

AF Pilot UFO Sighting in Utah - More Info

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> >I am an F-16 pilot in the USAF. 2 things.

> >2. One of my buddies in the squadron saw a UFO over the south part of
 > >the Great Salt Lake 4 Nights ago. Lotsa lights, etc.. etc.. It was
 > >above a solid cloud deck and was illuminating the tip of a mountain
 > >(roughly 2.5 sq miles) on Antelope Island with powerful lights. The tip
 > >was the only portion of the island above the clouds. The island is a
 > >preserve for Bison. It illuminated the tip for 14 to 20 seconds.
 > >fizzled then accelerated immediately straight up (excessive
 > >acceleration) He described it as "The lights were shining on the tip of
 > >the island like one of those things you see on star trek when the space
 > >time continuum rips open and lights come out. It was f**ing freaky. "
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 > >Another quote "I didnt believe in UFO's till last night.. Now I believe"

Something I forgot to mention, he was flying his F-16 on 7 mile final at Hill at the time (around 7000 feet MSL) and his wingman corroborated his story (2 miles behind him). Both guys are Captains in the airforce and don't make stuff up, unless of course it is about women/bars/scoring etc. Then we all know its a lie. He thought initially it was a 747 turning final at Salt lake, then maybe a helicopter searching for something (it was actually higher than him around 14000 feet MSL), but Altitude/position/strange movement/high intensity lights/ flying away at incredible speed led him to believe that it was definitely not any flying machine that we or he has ever heard of. Definitely unidentified flying and an object. Have it on good account that Hill AFB had all the Security Police teams (11 total) put on alert at the same time for "an unusual light occurance in the vicinity."

Go Figure.

A woman at Tooele (The town near the depot where the DOD destroys chems) saw "lights" and reported it to the paper and was told by the U.S. Air Force that it was a "rocket test" at our restricted area in northern Utah. Officially I go along with this story. I am glad we have "rockets" such as the one my bud described because that means we have nothing to fear from any foreign governments. We are ahead in the technology race. I am happy. I am glad I am an American.

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