DID A HUGE UFO CRASH IN KAZAKHSTAN IN 1991?
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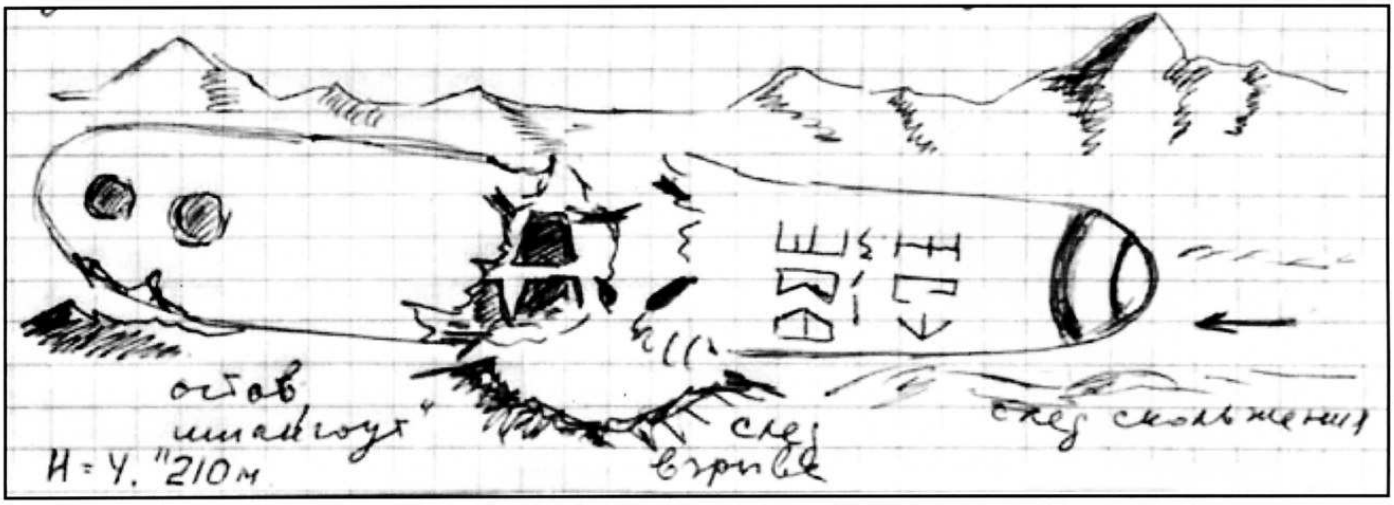

[We have received scraps of information about this alleged crash in the Republic of Kazakhstan (Central Asia) from several sources, but the only one that is seemingly complete is given in *EVIDENCIA OVNI* No.17 (1998), although we are not told who is its author. We give a translation of it below. It certainly bears all the hall-marks of being entirely genuine, including a few hand-written annotations in Russian.]

On May 2, 1998, a confused story started to circulate on the *Internet,* to the effect that a large UFO had crashed in August or September 1991 in the territory of this former republic of the USSR, and that the Russian authorities of that time had either recovered the wreckage or attempted to recover it from its site in a mountainous district of south-eastern Kazakhstan.

This message was stated to have emanated from a Russian Ufologist named Nikolai Subbotin, director of a group known as the Russian UFO Investigation Station (RUFORS in English), and was relaying a report sent straight from the site of the crash by another Russian scientist, Emil Bachurin.

According to Subbotin, Bachurin had been at the site along with a group of military officials and had included in his report a sketch of the craft made by himself, along with his own handwritten notes.

Bachurin said it was quite impossible to photograph or video the scene more closely than at a distance of 500 metres, owing to the intense radiation emanating from the crashed craft, clouding films and damaging equipment. Bachurin himself claimed that he had suffered damage to his eyesight and other people claimed that they had suffered skin-burns.

The sketch, reproduced herewith, shows a large tubular object lying on the ground and broken in half at the middle. -which gives rise to the thought that the explosion might have been an "auto-destruct" operation. The mountains in the background are allegedly identifiable as the T'IEN-SHAN RANGE, the enormous chain running from south-west to north-east along the entire frontier between Kazakhstan and neighbouring Kirghizstan as far as the West of China. On the side of the craft various symbols, of prominent size, were visible.

One RUFORS member, Grigor Jarikov, of St. Petersburg, claims that some parts of the text on Bachurin's sketch can be translated as follows:

"Title: The 'Zeppelin' on the T'IEN-SHAN."

"Natural Medium 'Sh.-Mazar' - "The Throat of the East."

"It is impossible to take photographs. There are victims. The marks are green" (it is not clear what this means.)

"The size is 620 X 120 m." (Jarikov later confirmed again that the object was indeed 620 metres long and 120 metres in diameter -absolutely enormous.)

"The central part is split apart -probably by a "self-liquidator" (auto-destruction mechanism)."

Among other annotations there are also these:

"All watches stopped completely at a distance of 600 metres from the object, and it was possible to note that there is an almost total absence of a magnetic field at that distance."

"There is a skid-track (also seen in the sketch, which seems to be evidence that when the object fell, it slithered along the ground).

A few days after the first message, Jarikov added some important clarifications: The fall of the craft or object was, he said, not a *recent* event, although the public reports about it *were* recent. The crash had occurred around the end of August or beginning of September of 1991. The first group of military investigators had arrived there in August 1992.

They suffered severe radiation burns and were unable to approach to nearer than 500 metres from the object, said Jarikov. The attempts to photograph the craft resulted in only one over-exposure, all the rest of the films being blacked right out. Furthermore the video cameras were "burnt-out" and the video tapes were turned "glassy and

brittle", disintegrating straight away inside the cameras.

Jarikov said that other recent visitors to the site had managed to see the remains of a military helicopter - identified as an *Mi-8* with coloured and painted camouflage.

Jarikov says that apparently this Russian helicopter had flown very close to the wreckage of the UFO and had been destroyed (the precise method of the destruction not being identified).

Jarikov also writes: "The skid-track of the craft along the ground is about 800 to 1,000 metres long, and is clearly visible,.. it must also be completely visible from Space. The craft's course was from due west to due east, flying on a very level trajectory. And, if we are not mistaken, its size really is 620m long and 120m wide".

Jarikov emphasised that the size of the craft and the big and evident skid-marks would have rendered it clearly visible to satellites. Because they have not been able to take photographs at ground level, he says, the Russian investigators were hoping that photographs taken from satellites could possibly eventually be released to the public and that this would finally confirm the *whereabouts* of the crash.■

SPECIAL REPORT TO FSR, DATED FEB. 6, 1999: MORE ANIMAL MUTILATIONS IN SPAIN. THE ASTONISHING "DEPREDATOR" OF LERIN (NAVARRE PROVINCE, N.E. SPAIN.)

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During the night of 8/9 October 1998, a sheep-pen owned by Natalio Rodríguez at Lerin, 22 kms. from Estella, in the Valley of the River Ebro, (Province of Navarra, N.E. Spain) was invaded by a mysterious animal that left some 25 sheep dead in very strange circumstances. The farmer had a total of almost 900 sheep there, in two pens, one pen with a stone -adobe surrounding wall (which was the one entered), and the other, containing 400 sheep, with a wire surrounding fence.

The slaughter could well have been far greater, but in the stone-walled pen the sheep, in panic, broke down the gate and escaped. As they fled, the attacker killed 11 or 12, their bodies being found over an area of almost 800 m. from the pen.

Our MIZAR investigations team found strange and most disturbing physical features in this case -features that link the case to others that occurred, in the River Ebro Valley, at Hecho, and Ansó, and at Falces, in the mid-1900s.

Firstly, the footprint of the killer was of a most unusual and abnormally large size, far too big to be of a wild dog or a wolf -it was 16 cms. long and 11 cms, wide, and 4 cms deep, with no pad (?) (almohadillo) and no signs of a fetlock such as would be a feature common to the hind legs of dogs. And the paws were more "claw-like" than dogs' paws are. These tracks were found over a radius of 600 m.

But even more astonishing was the result of our study of the predator's methods, because it had attacked only the sheep that were in the stone-and-adobe walled pen and not those in the wire-fenced pen. This, as the farmer points out, indicates *intelligence* on the part of the attacker: it chose to go for the pen out of which it would be most difficult for the sheep to escape. (The stone/ adobe wall is 1.55 m in height). After finishing off the victims it had caught inside that pen it pursued the rest of the escaping sheep over a radius of up to 600 m or 800 m. This shows a most unusual capacity for killing -ALMOST AS IF, SO IT SEEMS, THE PREDATOR HAD THE ABILITY TO *PARALYZE* THE FLEEING ANIMALS!

We made a study of those sheep that were merely wounded (they died later) and found that their injuries were *identical* with those on the dead sheep. That is to say, ALL HAD TWO SINGLE WOUNDS ON THE SAME SIDE OF THE NECK and no other marks or claw-scratch or fang-mark on any other part of the body (udders, rumps, etc.) And the two wound-marks were always rhomboidal in appearance, 2 X 4 cms., *and very close together -far too close together to be from the teeth of dogs or of wolves*) and of a blackish colour, the animals subsequently dying of infection.

AND THERE WAS A TOTAL ABSENCE OF ANY TEARING OF THE SKIN OR ANY REMOVAL OF SKIN OR FLESH. MOREOVER THE ATTACKER HAD NOT DEVOURED A SINGLE MORSEL OF ANY OF THE FLESH OF THE SHEEP -SURELY A VERY ILLOGICAL THING SEEING THAT WHEN A PREDATOR ATTACKS IT DOES IT IN ORDER TO *EAT* -NOT TO AMUSE ITSELF! FINALLY, THERE WAS NOT ONE SINGLE DROP OF BLOOD ANYWHERE - NOT EVEN AROUND THE WOUNDS, WHEREAS NORMALLY, WHENEVER SHEEP ARE ATTACKED THERE IS A COPIOUS SEEPAGE OF BLOOD FROM THE WOUNDS.

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