

# THE 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PRUFOS POLICE REPORT 2005

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This report does not reflect the views of my force, the British Transport Police.

Year on year the number of cases has increased as I have spent many hours researching newspaper archives for elusive police reports.

Every time an officer approaches me with information of their own personal UFO experiences I still get a thrill.

Yet what makes these officers come forward so many years after the event?

For anyone who has ever had a genuine UFO or paranormal experience the answer is simple—you never forget the event and it often effects you in a profound and meaningful way for the rest of your life.

After almost four years of research I now have enough material to write a book on these sightings, many of which are truly remarkable and I hope to find a publisher in the near future.

What follows is the most comprehensive police archive of UFO sightings ever published anywhere in Britain.

163 Cases between 1901 and 2005 involving over 400 British Police officers.

(NOTE - NEW CASES FOR THE 2005 REPORT ARE IN RED)

## ON DUTY SIGHTINGS

1901

1. 21/12/1901. 0045 hours. Location: Haworth, West Yorkshire. As two uniformed police officers, PS JOHN JOHNSON and PC CLARK were walking along a snow covered beat in Haworth when suddenly a green light illuminated the surrounding area. The officers looked up to the sky to see a luminous UFO shaped like a cigar pointed at both ends. The object emitted occasional flashes and sparks. They watched the object for 15 minutes as it slowly and silently

moved across the night sky before disappearing into the distance. PS JOHNSON stated that the object was seen at an altitude of 100-150 feet before gradually gaining height. Two members of the public reported seeing similar objects in Keighley and Shipley respectively.

On duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Mr Midgley via Keighley News 02/12/94.

## 1950

2. Monday. 02/11/50. Location – Gowerton, Wales. Following a report by a member of the public of two lights traveling across the sky, DETECTIVE SERGEANT AMBROSE DAVIES, of Gowerton Police station observed a single white ball of flame. It was much brighter than any star and after a few seconds was seen to break into two pieces. A shower of reddish sparks were seen to the rear of the objects. The officer ruled out planets and meteors stating that there were definitely two objects in the sky and that they were joined by some kind of tether.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – UFO Magazine Press Archive.

3. 0600 hours. Location – Chichester near Bognor Regis. Following a report by a member of the public two uniformed officers, PC HOWARD NORTH and PC TONY COX, observed a strange object in the sky above Chichester. At the same time in Bognor Regis, just seven miles away, a third officer, PC WILLIAM KEATS, also saw the object in the sky. He described it as a 'tadpole' shaped object. He went on to state that the object had 'lit' up Bognor.

On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source – UFO Magazine Press Archive.

## 1955

4. Evening. Summer. Location - Sussex coast. An on duty uniformed police officer PC JOHN L CLARKE observed a bright light flying at high altitude along the Sussex coast on a late evening summer's sky. He estimated the size of the UFO as ¼ size of the moon. It was first seen low from the east taking ten minutes to arrive overhead and then a further ten minutes to disappear from view. No sound present at any time. He described the UFO as a distinct circular shape at the front with a broken and distorted rear.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - John L Clarke.

## 1957

5. September 1957. 2345 hours. Sunday. Location. Bristol Channel. Three uniformed officers observed a red disc shaped UFO rise from the Bristol Channel. One half of the disc was like a large harvest moon and moved out of sight towards the west. The officers reported the sighting to Glamorgan Police HQ.

On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source: Daily Telegraph 04/09/57.

6. November 1957. 0235 hours. Location – Cowbridge, Glamorgan. Two uniformed officers observed a green blue UFO as it passed over South Wales. Five minutes later two other uniformed officers saw the same object as it passed over the Rhondda Valley. The object was described as being delta shaped and travelling at high speed. Several civilian witnesses also observed the UFO.

On Duty sighting. 4 Officers. Source – Press Archive.

## 1963

7. July. Location - Charlton near Shaftesbury, Wiltshire. An on duty uniformed police officer, PC ANTHONY PENNY reported seeing an orange coloured UFO flash across the sky in the above location and disappear over a potato field where days later a large spherical crater measuring eight feet was found. The crater appeared from nowhere in the field and within its centre was a hole three feet deep, 5-12 inches in diameter. Radiating from the centre of the hole were four slot marks, four feet long and one foot wide. No cause could be found for the appearance of the crater or the marks found within it. The crater was investigated by a Bomb Disposal Unit but no satisfactory explanation was ever found for it. The mystery was even mentioned in parliament on 29th July by Major Patrick Wall, Conservative MP for Haltemprice.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - UFO Flying Saucers over Britain by Robert Chapman. Mayflower Books. Pages 104-107.

## 1964

8. 20/02/64. 0955 hours. Location: Shoeburyness, Southend. PC 392 CROOK was on patrol when he observed three fast moving objects in the southern sky. They were spaced in a line. The colour of the objects was off-white and their shape appeared to be oval. They were seen above cloud height and travelling at great speed with no discernable sound. The officer forwarded a report to the Air Ministry who stated he may have witnessed three Lightning fighter aircraft flying in formation.

On duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – Irene Bott archive.

## 1965

9. 1500 hours. 30/11/65. Location - Warminster. An on duty uniformed police officer, PC ERIC PINNOCK was on foot patrol of the Bishopstrow area of the town when he observed a large bright silver ball shaped UFO hurtle through the sky before it disappeared over Sutton Common. He said, "It was a giant plate of light. It lit up the whole horizon with a glare". It was flying low over the landscape and appeared to be spinning. During the mid sixties Warminster was a haven for UFO spotters and there were literally hundreds of sightings made in that area.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - The Warminster Mystery by Arthur Shuttlewood. Tandem Publishing 1976. Page 139.

10. 1954 hours. Thursday 16/12/65. Location - Chineham, Basingstoke. An on duty uniformed police officer, PC J HARWOOD was speaking with a member of the public outside the man's home when they both observed a tadpole shaped UFO with a large green dome on top and a flaming red tail that was two or three times the length of the dome pass by overhead. It was seen only briefly as it sped across the sky from south to north at an incredible speed. The object was estimated to have been four to six feet in length. PC HARWOOD said, "The colour attracted me - green. This may have been caused by low clouds. I have never seen anything like it before". The member of the public, Basil Gibbons (aged 67), likened the object to a Gemini space capsule.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - The Warminster Mystery by Arthur Shuttlewood. Tandem Publishing 1976. Pages 141-142.

## 1966

11. 0410 hours. March. Location - Wilmslow, Cheshire. An on duty uniformed officer, PC COLIN PERKS was on foot patrol on Alderley Road in the above town when he saw a UFO moving across the sky at an altitude of only 30 feet and that it was only 100 yards from him. He described it as being 30 feet in diameter and as bulky as a double decker bus. He said, "There was an eerie, greenish-grey glow in the sky. Then I picked out an object about thirty feet long and built up in three sections with the top looking like a dustbin lid. It gave off a high pitched whine. I was paralysed. I just couldn't believe it." The duration of the sighting was five minutes before it disappeared. His police report was forwarded to the MOD who did visit him to investigate his story.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - UFO Flying Saucers over Britain by Robert Chapman. Mayflower Books 1999. Page 43 and PRUFOS.

12. September. Location - Southampton. Following a report from a member of the public that a UFO was hovering motionless over the city a marked police vehicle was sent to investigate the claim. When they arrived at the man's address on Coxford Road they were amazed to see the object where he had claimed it would be. They contacted Police HQ by radio and said, "He's right. There is an object in the sky to the west and remaining still. It keeps flashing red, white and blue lights and dropping flares. There's no sound of an engine and it does not appear to be an aircraft." Enquiries with Eastleigh Airport proved negative as did those with Southampton University Air Squadron. Calls to the Southern Meteorological Centre also proved fruitless. Eventually the UFO disappeared at high speed in the direction of Eastleigh.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source - UFO Flying Saucers over Britain by Robert Chapman. Mayflower Books 1969. Page 43.

## 1967

13. The following three sightings took place within two days of each other across the counties of Lancashire, Devon and Sussex at a time when sightings of fiery cross shaped UFOs were being widely reported in the media. October 1967.

Location Bacup, Lancashire. A uniformed police officer observed a cigar shaped UFO over the Lancashire town of Bacup. October 1967 0445 hours.

Wednesday. Location – Sussex. A uniformed police officer observed a fiery cross shaped UFO. October 1967 1600 hours. Tuesday. Location – Devon.

A uniformed police officer, PC KEITH DROUDGE observed a UFO and said of his sighting, "There is no doubt in my mind. It was a UFO. It wasn't a plane. We've seen enough planes not to be fooled like that".

On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source: Sunday Express 29/10/67.

14. 0130 hours. 05/07/67. Location – Stoney Cross, New Forest. Following a report by a member of the public of an orange ball shaped UFO above Stoney Cross, New Forest a uniformed officer, PC DAVID HOLLOWAY, was dispatched to the scene. He corroborated the sighting of the orange UFO that he said did a 'loop the loop' before heading away in the direction of Southampton.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – FSR Vol 13 No 5.

15. 27/08/67. Location - Between Spelsbury and Chipping Norton, Oxfordshire. Two on duty uniformed officers observed two dark oval shaped UFOs on the road between the above locations. They estimated the size of the objects as fifty feet in diameter each. The craft disappeared in a northerly direction at a height of 600 feet.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source - A Covert Agenda by Nick Redfern. Pocket Books 1998. Page 97.

16. 27/08/67. Location - Glossop, Derbyshire. Six on duty uniformed police officers observed a UFO over the town from a number of different locations. They described the object's movements as 'swinging' from side to side. On Duty sighting. 6 Officers. Source - A Covert Agenda by Nick Redfern. Pocket Books 1998. Page 97.

17. 10/08/67. 0043 hours. Location: Hindley, Wigan. During the early hours two uniformed police officers, PC LIONEL HAW and PC STEVE PARSONAGE, observed a round shaped object in the sky that appeared to be travelling too fast to be either a comet or plane. PC HAW made a pocket notebook entry regarding the sighting. The officers observed the object for two minutes and dismissed any notion that they had seen a trick of the light. Chief Superintendent Tom Andrews of Wigan police confirmed the officer's report of the sighting. On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Daily Mirror 16/08/67.

18. October. Location – Gosport. Two uniformed officers PC EDNA WIELK and PC TONY CONNELL observed a red and white coloured UFO whilst on mobile patrol in the Little Anglesey area of Gosport. The UFO was seen above the HMS DOLPHIN submarine base. They got out of their vehicle to watch the object which they observed for five minutes before it moved out of sight. On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Steve Gerrard, Southampton UFO Group (SUFOG).

19. Evening. 21/10/67. Location – South Shields, Tyneside. Following a report by a member of the public, a uniformed police officer visited the family and witnessed with them the sighting of three triangular shaped UFOs in the sky above Tyne Dock, South Shields. The objects appeared to fly in formation before and stopping and coming to a brief hover. They departed heading off in the direction of Newcastle. The objects were extremely bright to look at and were seen for a duration of 30 minutes. On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – FSR Vol 14 No 2.

20. 0400 hours. 24/10/67. Location - A3072 between Okehampton and Holsworthy, Devon. Two on duty uniformed police officers, PC CLIFFORD WAYCOTT and PC ROGER WILLEY had spotted a pulsating flying cross whilst driving between the above locations. It was seen at low altitude moving above the treetops of the surrounding countryside. Intrigued they began to chase the UFO, however they were never able to significantly gain on it. At times the object slowed to 50 mph and at one point came to a stop in mid air. The pursuit involved speeds of up to 90 mph and covered a distance of 14 miles. Whenever they did gain a little ground on the object it would simply accelerate away from them. Eventually they reduced their speed fearing an accident themselves. The closest distance they reached to the UFO was 400 yards. At one point they stopped at a farm to wake up the owner so they could gain some corroboration that they were not mistaken in their sighting. At a later press conference PC WAYCOTT said, "The light wasn't piercing but it was very bright. It was star-spangled - just like looking through wet glass and although we reached 90 mph it accelerated away from us." Before the object disappeared from view they saw a second UFO that was also cross-shaped, very bright and made no noise. Both officers were impressed by the relevant speeds of the objects as they quickly departed, especially the first one. Enquiries at nearby RAF Chivenor proved negative. Within 48 hours numerous other witnesses began to report sightings of similar objects. A 'fiery cross' was witnessed above the skies of Glossop, Derbyshire by six police officers. On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source - UFO Flying Saucers over Britain by Robert Chapman. Mayflower Books 1969. Pages 13-15.

21. 0500 hours. 25/10/67. Location - Okehampton. Two uniformed officers in a patrol car observed a fiery cross shaped UFO above the town. One of the officers was a police photographer but he did not have time to get a picture of the object as the duration of the sighting amounted to only a few seconds. On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – FSR Vol 14 No 2.

22. 0205 hours. 26/10/67. Location - Okehampton. Only two days after his involvement in the famous high speed police UFO chase, PC ROGER WILLEY, observed a similar star shaped UFO in the skies above Okehampton. It was seen to drop down low as if to land in the area it was originally seen. The sighting was very brief lasting only a few seconds. On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – FSR Vol 14 No 2.

23. 0530 hours. Late October. Location - Bacup, Lancashire. An on duty uniformed police officer, PC BRIAN EARNSHAW heard a crackling sound coming over the station's short wave radio. Curious he went outside to see what might be causing the interference. When he did so he looked up to see a cigar shaped UFO hovering 250 feet above the station. He said, "It was approximately 50 feet in length. There were portholes on the side but there were no visible signs of propulsion. The ship appeared to be metallic and gave off a bright glow. There was a low whirring sound coming from it." Two other uniformed officers, PC COLIN DONAHOE and MALCOLM READER also saw the same object from a different location in Lancashire, watching for several minutes before it rose vertically into the sky and disappeared. Later a statement was issued by Lancashire Police that read, "We have had UFO reports before, but nothing like this. There has been no reasonable explanation but it was something definitely seen."

On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source - UFO Flying Saucers over Britain by Robert Chapman. Mayflower Books 1969. Page 19.

24. 0520 hours. Late October. Location - Lancing, West Sussex. Three on duty uniformed police officers including PC MICHAEL SANDS spotted a silver UFO above the skies above Lancing. PC SANDS said, "It looked like a silver point of light which moved rapidly across the sky."

On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source - UFO Flying Saucers over Britain by Robert Chapman. Mayflower Books 1969. Pages 19-20.

25. 0445 hours. 25/10/67. Location - Lewes, Sussex. Following reports by at least five police officers the senior officer for Lewes, G .W. R. Terry called a press conference at the Lewes Police HQ to discuss their sightings. All the officers, each from different vantage points described the same object - a bright light travelling in a northerly direction in total silence. These sightings along with many others made by the public were part of a high number of similar reports in the Sussex area over a number of days.

On Duty sighting. 5 Officers. Source - A Covert Agenda by Nick Redfern. Pocket Books 1998. Page 97.

26. Before Midnight. October/November 1967. Location – Sharneyford near Todmorden, West Yorkshire. Two uniformed officers were parked up in a marked police vehicle when they observed a bright light between their location and Stoodly Pike (local landmark). The light was well below cloud level. Then the object rose vertically into the sky before moving horizontally across the landscape in a side to side motion. The object itself was described as cone shaped, similar to a Gemini space capsule. Later the officers reported the sighting to the duty night shift Inspector. The reporting officer eventually spoke with an official from the War Office who asked him to submit an official report. This was duly completed

and submitted. The officer never received any further communication about the incident.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – PRUFOS/CONFIDENTIAL.

## 1969

27. August 5th 1969. Location – Camarthen, Wales. Two uniformed police officers were among several civilian witnesses to a UFO seen hovering over Camarthen. Initially spotted by several members of the public a motor cycle officer turned up at the home of a farmer and confirmed the UFO through binoculars. It was described as being spherical in shape and silvery in colour. Later a second officer observed the object. Checks with the RAF proved negative. On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source. Newspaper report posted 06/08/69.

28. Late evening. 10/11/69. Location – Withernsea, North Lincolnshire. A couple observed a triangular shaped UFO as it flew low over the sky near the above named location. The object moved closer to the vehicle they were in. Frightened they contacted the local police and were informed that a police officer had also witnessed the same thing. This information was confirmed by CHIEF INSPECTOR W BARROWCLOUGH of Withernsea police who also went on to say that checks had been made and that no aircraft had been in the area at the time of the reported sightings.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – FSR Vol 16 No 1.

29. Late Evening. November 1969. Location—Werrington, Stoke on Trent. A uniformed officer, PC TREVOR BLOWER was driving a marked police vehicle when he was advised by radio to look for an unusual object heading in his direction. Moments later he observed a 'V' formation of nine UFOs. There was no sound at all and they moved at an exceptionally high speed. The officer stated the object had mother of pearl effect with colours swirling all around each other. It was a clear night with little cloud cover. He reported his sighting over the radio and heard another officer saying he too had witnessed the lights. The next day he attended Leek police station with another five officers who had witnessed the formation. Each independently gave their descriptions to a civilian male. Senior police officers later advised all the men to keep quiet about the incident.

On Duty sighting. 6 Officers. Source—PRUFOS Police Database.

## 1970

30. 0400 hours. Tuesday 16/06/70. Location – Hampstead, London. Two Metropolitan uniformed police officers, one of whom was PC H M BISHOP, observed a bright light whilst driving on Lyndhurst Road, Hampstead. The object was seen only briefly before disappearing from view. They continued to drive in the area until they saw three separate lights low in the sky having turned onto Netherhall Gardens, Hampstead. Two of the lights were ahead of a third one that seemed to be lagging behind the others. The officers stopped their vehicle to get a better look at the objects. After about 30 seconds and against a clear sky, each of the lights in turn disappeared from view as if they had gone behind an invisible screen. The objects were traveling at an altitude of 100-500 feet when first seen and then at 2500 feet by the time they vanished. The duration of the sighting was one to two minutes. It was a warm night with little cloud giving excellent visibility.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – FSR Case Histories Supplement, October 1970.

## 1971

31. 1971. Location – Tynemouth, Wearside. A uniformed police constable based at Tynemouth Police station was driving a marked panda car along Tynemouth Road when he noticed a bright circular disc hovering in the sky above Knot's Flats. The officer pulled over the vehicle into Oxford Street car park to get out and take a better look at the object. He observed it for about five minutes as it hovered over the flats before suddenly rising into the air vertically in a tremendous burst of acceleration and out of sight.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source: [www.wearsideonline.com](http://www.wearsideonline.com)

32. 2140 Hours. 27/10/71. Location – Banbury, Oxfordshire. An on duty uniformed police officer, PC PERRY JACKSON, accompanied by a Cadet, WILLIAM BRYON spotted an orange coloured UFO moving across a moonlit star filled sky near to Bratch Hill, Banbury. It was the size of a golf ball to us. It was seen for three seconds before it moved downwards to the ground at a 45 degree angle. Numerous members of the public also reported sightings of the object. All the reports were collected by Banbury police and submitted to the Ministry of Defence.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source: FSR.

33. 0615 hours. Late February, 1971. Location – Nuneaton. Four uniformed officers observed a UFO over the Nuneaton area during the early hours of the day. PC BRIAN HEWITT of Foleshill Police station said, "We were attending a job in Lythalls Lane when we saw a strange thing in the sky. It was not a meteorite or anything like that." He described seeing three white lights in the sky over Nuneaton which were moving at great speed heading in a westerly direction towards Birmingham. The lights were independent of each other and appeared to be traveling in formation. He checked with Air Traffic at Birmingham Airport and drew a blank.

On Duty sighting. 4 Officers. Source – FSR Vol 17 No 2 March/April 1971.

34. Evening. August. Location – Aldridge, Staffordshire. Four uniformed Staffordshire police officers which included PC LESLIE LEEK observed a disc shaped UFO above the night sky over Aldridge. PC LEEK photographed the object. On Duty sighting. 4 Officers. Source - UFO Flying Saucers over Britain by Robert Chapman. Mayflower Books 1969. Page 45.

## 1972

35. December 1972. Location: Beoley, near Redditch. A young couple observed three lights hovering 600 feet above the ground for four hours. They contacted the police and two police officers attended the scene. A spokesman for Henley in Arden police confirmed that two officers had seen the lights.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Irene Bott archive.

36. 1972. Location: Banbury. Two on duty uniformed police officers, PC PERRY JACKSON and PC WILLIAM BRYNE saw a cigar shaped UFO that was yellow in colour. BRYNE said, "It travelled along slowly for a few seconds, then shot off into the night at a fantastic speed. We didn't know what it was, nor had we ever seen anything like it but many reports have been made at the police station of strange lights and objects. The MoD confirmed that numerous reports had been made to them over several weeks but no conclusions had been reached as to their origin.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Irene Bott archive.

37. Late evening. Thursday 14/09/72. Location – Crumlin, Monmouthshire, Wales. Following reports by several members of the public of a UFO above the village of Crumlin, several uniformed officers were sent to the scene. There they observed the object which was described by PS CLIVE WILLIAMS as an orange circle in the sky that changed its shape to become a cone shaped UFO. The duration of the sighting was 60 minutes. On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source – FSR Vol 18 No 6.

38. March 1972. Late Evening. Location – Liverpool. Three on duty uniformed officers (one sergeant and two constables) were on patrol, in a van in Liverpool city centre late one evening, when they observed a brightly lit UFO over the Pier Head that is alongside of the River Mersey. On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source: The PRUFOS Police Database.

## 1973

39. Early hours. 1973. Location – Tynemouth, Wearside. The same officer was driving his marked police vehicle along Tyne Tunnel Road when he noticed a bright light travelling parallel with their car. The UFO appeared to keep pace with his vehicle and when he stopped the car so did the object, hovering approximately 150 yards away from his location. There was no noise emitted whatsoever. When he got back into the car he drove on with the object keeping pace just ahead of his position. He followed the light northwards in the direction of Seaton Burn. When he reached the Seaton Burn flyover he stopped the vehicle again and observed it moving back and forth over the A1 for several minutes before it turned north and disappeared from view. The officer reported the sighting to his colleagues who were dismissive of his claims, however a short time later a second uniformed officer from Morpeth confirmed the sighting of the UFO. On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source: [www.wearsideonline.com](http://www.wearsideonline.com)

## 1975

40. 0010 hours. Location. Cleve Hill near Evesham, Gloucestershire. An on duty uniformed police officer was sent to investigate reports of a stationary light above the police radio masts on the top of Cleve Hill. As he made his way up a narrow road toward the mast he saw a large bright UFO hanging in a stationary position to the right and above the radio masts. His police radio went dead as did his personal radio. He watched the light for a few seconds before it silently moved away from him following the line of a nearby ridge. Getting back into his police vehicle he attempted to pursue the light. At one point the UFO crossed the road on which he was travelling. For reasons he still can't explain he flashed at the object with his car headlights and immediately the object disappeared out of view at a tremendous speed. Moments later he saw another marked police vehicle and spoke with the officer who corroborated that he had witnessed the UFO shooting across the sky at great speed. On duty sighting. This forms the first in a series of four sightings by the principal officer. On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source - Confidential (PRUFOS) Database.

41. 0400 hours. Winter 1975. Location—Normanton, West Yorkshire. A uniformed officer, PC ROBERT TOMLINSON, was on mobile patrol driving a marked police vehicle on Wakefield Road near Normanton during the early hours when he saw a huge UFO hovering low on his left. He estimated the object's altitude as being in the region of 200-300 feet. It was shaped like a kids spinning top. There were lights all around the lower rim where there were a number of rectangular windows. He stopped the vehicle in the middle of the road. He watched it for several minutes before the object streaked off in the direction of Wakefield and out of view. Estimated size of the UFO—100 feet in diameter.

On Duty sighting. 1 officer. Source—PRUFOS Database.

42. 0325 hours. 15/08/75. Location – Bury, Greater Manchester. Two uniformed police officers in different police vehicles observed a bright lighted UFO heading in the direction of Heywood. One vehicle was north of Bury whilst the other was in the town itself. The object was also seen by a member of the public.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – FSR Vol 23 No 2.

43. 0150 hours. August. Location – Salford Docks, Lancashire. PC FRED PULLAN was on foot walking his beat on part of the docks when he became aware of a large oval shaped UFO approaching his location. The object came to within 30 metres of his position, hovering in total silence above a nearby amenity block. After a short period the object moved horizontally over towards another building where again it stopped and hovered for several minutes before departing at speed, at an angle, with a tremendous burst of acceleration. The officer did not report the incident fearing ridicule from his colleagues, however he did get some corroboration as he was nearing the end of his night shift when a colleague who had been walking a different beat on the dock asked him if he'd seen a strange light over the docks. When they compared notes they realized that they had both seen the same UFO but from different geographical positions on the dock. The UFO was described as being in the region of 30 feet in diameter.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – PC PULLAN and PRUFOS.

44. 0615 hours. October. Location – Salisbury, Wiltshire. Two uniformed officers, one of whom was PC VIVIENNE WHITE, observed a saucer shaped UFO whilst on mobile patrol in the area of Churchfield Road, Salisbury. They stopped the police vehicle and got out to observe the object. The officers described the UFO as yellow and orange in colour moving slowly at an altitude of approximately 500-700 feet. The object came to a hover for about 45 seconds before accelerating away at a tremendous speed out of view. The object left a 15 second vapour trail as it departed. The officers submitted an official report about the incident.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Steve Gerrard, Southampton UFO Group (SUFOG).

## 1976

45. 03/07/76. Location: A62 Manchester Road, Manchester. Two on duty uniformed police officers, including a Chief Superintendent Hobson, were on routine patrol driving along the A62 in Manchester when they observed a UFO. He said, "We watched the light for about two minutes. I then followed in a police vehicle along the A62.

On duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Freedom of Information Act.

46. Early hours. Sunday 01/08/76. Location – Hemel Hempstead. The crews of two police uniformed police officers observed a UFO hovering over the Buncefield Oil Terminal. The vehicles were parked up on the M1 motorway at the time of the sighting. They observed two lights above the terminal for several minutes before the object departed the scene. Checks were made with Luton Airport which proved negative for air traffic.

On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source FSR Vol 22 No 4.

1977

47. 0412 hours. 03/05/77. Location: Hainault Forest, London. Following a report of an unusual object in the vicinity of a lake in the above area by a member of the public, two uniformed officers attended the scene. On arrival they used a key to access the forest park area. Once inside they immediately noticed a large red light on the east side of the lake. They stopped their vehicle and got out to observe the object. The UFO was approximately 300 yards away from them and low to the ground. It was bell shaped and its size was a thumb nail held at arms length from their position. They watched the object for two or three minutes before it was seen to pulse dull to bright red whilst hovering in total silence. Without warning the object disappeared from view. The officers split up to approach the spot where it had been. Suddenly one of the officers saw an object that he described as a white inverted UFO, low in the sky above his position before the craft disappeared from view. There was a slight smell of burning in the air. The incident was officially reported via the police vehicle radio. On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – FSR Vol 23 No 2 Aug 77.

48. Between 0010-0030 hours. Sunday 28/08/77. Location - Windermere area of Cumbria. At 0010 hours an on duty police officer PC IAN MACKENZIE observed two very bright horizontal lights in the vicinity of Langdale Pike that moved towards him and grew brighter. He ruled out any type of aircraft. At the same time PS JOHN McMULLEN also spotted the UFO from his location whilst walking through Keswick with three other officers. He described the object as being 'hang glider' or diamond shaped. At 0020 hours PS JAMES TROHEAR and PC JOHN FISWICK also reported seeing the object from their position at the Fallbarrow Park Caravan Site on the shores of Lake Windermere. Other unnamed officers were also present at that location and saw the object. PS TROHEAR described the object as triangular or diamond shaped. At 0022 hours PC ALEXANDER INGLIS was driving home with three colleagues along the A591 Keswick to Bothel road when they too caught sight of the lights. As the object approached them he pulled the car over to have a better look. Despite their efforts they could not make out a distinct shape of the object. All they could make out was two extremely bright lights attached to it and there was a faint 'purring' noise associated with it. At 0025 hours PC JOSEPH MAW and a colleague spotted the object heading in the direction of Buttermere. It was travelling at a low altitude over the surrounding fells. At around the same time PC DAVID WILD spotted the UFO whilst out on foot patrol on the A592 Rayrigg Road to Bowness. He described it as 'kite' shaped and that it was a very large structured craft. At 0030 hours a number of civilian witnesses also spotted the object. At the same time following a police radio request for officer sightings, two further officers, PS GEOFFREY MERCKEL and PC RONALD JONES observed the same UFO from their position at Skelwith Bridge on the A593 road. They described the object as being 'kite' shaped as they watched it go out to sea over Morcambe Bay. Multiple police witness corroboration reported from several geographical locations. On and Off Duty sighting. 17 Officers (nine named plus a number of unspecified officers). Source - A Covert Agenda by Nick Redfern. Pocket Books 1998. Pages 131-132.

49. Late October 1977. Location – Salisbury Plain. A uniformed officer observed a UFO at an altitude of only 500-700 feet above Salisbury Plain. He described it as being oblong with a rounded top and a flat bottom. The object was seen to travel at a very slow speed across the landscape. On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – BUFORA Vol 6 No 6 March/April 1978.

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50. 1645 hours. 11/01/78. Location – Rainhill near St Helens. Following a number of reports by members of the public in the January period, two uniformed officers, PC LOWE and PC ROBERTS of the Prescott Division, observed a brilliant white light hovering over the Bold Power Station. After approximately 10 seconds the UFO zoomed at speed toward the Fiddlers Ferry Power Station where it stopped and hovered once more. The object then began to pulsate and after a few seconds the object appeared in the form of an inverted 'T' that glowed brightly. After a further 20 seconds the UFO streaked out of view travelling vertically into the sky. From being low in the sky to becoming a pinpoint of light high in the sky took literally a second.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – FSR Vol 23 No 6.

51. 0230 hours. January. Location - Cononley, Skipton in North Yorkshire. Uniformed officers PS TONY DODD and PC ALAN DALE were travelling in a marked police vehicle when they observed a dome shaped circular UFO in the vicinity of Cononley near Skipton, North Yorkshire. They saw it at close proximity at an altitude of 100 feet moving silently over fields. The object passed directly over the police car. Portholes could be seen on the upper dome part of the craft and there were three spheres protruding from its underside. As they continued to watch the object was seen to go over a hill as if to land. They did investigate but found no sign of the object. Soon they were joined by another officer in a marked vehicle who confirmed he too had witnessed the UFO from a different geographical position. Checks were made with Manchester Airport radar but proved negative.

On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source - Alien Investigator by Tony Dodd, Headline Publishing Books 1999. Pages 7-10.

52. Late evening. Mid May. Two uniformed Metropolitan Police officers watched a yellow coloured UFO for 20 minutes over Coldbath Street, Lewisham. The officers stated that the object was six times brighter than any star as they observed the UFO through cloud. Several reports were made the same evening by members of the public. Checks were made with Heathrow Airport and nothing was on their radar to account for the object.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – BUFORA Vol 6 No6. July/August 1978.

53. April 1978. Location: Farnborough. Initially reported by a member of the public a uniformed police officer, PC ALAN CRAGGS attended his home and was amazed to see the UFO for himself. He described it as being 20-30 feet above him with wings like fins on a dolphin. He could not identify the object. The object had been seen in the sky for over forty minutes prior to the officer's arrival at the scene. It is interesting to note that the original civilian witness had served with the Royal Observer Corp and that PC CRAGGS himself had served in the RAF Police and was fully aware of aircraft characteristics. He said, "I've been in the Air Force, I know what an aircraft looks like at night."

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – Irene Bott archive.

54. 0300 hours. 1978. Location – Chiltern, near Long Crendon, Buckinghamshire. Two uniformed officers, PC ERIC RAYMENT and a Special Constable were parked up talking to another uniformed officer when they observed a brilliant light going Northwest. After a few seconds it disappeared from view only to reappear a short time later a half mile from their location. The object was travelling at a slow speed at an altitude of 500 feet. No noise was heard. The light was described as the size of a football field. As the UFO slowly passed over the landscape the officers observed several smaller lights

flying around the main object. They watched the UFO for approximately five minutes before they literally disappeared before their eyes. During the sighting the officers used their police radio (VHF) to contact Kiddlington Police Headquarters. They were asked to give a description of the object over the air knowing that the details would automatically be recorded in the Control Room. PC Rayment made a full pocket book entry and completed a sketch of the UFO. On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source – Eric Rayment/PRUFOS.

55. 2135 hours. 06/08/78. Location – Billingshurst, London. Following a number of reports from members of the public, Horsham Police dispatched a marked police vehicle to the Billingshurst area. On arrival PC PAGE observed a triangular shaped UFO hovering motionless in the sky as clouds passed by it. After a short period the object departed in a Westerly direction. On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – FSR Vol 24 No 6.

56. 0300 hours. Location – Halifax, West Yorkshire. Two uniformed police officers in a marked vehicle observed a bright light pass over their location at Southowram, high above Halifax. The UFO came to a silent hover above the Savile Park area of the town. They observed other officers watching the same object from the latter location. They watched the object for between 20-30 minutes until it suddenly increased its size many times over before moving away at speed. The sighting was officially reported to Divisional Police Headquarters in Halifax and a number of the officers involved received visits from members of the MOD. On Duty sighting. 4 Officers. Source – PRUFOS/CONFIDENTIAL.

57. October 1978. Location – Denbigh. PC NEVILLE HUGHES and two uniformed colleagues (one of who was a sergeant) observed a UFO whilst in the grounds of North Wales Hospital in Denbigh. On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source – FSR Vol 25 No 2 Mar/Apr 79.

58. 1530 hours. Sunday. Late October 1978. Location – B4011 Oakley to Long Crendon road, Buckinghamshire. As PC ERIC RAYMENT was driving a marked police vehicle between Oakley to Long Crendon he observed a series of lights, equally spaced in a horizontal row above the village of Long Crendon. He described seeing six to eight lights, 100 yards apart at an altitude of 1000 feet. He initially thought it was the 'Red Arrows' Air display team and stopped to look at them. However he soon realized that it was not them and watched the lights for several minutes. The lights remained fixed in the sky and did not appear to be getting closer to his position. The lights seemed to tilt from side to side in the sky whilst hanging motionless. He then drove in the direction of the objects but by the time he got to their location they were gone. By chance the next day he was in the village when he saw a shop owner and mentioned the lights. The shopkeeper stated she had seen a long cylindrical UFO over the village at the same time as his sighting. She described the object as having a series of equally spaced lights on its length. She said that the object literally disappeared before her eyes after viewing it for approximately one minute. The officer did not report the sighting for fear of ridicule. On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – Eric Rayment/PRUFOS.

## 1979

59. 0230 hours. January. Location - A65 Skipton to Gargrave road, North Yorkshire. Two on duty uniformed officers, PS TONY DODD and an unnamed officer were travelling in a marked vehicle on their way to meet another police vehicle to exchange internal mail. There was a heavy coating of snow on the ground and the driving conditions were dangerous. They drove over the brow of

a hill to see below and to their left a bright light in the distance. Initially thinking it was a house they soon realised the light was in an empty field that they'd passed by many times in the course of their duties. The object was stationary for a moment before slowly moving across the wintry landscape. The object was dome shaped with a white light that appeared to be coming from some kind of window structure. Forms part of a series of sightings by the principal named officer.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source - Alien Investigator by Tony Dodd. Headline Publishing Books 1999. Pages 20-21.

60. Late evening. 25/01/79. Location – Denbigh, North Wales. PC NEVILLE HUGHES observed a UFO after responding to a call from a Denbigh family.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – FSR V25 No 2 Mar/Apr 79.

61. 2045 hours. 26/01/79. Location – Denbigh, North Wales. A member of the public, Keith Jones was about to go into the restaurant where he worked near Denbigh when he observed a UFO at an altitude of 100-150 feet. He went inside and asked his employer to go outside and look at the object. They watched a stunning aerial display by the UFO for several minutes before calling the police. A short time later two uniformed police officers, PC BERWYN JONES and PC NEVILLE HUGHES arrived at the scene where they too witnessed the UFO. The object was disc shaped with a dome underneath. There was no noise and it was described as being too low and too bright to be an aircraft. The object was last seen heading in the direction of Ruthin.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source FSR Volume 25 No 2 Mar/Apr 79.

62. Location - Luton, Bedfordshire. Two on duty uniformed police officers observed a UFO at close proximity whereby one of the officer's clothing was scorched/burned. The reporting officer is still too reluctant to release any other details at present but has retained the relevant clothing.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source - Confidential (PRUFOS) Database.

63. 0300 hours. Location – Todmorden, West Yorkshire. A uniformed police officer was parked up in a layby when he observed a bright light that suddenly began to perform a series of spectacular angular manoeuvres for approximately 5-10 seconds before disappearing at speed from view. No noise was heard during the observation period.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – PRUFOS/CONFIDENTIAL.

64. Late 1979. Location – Dumfries, Scotland. Five uniformed officers were involved in a sighting of multi coloured UFO that was seen to hover over the town of Dumfries, Scotland. Later at a press conference two of the officers involved, Sergeant BILL McDAVID and PC JAMES SMITH spoke about their experiences. PS McDAVID said that he drove to within a mile of the object. He described it as being longer than an aircraft and hovering at an altitude of only 500 feet. He described the shape of the UFO as being similar to that of an airship with five or six white lights shining from six different areas of the craft. PC SMITH said, "I never believed in UFOs up to now. It was raining at the time and the cloud base was very low." The UFO remained in a stationery position for around 20 minutes until it vanished over the hill to the west of the town. Several members of the public also reported seeing the UFO. Checks with the Glasgow Weather Centre proved negative as they could not explain the configuration of the lights as described by the witnesses.

On Duty sighting. 5 Officers. Source—The World's Greatest UFO Mysteries Page 122. Hamlyn.

65. 0325 hours. Friday 30/11/79. Location – Rickmansworth, Hertfordshire. Two uniformed officers, PC PHILIP MOORCROFT and PC ANNE-LOUISE BROWNE observed a brightly lit UFO whilst on mobile patrol in the area of Long Lane, Rickmansworth. A mile away in another marked police vehicle PC GARY MAHONEY and PC MARK CHAPMAN also observed the same object whilst in the area of Commongate Road, Chorleywood Bottom. At 0530 hours two more uniformed officers, one of whom was PC DAVID SHEPHERD, in another vehicle, observed a cigar shaped UFO from Berry Lane, Mill End. Checks were made with RAF West Drayton but nothing was shown on radar. Later all six officers gave a press conference about their observations. A newspaper put forward the theory that the object was nothing but a weather balloon. However a local journalist, Florence Scott went back to see the officers for their views on this idea and found that all of them were highly indignant at such a suggestion! On Duty sighting. 6 Officers. Source – FSR Vol 30 No 3.

66. Early hours. Late 70's or early 80's. Location – Todmorden, West Yorkshire. Five on duty uniformed officers, which included a police sergeant and two police vehicles, attended an alarm activation at a warehouse outside the above town. As they awaited a keyholder to arrive, several of the officers observed a bright light hovering stationary above a nearby railway line. Initially the officers thought the light was from railway workers doing maintenance. However they soon realized that they could not hear any sound coming from it. The object was no more than 200 yards from their location at the time of the incident. Curious several of the officers begin to approach its location only for the UFO to rise into the sky and move away. On police vehicle set off in pursuit of the object but in vain. The incident lasted 30 minutes in duration. On Duty sighting. 5 Officers. Source – PRUFOS/CONFIDENTIAL.

67. Late Seventies. Location: Laisterdyke, Bradford. An on duty senior police officer, CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT COOPER of the West Yorkshire Police was on mobile when he observed a bright silver light that he initially thought was a star. It was low in the sky visible above the rooftops on Ferrand Avenue at the junction with Hambleton Avenue. As he continued to watch the object over the rooftops it suddenly disappeared. He contacted police operations to see if there had been any other sightings but there had been none. On duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – Freedom of Information Act.

## 1980

68. 0400 Hours. 13/09/80. Location – Manchester Area. Two uniformed officers in a marked vehicle followed a UFO as it flew over the Manchester area. Manchester Airport confirmed to the RAF that they had a track of the object that mirrored the estimations of direction of travel and height made by the police officers. On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source: Declassified RAF file.

69. Mid December 1980. Location. A total of five uniformed on duty police officers observed a UFO over Yorkshire that was recorded on three separate radar stations. Four of the officers followed the object in two marked police vehicles for several miles as it flew over the landscape before disappearing from view. On Duty sighting. 5 Officers. Source: Yorkshire Post 19/12/80.

70. Late evening. 15/09/80. Location – Wetherby to York. Two uniformed officers first observed the object in the vicinity of Wetherby traveling at an altitude of 2000 feet. No noise was heard. The officers followed the object in their police vehicle. Over Wetherby the UFO was seen to change direction heading towards York. Alerted by the West Yorkshire Police two officers of the North

Yorkshire Police, PC ROY ALLEN and PC RICHARD GORDON, waited to pick up the UFO. PC Allen later said, "We were waiting on the York bypass when suddenly we saw it. The light stopped moving and hovered in the sky for some time. Eventually it moved off in the direction of Hull." Police made checks at a number of RAF bases but could not find a satisfactory answer.

A senior officer at York said, "There is nothing more we can do. It has been logged as a UFO.

On duty sighting. 5 Officers. Source – FSR Vol 26 No 4. Nov 1980.

Possible explanation – The above case is one of the first investigations carried by Graham Birdsall and Mark Birdsall. They interviewed many of the people involved. A scientist later stated that the object seen was the planet Venus. In addition a number of photographs were taken by a Scene of Crime Officer that appeared to support the Venus theory. However I have examined the statements of several of the officers concerned and they are very specific about there being a definite change of direction over Wetherby. In addition the altitude quoted by some of the officers is only 2000 feet and the object was followed in a police vehicle for several miles. Given these specific descriptions I believe this one is still up for debate.

71. 0400 hours. 29/11/80. Location – Moors near Todmorden, West Yorkshire. Four West Yorkshire uniformed police officers, PC JOHN PORTER, PC HOWARD TURNPENNY, PC JULIE BAXTER and a fourth officer were high on the moors looking for stolen motor cycles when they observed a blue coloured UFO making a series of angular turns low across the valley. The object jerked from one side of the valley to the other and was last seen heading in the direction of Todmorden. This was officially reported by telex to West Yorkshire HQ in Wakefield. This sighting links to the Alan Godfrey case.

On Duty sighting. 4 Officers. Source – PRUFOS Police Database.

72. July 1980. Location: Littleborough, West Yorkshire. Two uniformed police officers, PC STEPHEN HOWARTH and PC CHRIS FERNHEAD had left Littleborough police station in a vehicle bound for Todmorden just four miles away. Prior to leaving the police station the building had been experiencing a series of fluctuations in the electrical power supply. Enquiries with the Electricity Board had revealed no known faults to the power supply. Later as they drove along Nayland Moor between Littleborough and Todmorden the officers saw a hat shaped UFO beside two electricity pylons. The object appeared to be rotating and changing colour from yellow to bluish white and then back again to yellow. The object slowly began to rise into the sky. At the same time the officers began to hear radio transmissions from the South Wales police approximately 200 miles away when normally the radio would only be 20-30 miles! The officers then observed a second object to the North that was identical to the first. Both objects began to rise into the sky and at 0430 hours they were out of sight as they moved off at speed to Denshaw.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Yorkshire Evening Post 11/07/80.

73. June 1980. 2245 hours. Location: Pontefract, West Yorkshire. Following a report by a member of the public a uniform police officer attended a Pontefract home where he viewed a UFO through the witnesses' binoculars. Eventually up to eight police officers (including some in plain clothes) arrived at the home to see the object that was described as a spherical bright light surrounded by a red glow with blue and green lights. Checks with radar proved negative.

On Duty sighting. 6 Officers. Source – Daily Mirror.

74. 0500-0550 hours. 29/11/80. Location - Todmorden, West Yorkshire. An on duty uniformed police officer, PC ALAN GODFREY was making one last sweep of an housing estate looking for a number of cows that had been seen roaming loose in the area before going off his night shift. As he was about to turn right off Burnley Road, Todmorden he looked up the road to see what he initially thought was a bus slew across the road. However almost immediately he realised it wasn't a bus and decided to investigate what it was. Instead of turning right he went straight on toward the object. When he approached he saw that it was a diamond shaped UFO hovering in a stationary position five feet above the road. He was within 20-50 feet of the craft. He described the object as being 20 feet wide and 14 feet high with windows on the top part whilst the bottom part rotated anticlockwise. Shocked and frightened he attempted to contact his local police control via the vehicle's radio set but it would not function nor would his personal radio. Whilst sat in the car he decided to sketch the object in front of him. Moments later a bizarre thing happened and he suddenly found himself driving down the same road approximately 50-100 yards further on with the object having disappeared. Puzzled and shaken by the experience he drove back towards Todmorden Police station where he saw a colleague on foot patrol. He picked him up and drove him back to the scene of his encounter. There they found a circular patch in the road where the road was drier (there had been some overnight rain) than the surrounding area. PC GODFREY stated that the rotation of the craft had caused nearby trees and bushes to shake. Leaves and branches had formed a circular pattern where PC GODFREY claimed the UFO had been. Only hours later did it emerge that he had suffered a period of 'missing time' of approximately 15-20 minutes which he couldn't account for at the end of his shift. Interestingly one of his boots had sustained a split under his foot that hadn't been there earlier in the shift. Where it had been he found a red mark on his foot that developed into an irritating rash. This later required minor medical treatment and persisted for several days after the incident. Unable to satisfactorily account for the period of missing time he was eventually persuaded to undergo hypnotic regression in an effort to solve the mystery. What emerged over a series of four such sessions was that of an 'alien abduction' scenario which is widely regarded as one of Britain's finest cases. Under hypnosis he recalled that he had got out of the police vehicle to get a better look at the object, however an intense white light had enveloped him which frightened him he sought the sanctuary of the police car. He then found in a room lying on a table with a number of small 'bulb' head figures holding him down. A taller 'humanoid' figure came and telepathically communicated with him. Moments later he found himself back in the police vehicle driving along the road, which is where his conscious memories begin. To this day he does not have any conscious memories of the abduction scenario and finds it difficult to comprehend himself. Although the story sounds bizarre, part corroboration for the sighting came in the guise of three other Halifax based officers who were out on the moors only an hour or so prior to PC GODFREY's encounter. This case links to the above named case. In addition a member of the public saw a similar coloured object in the town itself minutes prior to the GODFREY sighting.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - Alan Godfrey, during a number of personal interviews with him during 2002.

75. 0510-0550 hours. 29/11/80. Location – Littleborough, near Todmorden, West Yorkshire. Two on duty uniformed traffic officers were parked up in a pub car park when they observed a very bright UFO low on the horizon. The object was last seen heading in the direction of Todmorden. This case links to the Alan Godfrey case. The officers contacted Alan Godfrey approximately one year after his sighting. They would not come forward publicly fearing ridicule.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Alan Godfrey/PRUFOS.

76. Late evening. Location – Sowerby Bridge, West Yorkshire. Whilst on night duty two uniformed officers observed a UFO. The officers gave chase in their police vehicle. The chase took place between the villages of Luddenden and Sowerby Bridge.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – PRUFOS/CONFIDENTIAL.

1982

77. Early hours March 1982. Location – Milton Keynes. An on duty uniformed police officer observed a silver coloured UFO with flashing lights during the early hours of a late March morning. The officer reported the sighting to the Ministry of Defence.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source: Yorkshire Evening Post 25/03/82 and Daily Mirror on the same date.

78. Sunday 25/09/82. 0400 hours. Location – Monmouth, Gwent in Wales. Two on duty uniformed officers, PC TIM BANKS and PC SIMON HOLDER, observed a UFO over Monmouth in Wales during the early hours of a late September morning. At one point the officers witness two red lights appear to fall from the main object.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source: Daily Express 25/09/82.

79. 0435 hours. 25/03/82. Location - Saxon Street, Milton Keynes. Two uniformed officers, PS IAN VICTORY and PC ANTHONY UNDERWOOD were driving a marked police vehicle when they observed a yellow lozenge shaped UFO in the sky. Stopping the vehicle they sat and watched it pass overhead. They saw red and blue flashing lights on the craft. The incident was believed to be subject of an investigation by the Ministry of Defence who admitted they had received a report about the officers sighting. The Superintendent for Milton Keynes police, JOHN BURTON, said of the officers, "These are two experienced officers and I have no reason to doubt their integrity."

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source - A Covert Agenda by Nick Redfern. Pocket Books 1998. Pages 159-160.

80. 0130 hours. Location – Todmorden, West Yorkshire. Three on duty uniformed officers, that included a police sergeant and two vehicles observed a bright light moving high above Todmorden for 30 minutes before it disappeared at speed from view. There was no noise associated with the object. None of the officers reported the sighting fearing ridicule.

On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source – PRUFOS/CONFIDENTIAL.

81. March 1982. Location: Newcastle. Two on duty Northumbria uniform police officers observed a UFO as it passed over the Tyne Valley, West of Newcastle. It was last seen losing altitude in the direction of the Roman Wall. On Duty sightings. 2 Officers. Source – Newcastle Evening Chronicle 30/06/94.

82. 24/10/82. Location: Elsack and Carleton Moors, North Yorkshire. During the early hours of the morning three uniformed police officers observed a small UFO zig-zagging just several feet above the ground as it passed over Carleton Moor. At 0515 hours a further series of lights were seen to pass directly over their police car.

On Duty sightings. 3 Officers. Source – Yorkshire Post.

## 1983

83. May 1983 Location – Hartcliffe area of Bristol. Two female police officers observed a strange light hovering above a hill top in the Hartcliffe area of Bristol. They followed the UFO in their marked police vehicle for a distance of two miles before the object stopped and hovered again. At this point a second UFO approached the first one from a different direction. Moments later both objects rose vertically into the night sky at a very high speed and out of sight. One of the officers said, "It was very creepy". At the same time another officer, SERGEANT IAN LOCK saw a flashing UFO above the Bedminster area of Bristol. In a strange twist to the account the police vehicle involved in the pursuit of the UFO developed a fault with its battery the next day rendering it inoperable. Checks were made with the MoD and local airports put all efforts to identify the object proved negative.

On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source: Daily Star 17/05/83.

84. 0400 hours. Mid summer 1983. Location – Blackpool, Lancashire. Whilst on uniformed mobile patrol with a colleague along the promenade area at Blackpool PC GEORGE SHONE suddenly observed a large splash approximately 100 yards off the North Pier. A long dark object either entered or emerged into or out from the water at high speed. The officer turned to his colleague but unfortunately he did not witness the UFO. The officer likened the object as being similar to that of a Polaris missile being fired at sea from a submarine but this was much too close to the shore for that and there was little or no noise.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source: The PRUFOS Police Database.

85. Early hours March 1983. Location – Ferrybridge, West Yorkshire. Two uniformed traffic officers observed a brightly lit UFO in the vicinity of Ferrybridge Power Station. They observed the object for several minutes as it moved near to the power station and were unable to identify the object. The officers reported the sighting to the Ministry of Defence.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Yorkshire Evening Post.

86. 14/03/83. 0315 hours. Location: Carleton Moor, North Yorkshire. PS TONY DODD observed two UFOs passing over the moor.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – Yorkshire Post.

87. 29/10/83. 0430 hours. Location: A59 Summerscale. Two uniformed police officers observed a large glowing UFO that was hovering over the A59 at Summerscale.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Yorkshire Post.

## 1984

88. April. Location - Stanmore, Middlesex, near RAF Bentley Prior. PC RICHARD MILTHORP was one of at least sixteen uniformed officers who observed a dome shaped circular UFO that appeared to 'fire' balls of light to the ground for two hours. He submitted a report with one other officer that was sent to the Ministry of Defence and the Civil Aviation Authority. The Superintendent for Harrow Police station at the time said that the report by MILTHORP and PC PAUL ISLES was made by "two normal sensible men."

On Duty sighting. 20 Officers. Source - Page 251, The UFO Encyclopaedia by John Spencer, Headline Book Publishing 1991.

89. Early hours. Winter 1984. Location – Bristol. An on duty uniformed police officer observed a slow moving UFO above Bristol during the early hours of

a night shift. The officer made checks with a number of airports but all proved negative.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source: The PRUFOS Police Database.

90. 29/02/84. Location: Bordley Moor, North Yorkshire. Two uniformed police officers observed a large glowing white light passing over the moor.

On duty sightings. 2 Officers. Source – Yorkshire Post.

91. Autumn 1984. 2345 hours. Location: Rowley Regis, Black Country. Following a report by a member of the public two uniformed police officers arrived on Portway Road and confirmed that a blue light was hovering above the ground on Turners Hill. The object then moved toward the police vehicle which passed over the car before it suddenly moved vertically up into the sky and disappeared.

On duty sightings. 2 Officers. Source – PRUFOS Police Database/KR.

## 1985

92. 0400 hours. 1985. Location – M55 Marton Circle. PC DICKIE MOSS saw a large UFO as it hovered over the M55 motorway near Marton Circle. The object was very large covering the entire width of both sides of the motorway (six lanes). The UFO was described by the officer as saucer shaped, black in colour with a series of lights around its rim and a brilliant white light emitting a beam down to the ground like a searchlight. Reporting the incident by radio PC MOSS requested other officers to attend his location. Two other uniformed officers soon arrived in a vehicle and both saw the UFO for themselves. A short time later the UFO suddenly shot into the sky in the blink of an eye and disappeared from view. On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source: The PRUFOS Police Database.

93. Late July 1985. 0145 hours. Location – Chesterfield, Derbyshire. PC MARK TURNER observed a flashing blue/red UFO for over 35 minutes before it moved off in the direction of Dronfield. The weather was clear with no cloud in the sky. A number of civilian witnesses also witnessed the object.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source: Sheffield Telegraph Monday 29/07/85.

94. Late evening 25/10/85. Location – Sunningdale, Windsor. Two uniformed officers, PC LAURENCE MILLIGAN and PC MATTHEW SCOTT, observed a red and green flashing UFO for 45 minutes having responded to a sighting of the object by a member of the public. Attending his home they observed the object through a telescope. Eventually the UFO disappeared in a north-westerly direction. It had been seen over the Virginia Water and Harpsford Avenue areas of the town. Checks were made with RAF Waddington but proved negative.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source: Windsor Slough and Eton Express.

## 1987

95. 23/12/1987. Location – Armadale, Edinburgh. Two on duty uniformed officer, SERGEANT JIM BEGG and PC TOM MURPHY observed a bright orange UFO over Armadale, Edinburgh.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source: West Lothian Courier, Bathgate. 17/01/88.

96. 2240 Hours. September 1987. Location—M6 Motorway between Junction 28 and 27. Two uniformed traffic officers, PC STANLEY OSBOURNE and PC DOUGLAS, were driving along the M6 motorway between Leyland and

Shevington at Charnock Richard when a cigar shaped UFO raced passed them on a parallel course. It was in sight for approximately five seconds. The UFO was at an estimated altitude of 30/50 making no sound despite the fact that the officers had the windows down.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source—PRUFOS Database.

## 1988

97. 05/01/88. Location –Kensington. A young girl reported seeing a UFO from her home in Kensington and it was reported to the police. Initially one officer attended and corroborated her sighting. So perplexed was the officer that he called for two more uniformed officers to attend the house. They too in turn confirmed the sighting of the object. In the end another five uniformed officers turned up making 8 in total. The sighting lasted 40 minutes.

On Duty sighting. 8 Officers. Source: Regional/National papers.

98. 2117 hours. 16/02/88. Location - Rosehill area of Willenhall, Midlands. Two uniformed officers, PS STUART GRIFFITHS and PC MICHAEL POWELL observed a very large UFO in the night sky. PS GRIFFITHS said, "There were red and green lights all around its circumference which were either flashing on and off or the whole thing was spinning." He went on to say that he had never seen anything like it before and that there was no noise at all. Further enquiries later revealed that at 2100 hours that same evening two other uniformed officers, INSPECTOR ROGER CLARKE and PS STEVE GODWIN, had seen the same object in the vicinity of Walsall. Willenhall Police confirmed that a report was sent to the Ministry of Defence about the officers sightings.

On Duty sighting. 4 officers. . Source - A Covert Agenda by Nick Redfern. Pocket Books 1998. Page 165.

99. Late evening. Friday. 04/03/88. Location – Reigate, London. Following reports by members of the public of a UFO hovering motionless in the sky above Reigate, three uniformed police officers turned up at the home of a Mr Clarke expecting to find nothing of note, but were amazed to see the object themselves. The officers made checks with Heathrow and Gatwick Airports, the latter of which confirmed that they did have an unknown object on their radar. Later it turned out that the police had recorded between 3 and 6 objects on a motorway camera in the nearby Rickmansworth area (Camera 22, M1, J16) but they refused to release the film. Gordon Creighton at Flying Saucer Review did manage to get hold of the tape which clearly showed three spherical white objects caught on camera.

On Duty sighting. 5 Officers. Source – FSR Vol 42 No 3. August 1997.

100. February 1988. Location – Stafford. Two uniformed police officers observed a large bright light as it crossed the skies above Stafford. The UFO was also seen by two other uniformed officers in the area as well as several members of the public. One officer described the object as a 'giant block of light whizzing through the air'.

On Duty sighting. 4 Officers. Source: Stafford Newsletter 19/02/88.

101. 01/02/1988. 0625 hours. Location – Cheadle, Stockport. Two on duty uniformed officers, PC IAN WALMSLEY and PC CHRIS EVANS observed a glowing spinning UFO as it hovered above the Cheadle area of Stockport. The officers reported the sighting to Manchester Police Headquarters who later tried to write of the sighting as a Tristar aircraft on approach to Manchester Airport. However the officers rejected the explanation saying, "I've seen hundreds of planes and this didn't look like one. I've never seen anything like it before."

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source: Manchester Metro News 02/02/88.

102. January 1988. Location: Sheffield, South Yorkshire. Two Woodseats based police officers, INSPECTOR DAVID TINGLE and PS CHRIS THOMPSON observed a UFO for thirty seconds as they drove back from the Derbyshire Peak District area towards Sheffield just before midnight. The UFO was also reported by several members of the public.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source - Sheffield Star 23/01/88.

103. February 1988. Location: Ecclesfield, Sheffield. Following reports by the public two Ecclesfield based uniformed police officers observed a bright red V shaped object passing over the area. PC SUSAN JACKSON saw the object and got out of the police car to have a better look. "I had the car engine running but could still hear it whirring above. It had rows and rows of flashing red lights all around it." Alerted to the sightings and several hundred metres away, another uniformed police officer, PC JOHN BOAM saw the same object that he described as hovering for 30 seconds before flying off in the direction of Grenoside.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source: The Doncaster Star 06/02/88.

104. February 1988. Location: Stafford, Staffordshire. Following a report by a member of the public, two separate uniformed police crews observed two white lights passing over Sydney Avenue, Stafford from different geographical positions in the area. Independently the officer described the UFOs as a giant block of light. The sighting was officially reported to senior officers.

On Duty sighting 4 Officers. Source – Stafford Newsletter 19/02/88.

105. Late October 1988. Location: West Mercia. Two uniformed police officers reported seeing a brilliant white light passing over the landscape of Worcestershire. It was also reported by several members of the public. West Mercia police contacted the RAF at West Drayton who suggested the object might have been a satellite burning up in the atmosphere.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Droitwich Weekly Mail 04/11/88.

## 1989

106. Near midnight February 1989. Location – Swindon. A uniformed police officer was one of several people who witnessed a UFO as it flew over the Pinehurst area of Swindon. The UFO was described as being triangular and larger than an aircraft with numerous glowing lights upon it. The officer saw the object at a distance of a mile and reported the sighting using his personal radio. A short time later the object disappeared with an amazing burst of speed. Other sightings were made a few hours earlier Wiltshire and Gloucestershire. One witness described the UFO as being at rooftop height. A Gloucestershire police officer, Sergeant Parr said, "There were three green lights and the beams shone down in the form of a tripod."

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source: Weird Wiltshire UFO Archive.

107. 0500 hours. December. Location - Mow Cop, North Staffordshire. During the early hours of a December morning, radar controllers at Manchester Airport picked up a stationary return on their equipment. Puzzled they asked police officers from the nearby Kidsgrove Police station to investigate. A marked police vehicle was dispatched to a local beauty spot called Mow Cop to see if they could see an object that could account for the radar return. When they arrived there they observed a green and white UFO hanging motionless in the sky in the position indicated by the radar return. At the same time their personal radios went dead. A number of checks were made but no aircraft could be found to account for the object. The Air Force was also contacted who stated they were not responsible for the object. At the same time numerous members of the public

rang in with similar sightings. A short time after uniformed officers reached Mow Cop, CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT PETER GROCOTT arrived at the scene and later said, "We didn't get to the bottom of it. The traffic controllers called us because they thought it could have been the county's helicopter but it wasn't flying that night." The sighting was reported to the Ministry of Defence by the police. Later it emerged that the MOD denied ever receiving it.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source - A Covert Agenda by Nick Redfern. Pocket Books 1998. Pages 167-168.

108. 1800 hours. Autumn 1989. Location – M5 near Gloucester. The above officer also had a second sighting when he was travelling northwards on the M5 motorway. As he approached signs for a local airport near Gloucester he observed a UFO on his left. The object appeared to be triangular in shape but could have had three or four sides to it. The UFO had multiple lights and hovered at his 10 o'clock position at an altitude of 200/300 feet in the sky for approximately 5 minutes at a distance of half a mile or so from his location. The officer has produced an extremely detailed drawing of the UFO.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source: The PRUFOS Police Database.

109. May 1989. Late Evening. Location – Heywood, Manchester. Following a report by an ambulance crew reporting the sighting of a UFO and a loss of power to their vehicle, an on duty police officer also observed the flashing multi-coloured UFO. The officer followed the object in his marked police vehicle for almost a mile before the object shot off at speed.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source: Bolton Evening News 20/05/89.

110. February 1989. 2100 hours. Location: A46 Stroud. Following several reports by members of the public, a PS PARR confirmed that he too had witnessed a triangular shaped object as it passed over the A46 at Stroud. The UFO was described as being larger than a helicopter but definitely not an aircraft.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – Swindon Star, Wiltshire 16/02/89.

111. March 1989. 2100 hours. Location: Highfields, Stafford. Following several reports from members of the public (some of whom had viewed the object through binoculars circa 2015 hours) the UFO was observed by two uniformed police officers, PC TERRY GIBBS and PC KEVIN MULLER. Neither officer was able to identify the object which they described as being a brilliant white light that intermittently flashed as it passed over the night sky.

On Duty sightings. 2 Officers. Source – Stafford Newsletter 31/03/89.

## 1990

112. Early hours. May 1990. Location – Cheshire, Merseyside and North Wales. Two on duty uniformed officers (male and female) were amongst many people reporting the sighting of several UFOs as they passed over the counties of Cheshire, Merseyside and North Wales. The objects were described as being blue, green and red in colour.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source: Chester Tonight newspaper 03/05/90.

113. 03/05/90. 0100 hours. Backford near Chester. Following reports by members of the public who reported strange lights to both the Cheshire police and the Coastguard two uniformed officers were sent to investigate the claims. The officers, one male and one female officer were amazed to see a green, red and blue UFO wobbling in the sky. The male officer couldn't believe what he was witnessing and the female officer was amazed.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Chester Tonight Newspaper 03/05/90.

114. August 1990. Location: Southern Essex. Following two sightings of a 'tank' shaped UFO across the county two uniformed officers in the south of the county also observed the object that was seen hovering.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Essex Chronicle, Chelmsford 31/08/90.

## 1991

115. June 1991. 0500 hours. Location – Salisbury Plain, Wiltshire. An on duty police sergeant and police constable reported the sighting of a UFO above Salisbury Plain in Wiltshire.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source: Press.

## 1992

116. Early 1992. Late Evening. Location: Hamworthy, Bournemouth. An on duty uniform police officer, PC MALCOLM BRUNT, observed four beams of light coming down from low cloud. He described it as looking like a picture you could get from a projector. He said, "It was in the distance towards Upton and I was very intrigued. I walked toward it to try and trace where it was coming from but it had gone. It was very puzzling. His report matched others from several members of the public.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – Irene Bott archive.

## 1993

117. Between 0100-0130 hours. 31/03/93. Location - Devon. An on duty Devonshire uniformed police officer telephoned the MOD after witnessing a triangular shaped UFO whilst on patrol with another colleague. He described seeing two bright lights together with a fainter third one which appeared to be flying in a perfect formation ahead of vapour trails. Unusually the MOD ordered confiscation of all nearby radar tapes across several counties in an effort to identify the object. However the craft was not captured on radar and remains unknown to this day. The UFO seen that night forms part of what were literally hundreds of reports from over half a dozen counties. Other police officers also reported seeing the object(s).

Off Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source - Open Skies Closed Minds by Nick Pope. Pocket Books 1997. Pages 134-141.

118. Early June 1993. Just before midnight. Location – Galston. Two on duty uniformed officers, PC EWAN MACRAE and PC ALASTAIR DUFF, were driving in the Galston area of Aberdeen, when they observed several slow moving lights in the sky just before midnight. There was no noise and checks with the coastguard proved negative.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source: Western Isles Press and Journal Aberdeen.

119. January 1993. Location: Kilburn, Derbyshire. Two uniformed officers, PC PHIL GARNER and PC HARRY DICK observed a bright light UFO that constantly changed its altitude over Kilburn. Several members of public also reported seeing the object.

On duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Ripley and Heanor News.

120. 31/03/93. Early hours. Location: South Wales, Devon and Cornwall. This was a major sighting seen by numerous members of the public and police officers alike. Up to 19 officers across several counties observed a high altitude light speeding across the night sky. The MoD ruled out aircraft as being responsible. Many officers described seeing two objects including Liskeard Police. On Duty sighting. 19 Officers. Source – Honiton and Exmouth Weekly News 02/04/1993.

## 1995

121. 1850 hours. 19/01/95. Location – Birmingham. Following a number of reports by the public of a UFO in the skies above the city, two uniformed officers were dispatched to Russell Road in the Moseley area to investigate. However as they approached the scene they observed the UFO on Dogpool Lane, Stirchley. There they saw a UFO hovering above some nearby trees. They described the object as being the size of a doubledecker bus. In the middle of the object there was a horizontal bar of orange light, whilst on the outside there appeared to be a blue field of energy. After a few seconds the object appeared to shrink in size and vanish from view. Further reports from members of the public followed the police sighting. Unconfirmed reports allege that several other police officers also observed the object from the vicinity of the West Midlands Police training school at Tally Ho. On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – John Hanson.

122. 04/08/95. Location - Westcliff, Essex. Five on duty uniformed police officers including PC GEOFF HOWELL observed a shuttlecock shaped UFO above Westcliff, Essex, as did several members of the public. PC HOWELLS said, "It made no sound and I'm sure it wasn't an aircraft or a star. It was much bigger". He also viewed the object through binoculars. Checks were made with Southend Airport and local military bases but all proved negative. Puzzled the police sent up its helicopter to investigate the object but it was never found. On Duty sighting. 5 Officers. Source - A Covert Agenda by Nick Redfern. Pocket Books 1998. Page 176.

123. 0100 hours. Mid August. Location - Walsall, West Midlands. Three on duty uniformed police officers on patrol in the Aldridge area of the town observed a cylindrical UFO which glowed with a green haze as it travelled across the night sky in an arc, before appearing to land in a local beauty spot called Stubbers Green pool. The Force helicopter was sent up to investigate the sighting but could find no trace of the object. On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source - A Covert Agenda by Nick Redfern. Pocket Books 1998. Page 176.

124. Midday. 23/08/95. Location. Weymouth, Dorset. Whilst watching the Weymouth Carnival Air Display a Detective Sergeant and two Detective Constables observed a motionless sphere high in the sky above their position. The object appeared to glint in the sun as if metallic in structure. It was seen for several minutes before the officers resumed to their normal duties. On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source—PRUFOS/CONFIDENTIAL.

125. August 1995. Location: Alton Barnes, Wiltshire. Two Special Constables, one of who was a PC TODD saw a single bright light, like a star which appeared from nowhere. It gave off an orange glow and had an outer ring. It hovered near the officers before flying off toward Everleigh. PC TODD ruled out any type of aircraft and described the outer rings as being above the clouds and shaped like pear drops in a spiral. On Duty incident. 2 Officers. Source – Irene Bott archive.

## 1996

126. Location - Scotland. Following a 999 call two on duty uniformed officers observed a huge gold coloured egg shaped UFO hovering over fields in Scotland at close proximity of 200 metres. They viewed the object through binoculars and one of the officers made a pocket book entry regarding the sighting. This forms part of a series of three sightings by the principal officer who is very reluctant to release further details.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source–PRUFOS/CONFIDENTIAL.

127. June 1996. Late evening. Location: M62, Brown Cow Public House, West Yorkshire. Two uniformed officers were alerted to a triangular shaped UFO seen in the sky above the Brown Cow Public House by a crowd of people who had stopped their cars to have a look at the object. A member of the public later rang the Huddersfield Examiner newspaper to see if they were going to put out an appeal for witnesses. The caller later received word from the paper that an alleged 'D' notice from the MoD had been served on the paper not to print the appeal. On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source – PRUFOS/MARK G (Independent Film Producer).

128. 05/10/96. 0314-1109 hours. Location: East Coast. This was a major sighting that took place off the East Coast where a red and green rotating light was seen by police officers at Skegness and Boston. In addition the object was seen by several coastguard officers and the crew of an oil tanker. Enquiries were made with RAF Kinloss, RAF Neatishead and RAF Waddington confirming that the object was captured on radar. A fascinating and revealing transcript of radio transmissions was obtained by researchers Nick Redfern and Irene Bott who also spoke with members of the oil tanker crew. The crew ruled out any conventional explanation. It is reported that the airspace in the effected area of the sighting was closed for several hours after the sighting. The MoD suggested that everyone had mistaken the light for Boston Stump!

On Duty sighting. 3 Officers. Source – Irene Bott archive.

## 1998

129. 23/09/98. 0215 hours. Location: Henfield, Sussex. Two uniformed police officers, one male and one female were on patrol in the Henfield area on the main A281 Brighton Road when they saw several unusual lights in the sky. Each light was the size of a Jumbo jet aircraft. For scale a large aircraft flew near to the lights. Each light was circular and not connected to the others. They stopped their vehicle to get a better look. As they watched they suddenly saw a beam of light being shone down to the ground approximately 200-300 metres away. It was a rural location with no housing nearby. They drove toward the beam but it suddenly went out. Both the officers were shook up by the incident that lasted in the region of 35-45 minutes. The sighting was officially reported to the MoD.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Irene Bott archive.

## 1999

130. 1830-1900 hours 09/02/99. Location - Sheffield, South Yorkshire. Four uniformed police officers (which included a dog handler and a sergeant) observed an orange UFO with a triangular formation of red lights which appeared to revolve around the object. Seen from two different geographical positions in Sheffield, the triangulated location of the UFO appears to have been over the

Peak District National Park in the vicinity of Derwent and Ladybower Reservoirs. The object was seen for approximately 30 minutes and binoculars were used by some of the officers to confirm that it wasn't an aircraft. The craft was seen to 'bank' left to right and then right to left continuously.

On Duty sighting. 4 Officers. Source - Andy Ellis (Yorkshire UFO Info) and PRUFOS.

## 2001

131. 2001. 0345 hours. Location: Tenterden, Kent. Two Tenterden based uniformed police officers observed a UFO that passed over Gascoigne Corner, High Halden. As the object passed over the night sky became as bright as day. Several members of the public also reported similar sightings of the object. On Duty sighting – 2 Officers. Source – Chris Rolfe, UFOMEK.

132. 01/12/2001. 2200-2215 hours. Location: Ashford to Lydd coast road. Two uniformed police officers were travelling on the coast road when one of them noticed a very bright light in the sky that initially he thought was an aircraft. However he soon ruled that option out given that it was travelling too slow to be an aircraft. After passing overhead the officers observed the object breaking up as it headed toward Folkestone. 20-30 minutes later the officers saw a similar object that again was slow moving. On this occasion the officers saw the light for 30 seconds. Newspapers speculated that the officers saw space junk burning up in the atmosphere whilst others suggested a meteor shower. However given the officers clear description of a slow moving object both suggestions appear to be ruled out.

On Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – Chris Rolfe, UFOMEK.

133. Evening. August. Location - Brighton. Following reports of fires on the beaches at Brighton the Sussex police helicopter was dispatched to investigate. Whilst over the area PS JOHN TICKNER observed and filmed a cylindrical UFO that passed by in close proximity to the helicopter. Note this case is all but solved. The infra-red shot looks a very convincing UFO but when viewed in normal night vision there appears to be a definite flame at its base. The object is now believed to have been a large lantern.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - UFO Magazine and PRUFOS.

## 2002

134. 28/02/2002. 2300 hours. Location – Portland, Dorset. An on duty uniformed officer was one of several witnesses of a UFO seen to hover near a set of transmitting aerials at an altitude of 1000/2000 feet. There was no noise and the object was seen to hover for between 60-90 seconds before slowly moving away and out of sight. The officers sighting was one of many in what was a series of sightings in the Dorset area.

On Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source: Press cuttings.

## 2005

135. 21/01/2005. 0000-0600 hours. Location: Runcorn, Cheshire. Approximately 20 objects were seen in the sky by several members of the public above Halton Lodge, Runcorn at an approximate altitude of 7-15000 feet. The objects initially appeared to be spread apart in the shape of an arc. The weather at the time of the sighting was a clear moonlight sky. The objects made no sound and appeared to move left to right and sway back again. At times they made incredible changes in direction. They were white in colour although a red flash

could occasionally be seen coming from them. The objects appeared to interact by flashing at each other. Four Cheshire uniformed police officers saw the lights as well as a Liverpool Air Traffic Control night watch officer who viewed them through binoculars from the Tower and who confirmed nothing could be seen on radar. A total of 20 witnesses (including police officers) saw the objects. On Duty sighting. 4 Officers. Source – PRUFOS Police Database/SB

## OFF DUTY SIGHTINGS

1966

136. Daytime. May. Location - St. Helens, Lancashire. Whilst on sick leave at home with his family a uniformed police officer, PC DONALD CAMERON reported seeing six UFOs above his home on Chilton Road. He and his wife were looking out of a window when they spotted the objects which he estimated as being approximately one mile away travelling in a South-easterly direction. He said, "We could see it quite clearly, although it was a dull day. They were white and glowing. One was bigger than the others with a cup shaped dome. The others were oval."

Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - UFO Flying Saucers over Britain by Robert Chapman. Mayflower Books 1969. Page 43.

1967

137. October. Dusk. Location – Lytchett Minster, Dorset. Two uniformed officers were in their respective police houses when a member of the public reported that a cigar shaped UFO was hovering above the above named village. One officer came out of the house with the witness and initially observed nothing of note. Then the UFO reappeared into view. However, according to the witness its shape had changed. It now appeared as several bands of red, green, yellow and blue. As a result another officer came out of his nearby police accommodation to witness the same object. The object had initially been reported as being 70 feet in length, coffee brown in colour with yellow lights on its length as well as what appeared to be a series of windows. It was reported to have been hovering at an altitude of only 200 feet. After watching this object for several minutes the officers then observed the UFO changing shape for themselves. The UFO 'split' into two and the two halves positioned themselves vertically above each other in the air. After a couple of minutes the objects faded from view before reappearing once again. Moments later the objects began to move away, slowly at first before a sudden burst of acceleration took them out of view.

Off Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source FSR Vol 15 No 6.

138. Evening. Late October. Location - Portsmouth. An off duty uniformed officer PC JOHN WHITCOMBE was driving through Portsmouth with his wife and family when they observed a UFO above the town. He said, "It was like a rugby ball or a fat saucer, so bright I had to shield my eyes."

Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - UFO Flying Saucers over Britain by Robert Chapman. Mayflower Books 1969. Pages 19-20.

139. June 1967. 2350 hours. Location: Canewdon near Southend. An off duty police officer, PS CHRIS BEARD was fishing when he saw two red lights approaching in the distance. He initially assumed the lights to be that of an aircraft however as they grew closer he realised that they were independent of each other. Against a clear night he was certain that what he was looking at was extremely unusual. The objects eventually passed directly overhead and he heard a faint 'whirring' noise. It was last seen heading in the direction of Southend.

Off Duty incident. 1 Officer. Source – Irene Bott archive.

1972

140. Late evening near midnight. 11/06/72. Location – Ogmore Valley, Glamorgan, Wales. Off duty officer PC DAVID HARRIS was out walking with his dog with his father in law when they observed a tubular object some feet in length moving slowly across Llangeinor Mountain before disappearing over treetops. The altitude of the UFO was described as 100 feet from the ground. There were lights at each end of the object but no wings were observed. Weather conditions at the time were clear and no noise was heard at any time. The duration of the sighting was one minute.  
Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – FSR Vol 18 Number 4.

1976

141. 0150 hours. 02/04/76. Location – Bury, Greater Manchester. After completing his duty DETECTIVE SERGEANT NORMAN COLLINSON was driving home along the M62 and M66 motorways. As he turned north onto the M66 he observed a white disc of light moving very fast which crossed the path he was travelling. The object was heading toward Knoll Hill, east of Bury. The UFO made a right angle turn onto a south to south-east heading. The object was heading in the direction of Heywood. Puzzled the officer stopped his vehicle and got out to look at the light. As he did so the light stopped and hovered near to his location. It then began to perform a series of spectacular 'box' right angle turns. The UFO began to move off in the direction of Heywood once more with DS Collinson following it in his car. The object stopped a second time and again repeated the angular movements described earlier before streaking away at a tremendous speed out of view. The incident was reported to the MOD and Manchester Airport.  
Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – FSR Vol 23 No 2.

142. 1715 hours. 02/11/76. Location – Lutterworth, Leicestershire. An off duty uniformed officer, PC BRYAN McCANN, was out driving with his wife when they observed a cigar shaped UFO hovering in a stationary position between the villages of Walcote and Swinford. It was approximately 400 yards away from their location and held its position for four minutes. The object was described as having four brilliant lights and being large in size. The officer dashed home to get his binoculars but by the time he returned to the scene the object had departed. He reported the incident to Bitteswell Air Control. He received confirmation from them that another controller had witnessed the same object the same night.  
Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – FSR Vol 22 No 6.

1977

143. 0050 hours 21/10/77. Location - Bodmorgen, Anglesey. PC JOHN OWEN observed a dome shaped UFO whilst off duty at home with his wife. The object appeared to have portholes and be part of a structured aerial craft. He described the colour of the object as that of the setting sun. He made checks with RAF Valley who confirmed there were no night flights. The incident was reported to his police HQ at Colwyn Bay. Duration of sighting - 7 minutes.  
Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - BUFORA Magazine Jan/Feb 1978 Volume 6 Number 5.

144. 0030 hours. Location - Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire. An off duty uniformed police officer observed a huge cross shaped UFO above the M5

motorway at the rear of his home in Tewkesbury having just completed a 2-10 late shift at Cheltenham Police Station. He heard a swishing noise outside his home which attracted his attention. Going into the garden he saw the object slowly rotating above the quiet motorway. He described it as the size of a civil airliner and watched as it began to move across fields towards his home. It was moving at a low altitude of 50 feet above the fields and he observed that there was a red light at the centre of four cross arms. At one point the object turned on its side to reveal that it was very thin in depth when viewed side on. For reasons he doesn't understand he rushed inside to get a torch. Once back outside he used it to flash once at it. The UFO appeared to react and moved slowly back over the motorway where it performed an extraordinary manoeuvre. He watched at one arm of the cross remained in a stationary position whilst the rest of the craft rotated around its axis. A short time later the object moved into the distance and out of site. Forms part of a series of four sightings made by the officer. Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - Confidential (PRUFOS) Database.

145. 1315 hours. Prior to a 2-10 shift. Location - A38 Tewkesbury to Coombe Hill. The off duty uniformed officer was on his way to work at Cheltenham Police station driving along the A38 when he heard a 'clanking' noise outside. From his left he saw a three pronged UFO which appeared to have a 'barbell' on the end of one of its arms. The object was described as the size of a civil airliner and was moving slowly at a low altitude. The craft came to a hover above the village of Deerhurst. The barbell appendage appeared to be transparent and as he watched it his mind filled with the image of a humanoid figure. For reasons he can't explain he flashed the car headlights at the object and the figure disappeared as did the craft. The duration of the sighting was two minutes. This forms part of a series of four sightings by the officer who is now retired from the Gloucestershire Force. Weather - dry, fine and clear. Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - Confidential (PRUFOS) Database.

146. 1720 hours. Autumn. Location - I sfield near Lewes, Sussex. Whilst waiting at bus stop a female off duty uniformed officer observed a dome shaped UFO at a low altitude of 300 feet. She described the object as having the appearance of a light or green coloured metal with a moderately reflective surface. On top of the dome protruded a blue/green light whilst underneath there was an area of intense black. For reasons she doesn't understand she waved at the object and it passed to within 50 feet of her position. The next thing she remembers was the bus arriving and that when she tried to move her limbs felt numb. She also noticed that she had developed an acute headache. Over the next week she developed other ailments including thirst and conjunctivitis. For a time afterwards she suffered with recurring bouts of gastric problems. She cannot account for a period of 20 minutes of time whilst stood at the bus stop. She has not had any form of hypnotic regression. She was a former member of the Royal Observer Corp. Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - Pat Grant (independent UFO researcher) as outlined in Beyond Top Secret by Tim Good, Pan Books 1996. Pages 78-79.

147. Evening. Location - Cheltenham, Gloucestershire. An off duty uniformed Gloucestershire officer observed a large UFO in the vicinity of Orchard Road and Hesters Way, Cheltenham whilst out with his then wife. He described the object as a flying cross which was the size of a jumbo jet aircraft and that it came to a stationary position above a Catholic church. The object was seen at a low altitude of 50/100 feet. On one of the four arms he observed a red light that flashed four times before disappearing from view. The weather at the time was dark, fine and clear. Forms part of a series of four sightings reported by the officer.

Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - Confidential (PRUFOS) Database.

148. November 1977. Location – Earlsfield, London. Inspector DESMOND CONDON reported seeing a hovering UFO over Earlsfield, south-west London at an approximate altitude of 3000 feet. He said, "It was a perfect pillar, it glowed with a bluish haze and stayed motionless for 30 minutes. I've never seen anything like it!".

Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer.

## 1978

149. October 1978. 2000 hours. Location: Rosliston. An off duty Special Constable, JOHN CLAYTON was travelling in his car from his home in Coton-in-the-Elms to Burton on Trent when he passed through the village of Rosliston he heard a droning noise that caused him to stop the car. When he looked upwards he saw what he described as a 'flying hotel', five storeys in height with windows on each storey all lit up. It appeared black in colour and was approximately 250-350 feet in length! The object was moving slowly towards Swadlingcote and Ashby at an altitude of only 500 feet and at a speed of 10 mph. It eventually gained height and disappeared over Ashby in the east.

Off duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – Irene Bott archive.

## 1981

150. 10/03/81 Location: Carleton Moors near Skipton, North Yorkshire. Two uniformed police officers observed a large glowing oval shaped UFO as it moved over the moors.

On duty sightings. 2 officers. Source – Yorkshire Post.

## 1983

151. 0100 hours. 25/12/83. Location – Todmorden, West Yorkshire. An off duty uniformed officer was out with his girlfriend when they observed a large orange coloured UFO low in the sky above the town. The object appeared to have several spike like protrusions coming out of its structure. The UFO was then seen to disappear from view at high speed by making an angular movement. The incident was not reported.

Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – PRUFOS/CONFIDENTIAL.

152. 1955 hours. 07/11/83. Location - Between Bolton Abbey and Addingham near Skipton, North Yorkshire. Whilst driving with his wife, PS TONY DODD observed a large disc shaped UFO approaching the vehicle from their right. He estimated the size of the craft as being four times that of a car. It was at a low altitude and passed almost directly over the car roof before disappearing behind nearby trees. His wife described the craft as resembling a child's spinning top. Moments later the same UFO reappeared and swept toward the car once again. PS DODD pulled the car over to a stop and took a series of photographs of the object as it moved away into the distance. The photographs were later sent to a research facility called Ground Saucer Watch in Arizona that specialise in the analysis of reported UFO images. Their conclusion after analysis was that the photographs had recorded a genuine UFO on film, one of the few to meet their strict criteria. They estimated that the object was 30 feet in diameter and was near spherical in shape. This forms a series of sightings by the officer who later became one of the world's leading authorities on the subject of UFOs.

Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - Alien Investigator by Tony Dodd. Headline Publishing Books. Pages 26-28 and PRUFOS.

153. February 1983. 2200 hours. Location: A51, Stonehill. Two Special Constables had just left Stonehill Police station prior to going onto a night shift when they were in a car driving along the A51 dual carriageway when suddenly they were shocked to see a green coloured sphere, the size of a motor car, pulling along side of them as if pacing the vehicle. They watched the UFO for a distance of approximately 200 metres before it veered off the road following the line of some hedges off toward Western Bank. The UFO made no noise whatsoever when it pulled alongside the vehicle. The officers debated whether to try and follow the object but chose not to.  
Off Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – PRUFOS Police Database.

154. February 1983. Location: Near Burton on Trent, Staffordshire. An off duty Special Constable was driving with his wife on a road near Burton on Trent when they observed a green sphere approaching them from the road ahead. The object was described as being the size of car and at an altitude of 20 feet. It passed directly over their car and out of sight.  
Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – PRUFOS Police Database.

## 1988

155. January 1988. Location: Holybourne, Winchester. An off duty officer, PC LEN HAFFENDEN, was walking his dog near his Holybourne home when he observed an intense white light in the sky that descended at a 30 degree angle to stop and hover. He ran home to get his binoculars. His wife and son returned to where he'd seen the object. It was still there and through the binoculars he observed what appeared to be a shuttlecock shaped object. He described the object as having a very bright light at its centre with a misty fluorescence trailing behind. The object was last seen moving toward the horizon and moving into cloud.  
Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – Hampshire Chronicle, Winchester 15/06/90.

## 1989

156. 23/10/89. Late Evening. Location: Delamere Forest, Cheshire. An off duty police officer and his wife were driving through Delamere Forest when they observed a triangular shaped UFO that stopped at one point and hovered above their car. On the same evening several members of the public reported seeing unusual light formations above the road between Glossop and Manchester.  
Off duty incident. 1 Officer. Source – Metro News 10/11/89.

## 1997

157. Mid/Late Summer 1997. 0230 hours. Location: Junction of A30/A303. An off duty police officer was driving to work on a rural road at the above location when he saw what he initially thought was an aircraft. However he soon realised that the object was not an aircraft as it appeared to be stationary. He described the object as being at an altitude of 45 feet above a line of trees. As he drove towards it he began to make out the shape of the object. He described it as a rectangular shaped block, seen side on that was about the size of half a football field! He drove past the object that was on his right. Having wound down his window he did not hear a sound as he did so. Having passed by the object he turned the car around to go back and have a second look. As he did so he flashed his car main beam at the object which seemed to respond by dipping slightly before moving off at speed out of view.

Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – PRUFOS Police Database.

1999

158. 0500 hours. Friday 10/09/99. Location - Weston Zoyland, Somerset. An off duty uniformed officer and his wife observed a very bright UFO moving at high speed in the sky above Weston Zoyland. The object became stationary and he observed it through a telescope for approximately 15 minutes before it sped away at great speed. He described the object as having a spherical underside whilst on top it had a faint red glow.

Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - UFO Magazine Mar/April edition 2000.

159. Between 2115-2230 hours. Saturday 21/08/99. Location - Crofton, Wakefield, West Yorkshire. An off duty DETECTIVE CONSTABLE GARY HESELTINE of the British Transport Police was sitting in his garden looking up at the summer night's stars when his partner, alerted him to some lights flying overhead. The officer looked in the direction she was indicating and observed three white lights moving in a perfect arrowhead triangular formation. They crossed the sky at an elevation of 60 degrees from left to right against the night landscape. The objects appeared to be at a very high altitude and were brighter than the background stars. The officer initially thought that the lights were part of one object but soon realised he could see stars between the triangle of lights indicating three distinct UFOs. No audible noise could be heard. The formation slowly moved above the roof top of the house in a west to east direction. After approximately 20 seconds or so the formation began to 'bank' northwards (left) in what was quite a sharp turn. Amazingly the lights turned and banked as one and never deviated from the arrowhead formation. The officer was puzzled by the lights for several years and dismissed the sighting as being that of a triangular satellite formation (which do exist). However recent enquiries and discussions on the subject have persuaded him that the objects were indeed UFOs because it is believed it would be impossible for a satellite formation to perform such a tight banking manoeuvre over such a short distance. The officer was previously in the Royal Air Force and has a keen interest in aircraft recognition.

Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - Gary Heseltine, founder of the PRUFOS Database.

2000

160. Early evening. Winter. Location – Colchester, Essex. An off duty uniformed traffic officer was out jogging when he observed a slow moving light low in the sky above Colchester. His first thought was that it was a military aircraft however as it passed directly over him he was struck by the fact that he could not detect any sound whatsoever. He described the UFO as being triangular in shape and definitely ruled out a helicopter as being responsible. The object was seen travelling from South to North. The object was also moving too slowly to be a Galaxy transport aircraft. A member of the public also reported seeing the same object.

Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source – PRUFOS/CONFIDENTIAL.

2001

161. 2003 hours. Tuesday 06/11/01. Location - Rochdale approaching the M62 motorway. The off duty uniformed officer was with one other person when they saw a bright light which gave the impression of being a cluster of smaller lights set between two areas of red light. The red lights oscillated

between various shades of the colour. The UFO appeared to hover for a period of ten seconds before moving off at a tremendous rate of acceleration that was seemingly from a standing start. The object moved off in a 40 degree arc out of sight taking only four seconds to do so. The weather was broken cloud with intermittent rain. There was no obvious sound associated with the object above that of the surrounding road noise. The UFO was seen at an elevation of thirty degrees. This forms part of a series of three sightings by the officer.  
Off Duty sighting. 1 Officer. Source - UFO Magazine 2001.

## 2002

162. 0316 hours. Sunday 07/04/2002. Location - Hellifield near Skipton, North Yorkshire. The uniformed officer was off duty having just completed a 5-3 shift. As she pulled off the A65 near Hellifield to look for the comet Ikeya-Zhang she caught sight of a triangular formation of lights moving in what seemed perfect unison. The white lights moved slowly across the sky and at one point made a slight 'banking' manoeuvre seemingly moving as one. She is not sure whether she was looking at one large triangular object or three distinct objects. An avid stargazer she is well used to looking at the night sky at various times of the year. Seeking corroboration she had the presence of mind to ring her sergeant who was driving home on his way to Otley, West Yorkshire. He stopped his car and from his location witnessed the same triangular formation. His corroboration came two minutes after the initial sighting. The object (s) faded out of view low on the horizon. This forms part of a series of three sightings by the officer.  
Off Duty sighting. 2 Officers. Source – PRUFOS/CONFIDENTIAL.

## 2004

163. 13/06/2004. 1700 hours. Location: Oval Cricket Ground, London. Two off duty police officers and two civilian police employees were watching the Surrey v Kent cricket match when one of them spotted what appeared to be a pole/cigar shaped object in the sky. They were able to view it through binoculars but failed to identify it. It was travelling very slowly and rising gradually higher into the sky. The UFO took 20-30 minutes to pass over them.  
Off Duty sightings. 2 Officers. Source – PRUFOS Police Database.

## STATISTICS

The On Duty category comprises of 163 cases involving a total of 401 British police officers.

Since the last report 43 new cases have come to light involving 102 officers.

## Conclusions

Over 400 British police officers have reported UFO sightings. Whilst I accept that some of the cases will turn out to have an earthly explanation I genuinely believe that in high calibre witness categories (ie pilots, astronauts, cosmonauts, radar operators, senior military figures and scientists) that the percentage of genuine ET cases rises significantly.

After nearly 17 years police service (the last 12 of which in CID as a detective) I believe I understand the nature of evidence.

I believe without a shadow of doubt that the evidence from some of these cases represent alien craft operating with impunity within British Airspace.

At a time when the British media appear to be actively trying to give the impression that the subject is dwindling the reality around the world is much much different.

In September 2005, the former Deputy Prime Minister of Canada, Paul Hellyer publicly announced that after his own research into the subject of UFOs he had concluded that "UFOs were as real as planes flying in the sky!"

I agree.

GARY HESELTINE