

# IPACO expert report

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*Explanation*

Ceiling lamps reflections  
on a window

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London, UK

*Imaging date*

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## I. Imaging circumstances

This photo was published in the English newspaper *"The Telegraph"* with the following comments:

*"UFOs may be light show"*

*"A group of UFOs spotted hovering over London may have been a laser light show, locals claim."*

*"Derek Burdon was left stunned when he took a scenic picture of the UK capital then noticed four flying saucers on the far right of the picture.*

*Mr. Burdon took the photographs 16 floors up on the roof top of Orion House in Covent Garden in the morning.*

*The 40-year-old, of Leverington, Cambs, said: "I have not tampered with it and you would not be able to fake it. It was taken on my mobile and I guess I am just lucky to have it. These shapes were not visible to the naked eye so it's not as if I was looking for them."*

*But Paolo Adami, who lives on the 10th floor of flats in Paddington say these lights can be seen every night and are projected from near Parliament Square.*

*He said: "I see those lights every night; they are four projection lights located between Embankment and the Big Ben. They play light games for many hours a night. In that particular picture the light hits the clouds and the 4 projected lights have a shape of a UFO but that is just a coincidence."*

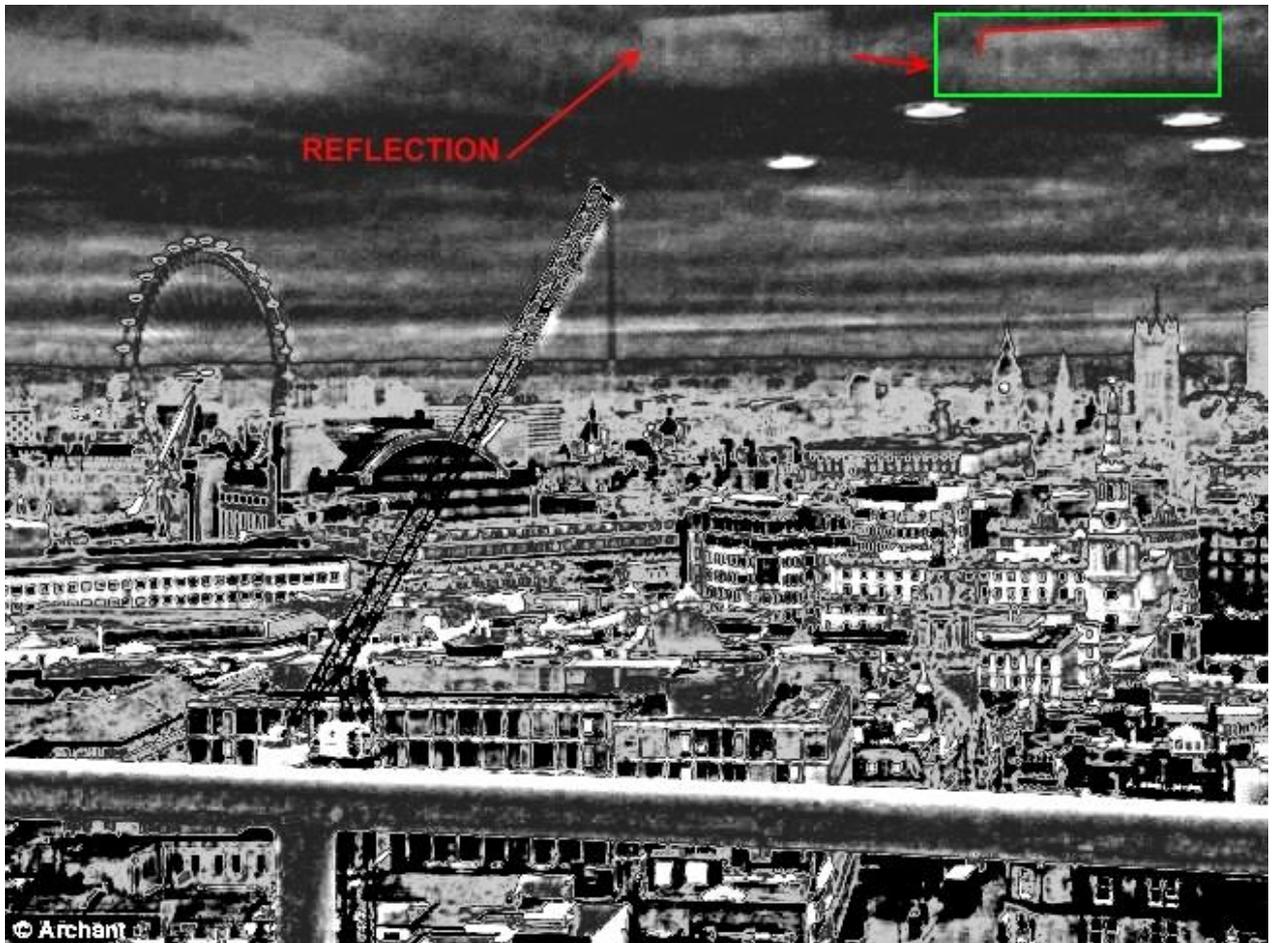
*However, Mr. Adami's explanation does not explain how the lights were seen in the daylight or why they were not visible to the naked eye.*

## II. Camera settings

The camera model that was used is unknown.

## III. Data examination

Close examination and enhancement as well of the photography reveals what seems like a reflection, materialized by a straight line at the very top of the photo:



So, the photography has been taken behind a window.

No, let's take a closer look at the 'UFOs' themselves:



*Close-up and filtering/de-noising*

Would it be possible that these are only reflections of ceiling lights, located in the background of the photographer, in a window?



*"Orion House" building*

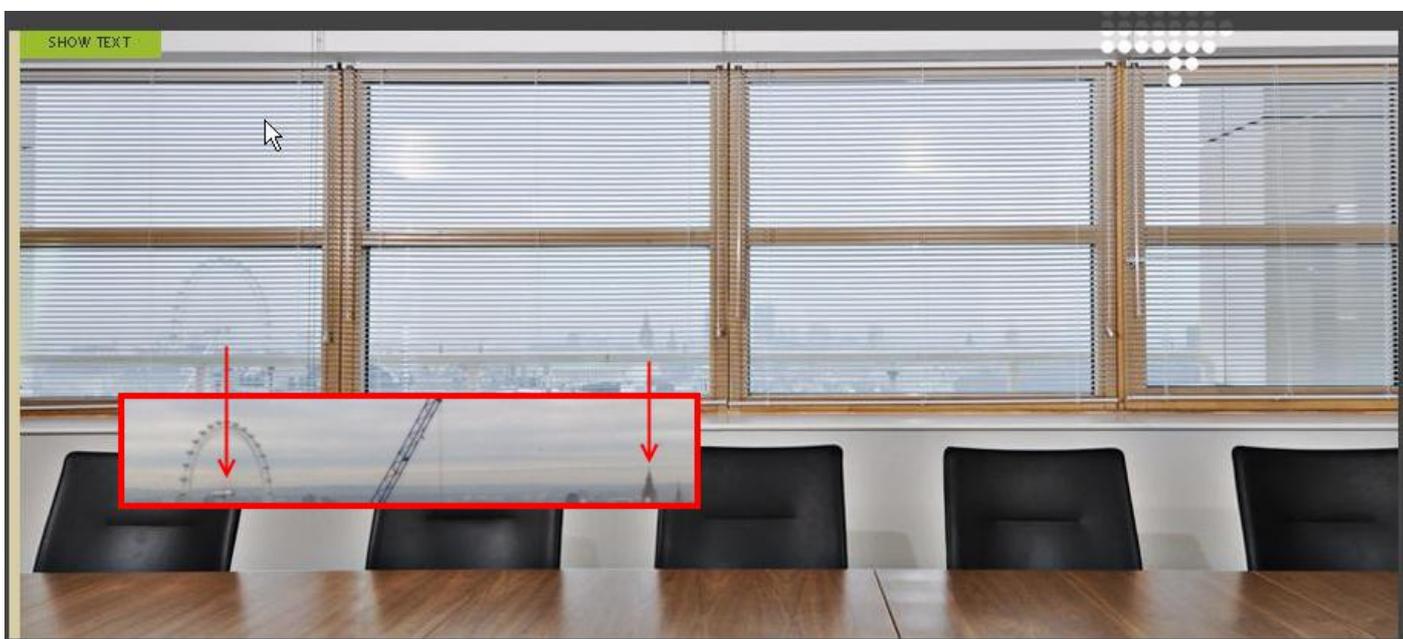
A search on Internet about the *"Orion House"* building in *"Covent Garden"* allowed us to find some photographs of the inside office rooms:



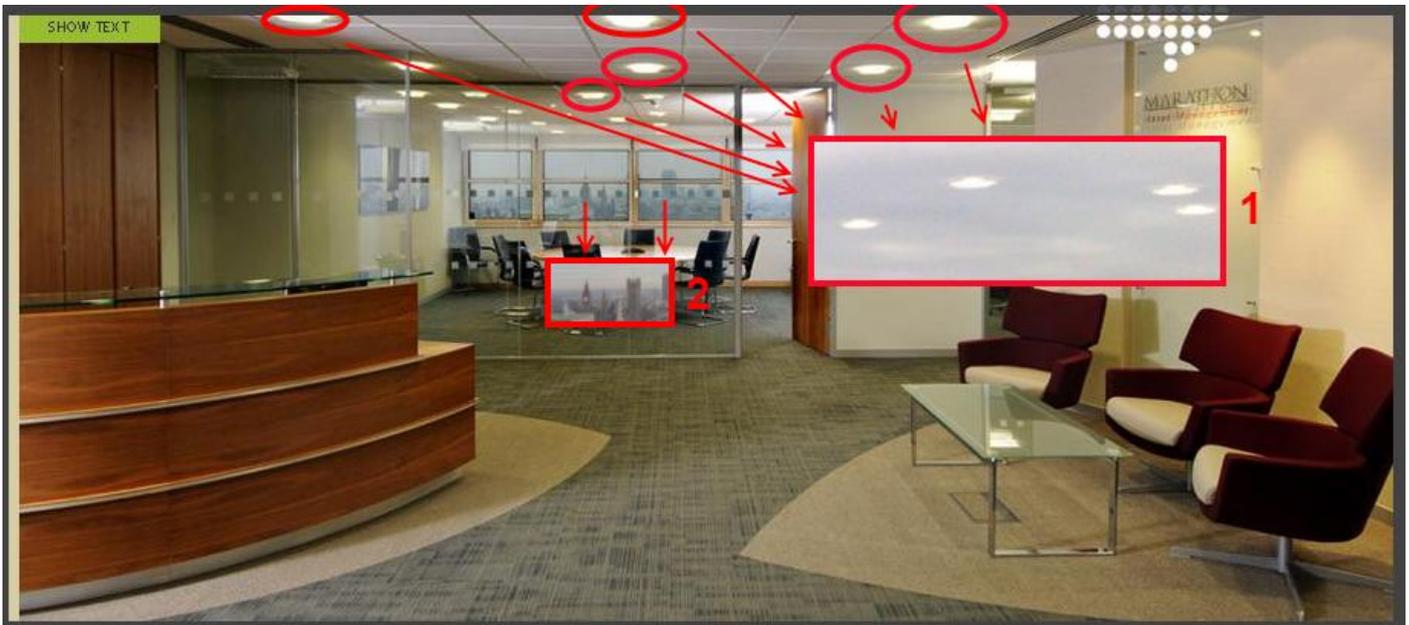


In the above photography, it has to be note the presence, as a watermark left behind the blinds of the office, the « [London Eye](#) ».

This giant wheel is in the same position and angle in those of the 'UFOs' photography:



Therefore, the photography has been taken from the office rooms at the “*Orion House*” building.



In this photograph, we also note:

- 1 - The coincidence between the shape of the office ceiling lights and the shape of 'UFOs'
- 2 - As in the previous photograph, the presence in the background, behind the windows, of the urban landscape exactly like that found on the 'UFO' photo.

#### IV. Conclusion

Given the objective data provided by the examination of the photographic document, we can conclude that the objects visible in this document are only reflections of ceiling lamps in a window.

#### V. Sources – Photo credits

The original photography and comments come from the newspaper "[the telegraph](#)."