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York, [redacted] Center Moriches, New York, and her boyfriend, [redacted] New York, [redacted] interviewed on July 24, 1996 during a road block check at the entrance to Smith Point Park, Shirley, New York. [redacted] advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the nature of the interview and [redacted] provided the following information:

[redacted] 436 and [redacted] 436 were sitting in his car in the parking lot to Smith Point Park at approximately 8:30 PM on July 17, 1996. The car was parked in a parking spot facing south on the center right side of the parking lot. The front of the car was facing south and visibility was fair.

While looking out of the front windshield, [redacted] 436 saw a "flare" rise up directly in front of her and due south of her position, far out over the Atlantic Ocean. She asked [redacted] "What's that?", [redacted] 436 looked south out the front windshield and saw what appeared to be a "flair." [redacted] 436 and [redacted] 436 said that the "flair" went straight up into the sky and then curved before they lost sight of it. The "flair" looked like a red steam that got thicker as it rose through the sky. Neither [redacted] 436 nor [redacted] 436 saw an explosion or a plane crash. They did not find out that a plane had crashed until later that night when their friends told them about the crash.

[redacted] 436 can describe exactly where she was in the parking lot when she saw the flare, and where in the sky the flare was when she saw it.

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