

STRANGE WHITE LIGHTS IN THE NIGHT SKY

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On a beginning of this year, I had some sightings of the strange lights in the sky. I live in Jordanow , Poland , (GPS - 50°04'59".88 N - 20°22'59".88 E) and the first strange object I watched on Jan. 8th, 2005 between 18:10 and 18:25 hrs (Polish local time = GMT + 1 hour). At that time I watched the comet C/2004 Q2 (Machholz). The weather was almost ideal: CAVU[1], cloudless, air temperature = +10°C, strong wind from SW – so called the Orawiec (the Orawa wind).

At 18:15 hrs I looked toward the Andromeda constellation and I noticed a very bright 'star' there. It moved slowly towards the Polar Star and its brightness increased quickly. After 2-3 seconds it was almost the same like a brightness of the Capella star (+0m.06). After the next 6-7 seconds that 'star' dimmed itself to a border of the visibility and finally disappeared. It seems to be a short shining trail, which had been left by the 'star' in the sky. Firstly I thought that it had been a 'blink' of the Iridium Flare satellite, but that 'satellite' moved on the very long, sinusoidal course.

After the next 2 minutes, I noticed another bright and moving point on the Coachman constellation's background – but it moved as the 'normal' satellite, which slowly decreasing its brightness moved towards the Big Bear.

In the evening of the Jan. 9th, at 17:00 hrs I went with my dog Argos for a walk. Going down the street I watched the sky above the Western horizon and Mt. Babia Gora . In a field of my sight I had stars, which make so-called Summer Triangle: Vega, Deneb and Altair with Tarazed and al-Shain. The weather was pretty good: CAVU, air temperature = +5°C, air pressure = 1016 hPa[2], strong wind from NW-W.

At 17:05 hrs I noticed a very bright starlike object among the Summer Triangle stars, somewhere in the southern sectors of the Swan. It was white light, brighter than the Vega star (+0m.04) and planet Saturn (+0m.08). That object was moveless. 'It's the bloody Iridium again' – I thought very angry. But the object still shone with a strong, white light. 'It must be the ISS Alpha' – I thought again. And I waited for it starts to move toward S-SE direction. I could wait for the Doomsday, because the 'ISS' suddenly moved – of course – but it floated towards the WEST! I watched it through 10-12 seconds. What was it really? The Iridium satellite? Perhaps. But could it be an extra-secret rocket or other spacecraft with the nuclear propulsion tested by someone (NASA? NASDA? RAK? ESA? American or Russian space armed forces?... who?) on the orbit? – as I had postulated it in my lecture presented on the VIIth UFO Forum in Wroclaw last year.

On Jan. 10th, between 17:40 and 18:10 hrs, I went for a walk with Argos and watched the sky. Weather was almost good: CAVU, cloudness – 0.3, strong wind from NW-W, air temperature = +5°C and pressure = 1018 hPa. At about 17:55 hrs, I noticed a starlike object in a constellation of Perseus. Its brightness was quite low – only +3m. It moved from the South towards the North.

In a while later, I noticed literally an explosion of white light on a background of the Little Bear, almost 1-1.5° on the East from the Polaris. The ‘star’ had its brightness much lighter than the planet Venus – I estimated it on –4m.00. but it quickly decreased itself, as the ‘star’ went towards the northern horizon.

The third object followed the second one from S to N, but its brightness was not more than +2m.00 and was similar to the Polaris’ one. It made for the ‘star’ and I lost it from my sight, when it omitted the Polar Star and entered the Draco constellation. There was also another starlike object, which flew parallelly to that ‘satellite’. It omitted the Polaris on a distance of 5° on E from that star. It disappeared in the Draco too. Its brightness was lower than +2m.00.

If these three objects were satellites, the second object’s behaviour did not remain the satellite’s one. It appeared suddenly like from the nowhere and quickly disappeared after an emitting of a strong stream of the white light. It was quite different from the ‘normal’ satellites or the ISS, which are visible during almost 30 seconds and move on their constant course.

On Jan. 11th I watched another strange ‘satellites’ at 17:50-18:20 hrs. The weather was very good: CAVU, air temperature = -2°C, pressure = 1023 hPa; a very weak wind from the SW direction.

But the first UFO in that day, I watched between 06:20 and 07:00 hrs. At 06:35 I noticed near the S-SE horizon a very bright star, which was brighter than Arcturus (-0m.11). It twinkled that I could not be the planet Venus at all! On the other hand, the planets Mercury and Venus rose at 07:00 hrs. on that day. They were very close to each other and their common brightness was –3m.2, however in the next day I tried to watch them – but fruitlessly... I must be the Unknown Orbit Object or even the Unknown Cosmical Object...

At about 18:05 hrs. I noticed a flush of white light in the Camelopardialis constellation – more than 5° right from the Polar Star. The starlike object moved quickly towards the northern horizon decreasing its brightness. Its first brightness could be compared to the Polar Star. The ‘star’ covered a distance almost 10° and vanished.

In the same time, another starlike object – probably an ‘ordinary’ satellite – went from N to S.

The next object I noticed after 5-7 minutes later. I was seeing the bright light with a tie, which moved slowly through a constellation of the Whale. Firstly I thought that it was an ordinary plane, which moved towards the Cracow-Balice airport. But I was wrong. I noticed a real plane, which flew above me and I was able to compare these two flying machines. That object went faster than the plane and it started to go out after 40 seconds. Its primary brightness could be compared with the Rigel (+0m.15) or Betelgeuse's (+0m.8) ones. It vanished finally in the constellation of Pisces after the next 5 seconds.

Jan. 12th, at 06:38 hrs. I noticed a flash of white light in the Hercules constellation. Such like in the other cases, it was the very bright light – brighter than $-1m$ – which moved from N-NW towards S-SE through 5 seconds. The weather conditions were very good: CAVU, air temperature = -5°C , pressure = 1018 hPa; windless.

In the evening of the same day, I noticed another flash of white light in the constellation of the Auriga (Coachman). The light appeared suddenly 5° from the Capella star and it was brighter than Venus in its brightest phase – above $-4m.7$. It turned off in 2 seconds, moving from W to E. I want to add that if it were a satellite, it would have been seen to constellations of the Big Bear and Draco... 10 seconds before that sighting, I saw a satellite, which crossed the sky from Aldebaran to the Big Bear and shone with white light. Its brightness was between $+2m.5$ and $+3m$. The weather was not so good – skies were covered in $\frac{1}{2}$ part of the hemisphere, air temperature = $+5^{\circ}\text{C}$ and pressure = 1015 hPa, light wind from S.

On Jan. 15th, at 17:24 I noticed a very bright starlike object, which moved on a Big Bear background towards the northern horizon. It was as bright as a flare. The 'star' went from the Dubhe star towards Polaris. It vanished after 5 seconds. It could not be the ISS, because I watched it together with our co-operant Mrs. Elzbieta Kowalska of Olesno (c.a. 350 km towards NW-W from Jordanow). The ISS disappeared in a constellation of Twins nearby Saturn. It could appear again after 90 minutes – at 18:30 hrs. It could not be also any meteoroid, plane or satellite – I saw some of them before and after that sighting. The weather was very beautiful: CAVU, windless, air temperature = -5°C and pressure = 1023 hPa.

Feb. 7th, at 17:40 hrs I noticed a weak object crossing the Auriga constellation. Its brightness was $+3m$ and no more. It was an 'ordinary' satellite, which vanished after a few seconds. In two next minutes, I watched a very bright flash of the white light c.a. 20° above the SE horizon. It was $4-5^{\circ}$ on East from Procyon. I was watching it and I realised that in fact there are two bright, blue-white 'stars' almost as bright as Procyon. The both started to dim and disappeared – the first after 4 seconds and second one after 10 seconds... I thought that it was the Zetha Monocerotis, but that star has its brightness $+4m.4$ and it could not be visible at that time. Also the Beta Cancri (Altarf) could not be visible, because of its low

brightness – only +3m.37 and Zetha Hydrii - +3m.11 could not be visible because off the town's lights...

It is very interesting to add that in the same sector of the sky moving the famous C/Halley comet! It is 5° on East from Procyon too.

The weather was pretty and beautiful: CAVU, air temperature = -4°C and pressure = 1027 hPa.

I really do not know, what those objects really were. If they were not the Iridium Flare satellites, what they really were? Satellites? Spaceships? Ionospherical spy-planes like Aurora or Uragan? New missiles tested by Americans or Russians or both of them? Those 'stars' were also seen by my friends of the Center for the UFO and Anomalous Phenomena Researches (CBUFOiZA). They were also reported from Czech Republic , Slovakia and even Japan . No-one can explain them...

We watched them after the tsunami waves in South-Eastern Asia and perhaps they may a connection with those events? Some people think so. Is it possible that Aliens watched us and our efforts to overcome the tsunami's effects? Is it a warning for a future or an announcement of the new war???...

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[1] Clear Air Visibility Unlimited.

[2] 1 hPa = 1 mbar.