

Preliminary Catalogue of Type 1 cases in Argentina—Part 4

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IN the preparation of this catalogue, sub-classifications have been made in Dr. Jacques Vallée's sub-divisions of Type 1 UFO reports.

Parts I and II contained 45 cases which fell into the sub-class A-1 of Class A, relating to visibly abnormal bodies or phenomena situated on the ground. Part III included the first 16 cases which fall into sub-class A-2 and now, in Part IV, we list a further 16 cases of the sub-class.

The initial figure given for each case refers to the serial order of the event within the class to which it belongs, and the figure in parentheses indicates the chronological position of the case within the total context of all classes.

Sub-class A2 (continued): Visibly abnormal body or phenomenon hanging at not more than 10 metres from the ground

17. (101). 1967, November 16; Lanús Este (Buenos Aires). 24.00 hrs.

A man named Poloni awoke suddenly feeling a sensation of great heat and an intense itching. Through one of the windows came a powerful light, the source of which seemed to be situated at the back of the house. Thinking it might be a fire, Sr. Poloni ran round there, and discovered a strange light suspended over the servants' sleeping quarters. He quickly called the rest of the occupants of the house (his wife, his three children, and his two brothers) and he went and got a rifle with the intention of firing at the object, but he was struck in the face by a sort of "tube of hard light" coming from the thing, which affected his muscles and paralysed his vocal cords. The object rose into the air and vanished at high speed.

L. Anglada Font: *La Realidad de los OVNIS a través de los Siglos*, pub. Kier, Buenos Aires, 1968, pp. 368-370.

18. (103). 1967, December 14; City of Córdoba. 2.20 hrs.

At a well-known plant producing food products, located at No. 1560, calle de 24 de Setiembre, three employees, Francisco Meuri, Miguel Angel Colazo, and Mario Ernesto Benegas were working. Suddenly the lights were blacked out. Then they saw a powerful luminosity from the direction of the street, which was lit up as though it were daytime. They ran out quickly to find the cause and saw a great ball irradiating an intensely bright white light. This light kept changing colour, passing through red and green and then back to white. It remained hanging there for five minutes at the height of the street-lights, then it rose slowly into the air and moved away.

La Voz del Interior, Córdoba, December 15, 1967; and on-the-spot investigation by CADIU.

19. (104). 1967, December 28; Andalgalá (Catamarca). 04.00 hrs.

As he was driving in his car, accompanied by his wife, Señor Clérico saw, ahead of the car, and almost touching the ground, a violet light which at moments turned green. This occurred at a place called Subida de la Chilca. Sr. Clérico ran the car up on the verge and turned off the engine and the lights. Then a spherical luminous object, some 2 metres in diameter, rose up and vanished towards the mountains.

La Razón, Buenos Aires, December 29, 1967.

20. (107). 1968, March 3; Castelar (Buenos Aires). 00.45 hrs.

The lawyer Eduardo Squirru and his wife were watching the television when suddenly the whole house was flooded with a pale blue light of extraordinary intensity; there was a drop in the electrical power and the TV screen went black. Then the whole place was shaken by a thunderous roar, like the noise of a jet aircraft, which awoke their two daughters and their manservant. A Sr. Armentano, who lives near the Squirru family, stated that he had seen a ball of light take off at dizzying speed.

La Razón, Buenos Aires, June 13, 1968; Review 2001, Buenos Aires, No. 19, 25.

21. (111). 1968, June 10; Los Cigarrales (Córdoba). 03.15 hrs.

Just as he was going to bed, Sr. Jorge Yarú saw, through a window of his house, an object of metallic appearance, some 5 metres in diameter, hanging above a tree and at a distance of about 10 metres from him. Around the bottom part of the object were yellow, red, and orange lights. It remained there stationary for almost 40 minutes and then did an abrupt "jump," became stationary once more, and then made off at high speed.

Los Principios, Córdoba, June 16, 1968; on-the-spot investigation by CADIU; World Round-Up, in FSR for September/October 1968.

22. (114). 1968, June 19; La Rioja-Catamarca Highway (Catamarca). Early morning.

Taxi-driver Julio Fedelli was conveying three passengers in his vehicle. When 60 km. from the town of Catamarca they saw a very large bright object which was stationary near the road and at a height of 5 metres from the ground. The engine failed. Then the UFO suddenly rose up and moved away rapidly, emitting intense flashes of light.

Clarín, Buenos Aires, June 21, 1968.

23. (115). 1968, June 21; Miramar (Buenos Aires). 01.30 hrs.

As Oscar Rodolfo Vivas was returning home on his bicycle, he suddenly saw a very bright light in the middle of the road. In the upper part of the light there was a diamond-shaped machine which, almost adhering to the ground, was rotating at high speed. He heard a very powerful hum, and the machine was shooting great bursts of fire down towards the ground. It remained there for almost two minutes and then climbed rapidly into the sky and vanished. The police subsequently found at the spot a whitish powder, like talcum powder but more viscous, forming a sort of ring on the road.

La Razón, Buenos Aires, and *Clarín*, Buenos Aires, both of June 22, 1968; review 2001 No. 19, Buenos Aires, p. 26.

24. (117). 1968, June 27; Saladillo (Buenos Aires). 06.45 hrs.

Srs. Luis Oscar Gicovich, Alfredo Dellasante, Juan Armand, Lauro Borbiconi and Geraldo Silvero observed, towards the south, a metallic disc with an intermittent red light in its centre. It was at a distance of some 600 metres, and 10 metres from the ground. It vanished slowly towards the south-east making a slight sound.

La Tribuna, Rosario, June 27, 1968.

25. (125). 1968, July 5; Villa Domínguez (Entre Ríos).

Omar Severino Rabin was in his house when he suddenly saw, through one of the windows, a machine that was emitting a powerful reddish light. Rabin went outside, with his arms raised in a defensive posture, and his hands remained stained with a black substance smelling strongly as of burnt wood. The object rose into the air and vanished.

La Razón, Buenos Aires, July 6, 1968.

26. (126). 1968, July 5; Las Cejas (Tucumán). 19.20 hrs.

Former Secretary for Agriculture and Livestock, agronomist César Ercilla, together with a landowner friend, observed a cone-shaped UFO 20 metres wide, and 10 metres from the ground, emitting flashes of purple and reddish light. The object had descended in a dive, at a distance of some 2 km. from them, and was stationary in the air. The eyewitnesses were travelling by car towards Santiago del Estero at the time.

La Razón, Buenos Aires, July 8, 1968.

27. (136). 1968, July 25; La Pastora (Buenos Aires). 02.00 hrs.

Sr. Juan Sívori and his wife and one of their daughters observed, over Highway No. 226 and at a distance of only 35 metres from them, an object shaped like a spinning-top, of the size of a motor truck, and silver-coloured. The engine of their car stopped. The UFO remained hanging there for about five minutes, at a height of 10 metres from the ground. Then it rose into the air and vanished. The engine of the car started up again.

La Razón, Buenos Aires, July 27, 1968.

28. (142). 1968, August 29; Capayán (Catamarca). 02.00 hrs.

Three La Rioja businessmen, Miguel García, Carlos García, and Aldo Lorente, were travelling in a motor-truck when they saw, beside the road, at a distance of about 12 metres from them, a strange silvery-red object shaped like two deep plates placed face to face. It was of the size of a truck. From its under-part emerged four converging prolongations towards the ground, and on the upper part there was what seemed to be some illuminated spy-holes. It was suspended at a height of about 2 metres from the ground.

Córdoba, Córdoba, September 1, 1968.

29. (143). 1968, August 31; Luján (Mendoza). Night.

As Señora María Di Tomaso de Cicchinelli stepped out into her patio to feed the dog, she saw a luminous object swaying to and fro above her. She felt as though she was paralysed. It was suspended at a height of about 4 metres above her head. It was spherical and was emitting reddish and pale blue flashes of light. When it moved away the witness recovered her power of movement.

La Razón, Buenos Aires, September 3, 1968.

30.(156). 1969, May 26; Azul (Buenos Aires). 17.30 hrs.

Señor Adolfo Corengia saw, through a window of his weekend house (near Balnearia) and at a distance of about 15 metres, a spherical object suspended at a height of 1 metre from the ground. It was of a reddish-orange colour, with a protuberance in the middle of the upper part, and about 3 metres in diameter. It started to rise up into the air slowly and then, gaining speed, headed off towards the south and disappeared from sight. Two days later, Sr. Corengia was just about to mow the grass when he noticed, at the spot below where the UFO had been hanging, an ellipse-shaped area on which the grass looked thin and blackened and there were a lot of mushrooms.

Review 2001, Buenos Aires, No. 13, p. 24; *Clarín*, Buenos Aires, June 5, 1969.

31. (160). 1969, December 18; La Reducción (Tucumán). Early morning.

Agriculturalist Manuel Rodolfo Rodríguez stated that he had seen a cigar-shaped UFO, 70 metres long, hanging horizontal and stationary for 20 minutes at the height of the cables of the electric power-line which runs parallel with Highway No. 38, near his farm. He called his father, Sr. Joaquín Rodríguez, who came to the spot and also saw it. Next day it was discovered that, at the place where the UFO had been, the leaves of the eucalyptus trees were scorched, and there was a smell in the air of sulphur or burnt gunpowder.

La Gaceta, San Miguel de Tucumán, December 21, 1969.

32. (161). 1970, February 7; Las Salinas (17 km. from Chapelcó, Buenos Aires). 23.50 hrs.

The Investigations of General Uchoa in Brazil — Part 3

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THIS is the continuation of my resumé of a series of articles which appeared in the newspaper *O Dia* of Rio de Janeiro, between October 26 and November 4, 1972.

The sudden intervention of plantation-owner Wilson da Silva, and the consequent failure to secure an encounter with the occupants of the UFO, had a somewhat dampening effect on the spirits of General Uchoa's team of investigators, and, to compound their gloom, the strange phenomena ceased entirely for some days.

But work continued, and the group kept to their posts and maintained watch, night after night, near the little hill over which the strange objects had performed their acrobatics, and displayed their mysterious lights.

Some time later their tenacity was rewarded by the reappearance of the craft at almost exactly the same spot and with no great variation in their performance. But one night, a very dark one, the group were able to observe an impressive spectacle.

Several flying objects began to project beams of greenish-yellow light simultaneously, and then, at a given moment, formed a figure in the sky like a mast, the flag being represented by stars. This phenomenon was all the more remarkable inasmuch as the brightness of the stars was much greater than is the case with the natural light of the stars.

Observation continued, the group re-assembling at the spot every night, frequently bringing with them unbelieving friends to view the spectacle. One of these