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REF AUTOSEVOCOM CONVERSATION OF YESTERDAY THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR REQUEST OF DR LEVERTON CONCERNING THE DETAILS OF THE RECOVERY INCIDENT IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

QUOTE. DURING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 16-19 I WAS VISITING THE BRITISH MINISTRY OF DEFENSE AND BRITISH CONTRACTORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE AEROSPACE CORPORATION'S ROLE IN THE SKYNET II COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE PROGRAM. I HAVE TWO MTS PERMANENTLY STATIONED IN LONDON TO WORK WITH THE BRITISH ON THAT

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PROGRAM. ONE OF THEM, IRVING RZEPNICK, TOLD ME IN CONFIDENCE THAT HE HAD BEEN SHOWN SOME MATERIAL WHICH THE BRITISH HAD FOUND IN EASTERN ENGLAND EARLIER THIS YEAR (RZEPNICK FORMERLY WAS ASSIGNED TO THE HEXAGON PROGRAM OFFICE AT AEROSPACE). RZEPNICK ASKED ME IF I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE MATERIAL AND I STATED THAT I WOULD. AN RAF OFFICER ARRANGED FOR US TO VISIT THE ROYAL AIRCRAFT ESTABLISHMENT (RAE) AT FARNBOROUGH. RZEPNICK AND I WERE SHOWN THE MATERIALS WHICH WERE QUITE OPENLY DISPLAYED IN TWO OF THE LABORATORIES THERE. THE RECOVERED MATERIALS CONSIST OF THREE ITEMS: (1) A SPHERICAL TITANIUM PRESSURE VESSEL APPROXIMATELY 12.3 INCHES IN DIAMETER AND A WALL THICKNESS APPROXIMATELY 0.2 INCHES. THIS SPHERICAL CONTAINER WAS IN QUITE GOOD CONDITION EXCEPT FOR ONE HOLE APPROXIMATELY FIVE INCHES IN DIAMETER. THE SPHERE WEIGHED APPROXIMATELY 15 POUNDS. (2) A QUANTITY OF GLASS IN VARIOUS SIZE PIECES RANGING FROM FIST TO THUMB SIZE. THESE PIECES READILY

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 FITTED TOGETHER TO MAKE A PIE SHAPED SECTION FROM A CIRCULAR PLATE. APPROXIMATELY 10 INCHES OF THE PERIPHERY OF THE CIRCLE WAS REPRESENTED. THEY HAD ESTABLISHED THAT THE COMPLETE CIRCLE HAD BEEN APPROXIMATELY 38 INCHES IN DIAMETER. THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE OF MELTING OR EROSION OF THE GLASS. THE FIRST 1-1/2 INCHES INWARD FROM THE CIRCUMFERENCE WAS APPROXIMATELY ONE INCH THICK. FROM THAT POINT TOWARD THE CENTER OF THE PLATE THE THICKNESS STEPPED UP TO 1.8 INCHES, AND THERE WAS CLEAR EVIDENCE OF AN EGG CRATE WEBB STRUCTURE ON THE QUOTE BACK SIDE UNQUOTE. THE PITCH OF THE WEBBS WAS 2-1/2 INCHES AND THE THICKNESS OF THE WEBBED MATERIAL APPROXIMATELY 3 SLANT 16 INCHES (THEY GAVE ME TWO SMALL SAMPLES OF THE GLASS WHICH I HAVE IN SAFEKEEPING). (2) A BADLY BURNED ASSEMBLAGE OF WHAT APPEARED TO BE CIRCUIT BOARDS WITH A NUMBER OF DISCRETE COMPONENTS ATTACHED. AT LEAST ONE OF THESE WAS A RELAY IN A TRANSISTOR CAN. THEY HAD OPENED ANOTHER TRANSISTOR CAN AND FOUND IT TO CONTAIN AN INTEGRATED CIRCUIT ON A SILICON CHIP.

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 THOSE COMPONENTS WHICH HAD LEGIBLE MARKINGS WERE OF U.S. MANUFACTURE, AND THERE WERE SOME CONNECTIONS MADE BY THE WIRE WRAP TECHNIQUE. THESE MATERIALS HAD BEEN FOUND IN EASTERN ENGLAND APPROXIMATELY 75 MILES NORTH OF LONDON AT ABOUT 52.8 DEGREES N LATITUDE AND 0 DEGREES LONGITUDE. THE FIRST ITEM DISCOVERED WAS THE TITANIUM SPHERE. IT WAS FOUND BY A FARM WORKER TILLING THE FIELD. HE NOTIFIED THE AUTHORITIES. THE FARM WORKER WAS ABLE TO ESTABLISH THE TIME OF THE SPHERE'S APPEARANCE WITHIN APPROXIMATELY A TEN DAY PERIOD IN THE LATTER HALF OF MAY 1972, SINCE IT APPEARED SUBSEQUENT TO THE PREVIOUS TILLING OF THE SAME FIELD. SUBSEQUENT SEARCH AND INTERVIEW UNCOVERED THE GLASS MATERIAL APPROXIMATELY ONE MILE SOUTH AND EAST FROM THE LOCATION OF THE SPHERE. THE ELECTRONICS MATERIAL WAS LOCATED 8 TO 10 MILES SOUTH AND EAST FROM THE SPHERE ( I HAVE A MAP SHOWING THE LOCATION OF THESE FINDS). ONE

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 OF THE INDIVIDUALS INTERVIEWED HAD BEEN OFFICIATING AT A FOOTBALL GAME ON MAY 20 AND HEARD A WHISTLING

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SOUND AND SAW SOME OBJECT APPEAR TO LAND IN AN ADJACENT GARDEN AND HAD GONE OVER TO LOOK FOR THE OBJECT AND FOUND NOTHING. IT TURNED OUT THAT THE TITANIUM SPHERE WAS FOUND IN A FIELD ADJACENT TO THE GARDEN. IT SEEMS REASONABLE TO ASSUME THAT THE SPHERE INDEED IMPACTED ON MAY 20. AS YOU KNOW THAT COINCIDES WITH THE LAUNCH OF GAMBIT NO. 35 IN WHICH THE AGENA ATTITUDE SYSTEM FAILED. THE MOST PROBABLE IMPACT POINT FOR VEHICLE NO. 35 HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BY THE CONTRACTOR TO BE IN THE SOUTHERN PORTION OF AFRICA. A PROJECTION OF ITS FLIGHT PATH WOULD HAVE TAKEN IT OVER THE APPROXIMATE AREA WHERE THESE MATERIALS WERE RECOVERED.

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IT SEEMS QUITE CLEAR THAT THE TITANIUM SPHERE AND THE GLASS MATERIAL ARE PORTIONS OF VEHICLE NO. 35. IT IS ALSO HIGHLY PROBABLE THAT THE ELECTRONICS MATERIAL IS OF THE SAME ORIGIN. SIGNED W.F. LEVERTON, OCT 24, 1972, UNQUOTE.

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IT IS DR LEVERTON'S THOUGH THAT THIS INCIDENT HAS NOT BEEN PASSED THROUGH PROPER CHANNELS IN GREAT BRITAIN. HE EXPRESSED FEAR CONCERNING GETTING OTHERWISE COOPERATIVE PEOPLE INTO TROUBLE CONCERNING THIS INCIDENT; HOWEVER, THE DIPLOMACY OF THIS MATTER CERTAINLY MUST BE LEFT TO HIGHER AUTHORITY.

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