

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 7/22/96

Birth [redacted] (also known as [redacted]) Date of [redacted]  
York, 11719, home telephone number [redacted] Brookhaven, New  
Number [redacted] was advised of the identity of the Social Security  
interviewing agent and the purpose of the interview:

On Wednesday, July 17, 1996, [redacted] was on his boat  
called [redacted] along with [redacted]  
Brookhaven, New York, 11719, home telephone number [redacted]  
[redacted] (phonetic) home telephone numbers [redacted]  
and [redacted]. The boat was idling in the Great South  
Bay west of the Smith Point Bridge.

Between 8:30 - 8:45 P.M. [redacted] stated he saw a  
reddish/orange object projecting in an upward southern position  
east of the Smith Point Bridge. [redacted] stated the object  
looked like a flare.

[redacted] stated he maintained view of the object until  
he saw an explosion in the air. After the explosion, two large  
objects were seen falling from the sky. One piece was falling  
faster than the other. [redacted] believed the object was a  
firework until he got home and heard about the plane crash.

[redacted] stated he did not report this incident to  
anyone in authority. He also stated that the visibility was  
clear that night. [redacted] was on his boat from 6:00 PM until  
9:00 PM.

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