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### Ventura/Santa Barbara County UFO Update

From: **Mary Helen Corrado** <[mcorrado@jetlink.net](mailto:mcorrado@jetlink.net)>  
Date: Wed, 25 Dec 1996 07:58:57 -0800  
Fwd Date: Wed, 25 Dec 1996 13:02:46 -0500  
Subject: Ventura/Santa Barbara County UFO Update

We have just received word that the UFO in Camarillo was spotted again about 4:45pm on Tuesday, December 24th. We also have corroborating evidence of a similar object spotted in Santa Barbara. The sighting is listed below as is the video analysis of the footage that was shot back on December 3. The mystery continues in California!!!

#### SANTA BARBARA SIGHTING

"Around sunset (5:53PDT) in Santa Barbara, CA on Wednesday December 18th my wife and I observed a very bright white light at about 60 deg South. Through binoculars we could not make out a defined sharp edge, it looked fuzzy at the edges.

The object was drifting slowly and linearly in an Easterly direction. Height could have been anywhere from 30-60,000 ft. but luminosity was very high. Conditions were clear, with excellent visibility due to low humidity. About 10-15 minutes after sunset, the intensity instantaneously diminished to where it was barely visible as a dot in the clear but darkening sky.

Then as we watched it started emitting a short linear cloud-like trail about 10-20 times its length with a defined end to it, not the usual dissipating end of a jet's con-trail.

And then the object and trace just disappeared almost instantly. We are reasonable experienced skywatchers and my wife is an astronomy buff. This was not a satellite, not a high-flying commercial plane, and not a meteor - nor was it a star, as several of the brightest started to appear at the end of this sighting, which gives an indication of how bright it was.

ANALYSIS OF VIDEO TAPE OF CAMARILLO SIGHTING  
by SVG DIGITAL SYSTEMS  
December 21, 1996

#### CERTIFICATION

SUBJECT: Video Tape from 12/3/96  
VIDEOGRAPHER: Mary Helen Corrado  
FINDINGS: Analysis of the above video indicates object is of a solid nature. Its trajectory and climb ascent indicate it is not a conventional aircraft. It appears to have a gaseous shroud surrounding its core. Its ascent rate based on fram calculations indicates high velocity movement. Still photos supporting the video eliminate camera or lens aberrations. This video has similar characteristics of footage from Florida, Arizona and New Mexico, all of which were videotaped independent of this video.  
CONCLUSION: This object's speed can be calculated by its movement across the video frames (there are no exact reference points). Considering this frame

movement (30fps) its speed is in the 4000 - 6000 mph range. Aeronautical movements indicate an object with advanced maneuverable characteristics not of any known conventional aircraft. It would seem the object was operating on a system that is of unknown origin. Furthermore its light characteristics seem to be self emitting (light spectrum analysis) as opposed to reflections. I would classify the object as unidentifiable.

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