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York, [redacted] East Moriches, New York, [redacted] was interviewed on July 21, 1996 at ABBOTTS HARTS COVE MARINA, INC., 29 Maple Avenue, East Moriches, New York, 11940, telephone number (516) 878-3700. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview, [redacted] provided the following information:

Approximately 8:20 PM on July 17, 1996, [redacted] returned to his slip at ABBOTTS HARTS COVE MARINA after boating with his wife, [redacted], in Moriches Bay. Soon thereafter, while standing on the dock next to his boat, and looking south of his position, he saw what appeared to be a flare. He could not determine whether the "flare" was rising up or dropping down. The "flare" was already in mid-air when he first saw it; he did not see it leave the ground. He does not know whether the flare had a "tail," and he is not sure in what direction the "flare" was traveling. However, he said the flare ended in a "big ball of flames." [redacted] did not see a plane before he saw the explosion. [redacted] did not know how long he saw the flare before he saw the explosion. [redacted] is able to describe where the "flair" was located in the sky when he first saw it, and where in the sky he saw the "big ball of flames." [redacted] had no further information.

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