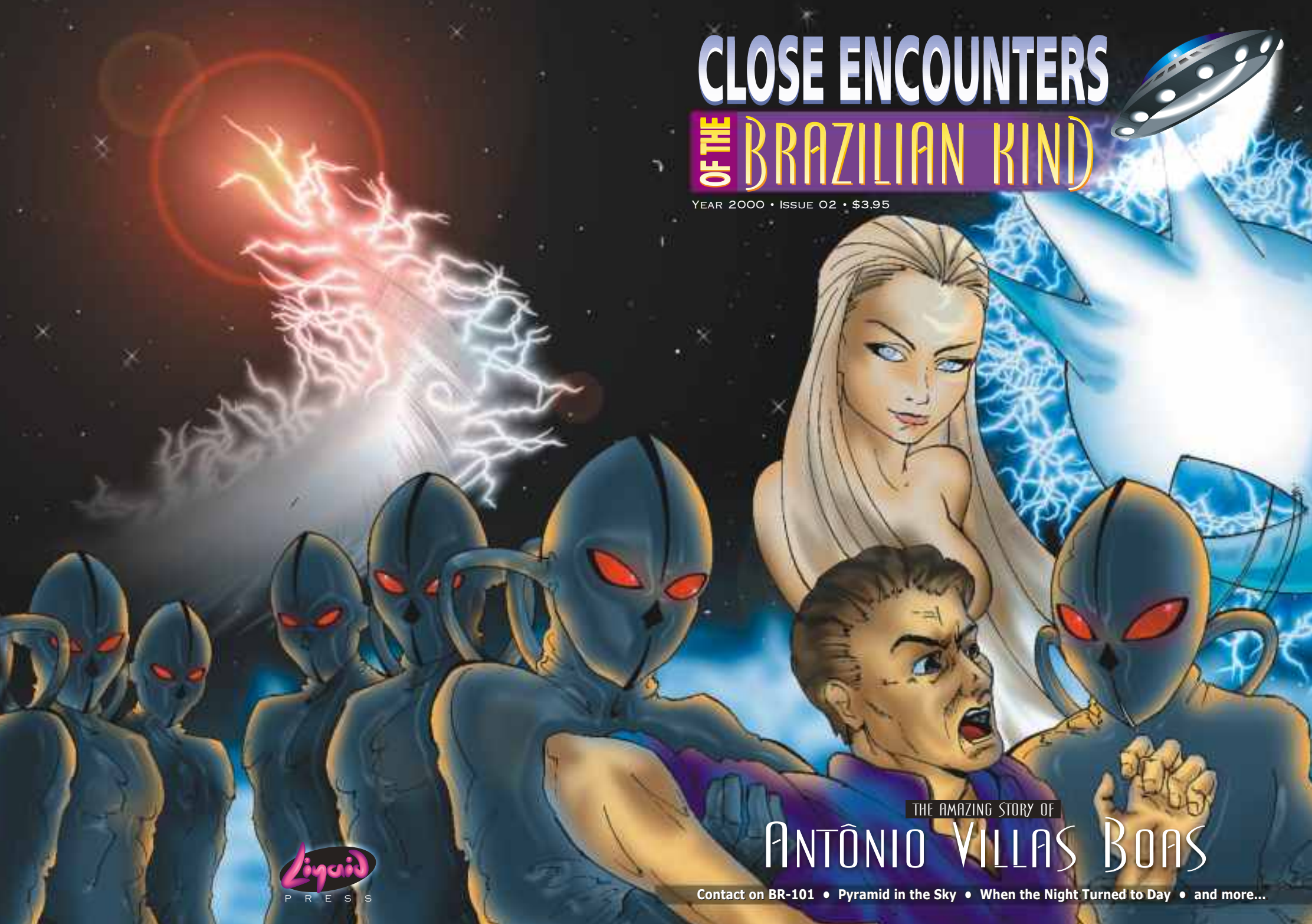


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First off, if you read CE-BK # 1, you'll notice that the size of the magazine has changed from standard comic book size to halfsize. So, the obvious question is: Why the change?

Well. . . we wanted to reduce the cover price of the magazine from \$5.95 to \$3.95, which we've done. We wanted to make the magazine easier to handle and carry around, which we've also done. And last, but not least, we wanted to increase the number of pages, which we haven't done yet but which we will do for CE-BK # 3, probably from 48 to 64. Anyway, we hope you enjoy it.

### NOW THAT THAT'S OUT OF THE WAY, LET'S TALK ABOUT CE-BK # 2.

This issue has one of my all-time favorite UFO stories inside it, a classic in ufology: The Villas Boas Case.

For those not familiar with this story, the Villas Boas Case represents one of the first modern day (October 16, 1957) alien abduction cases involving interstellar intercourse. But unlike the majority of alien abduction cases that are recalled under hypnosis, Antonio Villas Boas recalled all of his encounter without it's use.

At the time of his (s)extraterrestrial encounter, Villas Boas was a poorly educated 23 year old farmer.

The first UFO researcher to interview him and bring his story to the public was Dr. Olavo Fontes of APRO (Aerial Phenomena Research Organization). The majority of UFO researchers who interviewed him later could not believe that such a simple man could make up such a detailed story. Plus, the same researchers found him to be one of the most genuine people they had ever interviewed.

Interestingly, Antonio Villas Boas eventually went back to school, earned a law degree and became a successful lawyer. And believe me, that was a truly amazing feat for a poorly educated farmer to accom-

plish in Brazil in the late fifties and early sixties.

Antonio Villas Boas died in 1992, but while alive he never denied his experience with extraterrestrials. His amazing encounter with aliens lives on in this issue of CE-BK thanks to the research of Dr. Olavo Fontes and others.

As for the rest of this issue, I'm certain you'll find other interesting stories about Close Encounters of the Brazilian Kind.

*All the best,*

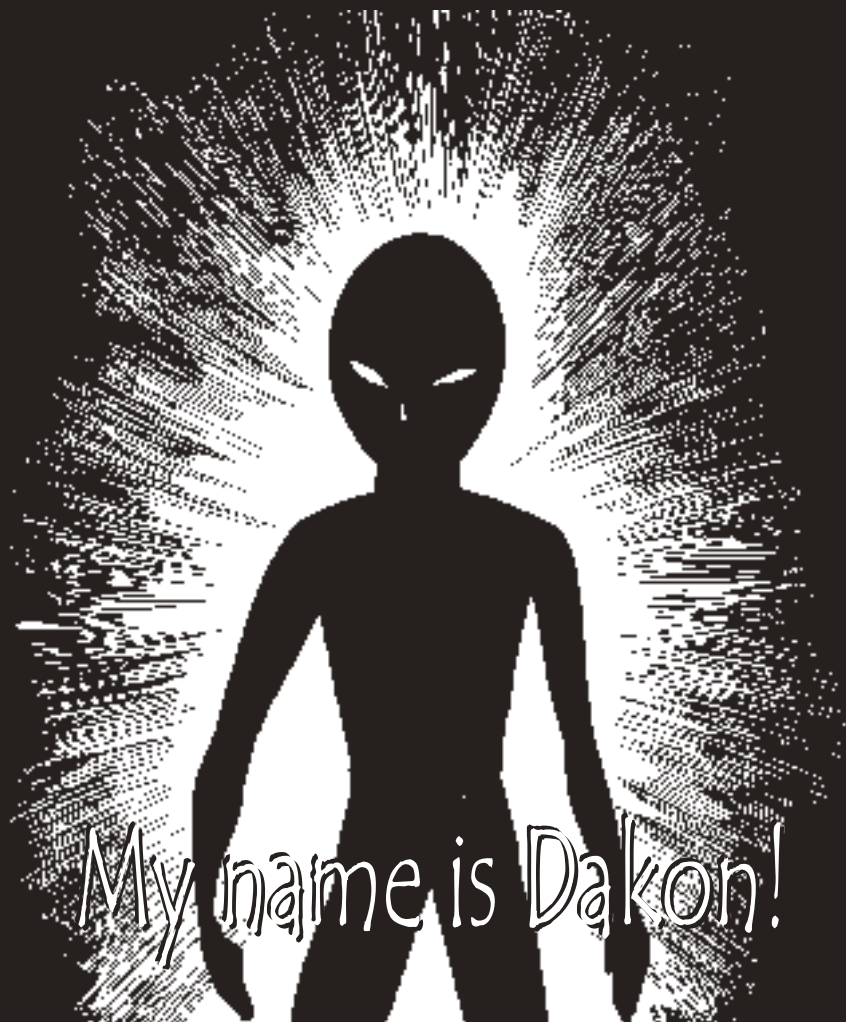
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# CONTACT ON BR-101

**There are moments in our life when we feel helpless, a total lack of power to control that which is around us, or even ourself. It is a humbling experience. For me here between kilometer 167 and 168 when the unexpected began to approach her car. It was a powerful light off in the distance. The time was 7:00 PM.**



My name is Dakon!

Suddenly Maria's car was covered by a shadow a shadow that seemed to take control of her car giving her the impression that the car was being led towards some unknown destination.

Maria stepped on the gas peddle to get out from under the shadow but the car would not pick up speed and remained at about 130 km/h.

Suddenly the car began shaking and the doors started rattling. Fear was in the air.

What happened next is not completely clear but Maria felt she came to a stop in a high area surrounded by the jungle. A tall brown haired creature suddenly appeared in front of her.

The beings eyes were green and gave off the appearance of two brilliant lights. His voice was deep and had a serious tone to it. He presented himself to Maria as Dakon.

Maria was frightened and stunned by the encounter. She had no control over the situation she felt completely helpless.

Dakon spoke to Maria saying that he would contact her through an intermediary but he would not mark a time and place for the encounter.

That was the last thing Maria remembered about her encounter with Dakon that night. Moments later or what appeared to be moments later she was waking up at a highway patrol station in Serraria a city near the capital of Florianopolis.

It was 8 15 am. Over thirteen hours had gone by. But Maria could not remember anything about those hours.

According to the highway patrol officers Erci Marinho Fernando Carminat Aldo Souza and Manoel L. da Silva Maria arrived at the highway patrol station in her Chevette (General Motors) driving slowly. They approached the car and found her in a state of shock.

She was as white as a ghost and looked disfigured. Her hands were petrified glued to the steering wheel of the car. When they asked her what had happened she began to cry hopelessly. After some time had passed she told the officers about her experience on BR 101.

From Maria's description of the location where the contact between her and Dakon took place the highway patrol officers were able to pinpoint the spot. But once there they found nothing abnormal. All they were able to confirm was that it was a deserted location surrounded by jungle area just as Maria had described it.

What happened to Maria on highway BR 101 in 1996 may remain a mystery forever. But then again maybe just maybe someone will contact her and explain exactly what happened between her and Dakon that night.



# WHEN THE NIGHT TURNED TO DAY



Ernesto Eleotério Maciel's life is no longer the same since sometime around May 13, 1999. The 65 year old farmer and ex-councilman says something frightening happened to him and his three children on that day at his farm. That's when the night turned to day.

On that day, Ernesto was taking care of the everyday chores on the farm.

After a hard days work, he and his children went to sleep early that night. Everything was normal. But at 2:30 AM, Ernesto heard a loud strange humming sound.

When Ernesto looked out his window his property was completely illuminated, as if it was daytime.

"Initially I thought that the house was on fire and I woke up the children to go outside with me. That's when I saw a strange machine that at first was going up, then down and then flying between two wires (the electrical wires on the farm have a space of about 5 meters between them) and then disappear. This took 15 seconds, but I could see three people standing (inside) with white clothes and black caps.

These people were, more or less, 1.80 meters (tall).

The machine took off in the direction of União da Vitória, turned off two of its lights and began to emit a white smoke as it disappeared.

After a short while, Ernesto and his children fearfully returned to bed.

The next day, the farmer spoke with some people in the city of General Carneiro about the incident. Some believed his story and others thought it ridiculous, but Alcides de Almeida, the press secretary of the city, said, "Besides being witnessed by more than one person, the integrity of Ernesto cannot be contested."

Today, whenever Ernesto's 12 year-old son goes to the farm with him, he never leaves Ernesto's side. And his other two children who witnessed the strange machine that night in May are afraid of going there, so much so that one of them will no longer even set foot on the property.

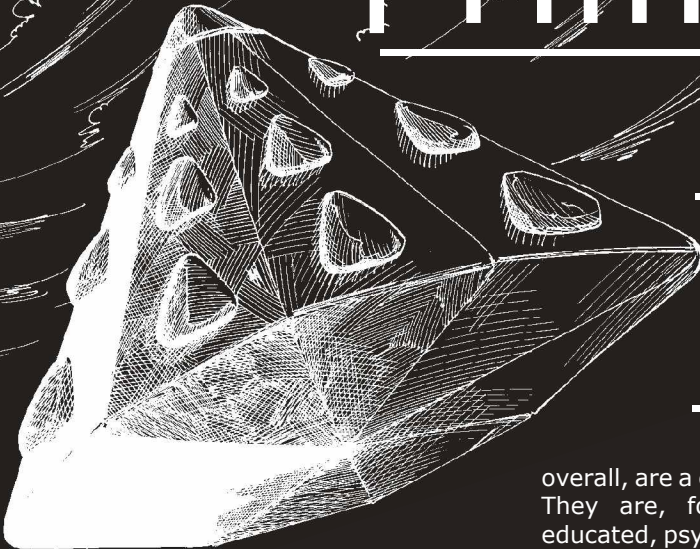
Ernesto and his children will never forget those 15 seconds of time when . . .the night turned to day.





# PYRAMID

## IN THE SKY



I don't know what the worldwide percentage is of pilots who have seen or encountered an unidentified flying object (UFO), but I imagine that the number may be quite high. I say this, because out of the five pilots that I personally know, three of them have had a clear UFO sighting or encounter. And, interestingly, the two pilots without a sighting/encounter personally knew of other pilots who had had one. And that's pretty amazing!

Now, as those of us who research UFO phenomena know, finding a credible witness to a UFO sighting/encounter is not always easy. The fact of the matter is that everyday people, in general, are just not very familiar with what they are observing in the sky. They are constantly mistaking man-made aircraft, satellites, space junk and planets for extraterrestrial/alien craft. But pilots,

overall, are a completely different story. They are, for the most part, well educated, psychologically well balanced (think about that the next time you're flying in a plane), quite knowledgeable about aircraft and their performance (they know what it can and cannot do), excellent observers (they know what they are looking at) and are quite familiar with the heavens. So, a pilot's testimony to a UFO sighting/encounter is more credible than that of the average citizen.

Although pilots make excellent witnesses to UFO sightings/encounters, they usually do not like to go out on a limb and publicize this type of experience if they have had one. They know that by talking about such an experience that it may lead to labeling, ridicule, loss of employment, etc. In other words, it may not be very good for their piloting career or even their personal life. So when a pilot tells me that he's had an experience with a UFO, I sit up and listen, which leads me to Haroldo Westendorff's story.

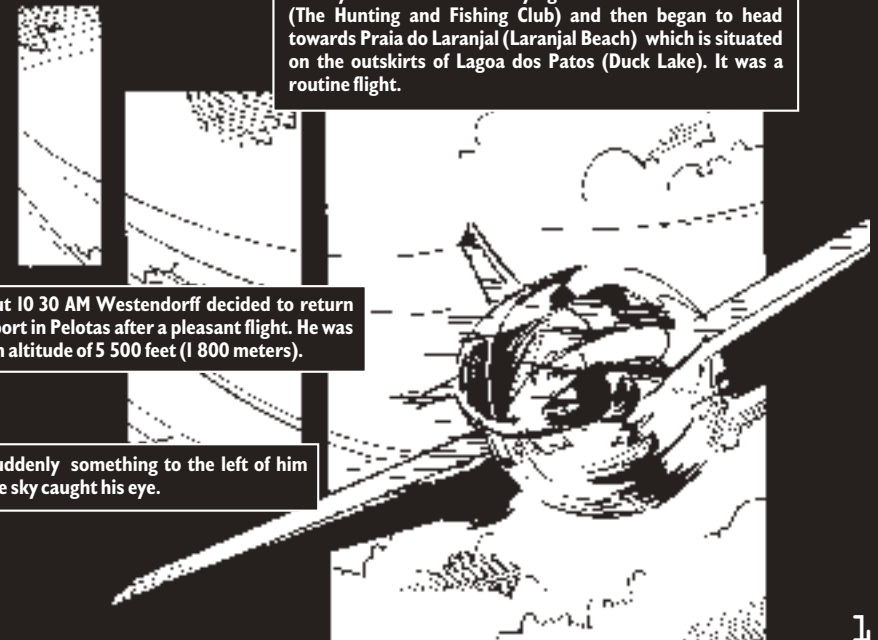
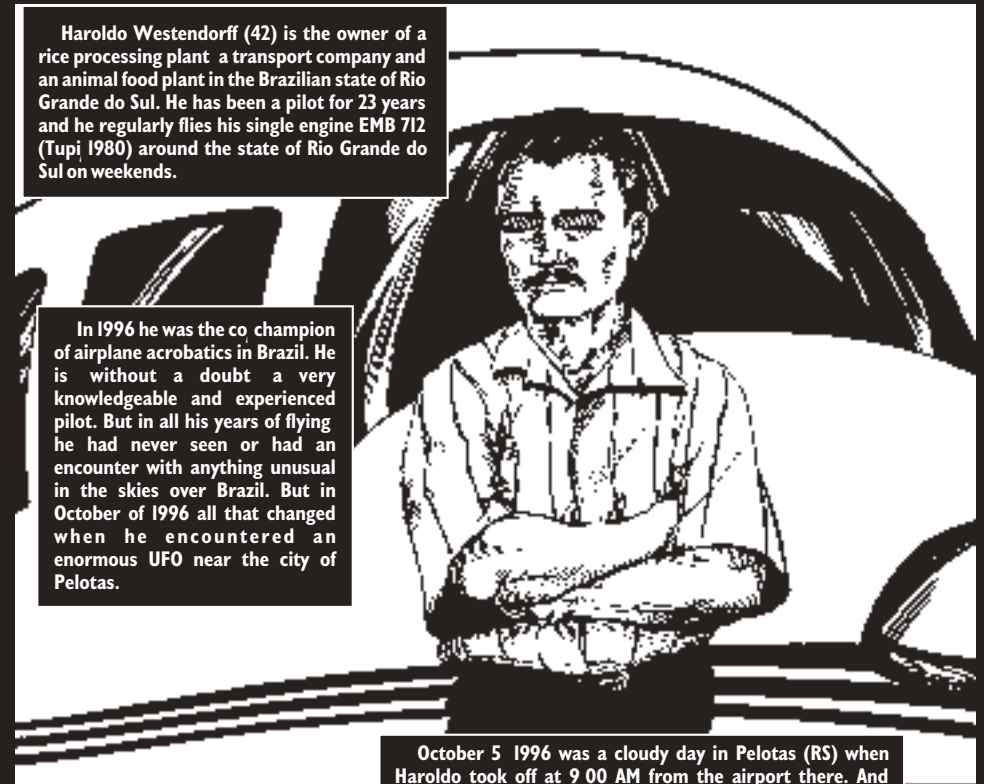
Haroldo Westendorff (42) is the owner of a rice processing plant, a transport company and an animal food plant in the Brazilian state of Rio Grande do Sul. He has been a pilot for 23 years and he regularly flies his single engine EMB 712 (Tupi 1980) around the state of Rio Grande do Sul on weekends.

In 1996 he was the co-champion of airplane acrobatics in Brazil. He is without a doubt a very knowledgeable and experienced pilot. But in all his years of flying he had never seen or had an encounter with anything unusual in the skies over Brazil. But in October of 1996 all that changed when he encountered an enormous UFO near the city of Pelotas.

October 5, 1996 was a cloudy day in Pelotas (RS) when Haroldo took off at 9:00 AM from the airport there. And shortly afterwards he was flying over Clube de Caça e Pesca (The Hunting and Fishing Club) and then began to head towards Praia do Laranjal (Laranjal Beach) which is situated on the outskirts of Lagoa dos Patos (Duck Lake). It was a routine flight.

At about 10:30 AM Westendorff decided to return to the airport in Pelotas after a pleasant flight. He was flying at an altitude of 5,500 feet (1,800 meters).

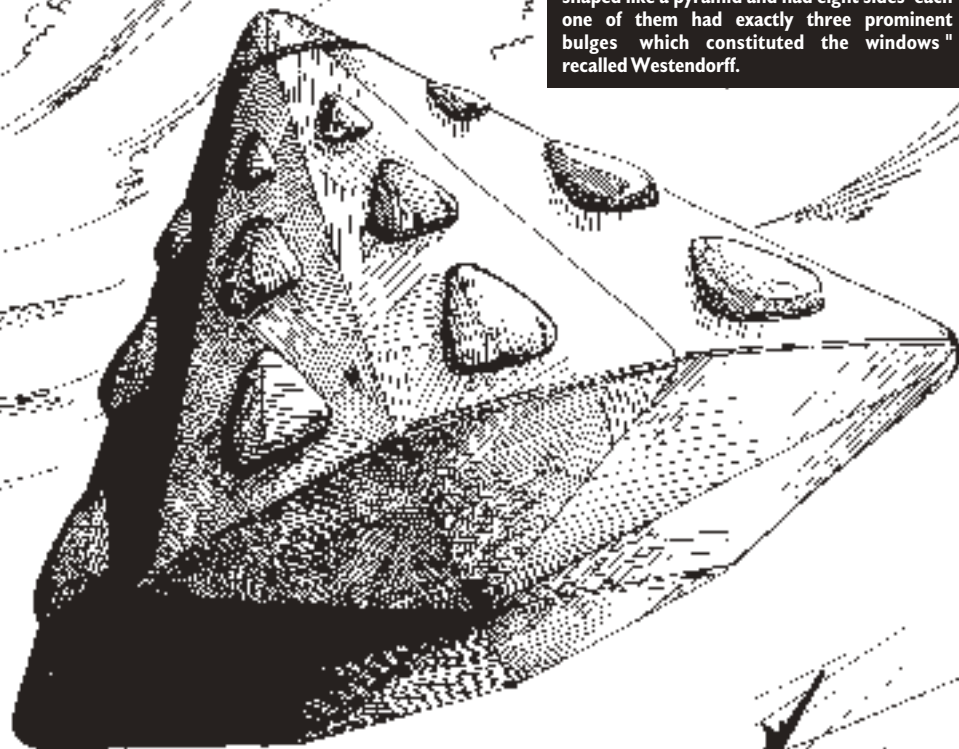
Suddenly something to the left of him in the sky caught his eye.



It was an enormous pyramid shaped craft.

Westendorff was completely stunned. He couldn't believe what he was seeing. The base of the craft was about the size of a football field and the height about the wingspan of a Boeing 747.

"It was enormous gigantic really. It was shaped like a pyramid and had eight sides each one of them had exactly three prominent bulges which constituted the windows" recalled Westendorff.



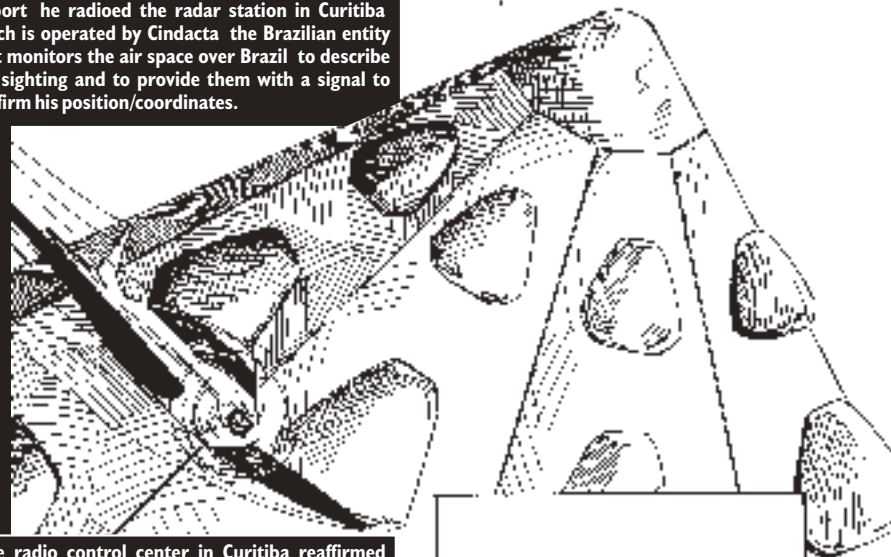
According to the aviator the otherworldly craft was turning slowly on its own axis soundless and there were no signs of smoke coming from the object. It was moving east towards the Atlantic Ocean at about 100 km/h (62 mi/h).

Westendorff although stunned by what he was seeing began to fly towards the craft. As he did so he radioed the control tower at the Pelotas Airport to discover if they were aware of the huge object.



Airton Mendes da Silva was on duty in the air traffic control tower of the Pelotas Airport when Haroldo Westendorff radioed in about the UFO sighting. He grabbed his binoculars and quickly had visual contact with the strange looking craft confirming the pilots sighting. He described the craft by saying "... the object was triangular in shape and the top of it was rounded." Two other controllers in the tower also confirmed the sighting of the enormous object.

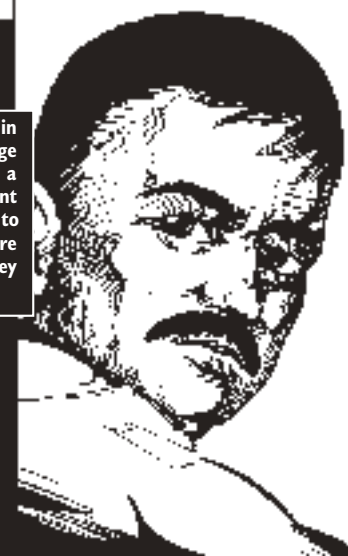
After Haroldo received positive response on the sighting from the air traffic controller at the Pelotas Airport he radioed the radar station in Curitiba which is operated by Cindacta the Brazilian entity that monitors the air space over Brazil to describe the sighting and to provide them with a signal to confirm his position/coordinates.



The radio control center in Curitiba reaffirmed that the aviator was flying at a distance of 35 miles from the eastern sector of Pelotas and there were no other planes or any flying objects within a 200 kilometer radius of his position.

Haroldo thought that the radio control center in Curitiba didn't confirm the presence of the huge craft that he was so close to because he was on a normal radio frequency and they might not want others to hear so he asked the control center to switch him over to a special radio frequency where he could give them a better description of it but they denied his request.

With his request denied Haroldo made the incredibly bold decision to fly around the enormous pyramid shaped craft which quite possibly is something only an airplane acrobatic champion would ever think of doing.





As Westendorff began to maneuver around the huge UFO his cellular telephone began ringing. It was a friend calling. "Gu . . Gu . . Guess what I'm flying around?" Haroldo euphorically asked his friend in his usual stuttering manner. And before his friend had a chance to answer him the pilot excitedly said "It's a flying saucer!"

Not exactly your everyday telephone conversation.

After speaking with his friend the aviator's telephone began ringing again only this time it was his son Haroldo Junior who quickly noticed that his father had difficulty expressing himself during their conversation.

The aviator's speech problem was due to the mixture of fear and excitement coursing through his body.

Haroldo Junior immediately handed the phone over to his mother. "What is it that you have?" asked his worried wife.

Haroldo then gave her a quick picture of what was in front of him.

His wife whose mind was now overwhelmed by the incredible image of the object that her husband had flying before him prudently told him to be extremely careful.

The pilot knew that his wife was absolutely right in her advice but this was probably a once in a lifetime experience and he decided to circle the immense UFO for a second time.

As Haroldo made his way around the gigantic ship the strange incident got a whole lot stranger. The dome on the top of the craft opened

"I was circling the base of it when I noticed that the dome opened. I don't know how but I imagine that it must have retracted" recounted Westendorff.

Haroldo's heart began to race.

Suddenly a saucer shaped craft about three times the size of the aviator's plane exited from the enormous object.

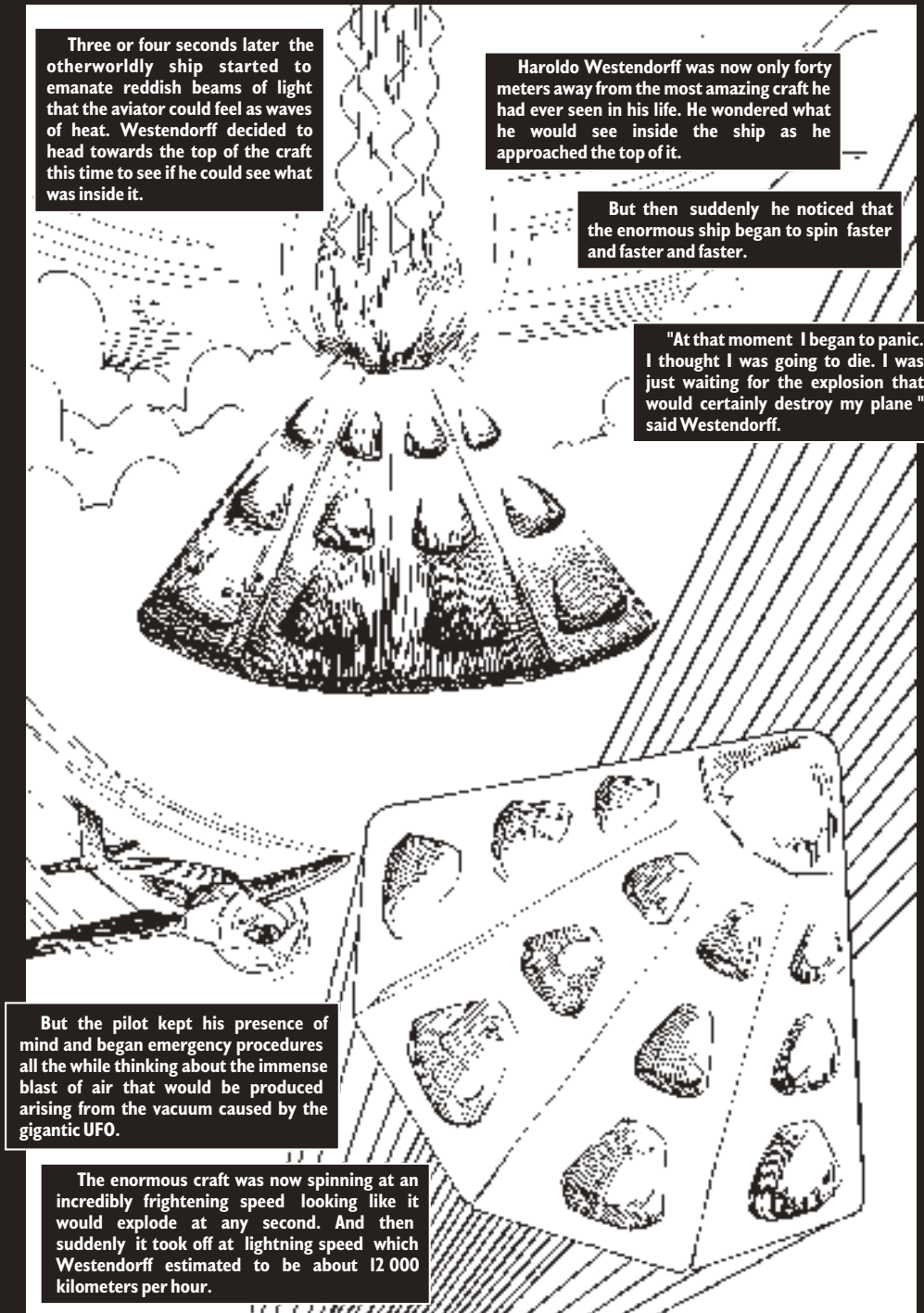
The pilot watched in amazement as the silent saucer rose vertically and came to rest at a 45° angle. It then took off at an astronomical speed towards the Atlantic Ocean.

Three or four seconds later the otherworldly ship started to emanate reddish beams of light that the aviator could feel as waves of heat. Westendorff decided to head towards the top of the craft this time to see if he could see what was inside it.

Haroldo Westendorff was now only forty meters away from the most amazing craft he had ever seen in his life. He wondered what he would see inside the ship as he approached the top of it.

But then suddenly he noticed that the enormous ship began to spin faster and faster and faster.

"At that moment I began to panic. I thought I was going to die. I was just waiting for the explosion that would certainly destroy my plane" said Westendorff.



But the pilot kept his presence of mind and began emergency procedures all the while thinking about the immense blast of air that would be produced arising from the vacuum caused by the gigantic UFO.

The enormous craft was now spinning at an incredibly frightening speed looking like it would explode at any second. And then suddenly it took off at lightning speed which Westendorff estimated to be about 12 000 kilometers per hour.





Amazingly Haroldo Westendorff and his plane were unaffected by the exit of the enormous craft. He couldn't believe he was alive and that his plane was intact. The explosion he was waiting for never happened.

Out of curiosity the pilot took his plane up to 9 000 feet passing through a layer of dense clouds to see if he could find any traces of the pyramid shaped craft or the flying saucer. But there was no sign of either of them so he headed back to the airport in Pelotas.

After Haroldo's arrival at the airport the aviator looked up an artist friend of his to make some sketches of the gigantic UFO and the flying saucer.

"The drawings came out so perfect that I will save them forever " declared the aviator.

Haroldo Westendorff's thirty minute encounter with the gigantic otherworldly craft left him with this to say "I'm certain that what I saw had nothing to do with this planet."

And for anyone who doubts that the pilot's story is true he had this to say "I know what I saw because I was forty meters away from that object. No one can get me to deny it."



# ANTONIO VILLAS BOAS

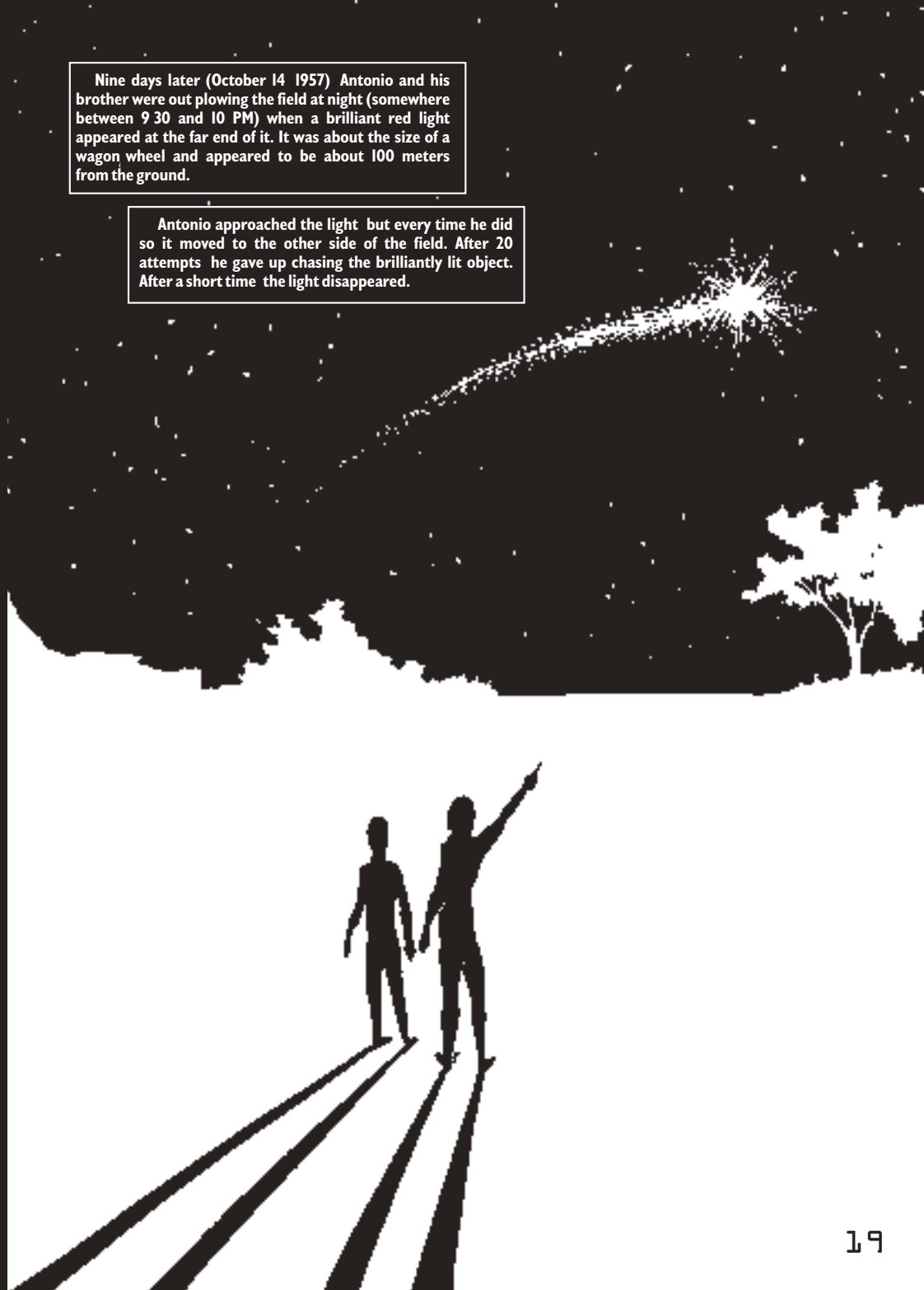
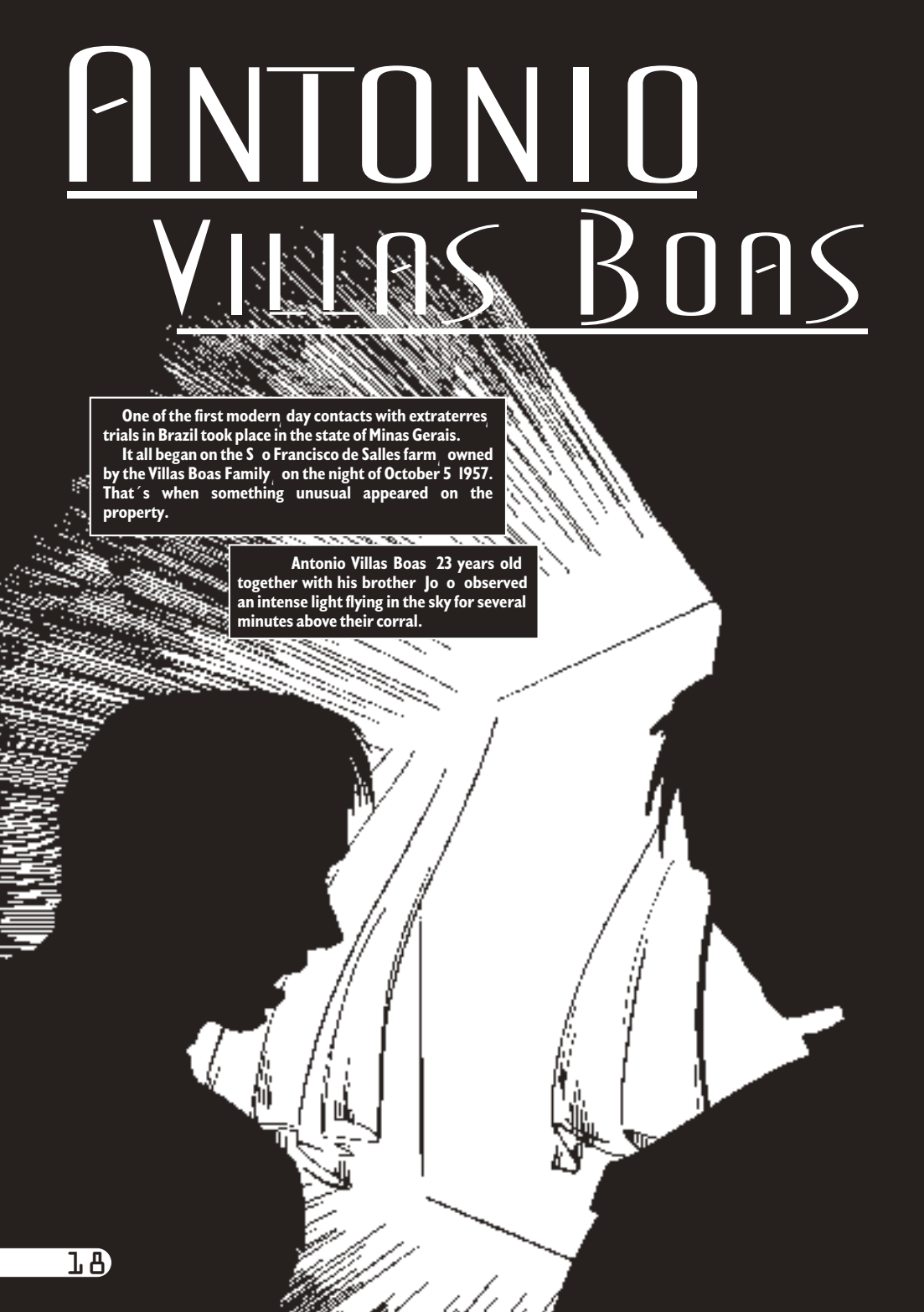
One of the first modern day contacts with extraterrestrials in Brazil took place in the state of Minas Gerais.

It all began on the São Francisco de Salles farm, owned by the Villas Boas Family, on the night of October 5, 1957. That's when something unusual appeared on the property.

Antonio Villas Boas, 23 years old together with his brother João observed an intense light flying in the sky for several minutes above their corral.

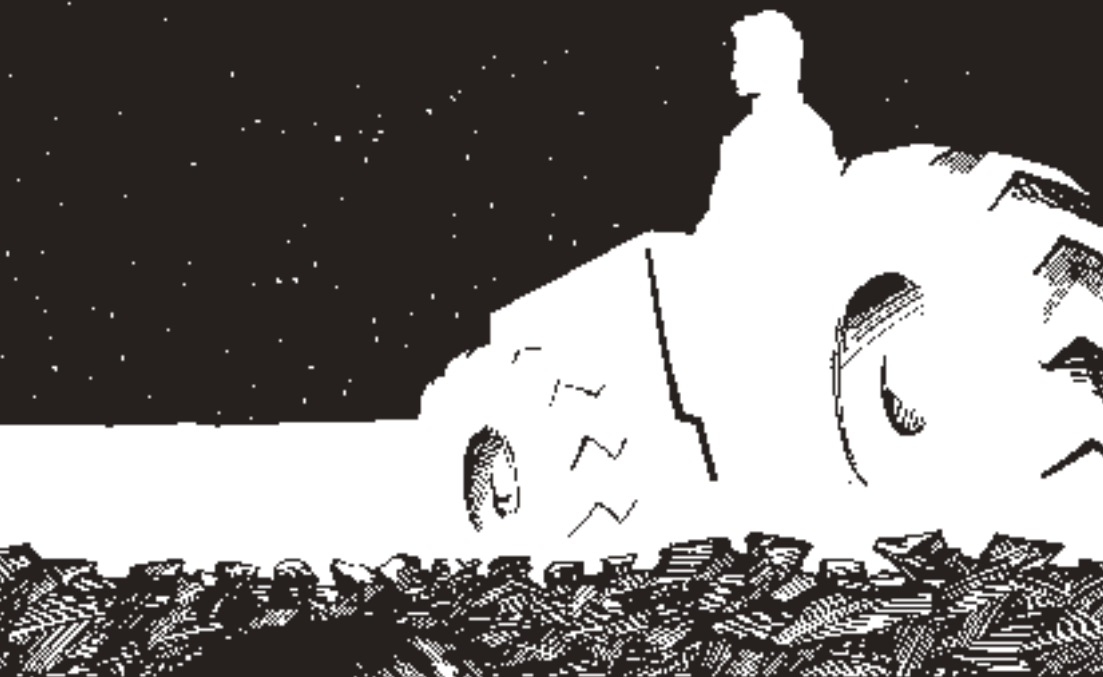
Nine days later (October 14, 1957) Antonio and his brother were out plowing the field at night (somewhere between 9:30 and 10 PM) when a brilliant red light appeared at the far end of it. It was about the size of a wagon wheel and appeared to be about 100 meters from the ground.

Antonio approached the light, but every time he did so it moved to the other side of the field. After 20 attempts, he gave up chasing the brilliantly lit object. After a short time, the light disappeared.





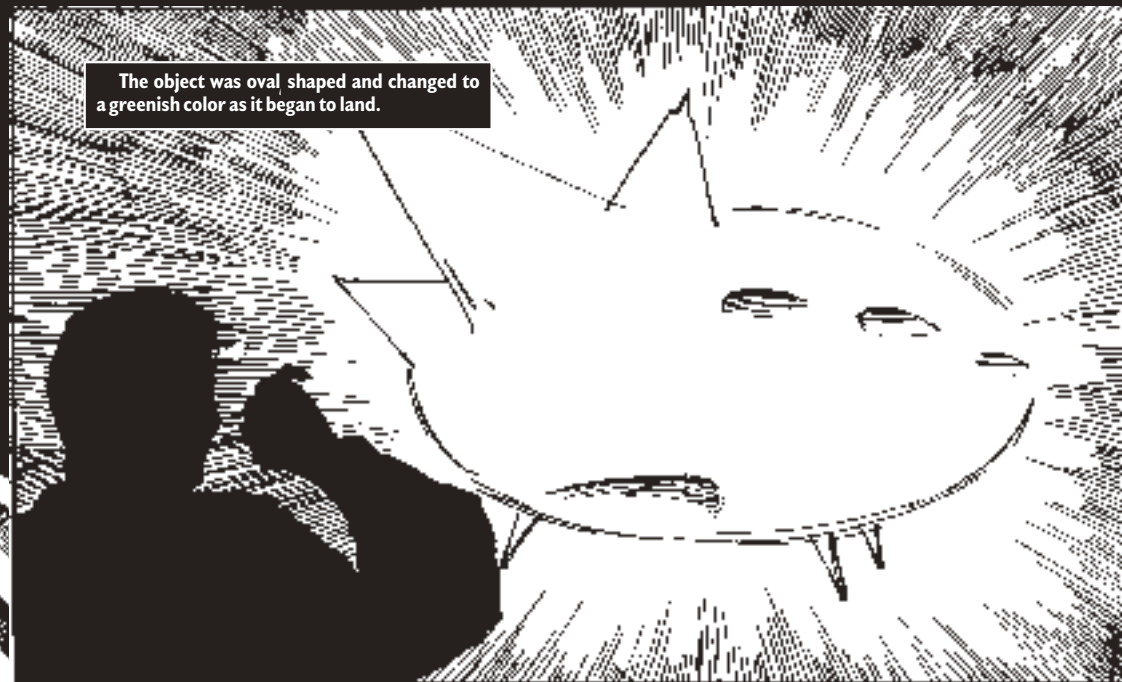
On the night of October 15 about 1 00 AM Antonio was out in the field on a tractor plowing alone...



... when a large red light began to approach him.



The object was oval shaped and changed to a greenish color as it began to land.



Frightened Villas Boas tried to escape but the tractor's engine died.



Four small beings exited the craft. They were using what appeared to be some type of masks.

One of the beings grabbed his arm but Villas Boas shoved him away.



But before Antonio could escape three other beings grabbed ahold of him and carried him into the oval shaped craft.



Villas Boas was submitted to a series of exams.  
A sample of his blood was taken from his chin with an unusual instrument.



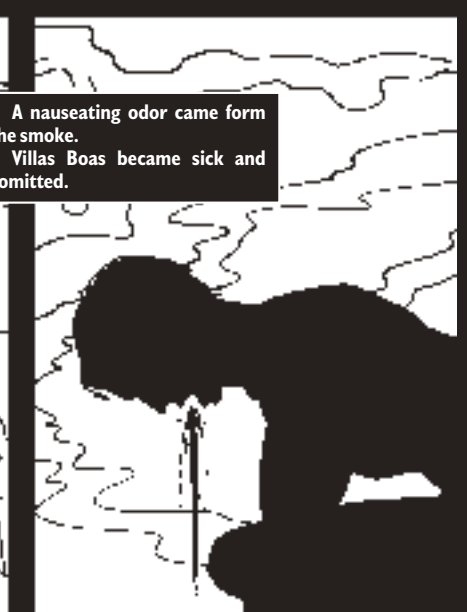
Concluding the exams Antonio was left alone naked inside a room of the ship.



Unexpectedly gray smoke began to come out of tiny metal tubes that were part of the wall.



A nauseating odor came from the smoke.  
Villas Boas became sick and vomitted.





The smoke began to disappear and soon after the door opened and...



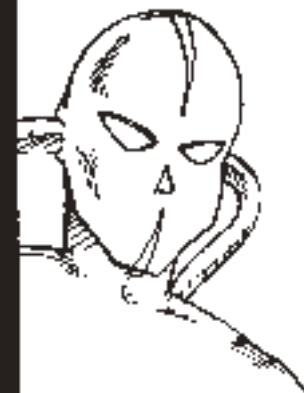
... a beautiful alien woman was standing there completely naked. She was short in stature and fragile looking.



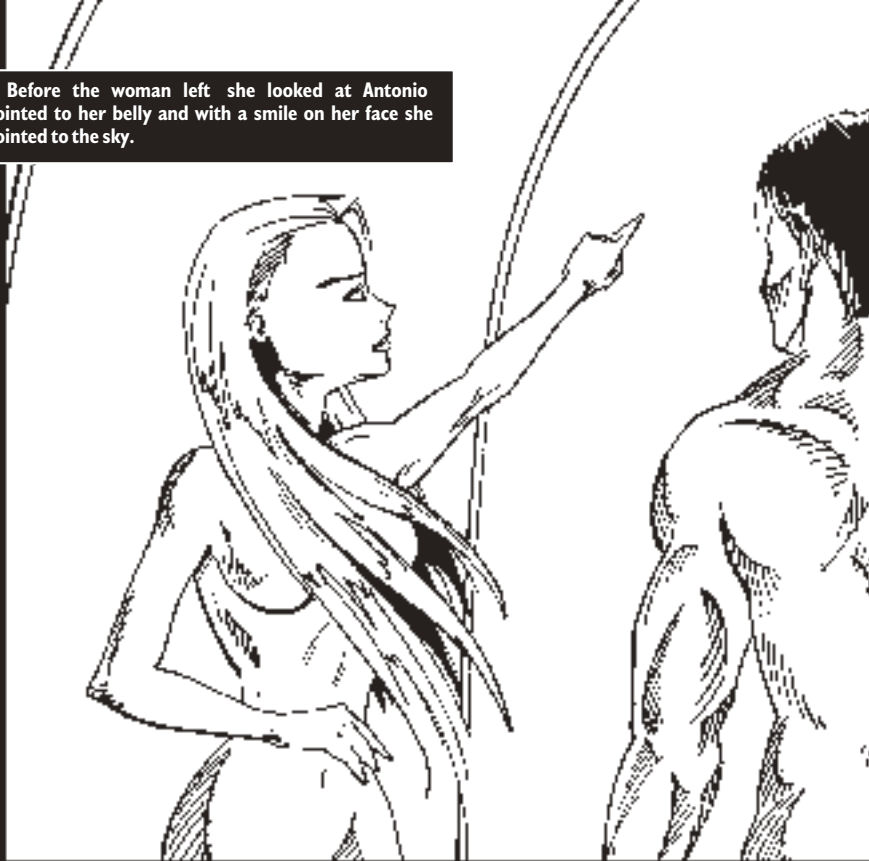
She approached Antonio...  
... and began to encourage him to have sex with her.  
They had intercourse twice and...



... afterwards one of the beings entered the room and made a sign for the woman to leave.



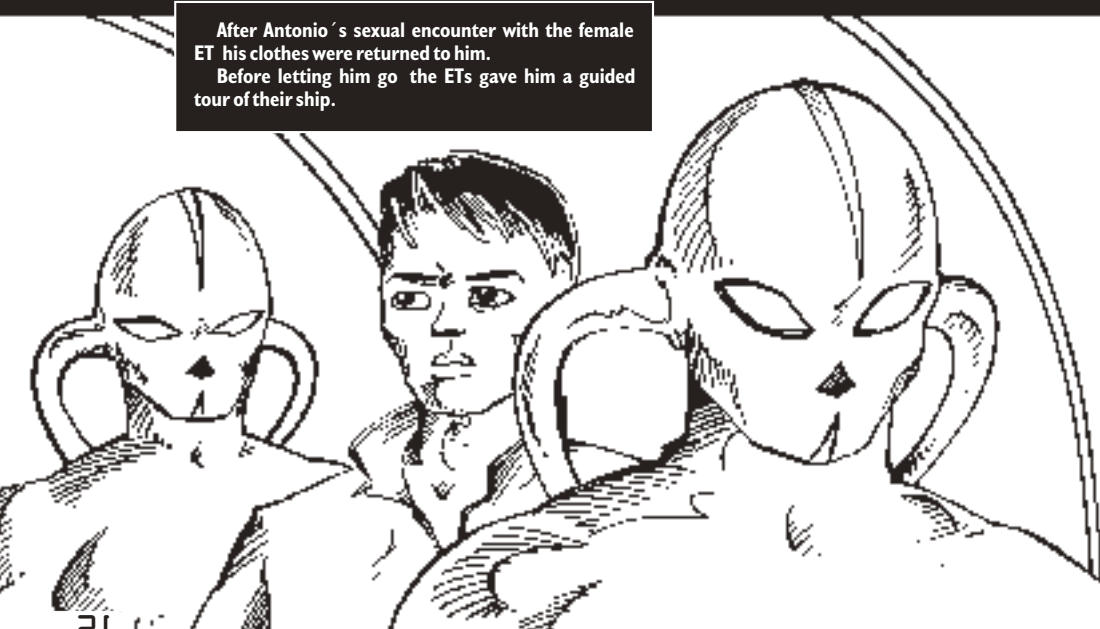
Before the woman left she looked at Antonio pointed to her belly and with a smile on her face she pointed to the sky.



Villas Boas was dropped off in a deserted field not far from São Francisco de Salles. Standing there he watched the ship fly off into the distance.

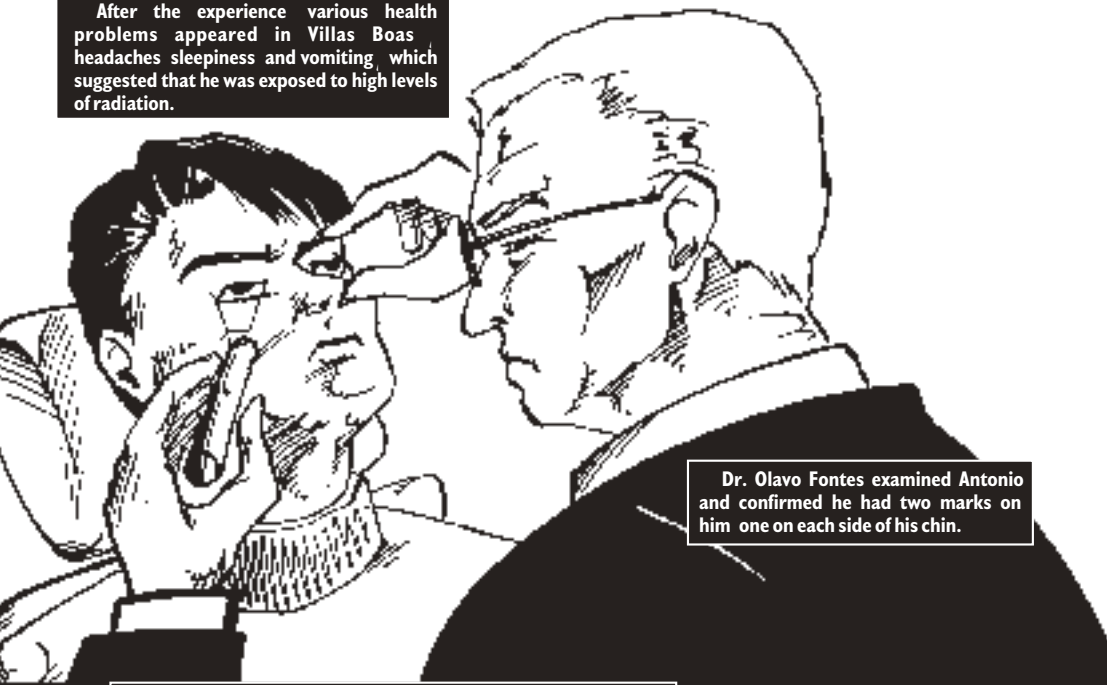


After Antonio's sexual encounter with the female ET his clothes were returned to him. Before letting him go the ETs gave him a guided tour of their ship.





After the experience various health problems appeared in Villas Boas headaches sleepiness and vomiting which suggested that he was exposed to high levels of radiation.



Dr. Olavo Fontes examined Antonio and confirmed he had two marks on him one on each side of his chin.

Villas Boas eventually returned to school received a degree in law and became a successful lawyer. He died in 1992 in the city of Uberaba in Brazil's Triangulo Mineiro.

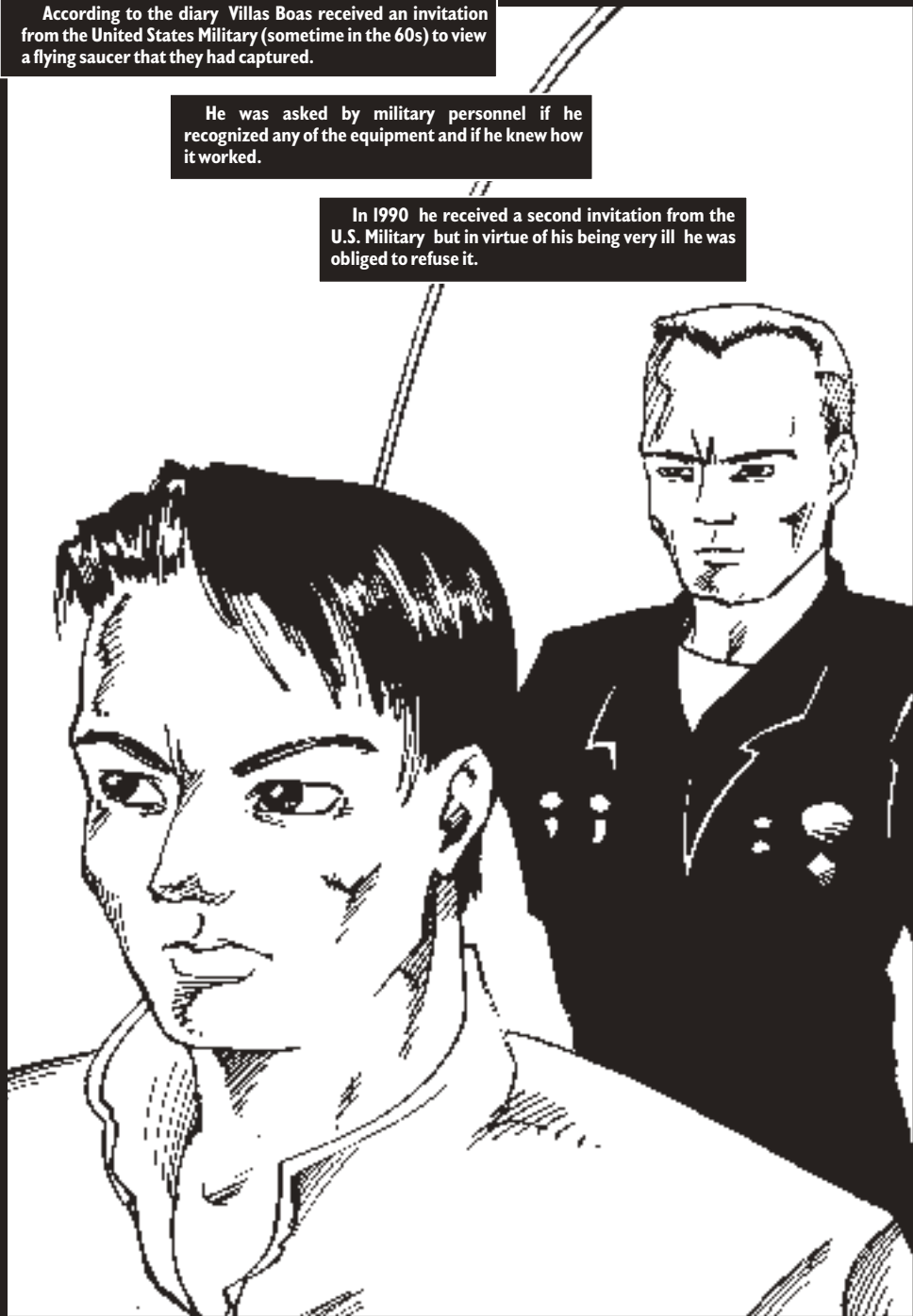
Jer nimo Villas Boas the son of the abductee revealed to UFO researcher José Eduardo Coutinho Maia that his father had left behind many notes about his unusual experience.



According to the diary Villas Boas received an invitation from the United States Military (sometime in the 60s) to view a flying saucer that they had captured.

He was asked by military personnel if he recognized any of the equipment and if he knew how it worked.

In 1990 he received a second invitation from the U.S. Military but in virtue of his being very ill he was obliged to refuse it.



# THE FLYING MANTA

# RAY IN VOTORANTIM



**Dr. Aristedes Sebastião Aparecido, a lawyer, a politician and the secretary of the city council in Votorantim, is a serious man. And like all good politicians he is concerned with his image. For ten days, in January of 1993, he tried to protect his image. He was afraid that the townspeople of Votorantim would ridicule him and think he was crazy if his story got out.**

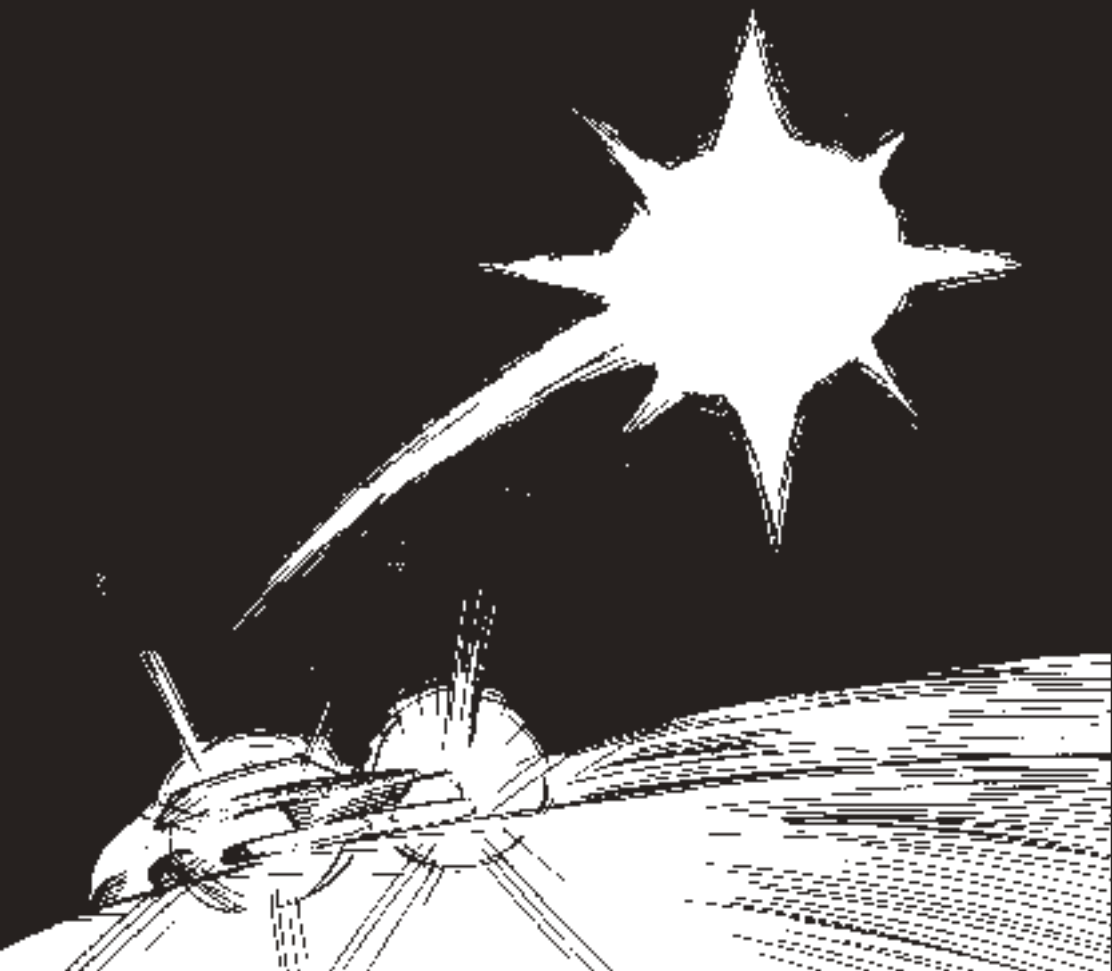
**B**ut on January 20 1993 the newspaper Folha de Votorantim published the story the politician was trying to keep out of the press. Everyone in Votorantim now knew that on January 10 1993 that Dr. Aristedes Tide Paran as he is know in the city and his cousin Delvani Daniel Siqueira had an encounter with a UFO.

The summer heat on the night of January 10 1994 was very intense. At 11 30 that night Dr. Aristedes and his

cousin Delvani decided to head into town and have a few cool beers to quench their thirst from the heat. As Dr. Aristedes drove his car down Jo o Laureano Avenue he and his cousin noticed a strange light similar to a welding torch light on a hill nicknamed Mirante dos OVNIS which translated into English means UFO Lookout point.

Both men kept their eyes on the light and then suddenly it began to change colors going from orange to yellow.





The doctor asked his cousin "Did you see that?" to which Delvani replied in the affirmative as they now turned onto Luiz do Patroc nio Fernandes Avenue.

Dr. Aristedes began to reduce the speed of his car while keeping his attention on the unknown light. He then turned off the car's engine and let it coast down the street. He and Delvani noticed that the light started to increase in size so the doctor pulled his car over

to the curb to observe the light more carefully. It was now 11 45 PM and the two men were no longer concerned with the intense heat that night or about having a few cools beers to quench their thirst from it. All their attention was on the light that was getting larger and larger.

200 meters from where the doctor and his cousin were parked was another parked car on the opposite side of the street. Four young men were

leaning against it. They too had probably seen the strange light.

As Dr. Aristedes and Delvani watched the light which was about 1000 meters away from them they decided to signal it with the headlights of the car which they did. And as soon as they signaled the light it went out. One second it was there and the next it was gone which both men found very odd so they decided to get out of the car to see if they could find the light.

Both men were now standing outside of the car trying desperately to find the mysterious light looking in all directions but Delvani was the first one to look up. What he saw froze him with fear. There 50 to 60 meters above their heads hovering silently was a strange looking craft.

Dr. Aristedes described the craft as being triangular shaped about the size of two passenger planes. "It looked similar to a giant manta ray full of colorful lights that were alternating from orange to yellow to green and so forth " said Delvani. He also described the object as being completely metallic and said that it had some type of sophisticated ironworks on its underside which looked like hooks holding what appeared to be a complex circular structure. The object also had a tailfin giving the triangular shaped object the appearance of a manta ray.

The out of this world looking craft hovered over the men for 5 or 6 seconds and then silently took off in the direction of Dr. Aristedes house towards a hill Morro da Mariquinha. The two men hurriedly got back into the car to follow the craft. Before speeding off though they stopped where the four young men were leaning against the parked car and asked if they had seen what had just happened. The four said that they only remembered seeing the strange light but not the craft. Dr. Aristedes and Delvani then continued their pursuit of the craft.

Following the object the two men drove towards Morro da Mariquinha. But when they were almost at the location the lights on the craft went out as if someone had just turned off a light. The UFO encounter which lasted for 30 minutes was over.

The following day Dr. Aristedes and Delvani deeply affected by their encounter with the flying manta ray type of craft woke up ill humored and depressed and decided to fast the whole day hoping that it would help change the mood they were both in. But a new door had been opened inside their minds a door to the mysterious world of UFOs and those strange beings that occupy them.



# LEROY BROWN

**O**n January 20, 1996, the city of Varginha (pop. 120,000), which is located in the state of Minas Gerais, Brazil, became famous overnight due to one of the most extraordinary incidents ever recorded in that country: the capture of ETs. And the doctor who ufologists claim was in charge of the examination of the space creatures was Dr. Fortunato Badan Palhares, a well-known coroner from the Universidade de Campinas (UNICAMP) who has been involved in numerous prominent forensic investigations, including the identification of the remains of Nazi war criminal Josef Mengele in the mid-eighties.

Since the Varginha story came to the public's attention, Dr. Palhares has always denied any involvement in the examination of ETs by saying, "I don't know where this idea came from." But recently, he made a cryptic statement about the case when asked about it and said, "Ask me about Varginha in 10 years, maybe I can say something about this subject!"

The story you are about to read



Leroy Brown is taken from an email sent to Michael Wysmierski (author of CE-BK) by the Brazilian UFO researcher Vitorio Pacaccini concerning new and important information about Dr. Palhares involvement with the Varginha Case.

A great friend from my childhood lives in Três Corações, my home town. He's a very intelligent, educated, and cultured person who was brought into this world through the skilled hands of my father. This friend is today, a respected doctor in the city. By chance, he has already helped me with research on the Varginha Case in past years.

Besides Três Corações, I also have some business in the rural area in the South of Minas Gerais. I was recently there for 40 days to take care of some business.

On a very beautiful night, this doctor, my childhood friend, telephoned me and requested a meeting with me in an urgent manner, at a secret location. I was given directions where to meet him and I went there.

There at the location, he anxiously told me about what had happened to another person from the medical field; a person who is an expert in Intensive Care Units (ICUs) of hospitals. Let's call this person "Leroy Brown".

The hospital in Três Corações recently went through a large renovation and was totally reequipped. A new ICU was recently set up there and "Leroy Brown" was called in to help equip it, coming from another city outside the state of Minas Gerais.

During the work of implanting this ICU, my childhood friend came to know "Leroy Brown". They began having friendly chats between themselves, having lunch together, going out together with their wives, frequenting each others house and eventually becoming friends. And one day during a conversation, "Leroy Brown" made a comment that he had worked in Varginha and that he had helped to implant the ICU of "Hospital Regional de Varginha" (The Regional Hospital of Varginha).

After my childhood friend heard this, he couldn't control himself and asked his new friend:

"Oh! When did you work there?"

**Leroy Brown (LB):** From October of 1995 to April of 1996.

"What! Then you heard about that incident that was in all the press, about those strange creatures that had been taken there?"

Leroy Brown hesitated . . . passed his hand through his hair, looked to both sides and said:

**(LB):** Look, I'm going to tell you something and you can't tell anyone that you heard this from me, alright? And it's all true.

My childhood friend asked:

*In what way is it true?*

**(LB):** Everything the ufologists reported to the press is all true. The people of Hospital Regional de Varginha closed down the area next to ICU and began telling that the people to evacuate the area, telling everyone that they had to perform some tests with the new equipment. As one of the people involved in helping set up ICU, I was there when they began the evacuation, and I can guarantee you that there wasn't any dangerous equipment there to be tested which necessitated an evacuation of people from that area.

This was enough to call my attention. I kept wondering what was going on that Saturday, principally at night.

Then, I kept delaying, pretending that I needed to get some notes and some other material to buy some time. Not everyone had been evacuated from the area, including myself, when I began to see strangers entering ICU. They were not dressed as doctors or nurses.

These strangers were helping in the evacuation of the area, telling everyone that they had to leave without giving much of an explanation. The people were exited out of the area immediately.

One person especially called my attention; I almost didn't recognize him because, I had already seen him in a doctor's outfit and tie . . . and on this day, he was wearing social clothes and dark glasses. I paid close attention to him while he was talking with some strangers there in the back, to make sure that it was him in flesh and bone.

My childhood fiend asked in a tense voice:

*Who, for the love of God??*

**(LB):** Dr. Fortunato Badan Palhares. . . in person.

*He was there inside Hospital Regional of Varginha?*

**(LB):** It was really him. I'm never going to forget this in my life. I asked myself: What is this famous doctor from Campinas doing here? It was really him, with his white hair and beard. . . it was him. He kept giving orders to these strangers all the time. It seemed he was in command of something. The people would listen to him and then take action.

I was leaving, because there was no way to stay there any longer. The tone that the strangers used in asking us to leave wasn't impolite, it was energetic. Everyone understood it.

I was outside of ICU with two other people that I knew a little and the funny thing is that, before I could say anything, these people asked me if I had already seen and identified Dr. Badan Palhares there in ICU. And I replied that I had.

After all that, there inside the Hospital Regional de Varginha, no one said anything that made any sense, and the only thing that could be heard there was: nothing has happened, there isn't anything to see here.

"Leroy Brown" mentioned that a few days later, ufologists started talking about what was going on in Varginha and those creatures, which made me more curious. I tried to talk with other people at the hospital and perceived that no one wanted to talk about the subject, they were afraid of losing their job and afraid of being involved in a military subject, especially if everything the ufologists were saying was true.

My childhood fiend set up a secret encounter between "Leroy Brown" and me a few weeks later, when I was in the South of Minas.

"Leroy Brown" doesn't have a shadow of a doubt that Dr. Fortunato Badan Palhares was inside of Hospital Regional

de Varginha on that Saturday, 20/01/1996. And one more thing. He's certain that something very, very serious was going in the hospital that day.

"Leroy Brown" doesn't know how those strangers entered Hospital Regional or what time they arrived there . . . but guarantees:

*"Pacaccini", they were there, doing what . . .? I think that the ufologists have already told the world."* "Leroy Brown" is also afraid (for various reasons) and doesn't wish to be identified.

After a great deal of insistence from my friend and me, "Leroy Brown" agreed to be videotaped, which I've done and documented.

I can still remember, as if it was yesterday, when the information about the arrival of the military convoy in Campinas and the involvement of Dr. Badan Palhares arrived in my hand, there in Varginha coming from an "absolutely secure" source of mine.

Well! Time has shown us other facets of Dr. Badan Palhares. So, it doesn't make any sense for him to keep denying that he doesn't know anything and that he didn't have any involvement in Varginha, because he did.

As he has already said on another occasion:

"Ask me about Varginha in 10 years, maybe I can say something about this subject!"

I don't need ten years . . .

He has been involved since the beginning in Varginha, and was probably taken there by his friends, the military, who filled him in on everything there, explaining to him how the transportation operation of the creatures would be conducted to Campinas, where ample installations, equipment and specialized personell were available at the University of Campinas (UNICAMP).

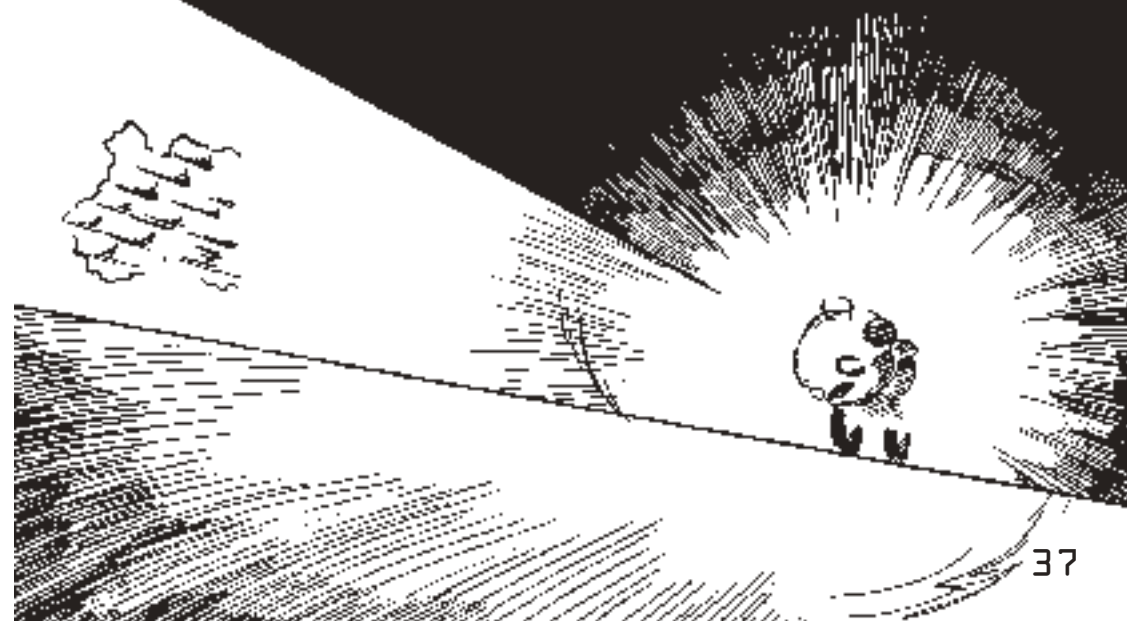
We will remain in contact, and the research will continue.



**Vitório Pacaccini**

# THE DWARFETS

On the night of August 26 1996 João Galvão Coelho a 33 year old doorman and his wife Ivanete were on their way home when . . .





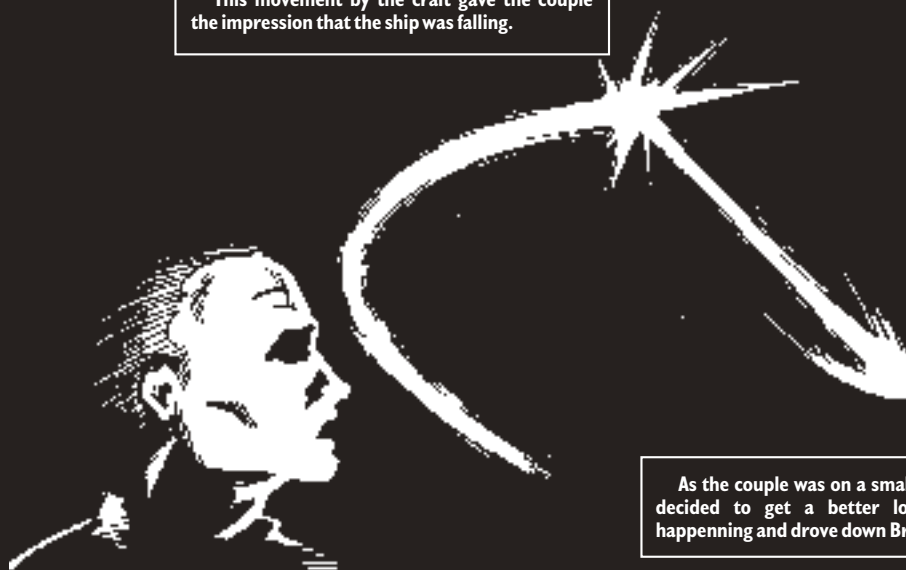
... they were surprised by a luminous object flying at a low altitude as it maneuvered through the sky.

At first João thought it was just an airplane but after getting a better look at it he realized that the strange object was not a conventional aircraft.



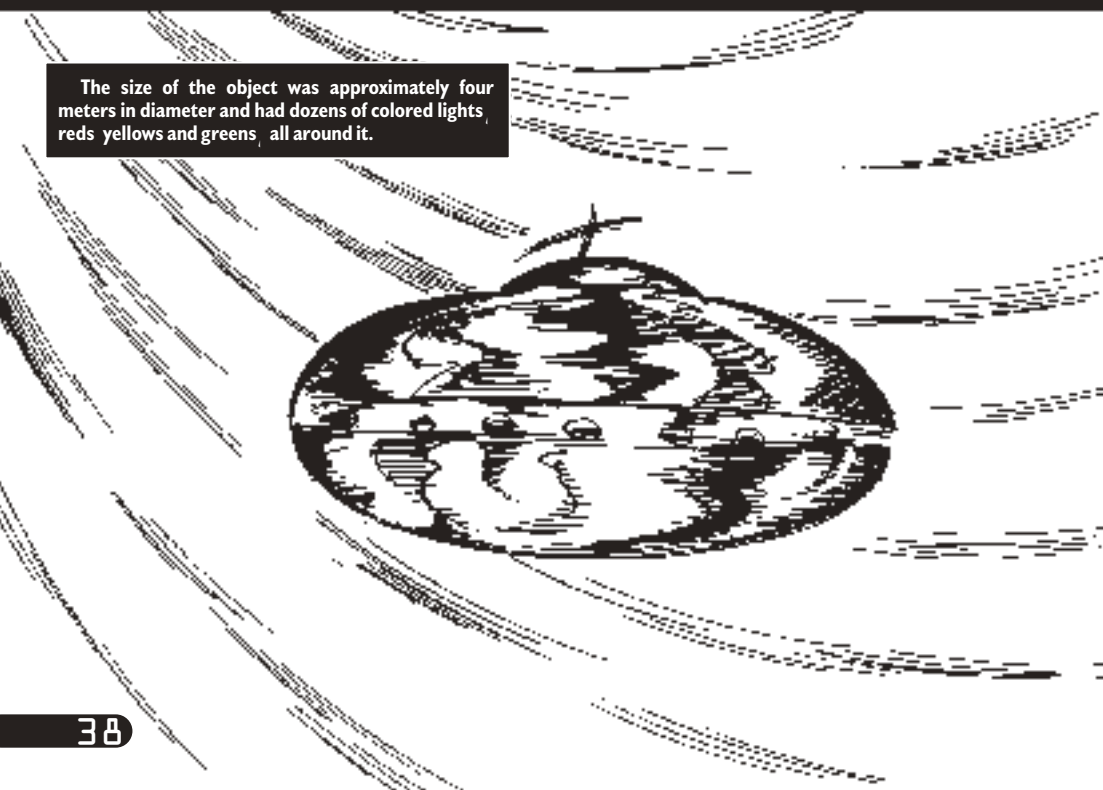
Suddenly the UFO made a curve stopped in the sky and started to descend diagonally.

This movement by the craft gave the couple the impression that the ship was falling.

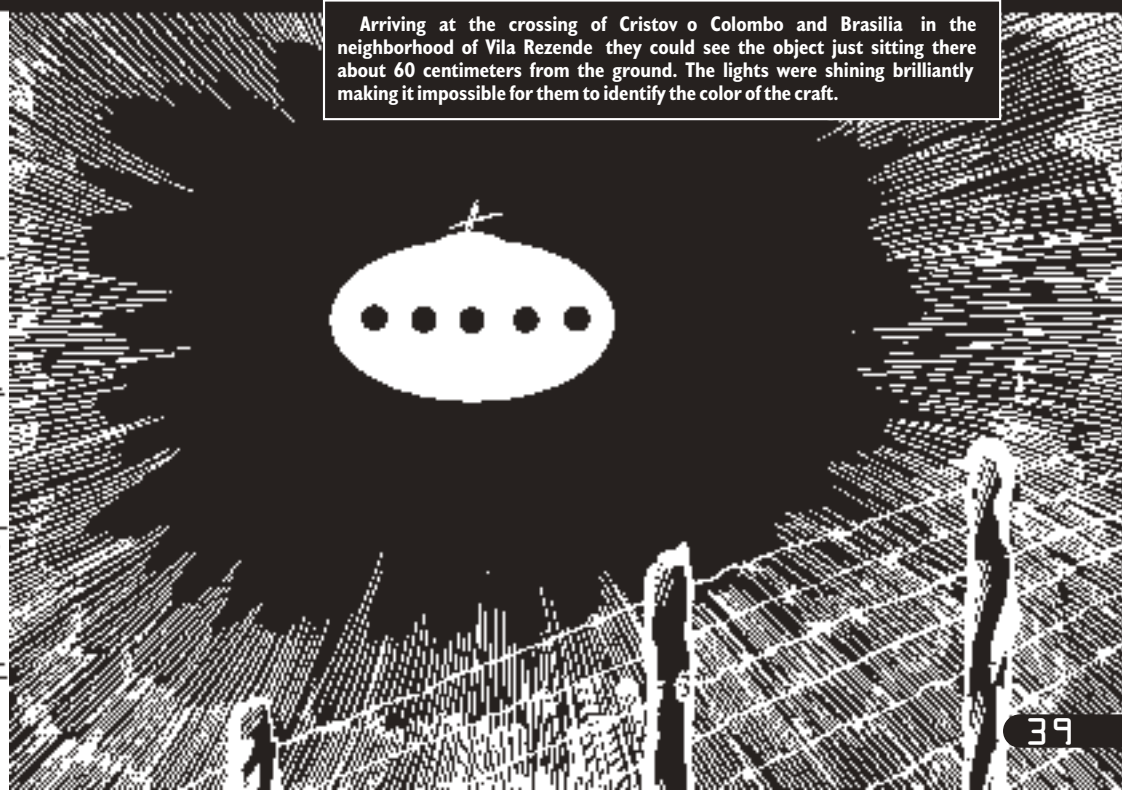


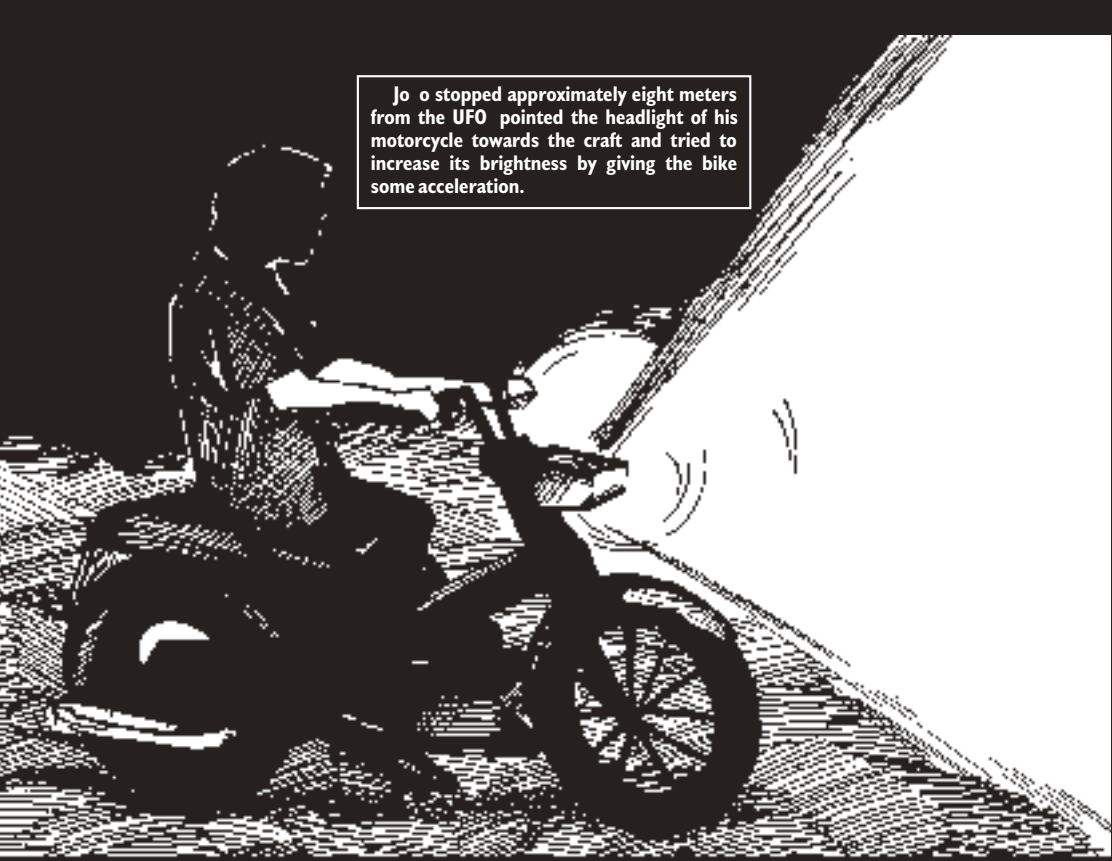
As the couple was on a small motorcycle they decided to get a better look at what was happening and drove down Brasília Avenue.

The size of the object was approximately four meters in diameter and had dozens of colored lights, reds, yellows and greens, all around it.

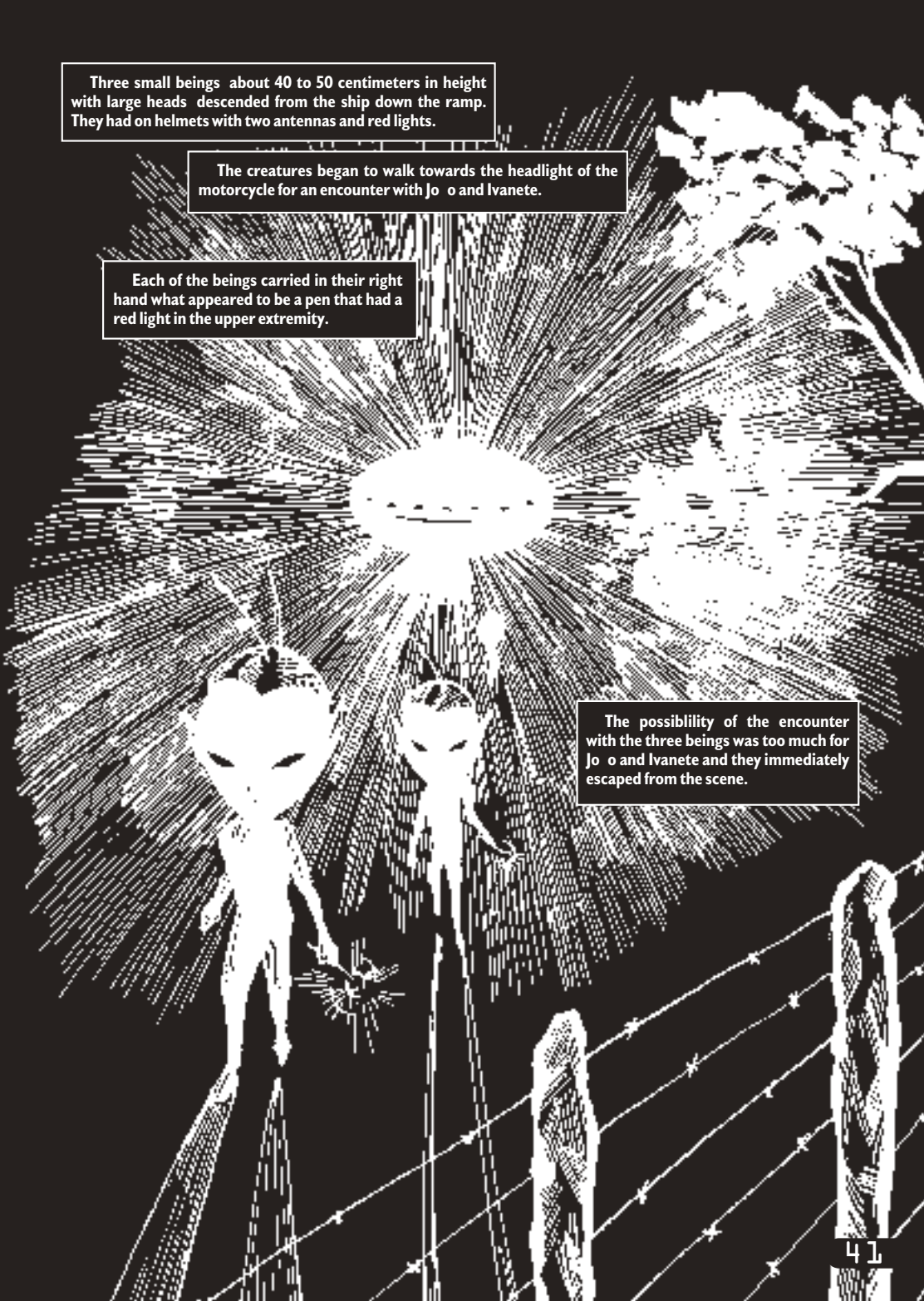


Arriving at the crossing of Cristov o Colombo and Brasília in the neighborhood of Vila Rezende they could see the object just sitting there about 60 centimeters from the ground. The lights were shining brilliantly making it impossible for them to identify the color of the craft.






Jo o stopped approximately eight meters from the UFO pointed the headlight of his motorcycle towards the craft and tried to increase its brightness by giving the bike some acceleration.



Three small beings about 40 to 50 centimeters in height with large heads descended from the ship down the ramp. They had on helmets with two antennas and red lights.

The creatures began to walk towards the headlight of the motorcycle for an encounter with Jo o and Ivanete.

Each of the beings carried in their right hand what appeared to be a pen that had a red light in the upper extremity.



Ivanete observed that a ramp began to descend from beneath the object until it touched the ground. The ramp was illuminated.

The possibility of the encounter with the three beings was too much for Jo o and Ivanete and they immediately escaped from the scene.

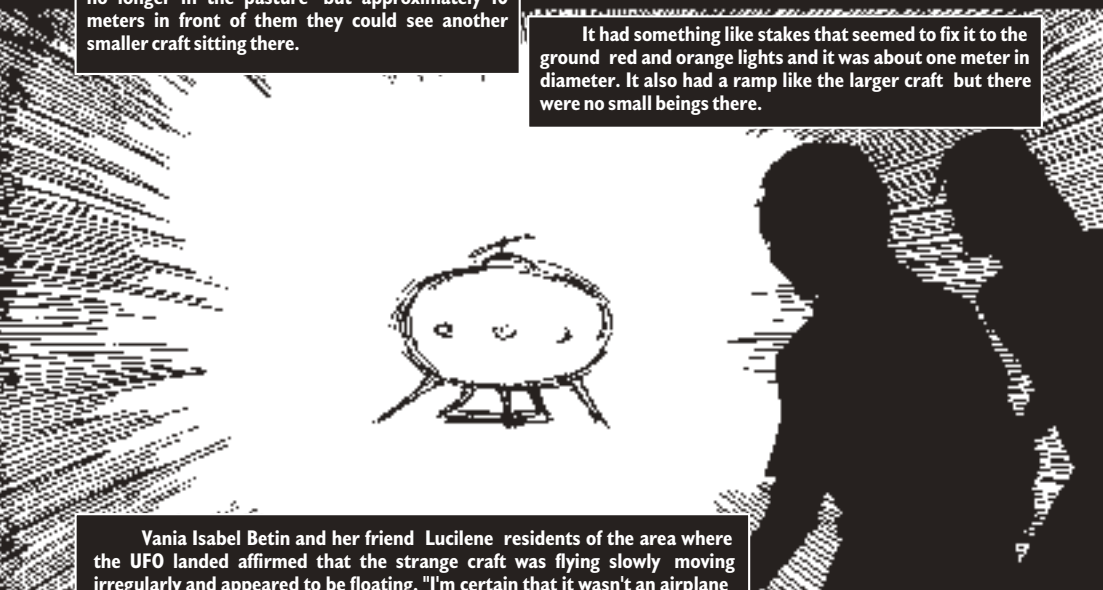
Already at home in their neighborhood of São Luis in the city of Santa Terezinha João and Ivanete spoke with neighbors about what they had seen only to discover that many other people had seen the same object in the sky that night.

Elizabeth da Silva was one of them. João and Ivanete took her to the location of the UFO landing around an hour and a half later.



The object that was encountered earlier was no longer in the pasture but approximately 10 meters in front of them they could see another smaller craft sitting there.

It had something like stakes that seemed to fix it to the ground red and orange lights and it was about one meter in diameter. It also had a ramp like the larger craft but there were no small beings there.

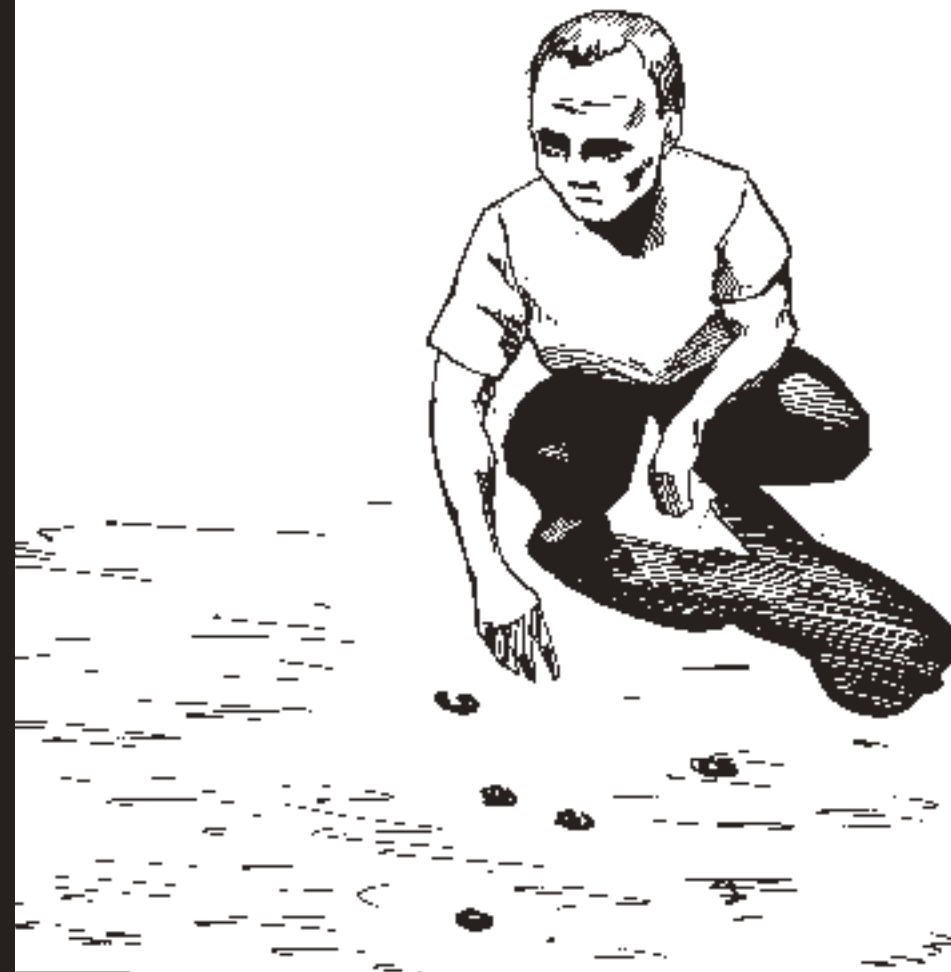


Vania Isabel Betin and her friend Lucilene residents of the area where the UFO landed affirmed that the strange craft was flying slowly moving irregularly and appeared to be floating. "I'm certain that it wasn't an airplane because it was flying very low and wasn't making any noise and besides that it was round and full of colored lights all around it."

On the following day João returned to the location of the sighting and found five marks on the ground three of them formed a triangle and in the center the two others formed a trapezoid.

The perforations had exact measurements and formed a triangle with 30 centimeters from the base to 55 centimeters on the sides. The other two center marks in the triangle had a distance of 12 centimeters and 17 centimeters (from each side) from the base.

João confirmed that the three marks that formed a triangle were the ". . . feet of the little craft and the other two were made by the ramp of the UFO."



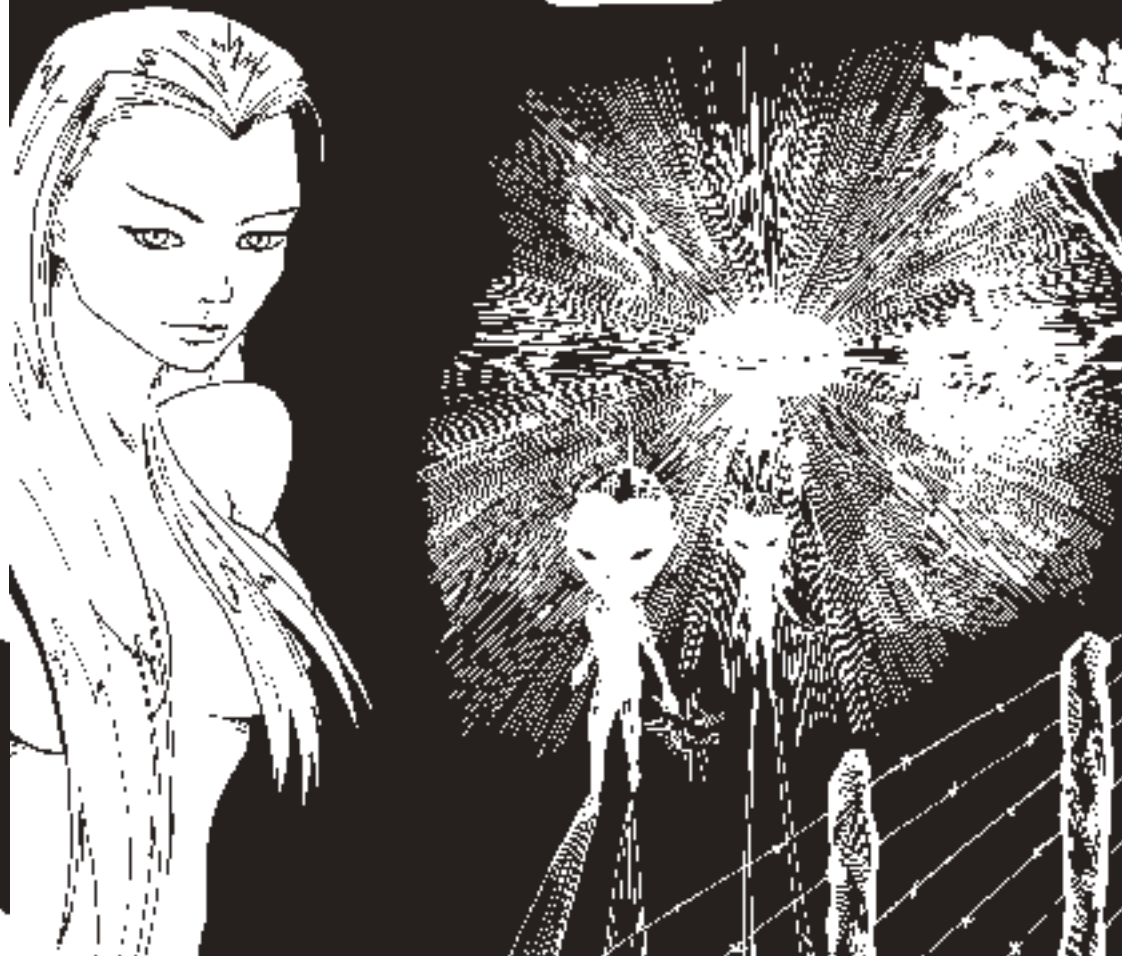
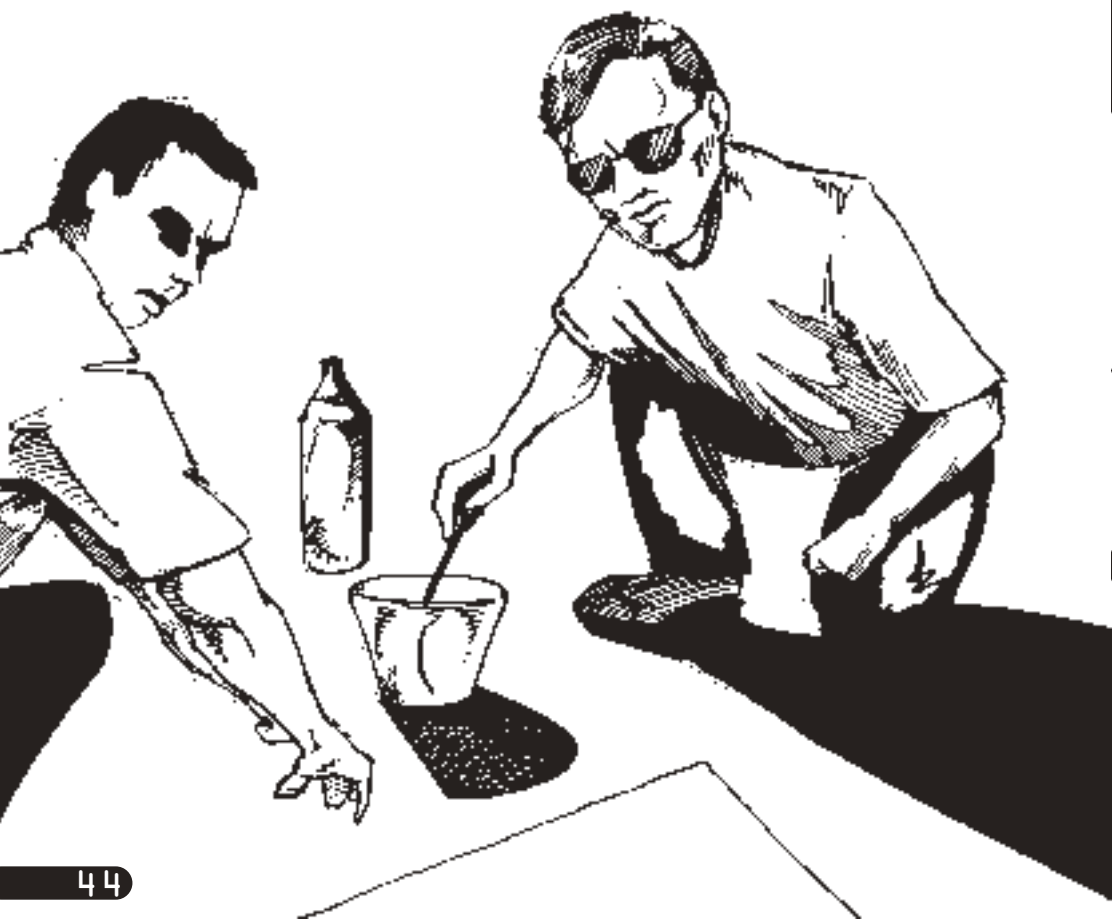


Renato Louren o Costa accompanied by three other ufologists from the city went to the location where the UFO landed.

Molds of the marks left by the UFO were made and samples of the vegetation were taken for analysis and sent to research centers in the region.

Photographs of the landing marks were also taken.

No radiation was detected in the area.



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## QUOTES

### Unidentified Flying Objects

*"About unidentified flying objects, we can say that periodically our attention is awakened to the appearance on our radar and our (military) system radar of some signals that we, for a lack of a better name and so as not to risk a carelessness of classification, we call them electronic anomalies.*

*And we can say that in 90% of the cases that we are able to find an electronic explanation, an explanation based on technology for the appearance of these spots or for the appearance of points that in reality do not represent concrete objects.*

*But, we are also obliged to recognize that in around 10% of the cases we cannot find an explanation or we are not capable to formulate a logical explanation for that which is being observed."*

Brigadier General Sócrates Monteiro  
Speaking on Brazilian television about UFOs