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00:00:08,509 --> 00:00:06,769
in the middle of the Cold War across

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00:00:11,270 --> 00:00:08,519
remote stretches of the northern United

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00:00:13,730 --> 00:00:11,280
States the Air Force kept ballistic

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00:00:15,049 --> 00:00:13,740
missiles and B-52 bombers on constant

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00:00:18,529 --> 00:00:15,059
alert

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00:00:20,929 --> 00:00:18,539
on the night of October the 24th 1968 at

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00:00:22,429 --> 00:00:20,939
Minot Air Force Base in Minot North

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00:00:25,910 --> 00:00:22,439
Dakota

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00:00:27,890 --> 00:00:25,920
Airmen first class Mike O'Connor was

10
00:00:29,870 --> 00:00:27,900
dispatched to make a routine repair at

11
00:00:31,730 --> 00:00:29,880
one of the missile sites

12
00:00:33,410 --> 00:00:31,740
we made our turn to come down the road

13
00:00:35,990 --> 00:00:33,420

to the missile site

14

00:00:37,250 --> 00:00:36,000
and out of the corner of my eye I

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00:00:39,650 --> 00:00:37,260
observed

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00:00:42,290 --> 00:00:39,660
a what I thought was a farmer's yard

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00:00:45,650 --> 00:00:42,300
light but it looked awful bright

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00:00:49,130 --> 00:00:45,660
and as we proceeded down the road the

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00:00:52,729 --> 00:00:49,140
object appeared to lift off the ground

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00:00:54,290 --> 00:00:52,739
and parallel us down the road until we

21

00:00:56,990 --> 00:00:54,300
came to the missile site

22

00:00:59,750 --> 00:00:57,000
at which point we got out of the truck

23

00:01:01,910 --> 00:00:59,760
and it just kind of hovered there

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00:01:04,969 --> 00:01:01,920
staff sergeant Bill Smith was in charge

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00:01:08,090 --> 00:01:04,979
of security for 10 nuclear missiles that

26
00:01:10,910 --> 00:01:08,100
night he reported seeing strange objects

27
00:01:13,490 --> 00:01:10,920
these objects would rise and would speed

28
00:01:14,810 --> 00:01:13,500
up they would slow it down they would

29
00:01:16,850 --> 00:01:14,820
hover

30
00:01:17,690 --> 00:01:16,860
they would Dart very quickly one way or

31
00:01:20,570 --> 00:01:17,700
the other

32
00:01:24,350 --> 00:01:20,580
we were just not really sure that these

33
00:01:29,149 --> 00:01:27,350
the Minot control tower diverted a B-52

34
00:01:32,450 --> 00:01:29,159
to investigate

35
00:01:33,890 --> 00:01:32,460
Captain Brad Runyon was The B-52s

36
00:01:36,289 --> 00:01:33,900
co-pilot

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00:01:40,010 --> 00:01:36,299
the air traffic controller asked us if

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00:01:43,130 --> 00:01:40,020

we would mind going out to this one area

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00:01:45,230 --> 00:01:43,140

and looking for something I was curious

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00:01:47,390 --> 00:01:45,240

I said well what are we looking for and

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00:01:48,289 --> 00:01:47,400

they said well you'll know it if you

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00:01:50,690 --> 00:01:48,299

find it

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00:01:53,450 --> 00:01:50,700

the navigator on the B-52 Captain

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00:01:55,670 --> 00:01:53,460

Patrick McCaslin suddenly identified an

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00:01:58,730 --> 00:01:55,680

object on his radar screen

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00:02:01,490 --> 00:01:58,740

I saw a return faint One Sweep bright

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00:02:02,870 --> 00:02:01,500

the next large off our right wing three

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00:02:04,850 --> 00:02:02,880

o'clock

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00:02:07,310 --> 00:02:04,860

at about three miles

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00:02:09,949 --> 00:02:07,320

and at that point I asked the radar

51
00:02:11,869 --> 00:02:09,959
navigator to turn on the camera which

52
00:02:14,809 --> 00:02:11,879
would then take pictures of whatever was

53
00:02:19,490 --> 00:02:16,910
these pictures of the radar screen show

54
00:02:21,490 --> 00:02:19,500
the object flying in formation with the

55
00:02:24,770 --> 00:02:21,500
B-52

56
00:02:26,690 --> 00:02:24,780
this thing was climbing out with us and

57
00:02:29,150 --> 00:02:26,700
maintaining the same heading we were

58
00:02:32,030 --> 00:02:29,160
that was unusual

59
00:02:34,490 --> 00:02:32,040
but what really watered my eyes

60
00:02:37,610 --> 00:02:34,500
when was it when this thing backed away

61
00:02:39,710 --> 00:02:37,620
and allowed us to turn inside of it

62
00:02:42,410 --> 00:02:39,720
when the object suddenly disappeared

63
00:02:45,290 --> 00:02:42,420

from the radar the bomber turned back to

64

00:02:48,229 --> 00:02:45,300

find it co-pilot Runyan was the first to

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00:02:51,229 --> 00:02:48,239

spot what appeared to be a glowing craft

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00:02:52,610 --> 00:02:51,239

hovering near the ground when things

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00:02:55,490 --> 00:02:52,620

like that are happening it seems like

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00:02:59,150 --> 00:02:55,500

time to stand still

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00:03:02,750 --> 00:02:59,160

my estimate overall object was a minimum

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00:03:06,229 --> 00:03:02,760

of 200 feet in diameter and it was

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00:03:14,030 --> 00:03:11,030

it had a metallic cylinder attached to

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00:03:16,190 --> 00:03:14,040

another section that was shaped like a

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00:03:18,770 --> 00:03:16,200

crescent moon

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00:03:21,770 --> 00:03:18,780

I felt that this Crescent Moon part was

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00:03:24,890 --> 00:03:21,780

probably the command center

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00:03:28,850 --> 00:03:24,900

I tried to look inside the thing but all

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00:03:31,309 --> 00:03:28,860

I could see was a yellow glow

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00:03:34,190 --> 00:03:31,319

at that point I was

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00:03:35,570 --> 00:03:34,200

fairly sure if I was looking at an alien

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00:03:36,949 --> 00:03:35,580

spaceship something they'd come here

81

00:03:40,089 --> 00:03:36,959

from some other

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00:03:42,350 --> 00:03:40,099

Planet other than the Earth

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00:03:44,210 --> 00:03:42,360

co-pilot Runyan and the other crew

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00:03:45,789 --> 00:03:44,220

members of the B-52 reported their

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00:03:47,930 --> 00:03:45,799

citing when they returned to the Base

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00:03:49,970 --> 00:03:47,940

According to Blue Book's investigation

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00:03:52,970 --> 00:03:49,980

the crew of the B-52

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00:03:55,250 --> 00:03:52,980

and 16 Witnesses on the ground said they

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00:03:59,270 --> 00:03:55,260

saw a UFO that night

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00:04:04,789 --> 00:03:59,280

in its final report Blue Book concluded

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00:04:10,429 --> 00:04:08,270

none of those Pilots saw a start I know

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00:04:11,390 --> 00:04:10,439

those Pilots I know what their training

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00:04:15,170 --> 00:04:11,400

was

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00:04:17,390 --> 00:04:15,180

I know how many stars they'd seen in the

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00:04:20,210 --> 00:04:17,400

course of their careers and they were

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00:04:22,370 --> 00:04:20,220

not looking at the stars

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00:04:25,490 --> 00:04:22,380

it bothers me that blue book blew it off

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00:04:28,550 --> 00:04:25,500

I don't think this this

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00:04:30,230 --> 00:04:28,560

incident has ever been adequately

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00:04:31,749 --> 00:04:30,240

explained

101
00:04:34,010 --> 00:04:31,759
then

102
00:04:37,909 --> 00:04:34,020
an alarm goes off from one of the

103
00:04:42,590 --> 00:04:37,919
missile silos and uh well anyway uh

104
00:04:44,990 --> 00:04:42,600
so uh turns out that uh this was what

105
00:04:47,810 --> 00:04:45,000
was told to us at the briefing by a

106
00:04:51,350 --> 00:04:47,820
general officer the following day

107
00:04:55,070 --> 00:04:51,360
so uh air police were dispatched to the

108
00:04:57,530 --> 00:04:55,080
check on the missile alarm and uh

109
00:04:59,090 --> 00:04:57,540
so the first air policemen that were

110
00:05:01,129 --> 00:04:59,100
sent out didn't check in when it should

111
00:05:03,710 --> 00:05:01,139
have so it sent others to

112
00:05:06,170 --> 00:05:03,720
check on them and the second group found

113
00:05:07,850 --> 00:05:06,180

the first group unconscious around their

114

00:05:10,490 --> 00:05:07,860

vehicle with a paint burned off the top

115

00:05:13,010 --> 00:05:10,500

of their vehicle and when they came to

116

00:05:15,170 --> 00:05:13,020

they uh they said that uh you know

117

00:05:16,790 --> 00:05:15,180

something some object that they thought

118

00:05:19,129 --> 00:05:16,800

was going to sit down on top of them and

119

00:05:21,950 --> 00:05:19,139

uh so they started running those last

120

00:05:23,450 --> 00:05:21,960

that they knew but I doubt they didn't

121

00:05:25,010 --> 00:05:23,460

Swatch their vehicle or anything so it

122

00:05:26,570 --> 00:05:25,020

didn't sit down on

123

00:05:30,290 --> 00:05:26,580

and uh

124

00:05:32,990 --> 00:05:30,300

so uh but anyway uh it turns out that uh

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00:05:35,390 --> 00:05:33,000

the reason that the alarms were set off

126
00:05:38,029 --> 00:05:35,400
is a 20-ton concrete lid

127
00:05:40,189 --> 00:05:38,039
covering the top of the missile silo had

128
00:05:41,930 --> 00:05:40,199
been removed and uh

129
00:05:44,330 --> 00:05:41,940
chain link fence around the thing had

130
00:05:46,249 --> 00:05:44,340
been squashed there was radioactivity

131
00:05:49,790 --> 00:05:46,259
around and uh

132
00:05:51,710 --> 00:05:49,800
the inner alarm down inside The Silo had

133
00:05:55,730 --> 00:05:51,720
also been activated

134
00:05:57,830 --> 00:05:55,740
well it turns out that the uh there were

135
00:06:00,050 --> 00:05:57,840
two ways to remove the uh the concrete

136
00:06:01,969 --> 00:06:00,060
lid you either have a large crane to

137
00:06:04,850 --> 00:06:01,979
lift 20 tons and set it off to the side

138
00:06:06,409 --> 00:06:04,860

or they have explosive charges that blew

139

00:06:08,870 --> 00:06:06,419

it off in case one launched the missile

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00:06:11,150 --> 00:06:08,880

and go to war explosive charge that and

141

00:06:13,150 --> 00:06:11,160

been activated so these things aren't on

142

00:06:16,370 --> 00:06:13,160

a mechanism no no

143

00:06:18,249 --> 00:06:16,380

it's just it's just a big concrete lid

144

00:06:20,930 --> 00:06:18,259

just sitting outside

145

00:06:22,909 --> 00:06:20,940

yeah they blow it off yeah so but the

146

00:06:25,249 --> 00:06:22,919

thing was move to the side yeah it was

147

00:06:27,830 --> 00:06:25,259

off to the side someplace it wasn't on

148

00:06:29,570 --> 00:06:27,840

top of the the missile silo anyway no

149

00:06:31,670 --> 00:06:29,580

and the chip there's a chain link fence

150

00:06:34,129 --> 00:06:31,680

yes tight around

151

00:06:37,370 --> 00:06:34,139

oh well just just to keep mainly keep

152

00:06:39,469 --> 00:06:37,380

animals out I guess people and uh but a

153

00:06:41,809 --> 00:06:39,479

part of it had been uh flattened just

154

00:06:43,790 --> 00:06:41,819

squashed there weren't any any tracks

155

00:06:45,830 --> 00:06:43,800

around other than you know just right

156

00:06:47,570 --> 00:06:45,840

there at the chain link fence now we

157

00:06:49,730 --> 00:06:47,580

want to point out that the written

158

00:06:52,550 --> 00:06:49,740

account of the sighting doesn't say

159

00:06:55,730 --> 00:06:52,560

anything no no this was just told to us

160

00:06:57,550 --> 00:06:55,740

that file was such of an important

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00:07:00,529 --> 00:06:57,560

nature to their Force