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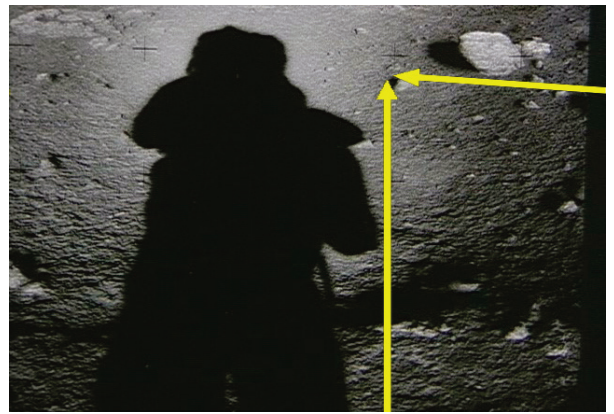
Death Bed Confession: NASA faked the Moon landings

"I'd go to the Moon in a nanosecond. The problem is we don't have the technology to do that anymore. We used to, but we destroyed that technology and it's a painful process to build it back again."

Don Pettit, NASA's oldest active astronaut

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The simple fact is, today, with 50 years of more advanced rocket and computer technology, NASA can only send astronauts into outer space as far as one-thousandth the distance to the Moon. To claim that they sent astronauts, ahead of schedule, on the very first attempt, with untried 1960s technology, which had one-millionth the computing power of a cell phone, 1,000 times farther than they can send astronauts today, simply defies logic. Plus it would be the very first time in history that technology was more advanced in the past than in the future (1,000 times more advanced), and the first time in history that an alleged scientific breakthrough could not be repeated by anyone on Earth, including the supposed pioneer, 54 years after the initial claim. Even the South Pole and Mount



Left: Real sunlight; note the parallel shadows (Photo: Author)

Right: Artificial, electric lighting in a NASA Apollo photograph; note the intersecting shadows.

The above-right picture, allegedly taken on the Moon in sunlight, was obviously not taken on the Moon at all, rather in a photographic film studio illuminated with electrical light. In fact, all that you need to prove the entire Moon landing fraud is this one photograph, with its ninety-degree diverging shadows, which simply cannot be duplicated in sunlight, which always casts parallel shadows. All that you have to do is go outside at high noon on a cloudless day, have yourself and a friend stand about five feet apart from one another, in the same positions as the above rock and "astronaut" are, and you will see quite plainly that the two sunlit shadows will never, ever intersect, and certainly not at ninety degrees when they are only five feet [1.5m] apart from one another.

"Filmed in June 1968 and code-named Project Slam Dunk"

Everest here on Earth were not reached on the first attempt. It is only the emotional attachment to the event that clouds people's perception of this cold, hard reality.

Some wrongfully assume that if the Soviet Union (Russia) or Chinese intelligence agencies found out that the American Moon missions were fraudulent they would immediately spill the beans to the rest of the world, without giving this highly significant information any deeper thought than that. This is simply not the case, and again, thinking only one step farther than programmed to do, reveals the actual truth. Supposing that China and Russia were indeed true enemies of the United States, they still would not expose the truth about the Apollo missions, simply because this embarrassing information could be used for greater profit than simply acknowledging it, by blackmailing the US government, administration after administration, with the highly scandalous information.

In fact, I know someone who works in the command centre of the Chinese space agency and they admitted to me that everyone there knows that the Apollo missions were falsified by the CIA for propaganda purposes and that the Chinese government is blackmailing NASA to export valuable technology to their country in exchange for not blowing the whistle on the lunar fraud, which is a direct violation of the Espionage Act by our own government. This is yet another good reason why the truth coming out about this arrogant government fraud would be beneficial for America. It would put an end to blackmail about this long-ago matter by any foreign powers.

The fact is, there were no "independent" tracking stations for the Apollo missions. Any foreign entities that had such capability were affiliated to the United States' own government agencies who orchestrated the deception to begin with. One example of fooling such ground stations was the Soviet Zond 5 unmanned mission of 1968. It was initially thought to be crewed, because

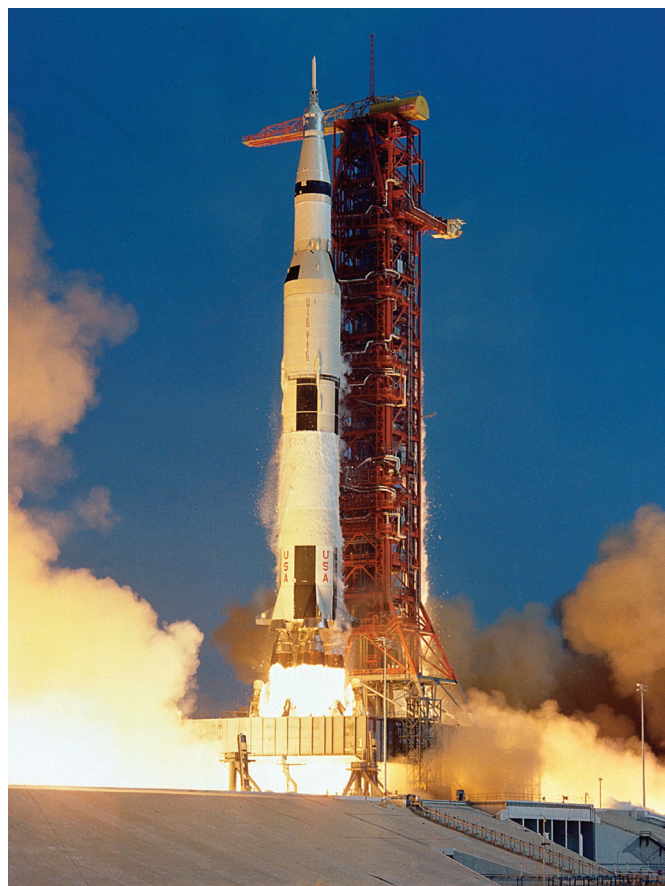
the Soviets retransmitted the voices of their cosmonauts (who were on Earth) from the Zond 5 satellite as it went around the Moon. Therefore, to fool anyone with the technology to track Apollo, all that NASA needed to do was to send an unmanned probe to the Moon (which they had already done) in order to mimic the supposed location of the Apollo spacecraft, and relay their telecommunications from the unmanned probe in this same manner. In fact, the retired NASA flight director Gene Kranz recently acknowledged, "Our computers could tell no difference whatsoever between a 'real' and a 'simulated' Moon mission."¹

In regard to the alleged reflectors left on the lunar surface by Apollo crews, firstly, it is a fact that on May 9, 1962, seven years before the first Apollo lunar landing was supposed to have occurred, a laser was bounced off of the Moon and received back on Earth by American scientists at MIT without a hand-made reflector thereon, simply due to the natural reflectivity of the lunar surface.

All that NASA had to do was to cleverly designate naturally reflective locations as the alleged Apollo landing sites for the very purpose of contriving this so-called evidence. It is also a fact that placing retro-reflectors onto the lunar surface does not require an astronaut. Russia demonstrated this robotic capability—twice, when they landed their Lunokhod roving vehicles equipped with retro-reflectors in 1970 and 1973. These were specifically uncrewed rovers because they would not suffer the biological ravages of lethal space radiation en route or on the surface, which is one of the main reasons NASA was, and still is, unable to send humans beyond low-Earth orbit. This is precisely why, 54 years later, NASA can only send mannequins to orbit the Moon, and not even land, though they supposedly leisurely played golf and drove cars on the Moon more than 50 years ago with five-decades-older technology.

Secondly, to argue that additional "new" photographs from NASA are evidence that prove the authenticity of the Moon landings is absolutely laughable. NASA and the CIA already faked high resolution, full body pictures of astronauts supposedly standing "on the lunar surface" fifty years ago, so now, with five decades more advanced Photoshop technology, faking additional pictures that were supposedly taken from the same corrupt government's Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter satellite of a tiny shadow and faint specks that are supposed to be the lunar module bottom and astronaut footprints, would be so, so easy to fake as well.

Additional arguments against the Moon landing fraud are reported to be the hundreds of thousands of people throughout the industry contributing in various small ways to the Apollo project, all of whom allegedly would have known of the fraud and kept it a secret. Again, seemingly a reasonable argument, yet, with only a little extra thought, it is not an argument at all. Do you really think the CIA is so stupid as to tell hundreds of thousands of



The Apollo 11 Saturn V, launched 1969

low-level employees, the person making the command module hatch, or the glove or the boot of the spacesuit, that they were really secretly faking the Moon landings and be sure not to tell anyone! Furthermore, to say that "because my uncle worked at NASA and believed the Moon landings were real, is proof that they were real" does not fly either. This is like saying that because my uncle worked as a vendor at the Super Bowl and believed that the game was honest, that this is proof that the football players did not cheat to win their game.

Some of the best evidence proving the fraudulent lunar landings is the fact that in December of 2014, NASA sent its new Orion spacecraft, uncrewed, directly into the Van Allen radiation belts, a deadly 30,000 mile thick radiation field that starts at about 1,000 miles [1,600km] above the Earth, which is about 650 miles [1,050km] above the highest of all other manned space missions in history, except the claimed Apollo astronauts who would have to travel through this deadly radiation field twice for each mission, once to the Moon and once back.

Deadly Radiation

Kelly Smith, a twenty-ish engineer, was selected as the official Orion radiation mission spokesperson in the NASA video press release showcased at Sibrel.com, in *Moon Man* video links #10. Notice that at two minutes

forty-five seconds into the film, Smith confirms that the radiation belts are made up of "dangerous radiation", that is, deadly radiation. At 3:35 Smith plainly states, "We must solve these (radiation) challenges before we send people through this region of space." The question is, if the solution to the dangerous radiation belts problem has not yet been solved, then how is it that the Apollo crews, during their alleged Moon missions, successfully went through this "dangerous" radiation, when a modern-day NASA employee just admitted that the necessary equipment to survive doing so has yet to be invented? Did Kelly Smith reveal this obvious clue to the Moon-landing fraud accidentally or intentionally?

When I asked NASA's press office if I could interview Kelly Smith about this radiation matter, they refused to grant me permission to talk with him. When I emailed NASA a list of mostly harmless questions about the Orion mission, the agency quickly answered all of them. When I submitted a more difficult inquiry concerning Kelly Smith's three statements about the "dangerous" radiation of the Van Allen belts and how the radiation problem "must be solved before NASA can send astronauts through this region of space", NASA refused to reply to these questions, as if I had never asked them. When I asked NASA for the radiation readings of the Orion spacecraft's two onboard Geiger counters, they said that such measurements were "a government secret". When I asked them why such ordinary information about nature is a secret, NASA refused to answer this question and then terminated all further communication with me.

When NASA sent citizen-funded probes and spacecraft to measure the temperature of the Sun and the amount of hydrogen in Jupiter's atmosphere, this information was readily available to scientists and the public alike. After all, why would a measurement of a part of nature be a "government secret"? Likewise, as the amount of radiation in the Van Allen radiation belts which surround the Earth is simply a part of nature, there should be no reason whatsoever why such elementary measurements of nature are a "government secret", unless disclosing such measurements would reveal the impossibility of the Apollo missions.

James Van Allen, the discoverer of the radiation belts, originally said that they were "One hundred times more radioactive than a lethal dose" and "One thousand times more lethal than expected." Under pressure from NASA, he dramatically recanted his original findings in order to make it appear as if the Apollo missions were technically possible. The quote below shows Van Allen's original published findings in the respected national journal, *Scientific American* in 1959, in which he plainly spoke about the radiation belts beyond Earth orbit being "an obstacle for practical space travel to the Moon and beyond", just as Kelly Smith of the Orion mission reiterated. Van Allen himself said this immediately after

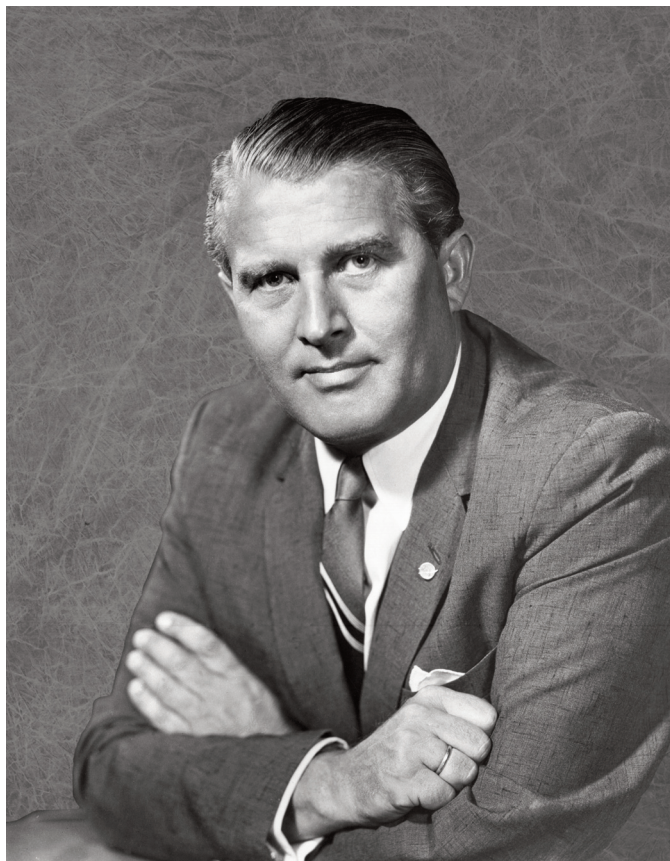
NASA sent probes with Geiger counters into the radiation belts, (as they did again in 2014):

"Our measurements show that the maximum radiation level as of 1958 is equivalent to between 10 and 100 roentgens per hour, depending on the still undetermined proportion of protons to electrons. Since a human being exposed for two days to even ten roentgens would have only an even chance of survival, the radiation belts obviously present an obstacle to space flight."²

Fake Rocks and Missing Blueprints

Another item that is trotted out as alleged proof that the faked Moon missions actually happened, is the existence of all those lunar rocks that they supposedly brought back from their travels. In August of 2009 it was reported, albeit as a news oddity (and it certainly was) that an alleged "moon rock", personally given to the prime minister of the Netherlands by Neil Armstrong in 1969 (who supposedly hand-picked it off of the lunar surface himself for this purpose), was opened forty years later from its (presumed permanently) hermetically sealed container by a curious museum curator after he had watched *A Funny Thing Happened...* with great interest. Following his microscopic examination, the rock was verified to actually be a forgery! It turned out to be a deceptive "out-of-this-world looking" piece of petrified wood. Yet again, not a single journalist, except for myself, asked the question, "If the Moon rocks are fake... what does this say about the Moon missions?"





Wernher von Braun, 1960

Even more proof of the Moon landing fraud is the fact that, according to NASA itself, all of the blueprints of the hypothetically miraculous technologically advanced hardware that allegedly put a man on the Moon on the very first attempt in 1969, were deliberately destroyed after the supposed missions, as was all of the technical specifications of the spacecraft, along with all of the flight data that recorded the spacecraft's actual location during the missions. You would think that such, one-of-a-kind, supremely valuable and expensive designs with all of their irreplaceable data, would be kept for just short of all of eternity, both as a record of the achievement and in case such costly to attain information and equipment would be needed again to return to the Moon. Yet the exact opposite is true.³

Imagine Bill Gates spending \$200 billion to build the first computer, and then once successfully completing it, throwing the computer and its blueprints into a furnace. Would anyone ever do such a crazy thing? Of course not. Yet this is exactly what NASA did with its "amazing Moon travel technology" that worked flawlessly on the very first try. This is proof itself that the Apollo missions were fraudulent, because if they really went, they would never destroy a \$200 billion investment—yet if they committed a forgery, this is precisely what they would do. The specifications, blueprints, and flight data of the miraculous 1960s Moon landing technology (which NASA

intentionally destroyed) were not the only important materials relating to Apollo that "mysteriously disappeared". The original videotapes can be added to this list as well.

Wernher Von Braun Weighs In

Also quite notable is this statement made by Wernher von Braun and his two colleagues concerning the original mathematical calculations these highly intelligent rocket designers considered as being the *only* way for astronauts to reach the Moon. This necessary methodology was not even partially adopted by NASA during their "Apollo" missions:

"It is commonly *believed* that men will fly directly from the Earth to the Moon, but to do this we would require a vehicle of such gigantic proportions that it would prove an economic impossibility. *Calculations have been carefully worked out* on the type of vehicle we would need for the nonstop flight from the Earth to the Moon and to return. The figures speak for themselves: Three rockets would be necessary; each rocket ship would be taller than the Empire State Building and weigh about ten times the tonnage of the *Queen Mary*, or 800,000 tons each."⁴ (emphasis added)

– Wernher von Braun, Willy Ley, Dr Fred Whipple

In comparison to the above requirements, the rocket that the United States government claimed sent astronauts to the Moon in 1969 was the Saturn V. It weighed just 2,500 tons versus the stipulated 800,000 tons, which is a difference of 32,000 *per cent*. Instead of reaching the required height of 1,250 feet as per the Empire State Building, it was only 363 feet tall... and there was just one rocket, instead of the necessary three. Furthermore, von Braun went on to say that before a manned mission to the Moon, an Earth-orbiting space station must first be constructed from which to ferry the three rockets and the necessary additional fuel for the long voyage all the way to the Moon and back. Elon Musk just said the very same thing was necessary to "return" to the Moon—nine fuel delivery trips first.

USA Bans Exploration of its Moon Landing Sites

Astrobotic Technology, a private firm, had planned to land an unmanned probe precisely at the claimed Apollo 11 landing site to end the debate over the authenticity of the Apollo missions once and for all, yet because of intense pressure from the US federal government not to do so, the president of the company, John Thornton, caved in to the government coercion and reluctantly agreed not to land anywhere near there, even though he was supposedly "free to do so". Is it scientific "freedom" when important exploration is abandoned because of government pressure to maintain a falsehood of the criminally rogue CIA?

Death-Bed Confession: Project Slam Dunk

The most shocking revelation of all is now possible as the high-ranking military source of my investigation into this matter has died, and the predetermined waiting period after his death has expired. I am now free to publish his testimony that comprises the following highly relevant information about the Moon-landing deception, which is shared for the very first time ever, exclusively in my book *Moon Man: The True Story of a Filmmaker on the CIA Hit List*, (available as an audiobook which I read myself, Kindle, or print, via Sibrel.com).

Cyrus Eugene Akers did not want the following facts to be published until a set time after his death because his life and the lives of his family members were threatened, face-to-face, if he ever told anyone that he had personally witnessed the counterfeit filming of the supposed 1969 Moon landings here on Earth at his military base. In fact, just days before writing these very words in my book, immediately after I had reconfirmed all of this information with a surviving family member of this important source of mine, their home was broken into with professional spy-like precision, their sophisticated security camera alarm system was cleverly disabled with their own secret password, and all of the relevant documents about this matter, and nothing else, were stolen from their home. Two days after this break-in event, this surviving family member of my eyewitness to the Apollo Moon-landing fraud was visited by two unidentified "US government officials". They threatened his life, and the lives of his family, if they ever spoke to me again about their relative's participation in this covert operation. In order to protect this individual, I notified the FBI, a United States Senator on the Intelligence Committee, and the White House Press Secretary.



Cyrus Eugene Akers, Moon fraud eyewitness,
Cannon Air Force Base

Akers, an original direct eyewitness of the Apollo deception, was the Chief of Security at the United States military base where the staged Apollo 11 Moon landing was secretly filmed. He was a first-hand eyewitness to the incredible events that I relate below.

The year was 1968. Preparations for the first fake Moon

mission photography and filming that was to take place in the United States was underway, a full year in advance of broadcasting the falsified prerecorded mission to the world, in order to have enough time to fully prepare and implement the contrived material. Lyndon Johnson, the US president at the time, was personally presiding over the first of three days of filming of this sad misadventure. I was informed that this Moon-landing set was built inside two very large aircraft hangers that were coupled together to best simulate the fake landscape's enormity. The later missions likely used a similarly large professional film studio elsewhere.

This Air Force Military Police Chief described many days, even weeks, of preparation before the filming was to take place. Countless tons of pulverised concrete were delivered to the military base in dump trucks, which were to be used as the "lunar soil" for the creation of the photographs and pre-filmed television images, while laboratory-quality "test" samples of supposed lunar soil were made from crushed lunar meteorites, which had been personally retrieved from Antarctica by rocket designer Wernher von Braun the previous year.

Cannon Air Force Base near Clovis, New Mexico was the location of this filming. It was obscure, remote, quite small, and thus would have the fewest possible eyewitnesses. Additionally, Cannon Air Force Base was also the secretive "Special Operations Command Center" for the entire United States Air Force, which is their interdepartmental equivalent of the CIA. The operation's code name was Project Slam Dunk. This code name resulted from President Johnson's private remarks about the supreme urgency of attaining Kennedy's misspoken December 31, 1969 deadline to have a man walking on the Moon, which Johnson said "will be met, come hell or high water", in order to save international embarrassment. "Come hell or high water" obviously included the faking of the missions, in order to ensure that this goal was met. As the prefabrication of the planned "Moon landings" absolutely guaranteed their success, the previously technologically impossible goal suddenly became an easy "Slam Dunk".

Below are the names of fifteen VIP visitors that Akers, Chief of Security at Cannon Air Force Base was personally given by President Johnson, who were permitted to enter the highly secured, secret government military facility to observe the filming of the first fake Moon landing. The names are listed below in the exact order as they originally appeared on the list that I received from the Chief of Security at Cannon Air Force Base. President Johnson's name was at the top of the list, followed by astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin. This means that Armstrong and Aldrin were only there to observe the event (not to participate), in order to attain a general familiarity with what was going on, so that they could later describe it as if it was a personal experience. The two "astronauts" apparently had doubles standing

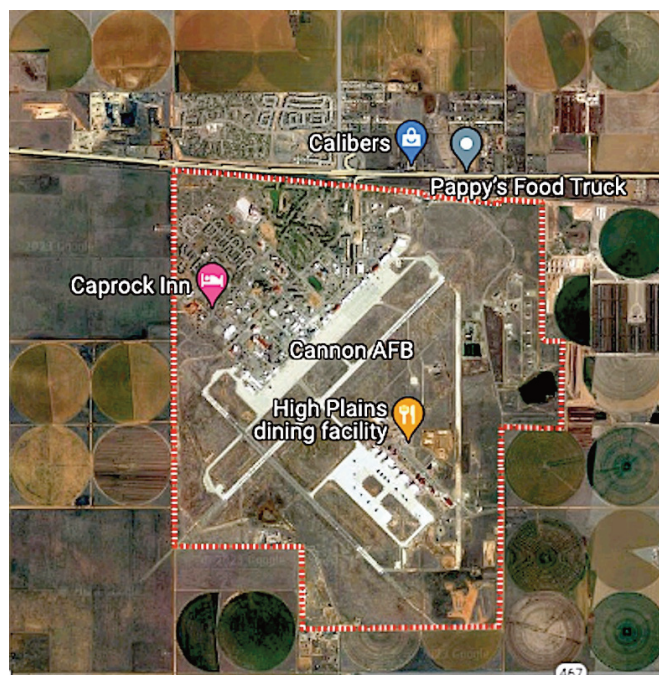
in their place who were likely athletes, able to withstand the intense heat inside of the spacesuits with the air conditioning systems removed, which would have been necessary to prevent them from falling over backwards in Earth's gravity. The list does not include the government personnel supervising this event or all of the film industry professionals who assisted. They used a separate entrance and were on a separate list, which is not available at this time.

- Lyndon Johnson, President
- Neil Armstrong, NASA astronaut
- Edwin Aldrin, NASA astronaut
- Wernher von Braun, rocket designer
- Robert Emenegger, image consultant
- Eugene Kranz, NASA flight director
- James Webb, NASA administrator
- Joseph Kerwin, future NASA astronaut (flew in 1973)
- Thomas Paine, NASA deputy administrator (in 1968)
- Glynn Lunney, NASA flight director
- Christopher Kraft, NASA mission control founder
- James Van Allen, radiation expert
- Arthur Trudeau, Army intelligence
- Donald Simon, unknown (Navy)?
- Grant Noory, unknown (CIA)?

I was informed that these specially equipped top-secret film studios, along with all the mountain backdrops, the studio sets, as well as all the film and photographic equipment, were quickly disassembled after the photography and filming was complete so that no trace of it remained. Even the fact that President Johnson once visited Cannon Air Force Base, which at one time was boasted about on the Air Force base's website, was quickly removed after this investigation into the matter commenced.

When the Chief of Security of Cannon Air Force Base saw the supposed "live Moon landing" on television a year later, Akers said that he cried quietly in sadness, yet still justified the deplorable deception to himself, as the rest of his fellow participants did, as a "necessary military bluff" in order to appear to be superior to Russia's more advanced space technology at the time. The fake Apollo missions were also used as a much needed "pep rally" for disheartened Americans, who were perpetually disgruntled over losing tens of thousands of their husbands, brothers, and sons in a needless foreign war in Vietnam.

The war's commencement itself was another CIA deception. The "Pearl Harbor" event that was used as the excuse for the war, was the alleged Gulf of Tonkin attack on American soldiers by North Vietnam. Defense Secretary Robert McNamara recently confessed, as he was dying, that this event never happened (just like the staged Moon landings) and was entirely fabricated by the CIA as the excuse for entering the Vietnam war, in order



Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, New Mexico:
filming site for "Apollo 11"

to gain public support as a falsified way to "avenge" the fabricated American deaths.

Unhappy Insiders: Moon Landing Hoax

Not too long after I had completed *Astronauts Gone Wild* in 2004, on the 35th anniversary of the first Apollo fraud, as the "punch" video made the rounds on various news programs, one of the national news networks had a special appearance of the crew members of Apollo 11, standing in front of the White House. As I watched the live segment from my home that morning while eating breakfast, I was surprised that, for the very first time, Buzz Aldrin did the least amount of talking of the three. When the news anchor, who was talking to them via satellite, said that he was glad that he was interviewing Aldrin from a distance so that he would not get punched, Aldrin just looked down at the ground, ashamed.

One of my military intelligence officer friends had warned me just a few days earlier that my first film, *A Funny Thing Happened...* did not "rock the boat" in the Pentagon nearly as much as *Astronauts Gone Wild* did, which made the federal government's "secret society" members look so bad.

Shortly after this occasion, when I shared with my secretive good guy government friends my recently inspired concerns, they reassured me that they had everything under control, so I trustingly continued my clandestine association with them. I asked them why the CIA, who obviously monitored my telephone calls about this matter, never secretly warned any of the Apollo astronauts of my real motives prior to my revealing

interviews with them.

These special military intelligence friends informed me that, since my covert operations with them had commenced after my debriefing, our retaliatory operations had great effect and caused the opposition to back off. Additionally, they shared that most federal government agencies, including the CIA, are filled with a majority of patriotic citizens who feel that they are serving the good of their country, and that this new generation of mostly honourable CIA employees, the few of whom know about the Apollo deception, find it incredibly disgusting. Because of this, they let the astronauts fend for themselves.

Furthermore, if any obvious recourse were instigated against me at this point because of my films, it would only bring undue suspicion of the fraud to the public, as well as newer employees of this spy agency, whom tenured superiors want to keep in the dark about this matter.

Conclusion

If it weren't for the monumental international embarrassment and sharp decline in the United States dollar and stock market that would likely follow the public disclosure of the Moon-landing fraud, then this deception may have otherwise been admitted by now. Just keep in mind, if the CIA and the United States federal government were willing to kill 58,200 of their own citizens in the Vietnam war, that would have otherwise not been entered into without their deliberate deception to justify it, then I am sure that they are willing to fake a television image of the Moon.

There is so much proof that the Moon landings were indeed fraudulent, in fact, there is more evidence to support that the missions were falsified than there is that they were genuine. If it weren't for people's emotional attachment to the event, they would see the sad, sad truth of their government's arrogant deception.

Regardless of who killed JFK or did 911, those people are still dead regardless. This is different. This was a positive lie. A lie that people wanted to believe. Revealing the deplorable truth to disinterested souls, is like taking away a delicious piece of cake from them, and giving them a plate of manure instead. Who wants that? I even met a college professor of aerospace who told me plainly that even if Neil Armstrong himself confessed to the fraud on national television, that he would still never recant the "glorious" Moon landings. All there really is to support the still unrepeatable moon landing claim 54 years later, from a corrupt government with a long track-record of lying to and murdering their own people, are some Moon rocks that have been proven to be false, lasers that can bounce off of the Moon without using any manmade equipment thereon, and contrived photographs whose intersecting shadows conclusively prove that they were taken with electrical light on Earth.

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