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'It's a long shape . . . coming for me
right now . . . hovering on top of me'

UFO MYSTERY

Plane vanishes after 'loud metallic noise'

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A MASSIVE sea and air search was continuing last night for a light aircraft which vanished over Bass Strait seconds after the pilot reported he was being followed by an unidentified flying object.

The pilot, Mr Frederick Valentich, 29, of Avondale Heights, a Melbourne suburb, was on a flight from Melbourne to King Island on Saturday night when radio contact was lost at 7.12 pm.

The plane, a \$43,500 single-engine Cessna 182, 1977, owned by Southern Air Services, of Moorabbin, 600 km from the pilot was on board.

In his last minutes of radio contact near Cape Otway, Mr Valentich told Melbourne control he was being followed by a large aircraft with four bright lights trailing



FREDERICK VALENTICH
missing over Bass Strait



1
00:00:05,030 --> 00:00:03,350
uh he's supposed to join us with friends

2
00:00:08,390 --> 00:00:05,040
when we

3
00:00:10,870 --> 00:00:08,400
went for some movie uh family movie

4
00:00:11,990 --> 00:00:10,880
projection

5
00:00:13,749 --> 00:00:12,000
and

6
00:00:15,589 --> 00:00:13,759
that night

7
00:00:16,870 --> 00:00:15,599
he never turned up he didn't ring up

8
00:00:19,269 --> 00:00:16,880
normally

9
00:00:21,429 --> 00:00:19,279
he's always wanting to go for a trip

10
00:00:23,750 --> 00:00:21,439
uh when he

11
00:00:25,750 --> 00:00:23,760
returned at the airport he

12
00:00:29,269 --> 00:00:25,760
normally would have called us you know

13
00:00:31,029 --> 00:00:29,279

i'll be home after an hour so

14

00:00:33,190 --> 00:00:31,039

but that night uh

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00:00:35,190 --> 00:00:33,200

it was quite strange you know

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00:00:37,350 --> 00:00:35,200

we didn't know anything about we got

17

00:00:39,670 --> 00:00:37,360

home about 11 o'clock and

18

00:00:43,830 --> 00:00:39,680

he wasn't home

19

00:00:48,069 --> 00:00:46,310

and so uh you know all said though this

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00:00:50,229 --> 00:00:48,079

is too late to start inquiring it's

21

00:00:51,670 --> 00:00:50,239

eight o'clock right there in the morning

22

00:00:52,709 --> 00:00:51,680

i like

23

00:00:55,029 --> 00:00:52,719

nothing

24

00:00:57,590 --> 00:00:55,039

still happening and

25

00:01:00,470 --> 00:00:57,600

couldn't see any sign of him and uh

26

00:01:03,110 --> 00:01:00,480

just about to get up and maybe

27

00:01:06,230 --> 00:01:03,120

get on the phone

28

00:01:08,149 --> 00:01:06,240

where all of a sudden a couple of

29

00:01:12,310 --> 00:01:08,159

uniform blue

30

00:01:15,190 --> 00:01:12,320

slag legged walk in the front door and

31

00:01:18,070 --> 00:01:15,200

at that time we realized immediately

32

00:01:20,630 --> 00:01:18,080

that something was wrong

33

00:01:22,070 --> 00:01:20,640

after frederick reported this

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00:01:24,390 --> 00:01:22,080

ufo

35

00:01:25,270 --> 00:01:24,400

incident

36

00:01:39,910 --> 00:01:25,280

i

37

00:01:42,870 --> 00:01:39,920

or really

38

00:01:44,550 --> 00:01:42,880

makes me very confused because

39

00:01:46,469 --> 00:01:44,560

now i'm frederick what he

40

00:01:47,350 --> 00:01:46,479

radiated and

41

00:01:49,510 --> 00:01:47,360

knowing

42

00:01:50,950 --> 00:01:49,520

my son wouldn't make himself so

43

00:01:51,749 --> 00:01:50,960

ridiculous

44

00:02:02,389 --> 00:01:51,759

in

45

00:02:03,190 --> 00:02:02,399

the general population may not aware to

46

00:02:07,190 --> 00:02:03,200

be

47

00:02:09,350 --> 00:02:07,200

and i realized after this disappearance

48

00:02:11,830 --> 00:02:09,360

which i couldn't

49

00:02:13,910 --> 00:02:11,840

have the opportunity before how many

50

00:02:15,270 --> 00:02:13,920

calls i get from various parts of the

51
00:02:18,869 --> 00:02:15,280
world

52
00:02:20,830 --> 00:02:18,879
and i really encouraged me to believe

53
00:02:23,430 --> 00:02:20,840
that it could be still

54
00:02:26,040 --> 00:02:23,440
alive i've been with another

55
00:02:27,750 --> 00:02:26,050
intelligence getting spice

56
00:02:30,229 --> 00:02:27,760
[Music]

57
00:02:33,190 --> 00:02:30,239
steven roby air traffic controller on

58
00:02:35,270 --> 00:02:33,200
duty then explains the reported ufo's

59
00:02:37,990 --> 00:02:35,280
movement at times and coming from

60
00:02:40,229 --> 00:02:38,000
various directions

61
00:02:41,589 --> 00:02:40,239
and then he started orbiting

62
00:02:43,270 --> 00:02:41,599
and

63
00:02:45,350 --> 00:02:43,280

the aircraft

64

00:02:47,589 --> 00:02:45,360

was orbiting above him

65

00:02:48,869 --> 00:02:47,599

and on several occasions

66

00:02:51,030 --> 00:02:48,879

he sort of

67

00:02:52,229 --> 00:02:51,040

stated that it towards the end it wasn't

68

00:02:54,470 --> 00:02:52,239

an aircraft

69

00:02:57,990 --> 00:02:54,480

and he described it as having a sort of

70

00:03:02,149 --> 00:03:00,309

on it and also it appeared to be um a

71

00:03:04,630 --> 00:03:02,159

sort of a silver metallic colour and you

72

00:03:06,869 --> 00:03:04,640

describe it as being of a long shape and

73

00:03:08,949 --> 00:03:06,879

as i said before as a silver color with

74

00:03:10,790 --> 00:03:08,959

the various lights on it

75

00:03:12,070 --> 00:03:10,800

and

76

00:03:13,190 --> 00:03:12,080

he actually did say it wasn't an

77

00:03:16,470 --> 00:03:13,200

aircraft

78

00:03:21,190 --> 00:03:19,509

it's very strange finally um

79

00:03:22,869 --> 00:03:21,200

we lost contact with him in a very

80

00:03:25,030 --> 00:03:22,879

strange way

81

00:03:27,750 --> 00:03:25,040

the communications

82

00:03:28,869 --> 00:03:27,760

he was putting out seemed to break

83

00:03:30,070 --> 00:03:28,879

um

84

00:03:32,229 --> 00:03:30,080

people describe it as a sort of a

85

00:03:33,670 --> 00:03:32,239

metallic sound the last transmission

86

00:03:37,270 --> 00:03:33,680

that was

87

00:03:39,670 --> 00:03:37,280

sent from just delta sierra juliet

88

00:03:41,270 --> 00:03:39,680

is there any known traffic below 5000

89

00:03:43,509 --> 00:03:41,280

feet

90

00:03:45,990 --> 00:03:43,519

no no in traffic

91

00:03:47,030 --> 00:03:46,000

seems to be a large aircraft below 5000

92

00:03:49,430 --> 00:03:47,040

feet

93

00:03:53,429 --> 00:03:49,440

what type of aircraft is it i cannot

94

00:03:55,270 --> 00:03:53,439

confirm it's for bright seems to be like

95

00:03:57,270 --> 00:03:55,280

landing lights

96

00:03:59,509 --> 00:03:57,280

the aircraft has just passed over me at

97

00:04:02,149 --> 00:03:59,519

at least a thousand feet above is there

98

00:04:04,470 --> 00:04:02,159

any air force aircraft in the vicinity

99

00:04:06,869 --> 00:04:04,480

no known aircraft in the vicinity seems

100

00:04:09,190 --> 00:04:06,879

to be playing some sort of game he's

101
00:04:11,030 --> 00:04:09,200
flying over me

102
00:04:13,270 --> 00:04:11,040
well the sierra juliet that's not an

103
00:04:19,430 --> 00:04:13,280
aircraft

104
00:04:23,670 --> 00:04:19,440
it's flying past it's a long shape

105
00:04:25,830 --> 00:04:23,680
cannot identify it it has such speed

106
00:04:28,870 --> 00:04:25,840
it's before me right now melbourne

107
00:04:30,790 --> 00:04:28,880
how large would the um the object be

108
00:04:33,270 --> 00:04:30,800
seems like it's stationary what it's

109
00:04:35,670 --> 00:04:33,280
doing right now is orbiting the thing is

110
00:04:38,070 --> 00:04:35,680
just orbiting on top of me it's also got

111
00:04:38,870 --> 00:04:38,080
a green light and a sort of metallic

112
00:04:41,670 --> 00:04:38,880
like

113
00:04:43,909 --> 00:04:41,680

it's shiny on the outside

114

00:04:47,590 --> 00:04:43,919

it's just vanished

115

00:05:02,510 --> 00:04:47,600

that strange aircraft on top of me again