

Received UFO/UAP Reports for the Month of August 2026

The following overview contains **49 reports** of UFOs/UAP received by the GEP from Germany, Austria and Switzerland, as well as from the German-speaking public for other countries.

At the time this overview was compiled, the reported cases may not yet have been fully investigated or concluded.

Key figures at a glance – August 2026	
Total reports	49 (previous month: 37)
of which events in the reporting month	26
past sightings (oldest event 1978)	17
without a date	6
Observations daytime / night	10 / 30
Classifications	NL 25, DD 16, CE I 5, CE III 1, Austria 1
Processing status	open 29, completed 20
Reporting channels	Facebook 19, E-mail 15, Case database 8, Contact form 6, Signal 1
Reports with image material	26

Below is our brief overview of the contents of the UFO/UAP reports.

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00.00.0000, daytime, 69254 Malsch (DD)

Summary:

The witness reports an observation that probably took place between 1974 and 1978. As a child, she saw a black, triangular object during the summer while playing with several other children, flying at low altitude and relatively slowly from east to west over her aunt's house. She cannot recall any flight noise. The playmates present did not confirm the observation.

Reported via: Facebook, 17.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Insufficient data

00000000 ET**00.00.0000, evening, 35708 Haiger - Allendorf (DD)****Summary:**

The witness reports an observation from his early childhood (approx. 1975–1980), said to have taken place in the evening hours. Together with his mother, he observed a large, silent, fog-grey, disc-shaped object with three greenish-yellow light areas arranged in a circle, moving briskly from north to south below the clouds over the town. The object appeared larger than the house and showed no recognisable contours or fixed structures. After it briefly disappeared from view behind the house, the witness observed it again from the living-room window until it vanished behind a ridge. In his own assessment, given the silent flight, the speed and the direction of flight, neither NATO aircraft nor balloons come into question as an explanation.

Reported via: Facebook, 07.08.2026**Processing status:** open**Identification:** not yet determined**00000000 EU****00.00.0000, evening, 25421 Pinneberg (NL)****Summary:**

The witness reports an observation that took place between 2011 and 2014. During an evening walk with the dog, she and a companion saw a very large, silent, triangular or roughly boomerang-shaped object with evenly glowing lights. The object stood seemingly motionless in the sky for about one to two minutes and then disappeared at very high speed in a north-westerly direction.

Reported via: Facebook, 25.08.2026**Processing status:** completed**Identification:** Insufficient data**00000000 EV****00.00.0000, afternoon, 15374 Müncheberg (CE I)****Summary:**

The witness reports an observation between 1989 and 1991. In the afternoon she observed an approximately 1 m wide, bright, glassy-looking sphere hovering slowly along a ditch between gardens at a height of about 1 m above the ground. The object disappeared for a time and reappeared shortly afterwards.

Reported via: Case database, 10.08.2026**Processing status:** open**Identification:** not yet determined**00000000 EW****00.00.0000, 23:00, 39326 Wolmirstedt (NL)****Summary:**

The witness reports an observation on a summer evening between 2005 and 2007 at around 11 pm. From a north-easterly direction, about 12–15 reddish glowing spheres flew slowly, in a straight line and silently across the sky at an estimated altitude of 200 m. The objects were noticed by several people present.

Reported via: Facebook, 26.08.2026**Processing status:** open**Identification:** not yet determined

00000000 EX**00.00.0000, evening, 44319 Dortmund - Scharnhorst (NL)****Summary:**

Together with other people, the witness repeatedly observed a large, black, triangular flying object between November 1989 and March 1990. The object reportedly flew regularly in daylight from a westerly direction at an altitude of about 200–300 m and a distance of around 200 m, silently and at an estimated 50 km/h, towards the east.

Reported via: Facebook, 26.08.2026*Processing status:* open*Identification:* not yet determined**19780000 E****00.00.1978, evening, 63456 Hanau - Klein-Auheim (DD)****Summary:**

The witness reports an observation in the summer between 1978 and 1981. Together with several people, she observed a cigar-shaped object standing vertically in the sky with a silvery-looking body and, at each end, a light that alternated between orange and greenish. During the observation, which lasted about three to four minutes, an unusual silence occurred, according to the witness, along with a subjective feeling of breathing difficulty. Afterwards the object disappeared without any discernible movement, and the ambient sounds became audible again.

Reported via: Facebook, 08.08.2026*Processing status:* open*Identification:* not yet determined**19860000 D****00.00.1986, 23:00, 69242 Mühlhausen - Rettigheim (CE I)****Summary:**

The witness, then about 20 years old, was standing at the roadside with her then boyfriend after her late shift in the summer of 1986 and observed a row of four to five evenly spaced white lights above a detached house. The lights spanned roughly the length of the roof and appeared to be about 5–10 metres above the house. A "chase-light" effect was noticeable: the lights switched on and off one after another from left to right and back, starting slowly and then getting faster. After going out, the entire row of lights suddenly reappeared at a different, slightly higher position and repeated the process twice more. The spacing between the lights remained the same throughout. After about two to three minutes the phenomenon finally went out for good. No sounds or other accompanying effects were noticed.

Reported via: Facebook, 09.08.2026*Processing status:* open*Identification:* not yet determined**19970000 I****00.00.1997, evening, 33100 Paderborn - Neuenbeken (CE I)****Summary:**

The witness, now 47, reports an observation from autumn 1997 when he was travelling in the evening with a friend on the B64. Shortly after a petrol station, both noticed a rounded, scalene triangle above a field, hovering seemingly motionless and silently at a height of about 10 m. They got out and observed the object from an estimated distance of 50–100 m for about three minutes. It glowed steadily cold white at the corners, with a red light visible in the middle; the field below was also illuminated cold white. The object disappeared during a brief moment when the two witnesses looked away from each other, with no movement or other effect noticed.

Reported via: Facebook, 26.08.2026*Processing status:* open*Identification:* not yet determined

20160000 E**00.00.2016, 22:00, 57413 Finnentrop (NL)**

Summary:

The witness, then 14, together with a companion, observed an unusual object in a field between 22:00 and 23:00 in July/August 2016. At a distance of about 200 m, an angular, elongated object standing on end with a metallic-looking surface suddenly appeared, remaining motionless for about 20 to 30 seconds while glowing intensely blue-white. No sounds were noticed. The object then disappeared in an instant. A spot visited immediately afterwards showed no visible traces.

Reported via: Case database, 08.08.2026*Processing status:* open*Identification:* not yet determined**20180000 A****00.00.2018, 00:30, 89358 Kammeltal (NL)**

Summary:

The witness reports a nocturnal observation in late summer 2018 while driving between Egenhofen and Goldbach (Kammeltal). Under a clear, moonless sky, she noticed a cold-white, non-flashing light directly above the vehicle, which for more than a minute moved silently and parallel to the direction of travel at the same speed as the vehicle. No navigation lights or the silhouette of an aircraft were discernible. The light eventually disappeared suddenly. According to the witness, the driver at first barely reacted to her comments and later stated he had not made any corresponding observation. Only after passing a roundabout did the conversation continue normally, without the event being mentioned again.

Reported via: E-mail, 03.08.2026*Processing status:* open*Identification:* not yet determined**20180613 A****13.06.2018, 16:23, 93173 Wenzenbach - Grüntal (CE III)**

Summary:

The witness, now 36, reports an extraordinary observation at the house of his absent parents. According to his account, he first perceived an inner voice that led him outside into the garden. There he perceived a copper-coloured object of about 12 × 5 × 4 m with several oval, mirrored openings, hovering motionless and silently above the neighbouring house. Behind one opening he recognised a figure, with whom he communicated through gestures. During the roughly 20-minute observation, a swarm of flying insects swirled in a spiral around him and the object. Afterwards the object first rose slowly and then, simultaneously with the appearance of jet noise, moved away to the north at high speed. The witness subsequently observed two F-15 fighter jets flying at a similar altitude and in the same direction. After the observation, he reportedly felt unusually capable for several days. According to his account, an inner voice conveyed a brief message to him at the end of the event that he has still not understood to this day.

Reported via: Case database, 02.08.2026*Processing status:* open*Identification:* not yet determined

20231117 A**17.11.2023, daytime, 9326 Horn TG, Switzerland (DD)**

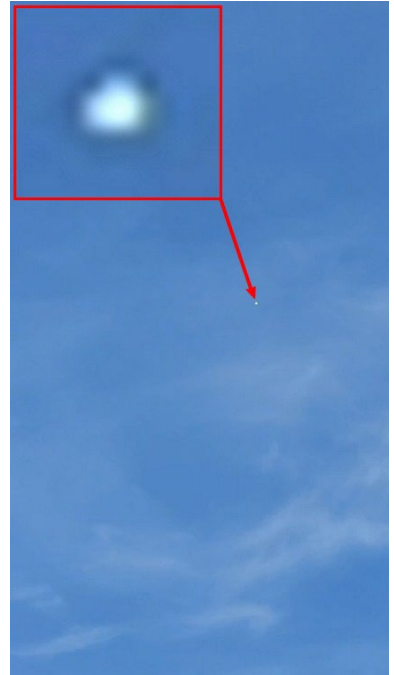
Summary:

The witness filmed and observed, together with his wife, a point-shaped object moving irregularly and flashing across the blue sky.

Reported via: E-mail, 03.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Balloon(s) (foil balloon(s))

**20240626 A****26.06.2024, 13:15, 28777 Bremen - Blumenthal (CE I)**

Summary:

The witness observed a flat, whitish-grey, triangular object with rounded edges in sunny weather. Beforehand he had noticed a steady humming for several minutes, coming from an apparently stationary source. The object initially moved slowly towards his house and was then briefly invisible. A little later he saw it again, now heading north and climbing at an angle, clearly accelerating before finally disappearing from sight.

Reported via: Facebook, 24.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20250726 A**26.07.2025, 22:00, 37441 Bad Sachsa (Ravensberg) (NL)**

Summary:

Together with her husband and children, the witness observed on the Ravensberg an exactly triangular-looking, black flying object with three bright white light sources on the underside and a red light edge running along the rim. According to her account, the object first appeared to approach quickly from above, performed a bouncing or descending motion and then disappeared upward again. A loud flight noise, noticed by several people present, occurred at the same time.

Reported via: E-mail, 17.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

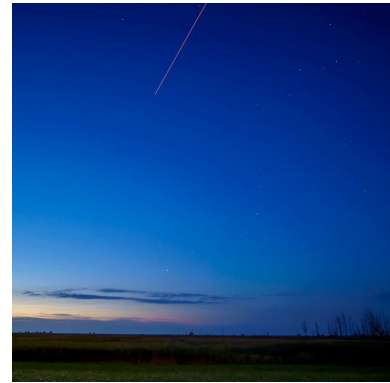
20250808 A
08.08.2025, 22:12, 18374 Zingst (NL)
Summary:

The reporter submitted two long-exposure photographs, taken immediately one after the other with an exposure time of four seconds each, facing north. An unusual trail can be seen in the images, the cause of which is unclear to the witness.

Reported via: E-mail, 04.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined


20251212 B
12.12.2025, 21:30, 44369 Dortmund - Huckarde (CE I)
Summary:

While driving on the A45 between Castrop-Rauxel and Dortmund, the witness observed a large, bright ball of light with an estimated diameter of 40–50 cm. The object came from the left at low altitude, moved very quickly in a semicircular path upward and then down to the right. She estimated the altitude at which the object flew over her vehicle at about 30–40 m.

Reported via: Facebook, 27.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20260425 A
25.04.2026, 22:01, 69168 Wiesloch (NL)
Summary:

Since spring 2026 the witness has repeatedly reported white, spherical lights in the night sky, appearing sometimes individually and sometimes in groups, moving quickly across the sky or suddenly disappearing. On 25.04.2026 she recorded several such lights, including, alongside one bright main phenomenon, further briefly flaring points of light. In addition, over recent weeks she twice observed, between 3 and 4 am, individual bright lights suddenly appearing and then fading again.

Reported via: Contact form, 16.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Satellite(s) (SpaceX – Starlink)


20260509 C
09.05.2026, 17:00, 65929 Frankfurt am Main – Unterliederbach (DD)
Summary:

Together with his wife, the witness first observed two roundish-looking objects to the east and south-east, reflecting a yellowish-green colour and moving slowly. He later saw one of the objects again at great height, now glowing exclusively green and visible intermittently. It moved very slowly westward over about 20 minutes. Aircraft at various altitudes flew past below the object several times.

Reported via: Facebook, 26.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20260700 A**00.07.2026, evening, 04425 Taucha (NL)****Summary:**

The witness reports three observations within one month on the north-eastern outskirts of Leipzig. On three different evenings he each time saw, for one to two seconds, a stationary, warm-white-looking point of light flare up at about 45° above the horizon. The phenomena were visible once to the east and twice to the north, and in brightness roughly matched or exceeded the ISS. The light each time waxed and waned, with no discernible motion of its own. In his own assessment, the witness rules out shooting stars, ordinary satellites and aircraft as the cause.

Reported via: Contact form, 03.08.2026*Processing status:* completed*Identification:* Insufficient data**20260721 A****21.07.2026, 16:02, 45357 Essen - Gerschede (DD)****Summary:**

From her terrace, the witness observed a small, distant point of light that she initially took for a satellite. Shortly before she began filming, she noticed a change of direction. The object then continued to move slowly from her point of view, showing slight fluctuations in brightness or faint flickering.

Reported via: E-mail, 25.08.2026*Processing status:* open*Identification:* not yet determined**20260728 B****28.07.2026, 22:21, 47042 Cesenatico - Valverde, Italy (NL)****Summary:**

Together with her partner, the witness observed what she perceived as a very large, round and silent flying object with greenish lights around the rim. Shortly behind it flew a loud military helicopter in the same direction, which the witness took to be a possible pursuit of the object. The object moved towards Gatteo Mare and eventually disappeared behind buildings and trees. A photographic record was not obtained; according to the witness, the observation was also noticed by other guests of the restaurant.

Reported via: E-mail, 11.08.2026*Processing status:* open*Identification:* not yet determined

20260729 A**29.07.2026, 04:56, 46047 Oberhausen (NL)****Summary:**

The witness observed and filmed a dark, round object in the partly cloudy sky, next to which, at a short distance, was a flashing white light.

Reported via: Facebook, 03.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Balloon(s) (manned gas balloon(s))

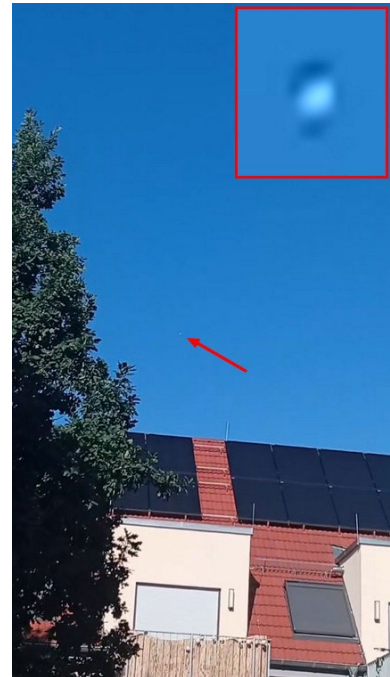
**20260802 A****02.08.2026, 09:00, 96052 Bamberg (DD)****Summary:**

The witnesses first observed a larger, grey, cigar- or "tic-tac"-shaped object that disappeared behind a tree before a video recording could be made. They then noticed a further elongated object at greater height, which appeared to rotate on its own axis, reflecting the sunlight. According to the witnesses, the shape of the object was recognisable to the naked eye but was not clearly visible on the video recording. The recording was made in the direction of the observed object.

Reported via: Facebook, 20.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Balloon(s) (foil balloon(s))

**20260803 A****03.08.2026, 21:30 local time, 07491 Konakli, Turkey (NL)****Summary:**

Under a clear sky, the witness observed two steadily glowing, non-flashing points of light in the night sky. According to him, the objects first moved towards each other without crossing. One of the objects briefly stood still, then abruptly changed direction and accelerated sharply. Shortly afterwards, the second object also showed zigzag movements before it likewise disappeared from view at high speed. The entire observation lasted about 40 seconds.

Reported via: E-mail, 03.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20260804 A
04.08.2026, 21:45, 91275 Auerbach i.d.OPf. (NL)
Summary:

Together with other people, the witness observed and filmed an elongated, streak-like object moving at high, constant speed towards the south. The observation was initially made with a telescope. According to her, it was a single, uniform object showing neither an aircraft contrail nor several separate objects. The object showed constant brightness, did not burn up, and appeared to her to be flying comparatively low.

Reported via: Facebook, 04.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Satellite(s) (SpaceX – Starlink)


20260804 B
04.08.2026, 21:46, 94481 Grafenau - Elmberg (NL)
Summary:

The witness observed and photographed an elongated, capsule- or cigar-shaped object moving under a clear sky during twilight from left to right in a north-westerly direction. According to him, no wings were discernible. The object appeared dull to the naked eye and moved over a period of about two minutes at what seemed to him a satellite-like speed.

Reported via: E-mail, 05.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Satellite(s) (SpaceX – Starlink)

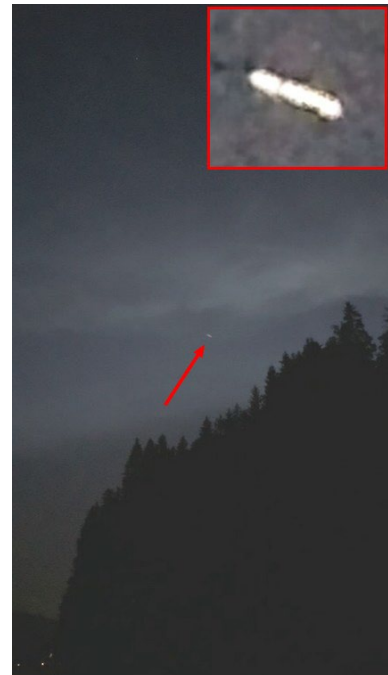

20260804 C
04.08.2026, 21:45, 6391 Fieberbrunn, Austria (NL)
Summary:

The witness observed and filmed a "flying fluorescent tube" in the sky, moving in a northerly direction.

Reported via: Contact form, 11.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Satellite(s) (SpaceX – Starlink)

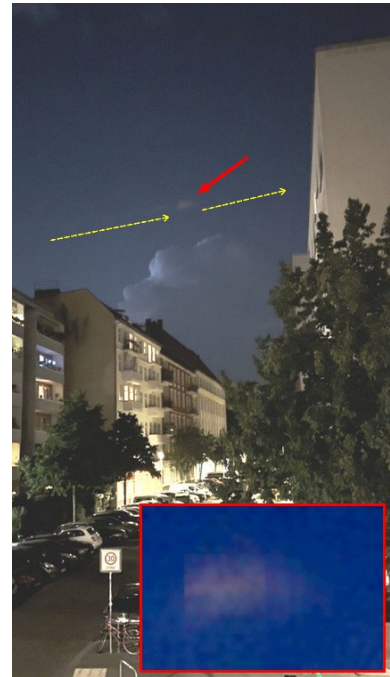


20260805 A
05.08.2026, 22:12, 10247 Berlin - Friedrichshain (NL)
Summary:

The reporter filmed an unusual-looking thunderstorm cloud. Only when reviewing the video footage later did he discover an object flying rapidly from left to right through the frame. According to his own statement, the witness had not noticed the object during filming.

Reported via: E-mail, 07.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Insect(s)

20260808 A
08.08.2026, 17:17, 3610 Weißenkirchen in der Wachau, Austria (DD)
Summary:

Under a blue sky, the 58-year-old witness observed through a closed skylight a bright point moving in a straight line at a constant speed from east to west over about five minutes. To the naked eye the object appeared point-shaped; only on an enlarged phone photo taken through the window did the witness recognise an elongated, metallically shining structure. When he then went outside, he was only able to briefly capture and photograph the object as a point-shaped object. In his assessment it gradually became invisible, possibly because it was no longer illuminated by the sun.

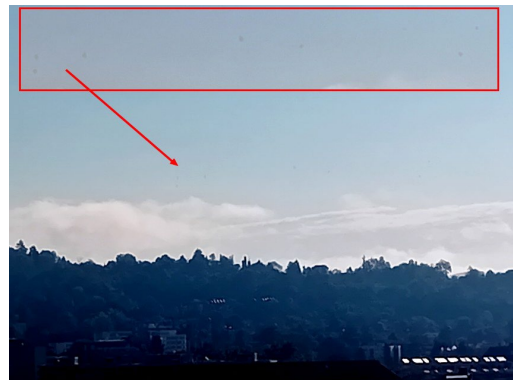
Reported via: Case database, 08.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Balloon(s) (foil balloon(s))

20260808 B
08.08.2026, 08:09, 8020 Graz, Austria
Summary:

From the 5th to the 9th of August 2026, the 31-year-old witness repeatedly observed and photographed several silvery or dark-looking, roughly circular objects in the eastern sky from her 8th-floor flat. The observations mostly occurred between 19:00 and 20:30, and on the 8th and 9th of August also in the early morning, each lasting about an hour. She perceived between one and ten objects simultaneously, some of which appeared motionless while others moved slowly in different directions and changed their spacing from one another. The objects were observed with the naked eye and binoculars but were only poorly visible on the smartphone. They either disappeared suddenly or moved towards the ground and became invisible behind trees.

Reported via: Contact form, 09.08.2026


Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20260809 A

09.08.2026, 22:50, 16244 Schorfheide - Lichterfelde (Barnim) (NL)

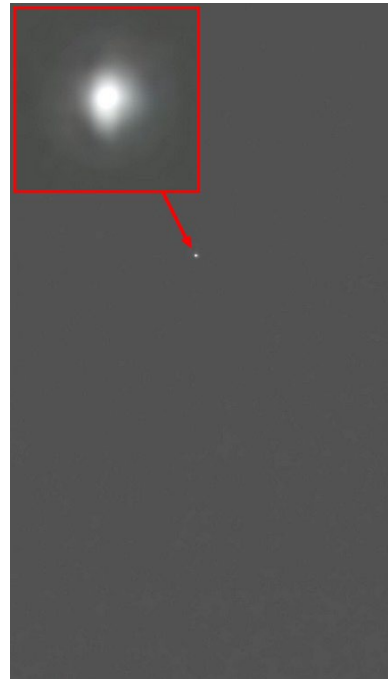
Summary:

In the evening, in a rural area of Brandenburg at the edge of a forest, the 37-year-old witness observed and filmed a bright light above her property that, in her perception, moved very quickly in various directions as well as up and down. A brief green brightening was also observed.

Reported via: Case database, 14.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined



20260811 A

11.08.2026, 21:09, 51069 Köln - Dünnwald (DD)

Summary:

Together with his girlfriend, the 26-year-old witness observed from the flat or the balcony an object flying directly over the residential building. The observation was first documented on video through the window and then from the balcony.

Reported via: E-mail, 12.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Balloon(s) (foil balloon(s))



20260812 A

12.08.2026, 23:50, 21493 Schwarzenbek (NL)

Summary:

Together with his wife, the 46-year-old witness observed the night sky. In addition to several visible satellites, they noticed a large, dark grey and completely silent object moving relatively quickly from east to west with no discernible lighting. In their assessment, the object was noticeably larger than the satellites previously observed.

Reported via: Contact form, 13.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20260812 B
12.08.2026, 23:00, 23623 Ahrensböök (NL)

Summary:

The witness observed what she judged to be a very large, dark-looking, triangular object with several yellowish-amber lights. It moved steadily and, as she perceived it, silently across the night sky. She roughly estimated the flight altitude at that of a helicopter.

Reported via: E-mail, 13.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20260812 C
12.08.2026, 23:08, 37671 Höxter - Bruchhausen (NL)

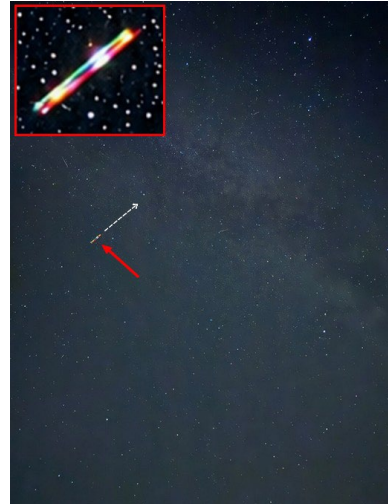
Summary:

The reporter submitted a photo of her daughter for assessment, taken while the daughter was trying to photograph shooting stars. On viewing it later, she noticed a light trail in the photo that neither of them can explain.

Reported via: E-mail, 15.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Aircraft


20260812 D
12.08.2026, 20:01, 44581 Castrop-Rauxel - Ickern (DD)

Summary:

While observing the solar eclipse, the witness noticed a further phenomenon through eclipse glasses. This was visible both through the glasses and in the photos taken with them, and according to the witness it did not move. Other people present also noticed the phenomenon.

Reported via: Facebook, 13.08.2026

Processing status: completed

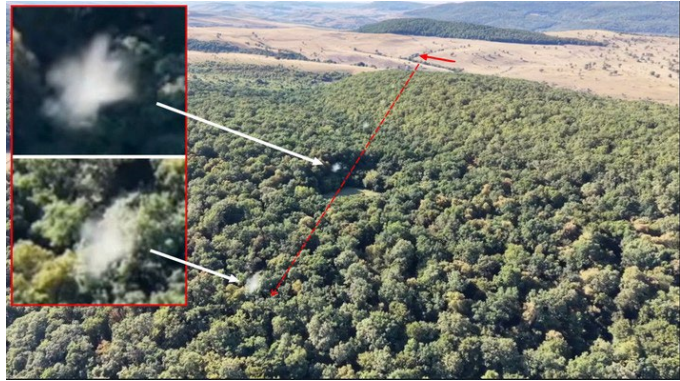
Identification: Reflection (window pane, solar panel, etc.)



20260812 E
12.08.2026, 17:43 EEST,
407280 Florești, Romania (DD)

Summary:

The reporter made drone recordings in the area of the Hoia-Baciu Forest near Cluj (Romania). While the drone flight took place at a height of about 119 m and at around 30–40 km/h, the witness noticed, when later reviewing the video footage, an object flying very quickly across the frame, appearing white. In his assessment, this could not be attributed to a bird, an insect, or an ordinary aircraft. Beforehand, the drone had briefly experienced a strong movement at about 60 m altitude, which was indicated by the remote control as a "strong gust of wind".



Reported via: Facebook, 17.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Tiny particles near the camera (blossom, pollen, tree seeds, foliage, etc.)

20260813 A
13.08.2026, 22:15, 79108 Freiburg im Breisgau (NL)

Summary:

From the terrace, the 27-year-old witness observed a brightly glowing object, which he judged to be large and relatively close, moving from east to west. The object was said to have had about the brightness of a star, showed no tail, and suddenly disappeared during its movement without burning up. According to the witness, his partner did not notice the object.

Reported via: Case database, 13.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20260813 B
13.08.2026, 21:40, 04209 Schweinbach, Austria (NL)

Summary:

During a walk, the 55-year-old witness observed a steadily white-glowing, non-flashing light in the southern sky. The object initially moved slowly and in a straight line, before abruptly turning about 90° to the east after about 15–20 seconds and, according to the witness, instantly accelerating sharply and disappearing.

Reported via: Case database, 14.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20260813 C
13.08.2026, 20:30, 64291 Darmstadt - Arheilgen (DD)

Summary:

In the evening between 20:30 and 21:15, the witness observed and photographed at least four spherical objects at low altitude. The silent objects reportedly each stood almost motionless in the sky for about ten minutes and then moved slowly higher. In doing so, the witness perceived that the appearance partly changed from spherical to cigar-shaped, or gave the impression of a tail. The distances between the objects varied noticeably. Aircraft were also visible in the area, but at greater altitude.



Reported via: E-mail, 14.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Aircraft (contrail, jet exhaust)

20260815 A

15.08.2026, 22:22, 83714 Miesbach - Parsberg (NL)

Summary:

From the balcony of her holiday flat, the witness observed a vertical streak of light running in a north-north-easterly direction from a star-like point of light towards the ground. The phenomenon was photographed and was no longer visible shortly afterwards.

Reported via: Contact form, 16.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Laser / LIDAR



20260816 A

16.08.2026, 08:55, 86507 Oberottmarshausen (DD)

Summary:

The reporter submitted a video, taken by her friend during a bike ride, for assessment, showing an object appearing to tumble in the sky.

Reported via: Facebook, 16.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Balloon(s) (foil balloon(s))



20260825 A

**25.08.2026, 20:30,
01561 Großenhain (DD)**

Summary:

For about an hour, the witness observed an extremely bright, white, partly flashing light to the east. The light remained almost stationary and gradually grew fainter over time until it appeared only as bright as a star and finally disappeared. No sounds were noticed. Nearby, further, smaller flashing lights were visible, which the reporter took to be drones.

Reported via: Facebook, 26.08.2026



Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20260825 B

25.08.2026, 4:00 EEST, 2955 Kochan, Bulgaria (NL)

Summary:

Under a clear, starry sky, the witness observed a bright point of light that, from his point of view, moved with abrupt changes of direction. He took a total of 17 photographs with an exposure time of about 1.3 seconds each. In the images he discovered, alongside the targeted object, numerous other points of light and unusual structures, including coloured dots and motion or light trails.



Reported via: E-mail, 27.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20260828 A

28.08.2026, 19:38, 74199 Untergruppenbach - Oberheinriet (DD)

Summary:

From the balcony, the witness observed and filmed, in a southerly direction, at least ten small, brightly flashing points of light in or below a cloud area. The phenomena were visible to the naked eye and appeared to reflect the sunlight. Due to their small size and the rapid changes of direction, the witness initially suspected birds but could not be certain of this.

Reported via: Facebook, 28.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined



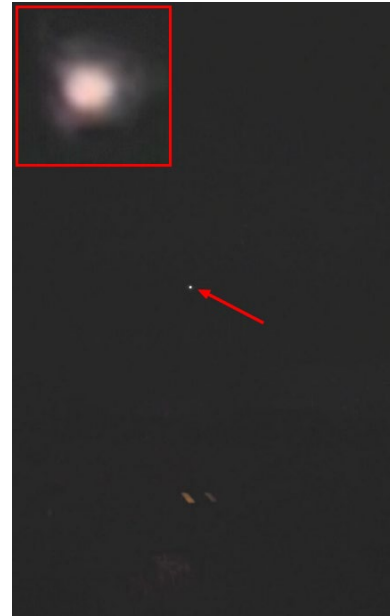
20260829 A
29.08.2026, 22:34, 3603 Thun - Lerchenfeld, Switzerland
Summary:

From her balcony, the 37-year-old witness made a video recording of a bright light in the sky, the cause of which she could not explain.

Reported via: Case database, 29.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined


20260829 B
29.08.2026, 20:25, 69234 Dielheim - Horrenberg (DD)
Summary:

Together with her husband, the witness observed several red lights to the north-west, which over five minutes moved partly close together, in parallel or one behind another. The lights seemed to come from a cloud band, showed rapid changes of direction and a reddish tail. No sounds were noticed.

Reported via: E-mail, 29.08.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Model aircraft


20260831 A
31.08.2026, 21:20, 63867 Johannesburg (NL)
Summary:

To the west, behind or below clouds, the 41-year-old witness observed and filmed light phenomena moving back and forth at high speed as well as in various radial movement patterns. At times a tail or beam of light could be seen. The phenomena repeatedly showed certain movement patterns, interrupted them, and then changed direction at high speed. The observation was made intermittently from the terrace. A neighbour who was called over also noticed the phenomenon.

Reported via: Signal, 31.08.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined



The processing statuses shown reflect the situation at the end of the month. Cases marked “still under investigation” had not been conclusively assessed at that point. Subsequent changes to the processing status are not reflected in this overview.

Some case investigations are published by the GEP in its own [Journal für UFO-Forschung](#) publication. For further analysis, all master data as well as current processing statuses of the reported cases are available on the open-science platform Zenodo: [Zenodo \(DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.10547072\)](#).

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Notes on this overview

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Processing status: Indicates the state of the investigation at the end of the reporting month. The note “still under investigation” means that the review had not been completed at that point.

Identification: States the result of the investigation, provided it has been completed. If the field remains empty, a final assessment is still pending.

Classification: NL (Nocturnal Light) = nocturnal light phenomenon, DD (Daylight Disc) = daytime sighting of an object, RV (Radar-Visual) = sighting with simultaneous radar detection, CE I–III (Close Encounter) = close encounter at short range, with a physical trace or with the perception of beings.