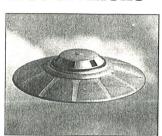
# Periscope

**UFOS** 

## **Model Aliens**



T TOP-SECRET AREA S4, ON he Nellis Air Force Range in Nevada, the United States is hiding nine spacecraft from the Zeta Reticuli star system. If you buy that, you can also pony up for the Testor Corp.'s replica of one of the ships (above), based on descriptions from Bob Lazar, a physicist who, the company says, helped "back engineer" alien technology for the Feds. The Illinois-based hobby-kit company says the model is no proof of UFOs. Still, when Testor designs, techies listen: in the mid-'80s, Testor stunned the Pentagon by producing an eerily accurate model of the supersecret stealth fighter.

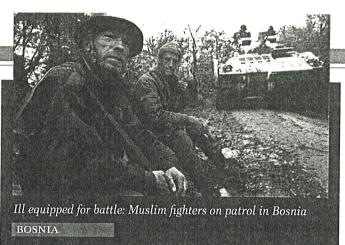
#### VITAL STATS

### **Unfair Game**

About 1,000 hunting ranches do a brisk business in the U.S. For a heavy fee, trophy seekers can bag the animal of their choice.

PRI	CE PER ANIMA U.S. DOLLAR
Wild boar	\$200-\$1,000
Grant's zebra	800-2,000
Ibex	2,000
Thomson's gazelle	800-2,400
Black-faced impala*	1,000-2,400
Western giant eland	
Barasingha deer*	3,500
Water buffalo	3,500
Gnu	1,500-4,000
Red deer	1,500-6,000
Cape buffalo	4,000-6,000
Sable antelope	3,000-8,000
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\*ENDANGERED. †ALL SPECIES ENDANGERED EXCEPT SOUTHERN WHITE SUBSPECIES. SOURCE: HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES



# **Planning an Arms Channel**

HE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION, WHICH HAS CALLED ON the U.N. Security Council to lift the three-year-old arms embargo against the Bosnian government, is developing a plan to provide weapons and financing in the event the ban is scrapped. Most likely, says an administration official, the U.S. would ask Saudi Arabia and Turkey—two countries that sympathize with their fellow Muslims in the Bosnian government—to provide the materiel and funds. "We could go to the Saudis and say, 'Give them a couple of million so they can buy what they need'," says the official. Some weapons could come from American supply depots in Europe; others, such as Soviet-built tanks now stockpiled in Slovakia and Poland, would come from the open market. Washington hasn't decided whether it will contribute arms directly.

The Bosnian government, responding to threats from Britain and France to withdraw their peacekeeping troops if the embargo is lifted, announced last week that it was willing to defer lifting the embargo for another six months. By the end of October, Washington will introduce a resolution to lift the embargo by next spring. If the U.N. doesn't pass the resolution, Washington will then take unilateral steps to arm the Bosnians. In the meantime, the five-nation "contact group"—the United States, Russia, France, Britain and Germany—plans to increase pressure on the Bosnian Serbs to accept the group's peace proposal.

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: RALPH-FINN HESTOFF - SABA, OLEG POPOV - REUTER-BETTMANN, NC

#### SOUTH KOREA

# **Targeting the Rich**

N SOUTH KOREA, WHERE POS-session of guns is illegal and violent crime is rare, a rash of grisly murders has stunned the nation. The crimes' common feature: victims were singled out because they appeared to be well off. The most notorious attacks were committed by a gang calling itself "the murder factory," which, in some cases, burned and cannibalized its victims. At the time of their arrest two weeks ago, gang members had reportedly been trying to obtain machine guns to use in commando-style assaults on wealthy haunts. Last week a former taxi driver was charged with raping and robbing women

he abducted in a stolen cab; two were murdered.

The viciousness of the crimes is being attributed by some to South Korea's growing gap between rich and poor. The authorities are reluctant to suggest that the recent attacks are an outbreak of class warfare. Still, many South Koreans believe that the country's fierce pursuit of riches has chipped away at its ethical values. Last week a woman who had been hit by a taxi in downtown Seoul was left to die as bystanders looted her purse. The Korea Times called the incident "testimony to the naked selfishness of citizens in this society."

#### PRODUCTS

# **Soft Touch**

CARPAL-TUNNEL SYNDROME could be the main occupational hazard of the computer age. Computer makers know this and are busy redesigning keyboards to try to relieve the debilitating wrist and hand pain that comes from hours of working on a PC. A new model, introduced by industry giant Microsoft Corp. of Redmond, Washington, incorporates ergonomic designs that, the company says, provide a more comfortable alternative to standard keyboards. In order to allow typists to assume a more natu-



ral placement of the hands and wrists, its keypads are split and rotated outward. This, says the maker, encourages a straighter wrist position, as does a wrist-leveling rail that adjusts the height of the front edge of the keyboard. The keyboard's increased width and angle, Microsoft says, also helps users keep their shoulders straighter and more relaxed. Cost: \$100.

### Porta-bell

North Carolina, is marketing a device called the Wireless Door Chime that instantly extends the range of your doorbell to just about anywhere in your home or garden—you'll never miss another visitor or delivery. The battery-powered pushbutton transmitter is attached near the front door; installation, DataWave says, is easy. The movable receiver is placed wherever it is needed. When the doorbell transmitter is pressed, the receiver chimes. Any number of receivers may be used. Cost: \$25.

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