

Received UFO/UAP Reports for the Month of July 2026

The following overview contains **37 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 – July 2026	
Total reports	37 (previous month: 19)
of which events in the reporting month	21
past sightings (oldest event 1970)	15
without a date	1
Observations daytime / night	8 / 24
Classifications	NL 18, DD 11, CE I 1
Processing status	completed 30, open 7
Reporting channels	E-mail 12, Case database 9, Contact form 8, Facebook 5, Phone call 3
Reports with image material	20

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

19700000 D**01.01.1970, midday, 40231 Düsseldorf - Eller (DD)****Summary:**

The witness, then 15 years old, reported a sighting from 1970 that he observed together with his now-deceased brother. According to his account, from the balcony they watched an object roughly 10 × 10 metres in size, square and dark-metallic in appearance, that slowly descended vertically out of the clouds and hovered silently and motionless at a height of about 70 metres for around ten minutes. It then rose again along the same vertical path without any lateral deviation and passed out of sight. The witness described the object as box-shaped with protruding wires, but without any recognisable propulsion, rotors, wings, windows or lighting.

Reported via: E-mail, 23.07.2026*Processing status:* completed*Identification:* Insufficient data**19950000 I****01.01.1995, afternoon, 70439 Stuttgart - Stammheim (CE I)**

Summary:

The witness, now 41 years old, reported a presumed close encounter that, according to his account, took place in spring or summer 1995 on a playground. Together with two or three friends, in the early afternoon he observed an orange-yellow glowing, spherical object at a height of under ten metres. The object slowly circled the group, or the swing set, once or twice and then rose almost vertically with exceptionally high acceleration until it passed out of sight. The witness also described the subjective impression of intelligent control as well as telepathic communication with the object. The experience left a lasting impression on him.

Reported via: E-mail, 20.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Insufficient data

19970000 H

01.01.1997, 45329 Essen - Karnap (NL)

Summary:

The witness, now 57 years old, reported an observation from 1997 that, according to his account, took place in autumn during the evening or night hours. From the window of his flat he observed, at a distance of about 200 to 300 metres above a coal heap, a circular object with at least eight steadily red-glowing lights. The lights were uniformly bright and arranged on different levels around the object. According to the witness, the object moved downward within about five seconds, with the lights going out shortly before reaching the ground. He gained the impression of a crash. No acoustic accompanying phenomena were perceived during the observation.

Reported via: Contact form, 02.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Insufficient data

20070122 A

22.01.2007

Summary:

The witness reports an observation that he claims to have made together with two other people. A light point that initially appeared star-like reportedly moved quickly toward the ground. The witness then observed an elongated object with unknown markings at the rear, which moved slowly, came to a stop in a car park and rotated in a tumbling motion. According to his account, the object opened with a mechanical-sounding noise, revealing a bright beam of light and a bright outline. Out of fear, the witnesses fled into the house. The witness also reports a metallic taste in the mouth, a feeling of pressure in the ears and strong physical tension during the observation. By his own account, the experience preoccupies him to this day.

Reported via: E-mail, 29.07.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

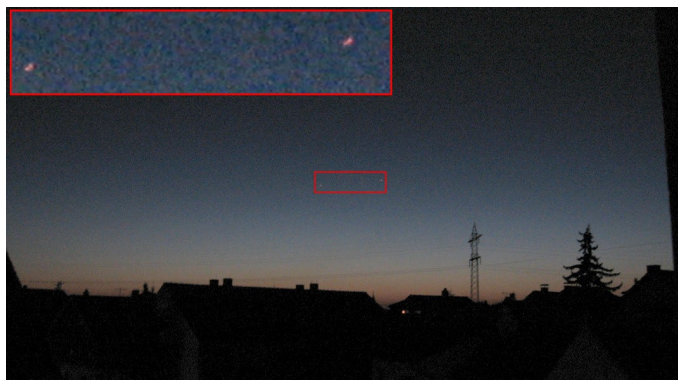
20080621 P

21.06.2008, 22:44, 69181 Leimen (NL)

Summary:

The witness, now 59 years old, observed from his attic flat under good visibility two brightly glowing orange-red points of light in the western evening sky. According to his account, the objects moved relatively quickly from east to west and appeared as small circular points of light that seemed slightly larger than stars. Within about 40 seconds the witness took four photographs of the phenomenon.

Reported via: Case database, 07.07.2026



Processing status: completed

Identification: Sky lantern(s)

20240712 B

12.07.2024, 10:19 EEST, 84511 Hurghada, Egypt (DD)

Summary:

The reporter presented us with an outdoor portrait photo taken with an iPhone for assessment. According to him, it is a Live photo. On later viewing the image, he discovered an object moving at high speed across the frame.

Reported via: Phone call, 16.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Insect(s)



20260312 A

12.03.2026, 10:00, 77743 Neuried - Ichenheim (NL)

Summary:

The reporter presented us with a photo for assessment that he had taken of a contrail illuminated by the sun. On later viewing the image, he discovered a round, light-green object above the contrail.

Reported via: Contact form, 26.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Lens reflection (lens flare)



20260500 A

01.05.2026, 21:15, 96268 Mitwitz

Summary:

The reporter, referred to us by the German air-traffic control (DFS), submitted an observation report from her mother and brother, who claim to have observed from an open window a stationary, milky-glowing object in the star-clear sky. According to their account, several bright, point-like lights repeatedly shot out from the centre in a star pattern, paused briefly in a circular arrangement and then moved back to the central object. This sequence repeated over an observation period of about 15 minutes before the entire phenomenon suddenly vanished.

Reported via: Phone call, 21.07.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20260518 A

18.05.2026, 11:00, 97523 Schwanfeld

Summary:

The 52-year-old witness observed an unusual flying object which, according to her account, moved

at low altitude from south to north. The object appeared to the witness triangular, black and fitted with a black tail. The observation lasted only a short time, as the object, after its sudden appearance, quickly passed out of sight again. Because of its appearance it reminded the witness of a stealth bomber in a smaller version.

Reported via: Facebook, 07.07.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20260610 A

10.06.2026, 12:07, 31552 Apelern - Soldorf (DD)

Summary:

The 58-year-old reporter took several photographs of the landscape and townscape during a walk. Only on later viewing the images on the computer did he notice an object unknown to him on one of the photos, which he had not noticed while taking it.

Reported via: Case database, 10.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Insect(s)



20260621 A

21.06.2026, 22:44, 9241 Wernberg - Förderlach I, Austria (NL)

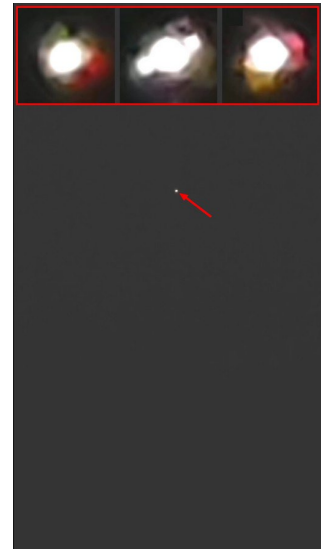
Summary:

The reporter presented us with a video by an acquaintance of his for assessment, showing a bright light in the sky.

Reported via: E-mail, 22.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Aircraft (landing lights)



20260629 A

29.06.2026, 21:59, 3972 Bad Großpertholz - Mühlbach, Austria (NL)

Summary:

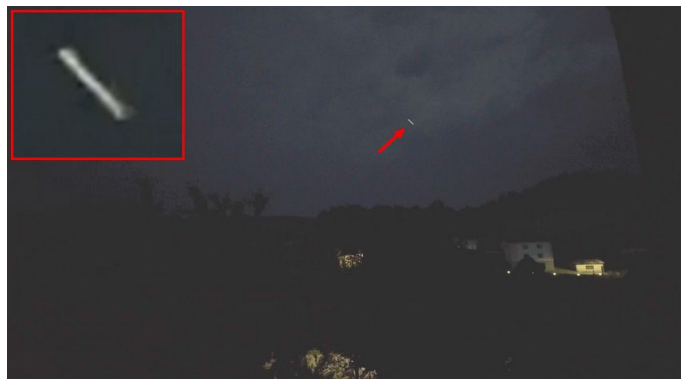
The witness recorded video footage of a thunderstorm front in a westerly direction from his home. Toward the end of the recording he noticed a bright light which, according to him, appeared to rise from the area of a field and then moved away along an arc-shaped path.

The light was perceived both on the display of his mobile phone and with the naked eye. At first the witness suspected lightning or ball lightning as the cause, but considered this explanation unlikely because of the curved trajectory.

Reported via: Contact form, 03.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Insect(s)



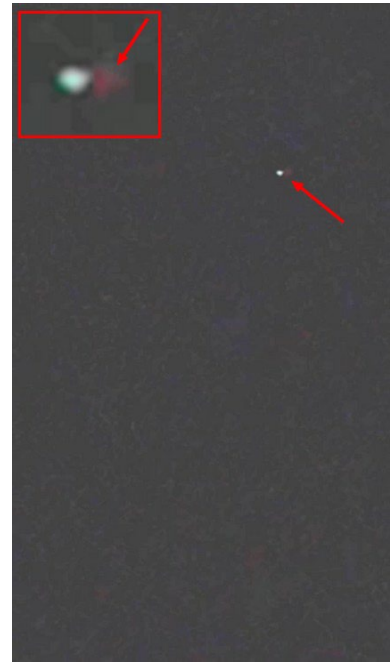
20260629 B
29.06.2026, 02:21, 38704 Liebenburg (NL)
Summary:

According to the reporter, his wife observed and filmed an object in a westerly direction that was initially seen as a rotating phenomenon and, toward the end, moved away rapidly in a northerly direction. During the 7-minute observation the object reportedly flickered white and performed irregular zigzag movements. No sounds or contrails were perceived. The reporter stated that his wife was frightened and agitated during the event.

Reported via: E-mail, 04.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Drone(s) (quad- or multicopter)

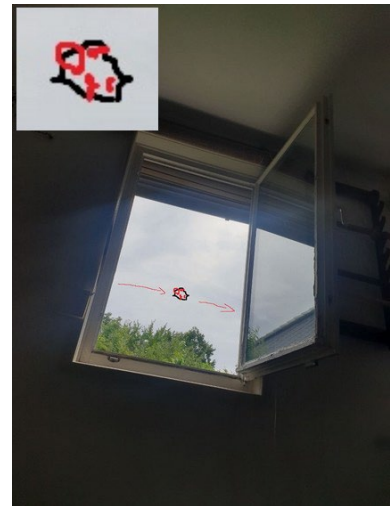

20260629 C
29.06.2026, 23:45, 35043 Marburg - Cappel
Summary:

The 42-year-old witness reported having been woken from sleep between 23:00 and 00:30 by an unusual noise. He perceived the noise as distorted and described its origin as both near and distant at the same time. Looking out of the south-facing window, he observed an unusually shaped object with several red lights of differing brightness that were not blinking. According to him, the object moved uniformly from left to right, comparable to a satellite, but appeared to him considerably larger.

Reported via: Case database, 06.07.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

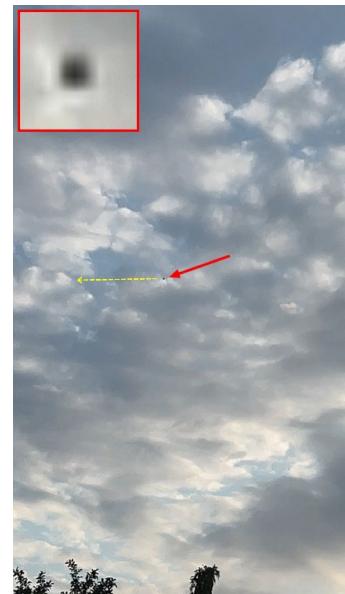

20260630 A
30.06.2026, 20:40, 61231 Bad Nauheim (DD)
Summary:

The witness observed a small, black, point-like object below the cloud cover. According to him, the object moved in a straight line over a longer period at a constant speed, without any recognisable changes of direction or accelerations. The roughly two-minute observation was recorded on video. The object appeared silent and showed no perceptible light reflections. After a brief interruption of the observation, the witness could not find it again and asked for the sighting to be assessed.

Reported via: E-mail, 01.07.2026

Processing status: completed

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



20260703 A**03.07.2026, 08:30, 72766 Reutlingen - Burgholz (DD)****Summary:**

The 41-year-old witness observed a metallic silver-coloured, vertically oriented object in the sky. According to her, the object was initially at low altitude, reflected the sunlight and moved slowly with a hovering character. As it continued, it gained altitude markedly and moved away to the south-east. The witness was able to observe the object until about 09:00 and, after reaching her home, made several video recordings. Because of its appearance and movement behaviour, she ruled out an identification as an aircraft, drone or balloon.

Reported via: Contact form, 03.07.2026**Processing status:** completed**Identification:** Balloon(s) (foil balloon(s))**20260703 B****03.07.2026, 21:15, 15907 Lübben****Summary:**

The 46-year-old witness observed from his property in Lübben a bright, white, point-like light in the west-north-western sky. According to him, the object initially remained apparently motionless for about 20 to 30 seconds at an estimated height of 50 to 60 degrees above the horizon. It then began to move in a westerly direction, accelerating increasingly, and was at times not visible between the clouds or reappeared irregularly as a bright point of light. The entire observation lasted, according to the witness, about 30 to 45 seconds.

Reported via: Case database, 10.07.2026**Processing status:** open**Identification:** not yet determined**20260703 C****03.07.2026, 00:31, 55758 Oberreidenbach (NL)****Summary:**

The witnesses presented us with a video recording of an unusual light object observed at night in a southerly direction of the sky. According to them, the object was already in the sky before the recording began and initially showed faster flight movements with rapid changes of direction. During the roughly five-minute observation no sounds were perceived, so the witnesses assumed a greater distance of the object.

Reported via: E-mail, 03.07.2026**Processing status:** completed**Identification:** Drone(s) (quad- or multicopter)

20260706 A**06.07.2026, 15:04, 50181 Bedburg - Königshoven (DD)****Summary:**

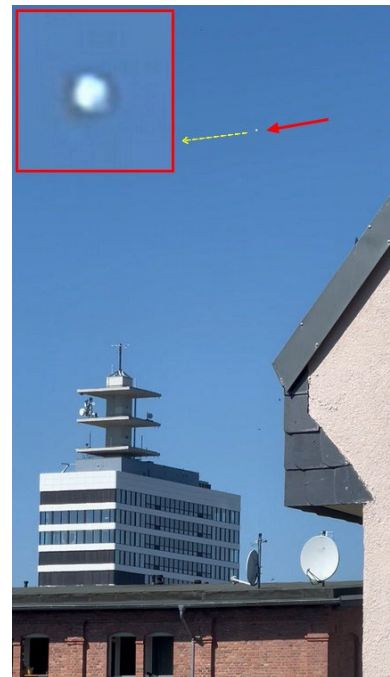
The reporter's daughter observed an unusual, triangular flying object which, according to her, moved quietly and at constant speed from west to east across the sky. Later on, several fighter aircraft are said to have flown over the area as well.

Reported via: Facebook, 06.07.2026*Processing status:* completed*Identification:* Aircraft**20260709 A****09.07.2026, 01:00, 269 01 Rakovník, Czech Republic (NL)****Summary:**

The witness observed, under a mostly clear sky with light haze, an unusual, matt golden-yellow glowing object which, according to him, suddenly appeared from a low cloud. The object had the form of a broad, ring-shaped arc of light and reminded the witness of the visible part of Saturn's rings, or of a horizontally lying „U“. After a brief apparently stationary phase, the object gently aligned into a horizontal position and continued silently to the south-east. The entire observation lasted about three seconds. A more detailed investigation was unfortunately not possible, as our follow-up questions went unanswered.

Reported via: E-mail, 09.07.2026*Processing status:* completed*Identification:* Balloon(s) (foil balloon(s) / ? – favoured explanation)**20260710 A****10.07.2026, 10:43, 33602 Bielefeld (DD)****Summary:**

The 34-year-old witness observed a white, roundish and brightly glowing object in the sky. According to her, the object moved within about 20 to 30 seconds in a straight line at high speed from right to left in a westerly direction and then suddenly disappeared from her field of view.

Reported via: Contact form, 11.07.2026*Processing status:* completed*Identification:* Balloon(s) (foil balloon(s))

20260710 B
10.07.2026, 21:12, 75181 Pforzheim - Würm (DD)
Summary:

The witness presented a video for assessment showing a bright, rod-shaped object against a blue sky. According to her, the object showed an unusual appearance particularly in the zoomed-in range.

Reported via: Facebook, 15.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Aircraft

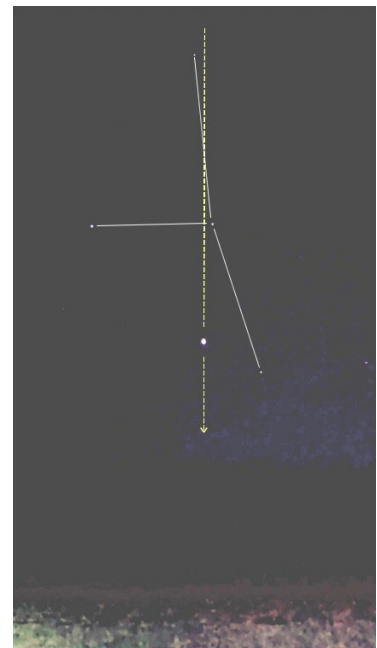

20260712 A
12.07.2026, 23:06, 45739 Oer-Erkenschwick (NL)
Summary:

The witness recorded a video of a bright light object in the sky with her mobile phone. According to the video, the object moved in an easterly direction through the constellation Cygnus, crossing it almost vertically, and then disappeared at the horizon.

Reported via: E-mail, 13.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Satellite (ISS space station)


20260713 A
13.07.2026, 23:45, 7141 Podersdorf am See, Austria
Summary:

The witness observed, together with her husband, a formation of four to five brightly glowing objects. According to the witnesses, the objects came from a westerly direction, moved over the observation site and disappeared at the horizon in an easterly or south-easterly direction. The objects flew in a staggered formation and were described as very fast and at times with abrupt changes of direction. Despite the observation from low altitude and in windless conditions, no sounds were perceived. A video recording was not possible due to the short observation time and the high speed. A more detailed investigation was unfortunately not possible, as our follow-up questions went unanswered.

Reported via: E-mail, 14.07.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20260713 B
13.07.2026, 23:53, 76530 Baden-Baden - Ebersteinburg (NL)
Summary:

The witness and his companion observed, from the Schloss Alt Eberstein viewpoint, a celestial body that initially seemed like an ordinary point of light and moved from the direction of Hauenstein toward Bad Herrenalb. On zooming in, the object appeared as a colourfully glowing, spherical phenomenon with changing colours. According to the companion, it performed a zigzag movement shortly before disappearing, after which it was no longer visible. A more detailed investigation was unfortunately not possible, as our follow-up questions went unanswered.

Reported via: Contact form, 14.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Insufficient data


20260713 C
13.07.2026, 00:42, 49832 Beesten (NL)
Summary:

The 19-year-old reporter and a colleague observed from a terrace a black, silent object that approached from a westerly direction at low altitude, flew over them and then moved away to the east. The object initially appeared with a continuous white light, which turned reddish after passing by. Its shape could not be clearly described; the witnesses had the impression that the object appeared shadowy and optically drew in the surroundings. Illuminating it with a mobile-phone torch produced no discernible reaction.

Reported via: Phone call, 15.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Satellite (ISS space station)

20260714 A
14.07.2026, 22:06, 90425 Nürnberg - Großreuth hinter der Veste (NL)
Summary:

The 38-year-old reporter presented us with a video for assessment that he had taken of a thunderstorm. On later viewing he discovered on it an elongated object that appears to fly across the frame.

Reported via: Case database, 24.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Insect(s)



20260715 A
15.07.2026, 00:45, 49716 Meppen (NL)
Summary:

The witness observed a silent, yellow-glowing celestial phenomenon that moved across the sky.

Reported via: Contact form, 15.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Insufficient data

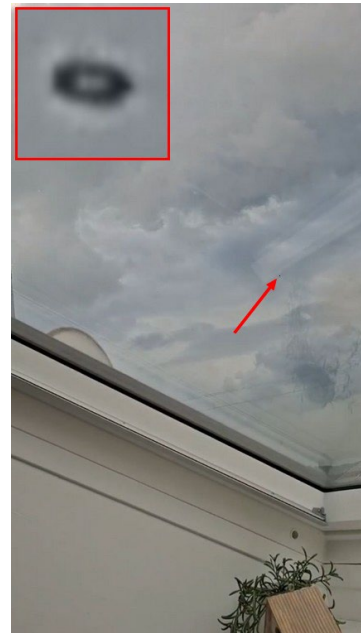
20260718 A
18.07.2026, 11:20, 72513 Hettingen - Inneringen (DD)
Summary:

The reporter's neighbour filmed an unknown object that moved from west to east and then disappeared behind a cloud. Because of the object's flat cross-section, the reporter expressed doubt as to whether it could be a foil balloon, and asked for an assessment.

Reported via: Facebook, 19.07.2026

Processing status: completed

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

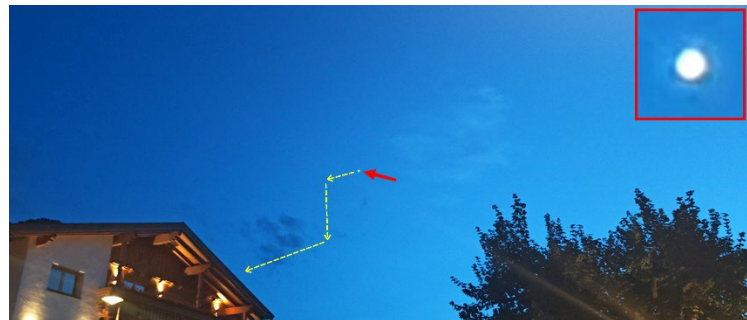

20260722 A
22.07.2026, 21:35, 6235 Reith im Alpbachtal, Austria (NL)
Summary:

The witness observed a silent, brightly glowing object whose apparent size varied between a small and a distinctly larger point of light. According to him, the object repeatedly remained motionless, at times went out completely for a few seconds and repeatedly changed its flight direction abruptly. It also operated at different altitudes: at times it was visible in front of a mountainside, later it passed individual clouds and finally at times disappeared behind mountain ridges, while it moved in the area of Reith im Alpbachtal, Münster and Wildschönau.

Reported via: Case database, 22.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Drone(s) (quad- or multicopter)



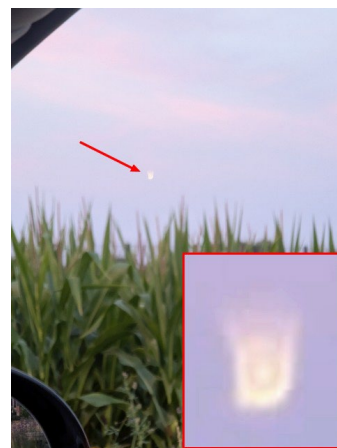
20260724 A
24.07.2026, 21:40, 52525 Heinsberg (DD)
Summary:

The witness reports observing an intensely glowing object in the sky. According to her, she stopped her vehicle in order to take three photos of the phenomenon. She describes the object as of perfect geometry and reports that it disappeared abruptly.

Reported via: Case database, 24.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Insufficient data


20260724 B
24.07.2026, 22:35, 33615 Bielefeld (NL)
Summary:

The 70-year-old witness observed a flying object that moved in a straight line at high speed from south-west to north-east across the night sky. The object had a brightly glowing, burning-looking head and left behind an uneven white trail that dissolved after a short time. The appearance initially reminded the witness of a meteorite, but because of the straight trajectory he considered this explanation unlikely. On further observation he also recognised three to four smaller objects flying in parallel at the tip of the main object.

Reported via: Case database, 25.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Re-entry

20260724 C
24.07.2026, 22:27, 1795 De Cocksdorp, Netherlands (NL)
Summary:

The reporter's son observed and photographed a bright, unusual celestial phenomenon in a south-easterly direction. It moved at comparatively high speed apparently vertically downward, trailing a tail behind it, and finally disappeared behind a house.

Reported via: E-mail, 24.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Re-entry

20260724 D
24.07.2026, 22:27, 39397 Gröningen (NL)
Summary:

The witness observed two objects flying side by side, slightly offset, from west to east. They moved at high speed, each trailing a long tail illuminated by the set sun, and showed a reddish glowing area that the witness perceived as a rocket-like propulsion. The objects showed neither flashing lights nor were sounds audible. At first the witness took them for meteorites, but discarded this assumption because both continued to fly in parallel and did not burn up.

Reported via: Facebook, 25.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Re-entry

20260725 A
25.07.2026, 21:26, 47533 Kleve (DD)
Summary:

The witness observed and photographed an unusual S-shaped object that moved in a zigzag across the cloudy sky.

Reported via: Contact form, 25.07.2026

Processing status: open

Identification: not yet determined

20260728 A

28.07.2026, 22:17, 06295 Lutherstadt Eisleben (NL)

Summary:

The witness observed and filmed a bright object in the sky that initially gave the impression of a star or planet. According to her account, however, the object suddenly set into motion. A more detailed investigation was unfortunately not possible, as our follow-up questions went unanswered.

Reported via: E-mail, 29.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Aircraft



S0115

00.00.0000, 23843 Bad Oldesloe - Havighorst

Summary:

The circumstances described in the report lie outside the thematic focus of our research work.

Reported via: Case database, 02.07.2026

Processing status: completed

Identification: Insufficient data

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

Case number: The case number consists of the event date in the form YYYYMMDD followed by a letter indicating the order of the reports received for that event time (A = first report, B = second report, C = third report, etc.). Zeros stand for unknown components of the date. Case numbers with a leading „S“ denote special cases without a date reference.

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.