

# **I COULD TELL YOU BUT THEN YOU WOULD HAVE TO BE DESTROYED BY ME**

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The amusing title of this amusing book refers to the motto of one of the military's black operations units. The subtitle is "Emblems from the Pentagon's Black World". Thus there are dozens of colored pages of patches or emblems of secret military organizations unknown to the public.

The author states that sometimes we can find clues about a secret unit from its patches. For example, several have six stars on them, a big one and five smaller ones. Get it? Five and one? Area 51 is the home base.

What I found funny, is that some of the units have your typical Grey Alien on it. One is the 509 Bomb Wing now in Missouri, but in 1947, it was in Roswell, New Mexico during the legendary UFO crash. The patch has a Grey Alien holding the B-2 bomber in its hand. Surrounding the patch is the slogan in Latin, "Tastes Like Chicken", and in English, "To Serve Man", referring to Twilight Zone episode.

Another Grey Alien is on the patch of TENCAP, an Air Force Unit. The book doesn't explain why an alien is on it. Another unit is a cartoonish little green man with antennae. There is also a goatsucker unit. The other badges have your usual dragons, skulls and eagles on them.

Is the military which has always denied UFOs being humorous here with these alien patches or is it trying to tell us something more?

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