

1956: Calabozo, Venezuela

(xx.) "1968 Aug. 27 Pa. AF Unknown. JEM talk Mansfield Pa. 5/15/69." CUFOS archives. Photocopy in author's files.

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27 August. Calabozo, Venezuela. (about 11:30 p.m.)

Saucer fleet? "I felt my hair stand on end."

APRO's representative in Venezuela, Joe Rolas, forwarded to Coral Lorenzen a remarkable claim that appeared in the Spanish press on the 28th. The sighting occurred at the city of Calabozo which is located in the flat, cattle raising, part of the country. According to Rolas, the sighting took place during a period of "intense saucer activity." (If true, I have little info on the flap—L.E. Gross)

Small disks emerge from large one.

Rolas' translation of a newspaper clipping is reproduced below:

"A fleet of flying saucers, cruising the sky above Calabozo, in an east-westernly direction, was spotted last night approximately at 11:30 p.m. by a number of persons who went to the correspondent and told him all about it. Messrs. Leon Febres, Miguel Talavers, Jesus Prada y Temas Hernandez, stated that, while going home late in the night, they sighted 'strange contraptions' in a 'spinning-top-like' shape, which raced at a fantastic speed, leaving behind a wake of smoke, phosphorescent smoke, which vanished rapidly. Febres, with startled face stated that after finishing a 'belas criellas' game (a game with wooden balls, softball-size, which is played on the ground, like bowling) he was going home, when suddenly he noticed that in direction to a dark spot near his place, it lit up completely, as if daybreak time. 'I stopped startled—he said to the correspondent—and I couldn't step further, it was then when I saw, above my head, and floating in the space a sort of a gigantic disc. I felt my hair stand on end and I wanted to run away but my strength failed me up. Noiselessly the strange 'air-ship' soared at an amazing speed and remaining stationary in a fixed point, new, smaller saucers started to come out of it, which in a perfect formation flew westwardsly."

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(xx.) Caracas, Venezuela. *La Calle*. 28 August 56. APRO files. "Joe Rolas" must must have been the "Joe" that did most of the translations of Venezuelan UFO reports for APRO. This report is also mentioned in the monograph *UFOs: A History 1956* August, page 82, without a footnote.

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1. The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions.

2. It is essential to ensure that all entries are supported by proper documentation and receipts.

3. The second part of the document outlines the various methods used to collect and analyze data.

4. These methods include both qualitative and quantitative approaches, each with its own strengths and limitations.

5. The final part of the document provides a summary of the findings and conclusions drawn from the study.

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