

SOMEWHERE IN THE SKIES
CASE FILES

The Carlos de Santos
UFO Incident

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00:00:15,320 --> 00:00:12,999

[Music]

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00:00:16,730 --> 00:00:15,330

hey guys Ryan spreg here from the

3
00:00:18,680 --> 00:00:16,740

somewhere in the skies podcast and

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00:00:21,410 --> 00:00:18,690

welcome to my new series somewhere in

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00:00:23,240 --> 00:00:21,420

the skies Case Files and for our very

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00:00:27,019 --> 00:00:23,250

first case today we're gonna be covering

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00:00:28,310 --> 00:00:27,029

the Carlos de Santos UFO incident tell

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00:00:30,410 --> 00:00:28,320

me what you think in the comments below

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00:00:32,330 --> 00:00:30,420

let me know what cases you want me to

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00:00:33,319 --> 00:00:32,340

cover on this new series and I'll see

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00:00:40,790 --> 00:00:33,329

you on the other side

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00:00:47,510 --> 00:00:45,290

it was the morning of May 3rd 1975 upon

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00:00:49,840 --> 00:00:47,520

returning from a routine flight from

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00:00:52,759 --> 00:00:49,850

Sawat Anejo to Mexico City

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00:00:55,700 --> 00:00:52,769

23 year old pilot Carlos de Santos

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00:00:57,590 --> 00:00:55,710

prepared his piper PA to for plane and

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00:00:59,420 --> 00:00:57,600

it was soon in the skies

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00:01:01,939 --> 00:00:59,430

heading for the Benito Juarez

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00:01:05,119 --> 00:01:01,949

International Airport it was over the

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00:01:07,340 --> 00:01:05,129

VHF omnidirectional radio range when

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00:01:09,530 --> 00:01:07,350

Carlos noticed something odd in the

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00:01:12,920 --> 00:01:09,540

distance as he approached the oddity on

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00:01:15,980 --> 00:01:12,930

his left it soon came into view there in

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00:01:18,529 --> 00:01:15,990

the skies was a craft gray in color and

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00:01:20,990 --> 00:01:18,539

saucer shaped it was much smaller than

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00:01:23,330 --> 00:01:21,000

his plane as it began to follow his left

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00:01:25,969 --> 00:01:23,340

wing it had what appeared to be a

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00:01:28,669 --> 00:01:25,979

cockpit of some sort on the top with a

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00:01:31,279 --> 00:01:28,679

blackened out window as Carlos stared in

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00:01:33,590 --> 00:01:31,289

awe at the craft he had a strange

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00:01:35,870 --> 00:01:33,600

feeling that he was being watched from

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00:01:38,270 --> 00:01:35,880

the other side of his plane he turned to

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00:01:41,510 --> 00:01:38,280

look and on his right wing was yet

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00:01:44,180 --> 00:01:41,520

another identical craft Carlos now felt

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00:01:46,460 --> 00:01:44,190

uneasy but before he could even process

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00:01:48,889 --> 00:01:46,470

what was happening a third craft

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00:01:51,949 --> 00:01:48,899

appeared directly in front of his plane

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00:01:52,490 --> 00:01:51,959

descending beneath the front reacting on

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00:01:54,949 --> 00:01:52,500

impulse

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00:01:57,650 --> 00:01:54,959

Carlos dipped the nose of the plane to

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00:02:00,800 --> 00:01:57,660

observe where this craft had gone to his

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00:02:02,630 --> 00:02:00,810

surprise and dismay the craft was a

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00:02:05,180 --> 00:02:02,640

little too close for comfort

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00:02:07,760 --> 00:02:05,190

hitting and scraping the fuselage

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00:02:09,770 --> 00:02:07,770

damaging the landing gear of the plane

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00:02:12,110 --> 00:02:09,780

it was at this point that Carlos no

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00:02:14,449 --> 00:02:12,120

longer felt in control of his Piper

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00:02:16,790 --> 00:02:14,459

plane no matter what he did to try to

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00:02:17,330 --> 00:02:16,800

get a handle of the plane nothing was

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00:02:19,850 --> 00:02:17,340

working

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00:02:23,089 --> 00:02:19,860
surrounded by the three unknown objects

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00:02:26,000 --> 00:02:23,099
he was sure that they were moving in to

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00:02:28,729 --> 00:02:26,010
attack surprisingly however Carlos felt

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00:02:30,680 --> 00:02:28,739
as though they were guiding him he still

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00:02:32,930 --> 00:02:30,690
felt threatened and attempted to bump

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00:02:35,300 --> 00:02:32,940
the object to his right hoping this

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00:02:38,030 --> 00:02:35,310
would somehow stop the control over his

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00:02:40,790 --> 00:02:38,040
plane but it didn't they were still in

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00:02:43,220 --> 00:02:40,800
complete control and now forcing the

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00:02:45,979 --> 00:02:43,230
piper plane to ascend to dangerous

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00:02:47,440 --> 00:02:45,989
altitudes helpless and afraid of the

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00:02:50,180 --> 00:02:47,450
rapid increase in cabin pressure

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00:02:52,820 --> 00:02:50,190

literally killing him Carlos did the

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00:02:53,260 --> 00:02:52,830

only thing he could do he radioed for

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00:02:55,150 --> 00:02:53,270

help

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00:02:57,970 --> 00:02:55,160

connecting with a control tower in

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00:03:01,330 --> 00:02:57,980

Mexico City he sent a distress call

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00:03:11,570 --> 00:03:01,340

yelling Mayday as loud and as frequent

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00:03:11,580 --> 00:03:17,250

[Laughter]

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00:03:21,789 --> 00:03:19,660

he went on to describe what was

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00:03:24,729 --> 00:03:21,799

happening stating that quote I have

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00:03:26,199 --> 00:03:24,739

three unidentified visual objects flying

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00:03:28,360 --> 00:03:26,209

around me end quote

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00:03:31,000 --> 00:03:28,370

he then went on to explain that quote

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00:03:34,240 --> 00:03:31,010

I'm apparently flying without control

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00:03:36,699 --> 00:03:34,250

the plane is without control I'm not

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00:03:38,710 --> 00:03:36,709

controlling the plane end quote

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00:03:41,080 --> 00:03:38,720

the control tower instructed him to

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00:03:43,660 --> 00:03:41,090

decelerate and descend but Carlos

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00:03:46,479 --> 00:03:43,670

explained that he couldn't he believed

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00:03:49,089 --> 00:03:46,489

this was the end but just as he lost all

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00:03:51,580 --> 00:03:49,099

hope the object seemed to distance

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00:03:55,589 --> 00:03:51,590

themselves and begin to head toward the

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00:03:58,479 --> 00:03:55,599

nearby mount Popocatepetl volcano at

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00:04:00,670 --> 00:03:58,489

unbelievable speeds the object soon

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00:04:03,309 --> 00:04:00,680

disappeared out of sight and Carlos

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00:04:05,259 --> 00:04:03,319

regained control of his aircraft he

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00:04:07,780 --> 00:04:05,269

notified the control tower of such but

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00:04:10,780 --> 00:04:07,790

the issue remained that his landing gear

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00:04:13,539 --> 00:04:10,790

was damaged beyond control the airport

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00:04:16,300 --> 00:04:13,549

issued an emergency landing clearing the

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00:04:18,759 --> 00:04:16,310

area of all flights forced to circle the

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00:04:20,500 --> 00:04:18,769

airport almost a dozen times

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00:04:23,110 --> 00:04:20,510

Carlos desperately searched for

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00:04:25,060 --> 00:04:23,120

something to fix the landing gear he was

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00:04:27,580 --> 00:04:25,070

able to find a screwdriver and in a

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00:04:30,520 --> 00:04:27,590

makeshift process was successful in

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00:04:31,240 --> 00:04:30,530

extending the gear and safely landing

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00:04:33,820 --> 00:04:31,250

the plane

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00:04:36,490 --> 00:04:33,830

Carlos was treated at a local clinic and

101
00:04:38,710 --> 00:04:36,500
no substances were found in his system

102
00:04:41,140 --> 00:04:38,720
he was given a clear bill of health and

103
00:04:44,170 --> 00:04:41,150
permission to continue flying thereafter

104
00:04:46,870 --> 00:04:44,180
any doubt that the event occurred were

105
00:04:48,730 --> 00:04:46,880
squashed when the radar operators at the

106
00:04:51,279 --> 00:04:48,740
control tower that day testified that

107
00:04:53,020 --> 00:04:51,289
they did indeed view the objects in

108
00:04:55,480 --> 00:04:53,030
real-time as they were making the

109
00:04:57,939 --> 00:04:55,490
maneuvers that Carlos had been reporting

110
00:05:00,399 --> 00:04:57,949
according to UFO researcher Miguel

111
00:05:02,439 --> 00:05:00,409
Romero an affidavit was recorded in

112
00:05:05,110 --> 00:05:02,449
official minutes of the General

113
00:05:07,390 --> 00:05:05,120

Directorate of Civil Aeronautics by the

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00:05:09,580 --> 00:05:07,400

Officer of aeronautical authority for

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00:05:11,710 --> 00:05:09,590

the International Airport of Mexico City

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00:05:14,110 --> 00:05:11,720

the case caught international attention

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00:05:16,270 --> 00:05:14,120

and soon news outlets wanted to speak to

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00:05:18,640 --> 00:05:16,280

Carlos about what had happened the case

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00:05:21,310 --> 00:05:18,650

was also investigated by Project Blue

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00:05:21,760 --> 00:05:21,320

Book unto the guidance of dr. J Alan

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00:05:23,910 --> 00:05:21,770

Hynek

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00:05:26,520 --> 00:05:23,920

the government hired astronomer who

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00:05:27,240 --> 00:05:26,530

officially looked at UFO cases on several

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00:05:29,520 --> 00:05:27,250

occasions

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00:05:32,340 --> 00:05:29,530

Carlos was visited by what can only be

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00:05:34,710 --> 00:05:32,350

described as men in black he was told

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00:05:36,270 --> 00:05:34,720

not to speak of what had happened or he

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00:05:39,030 --> 00:05:36,280

and his family could suffer consequences

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00:05:41,730 --> 00:05:39,040

but he was adamant about getting his

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00:05:44,190 --> 00:05:41,740

story out to the public and even until

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00:05:47,040 --> 00:05:44,200

this day continues to speak out about it

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00:05:49,950 --> 00:05:47,050

Carlos went on to continue flying having

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00:05:52,040 --> 00:05:49,960

a healthy and safe career thereafter but

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00:05:55,620 --> 00:05:52,050

presumably that almost fateful day in

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00:05:57,690 --> 00:05:55,630

1975 completely changed his outlook on

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00:06:00,930 --> 00:05:57,700

what lay somewhere in the skies over

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00:06:03,690 --> 00:06:00,940

Mexico and just exactly how much control