

# A NOTEWORTHY UFO SIGHTING OVER GERMANY(1993)

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(Braunschweig is the place that we British know as  
*Brunswick. G.C.)*

**O**n April 8, 1993, the local paper  
*Braunschweiger Zeitung* carried a report that a  
local artist, the 72-year-old Herr Erwin Lohre,  
had had a very unusual experience with a UFO.

Two years later I managed to interview Herr  
Lohre. What he had to tell me was more astounding  
than Science-Fiction. He took me out on to the balcony  
from which he had had the sighting. Here is my account  
of the interview:-

**Lohre:** "It was during the night of 8th to 9th March,  
1993. My wife and I had gone to bed at 10.30 pm and  
had at once both fallen asleep.

"A few minutes before 0.30 in the early hours I  
was awakened by a stabbing pain in the area of the spine.  
I at once took a painkilling tablet and lay down again.  
Meanwhile, my wife had also awakened, simultaneously.

"Suddenly we heard a clear humming sound coming  
from the sky. After three or four seconds this noise,  
which seemed "metallic", as though produced by a cen-  
trifugal force, grew louder, and then, through the bed-  
room window, we saw a bright round shining object sta-  
tionary at a height of some 10 metres or so above the  
birch trees to the east."

(Herr Lohre showed me the spot. The birch tree  
below the UFO had been burnt in the episode, and in-  
deed has not yet fully recovered today, as its leaves are  
turning curly and falling already, although it is still sum-  
mer.)

**Lohre:** "There was a full Moon at the time. But despite  
that, our bedroom and the terrace outside was lit by  
something even more powerful than the moonlight,  
— a bluish-white colour like neon-lighting. At the  
same time we both felt a strange metallic sort of taste  
on our tongues.

"Up till then I had scarcely even given a moment's  
thought to UFOs, but it was now immediately quite  
clear to me that I was looking at an unknown flying  
object, and I said to my wife: "Look! See what it is!  
*They are going to land here!*"

"Being a former fighter pilot myself I wanted of course  
to see what was going on. But when I tried to stand  
up, I found that I couldn't move, and with my wife it  
was just the same. We were both totally paralyzed.

"Also our two kittens, which sleep on the foot of the  
bed, were both sitting there, bolt upright, and looking  
as though turned to stone. Meanwhile, our bedroom  
window was being bathed, on and off, in a bright yel-  
low beam of light apparently coming down from  
above."

**Hattwig:** "What were your feelings? Were you scared?"

**Lohre:** "I didn't get frightened because I was so com-  
pletely spellbound by the event. Indeed, if anything  
my feeling was rather one of annoyance because I was  
immobilized and unable to get to the window. But  
my wife was more scared. And afterwards she had a  
thorough fit of the shakes.

"The eerie apparition lasted altogether about 40 sec-  
onds or so, and then the vivid light ended abruptly.  
Then, some 30 or 40 seconds later, we saw the UFO  
fly over our bedroom window in a westerly direction  
and vanish.

"Simultaneously the paralysis ended for both of us.  
My wife was too upset to be able to sleep any more,  
and so was I. Then, about half an hour later, we heard  
the same sound again, coming from the other direc-  
tion. Our bedroom has windows on the two sides,  
and so we got a full view of the UFO for the first  
time. From a distance of about 300 metres we watched  
it flying straight towards us. Again we heard the same  
sounds as before, and for about six seconds or so we  
could see its shape absolutely clearly. Then, just as  
the disc — which I estimated to be about 10 metres  
wide — was nearly right over us, something quite  
unbelievable happened. It simply dissolved into thin  
air — between one-tenth of a second and another—  
and it was gone, without any transition!

"I sat down straight away and made a few sketches."

(Herr Lohre showed me the view from the bedroom  
window and I photographed it so as to be able to  
make a photomontage later with my main sketch).

**Dr. Hattwig:** "Do you know whether anyone else  
besides you and your wife saw the UFO?"



**Herr Erwin Lohre**

**Lohre:** "After the newspaper had published the report on it, 25 people contacted me, including one whole bowling team who had been travelling home at the time. Unfortunately none of them were prepared to go public as eyewitnesses."

**Dr. Hattwig:** "Did you have the impression that the UFO was seeking you personally?"

**Lohre:** "Absolutely! For it was hovering there right beside my bedroom window, as though they knew exactly where I was. It is true that my wife and I were both paralysed, but unlike me she felt no pain in the spine."

**Dr. Hattwig:** "How do you explain that pain?"

**Lohre:** "Well now, I'll tell you something else! Next day, at 4.00pm., my wife and my daughter and I — who were all in different rooms at the time — saw a light like a photo-flash in front of our TV sets, accompanied by a crackling sound. Then, an hour later, phenomenal discharges came from the T.V. sets downstairs. Furthermore, we found that our computer had packed up. We never found any reason for that, and it has never happened again since. Then, at about 10.00 pm suddenly a tremendous banging started up inside our wardrobe, as though somebody was shut in there. But despite all our efforts and our searching, we could find absolutely no reason for the noise. And every time that we opened the wardrobe, the din

stopped. On and off the eerie happenings went on for a further eight weeks, and disturbed us badly. "

(While Herr Lohre and I were chatting, the wife and daughter arrived and they both confirmed his statement on all the happenings).

**Lohre:** "After the encounter I had constant pain in the spine, and, a week later, using a mirror, I discovered on my spine, at the level of the buttocks, two red marks, about 2cms apart. I went to see a doctor, who then found two black spots below the skin. He applied an ointment, and he referred me for a CAT scan (Computer tomography), but before I was able to go there two little black lens-shaped things came out of my back. I put them away very carefully, to show them to the doctor, but by the second day following they had simply evaporated."

**Dr. Hattwig:** "What's your explanation for the little black things?"

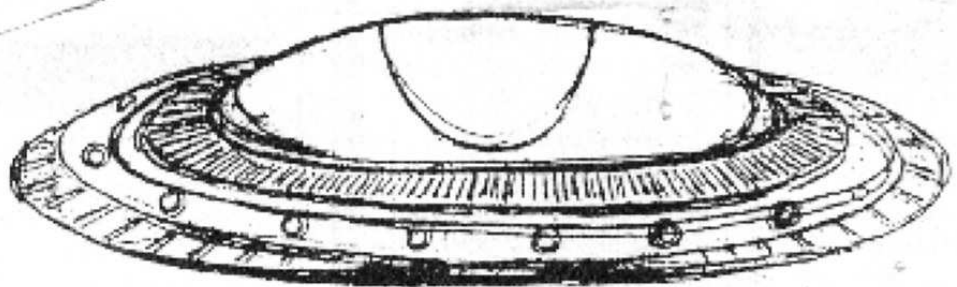
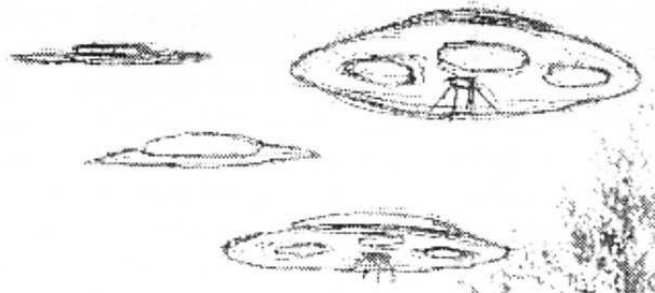
**Lohre:** "I can't say."

**Dr. Hattwig:** "Have you ever heard anything about UFO abductions?"

(Herr Lohre eyed me with an unbelieving look. As he was to admit to me later, such an idea was utterly new to him, and up till then he had never heard of anything of the sort).

**Lohre:** "I did indeed read about it later on, and I did play around for a while with the idea of undergoing hypnosis, but so far I haven't taken that step" ■

**"The underside had 3 coloured apertures and a central light."**



**Main sketch of UFO.**

**"Shimmered with all the colours of the rainbow, white, green, red, yellow. The cupola was a bright, shining silver."**

# CLOSE ENCOUNTER IN CAMBODIA, 1971: (ABSTRACT)

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The following is word-for-word as transcribed from a taped interview by myself with a retired military "Special Forces" Officer who served in Thailand during the Vietnam War. This is an account of a close encounter with several EBEs and their space vehicle.

Unlike other countless reports of similar "high strangeness" meetings with extraterrestrials, this account is maybe even more interesting because it happened in "war time" surroundings in Cambodia, a country out-of-bounds for U.S. troops at the time. Plus, there is mention of *MJ-12* as a government entity that was involved with the gathering of information about Unidentified Objects in the air space in and around Thailand and it shows how determined the government is to extract all information it can on the subject. Also there is mention of another strange encounter from the same general area.

I will use the name Joe in place of this gentleman's real name. I spoke with Joe off and on for several weeks. When he spoke about this encounter he never changed his story and I believe he wants to give the true account as he himself believed it happened. As my conversations continued with Joe he said he had been contacted by an officer friend still on active duty to relay a message that he could freely speak about the subject of his encounter with the extraterrestrials in Cambodia and anything else concerning the subject "*since this information will be made public in the near future anyway*", but he was not to specifically indicate the true reason why he was in Cambodia. This "other officer" also talked about the UFO subject in general saying such things as that the Roswell crash really happened, and described precise methods of how people are taken to see the alien vehicle and bodies using high security procedures in transporting these people who need to go there for various reasons. **He also talked about two different alien beings. One name he used was the Greys and the other was the Nordics.**

## TRANSCRIBED ACCOUNT

**JOE:** Basically I will describe what happened. In September 1971 I was stationed with the Army in Thailand. Originally a routine mission in Cambodia close to an area called Tonie Sap, just south of Angkor Wat, where the temples are. We had gone on a previous mission in answer to some problems and had gone back in on a search -and -destroy mission. This area we were mainly concerned about was insurgents from the Khmer Rouge — Pol Pot's people. they were really wreaking havoc at the time with the local indigenous personnel. We were after one group and when going through the jungle we heard some noises coming from an area hidden. It sounded like equipment running. We came into a clearing.

**BOSTROM;** You heard a noise?

**JOE:** We heard some noises that sounded like generators or machinery. Something with a hum.

**BOSTROM:** So that's what attracted you.

**JOE:** Yes, we assumed they had some kind of refuelling station or something out there. It's quite common for the Khmer Rouge and Phaphet Lao to use a high clearing in the jungle to make an artificial clearing for refuelling helicopters, things like that. They didn't have too many. Most of them were Russian-made — and they could refuel them — and we thought we really struck on a good one this time or thought they were building equipment buildings or bunkers or such. When we came into the clearing we were quite surprised to find something quite unlike what I've ever seen before. At the time I held the rank of Lieutenant. We had with us approximately fourteen Special Forces, of our country, and several dozen Thai Rangers with us.

**BOSTROM;** So you were in Special Forces.

**JOE::** Yes I was originally with the 101st Airborne Special Tactical Unit. We were re-assigned to the 506th Air Cavalry and sent to Thailand. They were with the auspices of a group we won't discuss for obvious reasons. During this time there had been several reports of some strange incidents. We more or less "poo-pooed" them, thinking they were people getting scared in combat. You have a few guys taking drugs. We didn't have anybody in our unit that was. You just don't really know. Things come out of the jungle. You see them flying through the trees and it looks quite different than it would in broad daylight in an open area. We entered the clearing. The vehicle was almost spherical in shape suspended on four legs, the base of which looked like it touched the ground. I couldn't really tell if it was actually on the