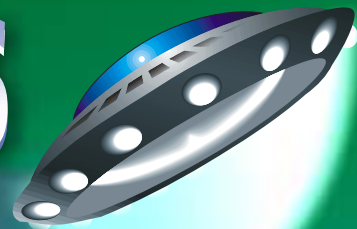


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*This is for Márcia, my wife, who made it all possible.*

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# WELCOME TO THE FIRST ISSUE OF CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE BRAZILIAN KIND (CE-BK)!

## NOW FOR A LITTLE HISTORY.

The phrase "Close Encounters" was coined, in 1972, by the astronomer Dr. J. Allen Hynek in his now classic book, **The UFO Experience: A Scientific Study**, and refer to categories of UFO encounters. The original categories\* included:

### Close Encounters of the First Kind (CE-1) - Sightings

A sighting by a witness/witnesses of a UFO at any distance.

### Close Encounters of the Second Kind (CE-2) - Evidence

Any evidence that is believed to have been left behind by a UFO or its occupants..

### Close Encounters of the Third Kind (CE-3) - Contact

A human-extraterrestrial interaction.

## IN LATER YEARS, TWO NEW CATEGORIES\* WERE ADDED.

### Close Encounters of the Fourth Kind (CE-4) - Abduction

Any encounter wherein extra-terrestrials forcibly take witnesses against their will.

### Close Encounters of the Fifth Kind (CE-5) - Summoning

A contact characterized by mutual, bilateral communication rather than unilateral contact.

Now . . . . The title of this magazine, **Close Encounters of the Brazilian Kind (CE-BK)**, refers to all of the above categories, and stories of these types of encounters will definitely be found on the pages of this magazine, but it is in no way limited to them. For example, close encounters with ghosts, unusual animals (cryptozoology), and so forth may also be found between the covers of CE-BK. (This issue contains a hair-raising tale about a football player's encounter with a "werewolf".)

With all that said and done, there's only one thing left to say.  
I hope you enjoy **CE-BK**.

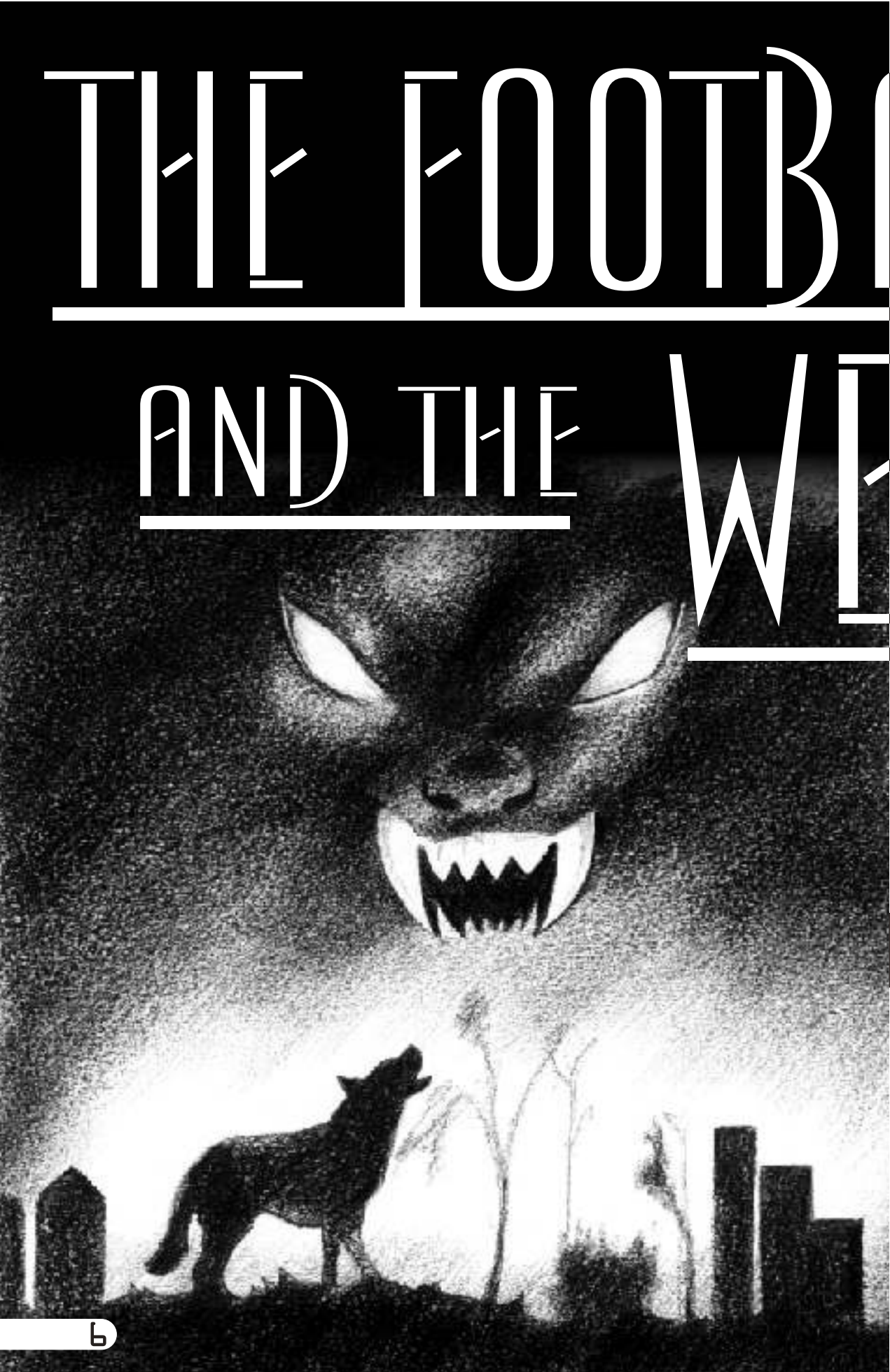
*Michael Wysmierski*  
Author of **CE-BK**

\* The above definitions of "Close Encounters" are rather simple and readers may want to refer to other sources for more complete definitions of these categories.

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# THE FOOTBALL PLAYER AND THE WEREWOLF?



**Imagine that you are dreaming about a creature, half man, half wolf, with razor sharp claws and teeth, thirsty for blood. Now imagine that the creature begins chasing you down a deserted street late one night, anxious to sink its claws and teeth into you, ready to rip you apart and devour you. A horrible nightmare, to say the least.**

**Some of us may have had just such a nightmare as described above. But, how many of us have actually experienced such a situation in real life and lived to tell the tale? Well . . . as far as I know, one man has for sure: Wilson Dourado de Paula.**

**F**ootball is a national passion in Brazil. The people love the game. When the Brazilian National team is competing in the World Cup the majority of companies must close their doors to let their employees go home to watch the game. The streets of the cities are empty and everyone is glued to their television set. It's a surreal scene to walk down the streets of S o Paulo a city of over 17 million people and not see a single soul outside while all you can hear are television sets tuned to the football game echoing throughout the city as the Brazilian National team faces its opponent.

The players that make up the Brazilian National team are the best football players

that Brazil has to offer. For the young boys on the streets of Brazil they are the gods of the country the players that they dream about becoming one day representing Brazil in all of its glory at the finals of a World Cup match scoring the winning goal. Of course very few of those young boys will ever reach that level but some like Wilson Dourado de Paula will make it to the professional football ranks closer to fulfilling the dream of playing in a World Cupfinalsmatch.

As a professional football player Wilson Dourado de Paula is usually chased by players from opposing teams when he is attacking their goal with a football. But on one Friday night in 1995 (during Lent) in

his hometown of Tres Lagoas he was chased by something he will never forget a werewolf.

Werewolves according to the carpet salesman Dirceu Arruda 56 years old a resident of the municipality of Castilho who has been accused of being a werewolf are men of various ages that were not baptized in the Catholic church when they were children. As a punishment they temporarily turn into werewolves during Lent.

"Some it is said lock themselves in a room and only come out in public after this period of mutation has passed" proclaims Dirceu.

Mr. Arruda denies the accusation that he is a werewolf but says that he does believe in the existence of the creatures. And Wilson Dourado de Paula too believes in their existence as a matter of fact he knows they exist.

At the time of his encounter with a werewolf Wilson who is 1.74 meters tall was 23 years old in excellent condition and a very good physical fighter of Capoeira an Afro Brazilian form of self defense. Nevertheless he didn't have the strength to throw a rock at the monstrous creature that pursued him for more than 200 meters.

On that particular Friday night when he encountered the werewolf Wilson was returning home from a dance in the center of Tres Lagoas. The neighborhood where his house is located is at the west end of the city and at the time of this incident there were very few houses in the area so there was plenty of unoccupied land.

When the athlete was three blocks from his house he noticed a group of dogs down the street barking with their attention focused on a small jungle area.

"I thought it was some couples who were surprised by the dogs but instead I encountered a thing half human half animal that burst out upon me running with great speed" said Wilson recounting the terrible ordeal.

In those few moments before the horrendous looking creature began to

chase Wilson he was able to observe some details of the werewolf's appearance through the light of the moon such as large red eyes and a spine curved towards its front. He also heard it give off the frightening cries of a wolf which seemed to shatter his whole being.

Wilson took off running like a mad man as the werewolf burst out upon him his heart beating and pounding with fear. In the distance he could see his house protected by walls and a gate two meters high which to Wilson looked like it was a million miles away.

As the athlete approached the gate of his house he could hear the creature running behind him. He felt that if he stopped to open the gate something terrible might happen to him that the werewolf would rip him apart. In a split second he made the decision to jump over the two meter high gate hoping with all his heart he would be able to do it that he wouldn't fall. He knew he would get only one chance. He knew his life was at stake if he didn't make it. He began his jump. The next thing he remembered was landing on the other side of the gate and running towards the door of his house almost breaking it down before his sister Maria could open it.

Upon opening the door Maria looked at Wilson and could see fear and panic written all over his face as he flew passed her to get inside the huse. He was screaming like a person who was going insane. He was totally terrified. By what she did not know. But she would spend the next two and a half hours listening to his story over and over trying to calm him down as her husband Anibal Jos Pedro 34 searched the area around the house looking for footprints from the werewolf which he did not find.

Wilson Dourado de Paula's werewolf story appeared in newspapers throughout Brazil where he was quoted as saying "You may not believe what I'm saying but it's the truth. I wouldn't wish this to happen to anyone and now during Lent I'm not leaving home at night."



## AUTHOR'S NOTE:

On the day I was working on this story, a tax collector for the state of Mato Grosso do Sul called me at home and asked me if I could help him to translate a book he had in English. I agreed to help and told him to come on over to my house, which he did. A few hours later, the translation was finished and we ust started talking. He saw one of the newspaper stories about the werewolf from Tres Lagoas near my computer and by the look on his face I could see he was interested in it, so I started to talk to him about it. He told me that he was familiar with the story from television reports. He then told me that in 1976, he and three friends encountered a werewolf type of creature in Mato Grosso do Sul, similar to the one that Wilson Dourado de Paula encountered . They were on their

way home from a trip and stopped off at a roadside restaurant to have something to eat and drink. They sat outside at a table and after having something to drink and eat one of them got his guitar out of the car and they started to sing some songs. After some minutes they heard some noise coming from the bushy forest area near the restaurant, about ten meters away. Suddenly, one of the bushes parted and a "werewolf" type creature appeared, stared at them, came out of the bushes momentarily and then quickly went back into the bushy area. All of this taking place in about 15 to 20 seconds. As soon as the creature entered the bushes they all took off running back to the car, got in and hightailed it out of there.



# CLOSE ENCOUNTERS IN VARGINHA

Varginha ("Var ZJEEN uh") is an active city with a population of about 120 000 people in the south of the state of Minas Gerais. It has a quite a few industries but it is noted for being one of Brazil's leading coffee exporting centers and has given itself the title of Coffee Capital of Brazil.

Today Varginha is still noted for its coffee exportation but now as of January 20 1996 it has also become home to one of the most incredible incidents to ever happen in the history of mankind THE CAPTURE OF

"ETs".

The following story Close Encounters in Varginha written and illustrated by Elvis Vinicius Monteiro covers the beginning of the incredible events that took place in Varginha on the above mentioned date.

For further information on the capture of ETs in Varginha please read CE BKs interview with Vit rio Pacaccini in this issue. Also look for a soon to be released book in English by Vit rio Pacaccini about the Varginha Incident.

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On a farm 10 kilometers from of city...



Oralina and Eurico Rodrigues are awakened by the stirring of the cattle.

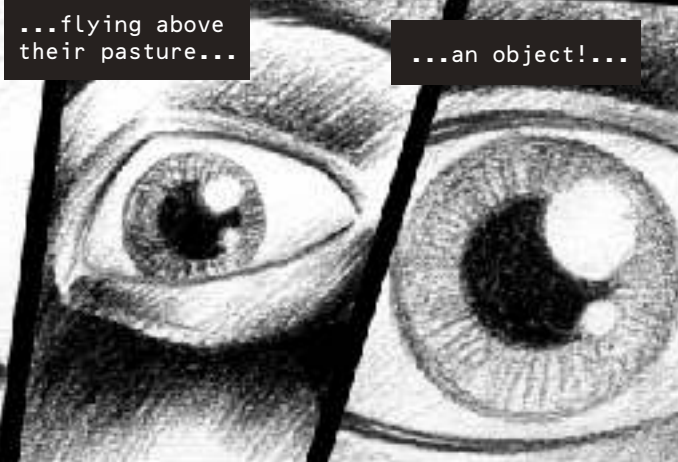


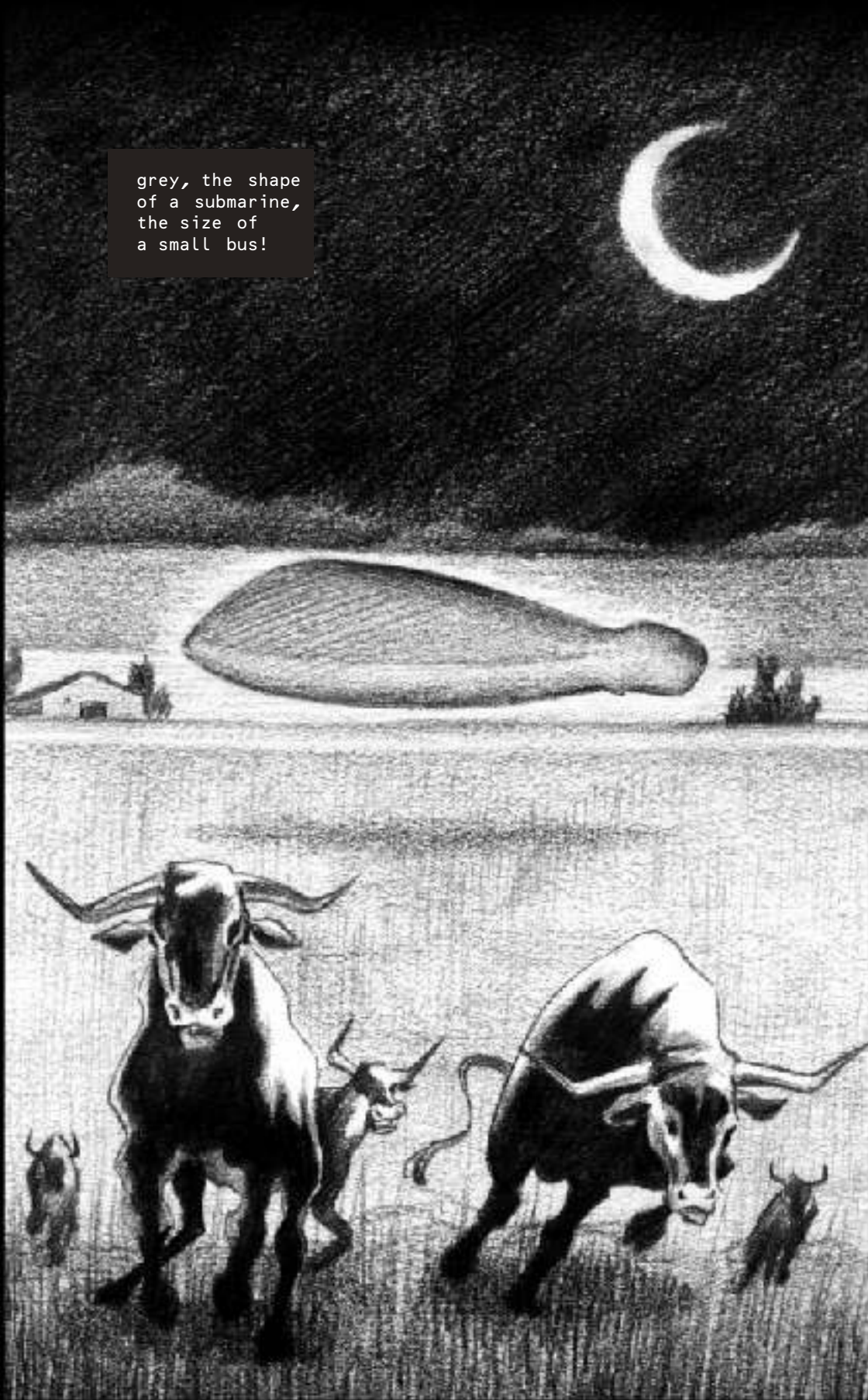
They see...



...flying above their pasture...

...an object!...





grey, the shape of a submarine, the size of a small bus!

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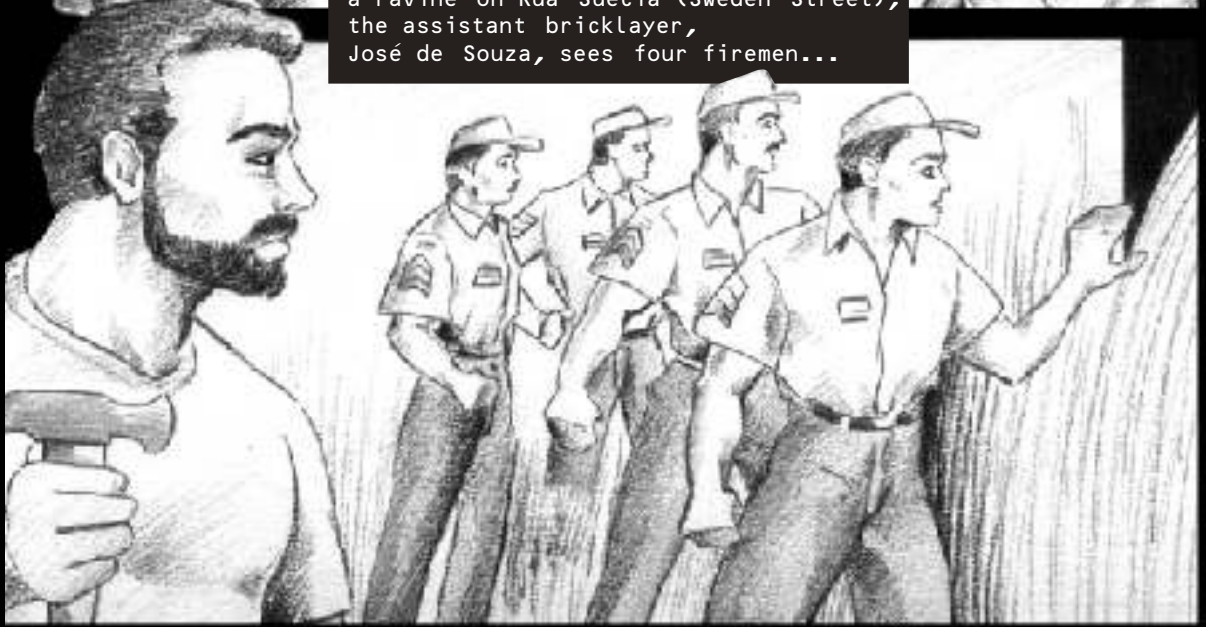
The fire department goes into action...



At the location, some people witness a "search and capture" operation initiated by firemen.

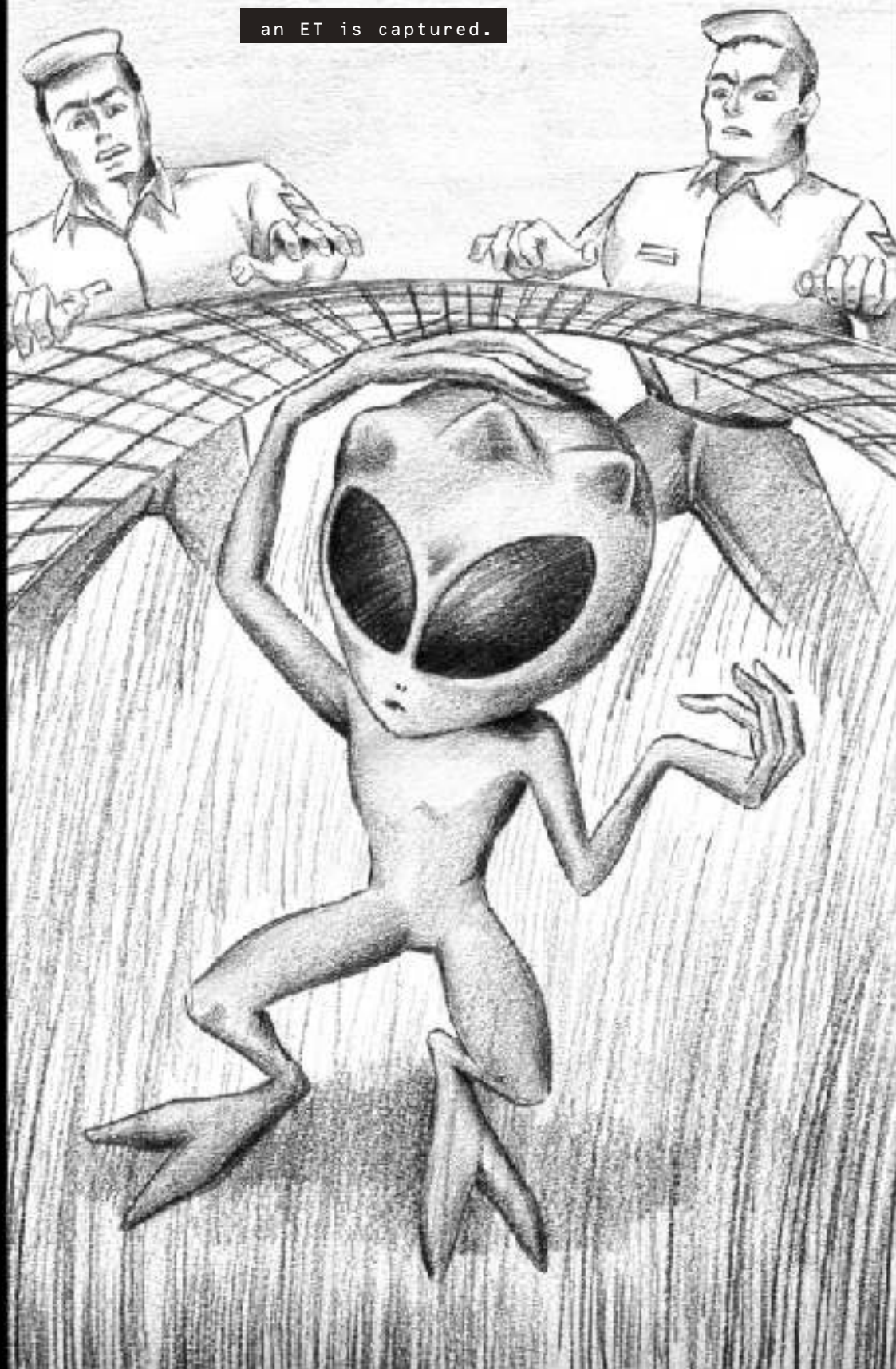


Next to the place, in a ravine on Rua Suécia (Sweden Street), the assistant bricklayer, José de Souza, sees four firemen...



20/01/96 - Between 10:30h and 11:00h >>>

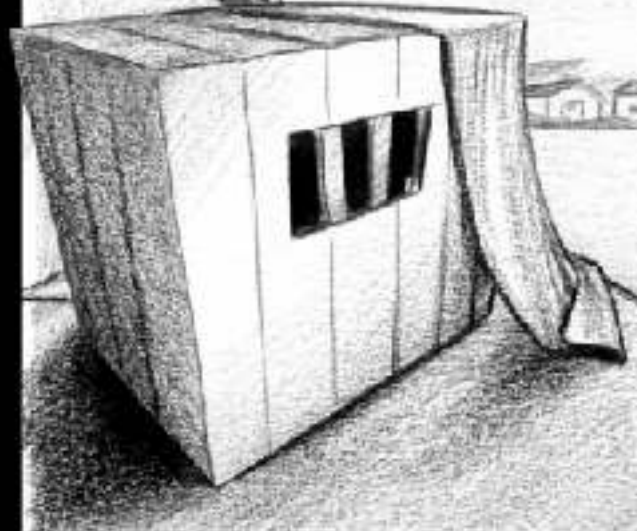
an ET is captured.



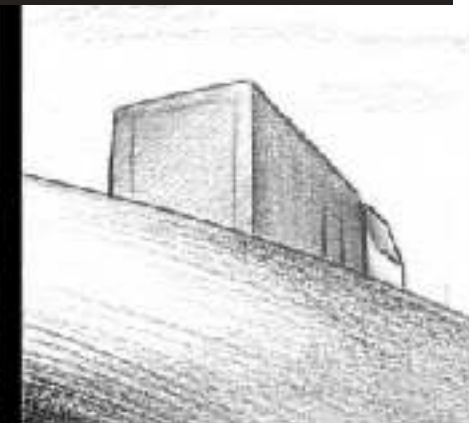
Firemen ascend the ravine with an "ET" in a net...



They place "it" inside a box and cover it with a canvas.



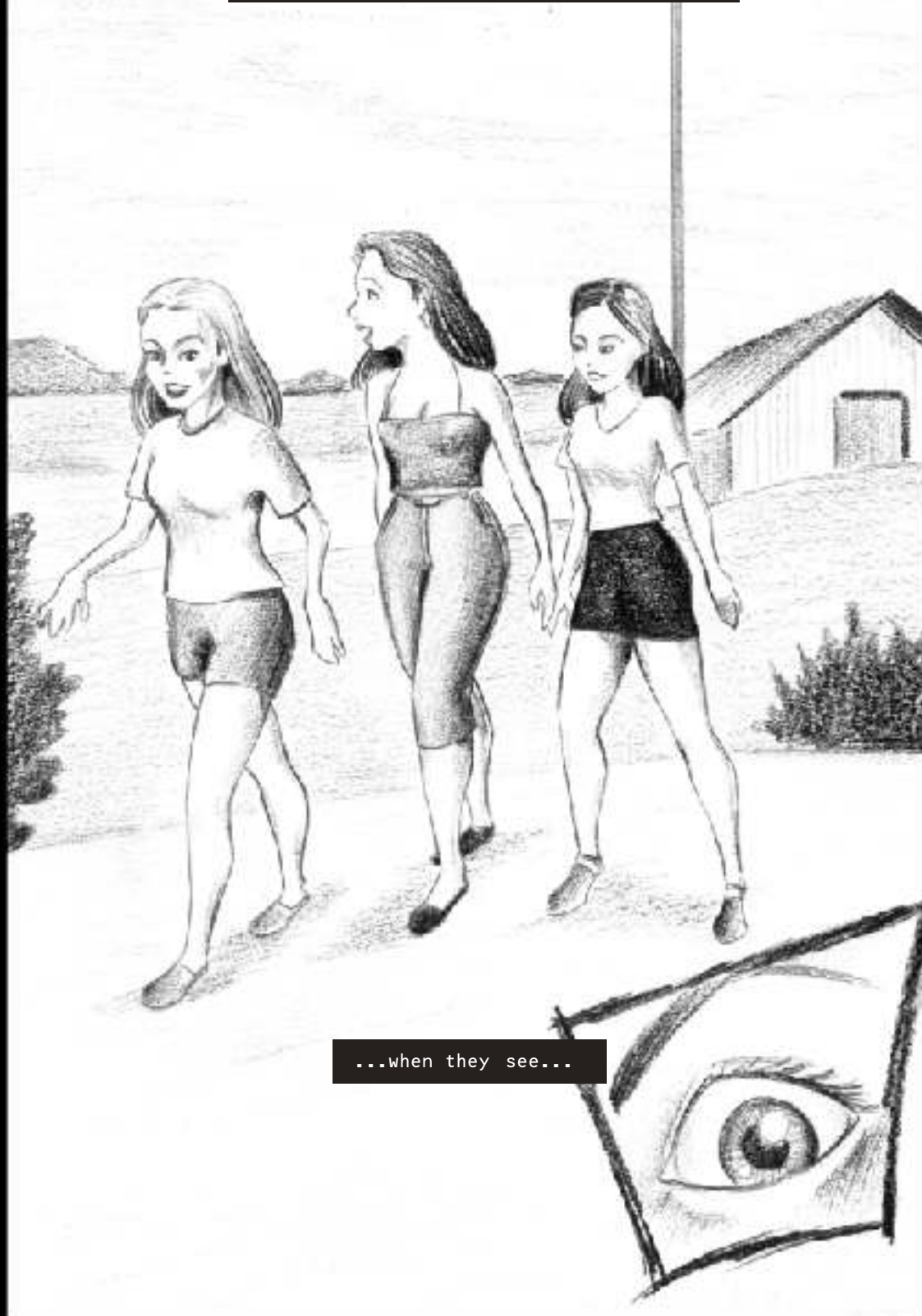
An Army truck arrives at the location and takes the box to the ESA (Escola de Sargentos das Armas/ the Sergeants School of Arms) in Três Corações, Minas Gerais.





20/01/96 - 15:30h >>>

Valquíria (14 years old), Liliane (16) and Kátia (22) are returning home through a vacant lot...



...when they see...

...a strange being!!!



The young girls flee from the lot, thinking they have seen some type of demon. They are in a state of shock when they arrive home and are helped by Valquíria's and Liliane's mother, Luiza, and neighbors.



20/01/96 - 16:10h >>>

Luiza returns to the lot and finds two footprints, besides a strong odor in the air.



20/01/96 - 18:00h >>>



Hail falls.



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HAVE A DRINK!

# A CLOSE ENCOUNTER

## Interview

The following exclusive interview for Close Encounters of the Brazilian Kind (CEBK) was conducted by Michael Wysmierski author of CEBK during the month of December 1999.

Michael Wysmierski: Since the Varginha incident have you been able to investigate other UFO cases or has your investigations into the Varginha case consumed all of your investigative time?

Vitório Pacaccini: Although the Varginha research has taken most of my investigative time during these almost four years I have also been involved with other investigations inside the state of Minas Gerais especially going into deep caves where very strange "ant-like" creatures were sighted

by several witnesses. Besides this I also had the opportunity to collect some very interesting data about other UFO sightings near Serra do Cip which is located about 120 kms. from Belo Horizonte heading north.

MW: How much time and effort have you put into the Varginha case?

VP: I have been putting as much energy and time as possible into this research in the south of Minas Gerais State the Varginha region. In the first year I spent 9 straight months in the south of Minas I had to stop my professional activities and had heavy financial losses; but no problem I'd do it all over again if it was necessary. From the second year on I have been in the south of Minas and "other places" at least twice a month to spend as much

*Vitório Pacaccini, a Brazilian ufologist from Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais, has been involved with investigations into the Varginha case from its beginning. He is the author of the book Incidente em Varginha (Criaturas do Espaço no Sul de Minas) Incident in Varginha (Space Creatures in the South of Minas).*

*Mr Pacaccini, or "Pacman" as his friends call him, has been involved in ufology for more than 20 years and has conducted over 1000 field expeditions inside the state of Minas Gerais. He joined CICOANI (Brazil's oldest UFO research organization - almost 50 years of activities) in 1980.*

*Besides his work in ufology, he is the owner of his own consultancy company where he has been working as an international business consultant for the last 9 years. He also manages his family's coffee farms in the South of Minas Gerais.*

*Vitório Pacaccini was born on May 2, 1965. He has a degree in Administration and a masters degree in International Business.*

*On January 20, 1996, two sisters and a friend - Katia, Liliane and Valeria - observed, at close range, a strange looking humanoid creature in the small Brazilian city of Varginha, located in the state of Minas Gerais. Soon after, rumors began flying around Varginha that Brazilian authorities had captured the humanoid creature the girls had encountered, plus two others. From that moment on, the VARGINHA INCIDENT was born and has since become the most important UFO case in the history of Brazilian ufology, and certainly one of the most important ufology cases in the world. And Vitório Pacaccini has been involved with the Varginha case from its beginning.*

## WITH VITÓRIO PACACCINI

time as it takes sometimes I stay for a weekend sometimes for a whole week it depends on what I have to do and let me tell you I have had a lot of things to do out there.

*MW: With all the time and effort you have put into investigating the Varginha case, what has frustrated you the most about the your investigations into it?*

VP The "unexplainable/out of control fear" and selfishness of some military and civilian witnesses who just don't have the courage to come in front of the cameras to say or show what they know or have not allowing me to do it. I still have hopes. The complete disclosure of the Varginha Incident depends on certain people if it was up to me I'd have dropped the bomb into the press already no doubt about it. I have pointed my finger to most of the responsible military personnel involved; I have been threatened; my phones have been tapped; I have published a book about my research on Varginha. I have done what is possible in favor of this research so far but what I cannot do is to put other people's lives in danger. Therefore I need "third parties" to come up from their shelters willingly to say what they already know. I personally think this will happen sooner or later I just can't be precise when.

*MW: So far, what has been your greatest reward or given you the most satisfaction in your investigations into the Varginha case?*

VP The tranquility of knowing that what has happened in Varginha in the south of Minas Gerais Brazil can easily change people's minds all over the world. The final evidence of extraterrestrial life visiting us will probably change the way we understand the universe and ourselves forever.

*MW: How has the Varginha case*

*affected you emotionally? Has your personal and business life suffered in any way because of your investigations into the Varginha case? Have you ever been threatened to stop your investigations into the case?*

VP The Varginha Incident's research has affected my day to day activities intensively. Emotionally I should say firmly that I'm standing tall since the very beginning of everything. I think I'm mature enough to deal with this situation plus I was able to acquire some very good experience in those countless expeditions with my UFO research group CICOANI more than 18 years of it. I already have received 14 death threats by phone this had never happened before in my life. In terms of "financial losses" I had some severe ones because I have been dedicating lots of time on investigations which means traveling all the time and being absent from my regular place of work. But anyways I can handle it.

*MW: Last year, during Festa Junina\* (June Party), I spoke with a Brazilian military officer about the Varginha incident and from the information that he had, he confirmed that the capture of ETs took place in Varginha. He also told me that the Brazilian people are not prepared for the information that the Brazilian government has about ETs. Do you believe the Brazilian government will ever publicly admit to the capture of ETs in Varginha? Do you think Brazilians are prepared to face the reality of ETs living among them?*

VP This military man that you have talked to was not lying when he said that the Brazilian people [the largest catholic country on this planet] is not prepared to deal with the idea that we are not alone in the cosmos and that extra terrestrials are indeed living among us plus our government knows and manipulates a lot of information concerning extrater

restrial life. I don't think that the Brazilian government will ever admit what they already know about the Varginha Incident and UFO phenomenon itself taking isolated action towards it. Probably it'll have to be a consensus among governments. The Brazilian government is not willing to be responsible for the dramatic changes that the disclosure of UFO secrets will bring to the whole human race.

*MW: There is a humorous side to the Varginha case. For example, the Brazilian version of MAD magazine poked fun of the ET of Varginha and GUG (Grupo Ufologica de Guaruj ) released, I believe, a Christmas card where they encountered the ET of Varginha hitchhiking. Do you have any humorous stories involving your investigations into the case? How about jokes? What's the best ET of Varginha joke you have heard?*

VP Unfortunately I don't remember any specific joke right now but there is one scene that I liked very much; it was presented on that TV comedy program "Casseta & Planeta" when the Varginha ET was trying to get away from the press and on its way into a forest it finds a bicycle and when the people get closer to it it takes off flying away just like what happened in that Steven Spielberg movie ET. It was very funny.

*MW: Has the city of Varginha been able to capitalize on the Varginha incident?*

VP No it has not. Basically what you can find in Varginha related to the Varginha Incident are some small souvenirs like key rings bumper sticks and T shirts. But you won't find it on every corner it's not big business.

*MW: Concerning the Varginha case, do you work alone or are there others who are helping you investigate the case?*

VP Normally I work alone but when it is necessary I ask for a little help from some close friends of mine who live in my hometown which is Tr s Cora es where the Sergeant School of Arms is located.

*MW: Besides the Varginha case, what other Brazilian UFO case(s) have impressed you the most?*

VP No doubt about it "The Herme lindo Case[MG]" and "The Sagrada Familia Case[MG]" both investigated by CICOANI - Centro de Investiga o Civil de Objetos A reos N o Identificados Civilian Investigation Center of Unidentified Aerial Objects.

*MW: Have any of the big Hollywood studios shown interest in putting the Varginha incident on the silver screen? If the Varginha incident is ever made into a big Hollywood movie, who would you like to see play the role of Vit rio Pacaccini?*

VP No none of the big Hollywood studios have shown a particular interest to make a movie on Varginha [I'm waiting..] probably because they don't even know what the Varginha Incident is all about despite all my efforts. I have hopes that a movie on Varginha will be produced by Hollywood in the near future. If I could choose I'd like to see Harrison Ford playing me even though he is much older than me [I was born in 1965].

*\* Festa Junina is a rustic midwinter festival celebrating the feasts of St. John, St. Anthony and St. Peter in Brazil. Traditional foods, drinks, games and dances (square dancing) can be found at these parties.*



# PLÍNIO BRAGATTO'S

## UNEXPECTED TRIP



**In the summer of 1996, Plínio Bragatto, 74 years old, a cabinetmaker by trade, received an early Christmas present. He traveled to Mars courtesy of some "Martians."**

**O**n Monday December 9 1996 about 6 30 PM Plínio Bragatto had just left the bar owned by Carlos Andrade where he had bought four cans of beer. He was heading back to Pico do Ibituruna the farm he was the caretaker of located in Governador Valadares Minas Gerais.

As Plínio was going up the road to the farm he decided to stop and drink one of the beers he had just bought. He saw a large rock on the side of the road and made a seat out of it. He sat there drinking a can of beer and after he finished it he began to drink a second. As

he did so he noticed a strange looking oval object in the sky which by this time was now dark.

The object began to descend. It was some type of spaceship.

Plínio calmly watched the ship land near him and noticed that it had several landing pads on it. A door on the craft opened and a ladder with a handrail appeared. A being about two meters in height came out of the ship waved to the caretaker and invited him to visit the interior of the craft.

He accepted the invitation and entered the spaceship. Plínio in



interviews with newspaper reporters and UFO researchers described the interior as comfortable and said everything was velvet and had a blueish tone to it. After he got to know the interior of the ship the beings invited him to visit the planet they were from which he readily accepted without any worries because as he later stated in an interview "I saw that they were good people."

The spaceship took off for Mars about 7 30 PM and the trip did not last for more than an hour according to Plinio.

During the journey to Mars Plinio was given a medical examination in which he wore a type of vest that was fitted with rubbers points all over the stomach region.

In order for Plinio to feel comfortable without his clothes for the exam one of the three beings in the room also took off his clothes. When the being did so Plinio was able to see that the beings body was very similar to ours even the sexual

organs. Plinio also described the beings as each having an enormous mouth ears and nose and hair that began growing from the middle of the head. In his conception they were ugly.

As Plinio was a guest on the ETs ship he was given some fruit to eat by the name of "pico" which he said was similar to papaya something similar to a patty shell and a drink similar to Campari.

Since the ETs were so courteous Plinio not to be unkind offered them a can of beer which the beings drank and liked very much.

It was now time for the spaceship to land on Mars which it did landing at the planet's capital Martiolo. Once there an

enormous crowd of Martians were there to greet the visitor Mr. Plinio Bragatto from the planet Earth which in the Martian's language is known as "Bracha".

"There were more people there waiting for me than when the Pope came to Brazil" recalled Plinio.

Among the sites Plinio saw were a large river with thousands of buildings bridges made of rubber which one of the beings told him could be constructed in a matter of days and a sky full of spaceships.

Besides seeing some of the sites on Mars Plinio picked up a rock from the ground and hid it on himself hoping the "Martians" wouldn't discover he had

taken it so he could bring it back to Earth.

According to Plinio one of the beings asked him if he was homesick for Earth because he had spent more than eight hours on Mars. He told the being he was enjoying his stay there but that he wanted to return to his planet. So the Martians decided to take him home.

On the journey back to Earth Plinio said he watched a strange television whose images were floating in the air. On the TV were animals similar to dinosaurs and other things which he did not go into detail about.

Plinio also discussed the beings return to Earth and one of the beings told him in a language similar to Spanish that they would return in May 1997 or when the storms were less intense because five of their ships had already suffered accidents due to lightning.

The ship landed on Earth around 4 30 AM and the "Martians" left Plinio in a farm pasture. "I thought they had

abandoned me on another planet " said PI nio in an interview. But PI nio's fear that he might have been abandoned on another planet were soon relieved as he saw a truck from the Brazilian food company Sadia driving along a road. He waited there until the sky started to get lighter and then walked to the road to try and hitch a ride back to town.

As PI nio stood on the side of the road a truck driver stopped to give him a ride. Once inside the truck PI nio for some reason told the truck driver that his car had broken down and he needed a mechanic to fix it. The truck driver told him that there were plenty of auto mechanics in Montes Claro which totally surprised PI nio because Montes Claro was 800 kilometers from Governador Valadares the place he had

left from with the ETs.

When PI nio arrived in Montes Claro the businesses were not yet open so he waited around until they did open and then had some coffee and went to the police station.

At the police station PI nio was well attended and the sheriff looked for details to help clear up the mystery of how the caretaker wound up in Montes Claro. He called Governador Valadares and spoke with detective Andr Luiz who after hearing the story went to Pico do Ibituruna the location from which PI nio's journey with the "Martians" began and discovered what apparently were circular landing marks on the dirt road with a diameter of 3 meters.

When PI nio returned to Governador Valadares the rock that PI nio brought

back with him from Mars was locked up in the safe of the television station TV Rio Doce. Interestingly when UFO researcher Paulo Werner was in Governador Valadares to research PI nio's case he discovered that PI nio was employed by one of the owners of TV Rio Doce. When Paulo visited the television station he asked the manager of the station to see the rock and the manager vehemently denied access him to it. And according to Paulo no one has been able to conduct any research on the rock as far as he knows.

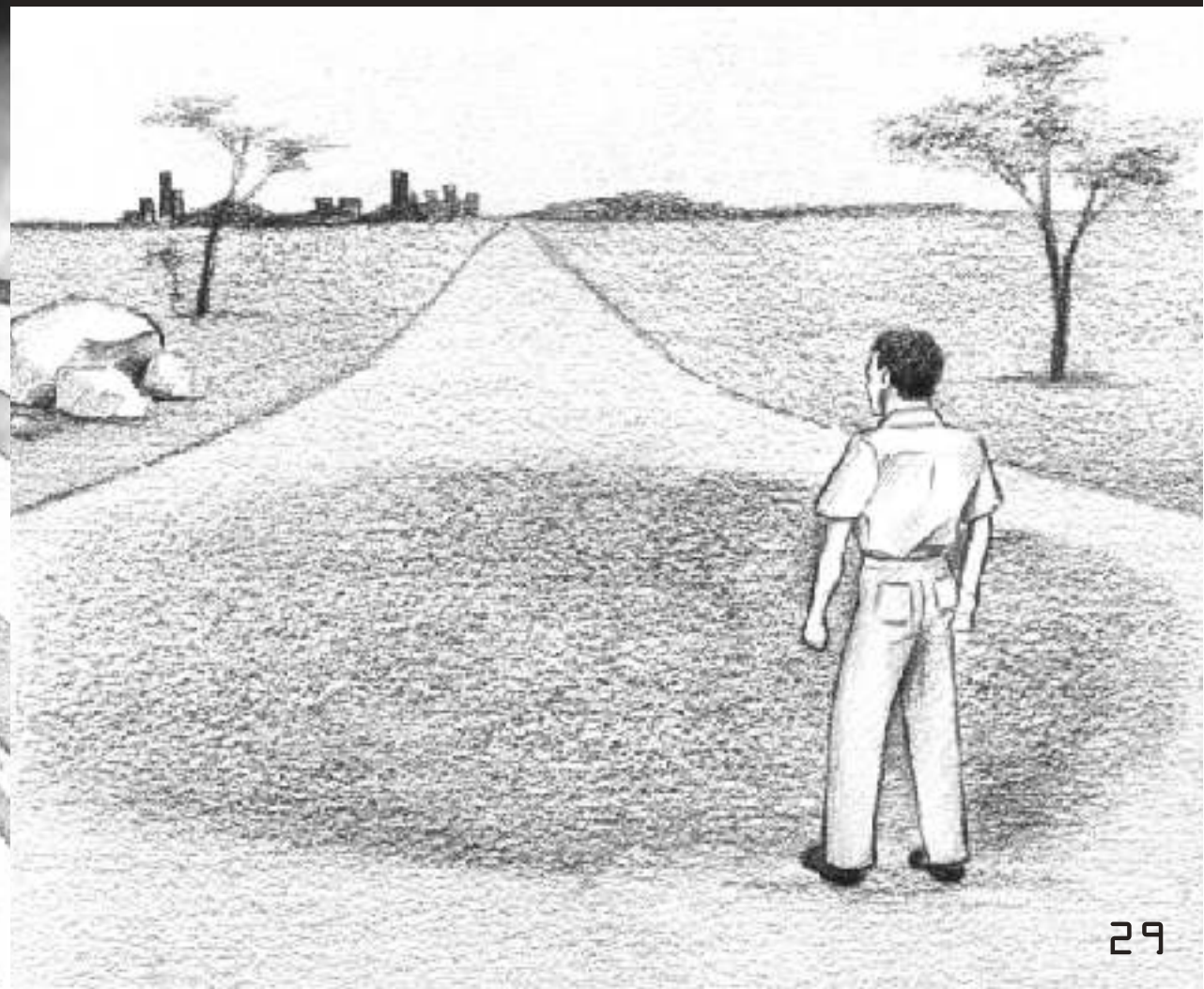
People of TV Rio Doce tried to stop Paulo from getting a personal interview with Mr. Bragatto but the UFO researcher was able to get the caretaker alone inside TV Rio Doce for a long interview which Paulo recorded and

filmed.

Paulo Werner described PI nio as being a simple person who was semiliterate sympathetic and charismatic and a very active person for his age.

During the interview with PI nio it was apparent to Paulo Werner that the elderly man really did believe what he was telling him. There were no contradictions in the caretaker's story.

Paulo Werner also interviewed friends neighbors some local personalities of the city and cousins of Mr. Bragatto and everyone had only good things to say about him. One of PI nio's cousins said emphatically "He could be everything but not a liar."



# THE EDSON ROBERTO MARCELO

## CASE

**Santa Barbara D'Oeste is a small city located in the state of São Paulo, about 160 km from the capital city of São Paulo. The city is recognized for its sugar, alcohol, machinery and textile industries. But from July to September in 1995 it was recognized for its close encounters with UFOs, about 30 of them, that took place in and around its area.**

**T**he most famous and incredible UFO encounter during that period of time was that of the 29 year old businessman Edson Roberto Marcelo.

At about 1 00 AM on September 24 1995 Edson was traveling down highway SP 306 which connects the cities of Santa Barbara D'Oeste and Capivari. It was a routine drive he was returning from some business in Capivari to his home in Santa Barbara

D'Oeste something which he had done many many times. But on this occasion he saw something of unusual brilliance approaching him from the right side of the road and this was anything but routine.

As the businessman watched the approach of the light get closer the interior of his car a blue Chevy Caravan lit up as if it was daylight inside of it. Suddenly Edson felt





intense heat surrounding him inside his vehicle. His mind raced to find an explanation as to what was happening to him but before it could he blacked out and his car continued down SP 306 heading towards a terrible disaster as Edson sat unconscious inside it. When Edson Roberto Marcelo regained consciousness from his encounter with the brightly lit hot light he saw a truck speeding towards him and his car its headlights furiously blinking for him to get out of its way which he was able to do but just barely. Then as soon as that was over he encountered some new problems he was not in the same location where he had passed out he was eight kilometers from it forty minutes had

gone by and he had no memory as to how he got there.

The \$1 000 000 question is How did the car of Edson Roberto Marcelo travel eight kilometers while he was unconscious? The road he was on was a narrow two lane highway filled with curves and it would be impossible for an unconscious person to drive down it for a short distance let alone eight kilometers without damaging or wrecking the car or seriously injuring or possibly killing oneself. And besides that distance was normally accomplished by Edson in five minutes not forty.

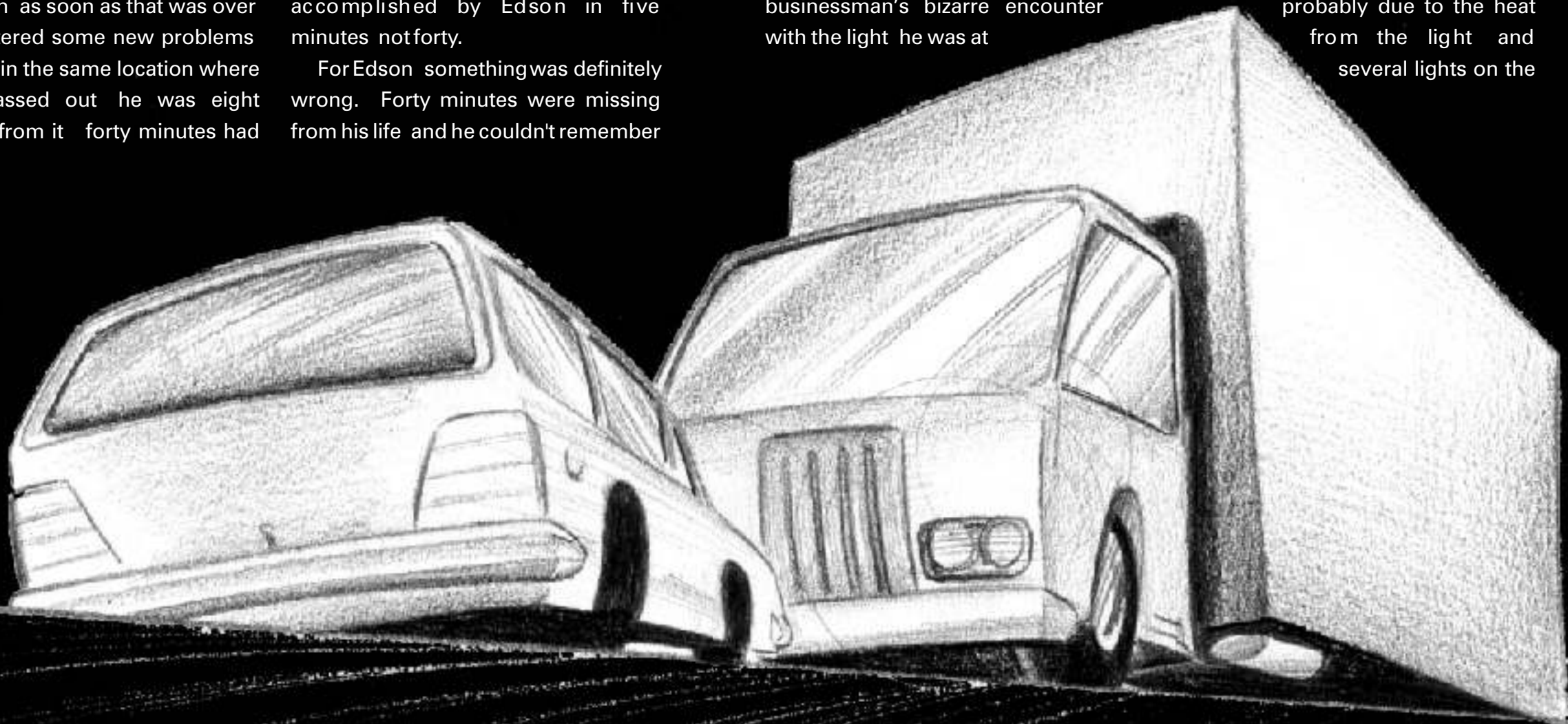
For Edson something was definitely wrong. Forty minutes were missing from his life and he couldn't remember

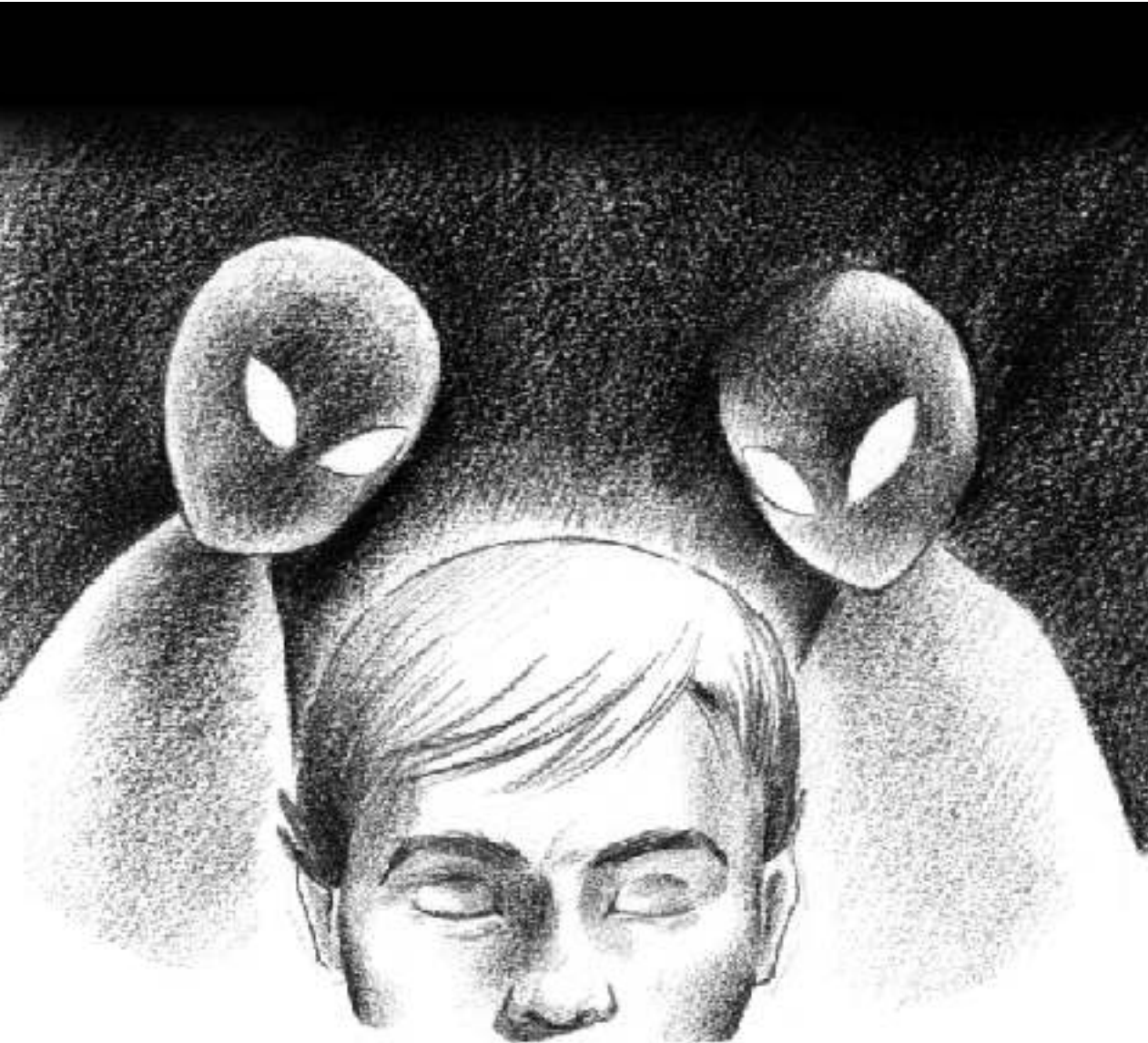
what happened to him during that time. As a matter of fact he couldn't remember what he did several hours before seeing the intense light. Edson was frightened and confused.

According to researchers from the UFO organization CEPEX (Centro de Estudos e Pesquisas Exol gicas) who were called to investigate the case almost immediately after it happened when they met Edson they found him in a frightened state and his eyes were extremely irritated.

Several hours after the businessman's bizarre encounter with the light he was at

the headquarters of CEPEX where he was examined as well as was his car. The CEPEX researchers noted that Edson had two circular marks on his left wrist a red stain on his face near his right eye which remains with him until this day puffiness around his eyes which were extremely sensitive to light a strong buzzing sound in his right ear and protrusions behind his ears that caused him pain. As for his car specialists noted that the rubber steering wheel cover on the steering wheel I had greatly expanded probably due to the heat from the light and several lights on the





Caravan were burnt out which the electrician could find no motive for. For the next several days Edson who was in a state of shock stayed inside his home sedated. He felt sick physically and mentally. He searched his mind but could not find an answer to what happened to him on September 24 1995. Desperate to discover the truth about his encounter with the light and his missing time Edson decided to seek help from a psychiatrist.

Dr. Jos Antonio Oliveira a psychiatrist from Campinas began to treat Edson in the beginning of

November in 1995. It looked like the mentally tortured businessman would now get answers to his questions about his bizarre encounter with the light. His missing time would now be accounted for. But the answers would not come easily. According to Dr. Oliveira the first four sessions with Edson bore no fruit. But the fifth session which was conducted towards the end of the year was very different.

"In a trance Marcelo described the sensation of being taken through the interior of a chamber by two figures. A blinding white light impeded him from visualizing details but he attributed

humanoid forms to the figures of his escorts" recounted Dr. Oliveira. Another piece of information that came out of the session with Edson was he remembered seeing a bright orange half moon shaped control panel. Dr. Oliveira reported that during Edson's hypnosis session there was no indication that the businessman had suffered any kind of hostilities toward him by his abductors. Quite the contrary his abductors seemed to try and communicate with him. Edson mumbled some sounds that sounded

like the Portuguese words 'querer' and 'saber' which translated into English mean 'to want' and 'to know'.

After Edson mumbled out these words he spontaneously came out of the hypnotic trance. "This type of psychic block is natural in those who've lived through what are considered supernatural occurrences" says Dr. Oliveira.

Edson Roberto Marcelo continues to seek answers to what happened to him on September 24 1995 through hypnosis.



# THE LIGHT

# IN THE SKY



**You never know where a good UFO story will come from, like the time when two missionaries (Elders) from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints knocked on my door.**

**T**he missionaries who came to my house in Londrina (Brazil) that day were from the United States so it was a very pleasant surprise for them when they discovered that my children and I were Americans and we spoke English in our house. I think they were even more surprised by the fact that my wife Marcia who is Brazilian spoke such great English and was not an American. So before you knew it we were all engaged in friendly conversation.

As we were talking I noticed one of the missionaries was rather curious about all my UFO books in my bookcase which at first I thought was completely normal because everyone is curious about them when they first come to my house. It's not every day that you walk into someone's house and see so many books on the subject of UFOs. But after a while I realized he was more curious than others.

The conversation between the missionaries Elder Dennis Jordan and Elder Randall Malone and my family continued and we had a great time talking about the States the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints Brazil and a variety of other subjects including the subject of UFOs and ETs.

When my wife went into the kitchen to prepare a snack for us the Elders got up and started to examine my UFO books. As we stood there I began answering their questions about UFOs aliens and Area 51 but I could see by the look on Elder Jordan's face that he had something he wanted to tell me so I asked him if he had ever had any experiences with UFOs. Elder Jordan was getting ready to answer me when he looked at his companion and said "I don't think I should talk about it. I don't want to get the church involved in any controversy."

I assured him that if he told me the

story I wouldn't use his real name if I ever published it. And by this time Elder Malone could see that his companion really did have something to say about UFOS so he helped me coax Elder Jordan into telling his story.

In August of 1997 Elder Jordan and his companion Elder Wayne Stevens were visiting a family on the outskirts of Campo Grande the capital of Mato Grosso do Sul. When they left the family's home it was already dark. They walked to the bus stop which was dimly lit at best to wait for their bus. They were the only ones waiting at the bus stop.

As the two of them talked about their day Elder Jordan noticed a bright light in the distance which was close to the horizon coming in their direction. He thought there was something unusual about it. He quickly called Elder Stevens attention to the light and Elder Stevens just as quickly

dismissed it as an airplane. So the two Elders continued to talk about their day.

As Elder Jordan continued his conversation with Elder Stevens he continued to monitor the bright light as it approached them always thinking that it was something more than an airplane. But what it was he did not know.

Again Elder Jordan commented to Elder Stevens about the light because now it appeared to be changing colors and seemed to be moving too fast for a plane. He also wondered out loud "If that's a plane why is it so low to the ground?"

This time Elder Stevens took a longer look at the object coming in their direction and thought it a little strange that it was flying so low but again he brushed it off as just a plane. But now he started to monitor it too.

The conversation now slowed to

almost a halt between the two Elders as they both watched the object approach them. It was becoming clear to both of them that if this was an airplane it was certainly an unusual one with multicolored lights and an oval shape.

Now the two Elders just stood there completely quiet watching the unidentified flying object approach them. 4000 meters 3000 meters 2000 meters. The area around them was totally silent. The realization began to sweep over them that this was not an airplane. Airplanes have engines that make noise they have wings but this flying machine was completely silent wingless filled with colorful lights. This was something as far as they could tell not from this world.

The Elders stood there like statues amazed at what was heading in their direction. They wondered to themselves if they were seeing a vehicle from another planet. Their hearts began beating faster and faster. Questions crossed their minds What if this thing lands? Should we run? Should we stay and try and communicate with whoever is on the inside? What if there are beings from another planet inside and they're not friendly?

The craft was now only 500 meters from them and maybe 10 to 20 meters above the ground.

400 meters. 300 meters. 200 meters. 100 meters.

The craft was now approaching them. They could see it clearly. It was large and metallic possibly the size of a city bus egg shaped and had

according to Elder Jordan portholes all around the middle of it and colored lights (red green and yellow) near the portholes.

The strange looking object made no attempt to land or communicate with the two missionaries it just silently passed overhead and kept on going towards some unknown destination. The Elders watched it until it disappeared into the distance.

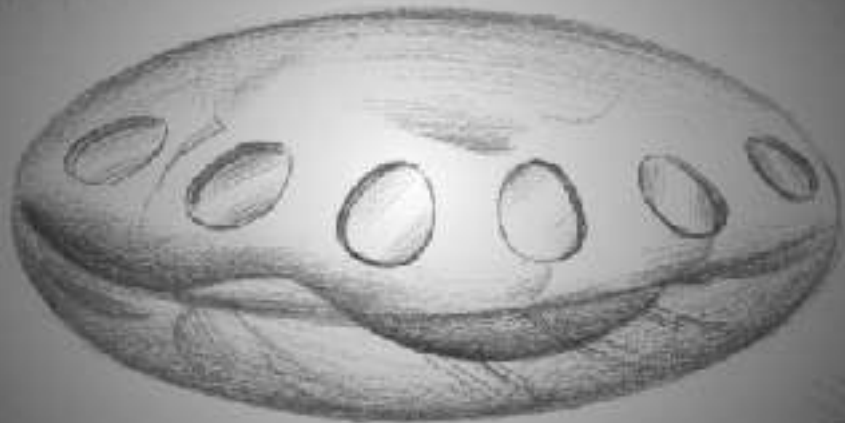
After the close encounter Elder Stevens looked at Elder Jordan in amazement and said "I don't know what that was but I don't think we should tell anyone about it."

Elder Jordan agreed. The missionaries reasoned that it was better to keep the experience to themselves than to report the incident to the police because if they did report the incident to the police there was the possibility of someone on the police force reporting their encounter to the media and then the Elders and the church would then be involved in unwanted media attention.

Elder Jordan remained silent about his ufo encounter until we met that day in my apartment ten years ago. It was a great relief for him to tell me his story that day we have kept in touch with each other and become friends.

Whenever I think about Elder Jordan and his ufo encounter and how we met I always say to myself "God works in mysterious ways".

Note Names and dates used in this story have been changed at the request of those involved in it.



# UFO INCIDENT AT PORTO NOVO



**On June 21, 1996, at 12:15 AM, Cesar Meglioranza's life was changed forever. That's the exact moment he had a close encounter of the third kind at Port Novo Beach in Caraguatatuba, São Paulo.**



**C**esar's close encounter began when he noticed a very bright light above Ilhabela a touristic island of 333 square kilometers with 12 119 inhabitants that's noted for its state park and beaches.

"I first saw a very bright light above Ilhabela. It didn't appear to be an airplane light! Then it began to move rapidly towards Caraguatatuba."

Mr. Meglioranza the owner of a beach front kiosk on Port Novo Beach was curious about the light and decided to get out of his car to get a better look at it.

The next thing he remembered was that he was sitting at one of the tables of his kiosk on the beach and the left side of his body was now paralyzed. The UFO was now only 40 meters away. Cesar could see that it was disc shaped and rather large. The light of the UFO that was once so bright had now gone out and four orange colored lights of lesser



brilliance remained on. Then suddenly from an altitude of about 40 meters the craft began to descend silently and slowly.

Once the disc shaped craft landed the bizarre scene that Cesar was witnessing got even more bizarre. Two small beings about 1.2 meters in height were now standing outside the ship.

"I was 40 meters from the ship. It was large about 6 meters in diameter. There were two small creatures with long arms and large heads or helmets. They were using some type of silver jumpsuit. One of them bent down as if to pick something up from the ground."

Because of the distance and the fact that it was during the night Cesar Meglioranza could not make out if the small being actually picked something up. Ten full minutes had now gone by from the time that Cesar first spotted the UFO coming from Ilhabela until the time that the two small beings appeared outside the disc shaped craft.

Before Cesar realized it the two beings were back in their ship and the mysterious flying machine was heading back in the direction from where it came from Ilhabela. Although the bizarre scene was now over the incident left Cesar extremely perturbed and he would not be able to sleep or eat for the next two days.

Cesar's wife Marisa who had also

witnessed the happenings was totally frightened by what she had seen. When investigators from GUG (Grupo Ufol gico de Guaruj ) and INFA (Instituto Nacional de Fen menos Aeroespaciais) interviewed her she did not wish to give them her testimony as she was too upset by the incident. Remembering what happened that night was something she wished to keep out of her mind.

On the following day Cesar suffering from body aches returned to the location of the UFO encounter and tried to find some marks that the craft might have made or footprints left by the mysterious visitors but nothing was found. He reasoned that because of the location where the ship had landed the middle of the beach the ocean had most likely washed away any traces of the landing or any footprints.

During an interview with the newspaper Folha da Tarde (S o Paulo) Cesar Meglioranza who was once an airplane designer for EMBRAER (Empresa Brasileira de Aeron utica) which is the largest aeronautics company in Latin America was asked the following question

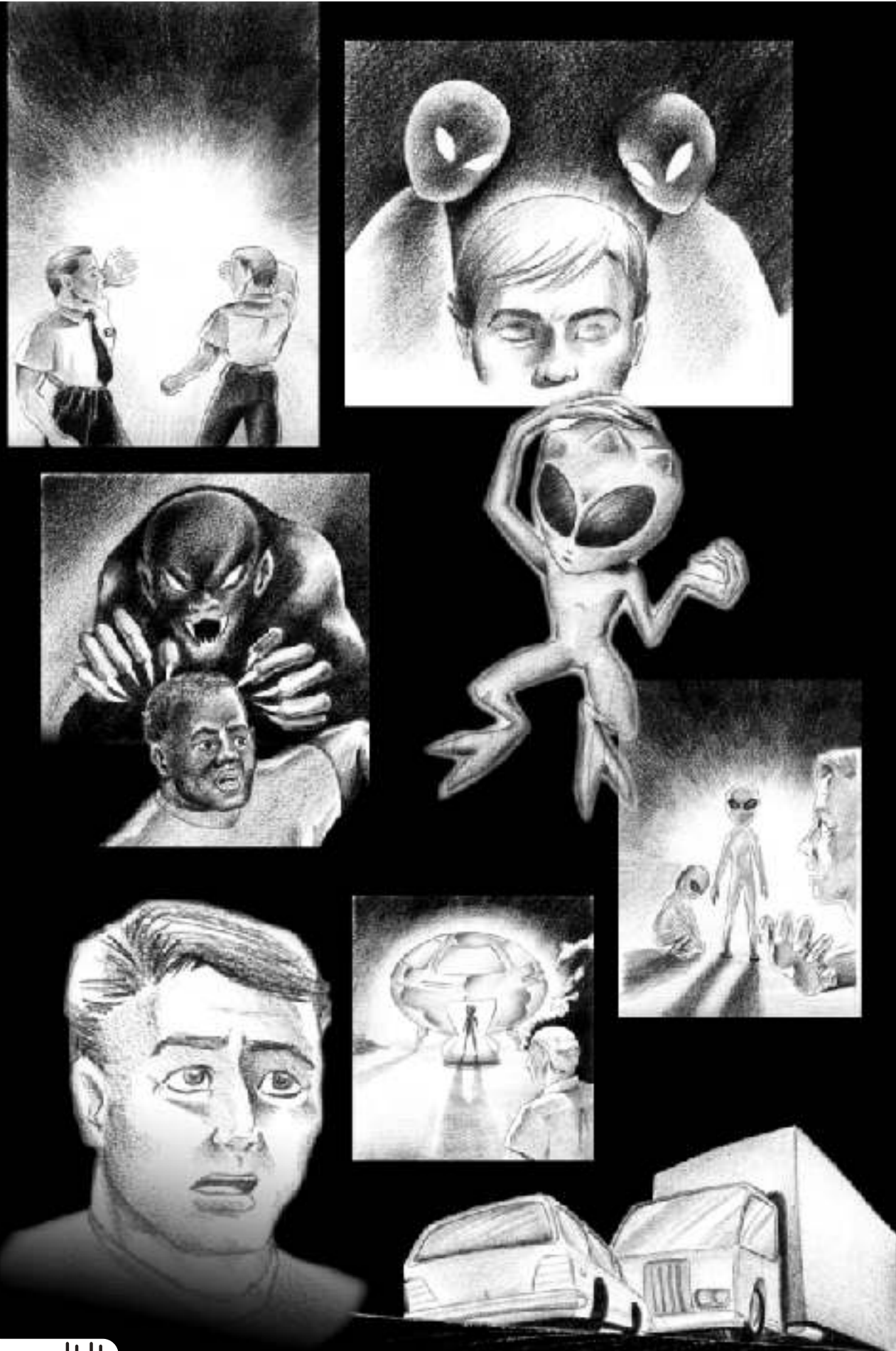
Folha da Tarde Do you believe in the existence of UFOs? Meglioranza

I didn't. But I can say that what I saw that day was not something from this world.



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# ABOUT

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A whimsical illustration of a red, egg-shaped delivery robot with a green sign on top that reads "Joe's Newspapers & Magazines". The robot is carrying several colorful comic books. It is interacting with a green alien wearing glasses who is sitting in a yellow, egg-shaped vehicle. The scene is set in space with a large planet in the background and stars.

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