

Journal Entry #213

Subject: Merkel, James, Lieutenant, U.S. Army

Lt. Merkel still refuses to answer to any name other than *Legion*. He is the most interesting case of MPD (Multiple Personality Disorder) I have ever seen. Lt. Merkel appears to possess three alternate and distinct personalities in addition to his original core personality. The lieutenant has apparently taken his new name from the Bible quote "My name is Legion for we are many" (Mark 5:10)

The lieutenant's psychosis stems from an encounter with Black ICE (Intrusion Countermeasure Electronics) in a Chinese mainframe while on a covert mission during the Southeast Asia conflict. The mission itself was a failure and Lt. Merkel was captured by enemy forces and remained a Prisoner of War in Laos for almost a year. By the time he was rescued the psychosis had set in.

Lt. Merkel is fully aware of the other personalities, which he says are named *Khan*, *Babylon*, and *Jericho*. The lieutenant claims to speak with these others, but unlike most MPD cases they never speak through him.

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