



WHY DO UFOs VISIT EARTH

Why do UFOs visit the Earth? It's a question that carries a lot of baggage with it. To even ask it, we need to assume that UFOs originate from beyond the Earth, that they are a physical phenomenon, and that they are intelligently controlled. All of those points are arguable to a greater or lesser degree. But, if we hold the view that at least some UFO activity represents an alien presence in our skies then...why are they here?

Human activity is complex. We each act from different motivating factors, and our actions sometimes appear unpredictable, even irrational. So, we must also assume that the intelligence behind alien UFO activity is rational, and directed with purpose (as opposed to, say, space tourism by teenage aliens looking for kicks). Aliens may have a complex set of reasons for visiting here. Certainly, the diversity of UFO activity across the globe suggests this.

However, there is a distinct pattern that we can point to with some confidence. UFOs have often been observed over sensitive military sites by trained, military observers. This was particularly true when the phenomenon was officially investigated back in the post-war decades. The powers-that-be were genuinely concerned about the defence implications of this unwelcome intrusion into their controlled airspace. It's easy to see why, particularly during the height of the Cold War.

This connection was all the more worrying when the sensitive sites were nuclear. There is a secret history of UFO intrusion upon sensitive nuclear sites, particularly nuclear missile launch facilities. It's a scary subject, because nuclear deterrent is a gun whose trigger is light. The systems operating a nation's nuclear deterrent may be complex, but they are designed to be reactive in an extremely short time period.

If a third party were to, say, set off a set of your missiles towards your enemy, then your world will also come to an abrupt end. If that third party demonstrates their ability to control your missiles at will, then you are potentially in a lot of trouble. If aliens are visiting us in their flying saucers, and if they are concerned about our capability to wage atomic war, then they may wish to let us know in an unsubtle way that we are not totally in control of our own weaponry. Such an injunction might cause our generals to sit up and take notice.

Author Robert Hastings has provided a dossier of incidents where just this scenario appears to have been played out across the continental United States. In his book

'UFOs and Nukes', he shows that a great many military men at sensitive nuclear sites have encountered UFOs, leaving a wake of confusion and insecurity.

The purpose of these unwelcome visits is not entirely clear. But consider this: the advent of the UFO phenomenon really got going in the years following the dropping of the first atom bombs. The Roswell incident occurred in the vicinity of the world's only nuclear bomber squadron at that time. The Rendlesham Forest incident in the UK occurred in the vicinity of a nuclear weapons storage area at nearby RAF Bentwaters. Encounters with UFOs over nuclear missile launch facilities have sometimes been associated with technical problems at those sites, like those experienced at Malmstrom AFB in 1967.

The outline of a pattern becomes apparent, even if the agenda does not.

In our already insecure world, the additional factor of UFOs potentially buzzing nuclear weapons sites is not likely to feature high in the public's mind, particularly as the military authorities downplay the threat, and, to put it lightly, discourage public sighting reports among their ranks. Indeed, the British Ministry of Defence justify their seeming disinterest in the UFO phenomenon with the mantra that UFOs are of no defence significance. But, as Robert Hastings argues, the focus of UFO activity seems to be extreme defence significance. This is a dichotomy of Orwellian proportions.