

A Proposal for the Formal Recognition of a Close Encounter of the Eighth Kind (CE-8)

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Subject: The formal classification of encounters involving the permanent, verifiable acquisition of non-human technology or biological material.

1.0 Preamble & Statement of Intent

The existing Close Encounter classification system, pioneered by Dr. J. Allen Hynek (CE-1|CE-2|CE-3), has served as the foundational lexicon for Ufology for decades. Alongside with (CE-4) expanded by Jacques Vallée 1990 and adopted by MUFON, (CE-5) defined and promoted by CSETI and Dr. Steven Greer 1990. The Sixth Kind is not a widely documented or recognized classification in the field of ufology. It's often used informally to describe the death of a human or animal caused by an entity from another world. Lastly, the Seventh Kind (CE-7), often broadly defined as "Hybridization," represents a profound and terrifying concept: the creation of human-alien hybrids.

However, the UFO modern era of UAP disclosure, characterized by the declassification of government and military reports (e.g., the Pentagon's UAP Task Force reports, Navy FLIR videos), alongside a vast repository of public-domain data, necessitates an evolution of this system. We now operate in

an environment where the conversation has shifted from mere observation to material acquisition and analysis.

This proposal, put forth by UCRESEARCH, argues that the evidence trail now points to a logical and necessary new category: Close Encounters of the Eighth Kind (CE-8), defined as the successful, verifiable, and permanent acquisition of physical evidence of non-human intelligence (NHI), constituting either advanced technology (e.g., metamaterials) or biological specimens.

2.0 Critique and Evolution from CE-7 (Hybridization)

The term "Hybridization" is problematic for the modern researcher. It is:

- Overly Specific: It presupposes a biological conclusion that, while supported by some testimony, lacks universally accepted, publicly verifiable proof.
- Inherently Unverifiable: Claims of hybridization often reside in the realm of personal testimony and alleged biological procedures that are nearly impossible to independently validate with current public scientific tools.
- A Theoretical Endpoint, Not an Evidence Category: It describes a suspected agenda or outcome, not a discrete event involving the gathering of evidence.

CE-7 has served its purpose, but now acts as a ceiling, limiting discussion. The next logical step in the scientific process is not just theorizing about biological outcomes, but **handling and analyzing the physical proof.**

3.0 Definition of a Close Encounter of the Eighth Kind (CE-8)

Official Proposed Definition:

A Close Encounter of the Eighth Kind (CE-8) is an event in which a person, group, or institution successfully obtains, through any means (recovery, gift, discovery, etc.), physical material that is conclusively demonstrated through rigorous scientific analysis to be of non-human intelligent origin.

This classification is bifurcated into two distinct sub-categories:

- CE-8A (Technological Acquisition): The permanent acquisition and verification of physical technology or material whose properties (isotopic ratios, metamaterial structure, gravitational or energy signatures) defy known human manufacturing capabilities and material science. Examples: The recovery of "meta-materials" with memory properties, as mentioned by officials; the possession of a functioning or disabled subcomponent of a UAP.
- **CE-8B (Biological Acquisition):** The permanent acquisition and verification of biological material or a complete biological specimen that is conclusively proven through genetic and biological analysis to be non-human and of intelligent origin. *Examples: The recovery of a biological entity (living or deceased); the acquisition of tissue samples or genetic material not originating from Earth's known biosphere.*

Key Differentiator from CE-7: While CE-7 involves the *witnessing of the process* of creation, CE-8 involves the *physical possession of the product*.

4.0 Evidentiary Basis for the Proposal

This classification is not speculative; it is built upon the foundation of official and publicly available information:

- Government and Military Acknowledgments: Statements from Pentagon officials and intelligence reports confirming the recovery and analysis of "off-world vehicles not made on this earth" (Senator Harry Reid, et al.) and "meta-materials" for testing.
- The Precedent of Material Analysis: The long history of claims from individuals like Bob Lazar, who described the physical possession and attempted reverse-engineering of technology, provides a narrative framework that a CE-8 classification would formally categorize.
- The Scientific Imperative: The core of the scientific method is falsifiability and repeatability. A CE-8 event provides the tangible, analyzable artifacts that make the study of UAPs a hard science, moving it beyond

phenomenology and into material science, physics, and biology.

5.0 Validation Protocol for a CE-8 Claim

To prevent fraud and maintain scientific integrity, a claimed CE-8 event **must** be validated by a stringent protocol:

- 1. **Chain of Custody:** A documented, unbroken, and auditable record of the evidence's handling from recovery to analysis.
- Multi-Laboratory Analysis: The material must be analyzed by independent, credentialed laboratories using standardized, peer-reviewed methods (e.g., mass spectrometry, electron microscopy, genomic sequencing).
- 3. **Peer-Reviewed Publication:** The results of these analyses must be published (or at least submitted for publication) in a reputable scientific journal, inviting scrutiny and replication attempts.
- 4. Conclusion of Non-Human Origin: The collective data must lead credible experts in material science, physics, or genetics to the conclusion that the material's properties are inconsistent with a terrestrial or anthropogenic origin.

6.0 Implications and Purpose

Formalizing the CE-8 classification serves several critical functions:

- Provides a Goalpost: It gives serious researchers a clear evidentiary target to aim for, elevating the standards of proof within the community.
- Creates a Framework for Disclosure: It offers a formal category for governments or private entities to use should they choose to disclose possession of such materials in the future.
- **Combats Misinformation:** It creates a high bar that distinguishes credible, evidence-based claims from hoaxes and unverified testimony.

• **Drives Scientific Inquiry:** It formally places the UAP conversation within the realm of material science, inviting a broader spectrum of physicists, engineers, and biologists to the field.

7.0 Conclusion and Call to Action

The Hynek system was a starting point. The journey from observation (CE-1-3) to interaction (CE-4-5) to abduction (CE-6) and theorized creation (CE-7) now demands its final, evidence-based chapter: acquisition and proof (CE-8).

As a skeptical upcoming ufologist, researcher and Director of the UAP Central Research (UCRESEARCH). I, George Michael Asian, formally propose the adoption of the Close Encounter of the Eighth Kind (CE-8) classification as defined herein. I call upon fellow researchers, organizations, and journalists to adopt this framework, to use its terminology, and to apply its rigorous validation standards to all future claims of physical evidence.

Furthermore, I personally feel, The truth is not just observed; it is held in one's hand to share with our world. Let us create this category for when that day comes forth.

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