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Yes, this is the FAA and Trinidad Colorado.

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Yes sir.

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And we had an airplane report.

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What he told me is that it's just a very strange looking object over in the Vita Pass, which

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is on the front range of the Rockies.

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And it's all in North Central Colorado and it is the front range.

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Although that Vita Pass area, this aircraft was flying westbound from, well I'll say from

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Kebbo to Alamo to Ariam.

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So it was going westbound over the pass.

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And I tried to get him to describe it and he said that it was, he had never seen anything

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like this, of this nature before.

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And he said he hated to say it but it looked like the UFO.

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I got his name and his phone number if you want to talk to him because I could not get

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him to describe it over the air.

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And he lives over by the Crete area, Crete, Colorado.

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And it will probably take him another hour and a half to two hours to get over there.

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But I told him that I would give him his name and phone number.

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And people probably want to call him about it.

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Oh, very good.

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We sure appreciate this.

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Okay, that's all I can tell you.

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Okay, do you want us to get back to you and let you know if we can come up with anything on it?

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I would appreciate it.

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Yeah, that's our flight service area and I'd like to know if there's something over there.

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Okay, thanks very much.

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Thank you.

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We understand that you saw something up in the sky tonight when you were flying.

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Yes, sir, I did.

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I wonder if we could get a description of exactly what you saw.

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Yes, sir.

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Look like a metal oblong spheroid.

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Pretty much like the famous opulent color.

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No distinguishing features.

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No airfoil that I could discern.

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Was it dark at the time?

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At the time of the encounter?

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Yes.

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I'm not sure.

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It was about 15, 20 minutes past five o'clock in the afternoon.

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You didn't see any openings or lights?

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Lights.

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There was an area that near the upper portion of it that struck me as if it might have been

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translucent.

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But I couldn't, you know, just kind of look again if you look at some of that translucent

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block or something.

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Almost like there's light behind it, but you wouldn't bet on it.

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I see.

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Okay, was this thing moving across the sky or was it maintaining a stationary position?

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In relation to me, it was stationary.

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Okay.

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Same direction, same speed, same altitude.

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Did it maintain this position at all times while you were watching it?

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It didn't last very long.

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But yes, it will.

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Did this move away or did it just disappear?

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It apparently stopped its forward motion and I got ahead of it and I didn't see it.

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Did it maintain its straight line flight path or?

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I'm sorry.

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I tried to mirror away from it.

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Yeah.

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Okay, I'm right alongside.

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Keeping an even pace?

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Yes, sir.

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Okay, do you have any estimates of how close it came to you?

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Too damn close.

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If it had been, well that's the reason I veered away.

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Air to air encounter or something.

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It probably scared the death of me.

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And no exception.

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I thought it was going to quieten me.

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Any estimates to the number of feet away?

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Well, no one knows.

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It's kind of hard to say.

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It's less than 50 feet.

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All for my wing too.

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65 or 70 feet.

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Okay, did you pick up any air turbulence?

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Yes, sir.

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Was that one of the closest?

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I can't say.

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Okay.

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But it was a turbulent area.

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Any estimates in size?

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Just by comparing it with something else.

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Maybe the size of the T-83.

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That's big.

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Did you see any trail or fire emitting from any part of it?

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No, sir.

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But in your opinion, was this a metallic surface?

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Yes, sir.

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Okay.

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Did you have the feeling that this thing was actually watching you?

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You better believe me.

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It couldn't possibly have maintained its proximity to me without being aware of my presence.

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Okay.

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Do you have any idea of the altitude that you were flying at this time?

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Yes, sir.

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5500 feet in this now.

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Over what area do you remember?

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La Vita Pass.

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Bermuda?

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La Vita.

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Oh, La Vita.

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Okay.

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La Vita Pass, that's the first range of the front range.

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And the eastern corner.

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Okay.

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Canada, southern, it's called it.

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New Wallston Bird.

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Yeah, it's called the St. Wallston Bird, you know, almost, it's called it.

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Okay, do you remember your speed?

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Well, my airspeed was about 145 and I had a plan to work, like 28 knots, so I was doing 120.

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Okay.

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And ground speed, I don't know, I don't know, I think I only had one airspeed.

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No, that's okay.

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Did you have any interference with any of your electronic equipment?

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I don't know.

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Okay.

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I had nothing audible and it was some moments before I had enough composure to try and everything

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worked fine.

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Okay.

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You pretty much had your eye on this thing at all times, I suppose.

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Yes, sir.

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Did you communicate at all with Denver Center?

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See if you had this thing on radar.

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That's what I called a flight service station.

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I'm sorry, I didn't know what to do and I called a man and there was a president right

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at the gate.

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I did have my transponder activated so they might have it on the wall.

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I see, okay.

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Okay, did you experience any problems with the aircraft before you got it down to the ground?

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You were radio operator all right at all times.

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Well, that's the time when I tried to use it.

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What kind of plane were you flying?

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I was flying a helicopter at E-235.

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Okay, how were the weather conditions?

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It was windy and of course, start to know it was not pass.

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Visibility was probably 45, 50 miles.

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There were clouds over some mountain page but there were none in the case.

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Okay, did that object reflect sunlight?

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I wasn't in a position to be able to tell whether it would have or not.

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I was headed right into the sun and it was off the light, poor thing.

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I see, okay.

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Was there any other radio traffic while you were up there watching this thing?

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I'm sorry, sir, I can't say.

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Okay.

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Well, we sure appreciate your giving us your time and describing this and we'll check it out, see if we can't come up with some kind of answer.

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If we do get any information on it, why we'll get back to you and let you know.

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I would certainly appreciate that, sir.

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I hope it turns out to be a small game.

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Those days are gone forever, I'm afraid.

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I don't think I've ever had a more chromatic experience.

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Still, I'm not quite myself.

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Did you have a fixed opinion on UFOs prior to this?

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Uh, well, I always wanted to see one.

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Uh-huh.

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I would say yes, I probably did.

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I think I probably accepted the possibility of it.

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Okay, you didn't have a camera along, did you?

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I'm sorry, I'm just incredibly happy to talk to you.

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Man, we thank you again for giving us your time and we come up with any answers while we get back to you and let you know.

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Thank you very much.

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Thanks again.

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A little feedback, we just finished talking to Mr.

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Uh-huh.

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And he saw an object, a silver oblong, a spherical shaped object which looked like it was made of stainless steel.

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About the size of a DC3, no appendages or openings of any kind aboard.

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And the thing, he watched it for about two minutes, approached it within about 50 feet of his wingtip.

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He tried to bank away from it as it came in.

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And, uh, eventually the thing apparently came to a complete stop in the sky and then he just passed it and that was the last he saw of it.

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Had it under observation for about two minutes.

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Do you get a lot of calls like this?

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Not so many from people in the sky, most of our observers come from the ground, you know, ground observations.

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But airborne sightings are a rarity. I mean, that's, they're a rarity as being reported to us.

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Whether a lot are being seen and not being reported, I don't know.

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This stuff is pretty much on a legit type basis then.

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Oh yes.

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I don't know, I just can't imagine anything like that.

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Well, it's just a rarity. A lot of animals, I'll tell you that.

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I bet it is.

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He's still shaking, he says.

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So what do you people do with a report like this?

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Well, we, uh, hope that someone else will come along with maybe something from the ground in that same area so we can get kind of a verification.

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And then get all the data we can on the description and the behavior of the object and so forth and then match it up with the material we got in our data bank.

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And then just hold it for future reference.

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Well, I haven't heard another word about it.

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I talked to another pilot, was in the same state at the same time.

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You know, he heard this other pilot reporting it.

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He called late this evening for a weather briefing or not, woke up the other day and he was telling me a lot of things that the pilot said that I had missed.

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You know, the radio communications aren't too good over there.

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And he was saying that the pilot was not asking for the shape of it.

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I didn't copy it on the radio and this other pilot, he called and he said that he didn't put that it was around and there was no type of air flow at all on it.

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Right.

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And it mesmerized him pretty bad because he didn't even think of looking at his instruments.

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He was locked on the object at all times and then it started to approach him and he banked away.

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He said when the object turned towards him it didn't bank at all. It just made a very level turn.

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Boy, that was scary to heck out of you.

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You're still scared. His voice was quivered on the phone.

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What kind of airplane was that? A Piper Cherokee?

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Yeah, 235 Piper Cherokee.

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Well, okay, I'll keep my eyes and ears open over on this end.

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Fine, we sure appreciate the call.

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Yes, sir, any time.

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Thanks again.