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UK Mystery Lights: No Meteor Involved?

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Posted to the newsgroup "uk.rec.ufo" July 11.

Stig

Subject: Yet another 'meteor'. :)
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This just in (important, so that's why I'm posting)...

A source of mine, who-shall-remain-nameless, phoned me this morning alerting me to the following: A Z-shaped formation of EXTREMELY bright lights travelled over the West coast of Britain. Now, the souce THINKS it might have been from North to South - they're not really sure about that. The impressive thing is that, unlike the certain incident the other week, both the Ministry of Defence and the police apparently issued a statement saying that it was definitely NOT a meteor shower.

Later on in the day, I heard it on the radio news. On this, a coast guard station said that it was a 'mystery' too (unable to remember location) and that a civilian airliner called in to report, what they termed as a "meteor". I THINK I also heard something about an explanation being given for the thing being a meteor shower, so I'm still waiting for confirmation on this (although whether it came from some astronomer who was just being quick off the mark, or the MoD or some such institution, I don't know).

I have no information regarding speeds or altitude, but a Z-shaped formation would cast extreme doubt on the 'natural' case. I'm awaiting the outcome of this, but there isn't much coverage of these events here in the UK. I still feel that this is all part of a 'flap' which is concentrating here in the UK - even though there is little or no media coverage. If my guess is correct, then it should last into about August (perhaps September) - I have my reasons! :)

PS: New stuff just come in. From Ceefax and Teletext, the following has come to light. It was around midnight this morning (11 June 1998). They travelled from Scotland to Cornwall. They were seen in 'Z', 'Q' and '2' shaped formations (although I would say that '2' and 'Z' may well be interchangeable). An un-named pilot (probably from the civilian airliner, although it may have been a different one), said that he saw them 'arrange' themselves into a pattern of a 'Z'/'2'. The MoD previously said that there were no meteors on the time in question.

Now, all of a sudden, our favorite Defenders of the Realm are saying that there WAS a meteor shower! :) People at the Isle of Man called in noting a "huge explosion". A meteor would produce one, but not in such a magnitude - or so I would have thought.

Incidentally, this source also alerted me to the rather strange incident involving the Tornado F-3, the wreckage of which was discovered (officially) and the body of ONE of the crewmembers was found. That came to me before breaking on the news too.

- Eric

"Be wary of any book with no references and no index."

"Friedman's law is that progress comes from doing things differently in an unpredicable way."

- Both by Stanton Friedman.

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