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00:00:40,310 --> 00:00:16,100

[Music]

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00:00:45,110 --> 00:00:42,150

ufos and astronauts

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00:00:46,549 --> 00:00:45,120

by charles lear as one might expect

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00:00:48,630 --> 00:00:46,559

astronauts have come upon

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00:00:50,229 --> 00:00:48,640

things in space that they were not able

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00:00:52,310 --> 00:00:50,239

to readily identify

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00:00:54,069 --> 00:00:52,320

in fact astronauts have not only

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00:00:56,549 --> 00:00:54,079

reported seeing ufos

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00:00:59,189 --> 00:00:56,559

but some most notably gordon cooper and

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00:01:01,430 --> 00:00:59,199

dr edgar mitchell have gone so far as to

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00:01:03,270 --> 00:01:01,440

publicly advocate for disclosure

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00:01:05,830 --> 00:01:03,280

and an end to secrecy regarding the

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00:01:07,350 --> 00:01:05,840

subject gordon cooper described having

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00:01:09,270 --> 00:01:07,360

encounters with ufos

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00:01:11,270 --> 00:01:09,280

as an air force pilot prior to his

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00:01:13,990 --> 00:01:11,280

involvement in the space program

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in his 2000 memoir leap of faith an

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00:01:17,670 --> 00:01:16,159

astronaut's journey into the unknown

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00:01:19,429 --> 00:01:17,680

gordon wrote that he chased

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00:01:21,749 --> 00:01:19,439

saucer-shaped craft when he was

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00:01:23,429 --> 00:01:21,759

stationed in germany in the 1950s

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00:01:25,590 --> 00:01:23,439

and that objects flew over the base

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00:01:27,190 --> 00:01:25,600

daily that were faster than known

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00:01:28,789 --> 00:01:27,200

man-made machines

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00:01:30,469 --> 00:01:28,799

he also claimed to have been given a

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00:01:32,550 --> 00:01:30,479

film in 1957

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00:01:34,550 --> 00:01:32,560

of a saucer that landed at edwards air

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00:01:36,310 --> 00:01:34,560

force base which he sent off to the

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00:01:38,550 --> 00:01:36,320

pentagon and never saw again

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00:01:40,069 --> 00:01:38,560

in spite of his alleged ufo encounters

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00:01:42,389 --> 00:01:40,079

in earth's atmosphere

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00:01:43,429 --> 00:01:42,399

cooper claimed that neither he nor any

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00:01:46,310 --> 00:01:43,439

other astronauts

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00:01:46,950 --> 00:01:46,320

had seen ufos while in space according

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00:01:48,469 --> 00:01:46,960

to him

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00:01:50,710 --> 00:01:48,479

there was nothing to the well-known

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00:01:52,310 --> 00:01:50,720

report that he saw a green glowing

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00:01:55,270 --> 00:01:52,320

object approach his craft

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00:01:57,429 --> 00:01:55,280

during his final orbit in may 1963

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00:01:58,469 --> 00:01:57,439

aboard mercury faith 7 while over

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00:02:00,550 --> 00:01:58,479

australia

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00:02:02,069 --> 00:02:00,560

cooper made a similar claim in a march

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00:02:05,270 --> 00:02:02,079

1980 interview in

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00:02:07,109 --> 00:02:05,280

omni magazine conducted by long-time ufo

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00:02:09,190 --> 00:02:07,119

researcher lee spiegel

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00:02:11,270 --> 00:02:09,200

in that interview cooper stated that of

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00:02:11,990 --> 00:02:11,280

all the astronauts involved in the space

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00:02:14,550 --> 00:02:12,000

program

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00:02:15,350 --> 00:02:14,560

only james mcdivitt might have seen a

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00:02:17,750 --> 00:02:15,360

ufo

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00:02:19,510 --> 00:02:17,760
he also remarked that allegations of

52
00:02:21,990 --> 00:02:19,520
astronaut ufo sightings

53
00:02:24,309 --> 00:02:22,000
got so bad that there were deliberately

54
00:02:25,190 --> 00:02:24,319
falsified tapes of communications with

55
00:02:28,470 --> 00:02:25,200
the astronauts

56
00:02:30,869 --> 00:02:28,480
where ufo material was simply edited in

57
00:02:32,150 --> 00:02:30,879
a review of alleged astronaut encounters

58
00:02:34,790 --> 00:02:32,160
finds that there are

59
00:02:35,750 --> 00:02:34,800
indeed a lot of poorly supported claims

60
00:02:37,910 --> 00:02:35,760
out there

61
00:02:40,229 --> 00:02:37,920
james mcdivitt's sighting during gemini

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00:02:41,670 --> 00:02:40,239
4 got a lot of attention from not only

63
00:02:44,070 --> 00:02:41,680

the ufo community

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00:02:46,229 --> 00:02:44,080

but also the air force on the 20th

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00:02:49,750 --> 00:02:46,239

revolution of a four-day space flight

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00:02:52,550 --> 00:02:49,760

from june 3rd to june 7 1965

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00:02:55,070 --> 00:02:52,560

mcdivitt spotted and photographed a ufo

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00:02:57,910 --> 00:02:55,080

he described the episode in a june 29

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00:02:59,910 --> 00:02:57,920

1999 interview as part of the nasa

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00:03:00,790 --> 00:02:59,920

johnson space center oral history

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00:03:03,270 --> 00:03:00,800

project

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00:03:05,030 --> 00:03:03,280

according to him fellow astronaut ed

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00:03:05,910 --> 00:03:05,040

white who made the first american

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00:03:08,070 --> 00:03:05,920

spacewalk

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00:03:08,949 --> 00:03:08,080

was asleep and the capsule was tumbling

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00:03:11,509 --> 00:03:08,959

through space

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00:03:13,750 --> 00:03:11,519

as it had been shut down to save fuel

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00:03:15,830 --> 00:03:13,760

mcdivot spotted an object that resembled

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00:03:16,149 --> 00:03:15,840

a beer can with a pencil sticking out of

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00:03:17,509 --> 00:03:16,159

it

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00:03:19,509 --> 00:03:17,519

thinking that he might be forced to

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00:03:21,350 --> 00:03:19,519

maneuver around the object mcdivot

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00:03:22,630 --> 00:03:21,360

switched on the circuit breakers on the

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00:03:24,789 --> 00:03:22,640

battery-powered craft

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00:03:26,470 --> 00:03:24,799

to enable the engines there were two

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00:03:28,229 --> 00:03:26,480

cameras floating in the capsule

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00:03:30,149 --> 00:03:28,239

and while he waited for the electronics

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00:03:31,509 --> 00:03:30,159

to warm up he took a picture of the

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00:03:33,589 --> 00:03:31,519

object with each of them

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00:03:34,630 --> 00:03:33,599

according to mcdivitt the pictures did

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00:03:37,190 --> 00:03:34,640

not turn out

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00:03:38,949 --> 00:03:37,200

however a reporter was waiting at nasa

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00:03:39,670 --> 00:03:38,959

while photos from the mission were being

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00:03:41,509 --> 00:03:39,680

printed out

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00:03:42,789 --> 00:03:41,519

and he was allowed to go through them

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00:03:44,550 --> 00:03:42,799

according to mcdivitt

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00:03:46,949 --> 00:03:44,560

the reporter picked one that looked like

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00:03:49,589 --> 00:03:46,959

a fleet of spaceships that was actually

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00:03:51,670 --> 00:03:49,599

a reflection of bolts in the windows

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00:03:52,949 --> 00:03:51,680

mcdivitt stated that the object must

101
00:03:54,630 --> 00:03:52,959
have been in orbit with them

102
00:03:56,630 --> 00:03:54,640
as he was able to see it and was

103
00:03:57,750 --> 00:03:56,640
probably a piece of ice that had fallen

104
00:03:59,750 --> 00:03:57,760
off the ship

105
00:04:01,429 --> 00:03:59,760
the sighting is discussed in the condon

106
00:04:02,309 --> 00:04:01,439
report and the writer leaves it

107
00:04:04,390 --> 00:04:02,319
unresolved

108
00:04:06,149 --> 00:04:04,400
and includes it with cases not

109
00:04:08,309 --> 00:04:06,159
adequately explained

110
00:04:09,750 --> 00:04:08,319
another case in the condom report not

111
00:04:11,589 --> 00:04:09,760
adequately explained

112
00:04:13,509 --> 00:04:11,599
is the well-known incident involving

113
00:04:16,629 --> 00:04:13,519

james lovell and frank bourman

114

00:04:19,469 --> 00:04:16,639
during their 14-day gemini 7 flight from

115

00:04:22,150 --> 00:04:19,479
december 4th to december 18

116

00:04:22,710 --> 00:04:22,160
1965. during the second orbit of the

117

00:04:25,430 --> 00:04:22,720
flight

118

00:04:26,870 --> 00:04:25,440
borman reported that they had a bogey at

119

00:04:29,670 --> 00:04:26,880
10 o'clock high

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00:04:30,629 --> 00:04:29,680
capcom in houston asked him to repeat

121

00:04:32,790 --> 00:04:30,639
and he did

122

00:04:34,469 --> 00:04:32,800
houston asked if it was the booster he

123

00:04:37,030 --> 00:04:34,479
was seeing or an actual

124

00:04:38,150 --> 00:04:37,040
sighting level replied that it was an

125

00:04:39,990 --> 00:04:38,160
actual sighting

126
00:04:41,590 --> 00:04:40,000
and that he had the booster in sight at

127
00:04:43,830 --> 00:04:41,600
his two o'clock position

128
00:04:45,990 --> 00:04:43,840
one of the more fantastic tales floating

129
00:04:47,670 --> 00:04:46,000
around is one that involves neil

130
00:04:49,830 --> 00:04:47,680
armstrong and buzz aldrin

131
00:04:52,150 --> 00:04:49,840
according to the story armstrong and

132
00:04:54,550 --> 00:04:52,160
aldrin were aboard apollo 11 when they

133
00:04:56,629 --> 00:04:54,560
reported to nasa on a non-broadcast

134
00:04:57,590 --> 00:04:56,639
frequency that they were seeing huge

135
00:04:59,749 --> 00:04:57,600
spacecraft

136
00:05:00,870 --> 00:04:59,759
lined up on a crater watching them as

137
00:05:03,590 --> 00:05:00,880
they were landing

138
00:05:04,629 --> 00:05:03,600

this oft-repeated tale originated with

139

00:05:07,270 --> 00:05:04,639

former nasa

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00:05:09,029 --> 00:05:07,280

employee otto binder who said that

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00:05:10,790 --> 00:05:09,039

unnamed radio hams

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00:05:13,110 --> 00:05:10,800

and picked up the broadcast on their

143

00:05:13,749 --> 00:05:13,120

equipment a simple search will reveal

144

00:05:15,749 --> 00:05:13,759

that otto

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00:05:17,110 --> 00:05:15,759

binder was a science fiction writer

146

00:05:19,510 --> 00:05:17,120

turned comic book writer

147

00:05:20,870 --> 00:05:19,520

turned ufo writer and that he never

148

00:05:23,990 --> 00:05:20,880

worked for nasa

149

00:05:25,110 --> 00:05:24,000

in a november 14 2002 article in

150

00:05:27,909 --> 00:05:25,120

teleopolis

151
00:05:29,430 --> 00:05:27,919
astronaut dr jerry linenberger is quoted

152
00:05:31,749 --> 00:05:29,440
from a statement he gave

153
00:05:33,430 --> 00:05:31,759
four years after his stay on mir in the

154
00:05:35,430 --> 00:05:33,440
presence of journalists

155
00:05:36,950 --> 00:05:35,440
in response to being asked if he'd seen

156
00:05:39,350 --> 00:05:36,960
ufos while in space

157
00:05:40,469 --> 00:05:39,360
he said i have been asked that question

158
00:05:42,629 --> 00:05:40,479
so many times

159
00:05:45,189 --> 00:05:42,639
in five months in space i've seen

160
00:05:47,029 --> 00:05:45,199
unidentified flying objects for sure

161
00:05:49,110 --> 00:05:47,039
sometimes i looked out the window and i

162
00:05:50,390 --> 00:05:49,120
could see a metallic thing like a spoon

163
00:05:52,710 --> 00:05:50,400

flying methodically

164

00:05:54,629 --> 00:05:52,720

the biggest problem in space is that it

165

00:05:56,070 --> 00:05:54,639

is very hard to judge distance

166

00:05:58,390 --> 00:05:56,080

it could have been a spoon or a

167

00:06:00,150 --> 00:05:58,400

spaceship thousands of miles away

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00:06:02,390 --> 00:06:00,160

let me tell you one thing i have never

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00:06:05,270 --> 00:06:02,400

heard someone knock at the door and say

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00:06:06,309 --> 00:06:05,280

hey jerry let me in an additional quote

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00:06:09,029 --> 00:06:06,319

from lindenberger

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00:06:10,870 --> 00:06:09,039

sums up the position of many astronauts

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00:06:13,350 --> 00:06:10,880

i would also like to point out

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00:06:15,189 --> 00:06:13,360

that most astronauts are very reluctant

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00:06:17,189 --> 00:06:15,199

to even discuss ufos

176
00:06:18,710 --> 00:06:17,199
due to the great numbers of people who

177
00:06:21,029 --> 00:06:18,720
have indiscriminately sold

178
00:06:23,110 --> 00:06:21,039
fake stories and forged documents

179
00:06:24,309 --> 00:06:23,120
abusing their names and reputations

180
00:06:26,309 --> 00:06:24,319
without hesitation

181
00:06:29,029 --> 00:06:26,319
those few astronauts who have continued

182
00:06:31,990 --> 00:06:29,039
to have a participation in the ufo field

183
00:06:34,070 --> 00:06:32,000
have had to do so very cautiously two

184
00:06:34,550 --> 00:06:34,080
astronauts who were very outspoken and

185
00:06:36,950 --> 00:06:34,560
perhaps

186
00:06:38,469 --> 00:06:36,960
less than cautious were gordon cooper

187
00:06:41,550 --> 00:06:38,479
and dr edgar mitchell

188
00:06:44,550 --> 00:06:41,560

who followed similar paths on november 9

189

00:06:45,110 --> 00:06:44,560

1978 cooper wrote a letter to ambassador

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00:06:47,510 --> 00:06:45,120

griffith

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00:06:49,510 --> 00:06:47,520

granada's ambassador to the un with the

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00:06:52,230 --> 00:06:49,520

following oft repeated quote

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00:06:52,870 --> 00:06:52,240

i believe that these extraterrestrial

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00:06:55,189 --> 00:06:52,880

vehicles

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00:06:56,309 --> 00:06:55,199

and their crews are visiting this planet

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00:06:57,830 --> 00:06:56,319

from other planets

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00:06:59,350 --> 00:06:57,840

which are a little more technically

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00:07:01,909 --> 00:06:59,360

advanced than we are

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00:07:03,110 --> 00:07:01,919

here on earth granada's prime minister

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00:07:06,390 --> 00:07:03,120

sir eric gary

201
00:07:08,309 --> 00:07:06,400
had been urging the un since 1976

202
00:07:10,950 --> 00:07:08,319
to set up an agency to gather and

203
00:07:13,029 --> 00:07:10,960
evaluate ufo-related information

204
00:07:15,029 --> 00:07:13,039
with the help of lee spiegel the meeting

205
00:07:15,990 --> 00:07:15,039
was arranged to discuss an upcoming

206
00:07:18,230 --> 00:07:16,000
presentation to

207
00:07:19,110 --> 00:07:18,240
the un with gordon cooper as one of the

208
00:07:22,550 --> 00:07:19,120
speakers

209
00:07:24,790 --> 00:07:22,560
a meeting was held on july 14 1978

210
00:07:25,710 --> 00:07:24,800
and the presentation took place november

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00:07:29,029 --> 00:07:25,720
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212
00:07:30,390 --> 00:07:29,039
1978. dr edgar mitchell was the sixth

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00:07:33,270 --> 00:07:30,400

man to walk on the moon

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00:07:34,070 --> 00:07:33,280

as part of the apollo 14 mission during

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00:07:37,029 --> 00:07:34,080

that mission

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00:07:39,510 --> 00:07:37,039

he had an epiphany according to him i

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00:07:41,670 --> 00:07:39,520

realized that the molecules of my body

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00:07:43,510 --> 00:07:41,680

and the molecules of the spacecraft have

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00:07:46,230 --> 00:07:43,520

been manufactured in an ancient

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00:07:47,189 --> 00:07:46,240

generation of stars this had a profound

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00:07:49,350 --> 00:07:47,199

effect on him

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00:07:50,790 --> 00:07:49,360

and led him to establish the institute

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00:07:52,710 --> 00:07:50,800

of noetic sciences

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00:07:54,070 --> 00:07:52,720

which called for an examination of the

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00:07:56,550 --> 00:07:54,080

universe by means

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00:07:58,550 --> 00:07:56,560

other than religion or science mitchell

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00:07:59,350 --> 00:07:58,560

became an advocate for u.s government

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00:08:01,110 --> 00:07:59,360

disclosure

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00:08:02,950 --> 00:08:01,120

regarding what was officially known

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00:08:04,710 --> 00:08:02,960

about alien visitations

231

00:08:07,270 --> 00:08:04,720

he appeared in james fox's

232

00:08:09,749 --> 00:08:07,280

groundbreaking 2003 documentary

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00:08:10,469 --> 00:08:09,759

out of the blue cooper also appeared in

234

00:08:14,230 --> 00:08:10,479

the film

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00:08:15,749 --> 00:08:14,240

mitchell had no first-hand experience

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00:08:17,589 --> 00:08:15,759

with extraterrestrials

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00:08:19,430 --> 00:08:17,599

but he stated that he had discussed the

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00:08:21,830 --> 00:08:19,440

issue with people who had

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00:08:23,029 --> 00:08:21,840

in their official capacity within two

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00:08:25,189 --> 00:08:23,039

governments

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00:08:27,029 --> 00:08:25,199

mittell towards the end of the film

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00:08:28,390 --> 00:08:27,039

expresses his concern that there is a

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00:08:30,390 --> 00:08:28,400

clandestine group

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00:08:31,589 --> 00:08:30,400

within the government investigating

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00:08:34,070 --> 00:08:31,599

alien activity

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00:08:36,589 --> 00:08:34,080

without high-level government oversight

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00:08:40,310 --> 00:08:36,599

after mittell's death on february 4

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00:08:42,310 --> 00:08:40,320

2016 wikileaks in november of that year

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00:08:44,230 --> 00:08:42,320

released emails from the personal

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00:08:46,230 --> 00:08:44,240

account of john podesta

251
00:08:48,870 --> 00:08:46,240
former counselor to president barack

252
00:08:49,670 --> 00:08:48,880
obama and campaign advisor to hillary

253
00:08:51,910 --> 00:08:49,680
clinton

254
00:08:53,670 --> 00:08:51,920
among the thousands of emails there were

255
00:08:54,630 --> 00:08:53,680
two from mitchell regarding a skype

256
00:08:56,470 --> 00:08:54,640
presentation

257
00:08:58,389 --> 00:08:56,480
he was hoping to give for president

258
00:09:01,350 --> 00:08:58,399
obama in the messages

259
00:09:02,310 --> 00:09:01,360
mitchell mentions eti extraterrestrial

260
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intelligences

261
00:09:06,310 --> 00:09:04,240
that are helping the bring zero point

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00:09:08,389 --> 00:09:06,320
energy to us here on earth

263
00:09:09,590 --> 00:09:08,399

mitchell emphasized the need to ban

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00:09:12,150 --> 00:09:09,600

weapons from space

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00:09:13,509 --> 00:09:12,160

because they will not tolerate any forms

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00:09:16,070 --> 00:09:13,519

of military violence

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00:09:18,150 --> 00:09:16,080

on earth or in space the skype

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00:09:20,630 --> 00:09:18,160

presentation never occurred

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00:09:22,710 --> 00:09:20,640

the subject of astronaut ufo sightings

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00:09:24,630 --> 00:09:22,720

begs for dramatic tales such as those

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00:09:26,630 --> 00:09:24,640

found throughout ufo literature

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00:09:28,870 --> 00:09:26,640

and the internet the truth seems to be

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00:09:30,070 --> 00:09:28,880

less dramatic than seeing huge menacing

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00:09:32,389 --> 00:09:30,080

ships on the moon

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00:09:44,780 --> 00:09:32,399

but some might argue that that's just

