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Dear Section 40

I understand that you handle reports and enquiries about UFOs, so although I feel a bit silly about wasting your time, I am just a bit curious to know, if possible, about womething which appeared in the sky at about 9.45 near the GLC Fireworks display on Saturday night, which I attended.

When we arrived we went over to the North Bank to get a good view of the fireworks, which was very successful and we enjoyed. We were walking back from the north bank to the South bank over the Hungerford Pedestrian Bridge, and noticed in the distance, just above the South Bank buildings about 300 yards down the river (we were looking at it from approx. the centre of Hungerford Bridge) on The REHT, A shrt of long shimmering light. It was in the sky, and moving ever so slightly but not making any progress, hovering. It was "sparkly" and thin, and did not have any shape, i.e. it was not an seroplane or a helicopter. Lots of people were pausing to watch it, and no-one knew what it was. It has remained a question mark in my mind, and I am just curious to hear if you know what it was, or if you have had any other reports of such a sighting. I don't suppose other people have the time to write to you, but I am a housewife so I do! curious about unusual objects in the sky, as he has personally seen a couple himself for which he has no explanation. He has seen this thing before, over Charing Cross Road, and on that occasion all his friends agreed they had never seen anything like it before.

I am very aware that it could have been part of the GLC display - but it was just on its own, did not logically fit in with anything there, and was not announced. I thought maybe it was some sort of a balloon painted with flourescent paint, and put up just for a lark, but it was very brilliant and shimmery.... I am still very curious!

Have you had any other reports such as I have described? If so, I would be pleased if you could let me have a short note as to what it was, or any other explanation you may have.

Thank you for reading this letter - there is a diagram on the back for you to see.

Yours sincerely,

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