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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:05,440

Classified military videos leaked to the public.

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00:00:05,540 --> 00:00:08,280

You can actually hear the shock and the awe

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00:00:08,380 --> 00:00:10,920

as people saw this going into the water.

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00:00:11,020 --> 00:00:12,120

What was blast?

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00:00:12,220 --> 00:00:13,220

Blast.

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00:00:13,320 --> 00:00:17,720

Top secret, Pentagon projects suddenly exposed.

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00:00:17,820 --> 00:00:19,020

It was huge.

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00:00:19,120 --> 00:00:22,400

It was a monumental sea change in the federal government's

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00:00:22,500 --> 00:00:25,400

acknowledgment of these aerial phenomena that

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00:00:25,500 --> 00:00:26,900

are unexplained.

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00:00:27,000 --> 00:00:28,800

And a shocking admission.

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00:00:29,300 --> 00:00:32,400

About unidentified flying objects.

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00:00:32,500 --> 00:00:34,340

Our current science, our current tech,

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00:00:34,440 --> 00:00:36,600

can't understand some of these.

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00:00:36,700 --> 00:00:37,980

The government said that.

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00:00:38,080 --> 00:00:39,140

Wow.

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00:00:39,240 --> 00:00:41,640

What is clear is that these sightings

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00:00:41,740 --> 00:00:43,480

simply cannot be explained.

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00:00:43,580 --> 00:00:46,580

The question becomes, what are we dealing with?

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00:00:46,680 --> 00:00:49,720

Are we on the brink of full government disclosure

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00:00:49,820 --> 00:00:54,020

about the strange objects witnessed in our skies?

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00:00:54,120 --> 00:00:57,500

And if so, will we soon discover that they are

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00:00:57,500 --> 00:01:02,400

in fact of extraterrestrial origin?

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00:01:02,500 --> 00:01:03,940

Something is going on.

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00:01:04,040 --> 00:01:08,100

And for the first time ever, the government admitted to this.

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00:01:10,880 --> 00:01:15,440

There is a doorway in the universe.

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00:01:15,540 --> 00:01:19,620

Beyond it is the promise of truth.

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00:01:19,720 --> 00:01:22,560

It demands we question everything

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00:01:22,660 --> 00:01:24,920

we have ever been taught.

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00:01:24,940 --> 00:01:28,320

The evidence is all around us.

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00:01:28,420 --> 00:01:32,420

The future is right before our eyes.

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00:01:32,520 --> 00:01:35,320

We are not alone.

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00:01:35,420 --> 00:01:38,020

We have never been alone.

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00:01:45,640 --> 00:01:53,640

Washington, DC, the Oval Office, December 27, 2020.

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00:01:54,400 --> 00:01:54,960

All right.

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00:01:55,060 --> 00:01:56,300

Thank you all.

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00:01:56,400 --> 00:02:00,700

President Donald Trump signs a massive \$2.3 trillion

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00:02:00,800 --> 00:02:04,840

spending and relief package to stimulate economic recovery

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00:02:04,940 --> 00:02:07,920

from the ravages of COVID-19.

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00:02:08,020 --> 00:02:12,460

But the bill serves another highly unexpected purpose,

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00:02:12,560 --> 00:02:15,360

detailed in its committee comments section

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beneath the heading, Advanced Aerial Threats.

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The stipulation mandates that the director of national

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intelligence work with the Secretary of Defense

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on a report revealing everything the government knows

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00:02:28,700 --> 00:02:34,640

about unidentified aerial phenomenon or UAP.

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00:02:34,740 --> 00:02:36,900

Because of public pressure, public scrutiny,

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00:02:37,000 --> 00:02:38,600

members of Congress, specifically

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00:02:38,700 --> 00:02:40,880

on the Senate Intelligence Committee,

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00:02:40,980 --> 00:02:44,880

inserted language that the government release a report

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00:02:44,980 --> 00:02:47,780

to the public on UFOs.

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00:02:47,880 --> 00:02:49,880

And they had 180 days to do it.

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00:02:49,980 --> 00:02:51,280

This was jaw dropping.

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00:02:53,160 --> 00:02:54,820

And a lot of people said, what?

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00:02:54,920 --> 00:02:57,080

UFOs and COVID, what's going on?

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00:02:57,180 --> 00:03:00,060

The original requirement for a UFO report

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00:03:00,160 --> 00:03:03,560

had come from the Senate Intelligence Committee.

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00:03:03,660 --> 00:03:07,200

And they'd articulated it in the Intelligence Authorization

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00:03:07,300 --> 00:03:10,000

Act for Fiscal Year 2021.

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00:03:10,100 --> 00:03:11,740

But for a number of reasons, that bill

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00:03:11,840 --> 00:03:14,440

wasn't going to get through.

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00:03:14,540 --> 00:03:18,640

So what they did is they attached that part of the bill

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00:03:18,740 --> 00:03:21,140

to something they knew would get through.

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00:03:21,200 --> 00:03:24,500

And that was the COVID-19 relief bill.

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To researchers of UFOs or UAPs, as government agencies now

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00:03:29,640 --> 00:03:32,940

call them, it is a watershed moment.

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It is even applauded by many in Washington,

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who believe the Pentagon has been overly secretive

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00:03:39,380 --> 00:03:42,060

about this phenomenon.

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00:03:42,160 --> 00:03:44,920

I'm comforted in knowing that we have good folks

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00:03:45,020 --> 00:03:46,720

in the intelligence community who are protecting

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00:03:46,820 --> 00:03:48,200

our national security.

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00:03:48,260 --> 00:03:51,820

At the same time, I think that not just the American people,

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00:03:51,920 --> 00:03:53,400

but the global community really want

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00:03:53,500 --> 00:03:55,600

to know what's going on up in our skies.

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00:03:55,700 --> 00:03:59,100

Everything is rotating.

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00:03:59,200 --> 00:04:03,040

I was prompted to ask myself, where have you been?

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00:04:03,140 --> 00:04:06,980

Why did it take so much prodding by the public,

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00:04:07,080 --> 00:04:10,380

by members of Congress, over decades, really,

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00:04:10,480 --> 00:04:14,620

before you took this threat seriously?

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00:04:14,720 --> 00:04:16,120

There are people in the government

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00:04:16,140 --> 00:04:20,620

who are very hostile to UFO information.

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00:04:20,720 --> 00:04:23,720

The government had plenty of time and reason

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00:04:23,820 --> 00:04:26,560

to investigate these things, but only seriously

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00:04:26,660 --> 00:04:32,100

started compiling data in 2019, which is totally insane.

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00:04:32,200 --> 00:04:37,500

I mean, this information was available for decades before.

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UFO community went into overdrive.

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00:04:40,300 --> 00:04:45,080

Some of them were actively predicting disclosure.

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00:04:45,100 --> 00:04:50,140

The mainstream media as well were fully engaged on this.

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00:04:50,240 --> 00:04:55,180

And there was intense speculation.

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00:04:55,280 --> 00:05:00,180

I remember after Trump had signed the COVID relief bill,

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00:05:00,280 --> 00:05:01,780

and I had to see it.

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00:05:01,880 --> 00:05:04,760

So I called up somebody, and I got a link.

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00:05:04,860 --> 00:05:09,760

And I went down through all of that bill.

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00:05:09,860 --> 00:05:13,500

And of course, there was tremendous amounts of speculation.

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00:05:13,560 --> 00:05:15,120

Well, are they now going to tell us

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00:05:15,220 --> 00:05:17,460

that we're not alone in the universe?

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The government of the United States

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00:05:19,600 --> 00:05:22,800

is openly investigating UFOs.

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00:05:22,900 --> 00:05:28,900

And I think that this speaks volumes how the paradigm has

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00:05:29,000 --> 00:05:31,340

shifted.

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But how did the US government go from decades of denying

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any interest in UFOs to passing a bipartisan bill demanding

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an official report on unidentified aerial

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00:05:42,180 --> 00:05:43,740

phenomena?

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It's a sea-changing policy with roots that trace back

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00:05:47,380 --> 00:05:50,820

to a series of secret meetings more than two decades earlier.

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00:05:53,620 --> 00:05:57,500

Las Vegas, 1995.

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00:05:57,600 --> 00:06:00,400

Local TV news reporter George Knapp,

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00:06:00,500 --> 00:06:03,860

famous in Nevada for his investigation of the top secret

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00:06:03,960 --> 00:06:10,140

Air Force facility Area 51, has spent years discussing UFOs

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00:06:10,260 --> 00:06:14,260

with Nevada's powerful senator, Harry Reid.

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00:06:14,360 --> 00:06:15,760

Senator Reid has a lot of interest

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00:06:15,860 --> 00:06:19,900

in national security issues, NELIS, Area 51.

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00:06:20,000 --> 00:06:22,840

So I told him, I think there's a legitimate issue here,

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00:06:22,940 --> 00:06:24,540

that this is real.

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00:06:24,640 --> 00:06:28,180

And so we had a secret conversation that lasted 30 years

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00:06:28,280 --> 00:06:29,980

about UFOs.

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00:06:30,080 --> 00:06:34,480

In 1995, Knapp invited Reid to attend a meeting hosted

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by another powerful Nevada resident

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00:06:37,020 --> 00:06:39,220

with a longtime interest in the topic.

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Hotel Magnet and aerospace billionaire Robert Bigelow.

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Bigelow had recently founded the National Institute

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for Discovery Science, a privately financed research

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00:06:50,820 --> 00:06:54,220

organization created to investigate fringe science

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00:06:54,320 --> 00:06:57,060

and UFO phenomena.

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00:06:57,160 --> 00:07:00,300

I told Reid, I think he should go check this out.

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00:07:00,400 --> 00:07:02,940

He goes to the next board meeting later in the year

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00:07:03,040 --> 00:07:03,940

and is blown away.

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00:07:04,040 --> 00:07:05,900

He's hooked.

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00:07:06,520 --> 00:07:10,300

But the bond that he formed with Bigelow at that point

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00:07:10,400 --> 00:07:14,400

became critical to everything that would unfold later.

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00:07:14,500 --> 00:07:20,240

In 2007, with Reid's help, Bigelow secured \$22 million

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00:07:20,340 --> 00:07:23,680

from the Department of Defense to fund the Advanced Aerial

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00:07:23,780 --> 00:07:27,320

Threat Identification Program, or ATIP,

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00:07:27,420 --> 00:07:29,920

an initiative that would investigate reports

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00:07:30,020 --> 00:07:32,620

of anomalous aerial vehicles.

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00:07:32,680 --> 00:07:35,920

They managed to create this program in the Pentagon,

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00:07:36,020 --> 00:07:39,280

which was a classified program, a sort of black program,

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00:07:39,380 --> 00:07:40,680

as they say.

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00:07:40,780 --> 00:07:44,960

And so they were able to get the funds the Pentagon was able

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00:07:45,060 --> 00:07:47,260

to get up and running with that.

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00:07:47,360 --> 00:07:49,860

And I think that was a game changer.

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00:07:49,960 --> 00:07:53,700

Pentagon officials select former US Army counterintelligence

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00:07:53,800 --> 00:07:58,800

special agent, Luis Elizondo, to run the secret ATIP program.

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00:07:58,900 --> 00:08:01,000

Lou Elizondo was put in charge of that.

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00:08:01,020 --> 00:08:02,920

He was overseeing his little group of people

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00:08:03,020 --> 00:08:05,660

in different parts of the Pentagon.

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00:08:05,760 --> 00:08:08,400

They would exchange information, do what they could,

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00:08:08,500 --> 00:08:10,460

and try to keep a very low profile.

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00:08:10,560 --> 00:08:13,540

Some people in the Pentagon knew what they were doing,

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00:08:13,640 --> 00:08:15,640

but others did not.

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00:08:15,740 --> 00:08:20,980

Elizondo ran ATIP for those approximately seven years

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00:08:21,080 --> 00:08:25,380

with funding from Senator Harry Reid in Nevada.

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00:08:25,480 --> 00:08:29,480

And none of us knew anything about it.

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00:08:29,540 --> 00:08:33,380

As Elizondo delved into the government's secret files,

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00:08:33,480 --> 00:08:36,180

he became convinced that UFOs could pose

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00:08:36,280 --> 00:08:38,840

a major national security threat.

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00:08:38,940 --> 00:08:41,280

But to his growing frustration, he

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00:08:41,380 --> 00:08:44,680

struggled to get anyone to listen to him.

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00:08:44,780 --> 00:08:49,060

Lou figured out that forces within the Pentagon

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00:08:49,160 --> 00:08:52,960

weren't taking this seriously and were perhaps

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00:08:53,060 --> 00:08:58,200

dismissing and covering up and suppressing UFO information

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00:08:58,220 --> 00:08:59,820

for various reasons.

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00:08:59,920 --> 00:09:02,660

And Lou couldn't stand the fact that,

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00:09:02,760 --> 00:09:04,700

and within the halls of the Pentagon,

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00:09:04,800 --> 00:09:07,360

it wasn't being taken seriously.

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00:09:07,460 --> 00:09:12,700

In October 2017, Luis Elizondo resigned from ATIP

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00:09:12,800 --> 00:09:16,540

after Pentagon officials refused to present his findings

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00:09:16,640 --> 00:09:19,680

to Defense Secretary James Mattis.

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00:09:19,780 --> 00:09:21,280

I've seen too much.

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00:09:21,380 --> 00:09:23,080

I've talked to too many people.

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00:09:23,180 --> 00:09:24,380

I have too many reports.

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00:09:24,480 --> 00:09:25,680

I know it's real.

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00:09:25,780 --> 00:09:27,180

I can't agree with consciousness,

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00:09:27,240 --> 00:09:28,800

keep my head buried in the sand.

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00:09:28,900 --> 00:09:34,380

I had to leave the very job that I love to get my point across.

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00:09:34,480 --> 00:09:38,380

Just as Elizondo was leaving his position at the Pentagon,

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00:09:38,480 --> 00:09:42,880

Tom DeLong, co-founder of the rock band Blink 182,

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00:09:42,980 --> 00:09:45,980

was forming a group called To The Stars Academy

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00:09:46,080 --> 00:09:49,620

to collect and study information on unidentified aerial

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00:09:49,720 --> 00:09:51,560

phenomena.

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00:09:51,660 --> 00:09:56,060

Tom DeLong gathered around him an extraordinary team

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00:09:56,080 --> 00:10:01,720

of insiders with backgrounds in the government, intelligence

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00:10:01,820 --> 00:10:05,860

community, the aerospace community, particularly

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00:10:05,960 --> 00:10:07,960

cutting-edge technologies.

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00:10:08,060 --> 00:10:12,360

Elizondo almost immediately went to work for Tom DeLong

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00:10:12,460 --> 00:10:14,860

and his new company, To The Stars,

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00:10:14,960 --> 00:10:20,200

a company that was dedicated to working to try to uncover

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00:10:20,300 --> 00:10:22,940

the answers about the UFO phenomenon, which just

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00:10:23,020 --> 00:10:26,320

seemed like a perfect stroke of luck.

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00:10:26,420 --> 00:10:30,320

With the addition of Elizondo, To The Stars Academy

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00:10:30,420 --> 00:10:33,620

now had unprecedented access to government intel

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00:10:33,720 --> 00:10:38,560

on unidentified aerial phenomenon and unbeknownst to Elizondo's

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00:10:38,660 --> 00:10:42,660

former bosses in the military, he hadn't left government service

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00:10:42,760 --> 00:10:44,460

empty-handed.

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00:10:44,560 --> 00:10:51,000

He brought with him extraordinary video evidence of UFOs.

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00:10:51,100 --> 00:10:52,000

My god.

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00:10:53,940 --> 00:10:59,580

Washington DC, October, 2017.

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00:10:59,680 --> 00:11:03,720

After Luis Elizondo resigned from his position with A-Tip

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00:11:03,820 --> 00:11:07,980

and leaves the Pentagon, he shares three declassified videos

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00:11:08,080 --> 00:11:11,260

recorded by Navy pilots with his new colleagues

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00:11:11,360 --> 00:11:12,320

at To The Stars Academy.

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00:11:15,360 --> 00:11:18,160

The first object, known as Tic Tac,

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00:11:18,260 --> 00:11:22,180

was caught on radar in 2004 off the US Navy

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00:11:22,240 --> 00:11:26,280

limits at an altitude of 80,000 feet.

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00:11:26,380 --> 00:11:29,320

As Navy F-18s approached the object,

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00:11:29,420 --> 00:11:32,520

it descended to within one foot of the water in seconds.

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00:11:35,120 --> 00:11:39,420

We don't have this capability of dropping 80,000 feet

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00:11:39,520 --> 00:11:44,900

within a matter of seconds, hitting a velocity of Mach 20.

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00:11:45,000 --> 00:11:49,740

So we now know that there's some kind of propulsion system

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00:11:49,760 --> 00:11:55,040

that exceeds the capability of our own rocket.

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00:11:55,140 --> 00:11:58,100

Naval Aviator Lieutenant Chad Underwood

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00:11:58,200 --> 00:12:01,140

was ordered to pursue the object in an F-18

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00:12:01,240 --> 00:12:04,120

equipped with a sophisticated FLIR video system.

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00:12:04,220 --> 00:12:07,920

The object looked featureless, and that's

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00:12:08,020 --> 00:12:10,460

why I called it the Tic Tac.

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00:12:10,560 --> 00:12:11,720

It looked like a Tic Tac.

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00:12:11,820 --> 00:12:14,900

It had no wings, no method of propulsion,

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00:12:15,000 --> 00:12:17,360

and on your forward-looking infrared pod,

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00:12:17,460 --> 00:12:19,060

all it is is tracking heat.

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00:12:19,680 --> 00:12:23,460

So you would typically see engine exhaust coming out

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00:12:23,560 --> 00:12:26,960

of one of the ends of the aircraft, not seeing any of it.

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00:12:27,060 --> 00:12:30,860

The object was changing altitude, air speed, things

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00:12:30,960 --> 00:12:35,240

that my FLIR and my radar were having difficulty tracking.

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00:12:35,340 --> 00:12:37,000

And then at the end of the encounter

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00:12:37,100 --> 00:12:42,140

is when you see a dart off to my left on the FLIR pod.

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00:12:42,240 --> 00:12:46,920

And that's when I was like, whoa, what just happened?

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00:12:46,980 --> 00:12:50,020

The other two videos Elizondo brought to his colleagues

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00:12:50,120 --> 00:12:53,780

at To The Stars Academy were equally groundbreaking,

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00:12:53,880 --> 00:12:56,120

known as Gimbal, and Go Fast.

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00:12:56,220 --> 00:12:59,600

Both videos were taken by Navy jets from the USS Theater

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00:12:59,700 --> 00:13:04,760

Roosevelt near the Florida coast in 2015.

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00:13:04,860 --> 00:13:08,700

All three videos show objects moving in ways that defy

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00:13:08,800 --> 00:13:10,140

the known laws of physics.

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00:13:13,440 --> 00:13:16,240

These objects can zig-zag effortlessly

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00:13:16,300 --> 00:13:19,860

defying the known laws of aerodynamics.

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00:13:19,960 --> 00:13:22,940

These objects can effortlessly accelerate up

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00:13:23,040 --> 00:13:25,200

to 20 times the speed of sound.

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00:13:25,300 --> 00:13:28,340

They have no visible means of propulsion.

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00:13:28,440 --> 00:13:30,640

So what could it be?

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00:13:30,740 --> 00:13:33,940

Well, the short answer is we don't know.

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00:13:34,040 --> 00:13:37,820

The phenomena had unusual flight characteristics,

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00:13:37,920 --> 00:13:42,920

unusual vectors, speed, being able to hover and move.

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00:13:43,180 --> 00:13:46,380

Oh, I think, dude, it's roasted.

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00:13:46,480 --> 00:13:51,020

The fact that the Chinese or the Russians or anyone else

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00:13:51,120 --> 00:13:52,720

would have that kind of capability,

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00:13:52,820 --> 00:13:57,060

and we wouldn't know about it, is pretty slim.

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00:13:57,160 --> 00:14:01,000

As head of ATIP, Elizondo was able to have the videos

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00:14:01,100 --> 00:14:04,400

declassified, but they had never been made public.

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00:14:04,500 --> 00:14:06,840

His involvement in To The Stars Academy

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00:14:06,940 --> 00:14:08,900

offered a new opportunity to share

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00:14:09,000 --> 00:14:12,140

the remarkable information collected at the Pentagon.

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00:14:13,140 --> 00:14:16,400

To The Stars, their goal was that they

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00:14:16,500 --> 00:14:18,500

were going to crack it all open, and they

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00:14:18,600 --> 00:14:22,640

were going to open up the truth that the government knows

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00:14:22,740 --> 00:14:25,640

about these unidentified aerial phenomena that

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00:14:25,740 --> 00:14:29,980

have the technology that does not exist in terms

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00:14:30,080 --> 00:14:32,420

of human production.

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00:14:32,520 --> 00:14:34,920

To The Stars Academy, to their credit,

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00:14:35,020 --> 00:14:38,620

brought Lou Elizondo together with Chris Mellon, Department

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00:14:38,720 --> 00:14:41,120

of Defense official, Senate Intelligence,

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00:14:41,180 --> 00:14:44,440

Insider, and then they go to the New York Times

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00:14:44,540 --> 00:14:48,180

with this blockbuster story about US government's interest

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00:14:48,280 --> 00:14:50,320

in investigating UFOs.

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00:14:50,420 --> 00:14:53,420

Chris Mellon arranged a meeting with Leslie Cain,

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a best-selling author who had spent years trying

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00:14:56,220 --> 00:15:00,200

to draw mainstream media attention to UFOs.

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Mellon and Elizondo revealed to Cain the existence

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00:15:03,560 --> 00:15:06,840

of the secret ATIP program and promised her access

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00:15:06,940 --> 00:15:10,000

to the videos if she could place the story with the New

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00:15:10,000 --> 00:15:11,620

York Times.

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00:15:11,720 --> 00:15:15,220

Leslie Cain is very well connected politically.

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Her uncle, Thomas Cain, was the former governor of New Jersey

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00:15:19,860 --> 00:15:22,160

and headed up the 9-11 Commission.

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00:15:22,260 --> 00:15:25,900

This gives you an idea of just how plugged in

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00:15:26,000 --> 00:15:29,900

to the political network Leslie is.

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00:15:30,000 --> 00:15:34,740

So when Leslie was contacted by Lou Elizondo and Chris Mellon,

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she then teamed up with Ralph Blumenthal, veteran New York

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00:15:38,980 --> 00:15:43,820

Times reporter, and Helene Cooper, again from the Times.

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Ralph Blumenthal came to know Leslie Cain

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00:15:46,620 --> 00:15:49,760

while working on his book, The Believer, a biography

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00:15:49,860 --> 00:15:53,620

about alien abductions researcher Dr. John Mack.

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When Blumenthal heard about the government's ATIP program,

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00:15:56,900 --> 00:15:59,740

he was eager to help break the story.

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00:15:59,840 --> 00:16:02,940

Well, it was clearly a great story for the New York Times,

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00:16:03,040 --> 00:16:06,580

a secret Pentagon unit investigating UFOs

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00:16:06,620 --> 00:16:09,960

after the government was supposed to be out of the UFO

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00:16:10,060 --> 00:16:12,760

business, but of course, never really was.

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00:16:12,860 --> 00:16:16,220

Blumenthal pitched the story directly to the New York Times

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00:16:16,320 --> 00:16:19,800

managing editor, Dean Bouquet.

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00:16:19,900 --> 00:16:26,800

And on December 16, 2017, Leslie Cain, Ralph Blumenthal,

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00:16:26,900 --> 00:16:29,040

and Helene Cooper's groundbreaking report

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00:16:29,140 --> 00:16:32,180

about the Pentagon's mysterious UFO program,

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00:16:32,280 --> 00:16:35,880

made the front page of the New York Times online edition.

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00:16:36,380 --> 00:16:38,280

We had a nail down chapter and verse.

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00:16:38,380 --> 00:16:40,620

The people involved in it, everything on the record,

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00:16:40,720 --> 00:16:42,220

the documents.

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00:16:42,320 --> 00:16:45,160

So this hit all the benchmarks.

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00:16:45,260 --> 00:16:49,760

We had the Navy videos, which we were able to put on the Times

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00:16:49,860 --> 00:16:52,860

website, and they garnered more views than almost anything

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00:16:52,960 --> 00:16:54,400

in Times history.

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00:16:54,500 --> 00:16:58,000

This was a real turning point in the United States,

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00:16:58,100 --> 00:17:01,100

because the New York Times has always said

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00:17:01,200 --> 00:17:04,240

that they are the guardians of the truth.

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00:17:04,700 --> 00:17:08,840

Suddenly, New York Times is actually reporting on UFOs.

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00:17:08,940 --> 00:17:13,480

This really shows that UFOs and the study of UFOs

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00:17:13,580 --> 00:17:17,740

and the investigation has entered the mainstream.

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00:17:17,840 --> 00:17:21,720

All of a sudden, since 2017, these stories

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00:17:21,820 --> 00:17:28,260

have become front page news on worldwide newspapers.

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00:17:28,360 --> 00:17:33,100

And it clearly shows that there was a type of a paradigm shift

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00:17:33,120 --> 00:17:36,400

that's happened over the past 25 years.

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00:17:36,500 --> 00:17:40,700

And for someone like me, it's incredible.

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00:17:40,800 --> 00:17:44,440

Astonished by the atyp revelations and leaked videos,

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00:17:44,540 --> 00:17:47,780

Congress demanded briefings, forcing the intelligence

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00:17:47,880 --> 00:17:51,240

communities to respond.

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00:17:51,340 --> 00:17:54,380

Suddenly, UFO briefings become the hottest ticket

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00:17:54,480 --> 00:17:56,320

on Capitol Hill.

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00:17:56,420 --> 00:17:58,620

Briefings for the Armed Services Committee,

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00:17:58,720 --> 00:18:00,760

the Intelligence Committee, everybody wants in.

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00:18:00,820 --> 00:18:03,160

Congress takes it serious.

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00:18:03,260 --> 00:18:05,860

The media give them political coverage

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00:18:05,960 --> 00:18:07,620

by saying this is a legitimate story.

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00:18:07,720 --> 00:18:10,360

So you have people like Marco Rubio and Senator Warner,

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00:18:10,460 --> 00:18:14,160

who can tell reporters, yeah, we're looking into this.

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00:18:14,260 --> 00:18:15,900

This is a legitimate mystery.

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We have things flying over military installations,

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00:18:18,800 --> 00:18:21,100

over military exercises, and other places.

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00:18:21,200 --> 00:18:22,680

And we don't know what it is.

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00:18:22,780 --> 00:18:26,480

If there are objects flying over military installations,

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00:18:26,580 --> 00:18:28,120

that could pose a security threat.

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00:18:28,180 --> 00:18:30,780

I think we're going to have more hearings.

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00:18:30,880 --> 00:18:35,020

And I think that we're seeing we can have these conversations

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00:18:35,120 --> 00:18:39,220

publicly in a way that doesn't warrant mockery or scorn

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00:18:39,320 --> 00:18:40,220

or ridicule.

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I think it's critically important.

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After 70 years of taboo, going back to the 1947 incident

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00:18:48,160 --> 00:18:52,240

at Roswell, New Mexico, the study of UFOs

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00:18:52,340 --> 00:18:55,340

had finally gained mainstream acceptance.

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00:18:56,340 --> 00:19:01,700

But is the US military ready to share all it knows?

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00:19:01,800 --> 00:19:04,640

Or are there still forces within the Pentagon

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00:19:04,740 --> 00:19:07,880

that will go to any length to protect its secrets?

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00:19:09,920 --> 00:19:14,680

Washington, DC, June 2019.

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In the wake of the New York Times revelations

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about ATIP and the explosive Navy videos,

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00:19:20,520 --> 00:19:23,900

Washington's defense has been able to take over

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00:19:23,920 --> 00:19:27,200

the entire Navy's explosive Navy videos.

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The House and Senate Armed Services committees

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begin interviewing Navy pilots who claim to have witnessed

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UAPs while on training missions.

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It started with closed door briefings

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of senior staff members.

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These pilots, David Fraver and Alex Dietrich,

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and people like that, Chad Underwood, Ryan Graves,

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00:19:46,420 --> 00:19:48,180

start being led up to Capitol Hill.

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00:19:48,280 --> 00:19:49,580

They tell their stories.

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This thing would go instantaneous from one way

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00:19:51,580 --> 00:19:52,520

to another.

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It just rapidly accelerates beyond anything

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00:19:54,280 --> 00:19:56,020

that I've ever seen.

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00:19:56,120 --> 00:19:58,220

They are incredibly believable.

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00:19:58,320 --> 00:20:00,020

They have gravitas.

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00:20:00,120 --> 00:20:01,620

They're not UFO nuts.

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00:20:01,720 --> 00:20:04,620

We were able to then visually pick up

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00:20:04,720 --> 00:20:07,220

what we described as a tic-tac.

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00:20:07,320 --> 00:20:08,500

It was moving very fast.

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00:20:08,600 --> 00:20:10,100

They're telling stories of encounters

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00:20:10,200 --> 00:20:13,640

with strange craft that are way beyond any technology we have.

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00:20:13,740 --> 00:20:16,600

We do work-ups along the Eastern seaboard,

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00:20:16,700 --> 00:20:18,580

and these objects kind of came with us.

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00:20:18,680 --> 00:20:20,140

The fact that he would just get himself

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00:20:20,200 --> 00:20:23,060

with no turn isn't how aircraft work.

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00:20:23,160 --> 00:20:24,900

The senior staff members are impressed.

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00:20:25,000 --> 00:20:26,940

They tell the elected members of Congress,

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00:20:27,040 --> 00:20:28,200

it changed everything.

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00:20:28,300 --> 00:20:29,980

I never thought I would see it in my lifetime,

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00:20:30,080 --> 00:20:32,280

and here it is unfolding right before our eyes,

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00:20:32,380 --> 00:20:34,240

still unfolding.

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00:20:34,340 --> 00:20:36,140

The Pentagon has had to respond.

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00:20:36,240 --> 00:20:38,180

It might just be difficult for the Pentagon

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00:20:38,280 --> 00:20:43,420

to completely do a blanket denial the way they used to.

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In August 2020, in a rare instance of transparency,

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00:20:48,660 --> 00:20:51,160

the US Department of Defense announces

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that the work Luis Elizondo oversaw with ATIP,

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00:20:54,800 --> 00:20:58,340

analyzing and cataloging UAPs, is still

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00:20:58,440 --> 00:21:02,340

being carried on under a new program called

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00:21:02,440 --> 00:21:06,440

the Unidentified Aerial Phenomena Task Force.

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00:21:06,540 --> 00:21:10,540

That same summer, Senator Marco Rubio's Intelligence Committee

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00:21:10,640 --> 00:21:14,980

drafts legislation giving the Pentagon 180 days

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00:21:15,080 --> 00:21:18,020

to publicly report what government agencies know

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00:21:18,040 --> 00:21:19,940

about UAPs.

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00:21:20,040 --> 00:21:21,840

The Senate Intelligence Committee

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00:21:21,940 --> 00:21:24,740

puts in a bill for 2021.

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We want to report on UAP.

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00:21:27,220 --> 00:21:31,920

And so the whole momentum of this is this theme of,

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00:21:32,020 --> 00:21:33,220

we need to do something.

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00:21:33,320 --> 00:21:35,420

We need to get serious about it.

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00:21:35,520 --> 00:21:39,260

The legislation is passed and signed by the president,

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00:21:39,360 --> 00:21:42,900

and the 180 day countdown begins.

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00:21:43,000 --> 00:21:46,300

But curiously, even as this was happening,

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00:21:46,360 --> 00:21:49,560

top Pentagon officials were attacking Luis Elizondo's

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00:21:49,660 --> 00:21:55,100

credibility and claiming that he had nothing to do with ATIP.

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The Pentagon had launched a smear campaign against Elizondo,

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00:21:58,900 --> 00:22:01,000

calling him crazy.

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00:22:01,100 --> 00:22:06,040

On May 3, 2021, Lou Elizondo filed a 64 page complaint

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00:22:06,140 --> 00:22:07,680

with the inspector general.

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These are like the top cops in the Department of Justice.

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00:22:11,620 --> 00:22:13,980

There is still pockets of resistance to the Pentagon

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00:22:14,000 --> 00:22:18,480

that is trying to muzzle or if you will stifle this conversation.

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00:22:18,580 --> 00:22:20,240

That must be corrected.

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00:22:20,340 --> 00:22:23,440

And yes, I'd love it if they also corrected the record about me.

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00:22:23,540 --> 00:22:26,780

But that's less important than not fixing the record

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00:22:26,880 --> 00:22:29,680

about this overall conversation.

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00:22:29,780 --> 00:22:32,220

So now you have a movement after all these years

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00:22:32,320 --> 00:22:36,060

to begin to crack that secrecy even by a little bit.

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00:22:36,160 --> 00:22:39,800

You're clearly going to have a very powerful faction

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00:22:39,900 --> 00:22:42,860

of individuals who are going to do everything possible

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00:22:42,880 --> 00:22:44,660

to thwart that effort.

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00:22:44,760 --> 00:22:48,660

And if that means smearing good people with good reputations,

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00:22:48,760 --> 00:22:49,560

well, so be it.

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00:22:49,660 --> 00:22:51,360

This is war.

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00:22:51,460 --> 00:22:55,560

Researchers suggest efforts to deny whistleblower testimony

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00:22:55,660 --> 00:22:59,860

about the existence of UFOs have persisted since World War

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00:22:59,960 --> 00:23:03,860

II, citing government reactions to numerous bombshell

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00:23:03,960 --> 00:23:05,100

revelations.

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00:23:05,200 --> 00:23:10,200

Whistleblowers, in many ways, are the most courageous heroes

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00:23:10,640 --> 00:23:15,200

of the 20th to the 21st century because they were decent human

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beings who get hired to do science.

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00:23:20,200 --> 00:23:24,680

And then what they find themselves in are straight jackets,

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00:23:24,780 --> 00:23:27,980

straight jackets of political policies,

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00:23:28,080 --> 00:23:30,320

of Defense Department policies.

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Each of the different intel agencies and military groups,

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00:23:35,120 --> 00:23:39,220

they want to control whatever is being let out.

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00:23:39,280 --> 00:23:44,120

It's been going on since World War II to today.

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00:23:44,220 --> 00:23:48,320

In 1958, after conducting research on UFOs

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00:23:48,420 --> 00:23:51,260

with the help of his contacts at the Pentagon,

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00:23:51,360 --> 00:23:54,960

retired Marine Corps pilot Major Donald Keeho

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00:23:55,060 --> 00:23:58,600

went on a live television program called the Armstrong Circle

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00:23:58,700 --> 00:24:02,700

Theater to report his conclusion that extraterrestrials were,

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00:24:02,800 --> 00:24:05,340

in fact, visiting Earth.

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00:24:05,440 --> 00:24:08,980

But mysteriously, just as he was about to make this point,

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00:24:09,980 --> 00:24:11,640

the sound cut out.

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00:24:11,740 --> 00:24:13,740

If the hearings are held, open hearings,

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00:24:13,840 --> 00:24:16,780

I feel it will prove beyond doubt that the blanks are

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00:24:16,880 --> 00:24:17,740

being done.

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00:24:24,480 --> 00:24:28,560

In 1989, when physicist Bob Lazar claimed

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00:24:28,660 --> 00:24:32,120

that he was hired to reverse engineer an alien spacecraft

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00:24:32,220 --> 00:24:36,600

at a top secret military base called Area 51,

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00:24:36,660 --> 00:24:41,060

government officials denied that the base even existed at all,

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00:24:41,160 --> 00:24:46,160

a falsehood that would be exposed 14 years later.

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00:24:46,260 --> 00:24:51,000

You can hear Bob Lazar's story, and it sounds so outlandish.

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00:24:51,100 --> 00:24:53,300

Until you have people within the Pentagon saying,

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00:24:53,400 --> 00:24:55,840

we do have recovered materials and craft,

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00:24:55,940 --> 00:24:58,640

and then you have to look back at Bob Lazar's story,

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00:24:58,740 --> 00:25:01,840

and you see his telling you the truth.

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00:25:01,880 --> 00:25:06,980

In 1997, retired US Army Colonel Philip J. Corso

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00:25:07,080 --> 00:25:11,180

published *The Day After Roswell*, in which he confirms

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00:25:11,280 --> 00:25:14,720

that an extraterrestrial craft did indeed crash

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00:25:14,820 --> 00:25:17,020

in the New Mexico desert.

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00:25:17,120 --> 00:25:20,620

It was met with similar denials from the Pentagon.

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00:25:20,720 --> 00:25:24,820

Colonel Corso's entire book is about the physical evidence

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00:25:24,920 --> 00:25:31,360

where it went, the fact that there were policies of denials

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00:25:31,420 --> 00:25:34,660

all of it was off limits.

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00:25:34,760 --> 00:25:39,460

When the Pentagon tries to discredit Elizondo in 2020,

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00:25:39,560 --> 00:25:42,860

many fear it indicates business as usual,

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00:25:42,960 --> 00:25:46,300

and that the government UAP report will once again prove

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00:25:46,400 --> 00:25:50,600

to be an effort to debunk rather than disclose.

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00:25:50,700 --> 00:25:54,480

But to the surprise of many, the Inspector General immediately

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00:25:54,580 --> 00:25:57,940

agrees to investigate Elizondo's complaint.

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00:25:58,000 --> 00:26:01,040

Ancient astronaut theorists are hopeful this could lead

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00:26:01,140 --> 00:26:04,600

to an official re-examination of the high-profile UFO

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00:26:04,700 --> 00:26:08,440

incidents that have been dismissed before.

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00:26:08,540 --> 00:26:11,780

It's possible the Inspector General could get in and find

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00:26:11,880 --> 00:26:15,040

evidence about what happened with Roswell, what happened

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00:26:15,140 --> 00:26:18,420

with Major Kehoe, what happened with Bob Lazar.

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00:26:18,520 --> 00:26:20,080

All of these questions under oath

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00:26:20,180 --> 00:26:21,920

would be asked to Pentagon officials,

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00:26:22,020 --> 00:26:25,160

and the public would get to know about it as well.

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00:26:28,000 --> 00:26:30,660

While the Inspector General's investigation was just

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00:26:30,760 --> 00:26:34,600

getting started, the release of the government's UAP report

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00:26:34,700 --> 00:26:37,400

was only a month away.

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00:26:37,500 --> 00:26:40,180

And as the anticipation was growing,

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00:26:40,280 --> 00:26:43,680

more explosive new evidence came to light.

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00:26:43,780 --> 00:26:44,680

Book is flat.

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00:26:44,780 --> 00:26:45,680

It's flat.

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00:26:50,780 --> 00:26:56,460

May 2021, with the government's much-anticipated report

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00:26:56,520 --> 00:27:01,820

on UFOs only weeks away, veteran journalist George Knapp

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00:27:01,920 --> 00:27:04,560

and documentary filmmaker Jeremy Corbell

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00:27:04,660 --> 00:27:07,460

dropped yet another bombshell.

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00:27:07,560 --> 00:27:12,100

New footage of US encounters with UAPs from Navy combat ships.

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00:27:15,440 --> 00:27:18,640

These were leaked videos and photos

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00:27:18,740 --> 00:27:22,620

from the actual Pentagon UFO task force, one of which

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00:27:22,680 --> 00:27:27,620

showed a pyramid-shaped object floating above the USS

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00:27:27,720 --> 00:27:30,120

Russell off the West Coast.

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00:27:30,220 --> 00:27:31,480

And it wasn't just one pyramid.

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00:27:31,580 --> 00:27:35,420

There were apparently swarms of these things.

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00:27:35,520 --> 00:27:40,020

They were triangular by angle of observation,

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00:27:40,120 --> 00:27:42,900

but they were pyramid-in-shape in reality.

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00:27:45,560 --> 00:27:49,400

Other leaked videos were recorded aboard the USS Omaha,

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00:27:49,480 --> 00:27:53,600

part of the same strike group as the USS Russell.

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These included not only a smartphone recording,

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00:27:56,740 --> 00:28:00,980

but also thermal imaging footage and video of the objects

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00:28:01,080 --> 00:28:01,980

caught on radar.

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00:28:02,080 --> 00:28:03,280

138 knots.

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00:28:03,380 --> 00:28:05,320

What the f*** was that?

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00:28:05,420 --> 00:28:08,240

You've got what's known as FLIR that is forward-looking

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00:28:08,340 --> 00:28:11,160

infrared or thermal signatures.

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00:28:11,260 --> 00:28:13,180

You have radar data as well.

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00:28:13,280 --> 00:28:17,020

And there was actually video that was shot by Navy personnel

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00:28:17,080 --> 00:28:19,040

on the deck looking up at these objects.

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00:28:19,140 --> 00:28:21,820

You have three different types of things.

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00:28:21,920 --> 00:28:25,480

One video appeared to show a single round object flying

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00:28:25,580 --> 00:28:29,160

above the water, then hovering before making a controlled

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00:28:29,260 --> 00:28:31,900

descent into the ocean.

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00:28:32,000 --> 00:28:35,060

You can actually hear in the CIC, which is the Combat

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00:28:35,160 --> 00:28:38,160

Information Center, the shock and the awe.

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00:28:38,260 --> 00:28:40,040

Whoa, it's getting close.

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00:28:40,140 --> 00:28:43,500

As people saw this vehicle going into the water.

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00:28:43,600 --> 00:28:44,500

Whoa, it's flat.

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00:28:44,600 --> 00:28:45,500

It's flat.

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00:28:46,500 --> 00:28:49,460

These objects can apparently fly through the atmosphere

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00:28:49,560 --> 00:28:53,600

at velocities that exceed the known velocities of our

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00:28:53,700 --> 00:28:54,700

projectiles.

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00:28:54,800 --> 00:28:59,240

And they can go underwater, exceeding the pressure that

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00:28:59,340 --> 00:29:02,840

would normally rupture the hull of a projectile.

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00:29:02,940 --> 00:29:05,080

In other words, these objects have a capability

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00:29:05,180 --> 00:29:09,420

exceeding that of ours because they can go to outer space,

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through the atmosphere, and even the oceans.

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Skeptics rushed to claim the videos were refracted light

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or errant weather balloons or perhaps even fakes.

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But the debunkers were dealt a blow when the Pentagon quickly

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confirmed that the videos were authentic.

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In UFO world, everything's a conspiracy.

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So when we release these images, we're

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being fed disinformation by the government.

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That's the assumption.

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These are phonies.

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These are phonies.

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The same kind of accusations that were leveled at the images

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released by Louis Elizondo, New York Times, back in 2017.

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Same kind of attacks from people who just

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don't want it to be true.

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They don't want there to be genuine unknowns.

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So we released them, got them verified,

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and damned if the Pentagon didn't come out and say,

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yep, they're real.

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They're legit.

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One of the most fascinating aspects of all this

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was how quick the Department of Defense

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was to confirm the authenticity of this material.

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In the normal course of business,

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the policy is to either debunk or refuse to comment at all.

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Makes one wonder, is this material coming out

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with the tacit approval of someone in government,

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or at least a faction within government, the military,

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the intelligence community?

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The reaction was huge when it came to the fact

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that it came to these mainstream media picked up on it

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almost immediately.

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And it became a sensation, all leading up

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to the countdown to this report.

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My personal intent was to stoke the fire,

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was to provide new data and evidence,

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corroborative data and evidence that shows

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that we are being engaged by a technology of unknown origin.

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And behind that technology is an intelligence.

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Look, a little bit of pressure is not the worst thing.

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If you want the US government to come clean on a subject

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that it has lied about for more than 70, almost 80 years.

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With a deadline now weeks away, the speculation

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reached a fever pitch.

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Would the final report be yet another cover-up,

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as many in the UFO community predicted?

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Or might it contain shocking revelations

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in the future?

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Washington, DC, June 25, 2021.

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The Pentagon's UAP task force, along with the Office

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of the Director of National Intelligence,

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submits to Congress its long-awaited report

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entitled Preliminary Assessment on Identified Aerial Phenomena,

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the simple nine-page report represents the most direct

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and substantive US government account of UAPs ever made

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public.

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The headline is that out of 144 reported encounters,

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only one UAP was identified as a large deflating balloon.

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The other reported UAPs remain unexplained.

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I thought that report was tremendous,

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a tremendously important step forward.

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To me, it says two things.

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UFOs are real, and two, they're not ours.

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I thought it was an astonishing report.

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And it spoke volumes.

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We got 144 cases.

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We can't figure out 143 of them.

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It's monumental.

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I mean, it is a watershed moment.

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We're giving cover and relief for folks

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who are in the intelligence community now

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00:32:50,100 --> 00:32:53,140

and work for our government and folks who have served,

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and pilots who can now talk about this thing.

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It's only a preliminary assessment.

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Some people in the UFO community were a bit disappointed

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because it wasn't disclosure.

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But what it did say was, I think, very encouraging and important.

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It essentially said that whatever UFOs are,

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some of these sightings demonstrate advanced technology.

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And this, in one sense, is a form of disclosure.

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It's certainly taking this further than it's ever

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been taken before within government.

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It's quite an admission.

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Of the 144 reports that the UAP task force reviewed,

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the bulk of the sightings had occurred between 2019 and 2021

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after the Navy reporting protocol was put into effect.

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But perhaps what is most compelling

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is the revelation that out of the 144 reported UAP sightings,

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only one sighting has been explained.

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Only one out of them has been shown to be spurious.

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That indicates to me that we're sitting on a gold mine,

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a gold mine of incidences that cannot be explained

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using the normal metrics.

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Oh, god.

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We're talking about incidences that

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are beyond the stretch of our imagination that indicate

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new laws of physics opening up.

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And we physicists are just dying to get access to it.

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The report established five potential explanatory

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categories, airborne clutter, natural atmospheric

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phenomena, US government or American industry

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developmental programs, foreign adversary systems,

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and a category for UAP reports that

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require additional analysis, simply called other.

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Other simply means beyond the known technologies of today,

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which could be extraterrestrial or who knows.

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But I think the military is now admitting other

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could mean extraterrestrial.

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Although the word extraterrestrial

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never appears in the report, many observers believe

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it contains one very profound statement.

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There's a bombshell quote in the report

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that a lot of people have missed.

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And it says, essentially, that we may have to fundamentally

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change our understanding the laws of physics

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to figure out what's going on here.

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We may require additional scientific knowledge

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to successfully collect on analyzing,

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characterize some of them, pending scientific advances

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that allowed us to better understand them.

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This is not a sci-fi novel.

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This is a government report.

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That was the thing that most stuck out to me.

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As jaw dropping, our current science, our current tech,

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can understand some of these.

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The government said that.

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Wow.

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Additional scientific knowledge could mean knowledge

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beyond the known laws of physics.

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In other words, the technology thousands of years more

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advanced than ours.

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The UAP report received mixed reactions from the public.

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Some were stunned by the government's admission

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that it couldn't explain so many of the unidentified objects

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seen in the sky.

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While others felt it contained nothing of substance.

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But for UFO investigators, the report

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represented validation that was long overdue.

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The UAP report that came out in June, 2021,

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was revolutionary for the world of UFOs.

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Because for the first time in the history of the United

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States, the government of the United States

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has released a statement in which the whole UFO question

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is addressed.

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And the bottom line is that the US government

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knows what our adversaries are capable of.

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And in this report, it says it's not them.

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I have more hope.

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It doesn't change the dangerous relationship

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that I have with several whistleblowers who have,

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I am telling you, substantial information.

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Not about just one type of non-human.

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There are a lot.

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That's the part that keeps astonishing me.

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Now that the United States government has confirmed

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that there are, in fact, unidentified flying objects

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in our skies, that top scientists and military personnel

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cannot explain, many are hopeful that these objects will soon

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be revealed to be of extraterrestrial origin.

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But if that happens, what comes next?

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Washington, DC, 2021.

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The publication of the Unidentified Aerial Phenomenal

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report, along with the declassified Navy videos,

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marks the largest public disclosure

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of the possible existence of extraterrestrials

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in US history.

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In the wake of the report, politicians

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like Marco Rubio, Mark Warner, Adam Schiff, and Andre Carson

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have called for further funding and study.

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There's voluminous data available,

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but the report really just skimmed the surface.

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It just said we're going to need more time

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to look into this.

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There's a history of this going back

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to the early years of the 20th century, at least.

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Not even talking about the sightings going back to the Bible

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and literature of other cultures going back thousands

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of years talking about unexplained things in the sky.

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But just in our era, there have been many documented

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accounts which they chose not to deal with.

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So they just took a very narrow slice of this.

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We don't want to trivialize this matter.

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We want to make sure we remove the stigma

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while engaging with some of our civilian organizations who

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are seeing these things and working with the government

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and ensuring that if it is otherworldly,

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we will have internal controls in place to protect us

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and to engage in the event that that happens in a healthy

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and safe way.

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The majority of unidentified aerial phenomenon data

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came from the US Navy.

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But efforts are underway to standardize incident reporting

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across all government services and agencies.

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The UAP task force plans to expand to include the Air Force

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and the FAA, and use artificial intelligence

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to analyze new data.

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We're talking about a standardization

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by which pilots are now going to be opening up floodgates.

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Floodgates of these sightings are now

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going to be analyzed by physicists and by scientists.

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And I think that is a sea change in the way

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we deal with these things.

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Let's have a real congressional hearing.

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Let's hear from real physicists and real scientists.

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That's my personal dream.

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And I would like to be there in the congressional hearing

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standing by with my evidentiary material

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as an investigative reporter to contribute and hoping

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that there would be so many others,

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and that we would finally, finally, in a government

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of, by, and for the people, just finally have everybody

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tell the truth.

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What's really fascinating is that in the 1960s,

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Eric Fundaniken proposed in Chariots of the Gods

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that aliens would show up when Earth civilization would

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reach a certain level of technology.

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And with everything that's going on right now,

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this may be the time when we will make contact.

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Some thousands of years ago, extraterrestrials

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promised to return in a faraway future.

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And we have good reasons to believe that now they are back.

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More and more of these proven UFO cases

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appeared to the public before it was never shown to the public.

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We know we are not alone.

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We are on the observation.

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And it must be extraterrestrials because they

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show a technology which we do not have.

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Could the recent attention and reporting

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on unidentified flying objects signal

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that we are rapidly approaching a far more profound disclosure?

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Will we soon discover, once and for all,

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that we are not alone?

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Well, it's getting close.

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And that we have never been alone?

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What was flashed?

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It was flashed.

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Perhaps the next disclosure will not

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be orchestrated by any government or military official,

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but by other worldly visitors themselves.