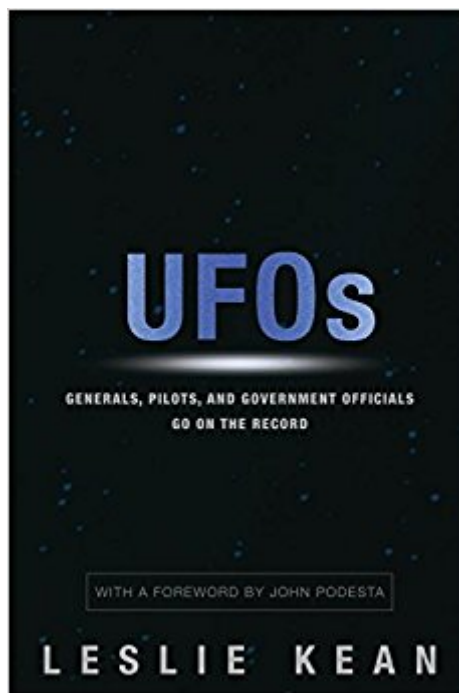




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UFOs: Generals, Pilots And Government Officials Go On The Record



Synopsis

An Air Force major is ordered to approach a brilliant UFO in his Phantom jet over Tehran. He repeatedly attempts to engage and fire on unusual objects heading right toward his aircraft, but his missile control is locked and disabled. Witnessed from the ground, this dogfight becomes the subject of a secret report by the U.S. Defense Intelligence Agency. In Belgium, an Air Force colonel investigates a series of widespread sightings of unidentified triangular objects, and he sends F-16s to attempt a closer look. Many hundreds of eyewitnesses, including on-duty police officers, file reports, and a spectacular photograph of an unidentifiable craft is retrieved and analyzed. Here at home, a retired chief of the FAA's Accidents and Investigations Division reveals the agency's response to a thirty-minute encounter between an aircraft and a gigantic UFO over Alaska, which occurred during his watch and is documented on radar. Now all three of these distinguished men have written breathtaking, firsthand accounts about these extraordinary incidents. They are joined by Air Force generals and a host of high-level sources—including Fife Symington III, former governor of Arizona, and Nick Pope, former head of the British Defence Ministry's UFO Investigative Unit—who have agreed to write their own detailed, personal stories about UFO encounters and investigations for the first time. They are coming forward now because of Leslie Kean, an investigative reporter who has spent the last ten years studying the still unexplained UFO phenomenon. Kean reviewed hundreds of government documents, aviation reports, radar data, and case studies with corroborating physical evidence. She carefully examined scientifically analyzed photographs and interviewed dozens of high-level officials and aviation witnesses from around the world. With the support of former White House chief of staff John Podesta, Kean draws on her research to separate fact from fiction and to lift the veil on decades of U.S. government misinformation. Throughout, she presents irrefutable evidence that unknown flying objects—metallic, luminous, and seemingly able to maneuver in ways that defy the laws of physics—actually exist. No one yet knows what these objects are, even though they affect aviation safety and possibly national security. The phenomenon has been officially acknowledged by numerous foreign governments. For these reasons and many others, Kean concludes that the UFO problem must be more widely recognized and ultimately solved through an unbiased scientific investigation. The material presented throughout this landmark book is sobering, unflinching, and undeniably awe-inspiring, and moves us toward a goal of properly addressing this worldwide mystery. From the Hardcover edition.

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Customer Reviews

Okay. Maybe not the U.S. government. But a bunch of others. But, first, a little background. UFOs fascinate the public to the point that almost everyone, it seems, has heard the most celebrated stories -- Roswell, Betty and Barney Hill, Rendlesham Forest -- but nobody really has a definitive answer for what they are. Not even Leslie Kean. In fact, ESPECIALLY not Leslie Kean. And that is one of the things that makes this book one that cannot be ignored. Most people would just like the government to tell us what they are, or even if they are real or not. Kean points out they already have. The French, Belgian, British, Brazilian, Chilean and Peruvian governments have all either acknowledged that "UFOs" are, in fact, real objects, or have taken public positions which implicitly acknowledge that this is so. They have been observed by thousands, photographed, tracked on radar. They have left evidence of their existence on the ground, interfered with radio or other communications equipment, and had effects which can be measured and observed on plant life. So much for the claim that they are not worthy of serious study because they can be OBJECTIVELY studied. No, the real issue is not that SOME governments continue to ignore this intriguing mystery,

but that the U.S. government has been so stubbornly silent about it. In fact, the U.S. government has engaged in a campaign intended to undermine any serious inquiry into just what those things are. Kean addresses all of this in her book. In fact, that's the reason she wrote it. It is NOT just another collection of creepy UFO stories, but a proof of sorts that UFOs ARE real, and deserve to be studied more. Many of her chapters are written by others -- generals, government officials, and pilots. Even Fife Symington, former governor of Arizona, makes his supportive contribution -- and a few "mea culpas" -- as he talks about what has come to be referred to as the "Phoenix lights" event. This book doesn't hold much new for anybody who has long been interested in UFOs. What is "new" about it is the number of credible contributions Kean has garnered from other people around the world. Will the book make the difference she hopes it will? Probably not right away. But even if it persuades one or two additional scientists to apply the empirical method to the study of UFOs, it will have been worth her effort.

In her book *UFOs: A History of Generals, Pilots & Government Officials Go On Record*, Leslie Kean lays an ironclad foundation to the subject of unidentified flying objects [UFOs]. The author and contributors do a rather compelling job of outlining the main components of each of the respective incidents discussed, and doing so in a way that's reasonable, yet thought provoking. Kean also discusses various other pertinent issues regarding the UFO phenomena. Many of the best known UFO sightings are showcased by Kean. Some of the most notable sightings discussed in the book range from the more recent Phoenix Lights incident, which of course officials say were "flares" [who buys that?], to the older and yet just as compelling Belgian UFO wave. Another rather salient encounter that has been covered at length by other researchers but is one with extensive credibility is the Rendelsham Forest incident. Of course, there are many more significant sightings that are distilled by the author/contributors which people should know about. Coupled with the above information Kean also dabbles into part of UFOlogy's history, such as the nascent stages of COMETA et al. That said, given some of the more well known sightings, veteran researchers and readers will undoubtedly know most if not all of the information provided. That really depends on how much research a given person has put into this field. That is not to say the book does not have plenty to offer, because it does. It's just that the author focuses on many of the most well known incidents, which many folks will be familiar with. Still, Kean does an exemplary job of bringing lucidity to a field that has long sought for it, and doing so in a scholarly manner. Kean's precision is seen by how she buttresses her book, which is with the most concrete evidence that's available. Curiously, for a book that tackles the

It seems to play it safe however. That's the feel that one gets from the author. For how well executed certain parts of the book were, others felt as if though she had bulls-eyes right in front of her, but she didn't lay out possibilities in their greatest extent. In that way, the book feels like a controlled release of information of already-sifted-through phenomena, and in that sense, it wouldn't make any waves. Its ironic because many people mentioned that this was "the book that would change everything. And don't give me wrong, this is a great book. And it will certainly open its fair share of eyes just by its existence. Still, the information covered has been discussed by countless more authors out there, and in that sense, it could have more significant anchors. All things considered, the credibility the author brings to the subject should be taken very seriously. The collection of testimonies does give a preponderance of evidence given the veracity of the witnesses et al. that something within our world is amiss. Without a doubt, the book is an excellent starting point for those who wish to delve into this abstruse subject, and would serve as a great reference for veteran researchers in the field, or anyone else interested in this fascinating subject. In fact, the book would serve as an excellent springboard when read before Richard Dolan's UFOs And The National Security State, which for all intents and purposes is the unofficial Encyclopedia to a modern UFO phenomena. All in all, given the importance of the information, everyone should read this book. Everyone. As humanity continues to slowly seep into space, more and more UFO sightings will continue taking place. Questions such as: Who is behind these sightings? Why are these sightings taking place? Is it us, them, or Ali? And if its them, where do they come from, and how long have they been here, and elsewhere? Those are just an iota of the handful of the many questions humanity will have to contend with as we move towards a more technologically advanced culture. This book begins shedding light for the common populace to see that there really is something taking place in our skies, and probably beyond. That alone is worth the price of the book. And if just a fraction of what's being stated here is true and keep in mind the credibility of these individuals is top-notch then the world already is a vastly different place than what we have been taught. And if that's the case, what else don't we know? Kindest Regards, -Zy Marquiez TheBreakaway.wordpress.com

This book will not settle the issue of what UFOs are, but it should settle the question whether UFOs

are "real." Military and political authorities with direct access to data from multiple eyewitness accounts, radar hits, and UFO reactions to scrambled jets, agree that something unexpected does occasionally happen in the sky. Some of them believe that the only possible explanation is something that is literally out of this world. Others are not so sure what to make of it. But the fact that there is an "it" to ponder, and that it is not any number of mundane possibilities like misperceptions, secret aircraft, or hoaxes, seems certain. The unresolved question is "now what?" Progress could probably be made if there was a concerted effort to openly study these phenomena, using every means available. But that's not likely to happen because it is frightening to confront the reality that even in the modern, sophisticated world there are things around us that we don't understand at all, and that can literally run rings around us.

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