

# Four cities hundreds of miles precisely the same instant



The mysterious UFO appears as a round, luminous cloud to the left of the moon, as it hovers above a park in Rosario, Argentina.

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AN INCREDIBLE series of UFO sightings reported at the exact same time in four cities 500 miles apart has been described by the world's leading authority as "the most astonishing in years."

The sightings in Argentina:

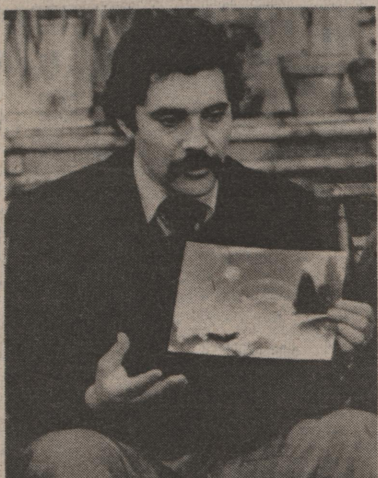
- Brought traffic at one airport to a standstill,
- Caused a pilot near another airport to veer away from a UFO.
- Confused an air traffic controller at a third airport.
- Stunned two newspaper photographers — who took these amazing pictures working 400 miles apart.

Dr. J. Allen Hynek, professor emeritus of astronomy at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill., who is recognized as America's foremost UFO expert claims "there's no doubt the sightings were real."

"The fact that this UFO was seen in so many different places makes it one of the most astonishing in years," he said. "In fact we've even heard reports that this object was seen in 40 cities in five countries — Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay."

"What's so amazing is that a UFO is usually a local event — but these reports indicate a simultaneous sighting across hundreds of miles."

"And if they all saw the exact same object at the same time, it had to have been awfully high up."



Newspaper photographer Jose Granata, who took the photo (above left) on his way to work.

One of the most astounding reports came from Jorge Newbery Airport in Buenos Aires, Argentina where, on June 14th at 7:06 p.m., stupefied air traffic controllers held up takeoffs because of the UFO.

Following is the recorded conversation between Captain Ignacio Fernandez, an Austral Airlines pilot, and the tower at Newbery:



Pilot Ignacio Fernandez describes the UFO as he saw it from the cockpit of his DC-9. It delayed his takeoff.

**'An intense light approached at great speed'**

Fernandez: "I request taxiing instructions."

Tower: "Hold it a minute, I see a flying saucer to the northeast. Stand by."

Fernandez: "Okay."

Tower: "Would you prefer to take off anyway?"

Fernandez: "No, I'll wait for new instructions."

Tower: "Can you see the

phenomenon I'm talking about?"

Fernandez: "Yes I can. I will stay in position."

At precisely the same time, Captain Raoul Lara was climbing out of a takeoff from Ezezia Airport, also in Buenos Aires.

Observing a UFO directly in his flight path, he radioed the tower: "We have a flying object at 12 o'clock," and headed away from the mystery craft.

Captain Ricardo Pizzaro, piloting a Lan Chile flight out of Ezezia, also saw the object.

"We were hearing reports from other planes and airport radar informed us they were seeing it also," he said.

"The UFO moved south to north. I estimated its speed at around 150 miles per hour. We saw it for about two minutes."

"It looked like a full moon, but fainter. And it was surrounded by a sort of halo."

Four hundred miles away in Corrientes, this photo was taken at the same time.

Meanwhile, the traffic controllers who had delayed takeoffs at Newbery Airport were frantically contacting their colleagues at Ezezia and other airports to see if they had also sighted the UFO.

Said Newbery controller Julio Contero: "We suddenly saw an intense light which we took, at first, for a plane approaching at great speed."

"Then, the image became clearer — a sort of sphere that was dim in the middle and brighter around the edges."

"We contacted Ezezia, and they replied that they also detected the phenomenon. Then we contacted airports all across the country — and they were seeing it as well."

At Pajas Blancas Airport in Cordoba, 400 miles northwest of Buenos Aires, air control operator Edward Barey saw what he described as "an incandescent cloud" taking off from the airfield as he was lining up a plane on the runway. He thought it was merely an unusual weather condition until it shot up to an altitude of 25,000 ft.

Halfway between Cordoba and Buenos Aires in the city of Rosario, newspaper photographer Jose Enrique Granata was startled by a bright cloud as he walked to work.

Granata instinctively pulled out his camera and shot the astounding photo seen above left.

In Corrientes, 400 miles northwest of where Granata took his picture, another newspaper photographer, Omar Vallejos, took the picture above right.

Describing his experience he said: "I was developing film of that day's soccer matches when suddenly an editor yelled at me from the street that there was a UFO in the sky."

"I left my work and ran out to look up. I saw a cloud whose center was duller than its edges hovering over the Parana River."

"And then, as if this strange cloud had seen us, it started to move north and disappeared."