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**FRAUD BY DECEPTION**  
**The TRUTH about Colin Andrews, The Walter Mitty of the Crop Circles**

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**INTRODUCTION**

I had been interested in Crop Circles since the late 1980's and I bought several books on the

subject, including the impressive work Circular Evidence. Once I left my native Canada and came to the UK to study, I was able to spend the summer of 1990 and 91 looking up circles and even managing to visit the odd one or two with friends. Then University work had to prevail and, for while, Crop Circles took a back seat. It was in my third year as an undergraduate that I was told of a talk being given by someone who was an 'expert' on crop circles and I, with a couple of friends, cadged a lift to hear this man's talk. The evening's talks re-awoke the interest in crop circles and I began to find out more on the subject.

After graduating, I was lucky enough to find myself working for a design company in Salisbury. Some of my work brought me into close contact with people from Test Valley Borough Council. Again, this ensured that my interest in crop circles continued, after all, wasn't it a one-time officer of that council, who'd carried out such important research into the phenomenon?

But; when I mentioned the name 'Colin Andrews' to my Test Valley contacts I was very surprised to find that they'd seemingly never heard of him! Was this, I wondered, evidence of the vast 'cover-up' which Andrews had always warned about? Was the 'Establishment' covering up the man's very existence? I once read a lot on the web about Colin Andrews claiming to have met with a Government official and that this official told him that all the circles researchers would be 'Taken out (humiliated) one by one' except Colin, who was thought to be 'trusted'. Now this statement could be a two-edged sword for Colin. Obviously, he was trying to claim that he -and only he- was 'trusted' to work with the Government. But it could also be construed to mean that Colin is actually a Government Agent himself and has been part and parcel of the 'conspiracy' he is always on about! I resolved to look deeper into the subject and try and uncover the Truth.

What I found shocked me.

So, to find out the TRUTH about Colin Andrews, 'Engineer', 'Senior Government Official', 'Crop Circles Researcher since 1983'.....Read on!

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## **Chapter One**

My whole original belief was that the authors of Circular Evidence were Scientists. Furthermore, one, Colin Andrews, was the 'Chief Electrical Engineer of Test Valley Borough Council'. The other, Pat Delgado, was a retired electro-mechanical engineer. Therefore, I reasoned, these two men were qualified to put forward the point of view that pervaded their book; namely, that 'unknown' forces and possibly beings/forces from another world were causing the crop circles and that the British Government were covering up this fact.

From reading many reports and articles by Andrews, I and presumably many others, felt

that here was the 'Voice of the People', the ordinary, but qualified man from Andover who had the courage to openly publish his findings in the face of opposition from the authorities. Andrews often hinted and once or twice openly claimed that the other major figures in circles research at this time were not only mistaken in their findings (which were vastly different to Andrews' own) but were actually part and parcel of the Government Cover-Up.

Several years on from my re-awakened interest in the subject and with a little time to spare, I thought that it was about time that Colin Andrews biography was written. I started spare-time research and what I began to uncover was almost as big a conspiracy of lies, fraud and deception as that which Andrews claimed was being levelled at himself. In fact, as all that follows is true with references and sources listed at the back of the booklet, it could be said that the conspiracy surrounding Colin Andrews is even bigger than the one he claims is put upon him by the Government. The problem I had, as things emerged from the depths that they'd been hidden in, was that Colin Andrews himself seemed to be at the centre of it all!

So, where do we start? Colin Andrews is a well-known name in the crop circles world. An Englishman who has lived in the USA since the early 1990's his Hampshire (England) accent is tinged with American beliefs and mannerisms. His claims- that crop circles are a real phenomenon- are championed by many in the USA and in the UK. He has written several books on the subject and has appeared on TV programmes over the past 18 years, billed as an 'Expert' on the subject. He has, in the past, had quite a following by those who see him as a 'guru' not afraid to take on the establishment in his fight to get to the 'truth' about crop circles.

And who could fail to be impressed by Colin's background? His website lists him as a 'one time Senior Official in British Regional Government'; He apparently 'advised the government of British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher' about the circles and 'caused questions to be asked in the House of Commons'. He is variously listed as 'Chief Electrical Engineer for Test Valley Borough Council', a 'Chief Civil Engineer' and 'Dr. Andrews' amongst other titles. He has listed qualifications such as 'MASEE' and 'AILE' after his name in the past. His claims to have researched crop circles since 1981/2 apparently put him way ahead of many of the first people who researched the subject. In fact, his 'authority' has enabled him to obtain significant sums of money from supporters to enable him to carry on his 'research'. He claims to have offices, full of computers and staffed for his 'investigation group', Circles Phenomena International in the USA and in Andover, UK.

It all sounds too good to be true.

And that is just what it is: too good to be true.

The reality is that far from being a senior, technically qualified engineer who advised a Prime Minister, Colin Andrews is, at best, an enthusiastic follower of UFO Mysteries with the gift of appearing to be an ordinary chap doing what he can to uncover the 'truth' and has been continuously misrepresented and misquoted by a mischievous press. At worst he is a fraud with an inferiority complex who has deceived people into handing over sums of money and has exaggerated his qualifications to give him status and standing which he would otherwise never have been able to command. Even his 'offices' for CPR do not exist as such.

What grounds do I have for stating this?

My starting point was one of the first instances (there have been quite a few...) where Colin Andrews claimed that he'd been forced to fight his corner, often with recourse to legal action, in order to continue publishing and talking about his findings with regard to crop circles. He bravely fought off every attempt to silence him-or so it seemed. I was to discover that there was another motive for silencing people who disagreed with his findings.

There is at least one book (1) which details one of these legal cases, that between Andrews and the UFO investigator mentioned earlier, Paul Fuller. The gist of the story was that Fuller had been the subject of furious solicitors' letters on behalf of Andrews after he claimed, in private correspondence that certain things said by Andrews about his work status were somewhat exaggerated. Although it seemed that Fuller was correct, Andrews had managed to threaten him with a libel suit if he didn't send written apologies.(2) All the more galling was the fact that Fuller apparently had proof that what he'd said in a letter about Andrews was fairly insignificant but true.(3) But, for some reason Andrews managed to shut Paul Fuller up...just for telling the truth in private correspondence.(4)

So what was it that upset Andrews (who, from what I read in the book *Round in Circles* seemed to me to be the main instigator of the legal action)? I was surprised to find that it wasn't anything to do with covering up the truth that aliens and their forces were making circles or indeed anything to do with a fight between the common man and the government over the right to publish the 'truth'. All it seemed to be about was the claim by Fuller that Andrews had somewhat exaggerated his position and job titles. Also that Andrews' co-authored book *Circular Evidence* was full of inaccuracies and misrepresentations, I was to find that Paul Fuller did indeed have the proof that what he'd said in that private letter was true. And there were inaccuracies and misrepresentations in *Circular Evidence*. It isn't, however, unknown for the odd inaccuracy to creep into a book's first edition, having slipped by the proof-reader. This can happen in even the best prepared book and errata usually get inserted in later volumes and corrections made in later editions. Odd then that in the light of Andrews' legal action against Fuller, this process did not appear to happen with *Circular Evidence* and the details of those inaccuracies and misrepresentations will be shown a little further on.

I tried to contact Paul Fuller but, having tracked him down eventually, he declined to comment on what he said was now a thing of the past. He was no longer researching crop circles, had not done so for many years and was not interested in any further involvement with Andrews.

(For the record, Professor Meaden, the other researcher from the 1980's who had different findings to Colin Andrews, claiming that a natural but rare form of wind vortex was responsible for the circles, also declined to comment). So I started to look into Andrews' claims that he had not knowingly misrepresented himself and that it was all the fault of the press and he couldn't be held responsible for mistakes they made.

## **Colin and the Press**

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“I have always stated accurately what my position was with TVBC....”Colin Andrews 2004.

Let's look at Andrews' claims, starting with the one that he was not responsible for what the press wrote about him. That's fair enough. Most people who have appeared in the public eye from time to time have been misrepresented once or twice in the press who don't always seem to get it right and the odd mistake is allowed. But it is interesting to note that it isn't just the press who make mistakes. From a random trawl of press articles, until 1989 Colin had variously been described as:

Source Day Month Year Title

*Flying Saucer Review* 1986 M.A.S.E.E., A.I.L.E.

*Leicester Mercury* 13 July 1987 Electricity specialist

*The Guardian* August 1988 ...Chief electrical engineer for the Test Valley Borough Council,

Mr Andrews, and 11 scientific colleagues...

*Sunday Observer* 14 August 1988 An electrical engineer who works for the local council

*The Sunday Express* 19 May 1989 An electrical expert with Test Valley Borough Council

*Wiltshire Gazette & Herald* 25 March 1989 An electrical expert with Test Valley Borough Council

*Telegraph Weekend Magazine* June 1989 Chief civil engineer for the Test Valley Borough Council(TVBC)

*London Evening Standard* 3 July 1989 An *electrical engineer from Andover*

*TODAY* newspaper 6 July 1989 Electrical engineer

*Wiltshire Gazette & Herald* 6 July 1989 An electrical expert with the Test Valley Borough Council

*The Sunday Times* 9 July 1989 A senior electrical engineer with the local borough council

*Southern Evening Echo* 12 July 1989 A chief electrical engineer with Test Valley Council

*Southern Evening Echo* 13 July 1989 A civil engineer with TVBC

Unknown paper 7 July 1989 *Technical officer for TVBC*

*Southern Evening Echo* 2 August 1989 A civil engineer with TVBC

*Hampshire Chronicle* 3 August 1989 Local government officer

*Wall Street Journal* 28 August 1989 An electrical engineer

*Andover Advertiser* 31 August 1989 Chief electrical engineer with Test Valley Borough Council

**Now that's a lot of job titles.** Which is correct? In August 1988, a British National Daily newspaper claimed that Colin was 'Chief Electrical Engineer of Test Valley Borough Council' (5). He was also given that title in July 1989 (6) and August 1989 (7). If this was not correct, then surely Colin would have said something. Once or twice can be a mistake but more than that without correction is permitting a misrepresentation to be perpetuated. Surely Colin kept a scrapbook of his press cuttings? Surely he read the papers- especially where articles were referring to his early work? Have the press been wrong since 1988?

Colin claimed in his legal notes to Fuller's solicitor that it was the press which misrepresented him. OK, reasonable defence. Now, if most people had been in that position they would have made damned sure that, as far as possible, they were not misrepresented by the press again-as would be expected of Colin, especially after that legal tussle with Fuller.

To his everlasting credit, Pat Delgado, the other 'injured party' in the legal exchange, seems to have heeded this as evidence shows that thereafter his status of 'Retired electro-mechanical engineer' is mentioned correctly. But what of Colin Andrews? Let's give him the benefit of the doubt. For the sake of argument, let us assume that say, 25% of those job titles were misrepresented by the press in the wake of the Crop Circles frenzy of publicity. That, I think, is fair enough. But, the misrepresentation continued after the libel threats and continues to the present day. The press cannot be held responsible, especially as nowadays, in 2006, hardly anyone outside the crop circles fraternity has heard of Colin Andrews.

Here's another claim by Colin in a 2003 website interview:-

Colin: '.....I'd entered local government in 1974 as an electrical engineer and, following a series of very rapid promotions, I became a senior officer at the Test Valley Borough Council....'. (8) It should be noted here that I could find no evidence whatsoever of Colin's '...series of rapid promotions...'.

In the best-selling book *Circular Evidence* published in 1989 after the legal exchange in which Andrews was attempting to sue Fuller for libel, Colin is described twice: as '...Chief Electrical Engineer for Test Valley Borough Council responsible for all electrical installations in West Hampshire and for formulating, implementing and maintaining the arrangements for any civil emergency incident.....' (9) and again: 'Chief Electrical Engineer for Test Valley Borough Council' (10)

That Colin never had been 'Chief Electrical Engineer' of Test Valley or any other Borough Council was, of course, one of the claims made by Paul Fuller in that private letter to an American woman in 1989 and which Colin Andrews said was a position he'd never claimed to have held.(11)

Surely Andrews proof-read the manuscript? If not and this little error slipped by him, Delgado and the publishers, then there was another chance the following year when a follow-up book *Crop Circles-The Latest Evidence* was published. There, on the title page, it clearly states that: '.....Colin Andrews is chief electrical engineer for Test Valley Borough Council.....'(12)

Small letters this time but the same impression is given-Andrews is a Senior Figure with an

impressive technical knowledge. It undoubtedly gave him a lot of credibility with the press and the public. I would not doubt that Andrews knew that his job title had, once again, been written incorrectly and yet he again failed to do anything about it, knowing all the time that Paul Fuller's claims had been correct. But, Fuller had been silenced and Colin was free to be what he wanted to be.

### **Someone.**

And in case anyone thinks that these last two could have slipped somehow through the proof reader's net and that Colin, given the benefit of the doubt, could have again failed to notice his false job title, consider this; in 1991 and again in 1992 he was again described as 'Chief Electrical Engineer for Test Valley Borough Council'. (13,14) At other times he has variously been: '.....Chief Civil Engineer for Test Valley Borough Council.....', (15) '...a senior electrical engineer with a borough council...' (16)

Let's take a look at how the press could have got it wrong, just to give Colin the benefit of the doubt. I took a random trawl through a pile of hundreds of press cuttings about crop circles and took 31 newspaper articles concerning Colin and crop circles, dating from 1987-2003, and two books. This is what I found:

### **Colin is mentioned as**

An Electrical Engineer 9 times  
Chief Electrical Engineer 6 times#  
Electrical Expert 3 times  
Senior Electrical Engineer 2 times#  
A Civil Engineer 2 times#  
Electrical Specialist 1 time  
Chief Civil Engineer 1 time#  
Technical Officer 1 time#  
Local Government Officer 1 time  
Local Council Engineer 1 time  
Former official of TVBC 1 time#  
Director of Field Operations CCCS 1 time (?)  
Former Senior Official in British regional Government 1 time\*\*#  
...and the nearest to the truth: Borough Council Electrician 1 time.

\*\* this from Colin's website

# = known to be incorrect

By way of comparison, I studied 37 random newspaper articles about Dr Terence Meaden; NO books, NO websites - to make it fairer. The period covered was the same as that for Colin Andrews 1987-2003. These are the results:

### **Meaden is described as**

'Dr Terence Meaden' 26 times  
Above 'of TORRO' 11 times  
Above 'of CERES' 2 times  
Meteorologist 2 times  
Physicist 2 times

Scientist 2 times  
Consultant meteorologist 2 times  
Author 2 times  
Physics Graduate 1 time  
Tornado expert 1 time  
Local meteorologist 1 time  
Amateur meteorologist 1 time  
Professor of physics 1 time  
Leading UK authority on crop circles 1 time  
Oxford Poly research physicist 1 time  
'Terrence' 1 time#  
and they got his address wrong 1 time-'Bradford on Tone' instead of Bradford on Avon.#

# = known to be incorrect.

This survey should demonstrate that whilst we all acknowledge that the press do get facts wrong from time to time, if Colin was right and it was the press at fault for giving him the wrong job titles, then statistically we should expect Dr. Meaden to have been incorrectly described on as many occasions as Colin. He isn't and this leads one to the conclusion that either Colin failed to correct all these false job descriptions awarded him by the press and others over the years, or he was giving those wrong titles and impressions himself. This latter is seemingly borne out by the fact that Colin allowed the title of Chief Electrical Engineer to be used with his name in the books that he wrote with Pat Delgado, and by the fact that Colin's OWN WEBSITE describes him as a '....former Senior Official in British Regional Government....' – which he plainly never was and never will be.(17)

Probably the one journalist who got it right was one who wrote in an article about the 1990 cropwatch Operation Blackbird :

'.....Andrews, **a borough council electrician on a fortnight's holiday**.....'(18). This fits with what another researcher, discovered in 1989. This person phoned the TVBC and enquired after Colin Andrews, the 'Chief Electrical Engineer'. The staff there hadn't heard of Colin and had to look him up on a list of employees to find out who he was! Hardly the recognition a "Chief Electrical Engineer" deserved! Seriously, had Colin been the Chief Electrical Engineer, then he would not only have been well known to the switchboard staff but he would have had his own office, own secretary and staff. He had none of these. (19)

But, just to clarify the point and to examine the possibility that he could indeed have been an engineer of some importance, even if not actually 'Chief Electrical Engineer', I looked further into Colin's background. The first task was to see just what qualified a person to be a Chief Electrical Engineer of a borough council in the period 1980-1990. To this end, I spoke with both a qualified Electrical Engineer, and also a qualified Associate Member of the Institute of Electrical Engineers (A.M.I.E.E.). This is what one of them said:

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“To be a Chief Electrical Engineer for a council in the 1980/90's you would have to hold an engineering degree, mechanical or electrical because in such a generalised post it's more of a management job than an engineering job and there's sufficient crossover to understand specifications from both disciplines. It's possible that someone with the right experience could do it with an HNC.

It's really about putting stuff out to tender and knowing what you're getting for your money."

It is certain that Colin Andrews did not possess a degree in either mechanical or electrical engineering, nor did he appear to possess HNC so it can be safely stated that **he was not and never had been 'Chief Electrical Engineer for Test Valley Borough Council' at any stage in his career**. It is a fact that Colin Andrews was in a position to put a stop to the press and publishers claiming he was 'Chief Electrical Engineer', especially after the legal exchange with Paul Fuller. He failed to do this and as seen above, even allowed two books bearing this claim to be published after he had caused a solicitor's letter to be sent to Fuller stating that he, Colin, had never claimed to be Chief Electrical Engineer and giving his job title as 'Technical Support Services Officer' (20) – of which more later. The evidence for him at least allowing this misrepresentation to be perpetuated is overwhelming.

### **WHY ALL THE FUSS?**

In order to demonstrate why there has been so much fuss about Colin's status, we have to run through an imaginary scenario:

Let me set the scene. A series of newspaper reports are published concerning a local aerial phenomenon in, say, the Salisbury area. There is lots of publicity. A person starts to be interviewed, claiming he has some knowledge of the 'otherworldly' connection with this phenomenon. He is John Doe and claims to be 'an expert' on such matters. Magazine articles appear, written by Mr. Doe with the suffix 'MEEPTU' and 'ARAFA' after his name.'

Mr Doe is a good talker and appears on TV and radio talking about this phenomenon. He lets it be known that he has written a book about it. The book comes out and inside, in the foreword, Mr Doe claims to have been a leading authority on aerial phenomena and to have worked for British Aerospace as one of their leading engineers.

This all sounds very good, doesn't it? The credentials give Mr Doe credibility with the public; surely he must know something about aerial activities? He is looked up to by many people: he is an 'expert'.

The truth is somewhat different and rather mundane. John Doe is a time-served electrician. He actually worked for Lighting Technology, a (imaginary) company who maintained all sorts of lighting from car parks to street lights. His company had a three year contract to maintain the runway lights at a facility owned by British Aerospace. His credentials-those letters after his name?

Member of the Electrical Engineering and Plumbing Trade Union and Associate Member of the Royal Air Force Association. For the latter you do not even need to have been in the Air Force!

Mr Doe is little more than an ordinary electrician with an interest in flying saucers. Should this be found out, then Bang goes his standing in society, more so when he is up against REAL qualified experts with theories which do not match Mr Doe's and with REAL qualifications permitting them to have letters after their name.

Let me emphasise that the above is NOT the story of Colin Andrews. It is merely an

example of how mundane reality can be made to look interesting. Mr Doe did work ‘at’ British Aerospace, but not ‘For’ British Aerospace. It’s a play on words. To the ordinary man in the street, those strange letters after Mr Doe’s name seem to indicate that he is qualified to speak on matters concerning aerial activity.

## CHAPTER TWO

### Colin’s ‘Qualifications’



Colin Andrews as he likes to be seen: a ‘Star’ signing autographs for kids.....  
(Picture by Blaser Pfeiffer/MBF)

Colin Andrews has always based his reputation on his being a ‘qualified’ man. Without these ‘qualifications’ – he is nothing. No ‘Voice of the Common Man’(my description) ; no ‘Scientist’, no ‘Chief Electrical Engineer’.

Nothing at all.

A Nobody.

And yet he has claimed ‘qualifications’ in the past; letters after his name. So now let’s look at the ‘qualifications’ for which there can be no doubt that Colin was definitely responsible for; his ‘qualifications’ of **M.A.S.E.E.** and **A.I.L.E.** published along with his name in an early article in *‘Flying Saucer Review’*. I asked the two REAL electrical engineers with whom I had spoken earlier, what they could tell me about these acronyms: Neither of the two engineers had ever heard of MASEE or AILE. In his book *Round in Circles* (Schnabel, 1993) American author Jim Schnabel noted Colin’s ‘qualifications’ but couldn’t work out what they were. Odd, since Schnabel was an academic, one would have thought that the sort of qualifications an electrical engineer would have had would be easy to find in the academic circles in which Jim moved and had access to. Obviously they were quite elusive; It took a little searching, but I found the first one:

**A.I.L.E.- stands for ‘Associate of the Institute of Lighting Engineers’.** Sounds good, doesn’t it? It conjures up a picture of a highly qualified person. I spoke to the Institute who confirmed that Colin Andrews had indeed been an Associate member in the 1980’s. So, what qualifications did one require to be AILE? It must surely need some hard-earned technical qualification at least? No. **All you needed then to become an Associate** (now renamed ‘Affiliate’) member of the ILE was to be, and to quote from their website:

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“.....Over the age of 21 years and have an interest in lighting....”(21)

-Which is interesting in the light of later claims by Andrews to have been an Electrical Engineer. It is obvious even at that early stage (1986) that he didn’t appear to possess any electrical qualifications higher than City and Guilds otherwise he could have become a full member of the ILE. But don’t take my word for it, this is what the Institute of Lighting

Engineers had to say in response to a request:

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“.....Colin was an Associate...and should not have used the designatory letters after his name. The grade of Associate (now named ‘Affiliate’) is the lowest level of membership and only requires an ‘interest’ in lighting and the Institution’s work. No qualifications are necessary....”(22)

From which it appears that Colin was most probably, at best, an ordinary, time-served electrician. Let’s take a look at the usual progression for an ordinary electrician.

To start with, a person would normally serve an apprenticeship of four or five years, during which time he would take a series of exams set by the City & Guilds of London Institute, after which he would qualify as an electrician. If a person was quite bright, he/she could progress to a Technician stage, taking Ordinary and/or Higher National Certificates/ Diploma (ONC/HNC or OND/HND). To be a full member of the ILE a person would have to be ONC at least. So, I presumed at this stage that Colin Andrews was, at best, an ordinary time-served electrician who had eventually specialised in certain areas within his latter employer’s (The TVBC) service. However, as he had no real qualifications, why was he using MASEE and AILE after his name? The ILE told us that Colin had no right to use AILE after his name-it wasn’t a recognized title as, say, ‘A.M.I.E.E.’ (Associate Member of the Institute of Electrical Engineers) would be. There can be little doubt that Colin Andrews in these early years of his involvement with crop circles was already using false claims to boost his status.

The next set of Colin’s ‘qualifications’ was M.A.S.E.E: This set of initials which Colin at one time set after his name proved very difficult to track down. I tried the internet and found nothing. I asked members of the Institute of Electrical Engineers and they’d never heard of the name. Which was odd because if it was a recognized body which Colin was qualified enough to join, then surely the country’s most illustrious electrical engineering institute would have heard of it? The ‘M’ obviously stood for ‘Member (of)’ something, but what? Eventually, a member of the IEE advised me that he thought the initials might stand for ‘**Association of Supervisory Executive Engineers**’. So, I did some more research and found that there was indeed such a body; the ASEE had their headquarters in a building in Surrey. I looked it up on the net and was able to confirm that the building had an address and a telephone/fax number-but what appeared at first glance to be a genuine recognized society or institute for electrical engineers had no web site.

This was a bit odd as even the smallest of such bodies have got websites. I tried to fax them: No luck; the fax machine was either out of order, didn’t work or had been disconnected. I tried to phone them and found that their phone number actually connected to a private address! The lady I spoke to said that the number used to belong to ‘...an Association of some sort but had been a private number for some years....’ Further research revealed that, rather than being an organization such as the IEE and requiring lots of academic qualifications for membership, **the ASEE was a trade organization** that people could join, much in the same way as the ‘Federation of Master Builders’. **You didn’t need to be a qualified electrical engineer with a degree to join.** It was very much the same as the Institute of Lighting Engineers: almost anyone could join at the lowest level. I wrote to the ‘Association’ enclosing a SAE but never got a reply. The address now seems to be the home

of other trade organizations and the ASEE to have disappeared without trace.

So much for MASEE and AILE! Colin was a member of these organizations but at a level that required no engineering qualifications whatsoever! He again used these suffixes in his entry in 'International UFO Library Magazine' in 1992 where he claims to be MIEXE, AILE. 'MIEXE' being a different version of MASEE (23). In the same entry he is listed as '...Former senior officer in local government as Chief Electrical Engineer with the Test Valley Borough Council in West Hampshire, England...' Actually, that entry in the International UFO library is worth looking at in detail, as it contains a host of inaccuracies, but, for now, let's stay with Colin's job at TVBC.

In his legal exchanges with Paul Fuller's solicitor, Colin claimed that he was 'Technical Support Services Officer' and a copy of an extract from the TVBC Emergency Plan which came into my possession also labelled him as 'Communications Officer'. This latter is not thought to be a general usage title but the position Colin would have taken in case of Emergency or Civil disruption. At that time this was taken as indicating that **Colin was responsible for '.....Demolition or shoring up dangerous buildings. Repairs to sewers, etc: clearance of roads in island agency only....'** All this however, came under the auspices of the TVBC Technical Services department whose Chief Technical Officer was a gentleman called Maurice Orchard. Mr Orchard's deputy was Mr J.Barrell. The existence of these two posts proves that Andrews was at least two stages removed from the head of department. **Colin was 'Communications Officer' and would have dealt with radio set ups and the like, in case of emergency or disaster.** (24)

Further evidence from more recent times points to Colin Andrews's ability to permit himself to be elevated to a status which he was not entitled to. In an independent view of Colin's tendency to amplify his own status, Andy Thomas, writing in '*Swirled News*' about Colin speaking to the CCCS conference in Andover, UK, during August 2000 says:

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".....Colin was not overtly quick to correct the impression that he was an eminent scientist/Dr/Professor....." (25)

Oh, and as recently as 1996, 7 years after he claimed, through a solicitor, that he had been misrepresented, he was using headed notepaper which claimed "Colin Andrews- Best selling author, Broadcaster, Researcher & Founder CPR International." on the bottom along with his FAKE 'qualifications: 'A.I.L.E.' and 'M.I.E.X.E'.

No chance there of his being 'misrepresented' or that others were claiming him to be something he wasn't; No: This was Colin's doing. His headed writing paper and his false claims. (See page at the end of this document)

### CHAPTER THREE

During the course of this research, I came across this entry in the International UFO library whereby Colin was claiming, as late as 1992 (and three years AFTER he'd told a solicitor that he, Andrews, had NEVER claimed to be someone he wasn't, nor misrepresented his position with TVBC) that he was a Senior Officer in local Government, amongst other

things. It is worth looking at in detail, as it contains a host of inaccuracies and was most probably written by Colin and, if he didn't write it, he most certainly was in a position to correct it and failed to do so, allowing these inaccuracies to be released into the public domain. This biography of Colin Andrews followed an article by Colin:-

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“.....Colin Andrews is one of the world's leading experts on the crop circles phenomenon. Co-found (sic) of the Circles Phenomenon Research group, his scientific investigations are responsible for much of the current information available on the subject.....”

Let's pause there and dissect the paragraph: Colin is '.....one of the world's leading experts on the crop circles....' OK. I won't deny that Colin probably could have been described as that during the period the biography was written. He certainly co-founded the CPR. However, he is not a scientist and has not carried out any 'scientific investigations'. He has carried out many, many investigations, but to label them as 'scientific' is being economical with the truth. He has never published a paper or papers which could be held up to scrutiny by other scientists. In fact, he has never been really sure what causes the crop circles; in the early days of his research, he always alluded darkly to '....an aerial component....' being involved and has progressed to 'Electro-magnetic fields' being involved. But it is all hearsay. He's never written a proper academic paper setting out his theories and reasons for them. As for being '.....responsible for much of the current information.....' that's stretching the imagination a bit far. There were many people, still are many people, who have theories and who publish them. There was so much information available in 1992 that Colin could not be responsible for most of it. Some of it-yes; but most of it-no.

Let's move on.

#### Quote

“.....Andrews is a former senior officer in local government as Chief Electrical Engineer with the Test Valley Borough Council in West Hampshire, England.....”

Hold on. This isn't true! Remember what Colin said in 1989? Remember what he said in 2004? Here it is again: “I have always stated accurately what my position was with TVBC....”Colin Andrews 2004

**Colin was NEVER a 'senior officer in local government' at all.** He entered Test Valley Council service as an electrician working at a council depot, eventually getting **an office job overseeing street lighting and car parks**. This post was known as 'Technical Support Services Officer'. As we already know, the TVBC did not have a Chief Electrical Engineer at that time and Colin Andrews was NOT QUALIFIED for the job, had it existed.

#### Quote

“.....For three years Colin advised the British Government on the circles phenomenon, supplying technical and scientific reports to the Under Secretary

of State for the Margaret Thatcher Government.....”

Whoah!! Colin almost certainly sent reports about what he thought was responsible for the circles to all sorts of people, but a ‘Government Advisor’ he was not. He may well have sent ‘technical reports’ to some politician or other, (26) but ‘Scientific’? Never. The way this is worded sounds as if Colin was employed by the Government or asked to submit reports by them for further analysis. He wasn’t. It’s another play on words. And don’t forget, he’s always claiming that it was the government who were covering up the ‘truth’ about crop circles! So, if he believed that, why was he working for them? Has HE been the major disseminator of disinformation all along?

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“.....As a result of his persistence, the subject was raised in the House of Commons and, under Andrews’ supervision, the largest surveillance project of its kind (Operation Blackbird-CS) was coordinated with the British Army to capture the formation of a circle on film.....”

Pants on fire!!! Yes, the subject was mentioned in the House of Commons, but, as I discovered, as a result of the press and publicity, and as a result of parliamentary questions raised on behalf of UFO investigators Paul Fuller and Jenny Randles,(27) not through the ‘dedicated efforts’ of Colin Andrews. And as for his supervising the largest etc, etc, well, his underwear must be blazing! Sure, it probably could claim to be the largest surveillance project of its kind. In fact, there is probably little doubt about that; but Colin DID NOT SUPERVISE IT! The project was not ‘coordinated with the British Army’ either, as we shall see.

#### CHAPTER FOUR

##### Colin and ‘Operation Blackbird’

There are obviously more problems with Andrews’ claims when it comes to that 1990 cropwatch which many of us visited, Operation Blackbird. Probably, like myself, many people who went there and read about it thought that Colin and Pat Delgado were responsible for the whole thing, managing to get the BBC, various other TV companies and also the Army on board. This I have discovered, couldn’t be further from the truth. It’s again in books which were written years ago, but seem to have been ignored by Colin and others. Further evidence of Colin Andrews’ propensity to ‘exaggerate’ his involvement in things can be found in his and Pat Delgado’s second book *The Latest Evidence* (Bloomsbury, London 1990) in which Colin says:

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‘.....With the assistance of Pat, **I co-ordinated an intensive surveillance called Operation Blackbird** at the Westbury White Horse for three weeks during July 1990.....**We had received the highest level of assistance from the British Army and private companies, including the BBC, Nippon Television, Civil Defence Supply, Cloud 9 limited, and Envin Scientific products.....**’ (emphasis mine.)(28)

Sounds good, doesn't it- Colin managing to arrange all this... let's see what BBC producer/cameraman John Macnish, who was there, has to say:

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'...Mr Michihito Ogawa was planning a programme which aimed to solve the mystery (of the) circles aided by the power of 'state of the art' technology and the Japanese Yen. We agreed that the BBC and Nippon would run 'Operation Blackbird' and split the footage rights when the cameras recorded the all-important circle formation sequence. Pat and Colin would be responsible for selecting the finely-honed team of dedicated observers, and I would be responsible for assembling a bristling array of video hardware and the budget for the whole thing – about £15000.' (29)

Interesting, isn't it? Incidentally, 'Ogawa' is the Japanese film producer for Nippon TV, who, I discovered, were the REAL co-partners in the joint venture with the BBC. Colin and Pat were NOT the 'co-ordinators' of 'Operation Blackbird'. They were involved, but were the organizers of the team of observers. The organizers of everything else were John Macnish and David Morgenstern for the BBC and Mr Ogawa for Nippon TV. Elsewhere, in a website interview (30) Colin claimed to have arranged the 'several million pounds worth' of cropwatch . Wrong on both the details of the cost and the level of his involvement. This is what Colin had to say:

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**Colin:** '.....Well, it was a very sophisticated, well-planned, and extremely expensive surveillance operation, the largest of its kind anywhere, whereby we cordoned off acres of land and set up a whole collection of cameras and equipment in order to see if we could catch a crop circle being formed on film. We had more than a million pounds' worth of hi-tech equipment there, some of it on loan, some of it provided by the British Army, some of it paid for by the BBC and Nippon Television (Japan). It was a highly sophisticated operation set up in conjunction with the media and - in the event - the military, too. It was planned to go on for ten days....'

**Interviewer:** The military were involved?

**Colin:** '...It turned out that way, yes. Although I don't want to name names, I can say that within the first twenty-four hours - and remember we were on MoD land - two Army officers turned up and volunteered the technical assistance of the British Army. We were asked to leave the site for a confidential meeting with them, which took place in my car. We were offered the assistance of military personnel and equipment, but only if we would collaborate with them....'

What a lot of rubbish! We've seen above that there was only £15,000 worth of kit in use, so where does Colin get the other £985,000 from? Does he count the cost of everyone's car and clothes as well? Even that wouldn't get anywhere near a million. AND he strongly hints

that HE was in charge when or course we know he wasn't.

And they did not '...cordon off acres of land...' either. It's doubtful that they even covered an acre on top of the hill. The public were free to wander in and out of the roped-off area.

And what about the Army? For certain Colin did not have two soldiers volunteering the 'technical assistance' of the Army. They were there so where did they fit in? Well, just behind the area of Bratton castle – a hill fort from the Iron Age, lies Salisbury Plain and the British Army training grounds. The Army owns most of the land in and around the Plain and leases some of it back to farmers. As landlords, they were, naturally, interested in such an intensive surveillance operation at their back door, so to speak, and so a few soldiers were detailed to attend the operation-more to ensure that the public didn't stray over the fences onto the training area than to note any involvement with UFOs. And again, if Colin was right, it begs the question – why does he think that the government were covering up the 'truth' about crop circles when HE was so closely involved with the government? **It still gives the impression that Colin Andrews must be the man employed by the government to make mockery of the whole subject, thereby ensuring that the 'real truth' stays covered up.** He is Mr. Cover-Up! Assuming, that is, if you believe that sort of thing: I don't.

But, just to be absolutely certain, I filed a request for information under the UK Freedom of Information Act. I asked what involvement the British Army had in 'Operation Blackbird' and in what way did they co-ordinate the event with Colin Andrews. When the information arrived, it was shocking, to say the least. The Army and the Ministry of Defence had NO involvement with the event at all. Remember, this is Freedom of Information-they can't lie! **So: Colin is lying again; if the MoD and the Army had no involvement with the operation and had no interest in crop circles, then it follows that they had no involvement in jointly co-ordinating Blackbird. There was no 'confidential meeting' between the Army and Colin. He is lying and lying. It's serious stuff, too.** Such is the assumed self-importance of the man that he acts like a child in a school playground, making up stories to impress others and to boost his own ego. Blackbird was not jointly organised by Colin Andrews and Pat Delgado with the assistance of the British Army; No: it was organised by the BBC and Nippon TV as John Macnish recalls above. **Colin's job was to organise a 'finely-honed' team of observers-some of whom were consequently revealed, in 1992, to have been hoaxing circles themselves!**

It's time to look further at Colin and the British Government. Let's look at some blurb by Colin:

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".....Andrews is an electrical engineer by profession and a former senior officer in British regional Government. For three years Colin advised the British Government on the crop circle phenomenon, supplying technical and scientific reports to the Under-Secretary of State for the environment (Rt. Hon. Nicholas Ridley, M.P.) in the Margaret Thatcher cabinet. As a result of his persistence, the subject was raised in the House of Commons...."



Copy of the letter from the MoD regarding the British Army's alleged involvement with 'Operation Blackbird'

OK, so we've dealt with these errors previously, but let's look into this in more detail. Here's a clip from the *Andover Advertiser*, 20 July 1990:

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**“...Andover's MP asked to help with mystery of corn circles**

The secret of the corn circles could be revealed by Government-funded research into the phenomenon after Andover MP, Sir David Mitchell, was given a guided tour of circles by local expert, Colin Andrews.

Mr Andrews had asked the MP to attempt to persuade the Government to take an interest and after the visit David Mitchell met environment minister, David Trippier, his chief scientific adviser and agriculture ministry experts to discuss the mystery.

That has led to the Government-funded Natural Environment Research Council being asked to start investigations.

Colin Andrews commented: 'The mystery is nowhere near being cracked but I feel optimistic for the first time. David Mitchell was quite bowled over and could not quite believe what he was looking at. He took copious notes and photographs.'

The biggest surveillance of circles begins, for three weeks, on MoD land on the edge of Salisbury Plain this weekend, involving investigators from the UK, Germany, America and Japan. (This was Operation Blackbird-CS)

Whatever is found Andrews is sure of one thing – freakish weather is not responsible and he told an international conference in Oxford of his views.

'...It was intellectual dishonesty. They only gave examples which fitted a weather theory.(31) I got up and blew that apart.....'

Busty Taylor, Andover's other circle researcher, was also present.....”

Well, what do we make of that? Notice that in this article, and the later one in the *Hampshire Chronicle*, it is all Andrews making the claim – nowhere is there a direct quote from Sir David Mitchell, MP. Perhaps his role in the affair is not to be divulged by anyone except Andrews! And he isn't quite telling the truth here about the Oxford Conference; No; Hang on, let's be fair to poor old Colin: perhaps I ought to make allowances - OK, he was telling the truth – I take it all back. Yes, he DID stand up! That bit's true! But as for '...blowing (the weather theory) apart...' No. He had his little tantrum and was very rude to Professor Meaden because the conference didn't go HIS (Andrews') way but all he did

was voice HIS opinion to a room full of people who had come to listen to the weather-based theory! For goodness' sake what did he expect?

**I have spoken to several people who attended that Oxford conference and all agree that Andrews is wrong to claim that he '...blew it apart...'**

As for the other organisations involved in 'Blackbird', Cloud 9 is a company that ran a remote telescopic camera and detector system, known as 'Skystalk' and had been engaged not by Colin or Pat, but by the BBC. Civil Defence Supply provided lighting equipment and high intensity lamps, floodlights and portable non-generator lighting, Dragon Portable Searchlights and accessories. I contacted Civil Defence Supply who confirmed that they had indeed been at 'Blackbird' but after all this time could not recall accurately whether it was Nippon TV or the BBC who had engaged them. It certainly wasn't Colin. (They did tell me about a series of clever hoaxes which were perpetrated on the hapless 'Blackbird' watchers and which were filmed and proven to be hoaxes but never publicised.) There were some good stories about 'Blackbird' which have never been told, but these are beyond the remit of this document. **However, it has been claimed that Colin Andrews could not recognise a hoaxed crop circle if it jumped up and bit him on the nose.** He has often said that '....We can eliminate the hoax theory once and for all.....' so when a newspaper reported that 98 circles had appeared in heather near Hay-on-Wye in July 1989, **Colin was able to state quite clearly that there was no human element involved.** He and others flew over the circles (they didn't visit them in person.....) and were, by all accounts, quite happy with their 'authenticity'. **Then a reporter from BBC Wales actually went to the site of these circles and found out the truth. They were circles made by a farmer who dragged a rake behind his tractor, as he had done each and every summer for many years in order to attract young grouse to the area!** The young birds apparently feed on the exposed shoots of the heather. I suppose Colin was right, though...they weren't deliberate hoaxes.....

Tongue out of cheek, Colin's ability to tell one famous brand of washing powder from a lesser one failed to stand up to scrutiny on more than one other occasion, especially that at Blackbird where he was caught out in full view of the world's press.

**The way Colin has allowed this to be written, it sounds as though he sat down with the army and planned it all.** We now not only know that he didn't – we've proved that he didn't! And let's not forget that when the infamous event at 'Blackbird' eventually happened, Colin was at home in bed rather than on site, 'supervising'. Let's move on again.

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He who learns must suffer  
 And even in our sleep pain that cannot forget  
 Falls drop by drop upon the heart,  
 And in our own despair, against our will,  
 Comes wisdom to us by the awful grace of God.  
 Agamemnon, Aeschylus



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### [Re: Colin Andres - Crop Circle Charlatan](#)

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#### CHAPTER FIVE

Colin's claims to have been investigating crop circles since 1981 are misleading as is the misleading "1983" date on Colin Andrews' headed notepaper. Anyone who has ever received a letter from Colin Andrews will see that at the top of his headed notepaper Andrews claims to be an "author" "researcher" and "broadcaster" who apparently first began researching crop circles in "1983". Here's what Colin has written:- "...Colin Andrews became involved in the circles phenomenon in 1983 when he saw an arrangement of five circles in a natural amphitheatre. Intrigued by the engineering aspects of creating the circle he began investigations with Pat Delgado, a retired NASA engineer. In 1989 they co-authored '*Circular Evidence*', the first book written on the subject. This was followed by their equally successful book, '*Crop Circles, The Latest Evidence*' in 1990."

Back to 'Pants on Fire'! Fascinating stuff and if I were Colin, I'd be pouring water furiously down my trousers by now. Then there's the small matter of Colin putting a claim on his headed notepaper stating that he's been researching crop circles since 1983; let's look at that claim in more detail.

The use of that "1983" date is an interesting exercise in deception. We know this because Pat Delgado organised an "Open Meeting" in 1985 which took place at Alresford, Hampshire, on Sunday 13th October 1985. Delgado called this meeting to discuss the "mystery circles" (as they were then known). A number of people attended and Delgado later wrote an article which appeared in *Flying Saucer Review* describing the meeting. UFO investigator Paul Fuller wrote a similar account for *BUFORA Journal*. However, according to these two sources **Colin Andrews did not attend that meeting** and I know that his name was not even mentioned. I know this for a fact because I have been loaned a complete tape

recording of what was said at that meeting.

It is strange then, that Colin Andrews should claim that he first began ‘...researching crop circles in 1983....’ when his alleged research was not discussed or even hinted at during the 1985 “Open Meeting”. Stranger still **Pat Delgado claims that he was first “contacted” by Colin Andrews in “1983”** and that ‘.....it soon became clear that we were on the same wavelength and that further discussion would be useful.....’(30) This is important evidence of a pre 1985 working relationship between the two men yet despite this obviously blossoming relationship why did Delgado omit to discuss the two years of work Andrews would have conducted if they had been working together since 1983?

In a website interview dated 2003, Colin claimed:

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“...It was during that period - in July 1983 - when I was driving along a major highway near Winchester, that I saw my first crop circle. In fact it was a ‘quintuplet’ set of five circles. Together they formed a major pattern in a wheat field at Cheesefoot Head.... Over the following days I returned several times to the same area, making contact with the farmers and landowners, and as a result became further impressed with what was happening there. You see, the locals and the farmers were not only telling me that, yes, they had seen the patterns on their land, and that they had been seeing them for a number of years, but they also told me how their fathers before them had also seen the patterns, and that they had been arriving on their land for thirty years or more. Indeed, records of crop circles go back many, many decades. This is not a new phenomenon. Although, I should say, it has certainly evolved very rapidly over the last few years.... I got in touch with the Ministry of Defence, the Army Air Corps at Middle Wallop, and made enquiries there. I also made enquiries with the local police at Winchester and Andover, and it seemed that the phenomenon was clearly known about in those areas. **After this I sought out two other people who had commenced their own research about a year earlier - Pat Delgado and Terence Meaden - and the three of us began meeting regularly. We began working as a team, informing each other of events in our own immediate vicinities and cross-referencing our findings. In 1985 Busty Taylor became involved, and then there were four of us. And that’s how it all got started...”**. (33)

And yet, in *Circular Evidence*, Pat Delgado states clearly that he knew Busty Taylor before he met up with Colin.....(34)

Physicist Dr Terence Meaden has an explanation for this conundrum. In an extensive review of *Circular Evidence* in the *Journal of Meteorology*, **Meaden states that Delgado did not know Colin Andrews until he (Meaden) introduced both men to each other in the summer of 1986.** Meaden states that Andrews’

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‘.....involvement began in August 1985 with the Goodworth Clatford quintuplet event although it seems he had perhaps earlier seen some circles

from a distance.....' (35).

Neither Andrews nor Delgado questioned this version of the facts when Meaden published this review. Perhaps Andrews and Delgado both forgot which year they had first met or spoken to each other when they wrote their best-selling "definitive" book "*Circular Evidence*" in 1988, even though this would have been only three to five years after the event (depending on which year is the correct one).

As another interested party, once he'd got to know Dr. Meaden and Fuller, Andrews was subsequently invited to do post survey follow-up visits for their respective organisations in the 1987 *TORRO-BUFORA Crop Circle survey*, something he admits on page 20 of "*Circular Evidence*", but which he strangely later denied in an interview on BBC Radio Solent in 1989.

Now, in spite of his later claims that he had always been more interested in the 'Engineering side', after investigating his first lot of circles **Colin Andrews went straight down the same road as had Pat Delgado and promptly wrote an article for that well-known prestigious engineering journal 'Flying Saucer Review'! Andrews' first article in 'Flying Saucer Review' did not appear until 1987.** This too suggests that the 1983 date is misleading. Andrews' name does not appear in any newspaper cuttings until post-1986. It is just about believable that Colin Andrews did indeed see his first crop circle in 1983 - he has mentioned this date on many, many occasions - but this would not mean that he had begun systematic research or published any findings until his FSR article in 1987. The fact that in the subsequent twenty years Andrews has still failed to publish any research on the circles he alleged visited in 1983, 1984 and 1985 is also important. And it is telling to stress that when *BUFORA* published "*Controversy of the Circles*" in 1989 **the Association stated that Andrews began crop circle research in 1985.** (36 )

If 1983 was the correct date why did Andrews not point that out?

So much, then, for another of Colin's claims to have been in circles research for longer than most other people. Yes, he may well have seen his first circles in 1983-who knows as he has never published any proof of this. However, he certainly was not involved with Pat Delgado at that stage. The two met in 1986.

As for being interested in the engineering aspects of creating the circle-well, **from the start, Colin always seemed more interested in the paranormal aspects of the circles.** I cite the comments on pages 140, 164, 168,169, 179, 180 and 182 of *Circular Evidence*; each refers to either 'UFO's or 'Unknown force fields' as being a likely cause for crop circles. From each of the comments it becomes clear that Andrews and his co-author believed that intelligently-controlled UFO's were connected with the circles in the corn. To quote from page 140: '.....If the crop is laid flat by extra-terrestrial manipulation, then the force used is unique to us in its function.....'

I have no objection to someone wishing to believe that crop circles are caused by UFO's. They are entitled to their opinion as others are to theirs. The objection is that this claim is wrapped up in the pretence that a scientific study was undertaken. The point is that Colin has always championed the extra-terrestrial involvement in circles but has also used the 'engineering' tag to make people believe he really was applying engineering principles. Had he applied engineering principles, he would have realized that UFO's and 'Unknown

Energies' could not have created the circles.

And what about that 'First Book' claim?

Cue complete immolation of underwear: *'Mystery of the Circles'* had been published by the British UFO Research Organisation (BUFORA) in 1986 written by Jenny Randles and Paul Fuller; (37) In 1989 *'The Circles Effect and its Mysteries'* was published by Dr. Terence Meaden. Both pre-dated *'Circular Evidence'*. However, both the books by Andrews and Delgado were successful-so he got that bit right!

But, it isn't just these small details which Colin Andrews has got wrong.

### **Colin and his 'Original Team'**

On the current CPRI website, Colin gives the history of the organization He has photos of 'his original team'. Here's what the website 'Colin Andrews Crop Circles Research' has to say:

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“Colin Andrews has approached his near two decades of research with a very open mind and a willingness to look beyond traditional methods of evaluating data. Coming from a scientific background, he has favored using scientific protocols for ground projects but his information gathering has included consulting native peoples around the world, reputable and experienced dowsers as well as intuitive people like mediums and psychics. He has also tirelessly persuaded political representatives and scientists to give the subject their attention, with considerable success. It is his work and findings that is largely responsible for what is known about the mystery today and is entirely responsible for the term 'Crop Circles' now being a common term around the world.

### **The First Research Team**

**The first team to actively research the crop circle mystery consisted of Busty Taylor, Dr. Terence Meaden, Pat Delgado and Colin Andrews.** Their work began in the early 1980's and each dedicated large pieces of their lives to investigate what was occurring in England at that time. Dr. Terence Meaden moved on to another interest during the early 1990's as did Pat Delgado. Colin and Busty are the longest serving researchers of this subject anywhere and remain actively involved and friends to this day....”(38)

Now, I have spoken to people who have known Dr Terence Meaden for 20 years and have never understood him to have been part of Colin's 'First Research team'. Jim Schnabel obviously missed this in his book (39) and the fact must have slipped by all the other circles investigators as well! I knew Dr Meaden and Pat Delgado had researched circles, separately, since 1981- but part of Colin's team? A new one on us all, so **I wrote again to Dr Meaden asking for his version.** This is what he said:

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“I think Colin (first) wrote to me early in 1986. *I was never part of his group* (my italics) but met the three (Pat, Colin and Busty) now and then. Colin and Pat wrote that book (*Circular Evidence*) upon which Busty left in a huff. I scarcely saw them after that unless by accident.”(40)

**Yet another ‘Terminological Inexactitude’ by Colin.** Again, he cannot blame the press because again, it’s his website. He wrote it. You may have noticed the other “mistakes” before the ‘Original team’ bit:- ‘...Colin Andrews has approached his near two decades of research with a very open mind and a willingness to look beyond traditional methods of evaluating data. Coming from a scientific background, he has favored using scientific protocols for ground projects..... He has also tirelessly persuaded political representatives and scientists to give the subject their attention, with considerable success. It is his work and findings that is largely responsible for what is known about the mystery today and is entirely responsible for the term ‘Crop Circles’ now being a common term around the world.....”

Pants. Tripe. Rubbish. ‘Open mind? How many times has he dismissed other people’s theories as being dead? For example:-

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‘...The Whirlwind explanation was now seriously ill...’. (41). The meteorological theory ‘.....is a joke.....’ (42) ‘.....an insult to one’s intelligence.....’ (43) ‘.....another case of trying to make a theory fit the facts.....’(44)

As for the ‘scientific background’ and using ‘scientific protocols’ – I don’t believe a word of it and challenge Andrews to prove it. **Since when has a council electrician’s job been a ‘scientific background’?** And where are the ‘political representatives’? Who are they? Prove it Colin, publish their names, posts and governments.

Oh, and let’s not forget that the ORIGINAL team investigating crop circles consisted of Pat Delgado- the ‘Circles Man’ as he became known - long before Colin came into the picture. THEN, the team became Pat, Colin Andrews, Busty Taylor and an artist named Don Tuersley. On occasions they were supplemented by Omar Fowler, a UFO investigator.

ANOTHER team consisted of Dr Terence Meaden who later joined forces with UFOlogist Paul Fuller and was assisted during 1990 – 1992 by railway supervisor Peter Rendall and IT engineer Roger Davis. These teams met up from time to time in the fields and exchanged information on occasions. They were NEVER part of the same team and **Dr Meaden WAS NEVER part of Colin Andrews’ team.** This is purely a case of Andrews distorting the truth and adding a REAL SCIENTIST to his ‘team photos’ in order to give CPRI a modicum of ‘respectability’ it NEVER HAD.

### Colin and ‘Circular Evidence’

As a book, ‘*Circular Evidence*’ is full of lovely photos of crop circles. However, as a true record of events it is sadly lacking. As he was to do in the ensuing years, Colin managed to change things a little. Let’s run through the book, shall we?

Let's start by looking at what Dr. Terence Meaden wrote in the respected journal '*The Journal of Meteorology*' when he reviewed '*Circular Evidence*' in 1989:

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".....So let us commence by putting right some facts about the history of the authors' team where the details provided are unclear. Delgado's interest with the circles began in August 1981 (the 1981 item on p.21 in Colin Andrews's chapter was written by Delgado, not Colin). Mr Andrews' involvement began in August 1985 with the Goodworth Clatford quintuple event although it seems he had perhaps earlier seen some circles from a distance....."

This is interesting as it confirms what we have written earlier. August 1985 predates Paul Fuller's first involvement with crop circles which was on 13th October 1985, the date of Pat Delgado's Alresford meeting, but can we really count merely seeing a circle as the beginning of Andrews' "research"? Fuller went looking for circles earlier that summer but has never included this earlier date, always claiming that his initial involvement started 13th October 1985.

Meaden went on:

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'.....The item describing the quintuplet of July 1985 on Matterly Farm, Gander Down (north-east of the Cheesefoot basin in Hampshire) was written by Mr Delgado and not as implied on p.31 by Mr Andrews who did not know its exact location until he asked me over a year later (he never saw these circles himself although they were prominently placed in his own county and easily seen from the A31), **Colin Andrews and Pat Delgado did not know one another until Mr Andrews contacted Mr Delgado in summer 1986 at MY suggestion, so perhaps it is an uncorrected misprint on p.11 where Delgado writes 'Colin Andrews contacted me in 1983'....'**

So – Once again Colin's claims to have been researching circles since 1983 (or in some cases, 1981) is wrong. And this explains why Andrews was not invited to the 13th October 1985 meeting in Arlesford with all the other leading researchers of the time- because Delgado had never heard of him!

To continue with the review by Dr. Meaden:

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'.....Again, in Chapter 1, the long chapter describing interesting circle formations, the Corhampton event of 1984 (p.29) refers to 'two research organisations' which 'carried out a survey of cereal farmers in Hampshire and Wiltshire'. Unnamed in the book, although they should have been, these were BUFORA and TORRO, and the study was done from January to May 1987. Hence, despite appearances brought about by the wording, Colin Andrews' visit

to Corhampton was in May 1987 (not 1984), meaning that the second circle mentioned on p.29 referred to the rapeseed circle of June 1987 (this matter is in fact later clarified by the authors on p.53). In fact, one may add that **neither author carried out any on-site circle-measuring surveys before 1985**, nor visited circle sites in counties other than Hampshire, until 1986...'

Fascinating! - This looks like how Colin Andrews has managed to convince himself that he was investigating circles as long ago as at least 1984. Neither Colin nor Pat Delgado could have taken exception with this (Colin was a J.Met subscriber by then) and Dr.Terence Meaden never had any problems after he published it, so if it is incorrect Andrews missed an opportunity for "legal redress". Or was he afraid to try it on with a real scientist who was a highly-educated man of some standing? Had Colin tried to sue professor Meaden for libel in the dubious way he tried it on with Paul Fuller then Andrews would have been exposed there and then. But, **a good point worth remembering is that Fuller lived in the same county as Andrews. It could be speculated that Andrews had to shut Fuller up as he knew far too much about Andrews.** Colin could not have any opposition in his area of operation; could not have anyone who knew he wasn't a 'Chief Electrical Engineer' at all.....However, Paul Fuller was younger and much more inexperienced than the professor and was an easy target.

There was a very good point mentioned by Meaden here. **BUFORA and TORRO had conducted a survey of many farmers across the south of England and had happily shared their results with Andrews. He didn't acknowledge their help except for the brief mention of '...two research organisations...'** Curiously enough, whenever Andrews and his 'team' discovered a circle or circles, a full description of this appears in '*Circular Evidence*'. However, when circles had been discovered by other circles researchers, although nice, glossy photos appeared in *Circular Evidence*-no credit is given to the discoverer.

And the whole thing seems to indicate to the unwary reader that it was Colin Andrews and his team who discovered most of the circles, carried out most of the research and had been doing so since the early part of the 1980's, and which, of course, can be proven to be completely incorrect.

Just to add insult to injury, on page 54 of *Circular Evidence* there is a picture of a spurred circle formation which appeared at Whiteparish, a few miles south-east of Salisbury in 1987. The photo was one taken by Dr Meaden and had been reproduced without his permission! Neither was he given credit for the picture. The professor demanded an apology but when a letter arrived from Andrews, the tone of the letter was so unpleasant that Meaden declined to accept the apology. No financial recompense was ever offered for the picture's appearance, neither was an errata inserted into copies of the book. This is indicative of Andrews' cocksure attitude at this time. He was getting too big for his boots.

## CHAPTER SIX

And he's still at it!!

This from the internet on a website from 2002

Quote

“Andrews, Colin: Colin Andrews is a well-known researcher and author and is widely acknowledged as the world expert on the crop circle phenomenon.

**Crop circle expert and investigator.** If not for the intrepid work of **Dr. Colin Andrews** and his associates, little would be known of this most amazing evidence of extraterrestrial contact. Previous to his work, it was thought that these formations were the effects of unstudied weather phenomena, such as funnels and wind devils. Others argued that these crop circles and patterns were the products of elaborate hoaxes. And, because it had begun to happen around the world (Australia, US, and England), all except otherworldly forces could be ruled out. Like the plaques on the Voyager spacecraft which in mathematical terms say hello to whoever may find them, these crop patterns depict complex mathematical, chemical and atomic scientific concepts, possibly in hopes that we will understand and try to communicate in like manner. After all, the ancients across the globe once painted the ground with amazing pictograms, such as the Nazca lines, that could only be seen in their entirety from above. Besides the communicative aspect of the patterns, a strange chemical process is undergone by the wheat that has been patterned. Their once irregular carbon structure has become crystallized. Yet, the plants continue to grow. Hopefully, with the dedication of **scientists like Dr. Andrews**, we may one day fully understand what is taking place.”

**Scientist? Doctor?** Then it goes on with a similar biography as previously examined above:

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“.....Colin Andrews is a well-known researcher and author and is widely acknowledged as the world expert on the crop circle phenomenon. He is the founder of Circles Phenomenon Research International, the first organization established specifically to investigate the crop circle phenomenon. His scientific investigations are responsible for much of the current information available on the subject.”

**Now he is THE world expert!** Still claims to be a scientist though....smell of smouldering drawers....in fact, with his claim to have founded the ‘.....first organisation established specifically to investigate the ...phenomena.....’ it’s back to ‘Pants on Fire’ again. **Dr Meaden’s ‘Circles Effect Research’ was the FIRST organisation to be set up specifically to investigate crop circles, being founded in 1987, before CPR.**

It was at this stage in my researches that I met P.D. Rendall who had been a circles researcher in the late 1980’s and early 1990’s and whose book *Cereal Killers-the Memoirs of a Crop Circles researcher* I had heard reviewed on BBC Wiltshire Sound during 2005. We arranged to meet in the ‘Wooden Spoon’ pub at Downton, near Salisbury and, over a drink, I heard a tale which showed that **Andrews was still trying to stop anyone going down the road which would lead to his, Colin’s, background being exposed.**

In September 2003, Rendall published the first of two books about his involvement with Crop Circles. Entitled ‘*Cereal Killers-Book One: The Innocent Years*’ the book told the

story of his and his friends initial interest in the subject in 1987 through to 1991. The story covered not just personal activities within circles research but also with those whom the writer came across in his travels, including Professor Terence Meaden and his supporters and those who did not support the professor's theories that there was a weather-based solution to those enigmatic crop markings. The whole idea of the book was to show how the various parties interacted with each other and **how they were all seemingly oblivious to hoaxing at first.**

The tale involved giving some background information about not only events and incidents but the various 'personalities' involved. The events he was writing about happened between 10 and 14 years ago and most of those people the author was mentioning had long dropped out of the public eye. Most people nowadays would not have heard of them. Most of the information Rendall used to provide this background wasn't new: most of it had been in the public domain for ten years or more and could be found in various forms in several books published on the subject in the early 1990's. (45)

The book is comprised of memories of the events written up from diary entries made at the time or very shortly after. It describes how two or three people with a mild interest in a subject they'd only read about until 1988 were caught up in the whirlpool of circles mania which swept the West Country for the next few years. It shows how they saw events at the time and how they teamed up with Professor Meaden, Paul Fuller and others to seek a scientific and meteorological solution to the circles. It shows how, after **the events of 1990 when the BBC in tandem with Colin Andrews and his colleague Pat Delgado were subjected to a hoaxed set of circles at Bratton, Wiltshire**, Professor Meaden and his team CERES planned a quiet and secret 'Cropwatch' for 1991. The hope was that by keeping it secret they wouldn't be subjected to hoaxing in the same way as had happened in 1990. However, they were compromised and events took a different turn to that which they had planned.

Rendall assured me that there was nothing deliberately malicious in the book. It told of real events, real people and *Book Two* continued the story and showed **how the team's thoughts about people and events had to be modified as they discovered more and understood more.** You could say that their understanding developed along with the circles themselves, especially as Rendall infiltrated a circles hoaxing team. Having read the books, I can't help but agree with him.

He told me:

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'...During those few years we all did and said things which now, with the safe island of hindsight under our feet, we look back on and cringe with embarrassment. But an honest person is one who recognises this and is not afraid to admit it. There were many instances when we took events at face value as they happened and didn't have the time to look further into them until later. We all took too many obvious signs of circles being hoaxed and ignored them or tried to explain them away in one fashion or another; that goes for almost ALL the researchers: read Jim Schnabel's *Round in Circles*,(46 ) read John Macnish's *Cropcircle Apocalypse* (47) read *Cereal Killers Book One!*...'

After the first of the two books was published it was with some degree of pleasure that, after having received an order for a copy from circles researcher Colin Andrews, Rendall sent him a copy, suitably endorsed inside the cover with a suitable comment which recognised the contribution Andrews had made to the subject and showed that, although he and Rendall had followed different theories, they had much in common. An early e-mail from Andrews seemed to match those feelings.

Although Andrews told the author: ‘.....An informant tells me there are some parts of the book which I will disagree with...’ – or words very similar. Rendall replied to the effect that ‘.....I don’t think you have anything to fear from the book. Yes, there are things you would probably disagree with but, as I’ve told your ‘informant’(48) it is the diary of events of 1988-1991 as seen by one of Terence Meaden’s supporters. I kept a log of all the events as they happened, but the thing to remember is that it is as seen by me. CERES doesn’t escape criticism either. We all made mistakes and, as you say, we all wish we could have approached things differently. You, Pat and Busty had your views, we had ours. Who is to say who was right? .....’

Then, after a week or so had passed and during which time Andrews had had the time to read the book thoroughly, he sent another e-mail on 8th January 2004 which had a different tone altogether:

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‘.....Regarding the book, I have read it and must say that it is a valuable record because of the story it tells through your eyes. That said I was surprised by the depth of hatred shown and the degree to which you and Meaden’s team appeared to be so paranoid with those who held different views than your own. It does come across as bitter and twisted and that is without the opening of some old wounds with Paul Fuller & Co.’

‘I have an attorney here who is a family member who I have asked to read and advise me on a couple of paragraphs about the Fuller lies. Not that I have an interest in spending more time and money on the false allegations Paul Fuller made those years ago about Pat Delgado, Gordon Creighton and myself, but you seem to have opened that nasty bag of lies again by making the statements you have. I will get advise (sic) and go from there. I really do not want to spend more energy on Mr Nasty, which is what some call Fuller this side of the water. I have the full legal file here on the actions taken against him and I hope you made yourself fully acquainted with the facts before you made these new statements? Just accepting what Paul Fuller might have told you is not sufficient or wise, that is how this whole thing occurred in the first place. Our next step was to take him for libel if he did not withdraw his untrue allegations. On his solicitors advise (sic) he was wise enough to do so.’

‘All that said I look forward to reading your record of events in the next book. Thank you for sending this one over so quickly. Colin.’

This was a surprise to Rendall. It mixed polite recognition of the tale with a surprising amount of anger on Andrews’ part with the reference to his legal scuffle with Paul Fuller.

More so when one considers that Jim Schnabel in *Round in Circles* had not only documented the whole affair between Andrews/Delgado/Creighton (49) and Fuller in full but reproduced parts of the various solicitors letters which flew between the two sides. Jim had also outlined and alleged some considerable paranoia on **Colin's own part, such as thinking he was being followed and believing that he had an Alien implant in his brain** (50). Rendall replied to the e-mail:

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'Dear Colin.

Thank you for your views. The book is not bitter and twisted as you state. It is a factual account of the way people felt AT THAT TIME. That much I have made clear. You will find that there is little written that is bad about you or your team. People are quite entitled to make an historical account of the way things were. It is fact that there were divisions between different factions and all this is quite clearly laid out, in far more detail, in Jim Schnabel's book 'Round in Circles'. In fact, as you are no doubt aware, Jim goes into quite graphic and personal detail of how he saw you and others at that time. Nothing I have written about has not been covered before and all is in the public domain. All I've done is reveal how we felt about things then.

'Whether Mr Fuller lied or not has already been dealt with by you and Mr Delgado many years ago and is not for me to take sides. All I did was report what happened without the details. I think you will find that the Meaden team, of which I was one... (also) comes in for criticism. With the benefit of hindsight, CERES made many mistakes.'

'I had you down as someone who was able to accept that many mistakes were made in the past as indeed you have indicated to me in a previous e-mail.'

On the 10th January, Rendall received another e-mail from Andrews:

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'.....I happen to agree with much you have said in this reply, but to say 'Whether Mr Fuller lied or not has already been dealt with by you and Mr Delgado (etc.)' is just not true.

'You HAVE taken sides and made UNTRUE STATEMENTS IN DOING SO. Your statements on pages 33, 34 and 94 are real problems and I am advised could be grounds for action. You clearly state that Paul Fuller was stating a truth, when three solicitors working on behalf of Creighton, Delgado and myself had written evidence to the contrary, hence why he had to withdraw his lies. You have publicly reversed the desired legal counter (51 ) resulting from that action and have again placed in the public domain, via comments on pages 33, 34 and 94, untrue and malicious statements supporting Fuller's lies.'

'As I said in my last, I don't want to have to re-visit the Fuller nonsense but as written and without address, I have to consider doing so because you make

several strong statements which put together leads the reader to think I am not to be trusted (or Pat Delgado who as of yet I have not alerted).’

‘I would like to offer you an olive branch whereby this can be fairly and truthfully resolved. If it is not too late, you should place some kind of retraction in the second book. In doing so you should make it clear that what you said in the first book was not justified or correct and that you unreservedly retract them. As I have said, the evidence is still here in my legal file. I have always stated accurately what my position was with TVBC [Test Valley Borough Council-CS] and Pat Delgado also accurately stated who (sic) he worked for. A letter of notice from my attorney would quickly convince you of this but I don’t want to unnecessarily start that ball in motion. Ask Paul Fuller to see the correspondence he received at the time. It might save us both some money.’

‘I’ll leave you a day or two to ponder my objections and my suggestion.’

‘I find it hard to imagine that you wrote this without Paul Fuller’s input and his attempting to get even by placing you in the firing line this time, instead of himself.’

‘Whatever the case, I hope you agree to correct it.  
Regards, Colin.’

Some olive branch! A rather angry e-mail which unfortunately for Colin, put him in exactly the same position that he had put Paul Fuller in, back in 1988. In that instance, Colin had taken objection to something Paul Fuller had written to a third party in a private letter. Here was Colin accusing Fuller of both having an input into *Cereal Killers* and of using that to get at Andrews. I asked Peter if Paul Fuller had indeed had some input into *Cereal Killers*.

‘Absolutely not,’ he said. ‘In no way did anyone other than myself have any part in writing the book. I did send some pages to various people, including Fuller, for them to clarify dates and some details. Fuller in particular actually corrected a sentence where I’d written that Colin Andrews had been employed by Hampshire County Council. This was wrong and Mr. Fuller kindly pointed that out and I corrected it. Other than that, I had several people proof-read the manuscript for me. Two of these had nothing to do with circles.’

**So, Colin Andrews was jumping the gun, it seemed. He was also acting in a hypocritical manner because he was also insinuating that Fuller was called ‘Mr Nasty’ in the USA. This was, of course, completely untrue and libellous in itself!**

So what was it that was upsetting him so much? It seemed that, back in 1988, Paul Fuller along with Dr Terence Meaden had become disillusioned with the way Colin was claiming all sorts of weird and wonderful things were happening in connection with crop circles. Along with Pat Delgado, Fuller and Meaden had been researching crop circles before Colin Andrews became involved.(52) They’d all worked together for a while after that. However, there were disagreements over what caused the circles and they went different ways; **Meaden followed the Meteorological theory whereas Fuller went for a combination of the Meteorological theory and hoaxing. Andrews and Delgado were inclined to follow the ‘unknown energies’ theory. Paul Fuller became increasingly concerned that Colin was appearing in the press not only claiming that his way was right but also that**

**Meaden's theory didn't hold water. Fuller was concerned that this was having a detrimental effect on the credibility of UFOlogy and the scientific stance of years of research conducted by BUFORA since 1981. He was also concerned that several statements in the press to the effect that Colin was 'Chief Electrical Engineer for Test Valley Borough Council' and that Pat Delgado had worked for NASA were incorrect and leant an air of authority to the twosome which otherwise would not have existed. Fuller had written this in a letter to a third party.** The third party had sent the letter to Andrews and co. Their response was to threaten him with an action for libel and defamation if he did not withdraw the statements. Solicitors' letters were exchanged. Andrews, Delgado and the FSR editor, Creighton, provided documentation that appeared to prove that Andrews and Delgado had not, to coin a modern phrase, 'sexed up' their jobs. Colin's solicitor sent Fuller a letter to say that Andrews had been 'Technical Support Services officer' for the TVBC and that it was the media that had misrepresented his status at the council. **Pat Delgado provided a letter from his previous employer to say that Pat had worked AT a NASA base in Australia-although not technically employed as 'head count' by NASA.-a fact which was quickly picked up by Fuller's solicitor. However, there was seemingly never any doubt that Pat Delgado was a genuine engineer-after all, he was apparently responsible for inventing the Teasmade! (53)**

Libel is a costly business and Paul Fuller was far from wealthy whereas Andrews and Delgado stood to make quite a sum from their forthcoming book about circles, '*Circular Evidence*'. Fuller could provide evidence that there were plenty of statements whereby Andrews in particular had allowed all sorts of different titles to be applied to him, and Fuller subsequently claimed that his solicitor advised him that the other three's solicitors must have the necessary evidence of libel to have started this action. **Andrews and co sent draft letters of apology for Fuller to sign.** These letters stated that Fuller was apologising for '...making untrue statements...'. Fuller refused, instead drafting his own letters apologising for making '...unnecessary and emotive statements...'. **It was far cheaper just to issue an apology when faced with libel so Fuller grudgingly sent out these apologies to the plaintiffs. But when the 'evidence' of the so-called libel arrived with his solicitor-it wasn't enough to have sustained a case. Fuller's solicitor responded to that of Andrews stating that Fuller would not pay costs and that Andrews had broken a confidence by reading the contents of a private letter. The solicitor then invited Colin et al to commence libel proceedings against Fuller.**

They never did.

Fuller realised that he'd 'been had'. Worse was to come because within nine months, *Flying Saucer Review* published Fuller's apologies under the headline '*A Document of Hate and Paranoia*'.

In '*UFO Times*' dated May 1990 Paul Fuller publicly withdrew his apologies, sending Colin Andrews notification of this in a letter. (54) Surprisingly, Andrews did nothing about this.

So where did *Cereal Killers* come into it? How had things arrived at the place where Colin was now threatening another party with libel and demanding apologies? In *Cereal Killers-Book One* Peter Rendall mentioned,

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on page 33, that: ‘.....[Fuller] had been the subject of furious solicitors’ letters after he claimed, in private correspondence...that certain claims made by Andrews and Delgado about their work status were somewhat exaggerated. Although it seemed that Fuller was correct, Andrews and Delgado had managed to threaten him with a libel suit if he didn’t send them written apologies.....’(55)

And on page 34: ‘.....[All the more galling] was the fact that he had proof that what he’d said in the letter about Andrews and Delgado was fairly insignificant but true!’(56)

Page 94: ‘.....**Circular Evidence was full of inaccuracies and misrepresentations, whether inserted knowingly or not was not my place to suggest; however the pair of them had shut poor old Paul Fuller up...just for telling the truth in private correspondence.**’(57)

But, from what has been written before and was shown, in full, with copies of the solicitors’ letters involved, by American Jim Schnabel in his book ‘*Round In Circles*’, **Paul Fuller did indeed have the proof that what he’d said in that private letter was true.** And, as we’ve already seen, there were inaccuracies and misrepresentations in *Circular Evidence*.

Rendall replied to Andrews:

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‘11th January 2004.

Dear Colin,

Thank you for your e-mail. I refer you to ‘*Round in Circles*’ by J.Schnabel; Hamish Hamilton, London, 1993, in particular pp 67-72. It might have been a good idea to have waited until *Book Two* before embarking on remarks about my association with Mr.P.Fuller and his involvement with my book. Your comments in both recent e-mails could be construed as libellous. I reserve further comment.’

There now followed a long gap before Colin contacted Rendall again on 21st January:

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‘.....Peter. Quite by coincidence, some ‘confidential’ material has come to light in which there are references to some alleged activities by yourself, Irving, Schnable (sic) and crew.’

‘Its funny, I had never heard of your name until recently. I was aware of your presence and obvious anger but did not know how involved you apparently were.  
Colin.’

‘PS: As previously requested, please confirm that you received my solicitors letter to Fuller (Or Not). It will make no difference to me, I am just trying to

divert a potential problem for you.’

Very magnanimous of him. Apparently Rendall had not got his ‘solicitors letter to Fuller’. However, just to make sure, another message was received from Andrews advising that he was going to send Rendall a hard copy of the letter. (58) Quite why he was bothering was a mystery as it was alluded to on page 71 in Jim Schnabel’s book-of which Colin had also advised Rendall he was aware.

It was also slightly odd that Colin said he had been ‘... aware of your presence and obvious anger...’ when he’d preceded that statement by saying he’d never heard of Rendall until recently!

Peter was getting bored with all this

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‘...By now I was beginning to tire of the threats made by Andrews. He was getting out of his pram with me whilst he had not even tried to threaten Jim Schnabel for publishing far more detailed allegations 10 years before. I took legal advice from a solicitor friend. She listened to the whole story and read the so-called offending sections of my book. She was puzzled. She could not see what Andrews was on about. Most solicitors reading that, she said, would advise the plaintiff to ‘forget it’ as there was nothing there that was defamatory, besides which libel actions were horrendously expensive. The whole thing pivoted on whether I had any proof that Colin Andrews was not what he claimed to be in 1988 and what he allowed to be printed about him without correction. She also advised me that I could take out an injunction against Andrews to stop him from being so vexatious, but that it would be hard to enforce as Andrews was a resident of the USA.

My best course of action was to ignore him for the future and this I chose to do.’

I was interested by Andrews’ claim that he had ‘confidential’ information concerning some sort of ‘activities’ which Rendall had allegedly been up to with ‘Schnabel, Irving and crew’. (Irving being Robert Irving, an Artist who had been involved with crop circles in the period 1991-93. For more on him, I suggest you read Jim Schnabel’s book and also that by BBC cameraman John Macnish.). I asked what this was about.

Rendall laughed.

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‘...It would be fascinating, I thought, to see what Colin came up with as I had never done anything more controversial with Jim Schnabel than drink with him in a pub! What was true, was that I had infiltrated Irving’s games in 1992 and had found out what he was up to. But it was hardly earth-shattering stuff and became common knowledge. Should Colin try using whatever tales he had to shut me up, then he’d be in for a hard time.’

What happened next?

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'I never heard from Colin Andrews again. If he had any genuine grievance, then, under the UK libel laws he had 12 or 13 months to commence legal action. He didn't, so he can't complain.'

**So, in 2004, we still have Colin threatening people.** And again, you get the impression that it's Paul Fuller, the UFO investigator from Hampshire, who is the real target of Andrews' wrath. The only reason I could come up with is that Fuller knew that Andrews was never a senior officer, engineer etc., who was running the Council and advising the government, and that Colin was scared that his dubious 'professional' reputation would be exposed.

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He who learns must suffer  
And even in our sleep pain that cannot forget  
Falls drop by drop upon the heart,  
And in our own despair, against our will,  
Comes wisdom to us by the awful grace of God.  
Agamemnon, Aeschylus

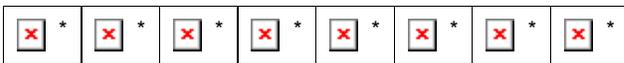
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**[Re: Colin Andres - Crop Circle Charlatan](#)**

« **Reply #7 on:** October 02, 2008, 08:36:19 AM »

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This is from Colin's current website (2006) referring to past events:

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"...While still working as a senior officer within British local government, Colin invited Member of Parliament, Sir David Mitchell to visit a crop circle, which appeared 14 miles away from Colin's office. Sir David accepted and was impressed by what he saw...."

(Still posing as a 'senior officer with British local government', then Colin?) Here's what the *Hampshire Chronicle* of 20 July 1990 had to say:

Quote

"...Mystery Circles to be officially investigated ?

"David Mitchell M.P. spent the afternoon last Friday with Colin Andrews, of Circles Phenomenon Research, looking at the mysterious corn circles that have appeared in many parts of Hampshire and Wiltshire. Over 200 have occurred so far this year.

Mr. Andrews had asked David Mitchell to persuade the Government to take an interest in the phenomenon and since seeing the circles, Mr. Mitchell has met the Environment Minister, David Tripper, and the Department of Environment Chief Scientific Adviser, to discuss the circles.

Following Mr. Mitchell's representation, the Natural Environment Research Council is to be invited to consider whether they should investigate the mystery...."

And again:-

Quote

"...Appeal to help solve crop mystery (59)

"North Warwickshire residents have been urged to watch out for sightings of the bizarre crop circle phenomenon.

The plea comes from a group of scientists who are helping to keep Mrs Thatcher up to date on the strange sightings in Britain's crop fields. (60)

There are currently recording ten to 15 sightings a day, and one of the latest was at Husbands Bosworth in Leicestershire.

Mr Colin Andrews, the Andover scientist (61) in charge of the investigation into crop circles, said: 'Since the first week in May there have been well over 300 sightings of these circles.'

'There have been all kinds of theories such as UFO landings and whirlwinds, but really the truth is that no one knows for sure what does cause them to appear.'

‘We would like to hear from anyone in Warwickshire who may see sightings [sic !] of crop circles, or oblongs and so on, so we can keep bringing the evidence up to date and discover what on earth is happening.’

Mr Andrews said 50 other scientists (62) were working closely with him on the investigation and that they were hopeful central Government would launch properly-funded research as well.

Anyone with sightings should ring Mr Andrews .....

It is clear from the last paragraph that Andrews was hoping to get the Government to launch a “properly funded” investigation. This seems very strange because “*Circular Evidence*” had been launched the previous summer so by July 1990 Colin Andrews would have had a lot of money to fund a research programme. Why would he need additional funding? This continual asking for money has been a regular feature of Andrews’ ‘research’ for the past 15 years and, as we will see later in this publication, he is still doing it.

To return to that blurb:

Quote

“.....Colin has made tireless efforts to engage Politicians and other influential people in the subject. **He prepared technical reports** for Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher cabinet via The Secretary of State, The Rt Hon. Nicolas Ridley, M.P. (sic) **Queen Elizabeth was also given these reports and Prince Charles was planning to visit crop circles with Colin** when these secret plans were scuttled by The ‘*Daily Star*’ national newspaper in Great Britain who mysteriously published the plans on their front page”.

Well...er..not quite. We know that Colin never prepared ‘technical reports’ for anyone, let alone the late Nicolas Ridley MP. Colin may well have sent a letter or two to Ridley with information on them, but as he has never shown any reports to anyone else in the circles world and has never released any report to be scrutinized by his peers and by real scientists, then it naturally follows that one has to cast serious doubt on this claim of Colin’s. Unless, of course, he can prove otherwise by publishing those technical reports, which he ought to be able to safely do after over 15 years.

And he can’t claim that the Official Secrets Act prevents him from doing so, as he has already breached it by telling everyone he has ‘advised Ridley’ and also that he has been advising the government and that the army asked him to work with them!

Also, Colin is hinting furiously that the ‘Star’s article prevented him and the Prince from visiting a circle together. Rubbish. They never were going to visit a circle together. Royal protocol would never permit that. Sure, Charles may have decided to visit a circle as part of another royal engagement but he would never have made a special visit just to stand with Andrews in a circle of flattened corn. The problem lies in the fact that if questioned, the royals would deny that the visit was ever planned. Colin (the ‘government advisor’ on circles.....) will claim that this is part of a cover up. Here’s the article anyway.

Prince Charles visit with Colin Andrews hit national headlines – Daily Star newspaper And more from the CPR website:

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“...Colin attended meetings with Nick Pope at the British Ministry of Defense (MOD) and also Ralph Noyce,(sic) the former Air Secretariat official from the MOD to discuss what the government knew about crop circles. He was also privileged to spend a week with Colonel Philip Corso, a former Pentagon official and member of The United States National Security Council at The White House, directly responsible to President Eisenhower. Col. Corso told Andrews that the National Security Agency (NSA) took charge of the early reports of crop circles but reports were regularly seen by him at The White House during his time there in the early 1960's. He said the US government's view was that they were some kind of communication....”

We've been here before....see above. However, he has dropped the Chief Electrical Engineer bit...same old stuff otherwise, though.

Quote

“...Andrews supervised the largest surveillance project of its kind during 1990, called 'Operation Blackbird'. It was an effort to film a crop circle forming, backed and supported by the British Army, B.B.C. and Nippon television and was watched closely by the international media.”

“.....Colin Andrews became involved in the circle mystery during 1983 when he saw an arrangement of five circles in a wheat field near Winchester, England. Intrigued by the engineering aspects of creating the circles he began investigations with Pat Delgado, a retired NASA engineer and Busty Taylor a light aircraft pilot. In 1989, Pat and Colin co-authored '*Circular Evidence*', the first book written on the subject, which became an international best seller and was chosen by Queen Elizabeth for her prestigious 'Summer Reading Listing'. It was the first time a book of this kind had ever been chosen by the monarchy for this listing. This was followed by their equally successful book: '*Crop Circles: The Latest Evidence*', in 1990.”

Chosen. Chosen? I doubt it. The Queen reading about Colin Andrews?....it was probably one of several books supplied to the Queen; most likely, Colin sent her a copy himself and received a letter of thanks from a lowly equerry. Why doubt him? Because he's been so economical with the truth on many, many occasions. Perhaps when he reads this, he'd like to provide the proof.....NOT more threats-that proves nothing. Colin, publish that letter from the Queen.

And, of course, we know that there was no backing or support from the British Army at all.

Quote

”.....Andrews has appeared on numerous well known television and radio programs around the world including ‘60 Minutes’, ‘20-20’, ‘Good Morning America’, ‘Sightings’, ‘Unsolved Mysteries’, ‘Coast To Coast with Art Bell’, ‘Histories Mysteries’, ‘The Shirley Maclaine Show’, ‘Dan Aykroyd’s Out There’, ‘The Sally Jessy Raphael Show’, BBC’s Daytime Live’, ‘The Ray Martin Show’ and many more. He has lectured extensively to a wide range of audiences including the special interest ‘S.E.A.T.’ group at the United Nations, and ‘The Hakui Museum’ in Japan.

**Uh...No; Not quite. Andrews lectured to the S.E.A.T. group in a room belonging to the United Nations – the way this is written, it looks as if Colin addressed the UN on the subject of crop circles. Which, of course, he didn’t. In actual fact, I found out that Colin really gave a lecture to the Parapsychology Society, which is a group affiliated to the United Nations Staff Recreation Council, rather than the United Nations itself. A sort of UN ‘Sports and Social club’.**

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“.....He was awarded the New Heaven New Earth ‘Toby Award’ for his ‘honesty and perseverance in the face of adversity’ during his research of the so-called ‘Oliver’s Castle’ video, claimed by many to show UFO’s making crop circles.”

Honesty? What honesty? Colin was the one promoting the video as genuinely showing UFO’s at work until the weight of public opinion changed his mind. Then he started claiming that he had said it was fake all along and took the credit for what other researchers had done.

Honesty? Look at all the above, genuine, REAL, PROVEN ‘misrepresentations’ made by Andrews.

Honesty? Give the gong back, Colin.

Quote

“...He has acted as consultant to several European research institutions and also to well-known anthropologist and former US congressman, Laurence Rockefeller in New York. His widely seen video ‘Undeniable Evidence’ was instrumental in the appearance of the crop circles on the movie screen. The British movie ‘A Place To Stay’ was written after Film Director Marcus Thompson was shown the video by a friend. Andrews acted as Chief Consultant and appeared as himself in the movie. He also supplied information and photographs for the new Touchstone Pictures movie called ‘Signs’, starring Mel Gibson.”

[\\_http://www.worldofthestrane.com/](http://www.worldofthestrane.com/)

What European research Institutions? And what about ‘*A Place to Stay*’? The little-known ‘movie’ which takes one hell of a lot of Google searching to find web reference to? Here’s

part of what 'Swirled News' had to say about the film:

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"..... Perhaps inevitably, the only characters who seem remotely genuine are the actual crop circle researchers, making their much-vaunted cameos, although Reg Presley comes across as far too enthusiastic about a phenomenon he normally dismisses as being "95%" hoaxing in the real world. Of all people, Busty Taylor probably gives the most convincing performance in the whole movie, whilst instructing a TV crew about dowsing. The hand of Colin Andrews as a consultant to the production is clearly visible, meanwhile, in the grand and pointed introduction ("world's leading authority", etc.) he is given by the TV reporters onscreen, provoking chuckles throughout the auditorium....." (64)

From this it would seem that Colin has a bit of a reputation for exaggeration..... As for his involvement with 'Signs' –it is strange that his name doesn't appear in the credits.....

Here's what a BBC 2002 website has to say about Colin:

Quote

".....Research into the appearance of crop circles in summer fields claims the strange phenomena are caused by the Earth's magnetic field.

"**Scientist Colin Andrews** says 17 years of work has revealed that about 80% of the formations are man-made.

"But he believes that magnetism may account for the rest, which display a simplicity of form compared with elaborate, beautiful patterns of the "hoaxes".

"*Dr Andrews* believes a mysterious shift in the magnetic field gives rise to a current that "electrocutes" the crops forcing them to lie flat on the ground. '  
<http://bbc.news.co.uk>

No sign of an 'aerial component' then. I question, once again, the use of 'Scientist' but it's possible that the person writing the website made that mistake. One hopes that Colin, recalling his legal battle with Paul Fuller, contacted the BBC to correct this and the appellation 'Dr'. .....Somehow, from previous events, I doubt it very much.

**Colin's CD Blurb**

Now, who but Colin could have penned this blurb from this CD?

Quote

"Colin Andrews = The world's foremost authority on Crop Circles and Co-Host of The UFO Anthology Vol-1 CD-ROM (NOTE) Colin Andrews, formerly of Andover, England, was an **Electrical Engineer for over ten years**

**with the British Government.** He saw his first Crop Circle in 1983. He founded Circles Phenomenon Research International (C.P.R.I.) later that same year, and soon dedicated himself full-time to deciphering the mystery. In 1989 he co-authored the book *Circular Evidence* with Pat Delgado, which became an international best- seller.

Colin's ongoing research and investigations continue to take him all over the world. He presents his findings in lectures, on major television and radio programs, and in popular magazines and newspapers worldwide. Colin brings to "The UFO Anthology Vol-1" his extensive knowledge and the very latest up to date information about this fascinating and still, unsolved mystery!"

Well, what do we have here? Colin as a mere 'Electrical Engineer'? At least he has dropped the 'Chief' prefix. **As we know, he was an ordinary electrician-little else.** His spell in the office with TVBC did not qualify him to be called 'Engineer.' **Nor did he work for the British Government; to say he worked for Test Valley Council is not the same as saying he worked for the British Government.** They are two separate institutions.

Again, Colin may well have seen his first Crop Circle in 1983 (which make it odd that elsewhere he claims to have been researching circles since 1981) but he sure as hell DID NOT '.....found Circles Phenomenon Research International later the same year.....'. Colin founded CPR in 1986 after he had teamed up with Pat Delgado. The 'International' addition didn't come until at least 1990. And '.....soon dedicated himself full-time.....' it sounds as if Colin saw his first circle in 1983, started CPR and then started working full time on the subject of circles. More smouldering underwear. He saw his first circle in 1983, three years later started CPR with Pat, then a further five years went by before Colin left TVBC and became a full-time circles man. THEN CPR became 'International'.

And there's more: Another website advertising a video by Colin...

Quote

**'.....COLIN ANDREWS: THE TRUTH ABOUT CROP CIRCLES #17917**

Live From Madison Square Garden. For virtually 20 years, Colin Andrews has been at the forefront of the research into the mystery of the Crop Circles. He established the first research organization into the global mystery in 1983 and continues to work with numerous scientists and engineers like himself in an attempt to resolve what is creating the crop patterns. This video covers some of Andrews' research from which he formulated his theory that crop patterns are one of several signs of change in our world, at a time in history when change is essential. What is happening in the fields of our planet is part of the interaction between man's consciousness and the living environment. The crop circles and the changes we see in climate, weather and consciousness are all part of the signs of our times. U125 • VHS Video Tape • 92 min • \$24.95 • UPC 7 09629 912533' [http://www.alienzoo.com/.....](http://www.alienzoo.com/)

Yet again, 'scientists and engineers like himself'. Right-so they are self-designated and without any proper qualifications then? And again the myth that he started the first of the

research organizations in 1983. If he keeps on like this he'll start to believe it! Oh, sorry. We forgot **Andy Thomas' comment: ".....Colin was not overtly quick to correct the impression that he was an eminent scientist/Dr/Professor....."**

Then there's this:-

Quote

**“THE NHNE TOBY AWARD: COLIN ANDREWS**The NHNE Toby Award (<http://nen.edona.net/nhne/tobyaward.html>) is named in honor of Tobias, the hero of the *Book of Tobit*, which is one of the twelve books of the Biblical Apocrypha. Tobias is a model of virtue. He follows the spirit, searches for truth, and persists in the face of adversity. NHNE is proud to award our second Toby to Colin Andrews, one of the world's leading authorities on crop circles. With so many controversies swirling around the crop circle phenomenon, we are grateful for the thoroughness, levelheadedness, professionalism and heartfelt sincerity that Andrews brings to this important field of study. A case in point is the recent Oliver's Castle Video that supposedly documents a crop circle being made by mysterious balls of light (See News Briefs 27, 29, 45, 47). Andrews was given a copy of the video by a young man who claimed to film it. After signing a hand-written contract that insured the film maker received 90% of whatever monies were generated from the video, Andrews was given permission to use the video in whatever way he wanted to. But Andrews refused to go public with the video because of numerous inconsistencies. After several unsuccessful attempts to contact the man who had given him the video, Andrews hired a private detective to track the man down. In the current issue of Andrews' CIRCLES PHENOMENON RESEARCH INTERNATIONAL (CPR) newsletter, Andrews and two other crop circle researchers that were intimately involved in the Oliver's Castle fiasco, spent seven pages detailing the twisted chain of events and suspicious characters involved in the video. Early on, Andrews publicly stated that he felt the video was a hoax – and he has continued to maintain this position, in spite of intense pressure from people within the crop circle community who believe the video is authentic. He has also resisted the temptation to profit from the video financially. While humanity will probably be faced with both genuine and fabricated mysteries for some time to come, and while there will probably always be unscrupulous human beings willing to take advantage of real and hoaxed mysteries, as long as there are people like Colin Andrews investigating, those of us who want to know the truth, will have at least a few credible sources to turn to for reliable information. We encourage you to give Colin Andrews and his organization the support they deserve. You can support his work (and promote the serious investigation of the crop circle phenomenon) by becoming a subscriber of his newsletter.”

[www.nhne.com/newsbriefs](http://www.nhne.com/newsbriefs)

I'm glad that 'briefs' gets a mention above because once again we are back with the 'Pants on Fire' syndrome.....

**The hypocrisy of the man**

In 2002, Colin Andrews spoke of how he felt the need to expose the ‘high level of hoaxing’ of crop circles in order to help burst the bubble of the industry of books, T-shirts, videos etc which had sprung up around the circles formations Andrews now felt to have been fakes. Ironic this, especially as he had issued a limited-edition CD-ROM about his (then) latest theories-priced \$60 –around £40! Take a look at his website today to see what other stuff he has for sale-books, CD’s, Videos.....

## CHAPTER SEVEN

### Colin and his CPR ‘Offices’

This is a good one, even by Colin’s standards! April 2004 saw an announcement appear on the CPR website. Labelled ‘URGENT NOTICE’ it basically told all that Colin had run out of cash to continue his research. I quote:-  
Quote

‘.....URGENT NOTICE. The future of Circles Phenomenon Research in serious doubt – Urgent Appeal –Office Closing. This is an urgent notice to friends who have supported crop circle research conducted by Circles Phenomenon Research International under the auspices of Colin Andrews since 1983....’

As before, I must stop there to point out that CPR wasn’t founded until 1986 and did not go ‘International’ until the 1990’s. He doesn’t mention Pat Delgado either-the man who REALLY started ‘alternative’ circles research in the early 1980’s: Dr Meaden having started researching the circles from a scientific standpoint about the same time. Colin further distorts the truth by continuing:

Quote

‘.....The future of this two decades of research is about to come to an incomplete end due to the lack of funds.....’

It should be noted here that this is only a couple of years after American millionaire Rockefeller gave him thousands of dollars to solve the mystery of crop circles. Where’s all the cash gone? One trip to the UK, the supposed involvement of a ‘detective agency’ to patrol the fields of Hampshire that same summer (Which agency? What did they find? Who did they catch? Why didn’t they stop lots of circles being made?) I digress. Let Colin continue....

Quote

‘.....When research began more than two decades ago.....’

Oh, we’re pushing the start back a couple more years here, are we? Any mention of the people who were REALLY doing that research? Do I hear the names ‘Pat Delgado’, ‘Dr Terence Meaden’, ‘Paul Fuller’, ‘Jenny Randles’ or ‘Busty Taylor’ mentioned? Or even ‘Don Tuersley’ or ‘Omar Fowler’ (a member of a group called SIGAP and who was into

circles in the mid-1980's) And what about 'Ian Mrzyglod' of UFO group 'Probe' –possibly the second man after Dr Meaden to look into a crop circle?

Not a bit of it. Once more, Andrews gives the impression that he and he alone has been the foremost circles researcher since the early 1980's. Which is rather disrespectful as nearly all of these people's research pre-dates Colin's work by several years and all of them freely assisted Andrews with his early research. And for that he is effectively air-brushing them out of Crop Circles history. He owes them an apology and should correct these sorts of statements.

Then we have this:

Quote

'.....He is responsible for enlisting the help of many scientists and incorporating professional disciplines to study the phenomenon and even advised the British government when he agreed to supply reports to the Margaret Thatcher cabinet.....'

Again I ask, What Scientists? What professional disciplines? What advice to the cabinet? THERE WAS NONE. Then, at last, an acknowledgement to his fellow author:

Quote

'.....Colin published his early findings with his co-author Pat Delgado.....'

We'll move onward.

Quote

'.....It is ironic and greatly disappointing that the planned research for 2004, which was designed to bring all the major findings together, does not have sufficient funding to proceed. Worse is the fact that unless funds are secured within the next four weeks, the complete operation will close, along with the C.P.R.I. offices in Andover, England and Branford, Connecticut, USA.....'

Hello? What 'Office in Andover, England'? This was news to me so I set out to look for this elusive 'office'. **I found out that the so-called 'office' for CPRI UK was in Reynolds Court, Andover. I went there. What did I find at No 14 Reynolds Court?** A nice little office in a recently-built business unit? Far from it. Reynolds Court is a run down street on a sink estate to the north of Andover, Hants. At the address lives Colin Andrews' brother, Peter, his wife and daughters. Mrs Andrews deals with all Colin's UK correspondence, such as it is. Here's a picture of the CPRI 'Office' which was in such danger of closing....



Behind the green doors lies the heart of a mighty empire....

(Photo by Ruth Collier/MBF)

Seriously, there was no office to close. I suspect, but cannot prove, that the USA ‘office’ is probably in Colin’s spare room in his home there. Why? Because Colin lives at the USA ‘Office’ address: 20, Collins Drive, Branford, Connecticut, USA.

There is no UK bank account for CPRI; I found out that cheques paid out by the ‘organisation’ are drawn on the bank account of Colin’s brother and sister-in-law. Which begs the question that, if there is no UK ‘Office’ and most likely no USA ‘Office’ – why does Colin need an injection of funds to stop these non-existent offices ‘closing’? There are no buildings to maintain, no rents to pay. No staff to pay, no overheads, no IT staff backup, No utility bills. I say again-why does he keep needing all this money? Even back in 1990, in the days of ‘Operation Blackbird’ Colin was saying he needed something in the region of £50,000 to continue his research. What happened to all the Rockefeller money? Where’s the “scientific” evidence for Colin’s summer visit to the UK? Where are the academic papers? Where are the written reports for others to scrutinise? What happened to the ‘detective agency’ Colin employed to patrol the fields to ‘prove’ that any circles appearing were bound to be “genuine”? Andrews has used this sort of thing before, claiming that he has employed ‘detectives’ to secure fields and find hoaxers. Swirled News has an interesting comment on this:

Quote

‘.....We already know from Colin himself that his main ‘detective’ refused at the last minute to divulge his alleged findings about hoaxing activity.....’(64)

Perhaps Colin Andrews should publish the details of the ‘detectives’ he has employed. Bet he won’t, though. Perhaps Colin managed to visit his family and a few friends in the UK during his stay here in 2003 as well as wandering around a few corn prairies looking for ‘magnetic’ fields. I wonder if Andrews told Rockefeller about hoaxers such as Doug & Dave, the ‘United Bureau of Investigation’ (UBI) and the many other known hoaxers who have come out of the woodwork over the years since 1991?

All the above concerned me greatly. There was a great deal of suggestion that Andrews’ constant ‘demand’ for money was funding....what? All the time he is asking for money whilst posing as a ‘scientist’, ‘Dr’, ‘Chief Electrical Engineer’, ‘Senior Official with British Regional Government’ and so on. People have been taken in by his earnest pleas for funding. This is where the title of this document comes in.

Armed with all the evidence in the above pages, I went to speak to the UK police.

I told a sergeant all that was known about the incidents mentioned above and I showed him all that I had uncovered about Andrews’ ways of obtaining money over the past 14 years or more. The officer thought long and hard.

Quote

**‘...There is an offence here,’ he said at last. ‘It’s called Fraud by Deception. This man is claiming to be someone/something he quite obviously is not and by this means is obtaining money. Obtaining the**

**money in this way constitutes Fraud and his claiming to be engineers, scientists, Doctor this that and the other is the Deception used to back that Fraud. If he lived in this country, there would probably be a case to pursue. As you say he is now an American resident, then it isn't worth following up whilst he's in the States....'**

So, there you have it. Should Colin Andrews return to the UK then the evidence contained in this dossier will be sent to the Crown Prosecution Service and an action may be started against Andrews for the offence of Fraud by Deception. Oh, and legal action for Libel as well. And anyone else who feels that they have been misled by Andrews might like to take court action against him to recover their damages. As it is, this document will be sent to the FBI to see if they wish to pursue the case in the USA.

It has to be said that such was the disappointment I felt at finding out all these facts about Colin Andrews, that I felt that I really didn't want to waste valuable writing time on such an insignificant little clown with an over-inflated ego, a huge inferiority complex, a fantastic imagination and wild ideas about who and what he thought he should have been. However, after a period of reflection, I feel that there is a public duty to expose the man for all he really is. **People should know that Colin Andrews is little more than a fraudster. From all the above, one can only be drawn to the inevitable conclusions that everything he has ever written about on the subject of Crop Circles and UFOs should be re-examined; Nothing he has ever said should be taken at face value: all is flawed.**

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52) Paul Fuller has a note in his possession from Dr. Terence Meaden dated 1986 and advising Fuller of Andrew's details and those of two 1986 Cheesefoot Head circles which Andrews had reported to the professor. This was the first time

Fuller-who lived at that time in Romsey, near Southampton and worked in Winchester-had heard of Andrews.

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60) "Helping to keep Mrs Thatcher up to date" is not the same as being asked BY Mrs Thatcher to investigation crop circles.

61) Twice in this article Colin Andrews claims to be a scientist. Of course he was never a scientist. Once could just be a journalist's mistake, twice seems less likely

62) Who were the other " 50 scientists" ? Perhaps Colin Andrews does not understand what a

"scientist" is ? This seems like typical exaggeration on Andrews' part.

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He who learns must suffer

And even in our sleep pain that cannot forget

Falls drop by drop upon the heart,  
 And in our own despair, against our will,  
 Comes wisdom to us by the awful grace of God.  
 Agamemnon, Aeschylus

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#### [Re: Colin Andrews - Crop Circle Charlatan?](#)

« **Reply #8 on:** October 02, 2008, 11:54:07 AM »

I wanted to include the above article about Colin Andrews because it is such a classic example of what goes on in the "alternative research" community as we have discovered to our pain and sorrow over the past 15 years or so. Back when "Frank" was participating in the Cassiopaeon Experiment, Andrews came up a couple of times. Frank was very taken by Andrews and his work and what happened after the Cs commented on him always puzzled me; but now it makes sense.

Regarding the first relevant mention of Andrews, we were discussing a Sue Brana who had contacted Ark and was interested in funding nano-tech research. I've written about it in the [Adventures Series](#) as follows:

Quote

Out of the many strange emails Ark received, among the strangest was one from something called The Institute of New Physics, which proposed to finance Ark to do research in nano-technology. The email had been sent to his institute in Poland from an individual named Sue Brana.

Quote

03-01-97

Q: (L) Now, Ark got an email from some organization called The Institute of New Physics, informing him they were financiers, and was he interested in joining? Could you tell us who or what is behind this Institute of New Physics?

A: Well, perhaps it would be better to help you to tell yourselves. Where did the message come from?

Q: (L) We don't know... (A) No, there is something, because there is, some info - **GAIN** - and I looked on the Web, and there are many institutions which have "Gain," you know, in their name. And I don't know if this is just one... (L) Well, don't you think it's kind of funny that it has "gain" in the name, and you're in Gainesville? (J) Yes, that's what I thought, too... (T) 'WWW dot... well, no it's email, so it would be... (J) Oh, 'gain', and they're financiers...

A: What do financiers do?

Q: (L) What do financiers do? They give you money. They finance you... (J) They help you 'gain'... (L) Yes.

A: Do they do this for no reason...?

Q: (L) Of course they don't do this for no reason! They have an ulterior motive. They want something.

A: AHA HAH!

Q: (L) Ahah!? (T) Yes, they're the money store! (L) Well, all right. We'll play it by ear, and see what they want...

A: Do they have an agenda?

Q: (L) Of course! No doubt, they have an agenda. Everybody that's been writing to us lately has an agenda! You know, we've been getting these...

A: What may this be?

Q: (L) Well, their agenda... (J) They want something from him, obviously. (A) When I get back to Poland, they said that they will have some printed material on this New Institute ready, that we could read, that they will send it to me... (T) Where is the New Institute located? They didn't say? (A) No, they didn't say. (J) Ohh, I think you have a right to know that! (L) Well, I'd say, just let it float, and see what they say... (J) They had to wait until you were back in Poland before they'd send you anything? (A) Well, if this is just in the stage of organization, so perhaps, it's a big something, which until now, was working in a certain field, getting money from, I don't know, from something, and now, they want to expand and to invest in nanotechnology, or whatever.

A: When you are getting close to something, there are always those who wish to distract, disrupt and track for later plans... Anything worth getting must be sought.

We decided that we needed to dialogue with Sue Brana, a bit more. During the course of these exchanges, she revealed that one of the groups she represented had financed the writing of the book "*Angels Don't Play This HAARP*," by Nick Begich. It seems that this was shared in order to suggest to us that they were "good guys" and definitely open to unusual thinking and approaches.

Ark decided that openness and directness were the best policy, so he told her that he was not much interested in doing nano-tech, but that he was very interested in funding for Crop Circle research. She seemed to be interested in this, suggesting that it might lead to some kind of technological applications.

But having been warned by the C's, we continued to dig. At that particular time, my daughter worked for a private investigator, so we handed what info we had over to her and she discovered some rather disturbing things about **Gain Systems**, the company that was supposed to be financing **The Institute for New Physics**. **It seems that the whole company was a front**. But a front for what? Indeed, **the California Department of State had the corporation filings, with contact addresses, and there were several "layered"**

**corporations, but all of them led back to a single individual: Sue Brana.**

It became clear, after a bit, that Sue Brana may have thought that Ark was still in Poland because all of the exchanges were made through his email address at the Institute there. She wrote that she would be attending a meeting in Poland because her group was planning on investing in hemp farming, and when she was there, could they meet?

At this point, we were just simply interested in getting to the bottom of this mystery. Just because the C's warned us about it, didn't mean we were not going to check it out as far as we could go.

Ark let her know that he was in the States, and since she was in California, it might be easier to arrange something sooner that would be more convenient. As soon as Ark wrote that, talk about your fast backpedaling! All of a sudden the schedule was very tight. **Sue Brana would ONLY be able to meet with Ark in Poland.** This struck us as singularly odd. Nevertheless, since we were trying to find our way in terms of being able to do the necessary research, we certainly did not think that we ought to discard what might be a legitimate opportunity. And, since she had brought up the fact that she had been instrumental in financing the book about HAARP, surely there would be interest in a similar research project into Crop Circles? We decided to ask some more questions:

Quote

03-29-97

Q: (Laura) All right, now, let me get my questions. The first question I want to ask tonight is about SB who has been corresponding back and forth with Ark... OK, what is the source of the funding behind them?

A: We know this, but, any guesses?

Q: (Laura) OK, they want us to play 20 questions. Do we have any guesses?

A: Ask Lindemann.

Q: (Laura) Well, we know who's behind it now... Rockefeller! So we're talking Rockybucks and his bunch.

A: Are we? Or, is that unsubstantiated rumor?

Q: (Laura) Well, yes, it could be unsubstantiated rumor, we don't know that it's the Rockefellers behind Lindemann. OK, let me ask this. Is it the United States government?

A: There is no such.

Q: (Laura) Well, let me try this another way. Is this SB a legitimate source of funding for...

A: It is "legitimate," as it can indeed provide unlimited funds. But, the real question is: Do you want to take advantage?

Q: (Jan) What is the price tag attached?

A: Depends upon results of experimentation.

Q: (Laura) No, I asked what's the price tag? Does it depend upon the results of our experimentation, or theirs?

A: Ours.

Q: (Laura) Yes.

A: If you discover something truly "earthshaking," well...

Q: (Laura) In other words, if we discover something truly earthshaking, the price might be very high. Is that it?

A: Maybe. Or, you could be sequestered.  
 Q: (Terry) In other words, put out, taken away... caged and used! (Ark)  
 Anybody can be sequestered away from what is necessary...  
 A: It is possibility.  
 Q: (Laura) OK, do you have any other comments to make about SB? What did they say now, that maybe the same funding as Lindemann was behind them also? How about, what would you call it... the Quorum. Is the Quorum behind it?  
 A: Yes.  
 Q: (Laura) OK, is the Quorum the group we're supposed to be looking for?  
 (Terry) We have to go back and ask about the Quorum. We've got so many characters, it's worse than X-Files!  
 A: No, more interesting.  
 Q: (Terry) Yes, it is, definitely!  
 A: World banking conglomerate.  
 Q: (Terry) World bank. (Laura) I do not wish to be 'owned' in that way...  
 A: Not easy to avoid.  
 Q: (Laura) Well, I know it's not easy to avoid.  
 A: Will become even more difficult soon.  
 Q: (Laura) Well, they didn't say impossible... they just said difficult. But, on the other hand, I don't know if I want to do 'more difficult'.. well, we've got so much difficult... (Terry) ...That it's easy now!  
 A: Many interesting things to happen.  
 Q: (Laura) To happen? Where, when, how, why, and to whom?  
 A: You. And everyone else in your realm... Expect revelations.

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Just to see what would come out of it, Ark did agree to meet with Sue Brana in Poland on April 22nd. He described Ms. Brana as tall and blonde, nervous and talkative, and most definitely playing games with words. After he explained to her the needs and costs of the kind of research we were proposing, including the fact that we would not agree to a proprietary contract, Ms. Brana said she had to think about it and call him later. Ark wrote to me about the meeting:

Quote

Subject: yesterday's talks  
 Date sent: Tue, 23 Apr 1997 07:35:37 +0100

Honey,

I do not like "I will call you later" - I expected to have a definite answer now. And in fact it seems to me that I was close to getting it - but it was like that: warmer, colder, warmer, colder,... We will see. She brought me a book by Schnabel on remote viewing and Discover magazine. I was completely open with her - so she knows the essentials of our story. She can be a banker (most probably she is), a spook, a representative of a secret government or an alien. This I do not know. She knows surprisingly many things. Around 4-th May she

will be back in States and then we will know more...

As there was also talk about quantum theory - there is a chance that before (or instead...) of venturing into CC research we can get a grant for writing a book on EEQT with nice computer software.... I can't say now what will be the result...

Ah, and apparently she is investing millions into "industrial hemp" in Poland.

[...]

Two years ago, when I had described this little episode to some friends, one of them did a little research and found the following interesting item:

Quote

Western Producers, March 16, 2000

**Little Homework Done on Hemp Company**

By Roberta Rampton, Winnipeg Bureau

The hemp industry should have done more homework before doing business with Consolidated Growers and Processors Inc.

That's the opinion of Gero Leson, an environmental consultant from Berkeley, California, who was CGP Inc.'s first president. CGP recently closed its offices in Winnipeg and announced it intends to declare bankruptcy.

Leson said he knew little about **Susan Brana**, the majority shareholder and chair of CGP Inc., before he went to work with her in 1997. "I'm to blame, and so is everybody else," he said in an interview at the recent Hemp 2000 conference. Leson first became involved with industrial hemp when he helped organize an international symposium on the crop in 1995.

Brana contacted him the following year as a venture capitalist interested in funding hemp projects. She hired him to do some consulting work, and paid him for his work, Leson said. Together with Winnipeg hemp store owner Martin Moravcik, Brana and Leson formed CGP Inc. in the summer of 1997. The goal was to jump-start hemp production and processing, Leson said, and to take the company public to make money.

The emerging industry was short of capital, he said, and he thought the economies of scale Brana sought would be a good idea. But over time, Leson said he came to realize Brana was most interested in profits from company shares. She wanted to promote the company's big vision, but Leson said he was uncomfortable with hyping too much, too quickly. "Sue Brana thought I was too negative," Leson said.

By April 1998, Leson wanted to leave, but couldn't agree on terms with

Brana, and was fired. A difference in management philosophy and style helped lead to his departure, he said.

Brana has not responded to repeated requests for interviews. Throughout CGP's time in the spotlight, Brana did not give interviews to reporters. Brana, 46, grew up on a farm in Ohio, and still keeps a residence in the state, according to sources. Her biography in CGP documents lists experience with several banks between 1975 and 1989.

**More recently, Brana ran a stock broker/dealer firm called Alt Capital Inc. out of an office in Los Angeles. The office address and phone number were shared by Gain Integrated Systems, a shell company owned by Brana.**

**The same address was used for CGP Inc., along with a North Hollywood address for Dugan and Associates Construction Management Inc. The North Hollywood address was also used for Ntech Corp., a start-up nanotechnology development company with which CGP had joint venture projects.**

Persuasive Personality: Brana was convincing in her vision to increase hemp acreages quickly, said Leson, even though he believed she tried to grow CGP Inc. too large, too soon. "You never quite knew if you were right, or if Sue Brana had found somebody to buy 10,000 pounds of oil," Leson said. "You always think maybe there's something you just don't know."

Since his time with CGP, Leson said he has learned about the obstacles for hemp in the pulp and paper and textile sectors. "It's much more complicated to get into those markets." He was alarmed when he learned last summer how much hemp CGP had contracted for 1999. "I thought it was misleading to do that."

Leson said **Brana gave the impression through anecdotes that she had considerable experience starting and running businesses.** Not all her stories were rosy, said Leson, making her track record seem realistic.

Leson said he doesn't believe CGP was a fraud or a scam. But he does think industry leaders, including himself, should have done more checking into Brana's work experience. "I think we're all to blame on not really insisting on seeing a rpsump."

Pretty interesting, eh? And we see that, but for the grace of the C's, we would have been sucked into a rather embarrassing series of activities. All things considered, **it seems pretty obvious that Ms. Brana was a front for somebody, otherwise she wouldn't have been spreading so much cash around; the only question is: who?** And why were we targeted for the dangling of a lure of big bucks to do something that really wasn't an area of particular interest to us, and would most certainly have diverted our time and resources, if not resulting in being totally discredited? Another good question is: what was the deal with the HAARP book?

Yes, we found out that they did finance Nick Begich. But that begs the question: TO WHAT PURPOSE???. Who are these people and what are they trying to do? All of the current "ideas" about HAARP are "out there" as a result of Begich's book, and he was PAID TO WRITE IT by this same group. Just like these folks wanted to pay us to do **their idea of research on crop circles** and possibly technology derived from it and they kept trying to "plant" ideas in our heads about it and point out this or that person who they thought was "on the right track," and we could see that they weren't, perhaps the same is true about HAARP as presented in Begich's book?

{...}

Another curious thing happened in March of 1997. On March 25th, Ark and I took the afternoon off to go to a local Gainesville park and hike about for some much needed relaxation. The park's claim to fame is something called the Devil's Millhopper, and is a huge sinkhole surrounded by trails, and wooden walkways, and a little bridge over the stream that runs out of the enormous depression in the ground. It seems that we were there alone, and as we strolled about, we came to the bridge and I recounted to Ark some marriage customs I had been reading about where one of the requirements are that the couple must stand in water while saying their vows. Ark pointed out that we weren't exactly standing in water, but we were standing over water, would that do? It did.

**The next day there was the shocking news of the mass suicide of the Heaven's Gate cult members**, and I was just furious with all the people I knew on the internet who had been so busily promoting the Hale Bopp affair as the precursor to a mass landing of aliens, or the harbinger of the Alien Rapture. We had been interviewed about it by a little ezine put out by a guy named Jason Dunlap, and he was not happy that we flatly stated that it was all rumor mongering and hysteria. Ark had even taken the trouble to contact a professional astronomer, a friend of a friend, for the inside scoop, and we asked the C's about it, and repeatedly called attention to what they said about it, as well as the results of our own investigations. But we simply were fighting a forest fire of rumors with only a single bucket of water.

When we arrived home late that Friday, my daughter excitedly announced that a reporter from the *New York Times* had called and wanted to interview me about the Hale Bopp affair. I was completely taken aback. Why would anyone want to interview me about it? What's more, even if somebody did, how did they get our phone number? At the time, the phone was unlisted, and the account was in my mother's name. I asked if she had taken a number, and she said that when she offered to have me call him back, he said "no thanks," he would call back himself.

But, that wasn't the only mystery. At the time, our "website" consisted of just a few articles that Ark hosted on the Institute server in Poland. Every weekend he would access the server and download all the statistics logs of visitors and what they were reading. So on the weekend after the Hale Bopp suicides, we were simply taking care of business and we noticed something very startling: **the visitors to our site had not just doubled, they had increased quite literally a thousand percent! What's more, nearly every one of them was either from a .gov, .mil, or industrial aviation site, as in Boeing. There were also a large number of visitors from that very strange bio-engineering site in Sweden that I had discovered when I was searching the term "brana." But what was strangest of all was the fact that the peak had been hit the DAY BEFORE the Hale Bopp suicides.** What's more, the term did not even appear anywhere on our little collection of pages at that

time. So we wonder, just what the heck was going on?

Anyway, on April 12, 1997, we were having a chat with the Cs and things were just a bit "off." It is even recorded in the session:

Quote

Q: Why are you hitting all the letters off to the side tonight?

A: Energy fields vary according to electromagnetic condition variances in the atmosphere surrounding your 3rd density locator.

Q: What is the source of this present variance?

A: Solar flare.

Well, that seemed reasonable enough. I then turned to the topic of Sue Brana and that, oddly enough (or not) led directly into crop circles and Colin Andrews:

Quote

Q: ... (L) One of the things I was doing last night was a little web search on the word "brana," because we have a particular interest in finding out if there is any significance to this. I found some very interesting things about this word. I discovered that it was an Old English word for a blackbird or crow. It can also be a name in Yugoslavia and Russia. It was also the name of a great Irish king. Anything further you can add to that list?

A: What does this tell you?

Q: Well, that maybe the source of funding is not in this country. Maybe Russia?

A: Beware of unexpected assistance.

Q: We can be wary and still utilize it, can't we?

A: Up to you.

Q: If, in fact, there is a power mad clique running the world, what difference would it make if you got money from one country or another?

A: That is not the point: who is "running" the "power mad clique?"

Q: (L) So... (V) The Lizzies, the Lizzies...

A: Okay...

Q: So you are essentially indicating in a roundabout way that we ought to ditch this offer?

A: Not so. We are indicating in a straightforward way that you should strive for objectivity at all times, and especially at junctures such as this, and not let subjectivity or emotions or hastily thought of ideas or

decisions rule you!

Q: Could it also be possible that this source, this "brana," is in contact with the alleged Orion group?

A: Excuse us?

Q: I mean the Quorum as you have described?

A: Always be vigilant so as not to perceive a tangled web as a neatly constructed loop

Q: The suggestion was made in another session that we need to devote some time and energy to the crop circle problem.

A: Yes...

Q: And finding funding to do this in the correct way, as in networking and so on, is difficult, to say the least.

A: Patience pays... "Haste makes waste."

Q: Well, we would not be doing it primarily to develop technology, but for information of a more cosmic or theoretical nature. Now, whether that would lead to technology is another question.

A: Review from whence and how this offer originated before you "leap into it," lest you become the fish that is attracted to the really shiny and tasty looking lure!

Q: Well, then...

A: Review for insight... it will come!

... Now, in addendum to previous discussion: Ask and you shall receive. Receive without asking, and you shall be deceived!

Q: Ask and you shall receive. In what direction should we focus the asking without risk of being deceived?

A: Suggest you start by approaching channels you have some knowledge of, and in whom you have some degree of trust! Contact Colin Andrews, maybe? But, keep all options and avenues for research and funding open.

Q: Is this the most we can get on this for now?

A: Probably...

So, acting on the Cs advice, Ark wrote to Colin Andrews. However, since he had also been discussing Andrew Collins with a correspondent at about the same time, he got the two names confused. He wrote as follows:

Quote

To: \*\*\*\*\*@compuserve.com  
 Subject: Re: Physics+CPRI  
 Reply-to: ajad@physik.\*\*\*\*  
 Date: Fri, 6 Jun 1997 12:59:36

Dear Mr. Collins,  
 I know you are busy with your two books (in the least).  
 So I will try to be brief.

Am a theoretical physicist. Not a top one but still respected in my domain.

At present am organizing international conference "Quantum Future" with top physicists.

I live in Poland but from October on will be in Florida, first for a year then hopefully for a longer time.

Am in a direct personal contact with a channeling group (channeling "from Cassiopaea" - whatever it means).

According to channeling info "breaking the crop circles code" is my "predestined duty". It was also suggested that I contact you and other researchers, but your name was spelled out explicitly. So you know the reason.

Now, I want to concentrate on this and related research without leaving my profession - at least for a while. Which means I have to be careful to keep my reputation. I think I know how to do it as many of my colleagues all over the world know about my esoteric interest and still I am considered not being a crank. Which is mostly due to good mathematics and physics that is in my papers.

Now that you have got some idea about me, let me explain that concerning CC research I did not really start to understand anything. Through the channeling an "interpretation" of a dozen of images was given. It was suggested I start with images, get or write appropriate computer software, go into 3 dimensions and then ... hopefully something will start to come out. Something that will have to do with dimensions and densities and realms and dna and whatever.

Certainly I will need to start with reading the essential books and publications.

Hopefully I will meet you and you will find time to talk with me.

Why it took so long for me to contact you?

In fact I missed the part of Mark and StuaRT e-mail and I thought you were too busy to reply. It is only today after networking and looking through the Hawkins material it came to my mind that I really need to get the newsletter ... so I went back to Mark and StuaRT reply to my inquiry and saw that the door is open....

Any suggestion from you will help.

Also I would like to know if I can share with you some of my ideas ... that is if you will find time to read them and perhaps advice...

All the best

ark

An answer came rather quickly:

Quote

Date: Fri, 6 Jun 1997 12:39:09 -0400  
From: Colin Andrews \*\*\*\*\*  
Subject: Re: Physics+CPRI  
To: "INTERNET:ajad@physik.\*\*\*\*\*",

Dear Ark

Thank you for your email message.

So much is happening in this particular avenue of research I have to take such an approach seriously.

I will get back to you soon.

I will be travelling to England on the 18th of this month and will be doing some experiments with the mind etc... While there for three months my tel/fax number: UK--\*\*\*\*\*

Best wishes  
Colin Andrews

So, I mentioned this letter to the Cs:

Quote

7 June 1997

Q: Okay, now that we have read the letter from Colin Andrews, I would like to say that I had a very funny feeling about this as I was going to sleep last night. Is there anything you can tell me about this. I know I am asking for something that you are not gonna tell me!

A: Expect to see Andrews in your house, if that is your pursuit, in "future."

Q: Well, is there going to be any chance of checking out any crop circles in person?

A: If you wish, but not necessary, and may hinder purpose.

Q: Okay, I will drop it. No crop circles for me!

A: If you want to, then by all means, do it! But, let not your focus be exclusive.

Q: Alright. I need to work on the transcripts and editing and so forth.

A: We meant that if you travel to Angle Terra {or Angleterra}, open your eyes, ears, and mind.

Regarding the funny feeling I mentioned, I can't say that it related to Colin Andrews, it was just one of those feelings that strange things were moving in my life and I had no idea how things would end up. (I was sure right on that score!)

Anyway, regarding what Andrews wrote, I wondered exactly what did he mean that he had to "take such an approach seriously"? I wondered if he meant 1) Ark approaching him 2) the C's in general 3) the specific advice of the C's to Ark 4) Ark's interest in the subject as a physicist 5) something different?

Anyway, Ark was scheduled to be in Dijon at the time Andrews was in UK, so no further contact was made at that time or later. We were quite busy on our own projects and the time was never right anyway. Looks like it was a good thing, too! We were still pretty naive in those days!

I still wonder about the Brana series of incidents, though. Very strange bunch that financed Nick Begich and his "HAARP research." And they wanted to get into crop circles? Makes one wonder who is behind Colin Andrews - a group like Brana's? And who is behind Brana? What group has different "agents" out there creating front companies? CIA? NSA? MOSSAD? Who knows!

In any event, I think it is funny that the article above describes Andrews as a "Walter Mitty" type. I believe I used the same terms to describe Vincent Bridges once. I guess there is a veritable battalion of such types running the New Age Circus.

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He who learns must suffer  
And even in our sleep pain that cannot forget  
Falls drop by drop upon the heart,  
And in our own despair, against our will,  
Comes wisdom to us by the awful grace of God.  
Agamemnon, Aeschylus

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**Re: Colin Andrews - Crop Circle Charlatan?**« **Reply #9 on:** October 02, 2008, 05:13:34 PM »

Truly amazing information!

What a complex and tangled web "they" weaved and surely, it requires serious objectivity and research to get the facts straight!

Thanks for sharing Laura!

Dan



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It is not where you are, but who you are, and what you SEE



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**Re: Colin Andrews - Crop Circle Charlatan?**« **Reply #10 on:** October 02, 2008, 07:26:54 PM »

Welcome.

Funny, as I was reading over the second session quoted above where we were talking about Sue Brana and funding and stuff, this really stood out considering all that has happened since then:

Quote

Q: (Laura) OK, do you have any other comments to make about SB? What did they say now, that maybe the same funding as Lindemann was behind them also? How about, what would you call it... the Quorum. Is the Quorum behind it?

A: Yes.

Q: (Laura) OK, is the Quorum the group we're supposed to be looking for? (Terry) We

have to go back and ask about the Quorum. We've got so many characters, it's worse than X-Files!

A: No, more interesting.

Q: (Terry) Yes, it is, definitely!

A: **World banking conglomerate.**

Q: (Terry) World bank. (Laura) I do not wish to be 'owned' in that way...

A: **Not easy to avoid.**

Q: (Laura) Well, I know it's not easy to avoid.

A: **Will become even more difficult soon.**

Q: (Laura) Well, they didn't say impossible... they just said difficult. But, on the other hand, I don't know if I want to do 'more difficult.'.. well, we've got so much difficult...

(Terry) ...That it's easy now!

A: **Many interesting things to happen.**

Q: (Laura) To happen? **Where, when, how, why, and to whom?**

A: **You. And everyone else in your realm... Expect revelations.**



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And even in our sleep pain that cannot forget  
Falls drop by drop upon the heart,  
And in our own despair, against our will,  
Comes wisdom to us by the awful grace of God.  
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### [Re: Colin Andrews - Crop Circle Charlatan?](#)

« **Reply #11 on:** July 26, 2010, 04:03:03 AM »

Operation Blackbird, an interview with Colin Andrews

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Crop circles:

There are circles of bent down plants that appear mysteriously in fields mostly at night. Crop circles do

not always take circular shapes, but make up conglomerations of circles, hemispheres, lines, and many other shapes, recently evolving in very complex and highly symbolic pictures. Currently, nobody agrees as to their origins; the explanations range from hoaxes to aliens to other supernatural forces such as radiation or even ghosts.

#### INTERVIEW WITH COLIN ANDREWS:

When I first met Colin Andrews he was still working as an electrical engineer for local government (Test Valley Borough Council, Hampshire, England) and had just begun work on his excellent crop circle video documentary, *Undeniable Evidence*. The year was 1990 and Colin was riding high on a wave that promised much: crop circles falling from the sky like prophetic rain; TV and radio interviews every other day; a best selling book that sold in excess of three hundred thousand copies worldwide, enough in itself that he was soon able to give up his job and dedicate himself full-time to researching the crop circle phenomenon. Then came the MI5-orchestrated 'Doug and Dave' debunk campaign. The wave lost its momentum. The world to which Colin had dedicated himself suddenly began to crumble.

Since those heady days Colin has pursued his endeavours as the world's leading crop circle researcher with some tenacity. In the face of jealousy, ridicule and derision aimed at him by many of his so-called 'peers' he has doggedly-and often painfully-stuck to his task, and today still remains the leading figure in the field of crop circle research. However, the fact that he is the leading figure has provoked its own comebacks.

For instance, since 1989 Colin has been consistently hounded, intimidated and often threatened by British and US intelligence agencies. So much so that, at one point, he was offered an undisclosed sum of money by the CIA, a 'Swiss bank account' that would have set him up for life. In return he was to denounce publicly the crop circle phenomenon as a hoax. True to his character, he refused. The intimidation of him and the close scrutiny of his work by the intelligence community continues to this day. I recently spoke to Colin at his new home in Connecticut, USA. What follows is a verbatim transcript of our conversation.

#### The Government Hoax Campaign:

JK: Colin, how did an electrical engineer become embroiled in the crop circle phenomenon?

CA: Oh, I just couldn't resist it! I'd entered local government in 1974 as an electrical engineer and, following a series of very rapid promotions, I became a senior officer at the Test Valley Borough Council. It was during that period - in July 1983 - when I was driving along a major highway near Winchester, that I saw my first crop circle. In fact it was a 'quintuplet' set of five circles. Together they formed a major pattern in a wheat field at Cheesefoot Head.

JK: And the attraction was instant?

CA: Yes, very much so. I returned that evening with my camera and took the first photograph I'd ever taken of the phenomenon. Having looked very closely at the ground features, the first thing that impressed me was the absolute symmetry, the precision of the formation, and the total lack of damage to the wheat - you know, I couldn't see any tracks or footprints leading in or out of the field. In those days a lot of the formations were like that. Sometimes circles would appear between the tramlines made by the tractors, and there would be absolutely no tracks leading to or from the patterns. This one at Cheesefoot Head was like that. It was very impressive. And it really called for the engineer inside me to fathom how this could possibly have happened.

JK: So how did you set about achieving that?

CA: Over the following days I returned several times to the same area, making contact with the farmers and landowners, and as a result became further impressed with what was happening there. You see, the locals and the farmers were not only telling me that, yes, they had seen the patterns on their land, and that they had been seeing them for a number of years, but they also told me how their fathers before them had also seen the patterns, and that they had been arriving on their land for thirty years or more. Indeed, records of crop circles go back many, many decades. This is not a new phenomenon. Although, I should say, it has certainly evolved very rapidly over the last few years.

JK: What other enquiries did you make?

CA: Well, for one thing I got in touch with the Ministry of Defence, the Army Air Corps at Middle Wallop, and made enquiries there. I also made enquiries with the local police at Winchester and Andover, and it seemed that the phenomenon was clearly known about in those areas.

After this I sought out two other people who had commenced their own research about a year earlier - Pat Delgado and Terence Meaden - and the three of us began meeting regularly. We began working as a team, informing each other of events in our own immediate vicinities and cross-referencing our findings. In 1985 Busty Taylor became involved, and then there were four of us. And that's how it all got started.

JK: There must have been any number of theories in those days - theories about how the patterns were being formed.

CA: Absolutely. Of course, it's a whole lot easier now, looking back over a decade and more of researching the phenomenon, with so many possible causes eliminated from the equation. Nowadays the probable causes consist of maybe half a dozen, no more. That's all we're left with after years of eliminating other possibilities, like whirlwinds, hedgehogs and Doug and Dave.

JK: Nice analogy.

CA: I thought so, yes!

JK: OK, Colin. Seeing as you brought the subject up, what about Doug and Dave? Did they hoax the whole thing as they claimed?

CA: I'll tell you something about Doug and Dave. Firstly, what helped to carry me through the whole Doug and Dave episode was that I knew there were at least a handful of patterns they simply could not have made. In those days - and still today - certain patterns arrived that defied the laws of physics as we understand them. One of those patterns became extremely important to me personally.

I don't understand quite how this works, but I have certainly come to believe that there is an intelligence involved in the making of the crop circle patterns, and that there has been an element of interaction with that intelligence. I know that you have had a similar experience, Jon, and I know that others have also. For me it happened like this.

I had reached the end of my tether in terms of researching something that seemed to be giving up few, if any, solutions. In fact I was almost ready to pack the whole thing in and get back to my normal, fairly comfortable life, when something occurred that has kept me on the case ever since.

One night whilst lying in my bed I wished - almost prayed - for a sign that would take my research at

least one step further towards solving the mystery. At this point I was convinced that an intelligence was involved, an intelligence we don't yet understand. With this in mind I visualized a pattern - a Celtic Cross-and I asked, you know, I asked, at a deep level inside me: could this pattern be reproduced, and for convenience sake, could it please arrive close to my home?!

Well, you know, we'd been given the runaround for so long, chasing patterns all over central and southern England. I just thought, well, you know, just for once, you come to me instead!

Anyway, the next morning I received a phone call from a local farmer, telling me that he had discovered a new formation next to the double-ringed formation I'd been looking at the night before. When I arrived to investigate the new arrival I could hardly believe my eyes. For one thing it was indeed a Celtic Cross formation, the very pattern I had asked for the previous night. It was the first time ever the phenomenon had produced something of that nature. And secondly, it had arrived in the crop field closest to my home! I was completely overwhelmed. I vowed there and then that nothing would ever convince me that this was a hoax phenomenon, not even Doug and Dave.

JK: Speaking of whom...

CA: Yes, quite. Well, now you see why I could never believe that those two had made all the crop circles. I never believed that anyway. But now I had gained, at least for myself, proof. As others began to 'fall' around me, succumbing to the whole hoax situation, I became more and more resolute about the phenomenon, largely of course because of my personal experience, of somehow being involved, in some mysterious, interactive sense, with the formation of the Celtic Cross pattern. So when I was confronted by a reporter from the Today newspaper who told me about the claims of Doug and Dave, I was ready to challenge them publicly. Especially as one of the claims made by them was that they had made that pattern -the Celtic Cross. Indeed, they made this claim to the Today newspaper. Apart from the fact that, speaking from a research point of view, this particular pattern was very unusual - in that the lay of the crop was at right angles to the circumference, and included other anomalies which have never been found in man-made circles - I of course was convinced that neither Doug nor Dave could possibly have made this pattern.

So I challenged the two of them to tell me how they had made this pattern. I didn't say anything about what I'd discovered concerning the unusual floor-lay, nor indeed about my experience. I simply said: 'How did you make that? How did you make that?' [ . . . ] They'd been with the Today newspaper for a week before our meeting - the paper had already published their claims. The story had hit the headlines on the previous Monday morning, and as anybody in the media knows, if you really want a story to hit, then publish it on a Monday morning. So far as the media is concerned the world goes to sleep on the weekend. So if you can conjure up a story for Monday morning then you know you've got a story that is likely to capture public imagination. This is what people in the business have always told me. It was all so perfectly timed, and of course, the story went worldwide. I don't think there was a television or radio station that didn't cover it. Somebody wanted this story out there. And they made sure they succeeded. We had worked for years trying to encourage serious scientific investigation, and that one day, that one story, set our program back many years. It has never fully recovered.

Soon afterwards people started saying things to me like, well, you know, Colin, at least Doug and Dave have spread knowledge of the crop circles abroad; you know, at least they've managed to reach people who otherwise would not have heard about it. Well, that may be true. But they heard about it in a way that made them, from then on, think about the phenomenon as a hoax.[...]

JK: Do you think it was all planned from the outset?

CA: There's no doubt in my mind about that. This was one of the - well, I should be careful here - in my opinion this was possibly one of the best executed (. . .] planned disinformation programs, of modern times.

JK: My own information on the dissemination of the Doug and Dave story is that it was indeed a premeditated propaganda exercise perpetrated by the British and US governments and executed via their respective intelligence agencies. Do you agree?

CA: Yes, I do. Indeed, there are three significant events that I can think of right now which have probably been the result of some sort of government planning or involvement.

Firstly, of course, there was 'Operation Blackbird'.

JK: Can you say something about that?

CA: Well, it was a very sophisticated, well-planned, and extremely expensive surveillance operation, the largest of its kind anywhere, whereby we cordoned off acres of land and set up a whole collection of cameras and equipment in order to see if we could catch a crop circle being formed on film. We had more than a million pounds' worth of hi-tech equipment there, some of it on loan, some of it provided by the British Army, some of it paid for by the BBC and Nippon Television (Japan). It was a highly sophisticated operation set up in conjunction with the media and - in the event - the military, too. It was planned to go on for ten days.

JK: The military were involved?

CA: It turned out that way, yes. Although I don't want to name names, I can say that within the first twenty-four hours - and remember we were on MoD land - two Army officers turned up and volunteered the technical assistance of the British Army. We were asked to leave the site for a confidential meeting with them, which took place in my car. We were offered the assistance of military personnel and equipment, but only if we would collaborate with them. As far as Operation Blackbird is concerned, on the second day, with a huge media presence - I mean, it really was the Fleet Street Circus at its height; even people in the business said that only the Royal Family had pulled more cameras and hype than this; thirty-two major national and international networks were there, bouncing their stories off satellites and beaming them all around the world - we all felt that something had to happen.

And of course, it did. A hoax appeared. I then had to go on live television and tell the world that a triangular UFO had been seen over the field where the hoax had appeared, and that in my opinion, the formation was genuine. Indeed, I was pulled out of my bed to do this! I was really made to look a fool in front of the world.

But what, in retrospect, is so blatantly obvious to me now that the whole thing had been a set-up was this.

In my car, on my way to the scene, I made five telephone calls, which were private calls - no one knew about these calls. I was alone in my car, on a radio telephone. When I got to the site I made an announcement based on what I was told - it was pitch-black; I could see nothing, but I was put under immense pressure to make the announcement. The next day it became very obvious that we'd been set up. The world's media heard me say that we'd had an event - there was a crop formation in the field, UFOs had been seen, we'd got it all on film: we'd had an event!

However, as soon as daylight came I saw that the formation was clearly a hoax. I remember thinking at

the time: 'Somebody has set this whole thing up; somebody has infiltrated our operation and knows the technical parameters of the equipment so well that in front of at least twelve infrared and low-light cameras they've managed to execute a major hoax.' The making of this hoax was not captured on film - at least not officially-because it had been made just beyond the design criteria of the equipment installed. Whoever hoaxed that formation knew the equipment inside out - somebody had a very good inside knowledge of what was there.

JK: And you think the British Army or Intelligence may have been behind it?

CA: Well... I have to be careful here... but two army personnel had arrived the day before, as I've said, and had offered their assistance in return for my... cooperation, shall we say. To add to this, another person - again, I have to be careful here - a person who entered the research arena on that very day, the first day of Operation Blackbird (a person who has since gained an international tag, someone who is well known in the research fraternity) also arrived. And so far as I'm aware, the arrival of this person was the first step in the intelligence community's infiltration of the crop circle research arena.

So this was the first indication to me that 'someone' was very keen to find out about this phenomenon. The military were there. The world's media were there. And also, of course, the government were there, represented by this person, whose name I dare not reveal publicly.

Then came Doug and Dave, and phase two of the disinformation program got under way.

JK: So why do you think the government would have wanted to infiltrate a research program which most of the world sees as cranky anyway?

CA: What we have to understand, Jon, is this. The reason the crop circle phenomenon is considered cranky, is because of the government's carefully executed hoax and disinformation program. They have deliberately made it seem that way. My personal view is that, even if they knew the cause of the phenomenon, they did not want this information to be shared with or leaked out to the public. I think that somebody - whoever the people are who really run governments, and it certainly isn't who we elect as our representatives - these people feel that we have to be controlled, like children. And I think they are afraid that this, ultimately, by sensing the nature of the mechanism, would lead us to question even such institutions as religion, things that stabilize society so that they can continue to control society. And once you start sniffing in that area, it's highly dangerous to them, to their control.

JK: So you think the Doug and Dave situation was a continuation of that policy?

CA: Yeah, I do. But I'll tell you what, Jon, I think the Doug and Dave thing can be looked at in two parts. One: I think that they could well be two innocent, elderly men who were friends with one another, who'd had a dabble and did make some crop circles - purely for fun or whatever - and then decided to approach the daily press, off their own backs, make a few bucks. Indeed, they earned around ten thousand pounds for their story. This I find quite possible.

JK: That's a lot of money for a crop circle hoax story.

CA: Yes, it is. But according to my media sources, the Today newspaper paid them two large installments - five thousand and five thousand. Indeed, Doug and Dave threatened to sue for their second payment. They'd had five thousand up front, but the second five thousand, for some reason, didn't come. So they threatened to sue. But they got the full amount in the end.

The second option is that they were used by the British intelligence agencies (although I should point

out that Doug and Dave themselves are not, I'm sure, employed by British Intelligence - they're simply not the caliber of the people we're looking at). But they could nevertheless have been used by them. Indeed, the way in which the whole thing was worked supports this probability. For one thing, the intelligence communities in all major countries - certainly in Britain and America - have very good relations with the major editors. Some of these people are paid. The PR people in the intelligence agencies cooperate with them so that they can get the leads on political developments. This information comes through collaboration, cooperation. And once you buy into the major editors, the national newspapers, you've got your stage. I think myself that once Doug and Dave came forward -and I think this is what probably happened - having perhaps been responsible for one or two simple hoaxes in their area, they were then unwittingly used by the intelligence machine to front the government's hoax campaign. Indeed, Doug and Dave themselves may never know that they were used in this way. But what perfect stooges they made! Two old men, sixty-five or thereabouts-if they could make crop circles then anybody could. It was the perfect plan, very clever.

JK: You said that you thought there were three main phases in the way the disinformation program unfolded. Operation Blackbird, Doug and Dave...

CA: Right. The third phase came along in the guise of someone we both know, Jon (and I'm prepared to go into print on this; they can threaten whatever they like). This person's name was [name deleted by publisher for legal reasons].

[Name deleted], working for the agency who had already put several nails firmly in the coffin of the crop circle phenomenon, arrived on the scene in order to hammer those nails home. They needed to keep the momentum going, and that momentum came in the form of [name deleted], working for the CIA - and that is absolutely fact; I have gleaned information on this man from within the CIA and from people who knew him because he worked on the desk next to them. He'd arrived in Great Britain posing as an American freelance journalist, that was the cover story. Crap! [Name deleted] had come to do a job, and he did it very effectively. He came between people, interviewed people, put wedges between fellow researchers [identifying detail deleted by publisher for legal reasons] and all the rest of the stuff. And here's the evidence if you ever needed it.

The five phone calls I made in my car, privately, the ones nobody knew about- [name and identifying detail deleted by publisher for legal reasons) the contents of those five phone calls, and the names of the people I had phoned! How did he know? How could he possibly have known? It was obviously inside information. My phone had been tapped.

And if you want to go even further on this one - and this was clearly overlooked by British Intelligence- I happened to be the guy who signed the invoices, sanctioning payment of the communication system for Test Valley Borough Council. A ten-thousand-to-one chance, but it was nevertheless true. These invoices, of course, included my own radio telephone.

Now, I noticed that throughout the period that covered Operation Blackbird the invoice for my radio telephone simply wasn't there. It seemed, for this period of time, that Test Valley Borough Council were getting my radio telephone calls for free! Very strange. But then, some weeks later, when the invoice finally did arrive in the system, the calls I'd made from my vehicle had been deducted from the bill and stamped by the British government! That phone was bugged! It was taken into a special monitoring system during Operation Blackbird because, for the duration of the operation, in order for them to make that hoax without my knowledge, my movements, my every movement, had to be precisely known by them.

And the information they eavesdropped was given to [name deleted] of the CIA.

These, then, are the three major attempts that I know of, made by the intelligence agencies of both Britain and America to debunk and discredit the crop circle phenomenon. There is no doubt in my mind about this.

The CIA and the Crop Circles:

JK: So, Colin. Can you think of any other instances where government agents have become involved in the crop circles research program?

CA: Yes, yes, I can. One instance in particular comes to mind.

A man who announced himself as working for the CIA back in, I think, June or July of 1989, approached me and said he had been assigned to 'bring me into a plan', or more precisely, 'buy me into a plan'. He said this was the sole reason he'd come to England - that his assignment was to implement and execute this plan in which I was to be involved.

JK: And did he tell you what this plan was?

CA: He did, yes. He told me that certain individuals, all of whom you know, Jon - Richard Andrews, Terence Meaden, Pat Delgado, to name a few - he told me that the CIA were about to promote each major researcher in turn and then publicly debunk them. He said this was a ploy that was frequently used. He said they would give them a stage, encourage them to declare their hand and, one by one, take them out. He said that I would then be left with a 'role' that he later revealed to me.

JK: How did this man make his approach? How did he contact you?

CA: Well, when he first arrived, Pat and I were asked to go up to Pebble Mill television studios in Birmingham to take part in a program called Daytime Live. It was a kind of live TV debate situation. They were going to air the sequence that contained the mysterious sound detected in a crop formation and recorded by the BBC - the sound that destroyed a hundred thousand pounds' worth of TV camera one sunny afternoon at a crop circle site in Wiltshire! As we came on air, they were running this particular sequence.

Anyway, on the morning of the program we were in our hotel, and we received a phone call from David Morgenstern of the BBC who said that they had received some communication from a man who claimed he had actually seen a crop circle being formed, and what questions should they ask that would allow them to know if he was telling the truth? So we gave them some questions that we thought would be helpful. When we arrived at the studios we were told that this man had been flown directly in to Birmingham and that we would not be able to meet him because they wanted it to be an absolutely first-time contact on air. As we came on air they panned to the studio audience, and this man described what he'd seen, live on TV.

JK: What exactly did he say?

CA: That he'd been out studying foxes in Scotland, and that one of the foxes on this particular night had refused to follow its regular path which, he explained, was not consistent with the usual behaviour of foxes. I don't know if this is right or not, but it sounded plausible. The fox apparently refused to go any further and instead went back the way it had come. The man then apparently heard some rustling, and then he described the way this circle formed. What he was saying is that the fox had presumably sensed something strange and that after it had scampered off he witnessed the formation of this circle. But the

point is that his live TV appearance seemed to legitimize him.

JK: You think this was his way of becoming accepted on the crop circle scene?

CA: Right. From that moment on his being seen in the presence of the crop circle researchers - myself and Pat in particular - became acceptable. It was his 'way in', so to speak.

JK: So what happened next?

CA: Well, some weeks later there was a rap on my door, and when I answered it I immediately recognized the man standing there. It was the 'fox-study' man. He said that he'd come to tell me something... he wanted me to get Pat Delgado over to my place because he wanted to talk to both of us.

Pat lived about seventeen miles away. It was late at night but I phoned him and he agreed to come over. When he arrived the man spent all evening into the early hours with both of us, asking question after question. He appeared to be comparing the answers I gave against those that Pat gave. Well, perhaps not surprisingly, Pat eventually grew more and more frustrated, and said to the man: 'Look, exactly what have you come to tell us?' But the man just shook his head, as if to say: 'I'm not ready to tell you yet.' So Pat just stood up and said something like: 'Well, I've got better things to do with my time,' and headed out the door and went home. He was very angry.

The guy accompanied me to the door to see Pat out (I didn't know whether he was going to leave as well - I was rather hoping he would, because I was pretty bloody angry about it, too) but as Pat left and I closed the door the man just spun round on me and said: 'Get your jacket on. I want to tell you something.'

So against my better judgment I went through into the front room and told my wife I was popping out for a few minutes (I wanted to tell her so she didn't become worried). We then went out.

JK: Where did you go at that time of night?

CA: We wandered down towards Andover town centre, then back up Salisbury Road, back and forth, back and forth, questions and more questions, most of a fairly general nature, but none of the questions were about me. Rather they were to do with things like, you know: Where were the circles? Who were we in touch with? What did we know, particularly about the Russians? That kind of thing. He was asking every question you could possibly think of that an intelligence agent would probably ask. But the conversation wasn't going anywhere at all. As for myself I was furious, but I didn't quite have the courage to walk away.

JK: But presumably at some point he told you what it was he'd come to tell you?

CA: Yes. When we eventually started to walk back towards my home he stopped on the pavement and said: 'You are now one of us.'

So I said: 'What do you mean by that?'

He said, simply: 'CIA.'

When I asked him for ID he just laughed and said: 'You really think a CIA agent would carry identification?' And then he laughed again.

He told me I would never see his boss, and that he never saw his boss's boss. He said that was the way it worked. He said that from here on in I was 'one of them'. He gave me no say in the matter whatever. He never asked me if I wanted to be associated with the CIA - he just told me that from then on I was to consider myself one of them.

Following this he named a lot of people - most of whom were my colleagues in crop circle research - who were to be eliminated from the research program (he did not mean that they were to be killed or anything quite like that, but they were nevertheless to be taken off the stage, so to speak). And they have been. I have watched the process in operation for some years now - a process he openly told me about on that night. And every name he named that night has since been 'got at', and everything that he said would happen has happened.

JK: Could you give us an example?

CA: Well, for instance, the following year Terence Meaden was never out of the newspapers. Nobody else could get a look in. This is exactly what he told me would happen. But where is Terence Meaden now? Who knows what Terence Meaden's latest ideas are? Answer: no one. Because, presumably, his stage has been taken from him - he's been 'taken out'. Pat Delgado was next, and we all know what happened to him. [Author's note: sadly, Pat Delgado was so taken in by the 'Doug And Dave' episode, and so distraught because of it, that he retired from crop circle research soon thereafter.]

JK: Do you think there was a reason why you weren't 'taken out', too? Did this man indicate why you should be singled out from the rest?

CA: He did, yes. The CIA guy told me that, so far as they were concerned, I seemed to have a particular affinity and contact with the public. 'You have a way,' is what he said. 'The public identify with you.'

JK: And at the time, of course, you were getting a lot of media coverage.

CA: Yes, I was. There were really only two people in those days, Pat and myself. We'd written a book and it had sold a lot of copies. We were getting a lot of TV and radio coverage. But a decision seemed to be made that night that I was the one. I mean, if you look at it logically, it could have been either one of us. So this man must have been in a position to make a decision. He must have carried some authority within his agency.

JK: Right.

CA: So he chose me to go with this 'role'...

JK: And what was this 'role'?

CA: Once they had taken these other researchers out of the frame, so to speak, they wanted me to do something for them. He said I was to carry on being Colin Andrews, researching the phenomenon, just doing my thing, and at some point in the near future I would be asked to do one interview which would enjoy maximum, saturated media coverage. During the course of this interview I was to make one statement, and one statement only.

They wanted me to state publicly that the crop circle phenomenon was a hoax. When we got back to my home he said that he would show me how to say it and what to say. In return for this I was offered a bank account in Switzerland, in which would be enough money that I would never need to even think about money ever again. On top of this he said that they were in possession of some kind of

"instrument" which they would send to me within two weeks. He said that this instrument would allow me to identify immediately a real crop circle from a hoax - something that, presumably, could measure some or other microwave residue, or some other residual effect. He told me: 'You will then be in a privileged position, and we will put you right out there as the number one crop circle expert.' He then said that they would send me to a certain college... (which I know to be a government establishment, so my ears pricked up at this point)... where you will be familiarized with coding structures. I mean, this is an absolute bloody horror story I'm hearing... I mean, I was... God, no one will ever know how I felt that night. I was terrified. I even cried. I was completely and utterly bloody freaked. I even saw my daughter the next day and I broke down while I was talking to her, too. I said to her: 'Darling, I want you to forget everything I've ever told you about crop circles. I think I'm in terrible trouble. You know, I'm in bloody trouble.' Of course, she didn't know what I was talking about but I just wanted my family out of it. It took everything I knew to get over that ordeal and carry on a relatively normal life...

(At this point Colin took a few moments to himself. It was obvious that the ordeal had affected him very deeply- indeed, that the memory was as painful as the ordeal itself. A short while later we resumed.)

CA:... So anyway... I was told that there would be another couple of contacts made and that these would be 'voice-only' contacts via the telephone. And sure enough they phoned me, but by this time I'd had time to think about the situation and I'd decided I was going to take his head off, you know. There was no way I was going to give them what they wanted.

JK: So what did you do?

CA: I was given a contact number at the Ministry of Defence and I rang that number and told them that I'd had this approach, but I was told they had no jurisdiction. Can you believe that? A British subject was being harassed by a member of US Intelligence and the MoD had no jurisdiction to protect me! My God! I mean, it really made me ashamed to be British. Anyway, they also told me that I was not to be concerned, that I should simply refuse to cooperate with them. They said that if I refused to go along with it there should not be any danger to me. Hah! I thought: 'Thanks for the invaluable assistance!'

JK: And is that what you did?

CA: In the event, yes. That's precisely what I did. I literally ignored the phone calls. And I guess, in retrospect, it might just have saved my life, the fact that I'd contacted the MoD. Perhaps they have a little more jurisdiction than they admitted to. Perhaps the fact that I contacted the MoD meant that the CIA dared not harm me in any way.

JK: So how did you know which calls to ignore? How did you know it was them?

CA: Oh, it was them, all right. The guy was on the answer machine saying: 'Pick up the phone. Pick up the phone.' But I didn't. I just let it go. Then the voice said: 'Ring me back at this number.' And then they gave a number, but I didn't ring back. A few days later they phoned again, and this time what they said was vile, and frightening. But my answer was: 'Sorry, I'm not playing.' And that was that so far as I was concerned. Like I said, perhaps they knew I'd contacted the MoD. Maybe, just maybe, this was enough for them to leave me alone.

JK: Have you had similar approaches since you moved to America?

CA: Well, nothing quite like that. But I have certainly been approached, yes. A computer analyst at the Pentagon, for example, approached me with a person called [name deleted] Pretty soon this woman, [name deleted], sought [name deleted] out and asked to see her in her office. Now this meant that my

