From: Michael Horn <michael@theyfly.com> Date: August 26, 2008 11:22:38 AM PDT To: "Philip Plait" <thebadastronomer@gmail.com> Cc: Derek Bartholomaus <derek@iigwest.com>, "James Underdown randi@randi.org" <jim@cfiwest.org>, hosts@skepticality.com Subject: Re: Your surrender is acknowledged

Phil,

Since you're short on time, it was already pointed out to you that your "verifiably easy" remark was not only preposterous but illogical, since the unpublished paper you referred to wasn't available, even on the internet, until very recently.

Randi certainly did retract his claim that the Meier case is a hoax...*in writing* (you really should be more informed about this subject before you even consider doing battle on it, which I do foresee will be required of you).

I can substantiate everything I claim about the case and its evidence.

And I'll take it a step further, there's *nothing* more important than your living up to your own words about wanting to see the evidence for UFOs as, clearly, the proof for the Meier case would establish it the most important story in all of human history. Unless of course you can do what ALL the other skeptics failed to do, prove that it's a hoax...as they indeed claimed it was.

I've already been referring to you as having retreated from the battle in several recent radio shows and will be doing so in an upcoming article also.

You're way out of your league here and I'll be delighted to demonstrate that anytime.

You might want to consider taking me up on it on a Skepticality show, C2C, or something similar, as my worldwide exposure, which is far greater than yours, would benefit you as well.

So we'll see what is, or isn't "demonstrably false."

And you have the benefit of learning what mistakes NOT to make from Mr. Maus at IIG.

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Michael -

I only have a moment to answer you since I am terribly busy, but I feel I must

respond to this. You are grossly misguided if you take my silence for surrender. That is a completely false assumption, but then, it does fit in with many other false assumptions you have been making. I haven't replied for many reasons, the largest of which is that I am very busy dealing with a large number of much more important and pressing matters. Having read your copious emails and your comments on the blog, I have seen you use the thinnest of reasoning to support your claims, and as I wrote before, the one claim I investigated even briefly was shown to be completely false.

Your claims about Randi backing down are falacious, as is your claim of "chickening out" on my part. I would urge you think very, very carefully about making statements such as these, public or otherwise, as they are demonstrably false.

-Phil

On Tue, Aug 26, 2008 at 11:56 AM, Michael Horn <<u>michael@theyfly.com</u>> wrote: Dear Phil,

It's a bit of a shame that you've chickened out of the debate on the Billy Meier UFO case...but maybe it's quite understandable.

After all, we now have retractions from Randi and Bartholomaus, CFI-West canned Vaughn Rees because of his bungling, Michael Shermer tried to offer the theory that some kind of elves were responsible for Meier's evidence, etc. And Bartholomaus is completely non-responsive to my very polite offer for him to substantiate his model theory in one of Meier's films. (I'm sure he'd be glad to give you the details...and excuses.)

So I'll acknowledge you as also surrendering and joining the "I give up" camp, however, please stay tuned as such a complete trouncing of the professional skeptics is always worthy of more publicity, which I know you enjoy anyway.

All the best,

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