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RE: Interview Transcript – Barents Incident (Unverified Entity)

Conducted by: Dr. V. Korsakov, Cultural Anthropology Unit

Interviewee: Larkov, Mikael, former trawl operator, *Zorya Bezdonnaya*

Location: Remote fishing outpost, northern Kola Peninsula

Date of Interview: 03 July 1985

ABSTRACT:

This document contains a verbatim transcription of an unplanned field interview conducted by Dr. V. Korsakov during an ethnographic survey of the Barents-adjacent settlements. Subject Larkov recounts a direct encounter in winter 1983 with an anomalous marine entity, locally referred to as Bezdovets. The term is consistent with pre-Christian Sami myth cycles, particularly those referencing liminal aquatic intelligences.

Correlative Incidents Logged:

- Magnetic drift anomalies recorded in regional trawler logs, Q1 1983
- Disappearance of Danish whaling vessel *Hvalfangst* (March 1984)
- Recurring Sami oral fragments: "swimmer from the deep", "rift beneath the black ice"
- Civilian reports (1983–85) of "black water mirroring", auditory distortions at sea

NOTE: Subject terminated the interview without warning. Subsequent contact attempts unsuccessful.

BEGIN TRANSCRIPT [REF: 85-KOR-LARKOV]

Dr. V. Korsakov: Thank you for agreeing to speak with me, Mikael. I understand this may be difficult. Can you describe what happened that night—what you saw? Bezdovets, you called it?

M. Larkov: [Pause] You shouldn't name it. But... fine. Winter, '83. We were out past the shelf edge... *Zorya Bezdonnaya*. Dead calm. Sky looked... wrong. Purple hue. No stars. The sea was flat as glass.

Korsakov: And then?

Larkov: Ivan shouted. Something was in the water—forty meters off, maybe. Tall, black. Arms too long. Not a seal. Not human. It moved... like water remembering itself. Turned toward us. No eyes. Just holes. Like the sea falling in on itself.

Korsakov: Did it approach the vessel?

Larkov: No. Just watched. Ivan said it whispered his name. I heard my sister... dead ten years. I nearly went overboard. Ivan tried... we pulled him back. Then it sank. Left a patch of black ice where it had been.

Korsakov: This name, "Bezdovents", comes from Sami accounts?

Larkov: Old stories. An elder told me it crawled from a tear in the seafloor. A void. Long ago, they gave blood to keep it down. But one ritual failed. Now it comes... and it takes.

Korsakov: Why now? Why the increase?

Larkov: The sea is restless. Trawlers. Oil rigs. Submarines. It feels the noise. The *Hvalfangst*, that Danish whaler... they found her adrift. No crew. Hull frozen over, like something touched it. Hand-shaped frost. I've seen it twice since. It remembers.

Korsakov: Did you inform authorities?

Larkov: The Party? They'd call it hysteria. Superstition. But the old ones knew... never trust what lies beneath. It's not our sea anymore.

Korsakov: It looked humanoid?

Larkov: That's what it wants. But it's wrong. Close up, it... warps things. [Stands] That's all. We're done. Stay off the water, Doctor. It's always listening.

[END TRANSCRIPT]

FIELD NOTES – Dr. V. Korsakov

Subject Larkov departed the outpost on foot following the interview. Cross-reference with Sami oral fragments confirms semantic alignment: terms for "swimmer beneath", "the black hole in the sea", and "soul-thief from the melt."

Barents disappearance data (internal reports) shows nine registered vanishings since 1980, including the *Hvalfangst*. official maritime authorities list the *Hvalfangst* case as "weather-related vessel failure", though initial field notes from rescue crew include undocumented frost formations and gelatinous residue along stern.

Request for access to Murmansk naval archive materials remains unapproved. Personal observation: witnessed concentric offshore ripples late evening (02 July), no wind conditions. Monitoring continues. Equipment insufficient for subaqueous registration.

RECOMMENDATION: Ethnographic surveillance to continue under oblique status. Recommend escalation to Level 2 Advisory if entity correlations increase.

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