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Stargazing scientists at NASA are confident that when the next few decades humans will discover the very first signs of extraterrestrial life.

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Yet some believe it's entirely possible alien craft have already visited Earth.

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Large black flying object.

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Hey calm down calm down.

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But extraordinary claims demand extraordinary evidence.

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In this series I'm going to investigate some of the most remarkable and recent UFO sightings from around the world.

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They saw something really strange in the sky that day.

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And I'll be joined by renowned astrophysicist and space journalist Sarah Cruders.

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The thing is with something so extraordinary like this we've got to look at all the more logical explanations.

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I still think this can be explained by science.

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As together we'll separate back from fiction once and for all.

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That is an unidentified flying object.

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I knew you were going to say that and yes it is.

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It's one of the greatest UFO mysteries of all time.

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From our specially created UFO investigation hub we'll speak to experts.

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We have no conventional explanation for what we are seeing here.

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Whistle blowers.

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Anytime you step out of ranks in an organization like mine there's obviously going to be some repercussions.

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And first hand witnesses.

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There was this massive boomerang.

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It was at least a mile to a mile and a half wide.

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It was huge.

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Wow that's just spooked me now.

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And finally answer the big question.

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Are we alone in the universe?

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Whatever they are they're not of this world.

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The truth is out there.

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Well actually it might be.

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In January 2021.

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700 declassified CIA files were dumped on a public archive called the Black Vault.

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And it reads like sci-fi.

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From a sighting of a fiery sphere.

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The truth is out there.

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From a sighting of a fiery sphere in a Russian town.

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To an unidentifiable flying craft in Azerbaijan.

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But of the millions of official and unofficial UFO sightings reported around the world.

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It's the reports that come from highly respected civilian and military pilots.

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But are the most difficult to explain.

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In 2004.

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US Navy fighter jet pilots operating from the USS Nimitz aircraft carrier.

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Filmed UFOs prowling the skies of San Diego.

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They're all going against the wind.

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The wind's 100.5 knots.

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The leaking of this jaw dropping footage.

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Along with two further sightings by pilots in 2015.

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The US Navy fighter jet pilots operating from the US Navy fighter jet pilots.

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In 2015.

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Oh my gosh.

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Forced the Pentagon to officially confirm their authenticity.

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Where you've got something that was taken from a military aircraft.

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With forward looking infrared cameras or whatever.

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It's authentic.

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And in 2013.

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A US customs patrol plane captured a truly remarkable UFO.

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On its cockpit camera.

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It shows an object traveling pretty fast.

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Very low.

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Over the land.

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And then over the sea.

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And a couple of really really bizarre things happen.

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This object at one point goes into the ocean.

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And then comes out again.

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At one point it appears to split into two.

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And then it's out of sight.

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And then it's out of sight.

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Unidentified.

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That is exactly the same conclusion.

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With regard to the Nimitz sighting.

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Unidentified.

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When Top Gun pilots tangle with UFOs.

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The world sits up and listens.

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But it's not just military personnel.

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They're encountering mysterious objects in the clouds.

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It's also highly trained commercial pilots.

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And one of the most extraordinary sightings took place.

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Very close to home.

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Off the west coast of Ireland.

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In November 2018.

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British Airways Flight BA94.

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Was en route from Montreal Canada to London Heathrow.

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Nine hours into an uneventful Atlantic crossing.

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Something inexplicable happened.

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Out of the cockpit window.

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The pilots noticed a strange bright orb.

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Streaking across the dawn sky.

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So she made contact with Shannon Air Traffic Control.

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And this is a real time recording.

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Of that conversation.

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Any military traffic you've got right now?

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There's nothing showing on either primary or secondary.

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Okay it was moving so far.

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Just like you said.

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It's a little over three.

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But yes.

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Alongside you?

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Just to...

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To...

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To the north.

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The view is so bright light.

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And then it's just this here.

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At a very high speed.

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And here it is wondering.

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You didn't think it was likely to live in the course.

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You're just wondering what's that for the day?

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The...

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The...

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A second witness.

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A Norwegian airline pilot.

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Had also seen something strange.

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There's to be multiple objects.

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Follow the pace of the trajectory.

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Very bright.

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Where we were.

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And then a third pilot.

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Abort Virgin Flight 76.

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Reported the same thing?

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Also saw that in our limit clock position.

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Or two bright lights.

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Limit clocks into...

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Back over to the right.

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And then time away at...

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The speed at least.

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Okay so you know that other aircraft in the air have also reported the same thing.

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So we're going to have a look at that.

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But it was just the...

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No.

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Yeah. Very interesting.

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The...

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The...

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The...

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The...

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The...

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Clearly something very unusual happened in the sky over Ireland.

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In November 2018.

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This unique UFO encounter,

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Witnessed by seasoned pilots,

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Is one of the most credible mysteries of the modern age.

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What did the pilots really see that November morning?

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And are we ready to discover the truth?

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The...

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Sarah,

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Pilots, not just one pilot,

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Two pilots and other pilots backing them up,

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More witnesses.

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No I will agree with you on this.

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This is really intriguing.

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The fact that pilots spend their life in the sky,

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They know what's up there.

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So if they're saying they spotted something unusual,

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We need to listen to that.

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It wasn't pitch black either.

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It was around 6.47am, November the 9th.

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So that would have been sort of like,

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Daylight was about 7.13am,

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So it would have been sort of twilight.

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Yeah, so you've got our first almost daytime UFO sighting,

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From the air.

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Okay, how do we dig deeper?

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Well there's actually an organisation called NARCAP,

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Where pilots can report all these kinds of unusual sightings,

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In the sky.

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And we're going to speak to a guy called Ted Rowe,

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Who's the director of investigations at NARCAP.

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Ted, we're investigating some mysterious sightings,

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Above the west coast of Ireland.

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Can you tell us what you know about these recordings,

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And these sightings?

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Several commercial aircraft observed unusual lights,

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Over Ireland, while they were inbound to Heathrow.

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The British Airways aircraft said it passed close by them,

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It fought varying a way to the north.

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The objects were described as moving very, very quickly.

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So faster than the airliners,

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Which were probably doing around 500 miles an hour.

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So there's some questions we have about this particular incident,

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It's not clear or cut.

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And in terms of this incident,

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Did the Irish Aviation Authority investigate this?

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That's my understanding.

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They did?

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So there is an investigation which has been conducted?

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It's my understanding that the investigation is still ongoing.

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Ted, what do you think it could possibly be?

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Well at this point I would say it's a toss-up,

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Between incoming space junk, you know, falling debris,

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And possibly a UAP.

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We need to resolve whether it changed directions

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Or climbed away from the aircraft.

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If it did either of those two things,

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Then it can't be space junk.

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Pilots would know the rules of flight,

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So surely for them to make a report,

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They must have seen something that wasn't following the rules.

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That's right.

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Whether pilots know what they saw or not,

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I find them to be pretty good observers.

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I've never had a pilot come to me and tell me that he knew what he saw.

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He told me what he saw.

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Sometimes we came up with unidentified,

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Sometimes we came up with misidentifications of human activity.

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And how unusual is it for pilots to report seeing things like this?

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It's not unusual,

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But I will tell you that we get more reports when pilots retire.

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It's one of the first things they do sometimes.

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But oftentimes they won't do it while they're employed.

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Okay, thank you for that Ted. Great to talk to you.

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Thank you Ted.

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Well, if you need anything.

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Thank you.

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Okay, take care.

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Bye Ted.

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Well there you go Sarah, there's a lot of things we can rule out.

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We can rule out meteors.

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Can we?

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Yeah.

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Can we?

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Meteors don't float.

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But he also said pilots can sometimes be wrong.

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We only had one account where it's veering upwards.

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So I'm still on the fence with meteors.

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Well space junk, space shrimp doesn't fall up.

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But we still don't know the angles.

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We still don't have enough information in my opinion.

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But it's so intriguing.

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You know if I saw a UFO, I'd be telling everyone.

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I'd be shouting it from the rooftops.

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I don't understand why pilots are so reluctant to share this information.

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Well first of all I'm surprised you haven't seen a UFO.

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But I have got just the man for you.

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His name can't be revealed.

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We're going to call him Simon.

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And he's actually a former radar operator with NATO.

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And he can tell us more about this.

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Simon, why can't you reveal your identity?

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Well the military is not very keen on people that reveal information about unidentified objects.

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Being an air traffic controller for NATO,

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you must be privy to quite a few secrets.

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Oh yeah, absolutely. Absolutely.

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Coming up.

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Your record of that's a plane.

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No, it's a plane. Look at the shape of it.

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Oh hang on, is it the shape of it?

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There, there, yeah.

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That's something we can't explain.

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And Simon gives us some astonishing information

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about what we're not being told.

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Well I mean if the evidence pointing to what you're saying is pointing to,

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it's mind-boggling.

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I'm interested in the truth.

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I'm not a discoverer.

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We're investigating a major UFO sighting

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of the West Coast of Ireland in November 2018.

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When pilots from three different airlines

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all reported the appearance of strange craft in the sky.

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Moving at speeds and speed,

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moving at speeds and trajectories never seen before.

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I'm about to find out from an ex-NATO radar operator

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who's agreed to speak on condition of anonymity.

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Why cases like this are often kept secret by the authorities.

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What information do you have about unidentified objects?

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Well, that has of course been a situation

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with almost mid-air collisions with the UFO in the past.

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And this is not something the government wants to reveal.

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So is this why pilots are so afraid to come forward

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because they feel intimidated by governments?

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Not just by governments.

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The situation is that when a pilot reports a UFO,

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there is an investigation.

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So that could mean he's been tested of drugs, alcohol use,

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or psychological problems.

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And that could lead to being fired from the airline.

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So if a pilot was to see something in the sky,

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he would be reluctant in your opinion

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to tell his bosses that he'd seen it?

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Just too dangerous for them

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because either they will be right, really killed,

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or it will have consequences for the job.

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In your opinion, are the alien beings flying off skies?

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Officially you don't talk about those kind of stuff

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because the general rule is that

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when you say you do not exist, you do not talk about it.

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Yes, I think they exist.

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They must exist.

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We're not alone in the universe.

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And I'm sure that they visit us.

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What motivates you to come forward?

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Surely you're risking yourself by speaking to us?

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I'm interested in the truth.

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I'm not interested in the cover-up.

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Simon, you say you're looking for the truth,

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but it's hard to find that truth

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when pilots won't talk about the sightings

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and they're also being suppressed by governments.

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Where do we go?

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How do we establish what's fact and what's fiction?

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First of all, there is no reason for those pilots to lie.

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There are generals, there are colonels,

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high brass, they know about the UFOs,

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but they want to talk about it because of the consequences.

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But when they're on the dyke bed, for example,

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there was an American military high-staff Pentagon Colonel,

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I think it was.

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He started talking on his death bed.

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So the moment there are no consequences anymore,

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for those people, they will come forward and talk about it,

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but not as long as they live.

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Are you putting yourself at risk?

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You're essentially a whistleblower.

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Yeah, well, I don't know.

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I mean, a couple years ago,

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I was working on the forum,

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and we were approached by someone, an American,

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and he said that there was no wise for us to continue.

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The government is definitely interested in looking into UFOs,

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and especially following the people that are interested in UFOs.

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Well, I mean, if the evidence points to what you're saying is pointing to,

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it's, I think, it's mind-boggling, mind-blowing.

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We can agree on that.

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Simon, thanks for talking to us. Stay safe.

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Thank you. Yeah, thank you.

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And it's been fascinating. All right.

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Well, there you go, Sarah.

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According to Simon, we've got shadowy organisations

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using fear and suppression

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to stop pilots calling in these incidents

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to keep Pentagon generals quiet until their dying day.

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It is quite frightening as well,

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and the fact that he's potentially risking his life to speak to us,

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that's chilling.

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What is going on that needs to be covered up?

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Actual UFO, don't it?

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UFO.

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UFO sightings have spiked dramatically over the last 12 months,

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and in cloudless skies,

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no one has better place to have a close encounter with an alien craft

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than a pilot.

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But we have uncovered a culture of fear and suspicion

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around the reporting of these sightings,

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which suggests an untold number are going unreported

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or may have been covered up.

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It makes the instant that took place off the Irish coast in November 2018

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all the more compelling.

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The pilots of multiple passenger planes heading to London Heathrow

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were so shocked and so convinced by what they'd seen from their cockpit windows

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that they all called it in to air traffic control.

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The BA pilot says that we saw bright lights,

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and then it just disappeared at a very high speed,

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and then the Virgin pilot comes on and backs him up.

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We also saw that in our midnight clock position.

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We saw two bright lights, midnight clocks,

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seem to back over to the right,

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and then climb away at the speed at least now, in perspective.

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So, um...

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That's unusual.

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Pilots are incredible witnesses,

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because they spend their whole life in the skies.

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They know what's unusual up there.

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So if they're saying,

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this is something I can't explain,

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and then you've got people backing them up,

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that's huge.

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But what makes this sighting off the west coast of Ireland in 2018

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even more extraordinary is that it was not a one-off.

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In fact, it was just the beginning.

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Ireland has become a UFO hotspot.

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Last year, 105 UFO sightings were reported to Irish authorities.

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And it's not just pilots seeing these anomalous objects.

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Ordinary people are capturing an increasing number of mysterious sightings

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on their mobile phones.

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And we've managed to get hold of video evidence

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of some of the most recent examples.

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The first one is Anilong, Cante Down.

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Right. And this is strange, Sarah.

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RUNNING

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Is it a disc? Is it an orb?

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It's almost... Look, see, the bird went past,

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and you can see that's a solid object, where this is almost opaque.

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Are you saying it's a balloon?

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Potentially, but it's moving rather fast.

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It's moving really quickly.

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If that was a balloon, it wouldn't move that quickly.

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It depends on the wind speed of the day.

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Oh, true, it's close.

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And it's the fact it's slightly opaque.

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That's what makes me curious.

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OK, let's go to Belfast now.

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Now, look at that. This...

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It's a plane.

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Right, look at the shape of it.

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Oh, hang on, is it this over here?

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That's a plane. No, look at this side.

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That's a plane, and that's travelling so much quicker than it.

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Can we just go back a minute? Just go back.

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There you go, yeah, so we've got that there.

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Yeah, a plane. Which I think looks like a plane.

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Agreed. But that doesn't look like that, look.

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OK. Then if you go slightly forward, wait...

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There. There, yeah.

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There. That's something we can't explain.

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I'm confused now.

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As far as I'm concerned, we can't explain any of it.

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It's the fact that multiple people

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are seeing unusual things in Ireland.

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OK. Where do we go now?

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How do we continue with our investigation?

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And how do we begin to explain this sudden rush

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of UFO sightings in Ireland?

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So I've got someone who can potentially help us with these videos.

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His name is Chris McMurray.

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He's from the Northern Ireland UFO Society,

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and he's spent years investigating these mass sightings.

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Chris, can you tell us more about these recent videos

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that we've been watching?

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Oh, yeah, we'll start with the one in Anaheim,

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which was seen on the 8th of July 2020.

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Now, that is the most surprising video that we've seen.

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There was no sign from it.

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There's no flight records to say that any aircraft

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was in the air in that area at that time.

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So that definitely does remain unexplained.

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The Belfast video, we initially thought it was

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a transatlantic airliner or an aircraft

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taking off from Belfast at the airport.

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That's what Sarah thinks.

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Yeah, however, we've looked into that.

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We've looked at historical flight records

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and the only aircraft that was nearby in the vicinity

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within the next 30 miles or so

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was an aircraft taxiing at a different airport.

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It could be maybe a military aircraft.

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The only time I'm aware that they turn off their transponders

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is if they're in operations.

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Now, flying over friendly airspace,

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they should be using their transponders.

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So I can't completely rule it out,

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but it doesn't convince me that it was an aircraft.

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Chris, have you heard the pilot audio from the BA pilot

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and the Virgin pilot seeing something above your skies?

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I have heard it, yes.

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What do you think they saw then?

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Well, the mainstream theory behind it

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is that they saw a meteor entering into the atmosphere.

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I would contest that simply because it seemed

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for quite a long duration of time.

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And to say this to the pilot,

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which I think is quite insulting to the pilot

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of someone who's had that many years of experience flying,

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who would have seen things like this before

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and what you saw was a meteor breaking up in the sky.

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Especially when he says he saw two bright lights

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that seemed to bank over to the right

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and then climb away at speed.

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You know, meteors don't bank to the right and climb, do they?

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No, meteors don't take those weird turnings.

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There are instances where meteors would bounce off

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the Earth's atmosphere,

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but this was far too low for that to happen.

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It might be something different.

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OK, Chris, listen, it's been fascinating talking to you.

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Keep looking at the skies, kid.

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Thank you. You too, man. OK.

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OK, so let's look at what we've got.

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We've got the cockpit audio from British Airways

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and Virgin pilots talking to the air traffic control,

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saying they've seen something that's very, very strange in the sky.

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They don't know what it is.

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OK, it was moving so far.

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I was expecting a little of the heat, but yes, thank you.

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Now, these pilots are used to seeing things in the sky,

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so let's freak them out.

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We've got multiple other sightings on the ground in Ireland as well.

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All over Ireland? Why is Ireland such a hot spot?

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I don't know.

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Coming up, Sarah and I continue our enquiries

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into the series of unexplained sightings in Ireland.

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It could be multiple things, Craig.

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It could be hysteria, it could be the fact that clear sky

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is less light pollution.

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And we venture further afield.

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The pilot saw a strange light out of the cockpit.

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Watch your expert opinion on this incident.

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We're not quite sure what we're dealing with.

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And we examine startling new evidence

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from other international UFO hotspots.

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I've never seen anything like that before.

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Look at this now.

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You've got a cylinder and an orb.

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I genuinely can't explain this.

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Are we alone in the universe?

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Or somewhere out there,

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our intelligent being staring into the night sky

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and asking the same question?

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And is the answer stranger than we can ever imagine?

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That's nuts. That's two nights in a row.

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An estimated 5% of UFO sightings worldwide

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can't be explained.

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David, that is the weirdest thing.

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What the f*** is that?

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But there's one European country that appears to attract

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more interstellar visitors than any other.

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Ireland has become a UFO hotspot.

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And one encounter stands out from the rest,

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a major sighting by multiple commercial pilots.

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In November 2018.

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That's all right.

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Right, right.

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Left, left, right.

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Left, right, right.

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Left, right, right.

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Left, right, right.

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Left, right, right.

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Left, right, right.

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Shannan Air Traffic Control

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received numerous reports of mysterious lights

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and unidentified craft shooting across the morning sky

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at 30,000 feet.

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Here to be multiple objects following the pace of the trajectory.

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Very bright. Where are we?

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Where extraterrestrials behind this extraordinary event

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and is something bigger going on in Irish airspace?

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The speed is at the top.

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We're leaving no stone unturned to get to the truth.

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Let's look at what we've got.

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We've got the cockpit audio from British Airways

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and Virgin pilots talking to the Air Traffic Control

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saying they've seen something that's very, very strange

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in the sky. They don't know what it is.

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It was moving so fast, it's like the 10-mil of the sea.

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Alongside you.

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Get to Kalavanagh, left-hand side

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and then rapidly reach to the north.

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And we've got really recent sightings in Earth, faster.

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County Down, County Meath.

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Something's going on in Ireland.

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Why is Ireland such a hotspot?

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It could be multiple things, Craig.

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It could be hysteria.

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You know, you hear your neighbour saying he UFO

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and then suddenly you're like, I can see something also.

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It could be the fact that people are just looking up more.

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Clear skies, less light pollution.

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But I am curious about the pilots.

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That is certainly, as you say, incredible witnesses.

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And they're up in the skies all the time.

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They know when they see something which is unusual.

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The next logical step in our investigation

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is to compare the report from the pilot over Ireland

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with similar sightings by pilots elsewhere in the world.

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So I caught up with Nick Pope, former M.O.D. investigator

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and UFO expert earlier.

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And he has more to say on this.

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In terms of sightings from pilots,

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we've got incredible witnesses.

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There's numerous accounts of pilots seeing things

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that they can't explain.

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And these are people who are aware of the skies

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more than any other people.

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And there was one particular incident, a flight heading from the U.S.

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in the year 2020 to Mexico,

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where they saw this unexplained object.

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Can you just talk us through that incident?

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Well, this was an interesting case,

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but also, frankly, a disturbing case.

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The pilot and the first officer

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saw a strange light

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out of the cockpit.

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And their initial thought was that,

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oh, look, there's a meteor.

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And then the thing just stopped.

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It's like an orb, man. Look at that.

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Oh, man, that is phenomenal.

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Dude, I'm so glad you saw that.

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And you saw it drop out of the sky and just...

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And just stopped?

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Dude, it's awesome, man.

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Look at that.

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Oh, this is awesome.

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It was almost as if it was tracking the aircraft.

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And at one point in this encounter,

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there was actually a beam of light

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that seemed to be shone from the UFO,

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whatever it was, towards the aircraft.

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Oh, man, look at that thing, dude.

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And in your expert opinion,

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with your background working for the MOD,

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investigating UFOs,

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what's your opinion on this incident?

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It wasn't another aircraft,

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it wasn't a meteor,

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and you left with this uncomfortable feeling

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that there's something,

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but we're not quite sure what we're dealing with.

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And in terms of sightings from pilots again,

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this isn't the only case of unusual lights

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being seen in the night sky.

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Yeah, in Chile,

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they have had a number of cases

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where they've had some very interesting sightings.

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In particular, there's a piece of film footage

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from a Navy helicopter

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that they spent, I think, two years looking at

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and said,

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we have no conventional explanation

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for what we are seeing here.

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So, a Naval helicopter in Chile

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in 2014 recorded something unexplained on camera?

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Yes, and one of the other fascinating things about this

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is at one point you can see what looks to be

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almost like a vapor trail, a contrail.

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It looks as if the thing,

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some people have speculated that it's venting,

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I don't know, plasma or something,

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but something's coming off this thing.

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They went through everything.

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Were there any aircraft helicopters in the area

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where the balloon launches?

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What about an astronomical or meteorological explanation?

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And just drew a couple of pictures

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and just drew a complete blank.

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What do you think that is, sir?

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I think there's a lot of unknowns,

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but what's interesting to me is the shape.

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It looks similar to one of the videos we saw for Ireland.

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I don't know whether they're related or not,

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but it's that same orb-type shape.

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Can I have a closer look at this?

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It does look a bit like a Chinook helicopter.

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But this is moving much, much slower than the other videos.

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I mean, the Chilean government investigated this thoroughly.

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They still don't know what it is.

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It appears to be venting something.

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Yeah, it's like an exhaust fume or something.

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I've never seen anything like that before.

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I've never seen anything like it either.

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And then it separates looks.

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So do you think that might have been sort of an exhaust?

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Like, so it's decided to fire itself towards the ground or something?

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Or is it two separate objects?

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Has it split into two?

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But look there now, you've got a cylinder and an orb.

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I genuinely can't explain this.

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Wow, that's just spooked me now.

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OK, Sarah, you as a scientist, a renowned astrophysicist, Stephen,

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can you explain to me what's going on there?

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I can't explain it.

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It's genuinely interesting.

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It's genuinely something I've never seen before.

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I can't give you the answer to what's going on in that video.

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We've been sidetracked though. Let's get back to our main case.

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We've got credible witnesses, pilots talking in the air to air traffic control.

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We've got multiple sightings in multiple venues.

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Well, fast, carry down, carry me.

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How do we move this investigation forward?

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Well, I think we need to treat them as separate events

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because what happened in Ireland might not be related to what's happened in Chile.

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But it's certainly interesting. It's certainly a hotspot.

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I think we need to speak to someone else

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and I've got the perfect person who can shed some light on this.

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Coming up, we meet a scientist with an incredible explanation

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for what might be going on in the skies over Ireland and Chile.

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It's quite possible we have a controlled autonomous surveillance of the Earth

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by these anomalous objects.

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He thinks we're being watched.

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There is more stuff going on than we know about.

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And they're scared to tell us that we'll be frightened to death.

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We're on a mission to uncover the truth about what commercial

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and military pilots are really seeing in our skies

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and reporting back as encounters with UFOs.

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And in particular, the extraordinary aerial encounter that took place in 2018

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off the west coast of Ireland

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when multiple commercial pilots reported sightings of unidentified flying objects.

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Before we come to a verdict, let's look at what we've got here.

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We've got the cockpit audio of three separate pilots talking to Air Traffic Control

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about seeing something very, very strange in the sky.

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The BA pilot radio was in.

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It was moving so fast we saw bright lights.

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It disappeared at a very high speed.

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There have been multiple objects following the takeover of the trajectory.

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They're very bright where we were.

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A Virgin pilot says they're two bright lights, multiple objects, very bright.

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So they've all seen something very unusual in the sky.

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So far, we've spoken to someone from NARCAP who deals with pilots

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and unusual sightings that they have in the sky.

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How unusual is it for pilots to report seeing things like this?

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I will tell you that we get more reports when pilots retire.

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We've spoken to a UFO expert, Simon, a former radar operator with NATO.

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There's two dangers for them.

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I'm interested in the truth.

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I'm not interested in the cover-up.

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But despite the mounting evidence,

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Sarah wants to see if there's a plausible scientific explanation

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for some precedented series of UFO sightings.

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I still want to explore this idea that it could be an astronomical phenomenon.

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So we, Craig, are going to speak to an astronomer.

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His name is Dr. Ayman Ansborough.

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What do you think is going on?

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There were indeed multiple pilots in multiple aircraft

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linked into air traffic control at Shannon.

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And we're not dealing with one object here.

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There wasn't any trail behind them.

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And I thought, well, maybe it could be meteor or fireballs.

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At the time, I think it was about a few days beforehand,

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the torad meteor shower does have a characteristic,

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which is a horizontal movement of meteors.

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But these objects that were seen by pilots don't resemble anything like meteors.

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The pilot described it, Ayman, as changing direction.

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I mean, do meteors change direction?

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No, meteors don't change direction.

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And they come straight down in a curve, so to speak, down to the horizon.

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I thought of other objects, possibly sprites.

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This would be a type of lightning,

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but going in the opposite direction, but in the upper stratosphere.

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But that doesn't fit either.

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Where these objects were seen was at 30,000 feet,

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more or less on the same level as the pilots.

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But there have been cases with meteors where they actually go into the Earth's atmosphere,

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they don't get low enough, and then they skip out again.

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It's a rare astronomical phenomenon, so it does happen.

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But not that long, Sharon, not at 30,000 feet.

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The thing is, with something so extraordinary like this,

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we've got to look at all the more logical explanations.

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Yes, I take her point there, Sarah.

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You're quite right.

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They would bounce off from the atmosphere, but at a very high altitude.

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And it can't be space junk, either, can it?

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Because space junk doesn't fly up with either, does it?

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Yeah, I think the problem is gravity.

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It's so low down that it doesn't make sense for it to go the opposite direction.

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So what you're saying is that we can rule out space junk, space debris.

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We can potentially rule out the meteor.

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So in your opinion, then, how unusual is this sighting from the cockpit of these aircraft?

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This is fairly common.

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It's common?

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There's thousands of pilots over the last 70 or 80 years that are seeing these constructs.

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You know, cylindrical objects, triangular type objects.

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I decided to get computerized data of thousands and thousands of reports

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and started studying this, and one day we made a breakthrough.

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And sure enough, the model was showing that there was a pattern to it.

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There were cycles to it.

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What was the pattern? What was the cycle?

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I mean, give it to you.

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We thought it might be, you know, similar to what satellites do going around the Earth.

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But it wasn't making sense.

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And then one day we found that if we synchronized the orbits with the rotation of the Earth,

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lo and behold, it actually works.

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And it was testable.

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And the theory is that...

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that it's quite possible that we have a controlled autonomous surveillance of the Earth by these anomalous objects.

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Wow, that's just spooked me now.

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We are being watched by a superior species.

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Is that what you're trying to say?

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All I do know is that the constructs that people have been witnessing, going back 140 years,

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appear to be intelligent.

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Hang on, it's a bold hypothesis, but there could be a more generic, less sexy reason for these cycles.

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Well, they're quite precise, actually.

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So it's actually showing that we're here to have this...

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like a surveillance going on.

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Wow.

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Dr. Ayman, it's been fantastic talking to you.

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You've certainly opened my eyes and you've freaked me out a little bit.

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And I think you freaked Sarah out as well.

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Thank you so much, Ayman.

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You're most welcome.

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Well, there you go. You wanted science, you wanted data, and you just got it.

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And he thinks we're being watched.

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There is some credibility in the idea that we could potentially be being watched now, bear with me.

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There is that potential that there are civilizations out there which are vastly more intelligent than us

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that just are watching us and don't want to communicate.

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When I made the bold claim that, like, in a few decades' time, we'll find alien life forms.

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And you said, yeah, but there'll be microbial.

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Yes, that's us finding them. This is different. This is them finding us.

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So within the next few decades, it's a case of when, not if, we will prove that we're not alone in the universe

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in terms of microbial life elsewhere in the solar system.

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But in terms of aliens, intelligent life beyond Earth, that could be tomorrow.

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That could be 100 years from now. We just don't know.

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I don't know.

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In this investigation, with a master wealth of never-before-heard expert testimony and secret revelations,

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but have we got enough to make a final decision on what it was the pilots really saw up in the skies over Ireland in November 2018?

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Let's have a look at the board.

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British Airways pilot, Virgin pilot, third pilot, all say they saw something very, very, very odd.

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So perhaps this is something we haven't even dreamt of.

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Perhaps it is something beyond the imagination.

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And then there's Ted from Narcab, who says, so many pilots have seen so many things,

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but they're afraid to come forward and say,

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I've seen so many pilots. I've seen so many things, but they're afraid to come forward because of the ridicule and the stigma.

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Whether pilots know what they saw or not, I find them to be pretty good observers.

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I've never had a pilot come to me and tell me that he knew what he saw. He told me what he saw.

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Pilots spend more time in the sky than anyone else.

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They're the people to know what's strange and what's more common.

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But at the same time, it could just be something natural that we haven't managed to explain yet.

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No detail of this case has escaped our forensic examination.

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And now, finally, it's time to put our cards on the table.

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Do the mysteries of this incredible UFO sighting hold up under scientific scrutiny,

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or should it be struck from the UFO files for good?

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Watch your verdict.

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I think this is very interesting.

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I'm going to say it's not been solved yet.

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Maybe I'm scared of being stigmatized.

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I believe in aliens. I believe in aliens.

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But I'm going to have to say that the jury's out.

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The jury's out.

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This extraordinary case now joins the thousands of other impossible to dismiss sightings from around the world.

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The weight of evidence that UFOs exist is building at an ever-increasing pace.

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Hot off the press, another Pentagon authenticated sighting of an unidentified flying triangle

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has sparked a media frenzy.

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And a frustrated public, desperate for answers, are forcing the authorities slowly but surely to disclose their secrets.

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But for now, UFO hunting remains a dangerous game.

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Always remember Simon, the radar operator, ex-NATO, who was so scared to come forward

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that we had to disguise his identity and change his name.

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Are you putting yourself at risk? You're essentially a whistleblower.

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Yeah, well, I don't know. We were approached by someone and he said that it was not wise for us to continue.

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He says there are shadowy forces out there who know lots of things that we don't know

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and they're scared to tell us because we'd be frightened to death.

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I am curious about Simon and why would the general on his deathbed at the Pentagon come out and say

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there is more stuff going on than we know about?

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An unsolved case comes back to haunt a retired detective in the Stephen King adaptation, Mr. Mercedes, now streaming on SBS On Demand.