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I'm Sean Ryder, as a 15 year old lad in Salford, long before my L-Raising antics and I have

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been Mondays, I saw a ball of light whizzing about in the night sky as I stood at a bus

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stop.

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I knew there and then I'd seen a UFO, ever since I've been obsessed with all things

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extraterrestrial.

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I've always wanted to understand what I saw that day, and in this series I'm going to

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do just that.

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My mission is to seek out those at the forefront of UFO research, and through them, try to

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discover how other people deal with this most mysterious phenomenon.

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I'll be meeting the top dogs of ufology, from generals and scientists to the abductees themselves,

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to hear what they have to say and to separate fact from fiction.

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And that's clear as day like that.

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Well it is, this is one of the strangest, mysterious things I've ever seen.

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The word alien conjures up one vision above all others, flying saucers full of little

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green men.

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It's an evocative image that's been relentlessly circulated over the years, but in reality

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extraterrestrial contact cases rarely fit with the stereotypical portrait.

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I'm in Chile, known as the UFO capital of South America.

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There are more reported UFO sightings per square kilometer than anywhere else on the

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planet.

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With these odds, it's not hard to find people who will share their encounters with the

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extraterrestrial.

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Well, I've had experiences with unidentified flying objects, but I couldn't tell you that

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it's a spaceship, a satellite, flying over the alien.

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My mission to investigate alien contact here in Chile begins in the far north of the country,

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close to the border with Peru.

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The 40,000 square miles of the Atacama Desert play host to one of the planet's most hostile

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environments.

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A tortured, arid landscape of rock and dust, which more resembles the surface of another

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planet and is surely the last place you would come looking for any kind of life.

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Never mind that of the extraterrestrial variety.

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There are places here which have never ever seen rain, so coming from Manchester, I'm

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already out of my element.

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I've been joined by Antonio Juneyas, a world-renowned Chilean UFO writer with 20 years experience.

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We're on our way to see an incredible first piece of evidence that some believe points

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to our ancient alien contact.

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So we'd have to see the Chilean.

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Correct.

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This is what is known as a geoglyph, geol, you know, from the Earth, right?

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And then glyph is symbol or art.

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So it's Earth, art, basically.

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And this is something you see all over the world.

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Yeah, absolutely.

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Yeah, we have some in England as well.

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Yes.

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We have the Netherlands, the horses there, the Chuck horses, and things like that.

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Yeah, that would be the big willy.

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Yeah, that would be a form of geoglyph.

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Yeah.

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Undoubtedly, the most famous ones are the Nazca lines in Peru.

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And I think I got some pictures here on the computer and we will see them.

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And these are obviously taken from the air.

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Look at this one.

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This is the monkey.

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The monkey.

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Yeah.

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It looks like, yeah.

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And with the spiral.

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The spiral is a motif that you see in many of these geoglyphs around the world.

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This must be huge, though.

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Yeah.

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Yeah, they're very large.

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Look, it's either a fox.

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It looks like a fox.

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Yeah.

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Very long legs.

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Very long legs.

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Yeah, right.

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Miles, yeah.

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Yeah.

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Peru's Nazca lines may be the most famous, but geoglyphs are truly a global phenomenon,

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from the Australian outback to the Mojave Desert, from the Amazon rainforest to the

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rolling hills of Middle England.

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No two of these curious figures are identical.

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Many of those stories are easily explained.

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Others, however, have more enigmatic origins.

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Now the question about the geoglyphs is whether there was any kind of relation with aliens

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that came here in ancient times.

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Either that they were made by aliens, although I don't think that's probably the case.

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More likely would be that they were made by us, right by the natives, as a homage to

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them.

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The other people that say they were designed so when people could go out of their bodies,

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they could follow these figures.

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The truth is that they don't know.

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In Colitis, they don't like to admit that they don't know something, so they develop

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all these theories.

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And the alien theory is just as good as many of these other theories.

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Of the 5,000-as-so geoglyphs strewn across this barren corner of northern Chile, the Atacama

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Giant is by far both the most impressive and mysterious.

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In fact, it's the largest prehistoric geoglyph figure in the world, almost 100 foot taller

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than the Statue of Liberty.

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There it is.

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There it is.

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Right, it looks sort of like the Christmas tree and the nightingale's red devil.

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There's some sort of thin guy waving his hands with a crown.

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But oh, this sort of typical picture of sort of an alien.

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Right.

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From ancient deity to astronomical calendar, there are several theories surrounding the

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alien, this geoglyph.

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Our meeting, Nicholas Berrazin, who is a paleoastronautics researcher and an Atacama Giant expert who

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believes that the Giant is actually an ancient alien astronaut.

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Here's our expert, Nicholas.

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Hello, Nicholas.

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Sean.

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And you.

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It looks smaller than I expected it to be.

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It's got to be an optical illusion, isn't it, really?

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380 feet.

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Well, 380 feet is longer than a football pitch.

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And so it is, it's an optical illusion because that looks, you know, it doesn't look as big

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as a football pitch.

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You know, the academia thinks that this is an astronomical calendar.

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Yeah, yes.

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But I don't think so.

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No?

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No.

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Though some academics believe the Giant was an ancient calendar for predicting where

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it would set, Nicholas and others think the figure's strange appearance, that of a humanoid-like

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robot figure, suggests it's a depiction of an alien, worships as a fire god called Tanupa

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by the Andean people of the time.

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The original myth tells that Tanupa appeared one day, I think, 1,000 or 1,500 years ago.

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And he helped to build mountains, rivers, skies, created man, everything.

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He had physical shape and he was alive here.

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So it's not a mystical god, then, it's actually somebody that these people saw.

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Uh-huh, yeah.

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Ah, okay, right.

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What do you think if I tell you that this slide from the head might represent a giant

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and the shining of a helmet from an astronaut?

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Ah, okay, yeah, well, yeah, again, that looks like some sort of astronaut's helmet.

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Yeah.

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I mean, it's certainly not shaped like a head, is it?

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Should we get a bit closer?

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Should we have a winder up?

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Oh, to get nearer.

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It might take us three days to get there.

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Yeah.

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I've had some pretty far-out conversations in my time, in comparison with some of them.

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The idea that the giant represents a visitor from another world doesn't seem that far-fetched.

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Well, we can't see the head now, can we?

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Can't see the feet.

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Can you see it?

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Yeah, he's bigger, closer up here.

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Now I can see it is the size of a football pitch.

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Now, it's wide, but it's long.

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As you can see, it's not built for being seen from the ground.

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It's not designed for men.

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Can you imagine how impressive had to be this being within the...

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who came from outer space to do this?

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Because it's a lot of job.

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An artist, though, can spend a lot of time on the right, can't it?

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You know, there's no pubs, no nightclubs back in the day,

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and an artist has got to be artistic.

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Speaking of suffering for your art,

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it's time to climb up to get a closer look at the giant's head.

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And with two of Chili's foremost ufologists as wingmen,

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what could possibly go wrong?

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We can't be at the edge of the spikes.

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Oh, they've got to be further back.

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We're probably round the eyeballs now.

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I mean, you can't tell.

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You haven't got a clue up from here now, have you?

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Look, where they've got to be, there's an eye.

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Is it back down there?

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So we've gone right past the spikes, the crown.

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You can have jobs.

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I wouldn't have the foggiest.

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For me, you can't tell anything.

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You can't tell where we are or what we're studying.

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I could be in his eyeball for a while, I know.

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If that's what you're up to.

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There we go.

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What's over there?

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So, with that V&I? No, it's too small.

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No? I don't know.

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I don't know, I've got no idea where they're the spikes.

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I don't know.

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We don't know.

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Just can't work it out.

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So now we're going to walk to Bolivia.

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Going to some...

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checking out the agricultural life in Bolivia.

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On the second thought,

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an eye could cross the border is probably not the best idea I've ever had.

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We decided to carry on looking,

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and luckily it's not much longer before we manage to find our bearings.

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I can work out the feet and the middle.

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Oh, yeah.

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There's a foot in the middle.

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These are the eyes. Yeah, that's what I thought.

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We are right in the middle of them. That's right.

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On the face.

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So the eyes, now foot,

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and the body.

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Nicholas wasn't joking when he said this thing was designed to be viewed from the air.

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But once we know where we are, the giant shape becomes obvious.

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What remains baffling to me though,

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is that the figure was being created around the time the Roman Empire was crumbling on the other side of the world.

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If this was built in the middle of Manchester,

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like this,

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there's no way those eyes or anything else would still be standing.

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Not even by the end of the day, they'd just been pulled apart and thrown away.

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Uh-huh.

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Are they the original? They can't be the original rocks.

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Yeah?

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This is an original.

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So they've been there for 1500 years, these.

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These? Those very ones.

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Well, they're not sure, but the big ones probably are the original ones.

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The smaller ones maybe, I don't know.

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Well, now that's coming back home to Manchester.

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It's going in my pocket.

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Perhaps the reason the giant has remained undisturbed for so long,

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is that the reverence of locals offer it.

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And having been here for myself, I can understand why.

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I'm not sure if I believe it's an alien,

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but there is something generally overworldly and impressive about the giant.

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It certainly got me thinking.

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But all that happened one and a half thousand years ago,

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and there are much more recent reports of alien contact here in the Atacama Desert

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for me to investigate.

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I'm Sean Ryder, lead singer of the British indie band Apimundis.

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I'm in Chile on a mission to uncover the truth behind some of the country's

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most famous alien contact cases.

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I've come to the Atacama Desert, a region with a rich history of UFO reports.

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While I'm here, I can't miss the chance to meet up with Patricio Absoleme,

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an author who has written extensively about Chile's most notorious alien abduction,

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the Valdez case.

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We're going to meet one of the men involved.

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And as the incident took place in the desert, it feels fitting that's where we're headed.

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We're going to see one of the actual witnesses to this very intriguing case

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that took place 35 years ago.

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This guy is Humberto Rojas, and he was one of the seven conscript soldiers

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that was with Armando Valdez when this UFO-close encounter took place.

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What? He actually showed him getting abducted?

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He went through something really unusual, you know?

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Very strange indeed.

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And he's willing to share his account with us now in the desert.

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The incident of Corporal Armando Valdez is still the most spoken about UFO case in Chilean history.

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On the night of 25th of April, 1977, while serving in the Chilean Army,

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Valdez was stationed at a remote outpost close to the border with Peru

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when he's alleged to have been abducted by a UFO.

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Valdez is a more emblematic case than in Chile.

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It's a product of how it happened.

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When one goes to history and records it,

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there's even a document of the Army itself validating the experience.

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It says that all the facts that happened are as the witnesses talked about.

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It's not seen anywhere in the world that a military institution is worth an experience like this.

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How did this story come about abduction?

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You know, there was anything flying around.

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There were some lights that were falling from the sky.

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They thought it was the devil or they didn't know what it was.

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It's funny how people always think the worst, and they see some lights and they think the devil.

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It ultimately thinks Jesus or something good, they always think the worst.

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Yeah, it's because they were very frightened.

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Yeah, yeah, of course.

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They were really scared.

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Absolutely, yeah.

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You see, when I saw, I saw, I was a young teenager,

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and if I was a grown man, when I saw what I did see, I would probably be really scared.

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Any people would be scared.

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I would be very scared too, when these two lights came down and the fright night began.

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Well, I'm not scared by a couple of lights, and as the shadows lengthen across the desert,

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the temperatures may be plummeting, but I'm just getting warmed up.

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Valdezzi's comrade, there on the night it all happened, Humberto Rocas, is already waiting for us,

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and I'm eager to hear what he has to say.

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So, Sean, this is Humberto Rojas Bellis?

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That's right.

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In recent years, Valdezzi himself has been reluctant to speak about his experience,

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but in Humberto, we have the next best thing.

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After his time in the military, he went on to have a career in the police spanning 30 years,

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and is considered as one of the most reliable remaining eyewitnesses.

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So, can you tell us what happened, what you did see that night?

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I was in the morning at about 3.30pm.

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A fire has appeared, right?

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Telling stories, singing, telling jokes to make the service more effective,

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and, therefore, the cold, which has been there suddenly.

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We heard a cry from one of the soldiers who was watching, Pedro Rosales.

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Humberto remembers running outside with his fellow soldiers

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to find a large, incredibly bright object moving around in the sky,

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about 600 metres up the valley from where they were stood.

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We took our hands off because we didn't know what it was.

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So, we all...

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All of us, all of us, right?

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Valdezzi asked the light, right, to be identified.

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In the name of God, to be identified.

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There was nothing, a total silence.

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At a certain moment, we didn't get caught up in Valdezzi,

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he left us in contact and he lost us.

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And that's when I practically lost the film,

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because they realized I disappeared before them.

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And then, after 15 minutes, they looked for me, called me,

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and they looked for me, and it was incredible, because 4 metres away,

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I couldn't get away from 50 metres without being seen.

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They looked for me, they didn't find me,

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they were waiting for me, they were terrorized,

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it was incredible, I disappeared,

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and I got there, just like this magic, to the place of the facts.

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It was practically something like I would have been betrayed

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by the light or something strange that was in front of me.

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The true version tells it, because I don't remember that.

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I was almost lost, in fact.

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How long has it been?

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Nobody can know, or even us, how long it really happened,

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when suddenly,

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Valdezzi fell,

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as Valdezzi, inside his state of shock,

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he cried and asked his mother, with his eyes disordered,

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and Valdezzi started to gossip,

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that they didn't know where they were,

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they didn't know where we were.

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Valdezzi's distraught state wasn't the only peculiar thing

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they noticed about him, once he reappeared.

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His clean-shaven face was now covered in several days of beard growth,

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and just as strange was the date on his digital watch

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that had jumped forward five whole days.

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Not one of the witnesses has ever been able to recall

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when the mysterious lights finally disappeared.

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So, I'm just going to ask, seeing what you saw,

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as it changes his opinion on other life forms

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in the universe.

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I think that if they were unidentified flying objects,

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I think that we are not alone in the galaxy.

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I think that one stays with that feeling of going forever,

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squandering the sky.

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Sat here under the desert sky,

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it's impossible not to get swept up in on Bertolt's account

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of what happened that night.

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As with any old campfire story,

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differences such as how long the encounter lasted

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have developed in witnesses' testimonies over time.

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But without doubt, much of the evidence remains compelling.

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What happened in those 15 minutes

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is what was in discussion.

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Bizarre phenomena of the kind experienced by Valdez

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are often associated with this most contentious side of ufology.

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One example of many is the case of Betty and Barney Hill,

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subjects of the first widely reported alien abduction

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in the USA in 1961.

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After seeing his cigar-shaped UFO while start driving,

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they awoke in their car to find their clothes ripped,

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their watchy stocked at the same time,

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and with no memory of the previous two hours.

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I do believe there is something to unburnt old story.

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It seems like a down-to-earth bloke,

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and it's clear something truly life-changing

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happened to him that fateful night in 1977.

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But with Valdez himself now keeping quiet

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in those crucial 15 minutes, we may never know the truth.

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One thing's for sure,

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as we spot a mysterious light in the night sky,

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that even 35 years on,

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Chile is still offering up mysteries for believers

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like me and Patricio.

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The colour now is just back to white,

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and it was changing to red and to green,

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but really bright red and really bright green,

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almost like when you see a plane.

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Well, in the first story, I mean,

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I thought we got something.

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It's different to what I saw years ago,

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because what I saw years ago was moving

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really a lot right across the sky.

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I've never seen anything like that before.

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I have never seen anything that I can explain,

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and I would really love to.

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I don't think I have seen that change of colour.

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So remarkable, but it's a star.

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I'm pretty sure that's a star.

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Yeah, it was just some mess with us, wasn't it?

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You can see why people would mistake that for some sort of UFO.

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It may have just been a star,

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but it's exciting to be in a country

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where many people's first instinct is to believe

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rather than disbelieve,

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and a timely reminder for me to keep my eyes on the sky

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for the rest of the trip.

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I'm Sean Ryder, in Chile, on a mission

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to get to the bottom of the country's most baffling UFO contact cases.

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I've already investigated two historic incidents

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in the country's arid north,

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and I'm beginning to think there could be more

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to some of Chile's UFO sightings and meets the eye.

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I'm back in the capital, Santiago,

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to examine an alien contact story

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that has circulated in Chile since the 1980s.

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It makes an incredible and nerve-in-clade

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that aliens aren't just visited, but are living here amongst us.

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We are living in a huge social circle

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of knowing that we are living with people from outside our galaxy

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who are different from us.

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The first reported contact from a mysterious group

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calling themselves the Friendship was in 1984.

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Ever since, rumours about an ethereal group of beings

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who live in secret on one of the thousands of remote islands

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in South Chile and who possess magical healing powers have persisted.

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I'm a bit skeptical, but I'm meeting Sergio Alacaya,

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who has spent 15 years investigating a case to find out more.

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So who do you think Friendship is?

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What do you think it is?

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I think that they are a scientific and religious community

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that have contact with extraterrestrial.

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This is my opinion and conclusion.

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Other people here tell us that there is a connection

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with the Friendship community and Nazis.

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And Nazis?

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And Nazis.

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One of the alternative theories about who the Friendship community could be

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is down to the influx of Germans and Italians

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who fled Europe after the Second World War.

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And though some believe that they are trying to rebuild

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the Third Reich in South Chile, Sergio isn't convinced.

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My personal conclusion is there is no connection,

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there is no any connection between Friendship and Nazis.

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Who do you think the Friendship are?

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They are humans who have contact with aliens.

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Yes.

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In Italy, the Amishisian community was formed just for extraterrestrials.

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But in 1978, the Amishisian community clashes with themselves.

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The majority of the aliens that belong to the good side of Friendship

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lost the battle.

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That aliens were able to mix with women in the earth.

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The human women bred with the aliens?

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Yes.

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Yes.

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So the sons of that aliens now are living in the south of Chile.

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They take part in the Friendship community.

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They are a mix between human and extraterrestrial.

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The driving factor for Sergio's belief that the Friendship community

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of extraterrestrial links is his relationship with Ernesto de la Fuente,

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an ordinary man with an extraordinary claim.

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Ernesto was one of the first people to contact the Friendship via radio

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and from the mid 1980s developed a close link with the island community.

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The relationship took an odd turn when after falling ill in Santiago,

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Ernesto visited a doctor and was given some shocking news.

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I saw his face, he was wearing.

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He said, can you see here, look here, look here, look here.

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You have cancer.

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I couldn't believe it.

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And I went home.

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And suddenly I found him in the radio.

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He just told me, come here.

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Maybe there is still time.

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And I went.

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Given just a matter of years to live, Ernesto made the arduous

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1000 mile journey to southern Chile where he was met by the Friendship people.

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They looked like they were pretending to be tall gringos with blond hair.

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The only strange thing was that they were taller than normal, all of them.

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While he slept, he was taken by boat to an island with just 14 inhabitants

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and he claims buildings containing mysterious airlock rooms.

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But when his treatment began, things became even more strange.

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The secret of all this is this.

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There's a small bottle, it's a liquid.

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It's a liquid with magnetic conditions.

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But if you don't believe procedures, we cannot do it.

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After agreeing to the treatment and believing the mysterious magnetic liquid had eradicated his cancer,

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Ernesto never saw out official medical confirmation.

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I was coward enough not to ask.

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If I had cancer, I would do it right now.

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Ernesto had been given just a few years to live, but some 27 years later,

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he still believes the treatment he received on that fateful trip in 1985 saved his life.

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He may not know where Friendship Island is, but carries a lasting memory of the people he met there.

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What I know is that what they call the Friendship people that were living in the island,

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the 14 of them, they don't get old.

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And they have a lot of qualities that we don't have.

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They don't talk in between each other, for example.

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They just do it with the mind.

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I believe that the Friendship people still in the island.

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Ernesto's story is pretty outlandish, but not knowing exactly where the island is

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hasn't stopped same handovers, thinking the Friendship community is still active.

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Sergio himself believes it's only a matter of time before we hear from them again.

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I have another information that the Friendship community is preparing for a contact between aliens and humans.

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Yeah.

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Yeah.

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Contact soon?

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Within the next 10 years?

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I think in a shorter time.

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Shorter time?

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In 10 years maybe.

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This case is our opportunity to show to the world that we are in contact with aliens.

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We still have these lights in the sky, one thing, but I have to admit I'm finding the idea that aliens are living amongst us

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a bit hard to swallow.

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I really would love this to be true, to be real.

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An island full of sophisticated people, intelligent people who can also cure cancer and contact aliens.

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But I don't think it's got anything to do with any UFOs, so I'm going to keep on looking.

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It's time to take stock of my trip so far.

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I came to Chile looking for science facts behind the country's alien contact cases, but it's rapidly starting to feel more like science fiction.

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What I need is a dose of real science to get me back on track, so I'm heading off to meet astronomer Lázacay Naiman to do just that.

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Hello.

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Hello.

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Pleased to meet you as well.

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Pleased to come over here.

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Láz works on the ALMA project, the most recent in a long line of pioneering telescopes that have been built high in the Atacama Desert

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to take advantage of the clearest skies anywhere on Earth.

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As the largest astronomical project currently in existence, ALMA will allow unparalleled views of the cosmos, and there's one question I'm dying to ask you.

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So is there any chance that telescopes can detect life out there?

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Well, telescopes can maybe detect the building blocks of life.

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Then if we ever could become sensitive enough to look at the atmosphere of the planets around the

other solar system,

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if we could for instance detect water or oxygen or ozone, which can hold so that there are actually life forms existing on those planets,

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one could have at least an indication that there are good possibilities for life to be there, but in the future that can certainly be possible.

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Though we can't yet see planets outside our solar system, there are other sophisticated ways of detecting them.

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So far, almost 3,000 have been found. This however is just a drop in the ocean.

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In 2012, NASA's Kepler satellite predicted our galaxy alone contains at least 17 billion Earth-sized planets.

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If just a fraction of these support life, the implications are mind-blowing.

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Life really in the universe should be pretty common.

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That's right, but so far we have not found life as it is. I mean, we have sent, you know, rovers and vehicles to Mars to try to find life.

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So far, radio astronomers have detected more than 140 different types of molecules, and some of them are quite complex.

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So carbon chains, molecules, sugars.

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Sugars?

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Sugars, yeah.

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What is the significance of finding sugar?

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It's a complex molecule, and it's also part of the building blocks of life, as we know it.

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And it's interesting to find out that this form is already out in space inside these molecular clouds, which will eventually make form stars and also, you know, discs and planets.

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So in some sense, we already have complex molecules existing before formation of planets.

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Do you believe that there's travel between the stars? You know, there's UFOs out there?

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Yeah, I know. Personally, I don't think so. The distance is between the stars are very, very large.

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I mean, our nearest star is four light-years away, so it takes light four years to travel here.

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And if we could ever build vehicles to travel at the speed of light, we would still spend a very long time to reach the nearest stars and stars beyond that.

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So I think...

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But this is a fabric, can't we just open it, pop through it and come out another part of the galaxy?

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Yeah, so far we have no indication really that we can do those things.

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Basically, it's very large distances between stars.

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But something out there flying about like this, that I've seen at incredible speeds, that's got to be, you know, millions of years in advanced technology.

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Surely they can open up fabric, you know, and zip through the...

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Possibly. I mean, this is speculation, so I mean, you don't really know.

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I mean, I've been spending more than 20 years here in Chile working on mountain tops looking at this guy.

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And I've never seen anything I couldn't explain, so it's...

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Should have come at Salford back in the 70s.

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Yeah.

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What's your gut feeling about life out there?

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Yeah, I find it hard to believe that we would be the only unique life form in the whole universe when we have, you know, so many planets that's been discovered and also, you know, with all the molecules in interstellar space.

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So I think it's very likely that we will eventually find life on other planets.

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In my lifetime, I hope.

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Yes, you'll never know.

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Lars has dedicated his life to studying the universe, so it's great to earn him confirming that the

probability of extraterrestrial life is so high.

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All right, so we might disagree on a few cosmic principles, but my trip is back on track.

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I'm feeling inspired to follow his lead and turn my gaze back to the stars.

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I'm in Chile trying to shed light on the country's most famous alien contact cases, but with my trip almost up and as yet no clear answers, I'm taking the chance to reassess the obsession that led me here in the first place.

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Here, I'm strong.

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We got our first colour television for the moon landing.

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We're putting 10 pence's in the back of it.

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So it's thanks to Neil that we got a colour teller.

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The pictures are just black and white.

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I think we was the only one on Earth's street that had it.

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Ever since the Saudi images have been taken from space as a kid, I wondered if there could be someone out there watching us, and those lights have both suffered as far as a teenager, just confirm what I've long suspected.

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I've realised if my time here is going to end with a bang, I need to go back to basics, sky-watching.

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I'm meeting up again with Antonio Humneus and travelling five hours south to Lake Colburn, one of Chile's zones calientes.

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We're meeting a research party organised by Rodriguez Fundalida, the director of Chile's leading civilian UFO group Aion.

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Thanks for being here.

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It's good.

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As a country's highest profile ufologist, I'm in good hands for my last throw at the intergalactic dice.

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It's a more bigger, grander version than the Lake District.

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This is one of the epicenters of UFOs.

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Yeah, epicenters of UFOs.

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You've got a chance.

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Maybe they come here for water.

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Yes, over the lake, over the mountain, inside the lake.

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Inside the lake, yes.

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Do you have any thoughts on what they are doing here?

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Ten years ago there was a blackout in this whole area.

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If the people see UFOs over the central hydroelectric plant.

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Yeah, there's a hydroelectric plant.

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Okay.

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Nearby.

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What do you think the UFOs are doing with the electrics?

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Stealing the electric?

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Err, yes.

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There's a lot of plasma being released in a hydroelectric plant.

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Yeah, there's a relationship.

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I think that with that they take it as a propulsion system.

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So you think that they need that to feed their propulsion systems?

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How do they take it?

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The people see the UFOs over the central, over the plant.

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Over the plant?

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Under the plant.

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Yeah.

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As a result of this phenomenon, people start calling the local UFOs here like light stealers.

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Stealing light robbers.

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Okay, yeah, yeah.

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He has cases where up to 30 people were seen including policemen.

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Wow.

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Cops run away.

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Yeah, yeah, yeah.

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I'm not about to make a dash for it.

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Even though by the sound of it we could have more than just these light stealers to consent with.

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His own team four years ago they saw three UFOs over the lake.

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Five meters in diameter.

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Oh, about five meters in diameter.

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The first appear in the mountain range.

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Uh-huh.

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The other UFOs appear.

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They had seen on that previous night a UFO hovering flying right over the top of the trees and it even burned the top of the trees.

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Illuminate all the sector.

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That was the sphere and it lit the whole sector.

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The intensity of the light.

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It's changing.

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Boom, boom.

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And moving.

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Moving.

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It came up fast.

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And then boom, boom, boom.

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With all the UFO sightings reported here, it's difficult to believe we won't see something in the skies this evening.

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I'm really excited about tonight.

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I can't wait for it to get dark so we can set up all the stuff and hope for something to happen.

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Rodrigo's team moves in to set up the monitoring equipment and cameras which will record any unusual activity in the sky overnight.

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As the sun sets all that's left for us to do is wait.

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How we doing guys?

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We managed to...

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We managed to get something together.

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But it soon becomes apparent there's a problem.

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So our experts have set their equipment up but they forgot some of the crucial parts.

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So it's a bit of an anticlimax really because we're not really going to get anything.

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I'm not an eyed.

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I mean I'm just...

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I was excited and now we're getting the sweet fanny adams.

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I wanted to get up in the morning and run through like nine hours of footage.

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And now I'm going to get nine hours of fuck all.

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With the equipment not working, the night feels like a dead loss.

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A pointless 250 mile trip to the middle of nowhere.

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But we're on the verge of packing up and heading back to Santiago when I'm called in to look at a photo,

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pan show one of the film crew has just taken.

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Nothing can prepare me for what I'm about to see.

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Oh yeah, oh god, what is that?

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You can see it?

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Uh huh.

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You see how like a head...

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Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah.

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It's making that room, isn't it?

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Like that.

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You know.

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You couldn't see that with the naked eye, could you see?

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I mean I didn't see it.

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No, she didn't start it bro.

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No.

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You see UFO, hold that.

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I have been taking pictures to the sky long time and never see something like this.

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I think it's a UFO too.

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This is it. The reason I made the trip, proof of an actual UFO,

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even worried my non-believing manager is visibly shaken by what pan show has captured.

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We're skeptics, but no, he just brings the scene.

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It's definitely...

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movie.

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With one who's still not quite sure,

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we quickly check out the camera to rule out a dammy's lens.

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I was just taking a picture.

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I think there's a thing in the frame.

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That's what he's doing.

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Doesn't look right.

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Nothing.

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Nothing, nothing.

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I can't look fine.

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Yes?

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Yes.

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What an impan show might have taken a bit of convincing,

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but to me it's common sense that there's life elsewhere in the universe.

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You know how old the galaxy is.

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Billions of years old.

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We're all at different stages and for God knows why these people,

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these things don't come down and say we're here.

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Who knows why they don't know that?

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We can't even comprehend a civilization

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that's a million years in advance than us.

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Of course these things flying about that we do not understand

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and won't.

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But that's why we're here.

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We want you to find out more about it.

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We want to find out more.

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We want to make people come through.

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Well, no, it's actually not that.

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It's I want you to find out more about it.

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I'm not doing this for me.

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I'm doing this for everybody out there that's like you.

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Because then we can only move on.

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It's a species.

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It's a mass of consciousness.

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We are a UFO.

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What else could that be?

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I waited 35 years to experience the excitement I felt

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during my first UFO encounter.

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Tonight makes my journey to the other side of the planet

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feel well worth the effort.

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To me this is another sign that life exists out there in the universe.

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But many remain skeptical.

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We once thought the Earth was flat.

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Perhaps it'll take a similar sea change in our collective consciousness

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for humans to accept that we're not alone.

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One thing's for sure.

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Seeing is believing.

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And to be convinced maybe we all just need our own personal UFO experience.