

# AN INVITATION TO JOIN THE

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and learn the  
**FACTS**

The following are the 15 most frequently asked questions about UFOs and the answers.

**Q: What is a UFO (unidentified flying object)?**

**A:** A UFO is any airborne object which cannot be identified by the witness.

**Q: Are many UFOs eventually explained?**

**A:** Yes. Various researchers present varying percentages of explained sightings. APRO has no firm figures on this because identified objects are weeded out at member or Field Investigator level and thus are not forwarded to Headquarters.

**Q: What objects are most often reported as UFOs but are later identified?**

**A:** The most frequently reported are:

1. Bright planets or stars which are unfamiliar to the witness or are seen under unusual conditions.
2. Weather balloons.
3. Unusual cloud formations.
4. Ordinary aircraft seen under unusual conditions.
5. Kites.
6. Hoaxes — these are frequently pranks involving home-made balloons illuminated with candles and released into the atmosphere.

**Q: Who sees UFOs?**

**A:** UFOs have been seen by men and women, adults and children, and people of all colors and creeds and in every walk of life.



*The Gill Report—Boinai, New Guinea. Thirty-eight witnesses, including the Reverend William B. Gill, an Anglican priest, watched a hovering UFO with four "occupants" standing on the top on June 27, 1959. Gill and his companions, thirty-seven native New Guineans, waved to the figures, who waved back. Duration of the sighting: from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. By Staff Artist Norman Duke.*

**Q: Is it true that no astronomer has ever seen a UFO?**

**A:** Absolutely not. One of the better known cases is that of Dr. Clyde Tombaugh, the discoverer of the planet Pluto who, with his wife, saw a UFO in 1948 over Las Cruces, New Mexico. It is generally assumed that astronomers should be the people most likely to see UFOs — however, if they are using a telescope, their

field of view of the sky is extremely limited. Also, many astronomers are mainly theorists and seldom spend any time actually viewing celestial objects or using a telescope.

**Q: Where are UFOs seen?**

**A:** They have been seen in almost every [and possibly every] country in the world. There are some countries such as China, North Korea and



newly emerging African countries which have not reported UFOs.

UFOs have been reported over large cities, small towns and rural areas.

**Q: What time of the day are UFOs most frequently reported?**

**A:** Most UFO reports are generated between dusk and dawn and daylight sightings are comparatively small in number compared with the number of reports generated during the night and early morning hours.

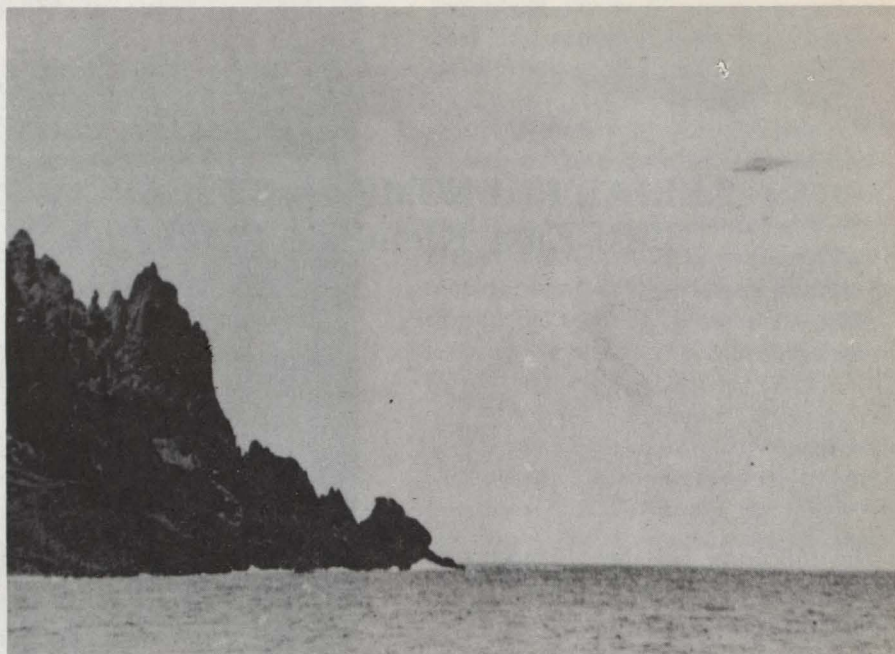


**Q: What do UFOs look like?**

**A:** The most frequently reported objects fall into four categories:

1. Disc-shaped
2. Egg-shaped
3. Cigar-shaped
4. Spheres

However, triangular-shaped objects, Saturn-shapes as well as rectangles, cones, football-shapes and square shapes have been reported. The drawing of the Freeport, Long Island object on Page 4 of this brochure illustrates the football-shaped UFO.



*The famous Trindade Island, Brazil, photographs were taken by Almiro Barauna, aboard the Brazilian Navy Ship "Almirante Saldanha" at noon on January 16, 1958. These three photos are three of five taken and there were two hundred other witnesses to the object's flight over the island.*

**Q: How do UFO night reports differ from those seen during the daytime hours?**

**A:** Objects seen at night either have steady or blinking lights or glow all over. The Strauch photo seen on Page 4 of this brochure is an excellent example of a disc-shaped UFO photographed at dusk. The Paul Carter case, illustrated on Page 3 is a good example of a UFO exhibiting steady lights.

**Q: Have UFOs been photographed?**

**A:** There are allegedly many photos of UFOs in existence, but unfortunately most cannot be authenticated. One of the few sets of sequential photos which is well documented and authenticated is the Trindade Island set, shown above.

Another example of a set of sequential photos of the classic disc taken in the daytime is the Yungay





*The above are two of a set of four color photos of a disc taken near Yungay, Peru in March, 1967. This is the only set of sequential photos of two UFOs in existence.*

*set which are the only photos taken of a pair of discs. See this page.*

**Q: Have UFOs landed and have they been photographed on the ground?**

*A: Yes, there have been hundreds of reports of UFOs on the ground. They sometimes leave burned areas and/or depressions in the earth. However, there are no authenticated photos of a landed UFO.*

**Q: Have there been any reports of occupants?**

*A: Yes. We have on file over a thousand reported cases involving occupants.*

**Q: What do the occupants look like?**

*A: They appear to be humanoid in shape but in most cases are much smaller than humans - between 3 and 5 feet in height. An artist's rendering of the famous Gill occupant case can be seen on the front page.*

**Q: Do they appear adaptable to earth conditions - can they breathe our air?**

*A: In some occupant reports they are wearing what appears to be the equivalent of a space suit but there are hundreds of cases where they do not appear to be utilizing any breathing equipment.*

**Q: Have there ever been any incidents involving "hardware" - i.e. material evidence remaining after a landing?**

*A: Yes, they are few in number but they do indicate that UFOs are material objects.*



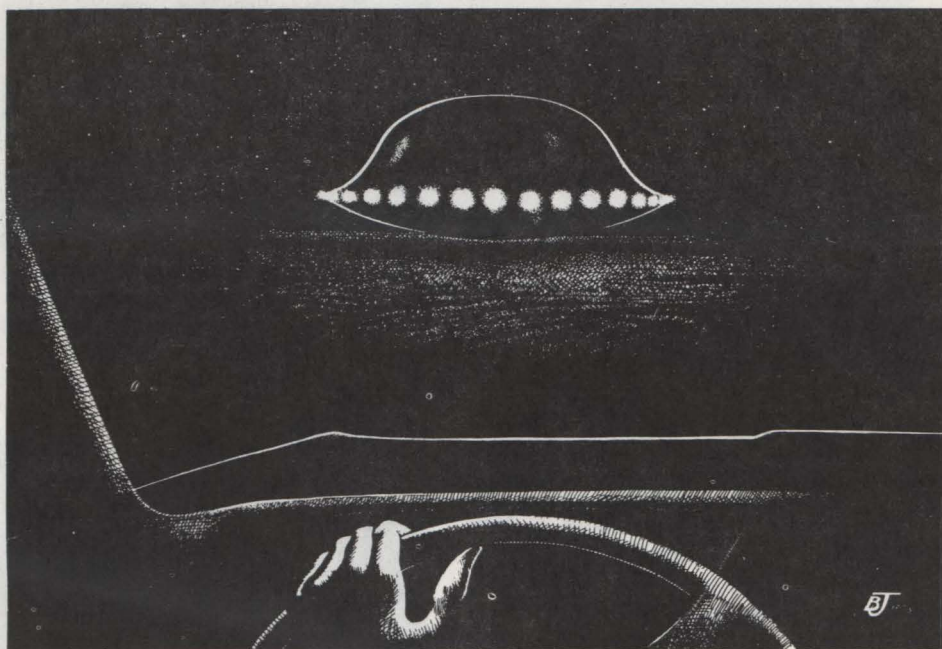
## All About APRO

Now that the reader has the answers to the questions most asked about UFOs he or she may be asking: Why APRO?

The answer is quite simple: The UFO problem has not been solved and APRO, being the oldest, largest and most experienced UFO. Research Organization in the world, is most likely to find the solutions to many pressing questions.

Founded in 1952, APRO was 22 years old in January, 1974, and is now in its 23rd year of existence. During those years, APRO published in the *A.P.R.O. Bulletin*, every 2 months, the results of its research, the latest reports from around the world, book reviews and pertinent scientific comments.

In 1957 APRO began building its International Staff as well as its Scientific Consulting Staff. At present, APRO has 41 scientists on its Consulting Panels, including Biological Sciences, Medical Science, Physical Sciences and Social Sciences, and Representatives in 47 countries around the world.



*After a chase involving several miles, Officer Paul Carter of Colby, Kansas, viewed the object depicted above as it hovered over a terraced field in the early morning hours of August 19, 1972. Brian James, APRO Staff Artist.*





*Sheriff's Deputy Arthur Strauch of Sibley County, took the above photograph of a glowing disc at 6:10 p.m. on October 21, 1965 at a point two miles northwest of St. George, Minnesota. The photo is in color and Strauch was accompanied by his wife, his son and another adult couple, all of whom viewed the object.*

The accompanying letter explains the function of APRO's Field Investigator Network and how the general membership, the Field Investigators, the Scientific Consulting Staff and the Foreign Representatives interact and cooperate in the effort to solve the mystery of the UFOs.

APRO was originally founded because the U.S. Air Force was not doing anything concrete about the UFO problem. Now that the U.S. government has officially bowed out of the effort, APRO is needed more than ever. The first to interest the scientific community in the UFO problem, APRO remains the only UFO research organization conducting serious, scientific research into the UFO problem.

APRO is a non-profit, scientific educational organization and is tax-exempt. Nonetheless, the burgeoning cost of paper, printing and other expenses demands that we keep expanding our membership in order to accomodate these costs. The Consulting Panels, the Administrative Staff, Foreign Representatives and the Field Investigators give their time and

effort without remuneration. Your membership will help!

If you want to contribute to this interesting and exciting field of endeavor as a subscriber to our monthly

periodical, please fill out the enclosed card and return it with your remittance.

However, if you'd like to participate as a member, fill out and return both the card and the application form and return with the proper remittance. As a member, you may forward any pertinent information in the form of clippings or other leads to be referred to our investigators.

If you are seriously interested in UFO research and the answers to the questions: (1) What are the UFOs? (2) Where do they come from? and (3) Why are they here? - APRO needs you!

If you want to keep up to date on the latest UFO reports and scientific findings - you need APRO!

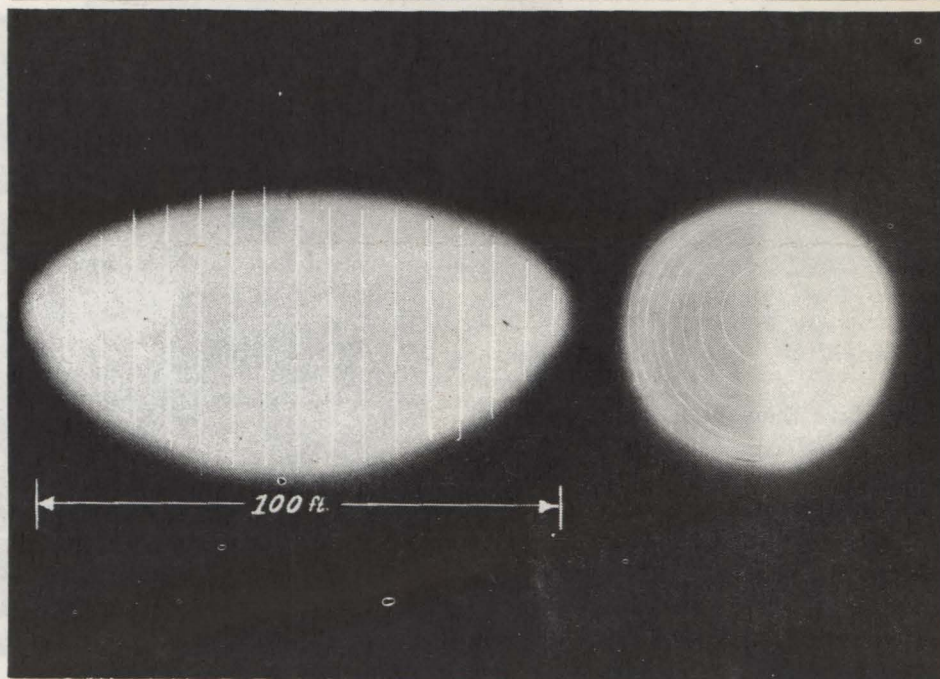
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*Shown above is an illustration of a UFO sighted over Freeport, Long Island, New York by Patrolmen Gary Steinberg and Thomas Brown, at 9 p.m. on November 6, 1973. At left is the object as seen from the side, at right as observed head-on. Artist: Field Investigator Dick Ruhl.*