, bright object land near his farm with a green lightning flash. It became dark. As he approached the craft, the witness saw three figures with stocky short legs, apparently without heads. Frightened, he fired at them three times. A moment later the object took off vertically.

Italian ufologists have been unable to locate the reference even after examining the complete collection of the magazine. In any case, it began publication in September 1967, so there is no contemporaneous source.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 69→ Oltre il Cielo, Vol. I
- Edoardo Russo (CISU), personal communication, February 2003.

### • Summer 1950 – near Paris

#### HOAX

It is a starry summer evening about twelve miles from Paris. An ex-pilot who runs the Bar de L’Escadrille near the airport takes a stroll before going to bed. He hears a whistling like the wind and turns to see two flying saucers have landed a few hundred feet nearby. They are each 16 feet in diameter, four and a half feet high in the centre, and all round their edges are little oblong windows. Thick oval doors open and out steps one man from each saucer. They are five and a half feet tall, have brown hair, and wear flying suits that, in the darkness, seem dark brown or dark blue.

They both run to a point on one of the machines where a rod running from the centre of the disc to the edge needs to be reset or replaced. The rod has a rubber pad at the end and is one of many that lie about eight inches apart

around the machine. The witness remarked that the repair was done “with naked hands, without any tools”. He walked up to them and asked if they had had a breakdown. They were briefly startled, but calmly indicated, “Yes, but it will soon be all right”. This was said very slowly, but in accurate French.

The repair was done quickly in roughly a minute. The men opened the doors again and a blinding light came from the interior. The witness emphasised, “the light was the most perfect I had ever seen”. He could see no source to it and he saw no shadows. Sitting at the centre of the craft was a red leather dentist’s chair. Above this was “a very large kind of oval steering wheel, with a handle at each extremity. It was all metal and covered in signs and switches. To the front of the chair was something like a wireless set with seven or eight knobs. There were also several other pieces of apparatus around the chair on pedestals. The witness tried to engage the pilot in conversation and asked him about “the uses of the many knobs on the instrument-board”. He answered back, “Power”.

A few seconds later the doors on each saucer closed. From the outside the machine appeared weightless and hung four or five inches above the ground. It looked like aluminium to him. The holes along the edge of the craft lit up and the machines took off at tremendous speed accompanied only by a sound like the wind. The witness, however, felt nothing. He decided against telling anyone and noticed the next day that there was not the slightest evidence that anything had happened. The grass was not flattened, reinforcing the impression there had been no landing-gear

This story was told to French ufologist Jimmy Guieu and a producer on Radio Monte Carlo, Fernand Carlo some time in the early 1950s. Guieu emphasises that the interview took place before George Adamski’s book *Flying Saucers Have Landed* had gone to press.

Sources:

- Jimmy Guieu, *Flying Saucers come from Another World*, Hutchinson, 1956, pp. 229-232
- Martin S. Kottmeyer, “Moon Roof Optional”, *Magonia Supplement* #38, January 2002.
- Alain Gamard, “Meprises, canulars and co” in Erich Zurcher, *Les apparitions d’humanoïdes* (1979), pp. 173-4.

### • 4 September 1953 - Tonnerre.

#### BACKDATED?

21:30. A woman saw two objects on the ground and three 1.5m tall men running toward the craft. They had oversized heads and wore helmets and boots. One entered the elongated object, 5 m long, 1.5 m wide, which spread “wings” that made it look like a butterfly. It then took a vertical position, resting on a tripod, and took off with the spherical object into which the other two creatures had gone. Traces were found at the spot.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 117 ‡ Phénomènes Spatiaux # 1 (around 1964).

### • 23 August 1954 - Lugrin, near Thonon.

Elise Blanc approached an object looking like an aluminium trailer with two small beings in silvery dress, grunting like pigs, standing close by. The craft took on a fiery colour and flew away.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 137.

### • 10 September 1954 - Mourieras

20:30. A farmer, Mr. Mazaud was walking home when he was suddenly confronted with a helmeted being of average height who made friendly gestures, then went back into the brush, entered a cigar-shaped object about 4 m long, which took off toward Limoges. A few minutes later witnesses in Limoges reported a disk-shaped, red object leaving a bluish trail.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 142→ Le Populaire du Centre (Limoges), 15 September 1954.

### • 10 September 1954 – Quarouble CONFUSSION / HOAX?

22:30. A metal worker, Marius Dewilde, 34, came out of his house as a dog was barking and saw a dark object on the railroad tracks, then observed two dwarfs walking toward it. When he tried to stop them, he found himself paralysed as a strong orange light was projected at him. The creatures were under 1 m tall, bulky, and wore dark diving suits. No face or arms were visible. Traces made by an object of estimated weight 30 tons were noted by French Air Force and police on the ballast. The witness had another similar encounter a month later.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 143 & #226→ Nord-Éclair (Lille), 16 September 1954.
- Jacques Bonabot "Dossier Quarouble 1954" Bulletin Du GESAG #72 (June 1983) thru #86 (December 1986) - a 14 part series.

## Belgium

### • October 1951 or November 1952 – Terrest-Houthulst BACKDATED from 1977

20:15. Mr. & Mrs. H.C., when returning from their parents, saw on the corner of Sleepstraat and Kleine Sleepstraat, a flaming rounded object coming on the ground. Before it landed, the upper side of the object came open and seven little beings appeared. Three of them came on the ground. The beings were red in colour, great head and ears, little holes for the eyes and short legs. One of them walked around the object as controlling the four legs of the machine. After a sign of one of the beings, the others went

inside and the thing took away. Mr. H.C. tried to approach the apparition but the object sent a hot beam of light just before his feet. Many people coming from a cinema saw, from a far distance, the light of the phenomenon.

Investigation made by Mr. Collen B in 1977.

Source:

- J. Bonabot, personal communication, August 2003

### • September 1954 – Watou

During a clear night the unknown witness goes home on his bicycle. He saw a "saucer" on a meadow. From behind some bushes the witness saw two little people dressing up apparatus. One of the things has a screen with a speaking face on it. Then the instruments were dismantled and one of the beings took a lump of grass with a kind of shovel. They began to speak between them, one of them looking at the witness' location. The witness became afraid, closed his eyes, and then ran away. A beam of light has been shot on him. Then, light and saucer disappeared.

Source:

- J. Bonabot, personal communication, August 2003→ Ons Zondagsblad (Het Volk) 26 September 1954.

### • 10 October 1954 – Huy (between Namur and Lieja) NO OCCUPANTS

A mailman saw a cigar-shaped object land. Two silhouettes "approximately human" were seen aboard.

According to an investigation by Roger Lorthioir in 1968, the mailman only saw a luminous object leaving a trail of smoke after it, very far away. The press invented the rest.

Sources:

- J. Bonabot, personal communication, August 2003.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 213→ Le Soir 11 October 1954

## Great Britain

### • 18 February 1954 -- Lossiemouth HOAX

Writer, amateur astronomer and ornithologist Cedric Allingham claimed that he saw a flying saucer land near Lossiemouth, on the north-eastern coast of Scotland. A 'man' some six feet tall emerged from the craft and approached Allingham. This being was said to be human-like in most respects, and appeared to differ only in that he had a very high forehead. He wore a one-piece garb with footwear incorporated, but no helmet. He also had tiny tubes running up into his nostrils, and the witness considered these to be part of a breathing aid. According to the witness in his published account, he and the 'man' contrived to converse by signs, and it is claimed that the visitor indicated that he came from Mars. Photographs of both the saucer and the 'Martian' were taken and published in support of this claim.

Cedric Allingham was possibly a pseudonym for renowned

British astronomer and redoubtable sceptic Patrick Moore.

Sources:

- Charles Bowen (ed.), *The Humanoids*, pp. 14-15.
- Cedric Allingham, *Flying Saucer from Mars* (1955).
- Christopher Allan & Stuart Campbell, "Flying Saucers from Moore's?", *Magonia* #23, July 1986.

### • 21 October 1954 – Rampton (Staffordshire)

16:45. Near Shrewsbury, Jennie Roestenberg and her two children observed a disk-shaped, aluminium object hovering above the house. Through two transparent panels they saw two men with white skin, long hair to their shoulders, and very high foreheads. They wore transparent helmets and turquoise-blue clothing, resembling ski suits. The object hovered at a tilted angle while the two occupants looked at the scene "sternly, not in an unkind fashion, but almost sadly, compassionately."

Located 30 years later by Jenny Randles, the witness confirmed the sighting and explained that later she had a lot of psychic experiences.

Sources:

- Jenny Randles, *The Complete Book of Aliens & Abductions* (1999), pp. 23-24.
- *MAGONIA* Catalogue # 298.

## Germany

### • 1 April 1950

#### PRANK

April Fool's prank in the German paper *Wiesbadener Tageblatt*. They published a photo of an entity being escorted by a pair of military men. It is short, has a large and bald head and large eyes separated by an Y-shaped nose/brow structure. It is breathing from a tube connected to a hand held unit. It seems single-legged on first look, but details clarify the alien is standing on a floatation disk. The date was no accident. The prank was confessed in the April 3rd issue of the paper and confirmed by its instigator Wilhelm Sprunkel in a taped interview with ufologist Klaus Webner, decades later

Sources:

- Kottmeyer, Martin S. "Head Hunt", *MAGONIA* # 77 (March 2002) → Klaus Webner *The Probe Report* 2, #2 September 1981 pp. 8-12.

### • June 1950 – Cologne

#### PRANK

The June 1950 *Talk of the Times* reproduced a pair of photos received from Cologne, Germany, one of which is a retouched picture of Dr. E.W. Kay's model saucer that appeared in the press on January 11, 1950. The other is of two agents holding up a small humanoid with proportions somewhat like a small monkey. The caption reads, "As one silver capsule broke: the first Mars man was captured! Eyewitness G-man, McKenerich, from Phoenix (Arizona), reports 'I was astounded by the importance of this great moment. For the first time I was seeing a being from

another world. At the same time I was equally amazed by the desperation of this Aluminium Man. His body was covered with a shiny metal foil.' The observatory in Phoenix, Arizona, presumes that this is for protection from cosmic rays.

Recently, it has been pointed out by Hans-Werner Peiniger of a West German ufo group that it was certainly another April Fool's prank since yarn's author's names are G. Falcht and R. Logen. This is literally translated as 'forged' and 'make-believe.'

Sources:

- Kottmeyer, Martin S. "Head Hunt", *MAGONIA* # 77 (March 2002) → Peter Hough & Jenny Randles *Looking for the Aliens; A Psychological, Scientific and Imaginative Investigation* Blandford, 1991, p. 174.

### • 17 June 1950 – Hasselbach (RDA)

Oscar Linke, former Wehrmacht major, and his daughter Gabrielle, 11, had to leave their motorcycle when they had a flat tire. Inside the woods the girl noticed two men in silvery suits examining the ground in a clearing near a pink disk-shaped object, 8 m in diameter, showing a double row of openings around the rim and a black turret on top. One of the men had a flashing box. Both men went inside, and the disk vibrated, rose along the turret-like cylinder, then spun faster and rose out of sight.

Sources:

- Martin S. Kottmeyer, "Missing Linke", *Promises and Disappointments* #3/4, circa October 1996, pp. 17-20.
- *MAGONIA* Catalogue # 93 (wrong date).
- Giuseppe Stilo, *Scrutate i cieli!* (2000), pp. 312-316.

### • 10 October 1954 – Rinckerode (RFA)

#### HOAX?

Evening. Willi Hoge, a projectionist, saw four occupants of an object that had come to ground level 70 m from the road. He was returning home when he observed a blue light and thought an aeroplane had made an emergency landing. The object was cigar-shaped, and four men wearing rubber coveralls were working under it. They were about 1.2m tall and had very large chests and oversized heads; their legs were short and thin.

According to Jacques Brucker & Gérard Barthel (sceptics) it was a hoax.

Sources:

- Illobrand von Ludwiger, "Abduction Cases in Germany" in *Interdisciplinary UFO Research (MUFON- CES Report # 11)*(1993), p. 95.
- *MAGONIA* Catalogue # 217.
- *INFORESpace* #3 hors serie, p. 42.

## Denmark

### • 19 June 1951 – Sonderborg

#### BACKDATED from 1959

12:00. Joseph Matiszewski, a mechanic, heard a whistling sound and saw an object land in a meadow. Approaching

within 50 m, he found himself paralysed and observed that birds had stopped singing and cows seemed to be similarly unable to move. From the object emerged four handsome men who had brown skin and wore black shiny suits and translucent helmets. The witness received a pair of telepathic messages. Eight objects also emerged from the craft and hovered above it. Other men inside the craft and on its deck appeared to be making repairs, and then the objects flew to about 100 m altitude and climbed rapidly out of sight. Only then did the paralysis subside. He allegedly met them again on May 18th 1954 and they explained that came from a planet named Zutorn.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 82→ UFO Nachrichten, #33 (May 1959), p. 3.
- Willy Wegner, UFOer over Danmark, bind 1, 1946 – 1964, Sphinx 1989.

### • 12 September 1953 – Brovst HOAX?

Brovst was the scene of an attempted abduction of a girl by two humanoids emitting a golden light. Their hands were rugged and cold like a fish. According to Jean-Luc Rivera, Vallée himself wrote a letter in FSR 10:3 (p. 22) titled “The ‘entities’: the facts and the legend” and pointing that it should be considered a hoax.

Sources:

- Jean-Luc Rivera, personal communication, Project 1954 17/03/03.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 118.

## Norge

### • 20 August 1954 – Øysdalen/Mosjøen HOAX?

Afternoon. Two sisters met a “spaceman” while picking blueberries in a valley. This friendly “spaceman”, addressed the women in an unknown language, drew some pictures of circles that suggested stars or planets and led them to a clearing where he climbed in his flying saucer and took off.

At the time, somebody suggested they had seen an U.S. Army helicopters pilot on NATO manoeuvres, but this explanation was discarded. On the other hand, just before the encounter the witnesses had discussed with an uncle George Adamski’s book, just published in Norwegian. But, even in 1994 they still stuck to their original story.

Sources:

- Ted Bloecher, “Operation Blueberry: The Oeydalen Encounter”, MUFON UFO Journal #161.
- NVIFO (Norge) personal communication 12/11/1984.
- Ole Jonny Brønne, Re: [1954] Oeysdalen 1954 case, Project 1954, 10/02/03.

### • 23 November 1954 – Torpo

The witnesses were three little girls, Anne and Tora Storedal and Tora Moy Haugo, of Torpo, in the Hallingdal district; Anne was ten years old, the other two were nine, and

all were frightened out of their wits. As they were coming home from school near some woods, a black object descended rapidly from the sky, knocked snow from the tree tops, and stopped only a few feet above the girls’ heads. They gave the following weird description of it: “It looked like a stone...like a ball...about ten feet across; the lower part was black, but trimmed with yellow spots which could have been made of glass, and there were also a number of small, red jags.” The upper-part was transparent--the trees could be seen through it--and a human or at any rate semi-human pilot was visible inside, operating controls of some sort. Dressed in black, this man or entity had “big eyes, covered by a pair of immense, red glasses”, with which he looked straight at the girls. The craft then rose again with a droning sound, brushing a high-tension line and striking a shower of sparks from it; an odour compared by Tora Moy to “fried sausages” (ozone?) filled the air; and the little girls ran for their lives.

Questioned in 2003, one of the witnesses insisted it really happened.

Sources:

- CSI Newsletter 5/1/57 & SIR magazine. March 1957 (Investigator: Oddvar Larsen.).
- Ole Jonny Brønne, personal communication 18/02/2003 “Project 1954”.

## Sweden

### • 20 December 1958 – Hoganas HOAX

02:55. Near Domsten, Hans Gustavsson, 35, and Stig Rydberg, 30, saw something in the woods and stopped their car to observe it. They found a disk about 5 m wide set on a tripod. All of a sudden they were attacked by four gray-colored creatures described as “fluid, “ but one witness reached the car and blew the horn for help. The beings fled and the craft took off, emitting “paralysing vibrations. “ The witnesses were interrogated under hypnosis on January 11th 1959. Clas Svahn proved it was a hoax based on a SF comic, Brick Bradford

Sources:

- Anders Liljegren & Clas Svahn, “Swedish Apro Case Never Occurred”, AFU Newsletter #33 (1989), pp. 16-20.
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 477.

### • October 1959 – Mariannelund HOAX

18:55. The electrical power in the three witnesses’ houses failed; when they ran outside they saw a blinding white light, it stopped and hovered. The object started to move, slowly descended and turned to the right, hitting and smashing a portion of a maple tree (top section), it then descended towards the ground. The witness was 3 m from it. Through a large window he could see two occupants, with

large eyes; the heads were high-crowned. The occupants were small in size. The object was oval, about 4 m long and 2,5 m high. It was found that a gray-white substance covered power lines. The witness was Gideon Johansson, his wife and his son.

Sources:

- Anders Liljegren, "Mariannelund UFO and occupants", FSR 16:6 + "The Gideon Saucer - A Psychological Case" <http://www.temporaldoorway.com/ufo/Catalogue/hoaxanderror/gideon.htm>

## Finland

### • 7 January 1970 – Imjärvi, Mikkeli

Aarno Heinonen and Esko Viljo were skiing when they saw, approaching from the north, a very strong light surrounded by a luminous mist. As it drew closer they could see a saucer-shaped object about 2 m wide. From the base of the object a tube of light descended to the ground, and the witnesses saw an entity standing in the light holding a black box in its hands. The entity was thin and pale with a

hook nose, small ears and pointed head. It was wearing a light green coverall and dark green boots. The visitation lasted only a few seconds before the beam and the entity were taken back into the craft which disappeared. Both witnesses suffered symptoms and later Aarno became a "contactee".

Sources:

- Sven-Olof Fredrickson, "A Humanoid Was Seen at Imjärvi", FSR 16:5 (September-October 1970), pp. 14-18
- Anders Liljegren, "The Continuing Story of the Imjärvi Skiers" (parts 1 & 2), FSR 26:3 (September 1980), pp. 15-17 & FSR 26:5 (January 1981), pp. 18-20.

### • 5 February 1971 – Kinnula

#### HOAX

Two lumbermen encountered a ufo and a humanoid. Another man tried to catch the humanoid and burned his hand when he touched the humanoids boot. In the 1990's the ufologists were told that it was a hoax designed by a local radio reporter.

Sources:

- Tapani Kuningas, "The Humanoid at Kinnula", FSR 17:5
- Marko Repo, personal communication 2003.

## Australia & Oceania

### Australia

#### • 1948 – Berriedale, Tasmania

##### BACKDATED from 1976

Mrs Duffy (88) told how in 1948 she and her sister were putting out the dog when they became aware of a very bright light. As it moved away they could see "little green men" sitting on a ledge on the side. The men were singing in what appeared to be unintelligible words to the tune of "Three blind mice." The disc shaped object was visible for a few moments, then moved off to the west.

Sources:

- Keith Basterfield, An Indepth Review of Australasian UFO Related Entity Reports, ACUFOS (June 1980)case #10→ TUFOIC (1976).

#### • February 1951 - Central Australia.

##### BACKDATED from 1966

Members of the Unmatjera tribe of Aborigines reported seeing two shiny circular objects on the ground, some nine to fifteen metres across. A very small man-like creature wearing a shiny suit with bulbous head is said to have transferred from one object to the other. Both objects then took off making a buzzing sound.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 83 (wrong date)→ F. Edwards, Flying Saucers Serious Business (1966), p. 169 (no source).

#### • circa 1954 – Bankstown, NSW

##### MERE SHADOWS - BACKDATED?

Two people were working late at Banstown airport, just after dark, when they observed what appeared to be a "flying saucer" hovering over the observation tower. They looked at it for a few seconds. There were "portholes" around it and shapes inside that seemed to be moving about. The object was noiseless, except for humming sounds. It appeared to change colours then shot up into the air at a great speed.

Sources:

- Keith Basterfield, An Indepth Review of Australasian UFO Related Entity Reports, ACUFOS (June 1980)case #12→ Mark Moravec (4° hand account).

#### • 30 May 1954 - East Malvern, Victoria

##### MERE SHADOWS – PROBABLY METEOR

00:24hrs. A group of five men and a woman were on the doorstep of a house in Melbourne saying goodbye to their hosts, when an oval shaped object appeared in the sky at what seemed to be close range. It travelled in a downward curve initially, then pulled out of the curve going upwards. Finally it disappeared like a light being switched off. A cloud of yellow smoke was noted from its rear. Five of the people said they thought they had seen shadows inside the object, through "portholes."

Sources:

- Keith Basterfield, An Indepth Review of Australasian UFO Related Entity Reports, ACUFOS (June 1980), case #13→ Melbourne Argus May 31 1954 & Melbourne Sun May 31 1954.

## • October 1954 ¿? – North Queensland HOAX?

A Mr. Hall was inspecting sheep when he heard a whirring noise. He then saw six tiny white dots in the sky which landed. Close up they were ten meter tall cylinders with a rim or ramp around their bottom. About a dozen “men” got out and formed a group. They then re-entered the objects and took off. Mr. Hall reportedly blacked out and had a vision of his property as a “fertile paradise.” He says within two months this had occurred.

Sources:

- Keith Basterfield, An Indepth Review of Australasian UFO Related Entity Reports, ACUFOS (June 1980), case #14→ Sir magazine (23 January 1955).

## • 9 February 1955 – Adelaide, SA FIRST PSYCHIC ABDUCTION

A ten-year-old girl, Janet X, was being treated for a slight nervous disorder. While under hypnosis she spontaneously recounted a story of her interaction with aliens and a flying saucer. Whilst in trance she spoke of being in a saucer with three “men”, and of visiting a planet with an advanced society.

Sources:

- Harold Chibett, “UFOs and parapsychology”, FSR Special Issue #3 (September 1969).
- Hilary Evans, Visions, Apparitions, Alien Visitors (1984), pp. 184-5.
- Jenny Randles, The Complete Book of Aliens and Abductions (2000), pp. 64-65.

## • 1955 - Near Eucla, WA/SA border PHOTO

Three young men returned to Melbourne with what they said was the picture of an entity. Max Clow (23), Alex Rose (29) and Peter Johnson (25). Johnson noted a shiny object falling to the ground about 5 km away. After searching for an hour they found jagged pieces of shining metal and saw a moving figure fifty metres away. They went closer and watched the figure for about 25 minutes.

Clow said: “It was like a frog from the back and semi-human from the front. It had a green cloak hanging to just below the knees. The two curved horns on each side of its head gave it a devilish appearance. Its feet and hands were armour plated and to make it worse, it was wriggling and swaying like a fish out of water”.

Rose moved near and took photos. All of a sudden the thing began to disintegrate before their eyes.

The photo reproduced in the newspaper gives what appears to be an out of focus image of something vaguely “humanoid” in shape. Only the back ground (trees?) is in focus. The foreground and figure (?) are not. In fact one is given the impression of some sort of doll, perhaps on a dashboard, photographed with the camera focused on the background. The photo is far from impressive and certainly does not add to the credibility of a fantastic story. Depending on your objectivity, beliefs and gullibility it is possible to

interpret the photo and story in numerous ways.

Some ufologists have linked this case with an alleged UFO “cover up”.

Sources:

- Keith Basterfield, An Indepth Review of Australasian UFO Related Entity Reports, ACUFOS (June 1980), case #15→ Daily Telegraph 2 August 1955
- Bill Chalker, “UFOs sub rosa Down Under: The Australian Military & Government Role in the UFO Controversy” <http://www.project1947.com/forum/bcoz2.htm>

## | New Zealand

### • 13 July 1959 -- Blenheim

05:30. Mrs. Moreland saw a disk-shaped object as she was milking cows. It was about 10 m diameter, had two intense, green lights and two rows of jets around the rim, emitting orange flames. Inside a glass dome on top were two men dressed in aluminium-like suits. The craft did not land, but took off at great speed with a high-pitched sound. Heat sensation.

Sources:

- Keith Basterfield, An Indepth Review of Australasian UFO Related Entity Reports, ACUFOS (June 1980), case #19→ Nelson Evening Mail (22 July 1959).
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 491.
- J. Vallee, Fenómenos insólitos del espacio (1966), pp. 69-72.

## | Papua – New Guinea

### • 26 & 27 June 1959 -- Boianai (New Guinea)

18:45. Many witnesses, among them Fr. W. B. Gill, head of a local mission, saw an orange object that hovered in mid-air. Four figures were visible on its “deck” and a beam of blue light was emitted upward from it. The object did not come to ground level, but its position above the ocean was almost on a level with the observers standing on the hill.

Sources:

- Keith Basterfield, An Indepth Review of Australasian UFO Related Entity Reports, ACUFOS (June 1980), cases 17 & 18→ Rev. N. Crutwell, “Flying saucers over Papua”, FSR Special Issue #4 (August 1971).
- MAGONIA Catalogue # 490.
- Martin S. Kottmeyer, “Gill Again”, Magonia #54 November 1995 pp. 11-14; + “Ship Ahoy! Gill...Yet Again”, Magonia #57 September 1996 pp. 8-9.

## | Fidji

### • October 1957 – near Nawaca island

15:00. Four Fijians reported having seen an object come down near this island, SouthWest of Vanua Levu. According to a report by the secretary of the Buanhas province, the reporters were two middle-aged couples travelling in a punt with an outboard motor. When they saw the object, they first thought it was an aircraft in trouble and decided to

approach. As they went closer they found it hovering about 6 m above the sea. It seemed to be revolving and they said they picked out what looked to be the figure of a man standing on the outside of the object. This figure shone a very bright light on their boat. This was so powerful that they were dazzled and felt weak. When the boat was about 110 m from the object the figure disappeared and the object then rose vertically at a rapid speed and was soon

out of sight. The report emphasises that the reporters live in an isolated area, without access to comic books or other literature on the subject.

Sources:

- Keith Basterfield, An Indepth Review of Australasian UFO Related Entity Reports, ACUFOS (June 1980), case #16→ New Zealand Herald (21 October 1957)
- J. Vallee, Fenómenos insólitos del espacio (1966), pp. 61-2.

## Africa

### Morocco

#### • 12 October 1954 – Mamora Forest

Afternoon. A French engineer driving to Port Lyautey saw a dwarf about 1.2 m in height enter an object which soon took off. The little man was wearing silver coveralls.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 241→ La Croix 16 October 1954.

### Mozambique

#### • 5 April 1960 - Beira

An orange disk landed with a hissing sound, then exploded, while four dwarfish figures ran away into the brush.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 502→ FSR (Sept-Oct 1960)→ Dauphiné Libéré, 9 May 1960.

### Algeria

#### • 24 October 1954 - Ainel Turck . NO UFO

A small man with strange glowing eyes was seen on the Mediterranean shore.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 304→ Guy Quincy, 'Liste des lieux d'atterrissages d'E.S.P.I. et des témoins de ces atterrissages au Xxe siècle' (with an appendix for 1960 sightings), privately published in Constantine (Algeria) in 1961.

### South Africa

#### • 27 December 1954 - the Drakensberg BACKDATED from 1966?

"Contactee" Elizabeth Klarer first encounter with Akon, a scientist from planet Mekon (in Alfa Centauri). She saw him inside his flying saucer, behind one of the portholes. Later, on 7th April 1956, she met him face to face, and so began their relationship. Allegedly she had been "chosen as one of their breeding experiments", because Akron's race need new blood. As the result of their liaison, she became pregnant and spent the last four months before the birth of her son on Meton. The child (Ayling) was left with his father.

Sources:

- Cynthia Hind, UFOs: African Encounters (1982), Introduction & chapters 3-4.
- Hilary Evans, From Other Worlds (1998) p. 109.

### Libya

#### • 23 October 1954 - Tripoli

3:00. A farmer saw a flying craft descend to ground level about 50 m away, with a sound like that of a compressor. It was an egg-shaped machine with six wheels and complex machinery. The top half was transparent, flooded with bright white light. Aboard were six men in yellowish coveralls, having human faces and masks. When he touched part of the craft, the witness felt a strong electric shock. One of the occupants motioned for him to stay away. For the next 20 min, the witness was able to observe the six men, apparently busy with instruments. Reliable investigations were made.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 303 & Jacques Vallée, Passport to Magonia p. 176 → Personal

# Asia

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## Israel

### • 25 December 1949 - Tel Aviv.

#### BACKDATED from December 1971

Under hypnosis, Uri Geller remembered how as a young boy he saw a "bright shining figure" in front of him in the garden of his house.

Sources:

- Hans Holzer, *The ufonauts* (1976), pp. 181-209.

## Iran

### • 8 October 1954 - Teheran

2:30. Ghaseme Fili, of Amireah Street, was on the second floor of his house when he saw a luminous, white flying object stop in mid-air 20 m away. lights were shining from the rear and the sides of the craft, inside which could be seen a small man dressed in black, wearing a mask with a trunk like an elephant. "I was standing with both hands on the bar of my balcony, looking with astonishment at this strange object, when I suddenly felt as though I were being drawn up toward the object by a magnet. " Mr. Fili cried out in terror and woke up his neighbours. The object shot straight up, emitting sparks, and it was lost to sight almost immediately.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 211→ Ettela'at 15 October 1954 & L'Aurore 13 October 1954.

## Malaysia

### • 2 July 1969 – Johore Baru, Johore

10:25. A UFO was reported to have landed at a corner of the Temenggong Abdul Rahman Primary School. Several school children who saw it reported that five tiny entities about 18 cm tall and wearing red suits alighted from the object. The children rushed to capture the entities but they immediately entered a hole in the ground. The object then vanished. The UFO was described about the size of a large vessel cover and silver in colour. The object was seen flying and hovering over the area before it landed (newspaper account).

There are a couple of UFO occupant cases before, but they are almost rumours not dated. In 1970 there was a wave of similar cases around schools.

Sources:

- Ahmad Jamaludin, *A Summary of UFOs and Related Events in Malaysia (1950-1980)*, December 1981, case #35.

## Japan

### • 26 January 1958 - Shimada City

16:00. A very bright object landed before numerous chemical workers; they reported beings falling from the sky without parachutes. They wore strange suits and spoke an unknown language.

Sources:

- MAGONIA Catalogue # 458→ FSR 58, 3.