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**Subject:** New Human--Dolphin Experiments! ■

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**Attachments:** DolphinEffectOnHumanAffect

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Greetings All,

Last January's get-together started me thinking about Dolphins again,  
and particularly about the the effect Dolphins have on human emotions.

To make a long story short: I'm conducting experiments at the Dolphin  
Research Center (DRC) on human sympathetic nervous system response  
during dockside interaction with Dolphin. The trials will begin  
tomorrow (Thurs., August 18, 2011) morning, and will continue for two  
days.

We are using a portable logging polygraph developed by the MIT Media  
Lab Cognitive Computing group and their commercial spin-off Affectiva  
to monitor visceral human responses during structured (ie repeatable)  
interactions with dolphins.

If any of you are in the area and/or curious about this very early  
stage research, please feel free to visit us at DRC (on Grassy Key,  
FL) to see for yourselves. This invitation is particularly apt  
(IMHO), since I only began seriously considering starting this work  
after (during? :-) our meeting in the Virgin Islands, and some  
conversations with several of you (you know who your are :-) provided  
the impetus to get me going on this project.

Also, inspired by Jeffrey's philanthropy, this is the first research  
project which I've self-financed myself (albeit on a much smaller  
scale than Jeffrey's :-).

Any and all last-minute advice and/or constructive criticism is  
welcome and appreciated.

All the best to y'all in all your endeavors.

--Ron

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PPS: A brief description of the project is attached.