

SOMEWHERE IN THE SKIES

WITH RYAN SPRAGUE



1948

1
00:00:04,220 --> 00:00:02,419
hey guys Ryan sprek here as you all know

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00:00:06,980 --> 00:00:04,230
this somewhere in the skies podcast is

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00:00:09,530 --> 00:00:06,990
always free to consume but it isn't free

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00:00:11,419 --> 00:00:09,540
to create that's why I've started this

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00:00:14,150 --> 00:00:11,429
somewhere in the skies patreon campaign

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00:00:16,010 --> 00:00:14,160
on a monthly basis you give what you

7
00:00:18,830 --> 00:00:16,020
think the show is worth you'll be

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00:00:21,349 --> 00:00:18,840
helping the show continue grow and to be

9
00:00:23,509 --> 00:00:21,359
something truly communal and remember

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00:00:25,609 --> 00:00:23,519
there are rewards for each level of

11
00:00:28,160 --> 00:00:25,619
contribution and the list is only

12
00:00:30,529 --> 00:00:28,170
growing so please help somewhere in the

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00:00:37,810 --> 00:00:30,539

skies now by becoming a patron to

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00:01:19,120 --> 00:00:40,350

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00:01:23,090 --> 00:01:19,130

[Music]

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00:01:25,460 --> 00:01:23,100

it was the night of October 1st 1948

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00:01:27,800 --> 00:01:25,470

lieutenant George F Gorman was a member

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00:01:29,749 --> 00:01:27,810

of the North Dakota Air National Guard

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00:01:32,210 --> 00:01:29,759

and upon returning to Hector Airport

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00:01:34,940 --> 00:01:32,220

from a cross-country flight with his

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00:01:37,580 --> 00:01:34,950

squadron he decided to keep his f51

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00:01:40,310 --> 00:01:37,590

Mustang in the air to log some flight

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00:01:42,490 --> 00:01:40,320

hours as he prepared to land the air

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00:01:44,900 --> 00:01:42,500

traffic control tower at Hector Airport

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00:01:48,020 --> 00:01:44,910

advised him that there was another

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00:01:50,690 --> 00:01:48,030

aircraft below him specifically a Piper

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00:01:52,880 --> 00:01:50,700

Cub lieutenant Gorman acknowledged and

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00:01:55,100 --> 00:01:52,890

saw the plane about 500 feet below him

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00:01:57,440 --> 00:01:55,110

soon after he saw something else

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00:02:00,260 --> 00:01:57,450

resembling the tail light of another

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00:02:02,450 --> 00:02:00,270

aircraft quickly passing by him to his

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00:02:04,730 --> 00:02:02,460

right alerting the control tower to the

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00:02:07,249 --> 00:02:04,740

second aircraft the tower radioed back

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00:02:09,850 --> 00:02:07,259

saying there is no others in the

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00:02:11,690 --> 00:02:09,860

vicinity except for the Piper Cub

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00:02:14,030 --> 00:02:11,700

wanting to investigate further

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00:02:16,430 --> 00:02:14,040

lieutenant Gorman radio the tower to let

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00:02:18,979 --> 00:02:16,440

them know of his intentions and he

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00:02:21,140 --> 00:02:18,989

pursued the object upon approaching

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00:02:23,120 --> 00:02:21,150

within a thousand yards of the object

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00:02:25,670 --> 00:02:23,130

lieutenant Gorman estimated that the

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00:02:28,250 --> 00:02:25,680

lighted object was small about six to

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00:02:30,650 --> 00:02:28,260

eight inches in diameter but although

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00:02:32,660 --> 00:02:30,660

small what happened next is best

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00:02:35,479 --> 00:02:32,670

described by lieutenant Gorman's own

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00:02:38,000 --> 00:02:35,489

words quote it was about six to eight

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00:02:40,370 --> 00:02:38,010

inches in diameter clear white and

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00:02:43,340 --> 00:02:40,380

completely round without fuss at the

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00:02:45,050 --> 00:02:43,350

edges it was blinking on and off as I

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00:02:47,360 --> 00:02:45,060

approached however the light suddenly

51
00:02:49,699 --> 00:02:47,370
became steady and pulled into a sharp

52
00:02:52,130 --> 00:02:49,709
left bank I thought it was making a pass

53
00:02:54,590 --> 00:02:52,140
at the tower I dived after it and

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00:02:56,569 --> 00:02:54,600
brought my manifold pressure up to sixty

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00:02:59,060 --> 00:02:56,579
inches but I couldn't catch up with this

56
00:03:02,030 --> 00:02:59,070
thing it started gaining altitude and

57
00:03:03,949 --> 00:03:02,040
again made a left bank I put my plane

58
00:03:06,470 --> 00:03:03,959
into a sharp turn and tried to cut the

59
00:03:08,690 --> 00:03:06,480
light off and its turn suddenly it made

60
00:03:10,970 --> 00:03:08,700
a sharp right turn and had it straight

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00:03:13,819 --> 00:03:10,980
at me just when I thought we were going

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00:03:16,309 --> 00:03:13,829
to collide I guess I got scared I went

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00:03:17,160 --> 00:03:16,319

into a dive and the light passed over my

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00:03:20,580 --> 00:03:17,170

canopy

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00:03:22,770 --> 00:03:20,590

at about 500 feet end quote immediately

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00:03:25,110 --> 00:03:22,780

following this near miss lieutenant

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00:03:27,059 --> 00:03:25,120

Gorman said he made a sharp turn to

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00:03:29,430 --> 00:03:27,069

continue his pursuit at which point the

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00:03:32,550 --> 00:03:29,440

object was again heading straight for

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00:03:33,930 --> 00:03:32,560

him on another collision course just

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00:03:36,090 --> 00:03:33,940

when it appeared that they would collide

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00:03:38,490 --> 00:03:36,100

again lieutenant Gorman said the object

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00:03:40,920 --> 00:03:38,500

shot straight into a steep climb and

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00:03:43,229 --> 00:03:40,930

disappeared wanting to continue his

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00:03:46,020 --> 00:03:43,239

pursuit lieutenant Gorman pulled his

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00:03:48,479 --> 00:03:46,030
Mustang into a climb but it stalled and

77
00:03:51,360 --> 00:03:48,489
so he returned to the airport

78
00:03:53,699 --> 00:03:51,370
he was so disturbed and shaken by what

79
00:03:55,650 --> 00:03:53,709
had just happened that despite being a

80
00:03:58,440 --> 00:03:55,660
veteran pilot and flight instructor

81
00:04:01,500 --> 00:03:58,450
during World War two he had difficulty

82
00:04:03,300 --> 00:04:01,510
landing his airplane upon reporting the

83
00:04:05,610 --> 00:04:03,310
incident many believed that what

84
00:04:08,759 --> 00:04:05,620
lieutenant Gorman witnessed was either a

85
00:04:11,699 --> 00:04:08,769
light balloon or even an optical

86
00:04:13,830 --> 00:04:11,709
illusion but these explanations would be

87
00:04:16,140 --> 00:04:13,840
challenged by at least three core

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00:04:18,390 --> 00:04:16,150

operators which included the chief of

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00:04:21,479 --> 00:04:18,400

the air traffic control tower at Hector

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00:04:24,779 --> 00:04:21,489

Airport as well as two men in the Piper

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00:04:28,860 --> 00:04:24,789

Cub they all saw most of this so-called

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00:04:31,110 --> 00:04:28,870

dogfight through their binoculars for 27

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00:04:32,969 --> 00:04:31,120

hair-raising minutes lieutenant Gorman

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00:04:36,330 --> 00:04:32,979

pursued the light through a series of

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00:04:38,760 --> 00:04:36,340

intricate maneuvers and with that the

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00:04:40,760 --> 00:04:38,770

case of lieutenant Gorman came to a

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00:04:46,230 --> 00:04:40,770

screeching halt

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00:04:49,890 --> 00:04:46,240

on July 24th 1948 pilots Clarence s

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00:04:52,400 --> 00:04:49,900

childs and John B witted took off from

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00:04:55,950 --> 00:04:52,410

Houston Texas in an Eastern Airlines

101
00:04:58,680 --> 00:04:55,960
dc-3 around 8:00 p.m. with 20 passengers

102
00:05:01,170 --> 00:04:58,690
on board both pilots had a wealth of

103
00:05:03,210 --> 00:05:01,180
flying experience from wartime military

104
00:05:05,700 --> 00:05:03,220
flying duty to commercial flight

105
00:05:08,610 --> 00:05:05,710
experience for Eastern Airlines and

106
00:05:11,460 --> 00:05:08,620
around 2:45 a.m. roughly 20 miles

107
00:05:14,790 --> 00:05:11,470
outside of Montgomery Alabama and at an

108
00:05:17,100 --> 00:05:14,800
altitude of about 5,000 feet both pilots

109
00:05:19,469 --> 00:05:17,110
witnessed an object ahead of them that

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00:05:21,810 --> 00:05:19,479
they first believed was a jet that was

111
00:05:23,909 --> 00:05:21,820
heading toward them rapidly at about the

112
00:05:26,100 --> 00:05:23,919
same altitude and passed by their

113
00:05:26,860 --> 00:05:26,110

starboard wing at a distance of at least

114

00:05:28,840 --> 00:05:26,870

those

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00:05:30,610 --> 00:05:28,850

feet although the pilots gave differing

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00:05:33,790 --> 00:05:30,620

distances in which the object passed

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00:05:37,210 --> 00:05:33,800

both agreed that whatever it was it was

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00:05:39,790 --> 00:05:37,220

definitely some sort of aircraft they

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00:05:42,250 --> 00:05:39,800

described it as cylindrical having no

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00:05:45,010 --> 00:05:42,260

appendage or wings and featured two rows

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00:05:47,410 --> 00:05:45,020

of brightly lit windows or some other

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00:05:50,860 --> 00:05:47,420

kind of portals that one pilot described

123

00:05:53,440 --> 00:05:50,870

as looking like burning magnesium the

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00:05:55,750 --> 00:05:53,450

pilots also described the supposed nose

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00:05:58,390 --> 00:05:55,760

of the aircraft which was pointed and

126

00:06:01,690 --> 00:05:58,400

along the underside of the craft it

127

00:06:03,790 --> 00:06:01,700

emitted some sort of bluish glow child's

128

00:06:06,490 --> 00:06:03,800

turned the dc-3 sharply to the left

129

00:06:09,160 --> 00:06:06,500

before the craft passed them and as it

130

00:06:11,020 --> 00:06:09,170

did their plane allegedly experienced a

131

00:06:13,630 --> 00:06:11,030

bit of turbulence as though the craft

132

00:06:15,790 --> 00:06:13,640

produced some sort of wake as child's

133

00:06:17,950 --> 00:06:15,800

was turning the plane with it was the

134

00:06:20,530 --> 00:06:17,960

only one still able to observe the craft

135

00:06:21,910 --> 00:06:20,540

as it passed on the right side he looked

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00:06:24,310 --> 00:06:21,920

behind them in time to see the

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00:06:27,820 --> 00:06:24,320

mysterious craft make a sharper scent

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00:06:30,310 --> 00:06:27,830

and then disappear out of sight this

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00:06:33,430 --> 00:06:30,320

encounter drew considerable attention

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00:06:35,860 --> 00:06:33,440

both public and military and sparked

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00:06:37,990 --> 00:06:35,870

much debate about the validity of their

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00:06:39,970 --> 00:06:38,000

claims the morning after the incident

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00:06:42,730 --> 00:06:39,980

childs and witted reported their

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00:06:45,190 --> 00:06:42,740

observations to local reporters as well

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00:06:46,930 --> 00:06:45,200

as the United States Air Force while the

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00:06:49,600 --> 00:06:46,940

news reported the pilots encounter in

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00:06:51,790 --> 00:06:49,610

local newspapers the Air Force prepared

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00:06:53,790 --> 00:06:51,800

an estimate of the situation which

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00:06:56,590 --> 00:06:53,800

despite being classified as top secret

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00:06:59,670 --> 00:06:56,600

allegedly reported the UFO in the

151

00:07:02,530 --> 00:06:59,680

child's witted case as being

152

00:07:04,030 --> 00:07:02,540

interplanetary nonetheless the very fact

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00:07:07,120 --> 00:07:04,040

that this encounter was taken so

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00:07:09,760 --> 00:07:07,130

seriously by military intelligence leads

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00:07:11,920 --> 00:07:09,770

one to believe that this case was in

156

00:07:14,200 --> 00:07:11,930

fact a very significant one that

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00:07:19,780 --> 00:07:14,210

received considerable attention from the

158

00:07:23,200 --> 00:07:19,790

Air Force perhaps the most dramatic UFO

159

00:07:23,920 --> 00:07:23,210

event of 1948 was that of Captain Thomas

160

00:07:26,200 --> 00:07:23,930

Mantell

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00:07:31,210 --> 00:07:26,210

an experienced pilot with a flight

162

00:07:34,480 --> 00:07:31,220

history that consisted of 2167 hours in

163

00:07:36,610 --> 00:07:34,490

the air and numerous honors for his part

164

00:07:40,330 --> 00:07:36,620

in the Battle of Normandy during

165

00:07:43,180 --> 00:07:40,340

world war 2 on January 7th Godman field

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00:07:45,640 --> 00:07:43,190

at Fort Knox Kentucky received a report

167

00:07:48,400 --> 00:07:45,650

from the Kentucky Highway Patrol of an

168

00:07:51,219 --> 00:07:48,410

unusual aerial object near Maysville

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00:07:53,950 --> 00:07:51,229

Kentucky at about 1:45 p.m.

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00:07:55,510 --> 00:07:53,960

sergeant Quintin Blackwell saw an object

171

00:07:57,969 --> 00:07:55,520

from his position in the control tower

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00:08:00,430 --> 00:07:57,979

at Fort Knox the other witnesses in the

173

00:08:02,800 --> 00:08:00,440

tower also reported a white object in

174

00:08:05,409 --> 00:08:02,810

the distance base commander Colonel Guy

175

00:08:08,650 --> 00:08:05,419

Hicks reported an object as he described

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00:08:11,350 --> 00:08:08,660

as very white and about 1/4 the size of

177

00:08:12,909 --> 00:08:11,360

the full moon through binoculars it

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00:08:15,040 --> 00:08:12,919

appeared to have a red border at the

179

00:08:17,860 --> 00:08:15,050

bottom it remains stationary seemingly

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00:08:20,260 --> 00:08:17,870

for one and a half hours observers at

181

00:08:22,210 --> 00:08:20,270

Clinton County Army Airfield in Ohio

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00:08:24,279 --> 00:08:22,220

described the object as having the

183

00:08:27,340 --> 00:08:24,289

appearance of a flaming red cone

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00:08:30,040 --> 00:08:27,350

trailing a gaseous green mist and

185

00:08:34,810 --> 00:08:30,050

observed the object for about 35 minutes

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00:08:36,490 --> 00:08:34,820

for p-51 Mustangs of C flight the 165th

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00:08:40,120 --> 00:08:36,500

Fighter Squadron Kentucky Air National

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00:08:42,100 --> 00:08:40,130

Guard were already in the air one pilot

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00:08:45,130 --> 00:08:42,110

by Mantell they were asked to

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00:08:46,840 --> 00:08:45,140

investigate this object Blackwell was in

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00:08:49,420 --> 00:08:46,850

constant radio communication with the

192

00:08:51,730 --> 00:08:49,430

pilots throughout the entire event one

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00:08:54,160 --> 00:08:51,740

pilots Mustang was low on fuel and he

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00:08:56,380 --> 00:08:54,170

quickly abandoned his efforts the other

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00:08:58,480 --> 00:08:56,390

two pilots accompanied Mantell in steep

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00:09:01,030 --> 00:08:58,490

pursuit of the object they later

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00:09:03,400 --> 00:09:01,040

reported what they saw but described it

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00:09:06,610 --> 00:09:03,410

as so small and indistinct that they

199

00:09:08,410 --> 00:09:06,620

could not identify it meant L ignored

200

00:09:10,780 --> 00:09:08,420

suggestions that the pilot should level

201
00:09:13,780 --> 00:09:10,790
their altitude and tried to get a more

202
00:09:16,180 --> 00:09:13,790
clear observation of the object only

203
00:09:18,699 --> 00:09:16,190
what a man tells companions lieutenant

204
00:09:21,880 --> 00:09:18,709
Albert Clements had an oxygen mask and

205
00:09:23,560 --> 00:09:21,890
his oxygen was in low supply Clemens and

206
00:09:28,180 --> 00:09:23,570
lieutenant Hammond called off their

207
00:09:30,880 --> 00:09:28,190
pursuit at 22,500 feet meant L continued

208
00:09:32,500 --> 00:09:30,890
to climb however as he neared the object

209
00:09:34,540 --> 00:09:32,510
he reported to blackwell

210
00:09:37,150 --> 00:09:34,550
back on the ground that the object

211
00:09:39,430 --> 00:09:37,160
looked metallic and was tremendous in

212
00:09:41,199 --> 00:09:39,440
size as meant L began to round the

213
00:09:43,420 --> 00:09:41,209

object to get a better look it was

214

00:09:46,140 --> 00:09:43,430

reported that he told Blackwell he'd

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00:09:49,040 --> 00:09:46,150

seen people inside the OP

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00:09:51,360 --> 00:09:49,050

but before any clear identification or

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00:09:53,850 --> 00:09:51,370

clarification on this transmission could

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00:09:56,880 --> 00:09:53,860

be made men-tel's communication when

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00:09:59,730 --> 00:09:56,890

completely dead it is thought that

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00:10:02,370 --> 00:09:59,740

around an altitude of 25,000 feet meant

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00:10:05,010 --> 00:10:02,380

L had blacked out from a lack of oxygen

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00:10:06,540 --> 00:10:05,020

and his plane began spiraling back

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00:10:08,460 --> 00:10:06,550

towards the ground

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00:10:11,790 --> 00:10:08,470

a witness later reported man tells

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00:10:14,100 --> 00:10:11,800

Mustang and a circling descent his plane

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00:10:16,290 --> 00:10:14,110

crashed at a farm south of Franklin

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00:10:19,320 --> 00:10:16,300

Kentucky on the Tennessee Kentucky

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00:10:21,420 --> 00:10:19,330

border state line firemen were later

229

00:10:23,790 --> 00:10:21,430

able to pull Mantle's body from the

230

00:10:27,420 --> 00:10:23,800

Mustangs wreckage his wristwatch had

231

00:10:31,680 --> 00:10:27,430

stopped at 3:18 p.m. the time of the

232

00:10:34,500 --> 00:10:31,690

crash meanwhile by 3:50 p.m. the UFO was

233

00:10:37,860 --> 00:10:34,510

no longer visible to observers at Godman

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00:10:40,770 --> 00:10:37,870

field the Mantell incident was reported

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00:10:43,050 --> 00:10:40,780

by newspapers around the nation and

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00:10:47,310 --> 00:10:43,060

received significant news media

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00:10:49,830 --> 00:10:47,320

attention with UFO reports coming in at

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00:10:51,840 --> 00:10:49,840

an alarming rate it was clear that

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00:10:53,850 --> 00:10:51,850

something had to be done

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00:10:56,430 --> 00:10:53,860

these just weren't lights in the sky

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00:10:59,880 --> 00:10:56,440

being observed for civilians in remote

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00:11:01,980 --> 00:10:59,890

areas these were experienced aviators

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00:11:05,160 --> 00:11:01,990

who witnessed objects that defied all

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00:11:07,020 --> 00:11:05,170

known technology at the time and were

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00:11:10,050 --> 00:11:07,030

threatening their aircraft in the most

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00:11:13,020 --> 00:11:10,060

sensitive of ways and the Air Force was

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00:11:15,510 --> 00:11:13,030

it going to let this go lately something

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00:11:17,820 --> 00:11:15,520

had to be done and the American public

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00:11:21,780 --> 00:11:17,830

needed to know that their skies were

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00:11:23,670 --> 00:11:21,790

safe but were they truly if there was

251
00:11:26,700 --> 00:11:23,680
anything the Air Force was good at it

252
00:11:29,730 --> 00:11:26,710
was protecting our skies but as we'd

253
00:11:32,340 --> 00:11:29,740
soon learn they were also very good at

254
00:11:34,050 --> 00:11:32,350
keeping secrets they began to call in

255
00:11:37,760 --> 00:11:34,060
members of the military and the

256
00:11:40,350 --> 00:11:37,770
astronomical fields to investigate UFOs

257
00:11:43,310 --> 00:11:40,360
compiling a stunning amount of cases

258
00:11:47,310 --> 00:11:43,320
that had no simple or prosaic

259
00:11:50,640 --> 00:11:47,320
explanations and in 1948 project sign

260
00:11:53,730 --> 00:11:50,650
was born and with that would come the

261
00:11:55,800 --> 00:11:53,740
official investigation of UFOs by the

262
00:11:58,450 --> 00:11:55,810
United States Air Force and would

263
00:12:01,720 --> 00:11:58,460

ultimately become what we best know

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00:12:04,390 --> 00:12:01,730

this project I'm here to discuss the

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00:12:06,700 --> 00:12:04,400

so-called flying saucers the air force

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00:12:09,990 --> 00:12:06,710

interest in this problem has been due to

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00:12:12,970 --> 00:12:10,000

our feeling of an obligation to identify

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00:12:15,910 --> 00:12:12,980

and analyze to the best of our ability

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00:12:18,610 --> 00:12:15,920

anything in the air that may have the

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00:12:20,500 --> 00:12:18,620

possibility of threat or menace to the

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00:12:24,280 --> 00:12:20,510

United States in pursuit of this

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00:12:26,350 --> 00:12:24,290

obligation since 1947 we have received

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00:12:28,810 --> 00:12:26,360

and analyzed between one and two

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00:12:31,720 --> 00:12:28,820

thousand reports that it come to us from

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00:12:34,600 --> 00:12:31,730

all kinds of sources of this great mass

276
00:12:37,800 --> 00:12:34,610
of reports we have been able adequately

277
00:12:40,270 --> 00:12:37,810
to explain the great bulk of them

278
00:12:43,020 --> 00:12:40,280
explain them to our own satisfaction

279
00:12:45,700 --> 00:12:43,030
we've been able to explain them as

280
00:12:49,860 --> 00:12:45,710
hoaxes as erroneously identified

281
00:12:52,930 --> 00:12:49,870
friendly aircraft as meteorological or

282
00:12:55,120 --> 00:12:52,940
electronic phenomena or as light

283
00:12:57,370 --> 00:12:55,130
aberration however there have been a

284
00:12:59,470 --> 00:12:57,380
certain percentage of this volume of

285
00:13:02,410 --> 00:12:59,480
reports that have been made by credible

286
00:13:05,350 --> 00:13:02,420
observers of relatively incredible

287
00:13:08,430 --> 00:13:05,360
things it is this group of observations

288
00:13:11,050 --> 00:13:08,440

that we now are attempting to resolve

289

00:13:14,200 --> 00:13:11,060

our basic difficulty in dealing with

290

00:13:17,500 --> 00:13:14,210

these is that there is no measurement of

291

00:13:19,870 --> 00:13:17,510

them that makes it possible for us to

292

00:13:24,250 --> 00:13:19,880

put them in any pattern that would be

293

00:13:26,560 --> 00:13:24,260

profitable for a deliberate custom sort

294

00:13:29,020 --> 00:13:26,570

of analysis to take the next step we

295

00:13:31,360 --> 00:13:29,030

have as a date come to only one firm

296

00:13:34,240 --> 00:13:31,370

conclusion with respect to this

297

00:13:36,970 --> 00:13:34,250

remaining percentage and that is that it

298

00:13:40,480 --> 00:13:36,980

does not contain any pattern of purpose

299

00:13:43,120 --> 00:13:40,490

or of consistency that we can relate

300

00:13:45,820 --> 00:13:43,130

within it to any conceivable threat to

301
00:13:48,370 --> 00:13:45,830
the United States we can say that the

302
00:13:51,700 --> 00:13:48,380
recent sightings are in no way connected

303
00:13:54,400 --> 00:13:51,710
with any secret development by any

304
00:13:58,240 --> 00:13:54,410
agency of the United States Project Blue

305
00:14:02,380 --> 00:13:58,250
Book was officially terminated in 1969

306
00:14:04,930 --> 00:14:02,390
compiling over 12,000 600 UFO reports

307
00:14:05,680 --> 00:14:04,940
these reports were given to the content

308
00:14:07,990 --> 00:14:05,690
committee

309
00:14:12,190 --> 00:14:08,000
a group funded by the United States Air

310
00:14:14,230 --> 00:14:12,200
Force from 1966 to 1968 at the

311
00:14:16,450 --> 00:14:14,240
University of Colorado to study

312
00:14:19,810 --> 00:14:16,460
unidentified flying objects under the

313
00:14:22,110 --> 00:14:19,820

direction of physicist Edward Condon the

314

00:14:24,790 --> 00:14:22,120
result of its work formerly titled

315

00:14:28,810 --> 00:14:24,800
scientific study of unidentified flying

316

00:14:31,420 --> 00:14:28,820
objects concluded that no UFO reported

317

00:14:34,330 --> 00:14:31,430
investigated and evaluated by the US Air

318

00:14:36,730 --> 00:14:34,340
Force was ever an indication of threat

319

00:14:39,010 --> 00:14:36,740
to our national security there was no

320

00:14:41,500 --> 00:14:39,020
evidence submitted to or discovered by

321

00:14:43,600 --> 00:14:41,510
the Air Force that sightings categorized

322

00:14:46,060 --> 00:14:43,610
as unidentified represented

323

00:14:48,280 --> 00:14:46,070
technological developments or principles

324

00:14:50,560 --> 00:14:48,290
beyond the range of modern scientific

325

00:14:53,050 --> 00:14:50,570
knowledge and there was no evidence

326

00:14:55,660 --> 00:14:53,060

indicating that sightings categorized as

327

00:14:58,660 --> 00:14:55,670

unidentified or extraterrestrial

328

00:15:00,910 --> 00:14:58,670

vehicles and with that the United States

329

00:15:02,830 --> 00:15:00,920

Air Force in conjunction with the US

330

00:15:05,230 --> 00:15:02,840

government as a whole announced that

331

00:15:07,600 --> 00:15:05,240

UFOs would no longer officially be

332

00:15:11,440 --> 00:15:07,610

investigated by any military branch or

333

00:15:14,560 --> 00:15:11,450

governmental agency but as we know now

334

00:15:16,930 --> 00:15:14,570

that certainly wasn't true the Pentagon

335

00:15:18,850 --> 00:15:16,940

has been keeping track or trying to of

336

00:15:20,650 --> 00:15:18,860

the type of aircraft that don't take off

337

00:15:23,470 --> 00:15:20,660

and land from conventional airports

338

00:15:26,890 --> 00:15:23,480

we're talking about unidentified flying

339

00:15:29,140 --> 00:15:26,900

objects UFOs correspondent Garrett Tenny

340

00:15:31,090 --> 00:15:29,150

is here with more on this program could

341

00:15:33,460 --> 00:15:31,100

even care yeah Brett good evening to you

342

00:15:35,590 --> 00:15:33,470

we may not know if aliens exist but it

343

00:15:37,300 --> 00:15:35,600

turns out our government had a special

344

00:15:39,880 --> 00:15:37,310

team of UFO Hunters that was trying to

345

00:15:42,340 --> 00:15:39,890

find out the Pentagon now confirms the

346

00:15:43,840 --> 00:15:42,350

existence of a secret of UFO program

347

00:15:47,080 --> 00:15:43,850

tasked with investigating reports of

348

00:15:49,420 --> 00:15:47,090

unidentified flying objects the advanced

349

00:15:52,480 --> 00:15:49,430

aviation threat identification program

350

00:15:54,460 --> 00:15:52,490

was created in 2007 at the urging of n

351
00:15:56,650 --> 00:15:54,470
Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid and

352
00:15:58,000 --> 00:15:56,660
over the next five years the program

353
00:15:59,890 --> 00:15:58,010
received more than twenty million

354
00:16:01,570 --> 00:15:59,900
dollars for its work which included

355
00:16:03,850 --> 00:16:01,580
analyzing a variety of aeronautics

356
00:16:06,160 --> 00:16:03,860
threats ranging from what could be our

357
00:16:08,260 --> 00:16:06,170
adversaries next-generation aircraft to

358
00:16:10,150 --> 00:16:08,270
reports from military pilots of

359
00:16:12,040 --> 00:16:10,160
encounters with unknown objects now the

360
00:16:13,900 --> 00:16:12,050
Pentagon tells us the program ended in

361
00:16:16,840 --> 00:16:13,910
2012 when officials determined there

362
00:16:18,329 --> 00:16:16,850
were other higher priority issues but

363
00:16:20,699 --> 00:16:18,339

the program's former director

364

00:16:22,499 --> 00:16:20,709

resigned in October says it was only the

365

00:16:24,569 --> 00:16:22,509

funding that ended in that over the last

366

00:16:27,090 --> 00:16:24,579

five years the program has continued

367

00:16:28,619 --> 00:16:27,100

investigating incidents alongside their

368

00:16:30,030 --> 00:16:28,629

new responsibilities up front now the

369

00:16:31,470 --> 00:16:30,040

former Pentagon military official who

370

00:16:34,079 --> 00:16:31,480

ran the covert government program up

371

00:16:35,999 --> 00:16:34,089

until this last November Luise Elizondo

372

00:16:38,489 --> 00:16:36,009

you know mr. Burnett I have to admit to

373

00:16:40,110 --> 00:16:38,499

you when when I ran this program I was

374

00:16:42,059 --> 00:16:40,120

fundamentally looking at my colleagues

375

00:16:43,139 --> 00:16:42,069

looking at two things yeah what is it

376

00:16:44,879 --> 00:16:43,149

and how does it work

377

00:16:46,530 --> 00:16:44,889

we have deliberately stayed away from

378

00:16:47,759 --> 00:16:46,540

going down the rabbit hole of who's

379

00:16:50,460 --> 00:16:47,769

behind the wheel and what are their

380

00:16:52,590 --> 00:16:50,470

intentions because that a lot of people

381

00:16:54,150 --> 00:16:52,600

have a lot of feelings towards that and

382

00:16:56,249 --> 00:16:54,160

and are very emotional about that and

383

00:16:57,689 --> 00:16:56,259

what I wanted to do is to allow the data

384

00:17:00,269 --> 00:16:57,699

to speak for itself and then use that

385

00:17:02,549 --> 00:17:00,279

data to inform leadership senior DoD

386

00:17:04,799 --> 00:17:02,559

leadership about the potential threat

387

00:17:06,840 --> 00:17:04,809

that that these type of technologies

388

00:17:09,090 --> 00:17:06,850

pose to national security

389

00:17:10,860 --> 00:17:09,100

especially over any type of controlled

390

00:17:12,149 --> 00:17:10,870

airspace that we might have look and I

391

00:17:13,260 --> 00:17:12,159

know you think it's important I know you

392

00:17:14,760 --> 00:17:13,270

think that the government didn't take

393

00:17:16,439 --> 00:17:14,770

the threat seriously enough so let me

394

00:17:18,059 --> 00:17:16,449

just ask you point-blank the question do

395

00:17:19,919 --> 00:17:18,069

you believe that that life from

396

00:17:22,799 --> 00:17:19,929

somewhere else while you ran this

397

00:17:25,679 --> 00:17:22,809

program came here visited it observed I

398

00:17:28,110 --> 00:17:25,689

will tell you unequivocally that that

399

00:17:30,029 --> 00:17:28,120

through the observation scientific

400

00:17:33,200 --> 00:17:30,039

methodologies that were applied to to

401
00:17:35,279 --> 00:17:33,210
look at this phenomena that these

402
00:17:37,889 --> 00:17:35,289
aircraft will call am aircraft are

403
00:17:40,529 --> 00:17:37,899
displaying characteristics that are not

404
00:17:43,019 --> 00:17:40,539
currently within the US inventory nor in

405
00:17:45,450 --> 00:17:43,029
any foreign inventory that that we are

406
00:17:46,860 --> 00:17:45,460
aware of so I know you're using your

407
00:17:49,529 --> 00:17:46,870
being clear but I mean the answer is yes

408
00:17:53,130 --> 00:17:49,539
my personal belief is that there is very

409
00:17:55,110 --> 00:17:53,140
compelling evidence that we we may not

410
00:17:57,149 --> 00:17:55,120
be alone so we now know that the

411
00:18:00,240 --> 00:17:57,159
government did indeed continue to

412
00:18:02,370 --> 00:18:00,250
investigate UFOs in secret and those

413
00:18:05,130 --> 00:18:02,380

involved believe the technology to

414

00:18:07,980 --> 00:18:05,140

certainly defy our own advancements and

415

00:18:10,620 --> 00:18:07,990

limits and now we stand at a precipice

416

00:18:12,720 --> 00:18:10,630

of whether or not we can even trust our

417

00:18:14,970 --> 00:18:12,730

government to tell us the truth about

418

00:18:18,060 --> 00:18:14,980

what they know and what they're doing

419

00:18:20,029 --> 00:18:18,070

when it comes to the UFO problem will we

420

00:18:22,889 --> 00:18:20,039

ever know the truth

421

00:18:25,380 --> 00:18:22,899

probably not but that hasn't stopped me

422

00:18:28,380 --> 00:18:25,390

from searching and it shouldn't stop you

423

00:18:29,910 --> 00:18:28,390

either because we all know that UFO

424

00:18:32,580 --> 00:18:29,920

disclosure happens

425

00:18:36,180 --> 00:18:32,590

one witness at a time and no matter what

426

00:18:38,400 --> 00:18:36,190

UFOs may or may not be we are the ones

427

00:18:42,300 --> 00:18:38,410

who discovered the truth on our own in

428

00:18:44,100 --> 00:18:42,310

our own ways and on our own timetable we

429

00:18:46,440 --> 00:18:44,110

will continue to keep our feet on the

430

00:18:57,300 --> 00:18:46,450

ground but never stop searching

431

00:18:58,980 --> 00:18:57,310

somewhere in the skies somewhere in the

432

00:19:00,930 --> 00:18:58,990

skies is produced by Third Kind

433

00:19:03,240 --> 00:19:00,940

productions in association with the

434

00:19:04,890 --> 00:19:03,250

entertainment one podcast network to