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1
00:00:04,070 --> 00:00:01,589
i looked out the window and observed

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00:00:06,710 --> 00:00:04,080
this light moving at a very excessive

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00:00:08,390 --> 00:00:06,720
speed in excess of 600 knots

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00:00:09,910 --> 00:00:08,400
coming at the helicopter it looked like

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00:00:12,870 --> 00:00:09,920
a lockdown missile

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00:00:15,350 --> 00:00:12,880
a family of five in a car observed the

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00:00:17,430 --> 00:00:15,360
strange red object on a collision course

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00:00:19,830 --> 00:00:17,440
with colonel coyne's helicopter

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00:00:21,429 --> 00:00:19,840
they pulled off the road to watch

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00:00:23,429 --> 00:00:21,439
the thing that makes this particular

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00:00:25,429 --> 00:00:23,439
evening a unique experience was that it

12
00:00:26,790 --> 00:00:25,439
was almost emitter collision with an

13
00:00:28,870 --> 00:00:26,800

object that we

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00:00:31,269 --> 00:00:28,880

you know as a ufo

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00:00:33,190 --> 00:00:31,279

we did not know was such until it was on

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00:00:35,510 --> 00:00:33,200

top the helicopter and that took just a

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00:00:37,830 --> 00:00:35,520

matter of minutes colonel coyne put the

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00:00:39,030 --> 00:00:37,840

helicopter into a dive to try to avoid

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00:00:41,270 --> 00:00:39,040

impact

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00:00:43,590 --> 00:00:41,280

when he and his crew looked up the

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00:00:45,830 --> 00:00:43,600

object was keeping pace with them

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00:00:46,709 --> 00:00:45,840

while i was in this position the green

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00:00:48,790 --> 00:00:46,719

light

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00:00:52,389 --> 00:00:48,800

came out from the undercarriage of the

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00:00:57,670 --> 00:00:54,950

colonel coyne cut the power and set the

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00:00:59,670 --> 00:00:57,680

controls for a steep dive

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00:01:02,069 --> 00:00:59,680

in spite of this the helicopter was

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00:01:05,030 --> 00:01:02,079

pulled upward toward the ufo from an

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00:01:07,590 --> 00:01:05,040

altitude of 1700 feet to an altitude of

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00:01:09,830 --> 00:01:07,600

above 3 700 feet

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00:01:12,149 --> 00:01:09,840

colonel coyne and his crew observed the

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00:01:13,670 --> 00:01:12,159

strange ufo at close range for

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00:01:15,350 --> 00:01:13,680

approximately

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00:01:18,070 --> 00:01:15,360

the object that i viewed that particular

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00:01:22,870 --> 00:01:20,870

had a high degree of technology it was

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00:01:25,109 --> 00:01:22,880

composed of a structure and a design

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00:01:26,390 --> 00:01:25,119

that we do not have

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00:01:28,070 --> 00:01:26,400

the object can move through the

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00:01:31,270 --> 00:01:28,080

atmosphere without causing any

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00:01:34,149 --> 00:01:31,280

turbulence it can move at high speeds

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00:01:36,310 --> 00:01:34,159

below 10 000 feet there are no vertical

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00:01:38,630 --> 00:01:36,320

or horizontal stabilizers no landing

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00:01:41,590 --> 00:01:38,640

gear no source of propulsion reflected

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00:01:43,830 --> 00:01:41,600

on the craft looks like it

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00:01:46,630 --> 00:01:43,840

it could go fly in space

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00:01:49,030 --> 00:01:46,640

this is major coin army helicopter pilot

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00:01:51,190 --> 00:01:49,040

his co-pilot lieutenant arrigo jetsey

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00:01:52,389 --> 00:01:51,200

air medic sergeant healey and robert

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00:01:54,230 --> 00:01:52,399

yanacek

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00:01:57,030 --> 00:01:54,240

these men had just finished their annual

51
00:01:59,590 --> 00:01:57,040
flight physical early that day and were

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00:02:01,670 --> 00:01:59,600
found fit and sound of mind they would

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00:02:03,749 --> 00:02:01,680
take off from port columbus airport

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00:02:06,230 --> 00:02:03,759
about 10 30 pm

55
00:02:08,469 --> 00:02:06,240
but what was about to follow and the

56
00:02:10,550 --> 00:02:08,479
subsequent report they filed

57
00:02:11,750 --> 00:02:10,560
would put to the test the credibility of

58
00:02:13,670 --> 00:02:11,760
these men

59
00:02:16,229 --> 00:02:13,680
approximately eight miles

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00:02:17,910 --> 00:02:16,239
east of mansfield

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00:02:20,830 --> 00:02:17,920
our uh crew chief sergeant robert

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00:02:22,790 --> 00:02:20,840
yanisek observed a red light on the east

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00:02:25,589 --> 00:02:22,800

horizon are you gentlemen see the same

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00:02:27,910 --> 00:02:25,599

red light yes i did

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00:02:29,030 --> 00:02:27,920

our helicopter was flying on a northerly

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00:02:31,910 --> 00:02:29,040

heading

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00:02:33,750 --> 00:02:31,920

we were flying at an altitude of 2500

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00:02:35,750 --> 00:02:33,760

feet

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00:02:38,869 --> 00:02:35,760

uh he indicated that the light seemed to

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00:02:41,110 --> 00:02:38,879

be facing the helicopter moving along in

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00:02:43,190 --> 00:02:41,120

a parallel direction with our aircraft

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00:02:46,949 --> 00:02:43,200

which direction from the helicopter was

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00:02:47,910 --> 00:02:46,959

he at uh moving it was it was to our

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00:02:52,070 --> 00:02:47,920

right

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00:02:53,509 --> 00:02:52,080

it was moving with us

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00:02:55,190 --> 00:02:53,519

as we were heading north towards

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00:02:57,830 --> 00:02:55,200

cleveland

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00:02:58,630 --> 00:02:57,840

at this time uh he indicated that the

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00:03:00,710 --> 00:02:58,640

light

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00:03:05,030 --> 00:03:00,720

changes direction was coming directly at

81

00:03:07,750 --> 00:03:05,040

the helicopter at the same altitude

82

00:03:09,190 --> 00:03:07,760

and as the helicopter

83

00:03:11,670 --> 00:03:09,200

uh was

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00:03:13,830 --> 00:03:11,680

maintaining a speed of 90 knots

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00:03:16,390 --> 00:03:13,840

the object came at a terrific speed from

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00:03:18,710 --> 00:03:16,400

the horizon we estimated 15 miles

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00:03:19,589 --> 00:03:18,720

visibility was reported 15 miles that

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00:03:21,509 --> 00:03:19,599

night

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00:03:23,910 --> 00:03:21,519

did you gentlemen see the object at this

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00:03:26,149 --> 00:03:23,920

time after had been pointed out by the

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00:03:28,550 --> 00:03:26,159

sergeant no not at that time i was

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00:03:30,630 --> 00:03:28,560

flying left seat or co-pilot and this

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00:03:32,070 --> 00:03:30,640

ability from that seed from an object

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00:03:34,949 --> 00:03:32,080

approaching from the right is rather

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00:03:37,270 --> 00:03:34,959

limited so i was having a difficulty

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00:03:38,789 --> 00:03:37,280

seeing the octa and it was that for that

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00:03:40,949 --> 00:03:38,799

reason the major coin did take the

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00:03:42,550 --> 00:03:40,959

aircraft or the controls from me i

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00:03:44,229 --> 00:03:42,560

grabbed the controls from lieutenant

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00:03:47,110 --> 00:03:44,239

jetsey because i thought it was going to

101
00:03:49,030 --> 00:03:47,120
hit us i braced for impact

102
00:03:50,550 --> 00:03:49,040
with that i pushed the collective down

103
00:03:51,830 --> 00:03:50,560
to get the helicopter to start to

104
00:03:53,509 --> 00:03:51,840
descend

105
00:03:55,830 --> 00:03:53,519
i then looked at the altimeter it was

106
00:03:57,750 --> 00:03:55,840
showing 1700 feet we were descending a

107
00:04:00,229 --> 00:03:57,760
thousand feet a minute

108
00:04:02,949 --> 00:04:00,239
the helicopter began to descend and as

109
00:04:04,869 --> 00:04:02,959
this object came at the helicopter it

110
00:04:07,110 --> 00:04:04,879
seemed to descend with the helicopter

111
00:04:08,710 --> 00:04:07,120
when the helicopter went down the object

112
00:04:10,550 --> 00:04:08,720
came down but it still came directly at

113
00:04:13,350 --> 00:04:10,560

our broadside as if to hit the

114

00:04:15,110 --> 00:04:13,360

helicopter from the right side

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00:04:15,910 --> 00:04:15,120

did anyone else see the object at this

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00:04:17,749 --> 00:04:15,920

time

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00:04:19,509 --> 00:04:17,759

yes i was watching it come on out of the

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00:04:21,430 --> 00:04:19,519

east horizon

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00:04:23,430 --> 00:04:21,440

and uh the only thing i felt was when

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00:04:25,670 --> 00:04:23,440

the skipper took over the controls and

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00:04:26,950 --> 00:04:25,680

we started to auto rotate down and i've

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00:04:28,710 --> 00:04:26,960

never been involved in a mid-air

123

00:04:29,990 --> 00:04:28,720

collision so i was just watching this

124

00:04:31,830 --> 00:04:30,000

thing come at us

125

00:04:34,950 --> 00:04:31,840

it was at this time

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00:04:37,189 --> 00:04:34,960

my light came and swung 90 degrees from

127

00:04:38,469 --> 00:04:37,199

the ufo towards the helicopter and it

128

00:04:41,030 --> 00:04:38,479

came in through the front of the

129

00:04:42,870 --> 00:04:41,040

plexiglas and the entire cabin inside

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00:04:45,030 --> 00:04:42,880

turned green from the light

131

00:04:46,150 --> 00:04:45,040

it was a pyramid-shaped type light that

132

00:04:47,189 --> 00:04:46,160

beamed down

133

00:04:48,629 --> 00:04:47,199

and came through the front of the

134

00:04:51,350 --> 00:04:48,639

helicopter

135

00:04:52,790 --> 00:04:51,360

how long was your aircraft bathed in

136

00:04:53,830 --> 00:04:52,800

this beam

137

00:04:56,390 --> 00:04:53,840

the light

138

00:04:58,550 --> 00:04:56,400

that came in the cockpit apparently

139

00:05:00,150 --> 00:04:58,560

lasted only for a few seconds but it was

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00:05:02,710 --> 00:05:00,160

enough time

141

00:05:04,550 --> 00:05:02,720

that i observed the red instrument panel

142

00:05:06,790 --> 00:05:04,560

lights utilized for night flight to be

143

00:05:08,070 --> 00:05:06,800

absorbed by the green light was it

144

00:05:09,909 --> 00:05:08,080

possible for you to determine the

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00:05:11,270 --> 00:05:09,919

outline of this object against the star

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00:05:12,629 --> 00:05:11,280

background

147

00:05:15,590 --> 00:05:12,639

yes sir

148

00:05:17,350 --> 00:05:15,600

it was a cigar shaped object like a

149

00:05:18,790 --> 00:05:17,360

symmetrical airfoil

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00:05:21,830 --> 00:05:18,800

with the dome on it

151
00:05:25,270 --> 00:05:21,840
it was a solid object it was a metallic

152
00:05:27,909 --> 00:05:25,280
structure to it and

153
00:05:29,990 --> 00:05:27,919
you could see lights reflecting off the

154
00:05:32,550 --> 00:05:30,000
structure because and you could not see

155
00:05:34,870 --> 00:05:32,560
any of the stars or

156
00:05:36,950 --> 00:05:34,880
behind the object itself

157
00:05:40,070 --> 00:05:36,960
while all this was going on what was the

158
00:05:42,150 --> 00:05:40,080
attitude of the helicopter apparently

159
00:05:44,070 --> 00:05:42,160
when we were supposed to be descending

160
00:05:45,909 --> 00:05:44,080
at 2 000 feet a minute

161
00:05:47,590 --> 00:05:45,919
at 100 knots

162
00:05:50,469 --> 00:05:47,600
we were climbing

163
00:05:52,390 --> 00:05:50,479

at a thousand feet a minute

164

00:05:54,710 --> 00:05:52,400

with the controls still established for

165

00:05:58,629 --> 00:05:54,720

a descent

166

00:06:02,469 --> 00:05:58,639

and it we went from 1700 feet up to 3

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00:06:04,830 --> 00:06:02,479

500 feet and topped out at 3 800 feet

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00:06:08,309 --> 00:06:04,840

i would like to stress one important

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00:06:11,189 --> 00:06:08,319

fact and that is there is approximately

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00:06:13,430 --> 00:06:11,199

20 years of army aviation experience

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00:06:15,909 --> 00:06:13,440

between the four men on board the

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00:06:17,350 --> 00:06:15,919

helicopter that night

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00:06:20,230 --> 00:06:17,360

we have been trained to follow

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00:06:21,670 --> 00:06:20,240

procedures and regulations in reporting

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00:06:24,710 --> 00:06:21,680

incidences

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00:06:27,830 --> 00:06:24,720

regardless of how they're accepted

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00:06:30,070 --> 00:06:27,840

and we try to follow those procedures

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00:06:31,510 --> 00:06:30,080

and we reported the incident as it

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00:06:33,510 --> 00:06:31,520

occurred