IMPORTANT COMMUNIQUÉ

An internal investigation, prompted by certain information received through official channels, has now revealed that security has been compromised within the operation. The publication designated "Progress Report 2," scheduled to be released in the last quarter of 2006, has been found to contain disinformation believed to have been originated and planted by extraterrestrial cells operating within the United Kingdom. This publication has accordingly been suppressed and all operatives involved with its production have been purged pending reorientation.

While it has now been confirmed that the upper echelons of the operation are free of alien infiltrators, it has not been possible to provide the same assurances with regard to the rank and file. All operatives are therefore warned to be on their guard.

LOGISTICS

The base of operations is still the Basingstoke Hilton. The following directions, sourced from a previous "convention," have been checked and confirmed.

Getting There By Car

The hotel is just off junction 6 of the M3. Directions from your home postcode (or anywhere else!) are available from the hotel website at http://www.hilton.co.uk/property/1111 GettingToHotelName.jsp?hid=11001793.

Getting There By Air

The closest airport is Heathrow, approximately 50 minutes drive away from the airport in good traffic. Direct coach services run roughly every 2 hours for most of the day and take about 50 minutes to reach Basingstoke.

Getting There By Train

Basingstoke Railway Station is a little under a mile and a half from the hotel. Services run direct from London on a very regular basis, departing every ten to fifteen minutes or so from Waterloo Station, and will take between 45 minutes and an hour to reach Basingstoke.

Getting There By Coach

The closest coach stop is Basingstoke Bus Station, a little under a mile from the hotel. Services run direct from London Victoria Coach Station roughly every two hours or so and take between one and a half to two hours to make the journey.

Getting There By Enemy Helicopter

Release yourself from bonds with aid of patented extendable toothpick concealed in left cufflink. Overpower guard without raising alarm and make your way to disused airfield. Commandeer chopper by placing knuckle of left forefinger into small of pilot's back. If no pilot, pinch owner's manual from glove box and return to cell to read. Try again in an hour's time. When airborne, navigate to Basingstoke by sun or stars and listen for sound of singing drowning out engine. NOTE. Please land considerately.

THE FILK FILM CREW

As part of our cover, we will be co-operating with the above organisation who are sending a team to record the "convention." Needless to say, they are not cleared for any information regarding the true purpose of the operation. Indeed, they may be alien infiltrators themselves. Accordingly, those members whose identities will not be compromised by media exposure are requested to offer them whatever assistance they require, but to maintain their cover as harmless "filkerists" at all times.

The following information is repeated verbatim from Progress Report 1. This is not an error.

YOUR COMMANDING OFFICERS:

Gwen Knighton (code name "Telynor")—overall co-ordination

Joe Raftery (code name "Filceolaire")—hotel liaison

Emily Raftery (code name "Pola Bear")—programming, guest liaison

Anna Raftery (code name "Mokatiki")—beer liaison (is this right? Ed.)

Marion Beet (code name "Aunty Marion")—treasurer

Janet Waite (code name "Axylides")—artwork co-ordination

Zander Nyrond (code name "Smallship1")—piblications

THE DATELINE:

2nd-4th February 2007

CONVENTION RATES:

£27.00 for piblications on paper and delivered by post or by hand £26.00 for piblications delivered electronically

THE "CONVENTION" ITSELF

As you will be aware, your first duty during the convention is to observe and study the designated "guests" for any evidence of alien origins. However, since the disturbing revelations brought to light by the "Progress Report 2" affair, it has become clear that each and every participant in the "convention" may be an alien agent. Constant vigilance should therefore be the watchword, and all opportunities to observe your fellow "filkerians," especially when actually doing "filk," should be thoroughly explored and utilised. Similarly, by doing "filk" yourselves, you can convey to your fellow operatives that you are of pure Terran extraction and therefore to be relied upon, though this will not be regarded as unequivocal proof. Her Majesty's Government is relying on you. If each and every operative plays—or sings—his or her part, we can be assured of a satisfactory conclusion.

Membership List as at 02/01/2007					
Mike Richards	Guest	Diana Joan (DJ)	Internee	Tarkara Kamaris	Internee
Alison Richards	Internee	Bass Deborah	Internee	Songbird	Internee
Seanan	Guest	Ωmega	Internee	Miss Vacant	Internee
Batya	Guest	Vera Emlyn	Internee	Amanita	Internee
Merav	Guest	Vera's	Internee	Catherine Goldie	Internee
Gwen	Concom	Zimmerframe	memee	Hamster Girl	Internee
Joe	Concom	Andy	Internee	Talis	Internee
Marion	Concom	Martin GK	Internee	Simon	Internee
Zander	Concom	Liz Crook	Internee	Corwin	Internee
Countess Axylides	Concom	Alistair	Internee	Pippa	Internee
Emily	Concom	Abigail	Internee	Hitch	Internee
Anna	NOT	Rachel	Internee	Karen	Internee
	Concom	Sib	Internee	Ratz	Internee
John Stewart	Internee	Mich	Internee	Jela	Internee
Barbara Stewart	Internee	Little Cinnamon	Internee	Nella Darren	Internee
Peter Wareham	Internee	Ju	Internee	Jessica	Internee
Gwen Funnell	Internee	Lissa Allcock	Internee	Colin	Internee
FanTom	Internee	Philip Allcock	Internee	Aaron	Internee
Teddy	Internee	Alex Allcock	Internee	Autographedcat	Internee
Lawrence Dean	Internee	Amy Allcock	Internee	Erin Kean, Filk	Internee
Rafe Culpin	Internee	The Magician	Internee	Film Crew Darrin Kean, Filk	Internee
Rick	Internee	Smitty	Internee	Film Crew	memee
Roger Robinson	Internee	Rhodri James	Internee	Karen Praxel, Filk	Internee
Robert Maughan	Internee	Valaria	Internee	Film Crew Jim Hanks, Filk	Internee
Janet Maughan	Internee	Leo Sands	Internee	Film Crew	Internee
Sue Edwards	Internee	Kathy Westhead	Internee	Brian Biddle	Internee
Minnow		Mike Westhead	Internee	Dawn Everett-	Internee
Melusine	Internee Internee	Karen Westhead	Internee	Biddle Catherine Biddle	Internee
Katy	Internee	Peter Westhead	Internee	Phoebe Biddle	Internee
Steve Macdonald	Internee	Bill	Internee	John Biddle	Internee
Michael Bernardi		Brenda	Internee	Matthew Cegielka	Internee
Tricia	Internee	Jenny	Internee	Kate	Internee
Kate	Internee	Beefdude	Internee	George Powell	Internee
	Internee	mocap	Internee	Teresa Gibson	Internee
Andrew	Internee	Rika the Bardling	Internee	Powell	
Miki	Internee	becki	Internee	Carly Gibson	Internee
Valerie	Internee	Azakir Devaris	Internee		
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