

# **SOVIET UFO DOGFIGHT**

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It is an understatement to say that something quite extraordinary took place on September 16, 1989, in the skies above Zaostrovka, port on the Kama river on the western side of Perm, the Ural region of Russia.

Many local residents reported, what in essence was a UFO dogfight. Six classic saucer-shaped objects appeared to be chasing a seventh, darker coloured UFO. Even in the darkening skies, the six dark-silver coloured objects could be seen chasing the seventh, darker coloured UFO. All seven objects were performing an aerobatics display over the port area. At times, pencil-like rays of light could be seen to come from these objects, likened now as a scene from the 'Star Wars' movie.

One of the many witnesses to this event was one of the port's crane operators. Statements by many witnesses were given to a Russian UFO investigator called Sychenko. He is a former helicopter pilot for the Soviet military and he now lives in Stockholm, Sweden. According to Sychenko, a number of witnesses described the UFO's as looking almost saturn-shaped and appeared to be around 20 meters in diameter. During this aerial dogfight it was reported that the seventh, darker UFO was 'shot-down' by the other perusing UFOs.

The UFO is alleged to have crashed into the Russian military firing range at Belaya Pashnya, approximately 120 Kilometres north-east of Perm. Local UFO researcher Emil F. Bachurin visited the crash site in the autumn of 1990, but was not allowed access to it by the Russian authorities.

Information fed to Bachurin and his colleagues have suggested the Russian military were quickly at the scene of the crash site. It was sealed off and was quickly made a restricted area. Even today, the area is still under guard. As yet, no details have been uncovered regarding the military operation in the area.

Russian ufologists are nevertheless convinced that a special military unit was dispatched to the area in order to recover the downed UFO. Two military units are suspected of being involved, unit 67947 (in Mytishi, Moscow region) and/or unit 73790 (in Zhitkur). The UFO was probably removed and transported to the Zhitkur base. Zhitkur is the Russian equivalent to the US 'Wright Patterson AFB', a place where captured alien technology is reportedly sent for study.

Russian UFO researchers are still attempting to uncover more detail on this and several other similar incidents. If more information can be uncovered it could go a long way to lifting the lid of UFO secrecy in the former Soviet Union.

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