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It's December 1965.

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Residents of Kecksburg, Pennsylvania have just heard that a strange object has landed in the woods outside of town.

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So they are heading to the crash site.

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They make their way carefully into the woods and are soon drawn to a glowing light emanating from the object.

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Up close it looks like a bronze colored bell.

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They see inscriptions on the object that looked like hieroglyphics.

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A few hours later, the army seals off the woods claiming that it is a matter of national security.

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Where did the object come from?

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Could it be an alien spacecraft?

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Buy these yourself!

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In UFO circles, some stories have stirred such a craze that they have become part of

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the popular culture.

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Which is the case for the story of the flying saucer that crashed near Roswell, New Mexico.

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If it had not been for the crash, this town of 50,000 would never have become so well known.

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Tourists come from all over to visit Flying Saucer Central.

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Every July, the town celebrates the anniversary of what some people consider to be the event

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of the century.

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In early July 1947, a local rancher, Mac Brazo, discovered a lot of strange debris on his

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property, varying from ultralight aluminum paper to small pieces of what looked like

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balsam wood.

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A few days later, he told the town sheriff, George Wilcox, who advised the military base

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outside of Roswell, headquarters of the 509th Bomb Squadron, the only unit in the world

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with an atom bomb.

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That same day, Major Jesse Marcell and Captain Sheridan Cavett showed up to recover the debris.

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A few hours later, Colonel Blanchard, commander of the Roswell base, issued a press release,

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stating that they had captured a flying saucer.

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But once the debris had been shipped off to the military base in Fort Worth, Texas, authorities

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retracted that statement.

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General Roger Ramey, commander of the 8th Air Force, stated that the debris found in

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Roswell was nothing more than the remnants of a weather balloon.

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The Roswell case was closed, at least for now.

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Well, according to the story, something fell to the ground near Roswell in July 1947.

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Roswell was the only American nuclear base at the time, and it was believed that the

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object was a flying saucer.

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The news was announced by the media following a press release issued by the military base.

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Then the whole thing was later denied by the US Army.

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They claimed that an error had been made.

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The object was nothing more than a weather balloon, not one of those flying saucers that

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the media had been talking about for two weeks, following a sighting by Kenneth Arnold.

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The story died down until the end of the 1970s, when one of the key witnesses came forward,

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a major Jesse Marcell, who had been to the Brazile branch to recover the wreckage from

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the flying saucer.

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He said that the whole story was true, that they really had recovered an alien spaceship

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and Roswell, and that the US Army had been covering up the truth for 30 years.

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After that, other witnesses came forward, who were more or less credible.

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The story became known nationally, then internationally.

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And now, it has become somewhat of a myth.

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Now, it's hard to tell what's fact and what's fiction, since so many false statements have

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been added to the mix.

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The statements made years later describe a whole different story than what was originally

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told to the press.

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According to the new version, two flying saucers crashed in the Roswell Desert in 1947.

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One exploded in the sky over the Brazile Ranch, where all the debris was found.

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Then the second one landed in the plains of St. Augustine.

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Or perhaps it was the same object that was damaged while over the Brazile Ranch, then

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rose again to continue on its westward path.

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This second crash site, authorities supposedly recovered a spaceship that was nearly intact,

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as well as four to six humanoid bodies.

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There seemed to be two parts to the Roswell story.

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On one hand, there were statements made about the debris found at the Brazile Ranch, primarily

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made by first-hand witnesses and at times confirmed in official documents.

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For instance, Major Jesse Marcell gave an interview in the late 1970s, saying that the

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remnants could not be torn or burned.

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If crumpled in a ball, they would spring back to their original shape, like mylar.

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Marcell also explained that before being shown to the press, the real debris was replaced

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by remnants of a weather balloon.

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On the other hand, there were statements made about recovering a spaceship and its occupants.

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Those were basically second and third-hand accounts.

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The most famous crash retrieval incident is the Roswell incident of 1947, and that

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happened just a few weeks after the Kenneth Arnold sighting, which kind of christened

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flying saucers as a special phenomenon.

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Broadly speaking, what happened, what certainly happened, is that an object, probably a disk-shaped

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object, crashed in the deserts in New Mexico, and in fact, quite near the highly secret

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work that was going on developing the atomic bomb and developing the Almagordo projects

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and so on, White Sands, all in that area.

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And certainly, a military unit was sent out to retrieve that disk, and that military unit

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came from at that time the only atomic bomb wing in the world, the 509th bomb wing.

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Now when they retrieved it and brought it back, there was a big splash in the papers

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because a high official there actually released the information that a disk had been recovered.

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And then they were forced to retract that and say that it wasn't anything so.

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Now that certainly happened, but that is not the same as saying flying saucers with a lot

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of little aliens.

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What then happened was that there was certainly a lot of mischief going on, and we do know

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that it was quite frequent with these sort of emerging radio and TV stations in America.

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They sort of hoax stories about disks with little bodies and all the rest of it.

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That was certainly a hoax.

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Whether Roswell had real little aliens recovered or whether it was mixed up with the hoax is

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really difficult to determine now.

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But when we look at the history of the way it came out, Roswell was actually not particularly

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– no one was interested in Roswell right from 1947, virtually to 1973 when Stanton Friedman

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started to actually bring out a lot of information about this.

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And he kind of put the stories together, made a pretty coherent package which was very interesting,

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which may have picked up some of the silly stories along with some of the real stories.

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So there's a certain amount we do know, a certain amount that's speculated, a certain

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amount I feel is pretty doubtful that has been led on in the past few years.

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We've become very conspiracy theorists and very exaggerated in our fears and so on.

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So I think Roswell is probably not all people would like it to be, but it's certainly

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one of the real crash retrievals of something anyway in history.

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I would say that there are two stories related to Roswell.

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One is associated with the first alleged crash site visited by Jesse Marcelle, where they

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found strange material with properties that were extraordinary for that time period, such

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as aluminum paper that could not be torn, which would return to its original state after

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being crumpled in a ball.

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There were several witnesses, including Marc Brazell, the rancher who found the debris,

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Jesse Marcelle who recovered the debris, his wife and son, to whom he showed the wreckage

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before going to the base, as well as the people at the base and the sheriff of Roswell.

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Then there's the second story, which might be true, but which is only supported by second

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hand accounts or unreliable witnesses.

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According to this story, there was an initial crash, and then, after hitting the ground

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once, the spaceship allegedly flew further and crashed again.

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And that's where they found the bodies in the ship.

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That's when the Roswell cover-up began, according to witnesses.

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The Roswell crash of 1947, something that perhaps the official public world may never

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truly know.

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It is my suspicion that something not of America's technology crashed, not Soviet, you could do

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the math.

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I think that it would be something that we might call extraterrestrial, that crash at

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Roswell, crash or landed, whatever, something that the American military recovered.

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I do believe that that is the least crazy scenario.

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The mogul explanation is weak, threadbare, and really nothing to hang your hat on.

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There is, on the other hand, a great deal of testimony from witnesses, not all of whom

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are crazy, not all of whom are fabricators, in my view, who describe things about that

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make me think it was extraterrestrial.

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For example, the testimony of General Arthur Exxon.

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Exxon at the time was an officer at Wright Airfield in Ohio.

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Exxon did not ever see wreckage, did not ever see dead bodies, but Exxon, who later became

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the commander of Wright-Pattison Air Force Base, did say that immediately after the Roswell

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event he heard rumors at Wright Airfield of alien bodies and heard reports from people

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who analyzed the material which went to Wright-Pattison Air Force Base that described it as extraordinary.

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In other words, why would a mogul balloon be tested at Wright-Pattison Air Force Base?

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Why?

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Why would they be testing this material?

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It makes no sense.

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The reason I think that an alien craft did crash at Roswell is because I think that there

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is sufficient evidence for the rest of the UFO phenomenon both before and after 1947.

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In 1994, wanting to know more about the Roswell crash, New Mexico Republican Stephen Schiff

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went to see the Air Force, who politely told him that he should check with the National

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Archives Office.

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At the National Archives, he was told that he should speak to the Air Force for information

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about Roswell.

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Tired of being treated like a ping-pong ball, Schiff went to the General Accounting Office,

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a sort of ombudsman for U.S. politicians who instructed the Air Force to allow Schiff

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access to its archives.

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In July 1995, the GAO published its investigation report.

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Other than stating that several documents had been lost or destroyed, the report mentioned

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that certain documents had been found relating to secret projects that might shed light on

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the Roswell mystery.

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When the Air Force had to reopen its files, I don't think they really knew what they would

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find, because it had been so long that no one really remembered anymore.

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They dug into the files and discovered what UFO researchers already knew.

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Something had indeed landed in Roswell.

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It wasn't just a tail or a rumor.

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The question was, what exactly was it that fell?

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At the time of the incident, the world was still in the Cold War period, and the state's

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number one enemy was not the Martians, it was the Russians.

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The military was using every means possible to keep track of what the Russians were doing,

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especially with respect to the atomic bomb.

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The U.S. was leading the arms race at the time, but not for long.

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One of the projects designed for this purpose was the launching of sensors into the upper

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atmosphere to detect possible atomic bomb explosions by the Russians.

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The Roswell incident was supposedly linked to this project.

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In my opinion, a project like this would be the most likely explanation for the object

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that landed in Roswell.

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They were launching trains of balloons.

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Several weather balloons tied together hundreds of feet long, with measuring instruments attached

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at the end.

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It was a top secret operation.

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The balloons were launched into the upper atmosphere where the instruments would take

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their readings.

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Then, the balloons would fall into the desert.

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It seems that what the rancher found on his property was nothing more than remnants of

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a train of balloons.

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He thought it was wreckage from a spaceship, but he hadn't actually seen a spaceship,

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pieces of metal in a sort of junk, which he brought back to the Roswell base.

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The Roswell base was not aware of the balloon train program being carried out by the Alamo

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Gordo base.

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When they saw the debris, they used the word flying disk, since it was a buzzword at the

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time and the story took off from there.

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While the GAO was preparing its report, the Air Force decided to publish its own.

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The Roswell report was a thousand-page document in which flying saucers came from a strange

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planet named Mogul.

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The first report explained the Roswell crash as the probable wreckage of a type of classified

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balloon known as Mogul, which was a real project, which was designed to determine when the Soviet

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Union would detonate its own nuclear device.

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The Roswell report was a highly classified project.

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There were Mogul balloon tests in that area, and there were crashes of Mogul balloons.

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The Air Force released its report in 1995 that stated its thesis.

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The Air Force took the lead, publishing its first report in 1994 or 1995, admitting that

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they had not told the truth originally.

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It had not been a weather balloon.

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It had been a large balloon train referred to as Mogul balloons, which were top secret

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at the time used to detect Russian atomic explosions.

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They had not worked very well, but they were highly secret at the time, and that's why

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the army had lied to the press to hide the truth.

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When the military investigated in 1995, Captain McAndrew, one of the authors of the report,

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discovered a program for spying on the Russians.

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At the time the program was top secret, but in 1995 there was no longer any reason to

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keep it secret.

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When the Roswell incident resurfaced in the 1980s, they had forgotten about it, and didn't

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see any reason to go digging into their archives.

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I think that people give the government too much credit, whether it be in the U.S., France,

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Canada or some other country, when they think that the government knows everything.

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They don't remember what they did 30 years ago.

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They had to go digging, and what they found is what appears in the thousand-page report.

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The report itself isn't that long.

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The rest is just appendices and files from that time period that they republished.

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So the report was made up of two-thirds of this huge report, is nothing more than technical

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data on the Mogul project.

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The report gets into the nuts and bolts, everything you could possibly want to know.

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After reading that report, you could practically write a thesis on the subject.

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This report makes us wonder how the country's top military experts working at the base at

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the time could have acted like General Jack Ripper from the movie Dr. Strangelove.

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They would have had about as much credibility if we are to believe the report released by

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the U.S. Air Force.

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The report describes its military as untrustworthy individuals, incapable of recognizing mundane

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technology that any farmer would know to be man-made, and not alien in nature.

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If we look at the diagrams and photos of the Mogul project, all we see is ordinary material.

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The mission itself was secret, but the technology dated back to 1947, and there was nothing

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special about it.

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So the report really makes its information officers look incompetent.

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Then in 1997, with uncharacteristic concern, the U.S. Air Force released a second report

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called Roswell Case Closed.

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This report made it clear that the Army wanted to put an end to rumors of a spaceship found

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with bodies in it.

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A subject that had been overlooked in the 1995 report.

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In 1997, because the Air Force hadn't dealt with rumors of alien bodies recovered and

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so on, issued another report that tried to explain that.

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And they said that, well, the bodies' stories are probably the result of the testing of

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parachute air drop testing, in which we would drop these human-sized dummies in the ground

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to test air dropping.

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Now those tests occurred in the 1950s.

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They did not occur in the 1940s.

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Nevertheless, this was the Air Force explanation.

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Since questions were still being asked about alien bodies being discovered, what's the

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Army had denied?

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They decided to explain it in the second report.

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They ended up explaining the second crash.

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After having passed off the first crash as nothing more than mogul balloons, they brushed

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off the second one saying, well, those people, the witnesses, perhaps they were mistaken.

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Those witnesses all seem to have Alzheimer's and cannot recall the exact time of the incidents.

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They seem to have mixed up things that happened in the test areas around Roswell, New Mexico

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between 1947 and 1964.

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They mentioned ground testing of NASA probes that could have been mistaken for a flying

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saucer.

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It was the same for the crash test dummies.

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They mixed up several things that took place in the 1940s and 1950s.

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There were people who served as test subjects to examine the effects of plane and balloon

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crashes, victims of real accidents, as seen by the photo of a pilot with a bandaged head.

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According to the report, that's why people were so confused at the time.

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They were mixed up, and they invented this story of the second crash based on elements

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that were scattered in time and space.

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As far as the Air Force was concerned, the Roswell saga had nothing to do with visitors

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from outer space.

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The alleged crash and recovery of alien bodies was nothing more than a series of military

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activities carried out in the Roswell desert between 1947 and 1965, an explanation that

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many people find difficult to believe.

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I've read the United States Air Force reports on the Roswell incident.

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I think one of them entitled the Roswell case closed.

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I have to say it looks pretty convincing.

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They've clearly made efforts to find as much information as possible about this, and I

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think they've done their best to put into the public domain the position as they see

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it.

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Where information is missing, I don't see that there's necessarily anything suspicious

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about that, because that's the way that governments and large bureaucracies work.

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Sometimes I lose a paper that I wrote last week, so I don't blame anyone if documents

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that are now over 50 years old are missing.

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I think it was perhaps unfortunate that there was this attempt to link the Roswell incident

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with the crash test dummy tests, because those to me, the times were not even the same, and

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it seemed slightly irrelevant to bring that in.

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But perhaps they were just trying to address to the best of their ability the allegations

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about humanoid bodies.

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But I think that part was possibly not directly relevant.

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As for the mogul balloons, I think it's pretty easy to come up with objections to that theory.

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First of all, it doesn't seem very likely that the commander of a military base with

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the atom bomb would have mistaken a mogul balloon for a flying saucer, and issued a press

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release stating that we have captured a flying disk.

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A mogul balloon train consisted of 20 to 25 balloons attached to a cable.

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The fact remains that they were balloons, and if I do say so myself, you'd have to be pretty

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daft to mistake those balloons for a flying saucer.

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And these men were the army's best.

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Secondly, there is still something strange that has never been properly explained.

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Having made this error, why would they go and announce it to the press, to the entire

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world?

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That seems odd.

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If it's true that Colonel Blanchard issued the release of his own accord, then he should

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have been severely disciplined.

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On the contrary, he led a very successful career achieving the rank of a four-star general.

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I have a problem with that.

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I also have a problem with one of the two people who visited the site of the debris.

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We know that Commander Marcel explained that the debris was extraordinary in nature, but

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his opinion was disputed.

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He was accompanied by Captain Sheridan Cavett, who worked with counter-espionage.

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Cavett was interrogated by the Air Force.

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There is even a 30-page description of the interrogation in the Air Force's huge report.

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They tried to convince him to say that he had seen a mogul balloon, but he absolutely refused.

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He would not admit that this was what he had seen.

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He stuck to the story that he had seen a weather balloon with its radar target.

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That's another strange thing that doesn't make sense, because if he didn't remember

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for sure, he should have gone along with him and said, yes, you're right, that must have

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been what I saw, a mogul balloon.

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The fact that he refused to say it is very interesting.

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Here we have two witnesses who were at the scene, and neither of which admitted to having

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seen the mogul balloon that they had supposedly discovered.

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The reports about Roswell indicate, I mean, they were basically saying that Roswell, that

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what was recovered was not an alien in a flying saucer.

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I don't think anyone was shocked that the government weren't going to say anything else.

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If they had concluded that, they were either going to lie or keep very quiet.

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They said what one would expect them to say.

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I actually don't personally, I don't think Roswell was the crash of an alien flying saucer.

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Indeed, I'm not.

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I'm fairly well on record of saying I'm not absolutely sure.

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That's the explanation to UFOs, and I would like to stress I do believe UFOs are a real

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thing, but it don't have to have that explanation.

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So I'm not worried about the idea that Roswell was not aliens, etc.

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I think the government may well have been telling the truth on that degree.

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What's important about those reports in 1995, the government released in 1997, also earlier

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reports, is that they also contained lies, and we know the government lies about UFOs.

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I think it lies legitimately, one might say, because it doesn't want to give out information

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about its intelligence gathering sources and so on.

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I think that's fair enough.

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I think it also lies because it's afraid of what the population can do in panic, and

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it feels that the population will panic on certain information.

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panicked in New York and so on, all that's on there.

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I think that governs a lot of the government's actions.

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Going back from those reports and Roswell right back to the CIA in 1951, they'd made

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a very telling comment that they were interested in communication studies of UFOs.

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I don't think they meant the communications of flying saucers.

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I think they meant the way the population deals with these stories and so on.

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I think that's been a real governing theme of the government, particularly American

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government, over 40 or 50 years, is that they want not exactly to control the population,

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but to know that the population is not going to get out of control.

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So I think that report, which came actually without so much pressure, it wasn't actually

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pressured to come out, I think it was released partly as a way of kind of population taking

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the steam off the population and so on.

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The validity of that Air Force explanation, in my view, I view it as very weak.

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It's really only possible to argue the Air Force case, frankly, if you ignore essentially

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the testimony of everyone who claims they've had any knowledge of Roswell.

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It's a very highly selective document in terms of the evidence that it uses to make its case.

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It's surprisingly weak when you look at the actual evidence that the Air Force puts forth.

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That evidence being that the photograph of the supposed Roswell wreckage that was in

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the Roswell Daily, the Roswell News, 1947, looks like a mogul balloon.

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Might have looked.

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Of course, that doesn't deal with the accusation of Jesse Marcell that that material wasn't

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the material he uncovered.

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The mogul explanation really rests only on that.

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The rest of the mogul explanation deals with when the balloon launch might have taken place.

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My feeling is that the Air Force felt a need to deal with this issue because Roswell, by

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1995, had become a very significant public relations problem, something that had to be

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dealt with in some way.

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The same thing with the 1997 report.

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Although UFO groups accuse the Army of being less than thorough in finding pro-Roswell

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witnesses, the opposite is also true.

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In reading the literature that abounds on the subject, it's amazing to see the questionable

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witness reports that seem to have been accepted as credible by UFO researchers.

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Let's take Glenn Dennis, for example.

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In 1947, Dennis was working as an assistant at the Ballard Funeral Home in Roswell.

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Early in July, he allegedly received a phone call from the military, asking whether he

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had any small body bags, like the ones used to carry children, to which he replied that

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he did not.

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Later that afternoon, he supposedly went to the Roswell Military Base and saw a strange

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flying machine mounted on a flatbed truck.

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Then the next day, Dennis ran into a nurse from the base who said that she had assisted

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in performing an autopsy of an alien the night before.

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Everything about this account rings false.

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If the Army had genuinely found alien bodies, it would never have contacted the assistant

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of the Roswell Funeral Home to inquire about body bags.

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It would never have allowed a civilian to enter the base while it was carrying out the most

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extraordinary recovery operation of all time.

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And it certainly wouldn't have left a flatbed truck loaded with an alien craft out in the

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open for all eyes to see.

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As for the story about the nurse, it seemed to change each time that Dennis told it.

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She may have died from cancer or a plane accident, or she may have died in her sleep on a military

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base in England.

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Despite all the unlikelihoods in his story, all books written about Roswell seemed to

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focus on Glenn Dennis' testimony.

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And this is just one of dozens of others that are just as questionable.

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This one only goes to show that it's easier for UFO researchers to find fault with the

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Army rather than looking in their own backyard.

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As for the physical proof of the Roswell crash, everything from the film of the alien autopsy

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to the so-called flying saucer remnants were shown to be a hoax.

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The Roswell crash has become so well known that people sometimes tend to think that it's

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the only one of its kind, which is not true.

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Others similar incidents have occurred since 1947.

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For example, in his book Behind the Flying Saucers, published in 1950, Frank Scully

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discusses a rumor of a strange craft and its occupants that crashed near Aztec, New Mexico.

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We now know that Scully's sources were con artists, but that doesn't seem to matter.

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The Aztec incident is still part of UFO folklore.

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What's up with the Roswell crash is also the report of a crash in Aztec, New Mexico when

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another saucer is alleged to have come down.

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There are three real possibilities about that, or at least three obvious possibilities that

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one could list.

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One is that it was another saucer that crashed.

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And if we concede that flying saucers are flying over Mexico and if they can be damaged

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in that way, then if there were several on a surveillance, then they could come down

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in two places.

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That's possible.

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The second possibility is that it was in fact the same flying saucer and that the second

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piece of debris is actually part of the damage of the first one, which mostly disintegrated

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over New Mexico and part of it may have wobbled on and crashed in Aztec.

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The third possibility, and I think frankly it's the strongest one, we know that the Roswell

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crash was a real crash of something real, whatever it may be.

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I should say the listening disc is the favourite possibility, an actual huge disc shaped thing,

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which in 1947 was used to be carried high into the high atmosphere, which could sort

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of listen around corners in the days before, it was ten years before we put the first satellite

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in orbit.

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So it's possible it was that kind of dish.

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But assuming that that was the real thing at Roswell, there was certainly a lot of mischief

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about Aztec with local newspaper reports, particularly local radio stations.

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Aztec was certainly one of the hoax ones as well.

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So whether the hoaxes were built on an actual story of a crash or whether the whole crash

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story was virtually a hoax is now, you know, fifty years on very difficult to determine.

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And there are proponents of both beliefs in particular in America where they've got certain

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witnesses, they claim or claim them, but they're usually the sons or daughters of the witnesses

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who are no longer alive and so on.

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And certain people are pretty convinced it's a hoax.

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I think the water is so muddy at Roswell and Aztec that we may actually never really know

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the truth, frankly.

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On December 9th, 1965, a strange object landed in the woods near Kecksburg, a small town

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120 miles from Pittsburgh.

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After the crash, a handful of volunteers, including firemen, went to the woods to investigate.

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They found a bell-shaped object about the size of a compact car.

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The Army soon arrived on the scene and told all witnesses to keep quiet about what they

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had seen.

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Under the cover of night, the spacecraft was moved to a secret location.

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Just like Roswell, there is no doubt that something landed in Kecksburg, while a handful

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of residents swear that it was an alien spacecraft.

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The Army claims that it was nothing more than a meteorite.

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In that case, it wasn't just a matter of hearsay.

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There were actual eyewitnesses, including firemen.

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The situation was like Roswell.

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There were several witnesses who seemed to be reliable, telling this story about the

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object landing in Kecksburg.

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And their story seemed to be plausible.

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Something unusual fell from the sky, and the object landed in the woods.

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It could have been a Soviet space object.

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Or, who knows?

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According to the descriptions given, if it was of Soviet origin, it certainly wasn't

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a conventional object.

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The fact remains that apparently something real was recovered.

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There was a real object in the sky, and it was a Soviet object.

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Apparently, something real was recovered.

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There was a real object in the sky, and it was a Soviet object.

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With co-author Don Ledger, I've written a book entitled Dark Object.

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And it's a mass market paperback that tells the story of a UFO crash of the Kurd off the

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coast, the southern western tip of Nova Scotia in 1967.

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It was the night of October 4th, which was a Wednesday.

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It was a moonless night.

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The sky was clear.

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And what happened was the local residents seen a set of lights.

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There were at least 60 feet in one dimension.

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They were evenly spaced 15 feet apart.

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They flashed in sequence.

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They hovered for at least five minutes over the harbor after entering from an easterly

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direction over the Gulf of Maine.

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They tilted to a 45-degree angle and descended rapidly to the water surface, striking it,

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producing a bright flash on the sound of an explosion.

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Several local residents called the nearby RCMP detachment.

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It's interesting to note here that unlike many of the residents, the light was not

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a light.

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They simply said that lights were perhaps an aircraft that crashed into water.

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Concerns were for survivors.

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The RCMP dispatched three officers and two separate vehicles to the scene.

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And when they got to the shoreline, they saw pale yellow light moving over the water.

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And it was at least eight feet off the surface.

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They looked at it through field glasses and eventually it moved around to the point where

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left a trail that was 80 feet by half a mile long.

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And this was dense yellow foam that smelled of sulfur.

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It had a sparkle to it.

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They grabbed two local fishing boats and attempted to reach the impact site.

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But before they could get to it, the object either submerged or disappeared.

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There were bubbles at the surface and a strong sulfur smell in the air where the object hit the water.

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If it was an aircraft, the rescuers would have to act quickly if they wanted to save the survivors.

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Rescue boats headed south, but they didn't find any wreckage or any debris.

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They were not sure if they were going to be able to save the survivors.

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The Royal Canadian Mounting Police was, of course, by the nature of their work, the people who were first to respond to this.

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But upon the scene and when they coordinated with the Rescue Coordination Centre

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on a two nearby military bases, Canadian Forces Station, Shellburn and CFS Barrington at Backrow,

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it was clear that it wasn't an aircraft.

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Of course their own observations told them that.

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They contacted higher headquarters in Ottawa and it was determined at Defense Headquarters

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that an extensive underwater search would be carried out, which involved the Coast Guard,

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and naval divers of HMCS Granby.

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This search continued until Monday that occurred Wednesday night.

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At that time the search was terminated and they claimed no results.

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They never denied the belief that a UFO had gone in the water and they clearly called it that.

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They simply said that they had found nothing.

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Now what is interesting, however, is that local residents and some documentation does keep the door open.

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Some people claim artifacts were recovered.

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And the thing is, we do have a document that says quite clearly who would have received those documents.

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It was a civilian scientific consultant at D&D.

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But again, the official response is, no results.

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The incident was forgotten until the early 1990s.

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When UFO researcher Chris Stiles began searching for official documents

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written by authorities at the time of the incident,

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his research soon drew the attention of the producers of sightings,

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an American TV series about strange and unexplained phenomena.

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In 1995 Paramount Television's syndicated show Sightings funded an underwater search.

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And what it was, was I proposed to them doing a four day survey,

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which would include side scan sonar, a sub-bottom profiler, magnetometer and divers,

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to go over the initial impact site of the naval search.

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The Canadian Navy and the Coast Guard and RCMP divers searched that area for some time.

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They had a firm belief that something had gone into the water.

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Checking with the rescue coordination center in Halifax, they knew it was clear that there was no missing aircraft.

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They didn't suspect a median radar natural cause.

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The thing was, at that time in 1967,

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the search for the craft responsible for the crash was a low tech affair.

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It would have been pairs of divers going over the side with flashlights.

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The water visibility was only 20 feet.

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But today's technology was relatively simple and cheap to look.

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I thought it was a long shot that we would find any evidence,

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but one had to look if it could have been lying down there all that time.

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And so we did. We had our four day search with those things.

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And to be honest we found absolutely nothing unusual.

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But I'm not discouraged by that because that actually tells us something.

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It was in a case where there was so much corroboration and the actions of the military

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and the documentation which is an extensive paper trail says clearly they were certain

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that this was a UFO and that it was lost there.

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You have to ask where did the 60 foot object go?

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This is shallow water. This technology does not trace. There's no trauma.

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No evidence whatsoever.

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So it's like the one that got away. It remains a great mystery.

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Although Shag Harbor remains a mystery,

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other stories of UFO crashes seem to be hoaxes made up by money mongers.

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In the summer of 1989,

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UFO researchers heard of a crash in the Kalahari Desert in South Africa

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near the Botswana border.

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According to a report supposedly written by the South African Air Force,

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on May 7th, 1989,

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the military had shot down an unidentified flying object

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with an experimental laser gun.

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They then captured two humanoid occupants

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who put up a fight but were eventually taken to an air force base in Pretoria.

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Then for some odd reason,

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the humanoids were flown to the United States.

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Their last known destination was the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio.

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One of the crash retrievals around the world that didn't happen in America,

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which is crash retrieval central for most of the UFO phenomena,

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happened in South Africa,

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the crash in the Kalahari Desert there.

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I've not investigated it personally,

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but I do have a great deal of faith

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in a researcher in Africa called Cynthia Hind,

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unfortunately, who's now died recently.

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She investigated it first hand,

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and it was her conclusion that it was probably a hoax.

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Her view was that actually someone was deliberately manufacturing evidence

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to make a book, sell a story,

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get a certificate,

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and to make a book,

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and to make a book,

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sell a story, get a TV series or whatever else.

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I can't comment on that because I wasn't there

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and I haven't seen the evidence first hand

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and I haven't personally spoken to anybody.

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But I have a great deal of respect for Cynthia Hind.

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She was a very strong proponent of UFOs.

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She believed they were aliens.

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She believed that they came from other planets and so on,

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which is not particularly my belief.

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Against that background,

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she was not impressed with that evidence.

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And I think that to me

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gave me a lot of doubts about that case.

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Beyond that,

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I don't have any direct information on that one.

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One of the suspicious elements raised by Cynthia Hind

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was the fact that the so-called official report

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was written in English rather than in Afrikaans,

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the official language of Pretoria.

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She also found it odd that the report was full of spelling errors,

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and that it mentioned the title squadron leader,

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which did not exist in the South African army.

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It only existed in the South African army.

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It only existed in the South African army.

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It only existed in the South African army.

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It only existed in the British Royal Air Force.

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There was also the fact that the document

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was released to the public

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by James Van Groenen,

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a known con artist.

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Books are filled with stories of UFO crashes,

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and they all have one thing in common.

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A lack of physical proof.

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If alien spaceships have really crashed on our planet,

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where are they?

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Could they be stored in a huge crate

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in a warehouse

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among thousands of other crates?

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A possibility of a crash

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in the crates.

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A possibility inspired by the film

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Raiders of the Lost Ark.

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What about the alien bodies found in Roswell?

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Where are they?

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With all of these crashes,

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it's hard to believe that the army

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would have been able to recover every single remnant of proof.

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It's also hard to believe

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that over the years,

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no military officer

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has ever attempted to photograph

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or film one of these shipwreck UFOs.

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Executions, murders, rapes,

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and genetic experiments

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have all been filmed in secret,

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but no UFO crashes have ever been filmed.

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There's a saying

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that a lack of proof doesn't mean

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that something doesn't exist.

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After all these years,

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the proof that UFO crashes happen

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is so insubstantial,

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that this saying seems to be more

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of a consolation for believers

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rather than the truth.

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