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HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
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DEP. SEC. DEFENSE

6 December 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Attention: Colonel Krops

SUBJECT: Air Alert - 1030 Hours, 6 December 1950

1. The ConAC Air Defense Controller notified the Headquarters USAF Command Post that at 1030 hours a number of unidentified aircraft were approaching the northeast area of the United States and that there was no reason to believe the aircraft were friendly.

2. This information was further amplified at 1040 hours as follows. By radar contact it was determined that approximately 40 aircraft were in the flight, at 32,000 feet, on a course of 200 degrees, in the vicinity of Limestone, Maine.

3. The emergency alert procedure went into effect immediately.

4. The Office of the President was notified. Brigadier General Landry returned the call and stated that the President had been notified and that:

a. All information in this matter was to be released by the Department of the Air Force.

b. Office of the President would release no information.

c. The substance of a and b above was to be passed to the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

5. At 1104 hours the ConAC Air Defense Controller stated that the original track had faded out and it appears that the flight as originally identified is a friendly flight.

~~6. ConAC took immediate action to dispatch interceptors on the initial contact.~~

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Colonel, USAF
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(Translation-Portuguese)

UFO SIGHTINGS BY PORTUGUESE AIR FORCE PERSONNEL

DATE/TIME Sept. 4, 1957

PERSONNEL:	Capt. L. Ferreira (BA2)	Pilot F-84 G
	Lance Cpl. M. Marcelino (BA2)	Pilot F-84 G
	Lance Cpl. S. Oliveira (BA2)	Pilot F-84 G

OBSERVER'S DESCRIPTION: The formation of three planes was flying from Cta to Granada when a spherical luminous source was sighted, which successively changed color from green to orangish-yellow to ruby-red. The object passed under and behind the formation.

DATE/TIME: July 17, 1977

PERSONNEL: Lance Cpl. Jose F. Rodrigues from (BA3) Pilot DO-27

OBSERVER'S DESCRIPTION: While passing in a climb above Barragem de Castelo de Bode (12H00) at 2000' QNH, and at the base of the clouds at 2300' the pilot saw an object partially covered by the clouds.

Having commenced a left turn, he asked the Tancos tower if there was any traffic reported in this area. Informed that there was not, he continued his turn, asking the tower to contact Batina to ascertain the existence of air activity, unidentified by Tancos, in the area.

Upon having turned about 31° 50' to the left, the above-mentioned object appeared at eleven o'clock approximately 6 (six) meters away.

He had the feeling of standing still in comparison to the object, the speed of the DO-27 being 110 knots (126 mph).

After having sighted the unidentified object, he straightened his wings, since the former had disappeared in the clouds about 3 seconds later.

As a consequence of the DO-27's rapid shift, it went into a steep nose dive, very pronounced and uncontrollable. The pilot worked the controls in an attempt to pull out of the dive, but the plane did not respond. He even went so far as to cross the controls.

The plane quickly reached 146 knots (168 mph) and then right away 180 knots (207 mph). The pilot continued trying to pull out of the dive, which he succeeded in doing only relatively close to the ground, and he had the feeling that he had brushed the trees in that area, but after the landing, he

verified that this had not happened.

When it went into the dive the plane's motor vibrated heavily and the gyroscope went crazy, and showed a phase displacement of 180° (when it recovered) in relation to the compass direction that, once stabilized, was followed.

REMARKS: The commander of BA3 vouched for the pilot's action.

DATE/ TIME: Nov. 2, 1981 from 10:50 to 11:15

PERSONNEL:	Lt. Guerra	Pilot of CHIPMUNK from BA2
	2nd Lt. Melo Garces	Pilot of CHIPMUNK
	2nd Lt. Santos Gomes	Pilot of CHIPMUNK

OBSERVER'S DESCRIPTION: While Capt. (sic) Guerra was piloting a Chipmunk in the area of RUNA, near the Vedras tower, he sighted a round-shaped object, about 50 cm. (sic) in diameter, circling at high speed, rapidly changing altitude, and silver-colored on the upper half and metallic red on the bottom, both halves very shiny. He called the pilots (2nd Lts. Garces and Gomes) of another plane that was flying nearby, who likewise sighted the object for several minutes and witnessed its withdrawal to the south and climbing.

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VETERAN SWEDISH AIRMEN OBSERVE,
DESCRIBE DISK-SHAPED AIRCRAFT OVER SKAANE

[The information in this report was taken from three articles which appeared in the liberal Stockholm daily, Dagens Nyheter on 18, 19, and 20 December 1953. In the rendition of the first two articles (18 and 19 December), repetitious elements have been omitted. The third article is given in full.

[Numbers in parentheses refer to appended sources.]

The chief pilot for Transair Airlines, Flight Captain Ulf Christiernsson, and his flight mechanic, Olle Johansson, reported that on the afternoon of 17 December 1953, while flying in a DC-3 over Skaane, they sighted a mysterious circular metal object flying in an opposite direction of them at a speed estimated at about the speed of sound. The airmen estimated that the object was about 10 meters in diameter.

Captain Christiernsson, at present employed by Transair in flying the morning [Stockholm] papers to southern Sweden, has very extensive air experience, having served as a volunteer with the RAF from 1942-1946, finishing his service with the rank of captain. He flew 30 missions against enemy territory from North Africa and Italy.

Captain Christiernsson made the following statement to Dagens Nyheter: "I do not doubt for an instant that it was not a jet plane. What I saw was a completely unorthodox, metallic, symmetric, round object which was unlike anything I have seen before. The mysterious object appeared suddenly on the air route traveled by all controlled air traffic between Bulltofta and Bromma airfields [at Malmö and Stockholm respectively]. I myself was en route to Bromma.

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Over Håssleholm, I saw an object -- on my right and obliquely in front of me, flying at a somewhat lower altitude -- which at first I thought to be a jet plane. The silhouette was thin and it approached me at a very high velocity. Ollie Johansson and I have discussed the matter of its speed, and comparing its speed with, for example, that of the "Flying Barrels" (J-29), we have estimated the speed to be about that of sound. The whole business took place fantastically quickly, but I believe that I was able to see the object for 4 to 5 seconds.

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"When the object got closer, I was able to ascertain that it was symmetric and metallic. It is very difficult to describe something that one has never seen before, but I would say that it looked like a flying losenge. The object did not seem to have a crew, but seemed more to be a robot. When it passed under the wing [of the DC-3], I could no longer see it. The mechanic, who was able to observe it for five more seconds, confirms the fact that it was circular or possibly somewhat elliptical in form. At the time of the incident, we were flying at an altitude of 2,150 meters and the cloud ceiling was about 1,500 meters. Thus, the object should have been flying at an altitude of between 1,500 and 1,600 meters. We estimated the size to be about 10 meters in diameter. It left no exhaust or condensation trail.

"We are both absolutely convinced that it could not have been a meteor or other celestial phenomenon. We did not see any distinct light but were only able to see that the object had a metallic lustre. Immediately after the observation, we reported to F3 in Ljungbyhed and to the regional civil air security service at Bulltofta. The course of the object was south-southwest. The whole thing happened so quickly that we could not have managed to change course [and follow the object]...."


Ollie Johansson's statement was as follows: "I was sitting forward in the right-hand seat of the pilot's cabin when Captain Christiernsson pointed to the object. What I saw was an ellipse with sharp outlines and something between silver and white in color. I saw it for about 10 seconds. It was approaching from the north in a direction opposite to ours, at a speed of about 1,500 kilometers per hour. It was flying entirely above the clouds. From Malmö northward, we were able to see the ground for only a few kilometers and after that there was a cloud covering all the way to Stockholm. We were flying at a speed of about 270 kilometers per hour. Ten minutes after the incident, we met an SAS (Scandinavian Airlines System) DC-4. Thereupon, we estimated the object's speed at about three times that of the DC-4. There seemed to be no flames or smoke trail from the object. Since we had the automatic pilot on, we had no chance to turn quickly enough to see where the object went."

The Defense Staff's short communique on the incident read as follows: "At 1457 hours on Thursday, the crew on a civilian commercial plane observed, in the vicinity of Håssleholm, an unknown object which moved at a high speed in a direction opposite to that of the plane. The object was viewed for 6 to 7 seconds. At the time of the incident, there was clear weather at the altitude at which the plane was flying. Because of the low cloud ceiling, the object could not have been seen from the ground. With the knowledge of the Defense Staff, there was no Swedish plane in the area concerned at the time of the incident. Investigation continues."

Reports of "flying saucers" have arisen in both Europe and America on countless occasions in recent years but, according to a statement to Dagbladet by a member of the Air Staff, these observations over Skane are termed the clearest and most detailed which heretofore have been made regarding mysterious, unknown aircraft. (1)

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Case 

Chief Petty Officer, Patuxent Naval Air Station, picked up on radar 3 consecutive trackings: December 19th 1962 between 3:15 and 3:30 P.M.

Initial sighting 2 objects 10 miles apart

2nd sighting picked up on screen 39 miles S.E. of Patuxent Naval Air Station traveling towards base at estimated speed of 6 thousand miles per hour. Lost it off screen abc 10 miles out of Patuxent.

3rd sighting on screen one UFO 8 miles N.E. of Patuxent which made 160° turn and dropped off screen. On same date about same time checked with an FAA station at Ft Salisbury, Maryland which had picked up messages from U.S. Coast Guard reporting sightings of UFOs.

Based on radar beam data, altitude of UFOs estimated in range between ~~10000~~ 3000 to 25000 feet



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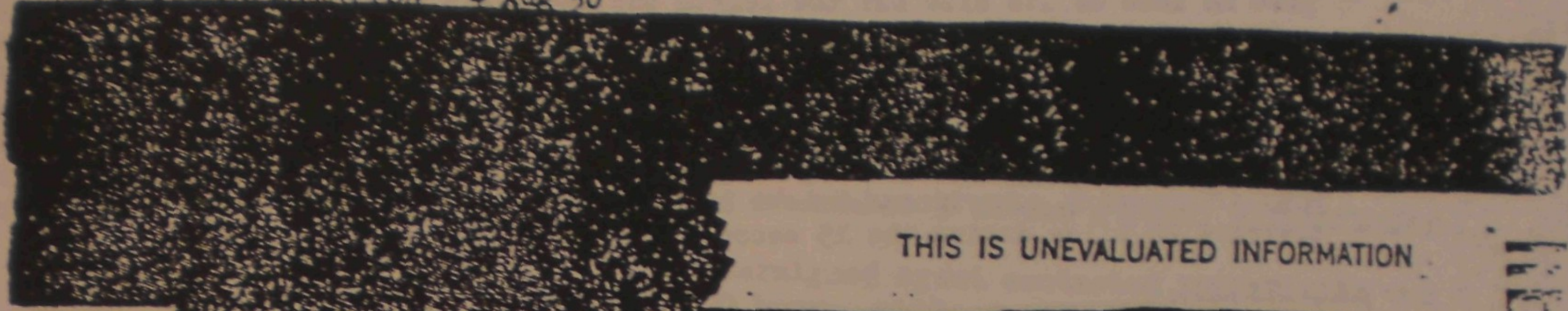
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reported the following observations at 10:00 am EDT on 4 Aug 50 at 39° 35' North, 72° 24½' West.



1. On 4 Aug 50 at 10 am my ship, while on a heading of 245° true, with a smooth sea and clear weather, visibility 14 miles, barometer reading 30.03, was underway from Walton, Nova Scotia, to an East Coast US port. I was in the chart room just aft the bridge when Third Mate, who was at mid-bridge checking the compass, shouted that there was a flying object off the starboard bow. I immediately ascended the conning tower and by this time the object was on our starboard beam. It was traveling on a reciprocal course to ours about 50 or 100 feet above the water at an estimated speed of over 25 mph. From the conning tower I observed it with my binoculars for a period of approximately a minute and a half when it disappeared into the horizon in a north-easterly direction. I would estimate that the closest it approached my ship was one thousand feet and it was an ovalar, cylindrical shaped object the like of which I have never seen before. The object was quite small and I would judge that its diameter was approximately 10 feet. It had depth but to what extent I was unable to observe. The object made no noise, and as it passed abeam our ship, it appeared to pick up considerable speed. It was not flying smoothly but impressed me as having a churning or a rotary motion. It had a shiny aluminum color and sparkled in the sunlight.



2. I was on the main deck, port side, just forward of the bridge when the Third Mate shouted there was an object on our starboard bow. I looked off to the starboard and saw an object of elliptic shape looking like half an egg cut lengthwise traveling at a great rate of speed on a course reciprocal to our own. I immediately ran to the stern, port side, and with my glasses was able to observe the object disappearing into the horizon. From the time I was first alerted to its presence until it disappeared from sight, 15 seconds elapsed. I believe that it was traveling at a tremendous rate of speed, possibly faster than 500 mph. During the time I saw it, it was approximately 70 feet off the water and I judge it was approximately 10 miles away. I clearly saw its shadow on the water. I last observed it off the starboard quarter and it seemed to be increasing its speed and ascending. It had an elliptic shape and I could clearly see that it had three dimensions. It wobbled in the air, made no noise, and was a metallic white in color. The length was approximately six times the breadth and its belly had a depth of possibly 5'.

3. At 10:00 am on 4 Aug 50 as I was checking the compass at mid-bridge through a bridge port hole, I observed a flying object off the starboard bow. I immediately shouted to the Captain, who was in the chart room, and the Chief Mate, who was below on the port deck, of my observation and went out on the flying bridge myself. The object was approximately 70' above the horizon at a distance of 12 miles. It came toward us, then ran on a course reciprocal to ours and turned off into the horizon in the northeast. I clearly saw its shadow on the water. My impression of the object was that it was elliptical, not unlike a Japanese diamond box kite in shape. I have no idea of its size but the length was about six times the breadth and it had a depth of from two to five feet. It made no noise and was traveling at a tremendous rate of speed. As it traveled through the air, it made a spinning or wobbly motion. After it disappeared in the horizon, I saw it reappear several seconds later, ascending at an even faster speed than when I first observed it. I have no idea what this object was, I never saw anything comparable to it before, and it was one of the most frightening experiences I have ever had. I roughly estimate that the object traveled 28 miles during the 15 seconds I had it under observation.

Collector's Note: The Chief and Third Mates were interviewed on 8 August by two Intelligence Officers. The Captain, who was absent at that time, was interviewed on 9 August by only one of the two Intelligence Officers. In describing the occurrence, the Chief and Third Mates reenacted their behaviour at the time of sighting, and the period from the time the Chief Mate saw the object abeam until he reached the after deck and saw it disappear off the starboard quarter was timed at 15 seconds. In laying the angles of observation out on a chart and assuming the object was ten miles distant and taking the time into account, it is evident it was certainly traveling at a very high rate of speed, which approximated 400 to 500 miles per hour. It will be noted that there is a tremendous discrepancy between the Captain's estimate of the speed and the estimate of the two officers which could not be explained as they were very careful in making their statements and asserted that their observations had been correct. All three men were quite evidently very much upset by the sighting. Aside from the discrepancies, it was quite evident to the Intelligence Officers who interviewed these men that they had certainly seen some very unusual object which they could not identify but was just as certainly not any conventional type of aircraft.

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Security-CS Team, Region VII, 65th CIC Det., BAYREUTH, APO 696-6, US Army

REPORTS OF FOREIGN AIRCRAFT
Re: Strange Air Born Objects
Observed over MITTERTEICH (UTM)
33UUR03

On 10 September 1952, it was noted in the 9 September 1952, Stillfandee edition of the Newspaper "Der Neue Tag" published in WEIDEN (UTM) 33UTR90, that an object, described as a flying saucer, was seen over MITTERTEICH, by Simon LOEFFELMANN, Station Master, Railroad Station MITTERTEICH, born 23 August 1898 in MITTERTEICH, and presently residing at Number 3 Garden Street, MITTERTEICH.

On 10 September 1952, the undersigned agent contacted LOEFFELMANN who stated that on 31 August 1952, at 1900 hours, while performing routine duties at the railroad station at MITTERTEICH, LOEFFELMANN observed a disk-shaped object resembling the moon but appearing larger than the moon, descend from out of the clouds. The object was traveling at a terrific rate of speed. At first LOEFFELMANN thought that this object was going to land but during the next few moments it ascended again leaving a glaring trail behind it. LOEFFELMANN stated that the object was glaring brightly. It maneuvered in sight for approximately one-half hour and darted in all directions at a terrific rate of speed. At approximately 2130 hours it disappeared in an easterly direction towards the town of BARNAU (UTM) 33UUR12 and the CS-German border. Above information was substantiated by Frau Anna LOEFFELMANN, born 3 November 1899, in MITTERTEICH, and Anton SCHMAUSS, born 27 August 1923, in MITTERTEICH. Further investigation failed to reveal the names of any other persons having any knowledge of above information. (F-6)

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"FLYING SAUCERS" IN EAST GERMANY

Berlin, July -- Furnished with the sworn testimony of an eyewitness, Oscar Linke, a 46-year-old German and former mayor of Gleimershäusen, West Berlin intelligence officers have begun investigating a most unusual "flying saucer" story. According to this story, an object "resembling a huge flying pan" and having a diameter of about 15 meters landed in a forest clearing in the Soviet Zone of Germany.

Linke recently escaped from the Soviet Zone along with his wife and six children.

Linke and his 11-year-old daughter, Gabriella, made the following sworn statement last week before a judge: "While I was returning to my home with Gabriella, a tire of my motorcycle blew out near the town of Hasselbach. While we were walking along toward Hasselbach, Gabriella pointed out something which lay at a distance of about 140 meters away from us. Since it was twilight, I thought that she was pointing at a young deer.

"I left my motorcycle near a tree and walked toward the spot which Gabriella had pointed out. When, however, I reached a spot about 55 meters from the object, I realized that my first impression had been wrong. What I had seen were two men who were now about 40 meters away from me. They seemed to be dressed in some shiny metallic clothing. They were stooped over and were looking at something lying on the ground.

"I approached until I was only about 10 meters from them. I looked over a small fence and then I noticed a large object whose diameter I estimated to be between 13 and 15 meters. It looked like a huge frying pan.

"There were two rows of holes on its periphery, about 30 centimeters in circumference. The space between the two rows was about 0.45 meters. On the top of this metal object was a black conical tower about 3 meters high.

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"At that moment, my daughter, who had remained a short distance behind me, called me. The two men must have heard my daughter's voice because they immediately jumped on the conical tower and disappeared inside.

"I had previously noted that one of the men had a lamp on the front part of his body which lit up at regular intervals.

"Now, the side of the object on which the holes had been opened began to glitter. Its color seemed green but later turned to red. At the same time I began to hear a slight hum. While the brightness and hum increased, the conical tower began to slide down into the center of the object. The whole object then began to rise slowly from the ground and rotate like a top.

"It seemed to me as if it were supported by the cylindrical plant which had gone down from the top of the object, through the center, and had now appeared from its bottom on the ground.

"The object, surrounded by a ring of flames, was now a certain number of feet above the ground.

I then noted that the whole object had risen slowly from the ground. The cylinder on which it was supported had now disappeared within its center and had reappeared on the top of the object.

"The rate of climb had now become greater. At the same time my daughter and I heard a whistling sound similar to that heard when a bomb falls.

"The object rose to a horizontal position, turned toward a neighboring town, and then, gaining altitude, it disappeared over the heights and forests in the direction of Stockheim."

Many other persons who live in the same area as Linke later related that they saw an object which they thought to be a comet. A shepherd stated that he thought that he was looking at a comet moving away at a low altitude from the height on which Linke stood.

"After submitting his testimony to the judge, Linke made the following statement: "I would have thought that both my daughter and I were dreaming if it were not for the following element involved: When the object had disappeared, I went to the place where it had been. I found a circular opening in the ground and it was quite evident that it was freshly dug. It was exactly the same shape as the conical tower. I was then convinced that I was not dreaming."

Linke continued, "I had never heard of the term 'flying saucer' before I escaped from the Soviet Zone into West Berlin. When I saw this object, I immediately thought that it was a new Soviet military machine.

"I confess that I was seized with fright because the Soviets do not want anyone to know about their work. Many persons have been restricted to their movements for many years in East Germany because they know too much."

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"SAUCERS" SIGHTED OVER SPAIN AND FRENCH AFRICA

GLOWING SPHERES SEEN OVER ALMANSA, SPAIN -- Tangier, Espana, 22 Apr 52

Almansa, 21 April -- At 0800 hours today, many persons saw a series of four glowing spheres crossing the sky along the Murcia-Valencia trajectory at high speed and at a great height. The spheres looked like locks of wool of a vivid reddish color which changed to an intense yellow as they flew farther away. They gradually disappeared in the distance. No unusual sound was heard. The spectacle lasted hardly a minute.

ANDUJAR RESIDENTS REPORT SAUCER -- Tangier, Espana, 1 Aug 52

The Cifra news agency reports that on the night of 30 July 1952, many residents of Andujar, Spain, saw what was presumed to be a so-called flying saucer. The object was red, round, and approximately the size of a desert dish. It flew noiselessly, at great speed, and left behind a long trail of very bright greenish light.

LUMINOUS OBJECT SEEN OVER PORT GENTIL -- Conakry, La Guinee Francaise, 26 Jun 52

The master of a cargo ship anchored in front of the wharf of Port Gentil [in Gabon, French Equatorial Africa] reported that at 0240 hours on 1 June 1952 a mysterious object came up from the area behind Port Gentil, made a double loop, passed over the roadstead, and then dived toward the sea at great speed. He submitted the report to the local authorities and to the administrative offices of his company. The following is a summary of his story.

On 1 June 1952 at 0240 hours, the ship was riding at anchor in the roadstead of Port Gentil, heading 150 degrees. The northern sky was clear and starry; the southern, slightly cloudy. Visibility was excellent, a slight southwest breeze prevailed, and the sea was calm. There was a quarter moon.

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The first mate was at his forward post ready to weigh anchor while the master was on the bridge with the officer on duty. With the exception of the mooring lights, the ship was in complete darkness, thus permitting excellent night visibility.

At 0240, the first mate telephoned the master informing him that he had just sighted an unknown luminous object in the sky which came from Port Gentil and passed directly over the ship. Training his binoculars (Zeiss 7 x 50, for night vision) skyward, the master was able to see quite clearly, on the port quarter, a very bright and phosphorescent orange light, circular in shape and moving at a great speed in a seemingly straight-line course. Standing on the wing of the bridge, and with the aid of the gyrocompass repeater, the master estimated its average direction to be about 10 degrees.

He followed the light quite easily in his binoculars for about 3 minutes and lost sight of it when it moved at great speed over the Prince buoy, about 7 miles from the ship. The master was unaware of any accompanying sound and admits that it was difficult to estimate the altitude of the object, yet he judged this to be 3,000-4,000 meters. Its diameter was that of a planet.

The first mate stated that before he telephoned the master, he saw that object come from the direction of Port Gentil, stop, make a right turn, and resume its initial course. As it passed directly over the ship, it repeated the same sort of gyration.

The master stated that his 20 years of sea duty enabled him to affirm that what he saw was neither a known celestial phenomenon, such as a falling star or meteor, nor a current type of aircraft.

Furthermore, it was confirmed that there were no planes in the air that night over Port Gentil.

STRANGE OBJECTS SEEN IN SKY OVER ALGERIA -- Oran L'Echo d'Oran, 17 Jul 52

At 2300 hours on 15 July 1952, in the town of Boukanefis, two bakers clearly saw a plate-shaped flying object in the sky. It moved with unusual agility, giving off a greenish smoke and lighting up the sky. It seemingly did not alter its course as it increased its speed and disappeared toward the south.

Similarly, in Lamoriciere on 11 July 1952, one Thomas Martinez saw a sudden illumination above and at first took it to be a falling star. Actually, it seemed more like a meteor followed by two other bodies, all trailing a yellow cloud of smoke. Then, these disappeared and out of nowhere appeared an oval-shaped, longish ball of fire. Flying at a low altitude and clearly visible, it rapidly followed a rectilinear course.

STRANGE PHENOMENON WITNESSED FROM TWO POINTS IN ORAN -- Oran, L'Echo d'Oran, 26 Jul 52

Recently [presumably 25 July 1952], several inhabitants of Oran reported seeing a flying saucer at approximately the same time.

At 1535 hours, Raoul Le Henaff, foreman of a local company, saw an incandescent white mass in the sky above Oran. It flew southwestward, traveling at an altitude of about 2,000 meters. There was no luminous exhaust and no smoke. After 30 seconds, the phenomenon grew hazy and disappeared. The personnel of the company office and Palacio, an employee in the Algeronaphte [factory] also saw the "saucer."

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At 1537 hours, Maurice Dubessay, who works for L'Echo d'Oran, saw what appeared to be a brilliant disk going in a southwest direction at a great speed and at medium altitude. It disappeared after 5 seconds. In a similar time interval, Atlas and Karsenty, two grocers; also saw the unknown object before it disappeared behind a cloud.

SAUCERS OBSERVED IN TWO AREAS OF ORAN -- Oran, L'Echo d'Oran, 28 Jul 52

On 26 July 1952, people in two areas of Oran reported seeing unusual flying objects, described as "saucers."

At about 2300 hours, three women in the Eckmuhl district of Oran noticed a large, orange-red, luminous patch in the sky, of the size of a duck's egg, but flatter. Traveling from east to west, it appeared to halt for a second then vanished.

Three trustworthy individuals living on the Tiaret plateaus saw an unusual flying object at 1045 hours. The local parish observed it for about 40 seconds and described it as a shining, cigar-shaped mass without a smoke trail. It disappeared toward the northwest. A teacher and his wife gave a similar description, adding that the object had a dark center, was in an oblique position, and moved at an altitude of about 3,000 meters. No one heard any sounds of a motor.

CITES SEVERAL APPEARANCES OF FLYING SAUCERS IN ALLERIA -- Casablanca, La Vigie Marocaine, 31 Jul 52

On the evening of 29 July 1952, two new flying saucers were sighted. The first, appearing at 2050 hours over Mostaganem, was visible only a few seconds. The second one appeared at 2300 hours at Ain Teledes. It flew above the city for about a minute, emitting a whitish trail of smoke. The manner in which it attained various altitudes revealed a surprising maneuverability. When it disappeared, it was headed south.

This is the fifth time in a matter of weeks that this phenomenon has been noted in the Department of Oran. A saucer appearing to be about the size of a teacup was observed by two policemen over Prenda (at the east end of Oran Department). It consisted of a dark nucleus within a luminous mass. Near Tlemcen, motorists noted a strange cigar-shaped object at a height of 600 meters. There was a luminous cloud in its wake. And finally, at Lamoriciere, about 40 kilometers from the Abdelys area, motorists saw a phosphorescent disk for a brief period of time.

POINTS TO FREQUENCY OF FLYING SAUCER REPORTS IN ORAN DEPARTMENT -- Oran, L'Echo d'Oran, 31 Jul 52

[After it had received and published a series of flying saucer reports, the newspaper L'Echo d'Oran carried a review of the occurrences, as well as several late reports. The following is a summary of the article.]

Our correspondents have sent us word of saucers appearing everywhere in Oran Department during the past few days. This seems to be the saucers' favorite area, one which is no doubt salutary for their development. They have appeared here with greater frequency than in France or the US. It is impossible, moreover, to doubt the veracity of the observers, since they include policemen, colons, a priest, and a cadi.

At 0400 hours today, Raymond Botella, a Public Works Department employée in Tlemcen, saw a flying object moving rapidly north and trailing a whitish smoke cloud. A half hour before, the mysterious saucer had been seen in Oued Taria, traveling at the same speed and, like the saucer observed yesterday, making abrupt turns and changes of direction.

On the night of 30 July, in Sainte Barbe du Tlelat, a police adjutant, two policemen, and a cadet observed a luminous flying object for about 30 seconds. The daily police reports will henceforth include all such observations by the police.

In the morning of 30 July, a resident of Algiers saw, for several seconds, a shining black disk on the horizon. It made a rapid vertical descent, then suddenly moved in a horizontal direction.

Two observations were made in Lodi. On 25 July, at about 2130 hours, a yellowish object flew at a dizzy speed in the sky, and on 28 July, at 2150 hours, a much larger object appeared for several seconds; it had the shape of an inverted cone.

OBSERVE UNUSUAL FLYING OBJECT FOR OVER A MINUTE -- Oran, L'Echo d'Oran, 1 Aug 52

At 1130 hours on 31 July 1952, an Oran resident and his wife, while driving on the road between Saint Denis Du Sig and Le Tlelat, saw something flying in the sky about 1,000 meters up. They stopped the car and watched its course for about 1½ minutes. It was spindle shaped and tapered at both ends. It differed from ordinary aircraft in that it showed no exhaust smoke, made no noise, and had a great speed.

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3 December 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Flying Saucers

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1. At 1100 yesterday morning I met with Dr. Julius A. Stratton, Executive Vice President and Provost of Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Dr. Max Millikan, Director of GENIS. I briefed them on the various new reports of sightings including the Limestone Base Case, the Florida Scout Master, the Utzh Motion Pictures, etc. I also brought Dr. Stratton up to date on developments which had occurred since our previous discussion of the subject in August. Dr. Stratton reiterated his earlier position that this is a subject which must be investigated and he said that probably the best means of getting a thoroughly competent review of the problem would be through Project LINCOLN. He said, however, that in view of the delicate position in relation to Air Force, as a result of the "Summer Study Report", any acceptance of this project by LINCOLN must be based on Air Force concurrence or on an independent proposal from one of the other services. He said that Alfred Hill would be the best man to head the group. Assuming that it might prove impractical to place the Project at LINCOLN, we explored other possibilities including Princeton and Cal Tech. Dr. Stratton felt very strongly that Cal Tech would be the better of the two in view of the presence there of Robertson, Lauritson, Spitzer (on temporary duty from Princeton), Millikan's brother and others. Dr. Stratton asked particularly that we keep him informed of the progress that we make in having this problem investigated as he is personally very interested as well as fully aware of the potential danger and implications of the situation.

2. Following the meeting with Drs. Stratton and Millikan, I had lunch at the Faculty Club with Lloyd Berkner and Jerrold Zacharias and briefed them on the recent cases and our feelings regarding their implications. Berkner, while apparently not interested in taking a personal part, felt strongly that the saucer problem should be thoroughly investigated from a scientific point of view. Zacharias did not appear to be greatly interested in the problem and made only one suggestion, i.e. that Shirley Quimby of Columbia University be brought into the picture. Quimby took his physics degree at the same time as Zacharias; is now at Columbia University, having during the war been a Navy scientist working on ASW. Zacharias suggested Quimby because the latter is probably the most expert man in the country or magic and general chicanery.

3. My conclusion from these conversations is that it will probably be necessary to secure the full backing of DCI in order that a scientific review of this problem may be laid on. Without this backing, it would probably be impossible to secure the Air Force cooperation which would be necessary, particularly in the matter of availability of reports, etc.

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TO: MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: December 5, 1952

FROM: V. P. KEAY

SUBJECT: PROPOSED STUDY ON THE
"FLYING SAUCERS" PHENOMENA;
INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Pursuant to instructions, Supervisor M.W. Kuhrtz of the Liaison Section attended the Intelligence Advisory Committee (IAC) meeting on December 4, 1952.

None of the agenda items are of direct interest to the Bureau; however, [redacted] directed the members' attention to some aspects of the "flying saucers" phenomena. He said that a recent presentation of a theory on "saucers" was made by a German atomic scientist, which fact has caused the British to initiate considerable intelligence effort into this matter. According to [redacted] efforts are being made to obtain the German scientist's paper on this theory. Also, it was stated that a recent "saucers" observation in Africa presents some evidence that the "saucers" are not a meteorological phenomenon, which theory has been held to date by the Air Force. Instead, this latter incident indicated the possibility of the "saucers" being a scientific development. The details of this African observation were not presented; however, appropriate contact will be made by the Bureau's Liaison Section with the Air Force to determine the details of this latter report.

As a result of the above, the Military members suggested a logical approach which would call for a group of scientists to make a study of the new "saucers" data in an effort to identify the phenomena. If an identification can be made by the scientists and it can be determined that the "saucers" are a scientific development, then IAC should determine a further course of action for the U.S. Government. It was further suggested that the IAC should only concern itself with this matter on the basis that a competent scientific group might determine the "saucers" to be a scientific development under the control of our enemy.

[redacted] was directed to draft a paper on this problem for IAC consideration. Upon receipt of this draft, appropriate Bureau recommendations will be made prior to IAC approval.

ACTION: Liaison will obtain the details of the "flying saucers" observation in Africa from the Air Force.

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National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP)

Appears to be a fairly loose structure but rather efficient. Stuart Nixon (background in investigative journalism) is currently Executive Director. He along with John Acuff and Charles Miller (backgrounds unknown) make up the organizations Editorial Review Board which is responsible for policy including the newsletter, press and other media relations as well as special reports and programs.

This board relies heavily on both a loosely structured advisory group and a fairly well developed and well placed network of investigators. The advisory group is made up of experts in many disciplines including physics, astronomy, anthropology, medicine and psychology. This group also includes some ex-CIA and Defense Intelligence types who advise on investigative techniques and Government relations. There does not seem to be any logical or systematic program by which these advisors are chosen, but rather the procedure seems to be to simply offer one's services to the organization through either Nixon or the Review Board. Often the advisors simply joined NICAP (a rather easy task since all it takes is a specified membership fee) found something out about the organization and then made their qualifications known to the Review Board.

The system of investigators is a good one. Nixon has divided the country into regions and has established "investigators" in each of the regions. Any member of NICAP is encouraged to request a form by which one can apply for this position. The requirements for the position include a minimum age of 25, formal training or experience in some branch of science, or other specialized background applicable to systematic collection of information, the ability to cover an area of at least 50 miles in diameter or one hour of driving time. As of a few months ago some 35 investigators were located throughout the country, with NICAP in the process of establishing even more. A breakdown of their backgrounds looked like the following: 7 PhDs, 20s or MS, 23 B.S. 1AA and 2 with college training but no degrees. Occupationally they included 4 physical scientists, 13 engineers, 3 college profs, 13 specialists, including doctor, technician, computer programmer and businessman. Five of the 35 are pilots. Also utilized as "legmen" for the investigators are investigator assistants. All investigators carry credentials identifying them as investigators for NICAP.

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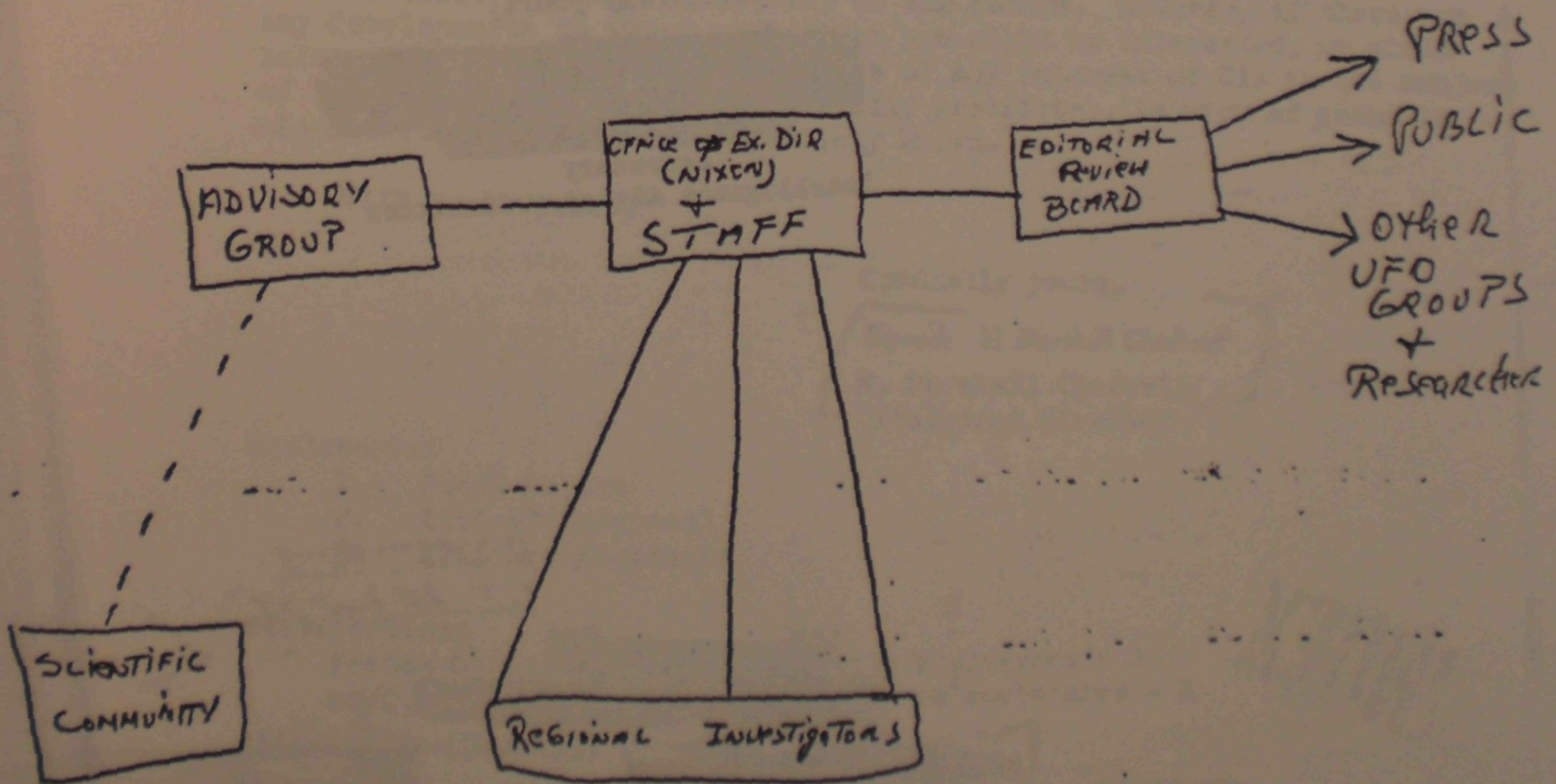
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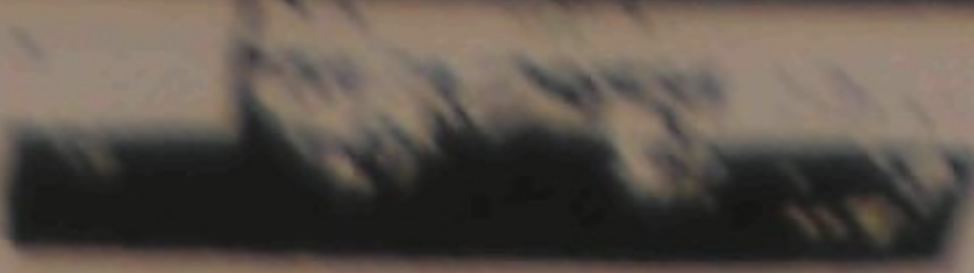
NICAP currently operates on a \$40,000 yr. budget and has 3,500 dues paying members. Both the membership and the budget may be expected to increase ~~substantially~~ substantially due to the recent UFO flap.

A computer project codenamed "Project Access" is currently in the mill. An effort is being made to develop some sort of pattern analysis out of the 15,000 or more raw reports reportedly in NICAP's files. This apparently will take the following form:

1. event- including time, place, terrain, weather, speed, color, dx shape and other information
2. principals-including data on all witnesses and others involved in reports such as bio data, medical info and psychological aspects
3. investigation- including evaluation of reports and special notes from the regional investigator on witness discrepancy in testimony etc...

The following is apparently the ~~re~~ organizational structure and relationships within NICAP:

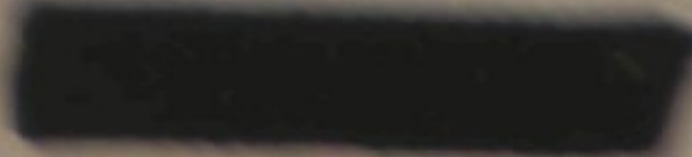


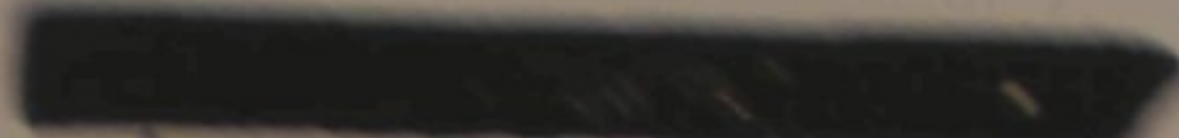

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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12 March 1953



Dear 

 Assistant Deputy Director/Intelligence, has asked me to forward to you for your information the enclosed report "Report of the Scientific Panel on Unidentified Flying Objects", dated January 17, 1953.



This report was prepared by a panel convened in January 1953 at the direction of the former Director of Central Intelligence, General Walter S. Smith, with the concurrence of the Intelligence Advisory Committee.

Copies are being transmitted to the Secretary of Defense; the Director, Federal Civil Defense Administration; and the Chairman, National Security Resources Board.

Sincerely yours,



Secretary
Intelligence Advisory Committee

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JAN 27 1953

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Dr. Julius A. Stratton, Professor
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Cambridge 37, Massachusetts

Dear Dr. Stratton:

Remembering your request to be kept informed of any progress in the problem of "unidentified flying objects," this letter will bring you up to date.

Last December, the section of the Air Technical Intelligence Center charged with investigation of reports of sightings presented a status briefing at the Agency. Based upon the evidence presented, the subject was discussed at a December meeting of the Intelligence Advisory Committee (CIA, Army, Navy, Air Force, Joint Staff, State, AEC, and FBI). At that time it was recommended that CIA should assemble a panel of highly qualified personnel to examine the problem and its ramifications. Particular competency in the fields of physics, radar and astronomy was believed desirable.

We were fortunate to obtain the services of especially qualified men, I believe you will agree. Enclosed for your information are copies of the report submitted by the Panel and related material. We concur in the conclusions and recommendations of the Panel, and are forwarding the report to appropriate authorities. Since the problems related to this subject appear to be operational rather than intelligence in nature, we will be concerned only indirectly in the future. However, if there are any developments in which we believe you might be interested, we shall inform you. Incidentally, knowledge of our interest of CIA in the subject of "flying saucers" has been carefully restricted, in view of probable misunderstanding if it were publicly known.

With best wishes,

Confidentially yours,

Signed: H. Marshall Caldwell
H. Marshall Caldwell
Assistant Director

Enclosures:

- 1. Panel Report
- 2. List of Personnel
- 3. Evidence presented

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30 January 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing of ONE Board on Unidentified Flying Objects

1. The subject briefing was given by Mr. (P. G. Strong) assisted by Mr. (F. C. Durant) at 1000 hours, 29 January. A history of O/SI interest in and action on this subject was followed by a showing of the motion picture films of sightings at Tremonton, Utah, and Great Falls, Montana. Copies of the Report of the Scientific Advisory Panel on Unidentified Flying Objects had previously been made available to the Board. This briefing was given for background prior to the ONE requested briefing by ATIC scheduled for 0900, 30 January.

2. ONEZ personnel briefed were as follows:

- Admiral Bernhard Bierl
- Dr. Edgar Hoover
- General H. R. Bull
- Ambassador Nelson Johnson
- Mr. William Bundy
- Dr. Abbot Smith
- Dr. Lucwell Montague
- Mr. Willard Matthias
- Dr. De Forest Van Slyck
- Dr. P. J. Sontag
- P. A. Borel

O/SI, was also present.

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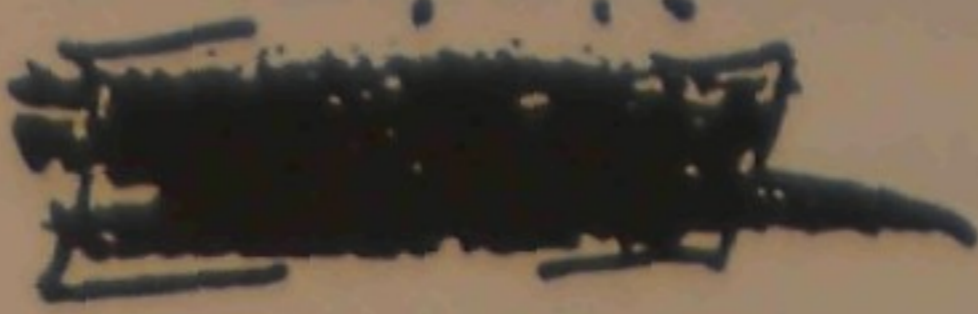
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14 June 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

SUBJECT: Intelligence Responsibilities for Non-Conventional Types of Air Vehicles

REFERENCE: Memorandum from AD/SI to Ops/SI, ASD/SI and P&E/SI of May 20, 1954.

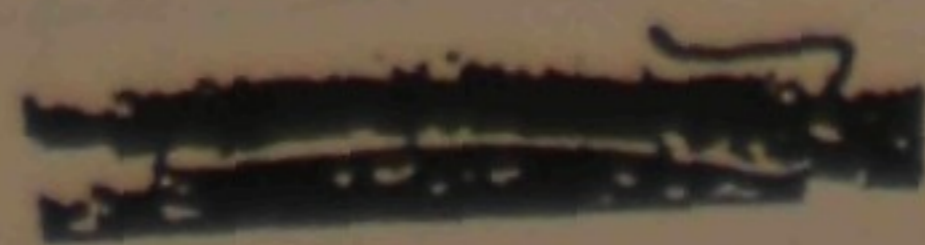
1. As requested by the referenced memorandum, the allocation of intelligence responsibilities in regard to the non-conventional air vehicles, similar to those currently under development by the Canadian, British and USAF organizations, has been considered by ASD/SI, Ops/SI and P&E/SI.

2. It is agreed that:

a. ASD/SI will be responsible for the initiation and proper exploitation of all intelligence measures required to identify, to assess and to report the use by any foreign power or nation of non-conventional types of air vehicles, such as or similar to the "suucer-like" planes presently under development by the Anglo-British-Canadian efforts. In this, ASD/SI will rely upon normal assistance of all other elements of OSI, substantive and staff, of the same kind that it receives in regard to other weapons and weapon systems presently within its normal intelligence activities.

b. P&E/SI will continue to be responsible for the OSI project on "unidentified" flying objects, will maintain the OSI central file on such objects and will make available to ASD/SI the material of this file which might bear directly or indirectly upon man-made non-conventional air vehicles capable of "weapon" applications. It will retain its normal responsibilities in regard to electronic aspects of these vehicles (such as navigational and guidance methods, techniques and equipments, etc.) and will assist ASD/SI in all matters falling within its intelligence responsibilities as these might be required to fully assess the capabilities and limitations of the non-conventional air vehicles considered as weapons or weapon systems.

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3. It is believed that no special action is required of AD/SI at this time in regard to the definition or allocation of intelligence responsibilities in regard to the subject matter.

ASD/SI /s/ Sidney H. Graybeal

Ops/SI /s/ T. M. Nordbeck

P&E/SI /s/ T. M. Olszenko

15 June 1954

cc: AD/SI
ASD/SI
Ops/SI
P&E/SI

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104-10000-1000: Director of Central Intelligence

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SUBJECT : Flying Saucers or Unconventional Aircraft

1. A dispatch from Prague, C-103, dated 13 October 1955, reported the sighting of two flying saucers or disc-like unconventional aircraft. In interview with ~~_____~~ one of the four observers of these aircraft ~~_____~~ called to confirm in several respects the information given in the dispatch.

2. His observations were limited to sighting two lights which initially arose vertically and then approached the train and passed over head at a high altitude. He failed to observe the body of the object and had no feeling as to whether it was round, disc-like or even square. His only reason for describing as unconventional nature to the object was that it rose vertically and appeared to glide in a manner unlike any aircraft he had previously seen. However, in view of the fact that it was dusk, that he thought the aircraft quite high (5000 feet) and that his observations were undoubtedly conditioned by ~~_____~~ remarks that he had seen a flying saucer, too much confidence cannot be given to his observation. The fact that no noise was heard may also have influenced his opinion on the unconventional characteristic of the object. He also failed to confirm the existence of the train official following the incident. It is my belief that ~~_____~~ testimony alone could not confirm the existence of any unconventional aircraft. However, he was not in a position to have as good a look as were the other members of the party. A very careful interrogation of the other members is in order.

3. Two years ago, Mr. Robertson headed a group which investigated U.S. sightings of flying saucers. This group was able to explain almost all the sightings and reached the conclusion that these phenomena represented no threat to the security of the U.S. Even if the present sightings

Unconventional Flying Methods of Unconventional Aircraft

are confirmed, it should not be denied that those unconventional aircraft have actually been flying around the U.S. and were the source of U.S. public speculation.

4. The USAF is supporting a Project Y at Avro Aircraft Ltd. in Canada for the development of unconventional saucer-like aircraft. However, this development is still in the early research and development stages with three or more years being required before the production of a first prototype. If the development proves out successful, the calculations indicate that such an aircraft might have a very high ceiling (up to 100,000 feet) with speeds up to 1,000 miles per hour, a range of 700 miles and rate of climb of 10,000 feet a minute. A vertical take-off characteristic would, of course, be extremely valuable. Project Y is being directed by John Frost. Dr. Frost is reported to have gotten his original idea for the flying machine from a group of Germans just after World War II. The Soviets may also have obtained information from this German group. (It is suggested that you ask General Sanford to report on the progress of the Air Force project at the D/C meeting.)

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WILLIAM COVILL, JR.
Assistant Director
Scientific Intelligence

cc: PD/I

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15 AUG 1955

Colonel Gerald E. Jorgensen
Chief, Community Relations Division
Office of Information
Department of the Air Force
Washington, D. C.

Attention: SARGIC

Dear Colonel Jorgensen:

Consideration has been given to your request of 27 July 1955 for the declassification of the "Report of the Scientific Panel on Unidentified Flying Objects." The Office of Scientific Intelligence feels that the report, as originally drafted, cannot be downgraded. As an alternative, an unclassified version has been prepared which omits names of personnel and participating organizations, and is acceptable to the release of this version. It should be noted that permission for release has not been obtained from personnel or organizations involved in the original panel report, and that the panel members themselves agreed only to the release of the edited summary and conclusions indicated by Mr. P. G. Seron in his 29 December 1955 memorandum to SARGIC.

We are most anxious that further publicity not be given to the information that the panel was sponsored by the Central Intelligence Agency. Further, we cannot authorize the listing of personnel participating in the discussions in any unclassified releases.

Sincerely,
Karl R. Reber
Karl R. Reber
Deputy Director of
Scientific Intelligence

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Assistant Director, Scientific Intelligence

DATE: 4 April 1958

FROM : Chief, Applied Science Division, SI

SUBJECT: Comments on Letters Dealing with Unidentified Flying Objects

- REFERENCES: (1) Letter to Director, CIA, from Leon Davidson, dated 11 March 1958
- (2) Letter to Director, CIA, from Donald E. Keyhoe, Director of National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena

1. As a result of the action taken by the IAC on 4 December 1952 (IAC-N-90, Paragraph 3a), a Scientific Intelligence Advisory Panel was convened 14-18 January 1953. The panel consisted of the following scientists: H. P. Robertson, Luis N. Alvarez, Lloyd V. Berkner, S. A. Goudanit, and Thornton Page. The panel concerned itself with the evaluation of any possible threat to National Security by unidentified flying objects. The panel issued a report dated 17 January 1953. This report was classified Secret.

2. The letters from Leon Davidson and Donald Keyhoe to the DNI concerned themselves primarily with Edward J. Ruppelt's book on Unidentified Flying Objects. At the time that the scientific panel met, Ruppelt was a Captain in the Air Force and attended the panel meetings. His book, however, is concerned with the identifying of unidentified flying objects. Ruppelt's statements regarding the mission of the panel are in error. He has led the reader to believe the panel's mission was to identify the flying objects and to make recommendations on methods to further identify such objects. This is the basis for the apparent contradictions which arose during the Mike Wallace television interview. This is also the basis for Mr. Keyhoe's misgivings.

3. In late October 1957, Major James F. Byrne of AFCEW-XIA requested a declassified version of the panel report. This office contacted each member of the panel and an agreed upon, declassified version was written and sent to the Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, Department of the Air Force on 20 December 1957. It was the decision of all the panel members and the CIA that while no member of the panel objected to the use of his name in connection with the declassified version, they desired that no connection of the panel members with CIA be disclosed.

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20 DEC 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence
Department of the Air Force

ATTENTION : Major James F. Byrnes
ATTN:KIA

SUBJECT : Declassification of the "Report of the Scientific
Panel on Unidentified Flying Objects"

1. We have just received the final letter from the members of the above Panel concerning your request for declassification of the above report. Both CIA and all members of the Panel have agreed that the conclusion of paragraph 2. can be declassified and that Recommendation 4.a. can be declassified. However, it is the decision of all concerned that no connection with CIA may be disclosed, that the conclusion of paragraph 3. may not be declassified and that the recommendation of 4.b. may not be declassified. On the basis of the above declassification, no member of the Panel objects to the use of his name in connection with the declassified conclusion and recommendation.

2. In order to simplify your utilization of the declassified material, I am attaching hereto a revised version of the report of the Panel which consists of a paraphrase of paragraph 1, the exact wording of paragraph 2, a new paragraph 3 which includes the declassified Recommendation 4.a. and an appropriate paraphrasing of the balance of paragraph 4 less Recommendation 4.b.

3. I trust that this will serve the purposes of this request.

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Phillip G. Strong
Deputy Assistant Director

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cc: Members of Panel

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~~MEMORANDUM~~ FOR : Director, Photographic Intelligence Center

~~SUBJECT~~ : Reported Photography of UFO's

~~REFERENCE~~ : Your Memo PIC-7-58, dated 1 October 1958,
Same Subject

1. Your referenced interesting memorandum has been reviewed thoroughly within this Office. Although my Applied Science Division assumes responsibility for UFO's, I considered it appropriate to refer this case to the Air Force wherein primary community responsibility lies. Referral was accomplished by forwarding a copy of your memorandum to AFCEI.

2. Your third paragraph opens an interesting question to which I am not at all certain I have the solution. Nevertheless, for you to procure Mr. Fine's photographs and determine more about his experiments, my suggestions are:

a. That you approach him

perhaps as one interested in ~~scientific~~ research.

b. That you seek advice from the AD/O relative to ~~other~~ ~~steps~~ of approach with which he may well be familiar.

HERBERT SCOVILLE, JR.
Assistant Director
Scientific Intelligence

SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY PANEL ON
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

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14 - 17 January 1953

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SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY PANEL ON
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS



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14 - 17 January 1953

EVIDENCE PRESENTED

1. Seventy-five case histories of sightings 1951 - 1952 (selected by ATIC as those best documented).
2. ATIC Status and Progress Reports of Project GEDDIE and Project BLUE BOOK (code names for ATIC study of subject).
3. Progress Reports of Project STORM (code name for Battelle Memorial Institute contract work supporting ATIC).
4. Summary Report of Sightings at Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico.
5. Report of USAF Research Center, Cambridge, Mass., Investigation of "Green Fireball" Phenomena (Project TWINKLE).
6. Outline of Investigation of U.F.O.'s Proposed by Kirtland Air Force Base (Project POUNCE).
7. Motion Picture Films of sightings at Tremonton, Utah, 2 July 1952 and Great Falls, Montana, August 1950.
8. Summary Report of 89 selected cases of sightings of various categories (Formations, Blinking Lights, Hovering, etc.).
9. Draft of manual: "How to Make a FLIGHTER", prepared at ATIC.
10. Chart Showing Plot of Geographic Location of Unexplained Sightings in the United States during 1952.
11. Chart Showing Balloon Launching Sites in the United States.
12. Charts Showing Selected Actual Balloon Flight Paths and Relation to Reported Sightings.
13. Charts Showing Frequency of Reports of Sightings, 1948 - 1952.
14. Charts Showing Categories of Explanations of Sightings.
15. Kodachrome Transparencies of Polyethylene Film Balloons in Bright Sunlight Showing High Reflectivity.

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17. Intelligence Reports Relating to U.S.S.R. Interest in U. S. Sightings.
 18. Samples of Official USAF Reporting Forms and Copies of Pertinent Air Force, Army and Navy Orders Relating to Subject.
 19. Sample Polyethylene "Pillow" Balloon (54 inches square).
 20. "Variations in Radar Coverage", JANP 101 (Manual illustrating unusual operating characteristics of Service radar).
 21. Miscellaneous official letters and foreign intelligence reports dealing with subject.
 22. Copies of popular published works dealing with subject (articles in periodicals, newspaper clippings and books).
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Memorandum for the D/CI

Subject: Air Force Request to Declassify CIA Material on Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO)

1. The following is a brief review of events pertinent to the subject matter.

2. In 1953 OSI convened a panel of scientists to consider reports on unidentified flying objects and to advise us on the potential threat to national security. This resulted in a report classified "secret."

3. In 1957 following some publicity on CIA involvement in the UFO problem, the USAF requested and obtained an unclassified version of the conclusions of the 1953 report. That version avoided mentioning CIA involvement. (See attachment A)

4. Dr. E. P. Robertson, the Chairman of the 1953 panel, was reported to have appeared on the "CIA Reports" TV program on 12 July 1966 and to have referred to the CIA sponsored panel on UFO's.

5. On 12 July 1966 USAF again requested declassification of the 1953 report. (See attachment B) Prior publicity was given as justification for downgrading.

6. Inasmuch as a sanitized version of the 1953 report had been released to the Air Force in 1957, we requested clarification in a meeting with an Air Force representative on 19 July. (See attachment C) During this meeting the Air Force representative showed us a USAF copy of the 1953 CIA report. It was stamped unclassified, indicating that the classification had been changed sometime prior to 19 July.

7. A new request dated 27 July was prepared by USAF. (See attachment D)

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8. On 10 August the Air Force representative called to ask about the status of our reply. She stated that Mr. John Lear, a newsmen, had published an article on UFO's in the Saturday Review. (See attachment E, paragraph 3) This was the first indication during the recent interchanges that the USAF wanted to release the complete CIA report to the public.
9. On 15 August a declassified version of the complete 1953 report was forwarded to the Air Force. (See attachment F)
10. Prior to USAF receipt of the OSI reply, the Air Force called twice on 16 August to determine the status of our response and to ask about the extent of the sanitizing.
11. They called again on 18 August to request return of the USAF copy of the CIA report which had been sent to us for sanitizing. (See attachment G)

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[Signature] WALTER A. JACKSON
Deputy Director

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Dr. Lloyd V. Berkner
President
Associated Universities, Incorporated
Room 6920
350 Fifth Avenue
New York 1, New York

Dear Lloyd:

You will recall in January 1953, we constituted a Scientific Advisory Panel on Unidentified Flying Objects with Drs. H. P. Robertson as Chairman, Samuel Goudsmit, Luis W. Alvarez, Thornton Page, and yourself as members. After its deliberation, the Panel reached two conclusions and made two recommendations which were included as Tab A of the report. Very recently, the Air Force has requested that the conclusions of this report be declassified so that they may be used in the press. A copy of the report is enclosed herewith for your information.

I have discussed this matter with Dr. Robertson and Dr. Goudsmit who agree that the conclusion contained in paragraph 2 and the recommendation contained in paragraph 4a can be declassified. But, they, as well as this Agency, will not agree to a declassification of the conclusion in paragraph 3 or the recommendation in paragraph 4b. It is our feeling that the association of the Panel with this Agency should not be disclosed; that paragraph 1 could be rewritten to eliminate this connection; and that the final six lines of paragraph 4 can stand as written.

I have queried the Air Force as to whether the names of the Panel members would be used. They have replied that names would be used only within official circles and would not be given to the press. But, as such information has a tendency at times to filter out, it should be recognized that, if approval is given for use of the names, they may well become common knowledge.



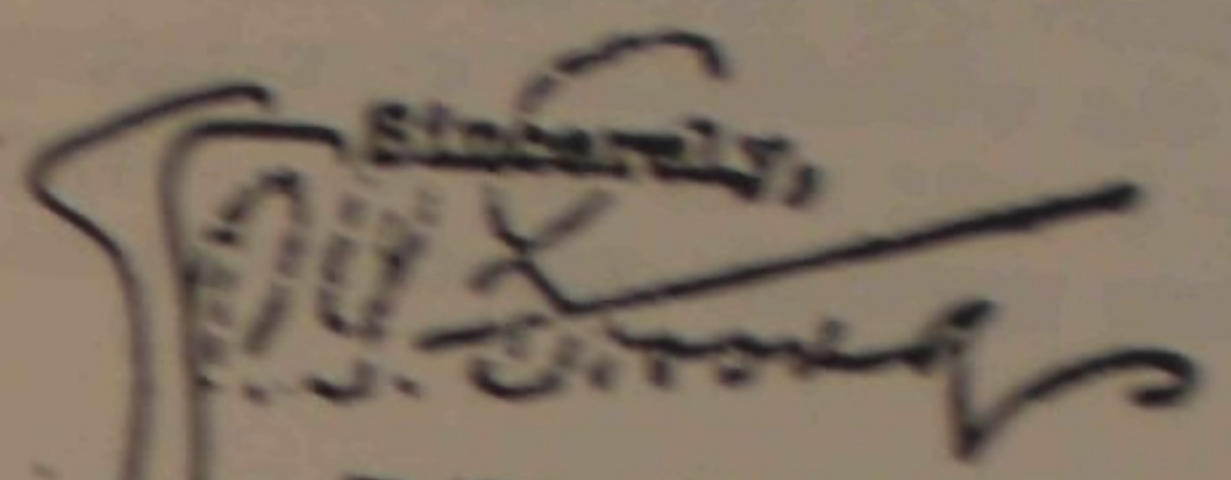
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It would be very much appreciated if you could let me know as soon as possible what your reaction is to the Air Force declassification proposal; whether you agree with Dr. Robertson, Dr. Goussart and myself on limiting any declassification; and whether you would approve or disapprove the use of your name, granted that Agency connection with the Panel is withheld.

Very best regards.

Sincerely,

Philip G. Strong
Deputy Assistant Director

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7 February 1967

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT: U. S. Air Force Contract with the University of Colorado to Report on the UFO Situation

1. As verbally reported to you during our morning staff meetings, the U. S. Air Force contract with the University of Colorado to investigate the UFO situation is now underway. This contract is set at \$325,000 and is scheduled for completion in 12 months. Mr. E. U. Condon, formerly Director of U. S. Bureau of Standards and now a Professor, leads the project at the University of Colorado.

2. Early in the proceedings Brig. General Ed Giller, USAF, served in the U. S. Air Force Deputy Chief of Staff, Research & Development Office (AFRST) along with Mr. Thomas Hatchford as the Washington leaders monitoring the project. Giller contacted Condon about the project and a line of informal liaison was set up with Hatchford by which the USAF might get certain technical advice and services such as measurements and enlargements of alleged UFO photos. These photos are rare so very little work and no commitment of AFRA are yet involved. These informal arrangements were made known to USAF representatives and Condon offered to keep them posted of any Air Force photos which might be of interest.

3. It is now requested by Hatchford that certain scientists be permitted to come to AFIC on 20 February to discuss technical aspects of photogrammetry and to see some of our special optical gear which is used to measure, enlarge, or trace isodensitometry of photos. These scientists include:

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| Dr. E. U. Condon | - | University Colorado |
| Dr. Robert Low | | " " |
| Dr. David Saunders | | " " |
| Dr. Willis Price | | Ex Director of AFRST |
| Dr. John Colwell | | Ex Director of the National Academy of Sciences |

These personnel are all cleared for at least USAF Secret.

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4. I can accommodate this USAF request but before doing so I would like your approval. I have told USAF representatives that I can have no part in writing whatever they might conclude on this UFO phenomena but that I might be able to help them technically and thereby add to the government's cost effectiveness program. At the same time I might be able to preserve a CIA window on this program for whatever use DDCGT might want to make of it.

5. I think that we should keep some views on this effort. Should you decide that I must refuse the visitors a technical briefing at NPIC, I would still recommend that two of our technical people be permitted to conduct a photogrammetric round-table discussion for the scientists elsewhere.

ARTHUR C. LINGMEL
Director
National Photographic Interpretation Center

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23 February 1967

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Visit of Dr. Condon to NPIC, 20 February 1967

1. The U.S. Air Force has let a \$300,000 contract to the University of Colorado to study reported UFO sightings. Brig. Gen. Edward B. Gillers, USAF, is senior Air Force contact and Dr. Thomas Rachford is senior Air Force Scientist on the project. The senior scientist from the University of Colorado is Dr. E.U. Condon.

2. On 20 February 1967 at 0915 Dr. Condon and four members of his investigative team visited NPIC. With Dr. Condon were Dr. Richard Lowe, University of Colorado, Dr. David Saunders, University of Colorado, Dr. William Price, Executive Director of AFRST, and Dr. Rachford, USAF. The purpose of this visit was to familiarize Dr. Condon and members of his team with selected photogrammetric and photographic analysis capabilities of NPIC.

3. The clearance level for the meeting was SECRET.

4. Upon arrival at NPIC, 0915, _____ escorted the group to Mr. Lundahl's office. In the ensuing 10-15 minute discussion between Mr. Lundahl and Dr. Condon the following points were clearly established:

a. Any work performed by NPIC to assist Dr. Condon in his investigation will not be identified as work accomplished by CIA. Dr. Condon was advised by Mr. Lundahl to make no reference to CIA in regard to this work effort. Dr. Condon stated that if he felt it necessary to obtain an official CIA comment he would make a separate distinct entry into CIA not related to contacts he has with NPIC.

b. NPIC will not prepare any written comments, will not analyze information with the intent of drawing a conclusion, nor prepare written reports. NPIC personnel

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will be available to assist Dr. Condon by performing work of a photogrammetric nature, such as attempting to measure objects imaged on photographs that may be part of Dr. Condon's analysis. Work performed by NPIC will be strictly of a technical nature using services and equipment generally not available elsewhere.

5. Following this brief discussion in Mr. Lundahl's office the group adjourned to the conference room where a series of briefings was presented to Dr. Condon and his group. Following a short introduction by the following briefings were presented:

a. General discussion of photogrammetry, including definition, terminology and, in general, what photogrammetry is and what it can do. presented this discussion.

b. followed with a presentation of the analysis he had been conducting on UFO photography furnished NPIC by Dr. Rachford. discussion was of a general nature and outlined the problems he had encountered because of lack of basic information, such as camera focal length, rake of camera, unspecified enlargements, etc.

c. then gave a general discussion on the microdensitometer and its application to image analysis.

d. followed this with a presentation on isodensitometer experiments he has been conducting.

e. then escorted the group into the new clean area where they viewed and discussed the isodensitometer and the new Mann Microdensitometer.

f. Returning to the conference room, briefed the group on measuring instruments used in and followed by a general presentation on the success and failure had experienced in trying to measure objects imaged on the second UFO project assigned. Following this discussion then conducted the group into the instrument area where the Point Transfer Device, Mann 880 Comparator, the Benson-Lehner Plotter and the NRI were viewed by the group.

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6. At about 1215 _____ escorted the group back to Mr. Lundahl's office where a general discussion on UFOs ensued. At about 1235 the group adjourned to lunch and following lunch they left NFIC for a meeting with Brig. Gen Gillers at the pentagon.

7. Most all the discussion during the morning was of an unclassified nature dealing with primary basic fundamentals of photogrammetry, photographic analysis and problems related to the acquiring of enough information to conduct meaningful analyses.

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16 May 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with Air Force Personnel Concerning Scientific Advisory Panel Report on Unidentified Flying Objects, dated 17 January 1953 (Secret)

1. A meeting was convened this date with representatives of the Air Force to discuss what steps should be taken concerning the subject report in order to take care of inquiries such as the letters written by Mr. Leon Davidson. Mr. Davidson has been most insistent upon getting the entire report released. The full report is classified "Secret." A declassified version is available, a copy of which was given to Mr. Davidson.

2. The following personnel were at the meeting:

Mr. Philip G. Strong	DAD/C/SL, CIA
Major Joseph E. Boland	SAF 11-3
Major James F. Byrnes	AFCEA-CIA
Major Lawrence J. Tacker	DAVIS
Dr. A. Francis Greier	ATTC
Mr. George [unclear]	Legislative Counsel, CIA
Mr. W. L. Leno	OSI, CIA

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3. Paragraph 3 of the report cites examples of actions that could be taken by an enemy with possibly dangerous consequences to national security. This is the principal reason that the entire report cannot be declassified. This was agreed to in the meeting. In addition, it was pointed out by Mr. Strong that several of the panel members specifically requested that while they had no objection to their names being used in connection with the report, they did not want their names connected to the Central Intelligence Agency. So far it is believed that all connections between the panel members and CIA have been made by unofficial personnel.

4. In dealing specifically with Mr. Davidson it was agreed that Major Tacker would answer for the DCI at the same time that he was answering for the Air forces. (Mr. Davidson sent a copy of his letter to Major Tacker to the DCI for a response.)

5. Mr. Strong pointed out that perhaps the best way to forestall any future inquiries along these lines was to put out a press release covering the subject of unidentified flying objects, utilizing the panel report as much as possible. Major Boland agreed



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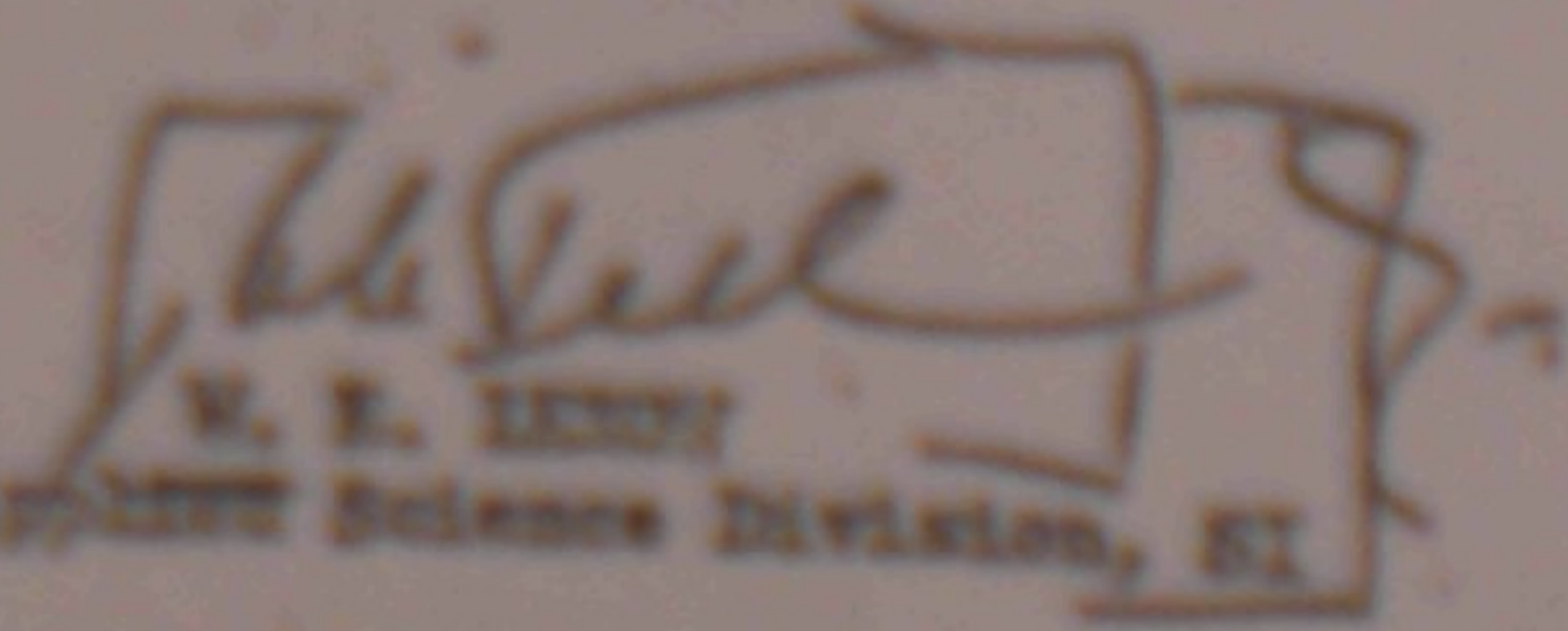
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that this was perhaps the best way to handle it, inasmuch as in his capacity of Legislative Liaison, it would best satisfy congressional requirements. Major Tacher will draft an Air Force press release, clearing it through the various sections of the Air Force, and will then submit it to Mr. Cary for Agency review. Mr. Cary will consult with the Office of Security, Mr. Strong, and the undersigned when he receives the draft press release.

6. The Air Force representatives believe that much of the trouble they have been having with Major Keyhoe along these same lines could be alleviated if the Major did not have such important personages as Vice Admiral E. H. Hillemeier, USN (Ret.), former DCI, on the board of governors of his organization. They suggested that perhaps if the Admiral was shown the Secret panel report he would understand and take appropriate actions. Mr. Cary said that he would relate this suggestion to Mr. Houston (General Counsel).

7. Major Island suggested that it might be advisable to contact the panel members to consider a recording of the panel report somewhat along the lines that Dr. Hessel suggested in his letter to all the members of the panel. Dr. Hessel has received the unclassified version from Dr. Leon Davidson. Mr. Strong feels that this may be inadvisable at the present time, inasmuch as the report has already been made available to the public and any change may arouse suspicion. However, he will contact Dr. Robertson and discuss this.


W. E. LENNY
Chief, Applied Science Division, SI

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ATTACHMENT 5A

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President Jimmy Carter

The following is the UFO report form completed by President Carter, describing his October, 1969 UFO sighting in Leary, Georgia, when he was Governor of Georgia.

NATIONAL INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE ON AERIAL PHENOMENA (NICAP)©

3535 University Blvd. West
Kensington, Maryland 20795

301-949-1267

REPORT ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT(S)

This form includes questions asked by the United States Air Force and by other Armed Forces' investigating agencies, and additional questions to which answers are needed for full evaluation by NICAP.

After all the information has been fully studied, the conclusion of our Evaluation Panel will be published by NICAP in its regularly issued magazine or in another publication. Please try to answer as many questions as possible. Should you need additional room, please use another sheet of paper. Please print or typewrite. Your assistance is of great value and is genuinely appreciated. Thank you.

1. Name Jimmy Carter

Place of Employment

Address State Capitol Atlanta

Occupation Governor

Date of birth

Education

Graduate

Special Training

Nuclear Physics

Military Service

U.S. Navy

Telephone (404) 656-1776

2. Date of Observation October 1969

Time

AM

PM

Time Zone

7:15

EST

3. Locality of Observation Leary, Georgia

4. How long did you see the object? _____ Hours 10-12 Minutes _____ Seconds

5. Please describe weather conditions and the type of sky; i.e., bright daylight, nighttime, dusk, etc. Shortly after dark.

6. Position of the Sun or Moon in relation to the object and to you. Not in sight.

7. If seen at night, twilight, or dawn, were the stars or moon visible? Stars.

8. Were there more than one object? No. If so, please tell how many, and draw a sketch of what you saw, indicating direction of movement, if any.

9. Please describe the object(s) in detail. For instance, did it (they) appear solid, or only as a source of light, was it revolving, etc.? Please use additional sheets of paper, if necessary.

10. Was the object(s) brighter than the background of the sky? **Yes.**

11. If so, compare the brightness with the Sun, Moon, headlights, etc. **At one time, as bright as the moon.**

12. Did the object(s) — (Please elaborate, if you can give details.)

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|--|----------------------------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time? YES | f. Drop anything? |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | g. Change brightness? YES |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | h. Change shape? size |
| d. Give off smoke? | i. Change color? yes |
| e. Leave any visible trail? | |

Seemed to move toward us from a distance, stopped—moved partially away—returned, then departed. Bluish at first, then reddish, luminous, not solid.

13. Did object(s) at any time pass in front of, or behind of, anything? If so, please elaborate giving distance, size, etc., if possible. **NO.**

14. Was there any wind? **NO.** If so, please give direction and speed.

15. Did you observe the object(s) through an optical instrument or other aid, windshield, windowpane, storm window, screening, etc? **NO.**

16. Did the object(s) have any sound? **NO** What kind? How loud?

17. Please tell if the object(s) was (were) —

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| a. Fuzzy or blurred. | b. Like a bright star. | c. Sharply outlined. X |
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18. Was the object — a. Self-luminous? **X** b. Dull finish? c. Reflecting? d. Transparent?

19. Did the object(s) rise or fall while in motion? **came close, moved away—came close then moved away.**

20. Tell the apparent size of the object(s) when compared with the following held at arm's length:

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| a. Pinhead | c. Dime | e. Half dollar | g. Orange | i. Larger |
| b. Pea | d. Nickel | f. Silver dollar | h. Grapefruit | |

Or, if easier, give apparent size in inches on a ruler held at arm's length. About the same as moon, maybe a little smaller. Varied from brighter/larger than planet to apparent size of moon.

21. How did you happen to notice the object(s)? **10-12 men all watched it. Brightness attracted us.**

22. Where were you and what were you doing at the time? **Outdoors waiting for a meeting to begin at 7:30pm**

23. How did the object(s) disappear from view? **Moved to distance then disappeared**

24. Compare the speed of the object(s) with a piston or jet aircraft at the same apparent altitude. **Not pertinent**

25. Were there any conventional aircraft in the location at the time or immediately afterwards? If so, please elaborate. **no.**

26. Please estimate the distance of the object(s). **Difficult. Maybe 300-1000 yards.**

27. What was the elevation of the object(s) in the sky? Please mark on this hemisphere sketch. **About 30° above horizon.**



28. Names and addresses of other witnesses, if any.

Ten members of Leary Georgia Lions Club

29. What do you think you saw?

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| a. Extraterrestrial device? | e. Satellite? |
| b. UFO? | f. Hoax? |
| c. Planet or star? | g. Other? (Please specify). |
| d. Aircraft? | |

30. Please describe your feelings and reactions during the sighting. Were you calm, nervous, frightened, apprehensive, awed, etc.? If you wish your answer to this question to remain confidential, please indicate with a check mark. (Use a separate sheet if necessary)

31. Please draw a map of the locality of the observation showing North, your position; the direction from which the object(s) appeared and disappeared from view, the direction of its course over the area; roads, towns, villages, railroads, and other landmarks within a mile.

Appeared from West--About 30° up.

32. Is there an airport, military, governmental, or research installation in the area? **No**

33. Have you seen other objects of an unidentified nature? If so, please describe these observations, using a separate sheet of paper. **No**

34. Please enclose photographs, motion pictures, news clippings, notes of radio or television programs (include time, station and date, if possible) regarding this or similar observations, or any other background material. We will return the material to you if requested. **None.**

35. Were you interrogated by Air Force investigators? By any other federal, state, county, or local officials? If so, please state the name and rank or title of the agent, his office, and details as to where and when the questioning took place.

Were you asked or told not to reveal or discuss the incident? If so, were any reasons or official orders mentioned? Please elaborate carefully. **No.**

36. We should like permission to quote your name in connection with this report. This action will encourage other responsible citizens to report similar observations to NICAP. However, if you prefer, we will keep your name confidential. Please note your choice by checking the proper statement below. In any case, please fill in all parts of the form, for our own confidential files. Thank you for your cooperation.

You may use my name.

Please keep my name confidential.

37. Date of filling out this report

Signature:

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Jimmy Carter
Jimmy Carter

Copy of Original: (Military Archives Division)
Gen. George C. MARSHALL, Chief of Staff brief Memorandum
on February 26, to President Franklin D. ROOSEVELT about
the "mysterious" Los Angeles air alarm.

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February 26, 1942.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT:

The following is the information we have from GHQ
at this moment regarding the air alarm over Los Angeles of
yesterday morning:

*From details available at this hour:

*1. Unidentified airplanes, other than American
Army or Navy planes, were probably over Los Angeles, and
were fired on by elements of the 37th CA Brigade (AA)
between 3:12 and 4:15 AM. These units expended 1,130
rounds of ammunition.

*2. As many as fifteen airplanes may have
been involved, flying at various speeds from what is
officially reported as being 'very slow' to as much
as 200 MPH and at elevations from 9000 to 18000 feet.

*3. No bombs were dropped.

*4. No casualties among our troops.

*5. No planes were shot down.

*6. No American Army or Navy planes were in
action.

*Investigation continuing. It seems reasonable to con-
clude that if unidentified airplanes were involved they may
have been from commercial sources, operated by enemy agents
for purposes of spreading alarm, disclosing location of
anti-aircraft positions, and slowing production through
blackout. Such conclusion is supported by varying speed
of operation and the fact that no bombs were dropped.*

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(Sgd) G. C. Marshall
Chief of Staff.

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Doc. 7:AUGUST 12, 1954. DEPARTMENT OF THE U.S. AIR FORCE:

USAF Chief of Staff General Nathan F. TWINING issue; the U.S. Air Force Regulation AFR 200-2 contains full details regarding the reporting procedure within the Air Force.

AIR FORCE REGULATION }
NO. 200-2*AFR 200-2
1-5DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON, 12 AUGUST 1954**INTELLIGENCE****Unidentified Flying Objects Reporting (Short Title: UFOB)**

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1. Purpose and Scope. This Regulation establishes procedures for reporting information and evidence pertaining to unidentified flying objects and sets forth the responsibility of Air Force activities in this regard. It applies to all Air Force activities.

2. Definitions:

a. *Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOB)*—Relates to any airborne object which by performance, aerodynamic characteristics, or unusual features does not conform to any presently known aircraft or missile type, or which cannot be positively identified as a familiar object.

b. *Familiar Objects*—Include balloons, astronomical bodies, birds, and so forth.

3. Objectives. Air Force interest in unidentified flying objects is twofold: First as a possible threat to the security of the United States and its forces, and secondly, to determine technical aspects involved.

a. *Air Defense.* To date, the flying objects reported have imposed no threat to the security of the United States and its Possessions. However, the possibility that new air vehicles, hostile aircraft or missiles may first be regarded as flying objects by the initial observer is real. This requires that sightings be reported rapidly and as completely as information permits.

b. *Technical.* Analysis thus far has failed to provide a satisfactory explanation for a number of sightings reported. The Air Force will continue to collect and analyze reports until all sightings can be satisfactorily explained, bearing in mind that:

- (1) To measure scientific advances, the Air Force must be informed on experimentation and development of new air vehicles.

(2) The possibility exists that an air vehicle of revolutionary configuration may be developed.

(3) The reporting of all pertinent factors will have a direct bearing on the success of the technical analysis.

4. Responsibility:

a. *Reporting.* Commanders of Air Force activities will report all information and evidence that may come to their attention, including that received from adjacent commands of the other services and from civilians.

b. *Investigation.* Air Defense Command will conduct all field investigations within the ZI, to determine the identity of any UFOB.

c. *Analysis.* The Air Technical Intelligence Center (ATIC), Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, will analyze and evaluate: All information and evidence reported within the ZI after the Air Defense Command has exhausted all efforts to identify the UFOB; and all information and evidence collected in overseas areas.

d. *Cooperation.* All activities will cooperate with Air Defense Command representatives to insure the economical and prompt success of an investigation, including the furnishing of air and ground transportation, when feasible.

5. Guidance. The thoroughness and quality of a report or investigation into incidents of unidentified flying objects are limited only by the resourcefulness and imagination of the person responsible for preparing the report. Guidance set forth below is based on experience and has been found helpful in evaluating incidents:

a. Theodolite measurements of changes of azimuth and elevation and angular size.

b. Interception, identification, or air search

*This Regulation supersedes AFR 200-2, 26 August 1953, including Change 200-2A, 2 November 1953.

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action. These actions may be taken if appropriate and within the scope of existing air defense regulations.

c. Contact with local aircraft control and warning (AC&W) units, ground observation corps (GOC) posts and filter centers, pilots and crews of aircraft aloft at the time and place of sighting whenever feasible, and any other persons or organizations which may have factual data bearing on the UFOB or may be able to offer corroborating evidence, electronic or otherwise.

d. Consultation with military or civilian weather forecasters to obtain data on: Tracks of weather balloons released in the area, since these often are responsible for sightings; and any unusual meteorological activity which may have a bearing on the UFOB.

e. Consultation with astronomers in the area to determine whether any astronomical body or phenomenon would account for or have a bearing on the observation.

f. Contact with military and civilian tower operators, air operations offices, and so forth, to determine whether the sighting could be the result of misidentification of known aircraft.

g. Contact with persons who might have knowledge of experimental aircraft of unusual configuration, rocket and guided missile firings, and so forth, in the area.

6. ZI Collection. The Air Defense Command has a direct interest in the facts pertaining to UFOB's reported within the ZI and has, in the 4602d Air Intelligence Service Squadron (AISS), the capability to investigate these reports. The 4602d AISS is composed of specialists trained for field collection and investigation of matters of air intelligence interest which occur within the ZI. This squadron is highly mobile and deployed throughout the ZI as follows: Flights are attached to air defense divisions, detachments are attached to each of the defense forces, and the squadron headquarters is located at Peterson Field, Colorado, adjacent to Headquarters, Air Defense Command. Air Force activities, therefore, should establish and maintain liaison with the nearest element of this squadron. This can be accomplished by contacting the appropriate echelon of the Air Defense Command as outlined above.

a. All Air Force activities are authorized to conduct such preliminary investigation as may be required for reporting purposes; however, investigations should not be carried beyond this point, unless such action is requested by the 4602d AISS.

b. On occasions—after initial reports are

submitted—additional data is required which can be developed more economically by the nearest Air Force activity, such as: narrative statements, sketches, marked maps, charts, and so forth. Under such circumstances, appropriate commanders will be contacted by the 4602d AISS.

c. Direct communication between echelons of the 4602d AISS and Air Force activities is authorized.

7. Reporting. All information relating to UFOB's will be reported promptly. The method (electrical or written) and priority of dispatch will be selected in accordance with the apparent intelligence value of the information. In most instances, reports will be made by electrical means: Information over 24 hours old will be given a "deferred" precedence. Reports over 3 days old will be made by written report prepared on AF Form 112, Air Intelligence Information Report, and AF Form 112a, Supplement to AF Form 112.

a. *Addressees:*

(1) *Electrical Reports.* All electrical reports will be multiple addressed to:

- (a) Commander, Air Defense Command, Ent Air Force Base, Colorado Springs, Colorado.
- (b) Nearest Air Division (Defense). (For ZI only.)
- (c) Commander, Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.
- (d) Director of Intelligence, Headquarters USAF, Washington 25, D. C.

(2) *Written Reports:*

- (a) Within the ZI, reports will be submitted direct to the Air Defense Command. Air Defense Command will reproduce the report and distribute it to interested ZI intelligence agencies. The original report together with notation of the distribution effected then will be forwarded to the Director of Intelligence, Headquarters USAF, Washington 25, D. C.
- (b) Outside the ZI, reports will be submitted direct to Director of Intelligence, Headquarters USAF, Washington 25, D. C. as prescribed in "Intelligence Collection Instructions" (ICI), June 1954.

b. *Short Title.* "UFOB" will appear at the beginning of the text of electrical messages and in the subject of written reports.

c. *Negative Data.* The word "negative"

in reply to any numbered item of the report format will indicate that all logical leads were developed without success. The phrase "not applicable" (N/A) will indicate that the question does not apply to the sighting being investigated.

d. *Report Format.* Reports will include the following numbered items:

- (1) Description of the object(s):
 - (a) Shape.
 - (b) Size compared to a known object (use one of the following terms: Head of a pin, pea, dime, nickel, quarter, half dollar, silver dollar, baseball, grapefruit, or basketball) held in the hand at about arms length.
 - (c) Color.
 - (d) Number.
 - (e) Formation, if more than one.
 - (f) Any discernible features or details.
 - (g) Tail, trail, or exhaust, including size of same compared to size of object(s).
 - (h) Sound. If heard, describe sound.
 - (i) Other pertinent or unusual features.
- (2) Description of course of object(s):
 - (a) What first called the attention of observer(s) to the object(s)?
 - (b) Angle of elevation and azimuth of the object(s) when first observed.
 - (c) Angle of elevation and azimuth of object(s) upon disappearance.
 - (d) Description of flight path and maneuvers of object(s).
 - (e) Manner of disappearance of object(s).
 - (f) Length of time in sight.
- (3) Manner of observation:
 - (a) Use one or any combination of the following items: Ground-visual, ground-electronic, air-electronic. (If electronic, specify type of radar.)
 - (b) Statement as to optical aids (telescopes, binoculars, and so forth) used and description thereof.
 - (c) If the sighting is made while airborne, give type aircraft, identification number, altitude, heading, speed, and home station.
- (4) Time and date of sighting:
 - (a) Zulu time-date group of sighting.
 - (b) Light conditions (use one of the following terms): Night, day, dawn, dusk.

- (5) Locations of observer(s). Exact latitude and longitude of each observer, or Georef position, or position with reference to a known landmark.
- (6) Identifying information of all observer(s):
 - (a) Civilian—Name, age, mailing address, occupation.
 - (b) Military—Name, grade, organization, duty, and estimate of reliability.
- (7) Weather and winds aloft conditions at time and place of sightings:
 - (a) Observer(s) account of weather conditions.
 - (b) Report from nearest AWS or U. S. Weather Bureau Office of wind direction and velocity in degrees and knots at surface, 6,000', 10,000', 16,000', 20,000', 30,000', 50,000', and 80,000', if available.
 - (c) Ceiling.
 - (d) Visibility.
 - (e) Amount of cloud cover.
 - (f) Thunderstorms in area and quadrant in which located.
- (8) Any other unusual activity or condition, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.
- (9) Interception or identification action taken (such action may be taken whenever feasible, complying with existing air defense directives).
- (10) Location of any air traffic in the area at time of sighting.
- (11) Position title and comments of the preparing officer, including his preliminary analysis of the possible cause of the sighting(s).
- (12) Existence of physical evidence, such as materials and photographs.

e. *Security.* Reports should be unclassified unless inclusion of data required by d above necessitates a higher classification.

8. Evidence. The existence of physical evidence (photographs or materiel) will be promptly reported.

a. *Photographic:*

- (1) *Visual.* The negative and two prints will be forwarded, all original film, including wherever possible both prints and negatives, will be titled or otherwise properly identified as to place, time, and date of the incident

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(see "Intelligence Collection Instructions" (ICI), June 1954).

- (2) *Radar.* Two copies of each print will be forwarded. Prints of radarscope photography will be titled in accordance with AFR 95-7 and forwarded in compliance with AFR 95-6.

b. *Materiel.* Suspected or actual items of materiel which come into possession of any Air Force echelon will be safeguarded in such manner as to prevent any defacing or alteration which might reduce its value for intelligence examination and analysis.

9. **Release of Facts.** Headquarters USAF will release summaries of evaluated data which will inform the public on this subject. In response to local inquiries, it is permissible to inform news media representatives on UFOB's when the object is positively identified as a familiar object (see paragraph 2b), except that the following type of data warrants protection and should not be revealed: Names of principles, intercept and investigation procedures, and classified radar data. For those objects which are not explainable, only the fact that ATIC will analyze the data is worthy of release, due to the many unknowns involved.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE:

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Doc. 8: JUNE 1959. DEPARTMENT OF THE U.S. NAVY:

U.S. Navy Admiral James S. RUSSEL, Vice Chief of Naval Operation superseded MERINT communication instruction in the year of 1959 justifies, that from 1952, the Joint Chiefs of Staff in unanimity with the Canadian defense forces had extended the territorial warning network to the whole American continent, and the Atlantic and Pacific waters.

In the Foreword Admiral Russel strictly emphasize that "TIMELY RECEIPT OF REPORTS OF SIGHTINGS WILL ENABLE MILITARY FORCES TO TAKE PROMPT DEFENSIVE OR INVESTIGATIVE ACTION."

EXCERPTS:

U. S. Navy Pamphlet

Foreword

Department of the Navy
Washington, 25, D. C.

JULY 1959

1. This pamphlet is designed to familiarize masters of merchant ships and fishing vessels and radio officers with the procedures for reporting vital intelligence sightings. The reports are desired for early warning in defense of the North American Continent, United States and Canadian Territories and Possessions. Timely receipt of reports of sightings will enable military forces to take prompt defensive or investigative action.

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NOW YOU SEE IT, NOW YOU DON'TI (U)

Captain Henry S. Shields, HQ USAF/IHOMP

CSETI
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ASHEVILLE, NC 28813

Sometime in his career, each pilot can expect to encounter strange, unusual happenings which will never be adequately or entirely explained by logic or subsequent investigation. The following article recounts just such an episode as reported by two F-4 Phantom crews of the Imperial Iranian Air Force during late 1976. No additional information or explanation of the strange events has been forthcoming; the story will be filed away and probably forgotten, but it makes interesting and possibly disturbing reading.

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Until 0030 on a clear autumn morning, it had been an entirely routine night watch for the Imperial Iranian Air Force's command post in the Tehran area. In quick succession, four calls arrived from one of the city's suburbs reporting a series of strange airborne objects. These Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) were described as 'bird-like', or as brightly-lit helicopters (although none were airborne at the time). Unable to convince the callers that they were only seeing stars, a senior officer went outside to see for himself. Observing an object to the north like a star, only larger and brighter, he immediately scrambled an IIAF F-4 to investigate.

Approaching the city, the F-4 pilot reported that the brilliant object was easily visible 70 miles away. When approximately 25 NM distant, the interceptor lost all instrumentation and UHF/Intercom communications. Upon breaking off the intercept and turning towards his home base, all systems returned to normal, as if the strange object no longer regarded the aircraft as a threat.

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— A second F-4 was scrambled ten minutes after the first. The backseater reported radar-lock on the UFO at 27 NM/12 o'clock high position, and a rate of closure of 150 knots. Upon reaching the 22 NM point, the object began rapidly moving away to maintain a constant separation distance while still visible on the radar scope. While the size of the radar return was comparable to that of a KC-135, its intense brilliance made estimation of actual size impossible. Visually, it resembled flashing strobe lights arranged in a rectangular pattern and alternating blue, green, red, and orange. Their sequence was so fast that all colors could be seen at once.

☐ As the F-4 continued pursuit south of Tehran, a second brightly-lit object (about one-half to one-third the size of the moon) detached from the original UFO and headed straight for the F-4 at a high rate of speed. The pilot attempted to fire an AIM-9 missile at the new object but was prevented by a sudden power loss in his weapons control panel. UHF and internal communications were simultaneously lost. The pilot promptly initiated a turn and negative-G dive to escape, but the object fell in behind the F-4 at 3-4 NM distance. Continuing the turn, the pilot observed the second object turn inside of him and then away, subsequently returning to the primary UFO for a perfect rendezvous.

☐ The two UFOs had hardly rejoined when a second object detached and headed straight down toward the ground at high speed. Having regained weapons and communications systems, the aircrew watched the third object, anticipating a large explosion when it struck the ground. However, it landed gently and cast a bright light over a two-three kilometer area. The pilot flew as low over the area as possible, fixing the object's exact location.

☐ Upon return to home base, both crewmen had difficulty in

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adjusting their night vision devices for landing. The landing was further complicated by excessive interference on UHF and a further complete loss of all communications when passing through a 150 degree magnetic bearing from the home base. The inertial navigation system simultaneously fluctuated from 30 to 50 degrees. A civil airliner approaching the area also experienced a similar communications failure, but reported no unusual sightings.

~~2~~ While on a long final approach, the F-4 crew noted a further UFO. This was described as a cylinder-shaped object (about the size of a T-33 trainer) with bright steady lights on each end and a flasher in the middle. It quickly approached and passed directly over the F-4. In answer to the pilot's query, the control tower reported no other air traffic in the area, although they subsequently obtained a visual sighting of the object when specifically directed where to look.

~~3~~ The following day, the F-4 crew was flown by helicopter to the location where they believed the object had landed. This turned out to be a dry lake bed, but nothing unusual was noticed. As the helicopter circled off to the west, however, a very noticeable beeper signal was received, and eventually traced to a nearby house. They immediately landed and asked the inhabitants if anything strange or unusual had occurred the previous night. Yes, they replied, there had been loud noises and a very bright light, like lightning. The helicopter returned to base and arrangements were made to conduct various tests, such as radiation checks, in the vicinity of the house. Unfortunately, the results of such tests have not been reported. ~~_____~~

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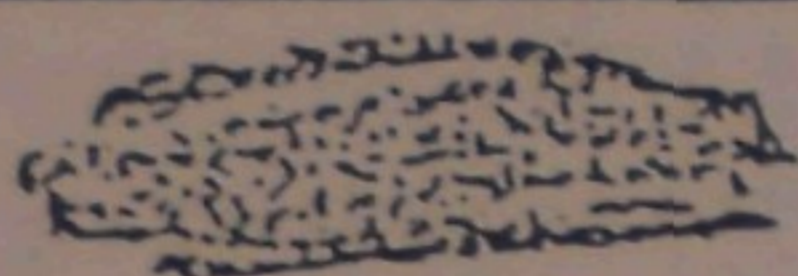
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UFO Hypothesis and Survival Questions:

President Lyndon B. JOHNSON in consideration of an accidental invasive attempt of Extraterrestrial Aliens, beyond the Pentagon instructed the National Security Agency for a scrutinized survey of the UFO problem's created potential danger to humanity.

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Excerpts of the NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY's REPORT in 1968, released through the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act on 13 Nov. 1984 (Ser. NO N9337 to the Director of ICUFON. U.S.A.)



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NASA Report

U F O HYPOTHESIS AND SURVIVAL QUESTIONS

It is the purpose of this monograph to consider briefly some of the human survival implications suggested by the various principal hypothesis concerning the nature of the phenomena loosely categorized as U F O ⁽¹⁾.

5/ SOME UFO'S ARE RELATED TO EXTRA-TERRESTRIAL INTELLIGENCE: According to some eminent scientists this hypothesis can not be disregarded. This hypothesis has a number of far-reaching human survival implications:

- a/ Human history has shown us time and again the tragic results of a confrontation between a technologically superior civilization and a technologically inferior people. The "inferior" is usually subject to physical conquest.
- b/ In confrontation between two peoples of significantly different cultural levels, those having the inferior or less virile culture, most often suffer a tragic loss of identity and are usually absorbed by the other people.

6/ COMMENT: Investigation would become an intensive emergency action to isolate the threat and to determine it's precise nature. It would be geared to developing adequate defensive measures in a minimum amount of time.

It would seem a little more of this survival attitude is called for in dealing with the UFO problem.

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MAJOR WILLIAM D. LEET
 ONLY DETACHMENT AIR FORCE
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11 March 1958

Major Donald E. Keyhoe, Director
 National Investigat... Committee
 on Aerial Phenomena
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Major Keyhoe:

Long before your book, "Flying Saucers Are Real", was published, my B-17 and my crew and I were kept company by a "Foo Fighter", a small amber disc, all the way from Klagenfurt, Austria to the Adriatic Sea. This occurred on a "lone wolf" mission at night, as I recall, in December, 1944 in the 15th Air Force, 5th Wing, 2nd Bomb Group. The intelligence officer who debriefed us stated that it was a new German fighter but could not explain why it did not fire at us or, if it was reporting our heading, altitude and air-speed, why we did not receive anti-aircraft fire.

On about 13 October 1952, while I was copilot on a C-54 Troop Carrier mission out of Tachikawa and heading South toward Oshima at dusk, I noticed in the strato-cumulus formation westward what appeared to be a perfectly round cloud. After watching it for about a minute, and deciding it wasn't a cloud, I called it to the attention of the pilot and engineer. The pilot was intent upon his flight plan but the engineer got several good glimpses of the object. Seven minutes after I first saw it, it took an elliptical shape and sped off to the West, disappearing within a few seconds, toward Mount Fuji.

While stationed at McClellan AFB near Sacramento, California from July, 1955 to December, 1957, I noticed a tremendous number of luminous blue-green objects transcending the sky from horizon to horizon in an instant. On an AOC mission one night off the California Coast I had the radio operator report such an observation. He, and a day or two later one of our intelligence officers, told me that the same object was reported by an airline pilot.

As a crusader for truth I believe that I understand the difficulties under which you and your associates labor, and I would like to offer my services. I am coming to Washington soon for an appointment with Senator Cooper and if it is not inconvenient would like an appointment with you. I am enclosing a copy of Form 57 for your information.

Sincerely,

William D. Leet

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BRITISH AIRLiner CREW BAFFLED BY OBJECT OVER SOVIET UNION (Cex)

LONDON, July 27, Reuter - A British airline pilot told today how he had to take evasive action to avoid hitting a mysterious object over the Soviet republic of Kazakhstan. (Cex)

"It was definitely not an aircraft, of that I am positive. None of us had ever seen a thing like it before," First Officer Anthony Colin said in a letter published in the the Times of London. (Cex)

The Times said the crew of five of a British Airways Jumbo Jet, on a flight from London to Bangkok in April, were baffled by the object with twinkling lights which flew directly toward them before disappearing at high speed over the horizon. (Cex)

A BA spokesman said that Soviet air traffic control had confirmed that there were no other aircraft in the area at the time. (Cex)

He suggested the most plausible explanation was that it was a piece of satellite re-entering the earth's atmosphere. (Cex)

"Certainly, a sometimes report seeing space debris," he explained. (Cex)

"We are all bitterly cynical skeptics who like to find a scientific explanation for everything. But this has got us fowed," Colin said. (Cex)

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Chief Officer,
Torgrim Lien,
T/T "Javesta",
A. Jahres rederi,
Sandefjord, Norway

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T/T "Javesta"
North Atlantic, 8th July 1965.

Report regarding Unidentified Flying Object.

Tuesday, 6th July 1965. Under way from Puerto la Cruz, Venezuela to Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Canary Island. At 2152 GMT, the ship's position was N 24° 40' W 31° 15'. North Easterly wind, force 5. Low heap of clouds (Cumulus) drifting with the wind. Barometer 1023 Mb. Temperature ! 23°C.

At 2152 hrs. GMT (1852 ship time), the lookout on the port wing of the bridge reported a lighting object in the sky, in northerly direction. As I came out on the port wing of the bridge, I saw an intense blue fire-tongue which with enormous speed came in the direction of the ship. I ran to the telephone and called the Captain, and without waiting for a reply, I took the binoculars and ran out on the starboard wing of the bridge, and I then saw the object through the binoculars as it passed the ship.

The object passed just aft of the ship, altitude approximately 200 to 400 metres, and it passed well below the clouds. There were bright stars and moonlight between the low clouds, and I could clearly see the contour of the object's upper part. It has the shape of a cigar, and I could clearly see a row of square windows, and a weak, yellow-orange light was seen from the inside.

There were neither sign of wings nor rudder. The object had a blueish tail of fire, which were most concentrated near after part, and further away was spread out. A little more behind the object, I could see countless numbers of glowing balls, and from each ball was a blue ray emanating backwards from the object. (See sketch.) The length of the fire-tongue was assumed to be approximately 100 metres. The object seemed to be much bigger than any known type of airplane.

The object had an enormous speed and was seen for about 30-40 seconds, and within this time it went from the North to South horizon. Its approximate course was 180°. In spite of the enormous speed and though it passed close, no sound was heard.

The lookout on the port wing of the bridge, able seaman Hernandez Ambrozic said that it first seemed as if the object lifted from the water, and then went in a northerly direction and suddenly changed its course toward us.

The helmsman, ordinary seaman Narcisso Guillen, had also the opportunity to see the object just as it had passed the ship.

On the poopdeck the object was observed by the mechanic Juan Hernandez and messman Ignacio Suarez. Their statement corresponds completely to mine.

I can certainly say that it was not a usual plane, rocket, meteor or a fire-ball type of lightning.

I would be grateful to hear the meaning of an expert about this phenomenon.

With respect

Torgrim Lien

Torgrim Lien,
Chief Officer and officer on duty.

We confirm having seen the same phenomenon and what we saw was in accordance with this report.

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Juan Hernandez, Reparator.

Juan Hernandez

Narciso Guillen

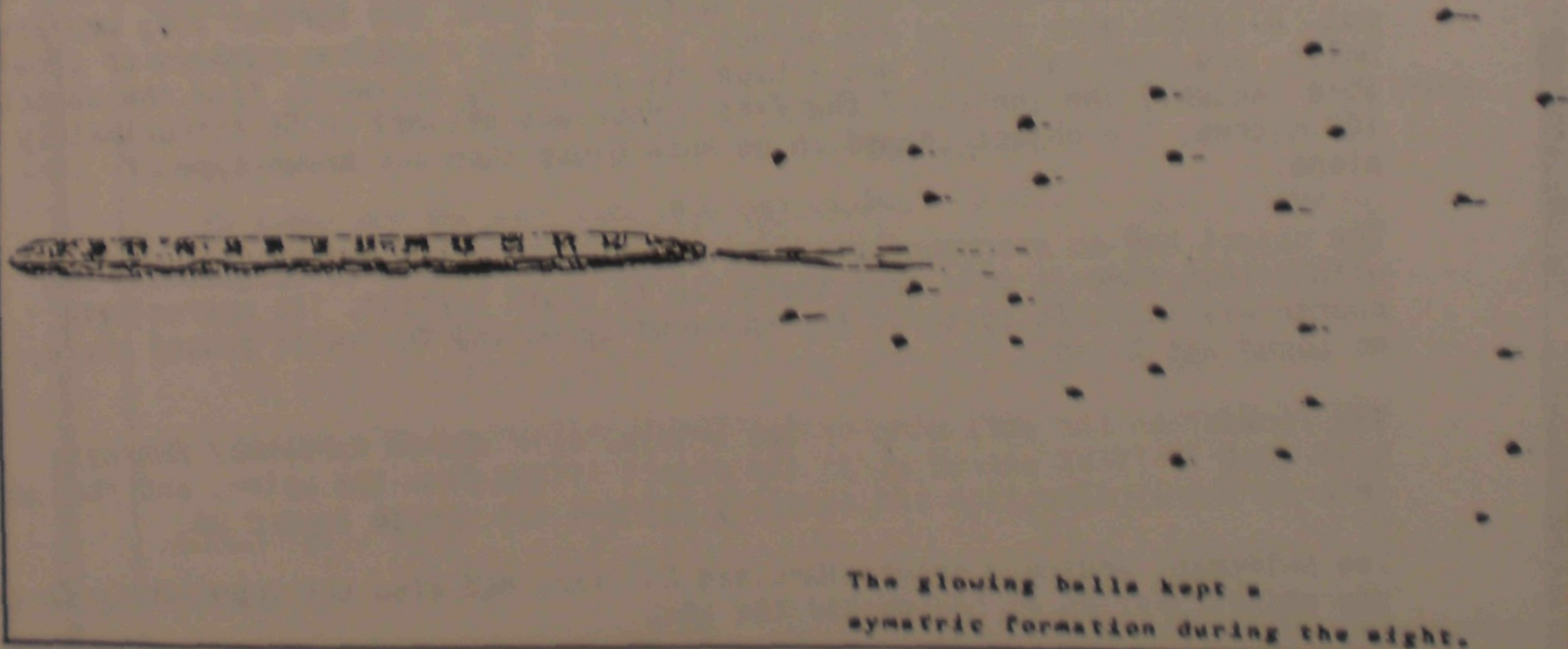
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ORIGINAL SKETCH of the Chief Officer the T/T "IAVESTA" Capt. Torgrim LIEN:

Sketch of object observed in the Atlantic, 6th July 1965.

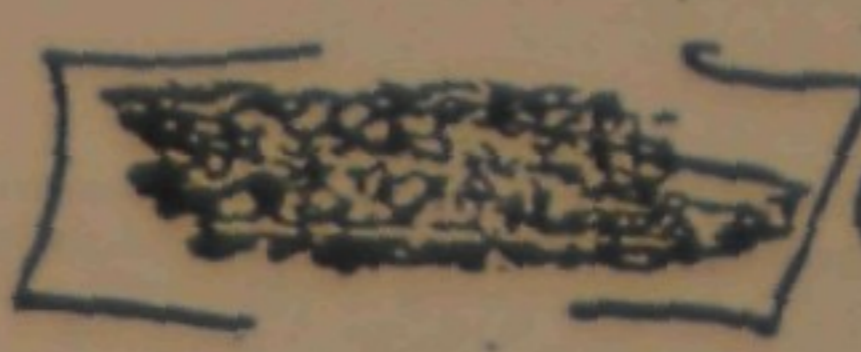


The glowing balls kept a symmetric formation during the sight.

For the true copy of the originals

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : Office Responsibilities for Non-Conventional Types of Air Vehicles

REFERENCE: Memorandum for the Record, 14 June 1954, this subject

1. Reference memorandum is hereby rescinded.
2. Henceforth, ASD will conduct all surveillance of available information on this subject. All other OSI Divisions will provide such technical consultative assistance to ASD as it requires to discharge its assigned responsibility in this field. ASD will request a project of the requisite scope when appropriate for inclusion in the OSI Production Program.
3. ASD will maintain the OSI files on this subject. All other Divisions will forward their files to ASD and thereupon terminate their filing activities on this subject.

Herbert Scoville, Jr.
 HERBERT SCOVILLE, JR.
 Assistant Director
 Scientific Intelligence

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director/Intelligence
SUBJECT: Recent Sightings of Unexplained Objects

In the past several weeks a number of radar and visual sightings of unidentified aerial objects have been reported. Although this office has maintained a continuing review of such reported sightings during the past three years, a special study group has been formed to review this subject to date. O/CI will participate in this study with C/CI and a report should be ready about 15 August.

RALPH L. CLARK
Acting Assistant Director
Scientific Intelligence

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TO - DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: JANUARY 31, 1949

FROM : SAC, S. J. MITCHELL

SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS
SURLU FILE # 65-50300

At recent Weekly Intelligence Conferences of G-2, ONI, OSI, and F.S.I., in the Fourth Army Area, Officers of G-2, Fourth Army have discussed the matter of "Unidentified Aircraft" or "Unidentified Aerial Phenomena" otherwise known as "Flying Discs", "Flying Saucers", and "Balls of Fire". This matter is considered top secret by Intelligence Officers of both the Army and the Air Forces.

It is well known that there have been during the past two years reports from the various parts of the country of the sighting of unidentified aerial objects which have been called in newspaper parlance "flying discs" and "flying saucers". The first such sightings were reported from Sweden, and it was thought that the objects, the nature of which was unknown, might have originated in Russia.

In July 1945 an unidentified aircraft was "seen" by an Eastern Airlines Pilot and Co-Pilot and one or more passengers of the Eastern Airlines plane over Montgomery, Alabama. This aircraft was reported to be of an unconventional type without wings and resembled generally a "rocket ship" of the type depicted in comic strips. It was reported to have had windows; to have been larger than the Eastern Airlines plane, and to have been traveling at an estimated speed of 2700 miles an hour. It appeared out of a thunder-head ahead of the Eastern Airlines plane and immediately disappeared in another cloud narrowly missing a collision with the Eastern Airlines plane. No sound or air disturbance was noted in connection with this appearance.

During the past two months various sightings of unexplained phenomena have been reported in the vicinity of the A.S.C. Installation at Los Alamos, New Mexico, where these phenomena now appear to be concentrated. During December 1948 on the 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 11th, 13, 14th, 20th and 25th sightings of unexplained phenomena were made near Los Alamos by Special Agents of the Office of Special Investigation; Airline Pilots; Military Pilots, Los Alamos Security Inspectors, and private citizens. On January 6, 1949, another similar object was sighted in the same area.

A meteorologist of some note, has been generally in charge of the observations near Los Alamos, attempting to learn characteristics of the unexplained phenomena.

Up to this time little concrete information has been obtained.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: March 22, 1950

FROM: GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Flying Saucers or Flying Saucers

The following information was furnished to SA [redacted] by [redacted]

An investigator for the Air Force stated that three so-called flying saucers had been recovered in New Mexico. They were described as being circular in shape with raised centers, approximately 50 feet in diameter. Each one was occupied by three bodies of human shape but only 3 feet tall, dressed in metallic cloth of a very fine texture. Each body was bandaged in a manner similar to the blackout suits used by speed flyers and test pilots.

According to Mr. [redacted] informant, the saucers were found in New Mexico due to the fact that the Government had a very high-powered radar set-up in that area and it is believed the radar interferes with the controlling mechanism of the saucers.

No further evaluation was attempted by SA [redacted] concerning the above.

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ATTN: [REDACTED]

FROM: DCD/ [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: CASE [REDACTED] - UFO RESEARCH

REF (A): DCD/HEADQUARTERS 14596

(?): FORM 6JB DATED 9 APRIL 1976, UFO STUDY.

1. SOURCE'S FULL NAME IS [REDACTED]
HE IS EMPLOYED AS [REDACTED]

2. REFERENT B MATERIAL CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL AT HIS
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REQS: (U) [REDACTED]

SOURCE: (U) VARIOUS [REDACTED] OPEN SOURCES

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SUMMARY: (U) NUMEROUS UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS WERE SIGHTED IN THE SKIES OVER BRAZIL, [REDACTED]

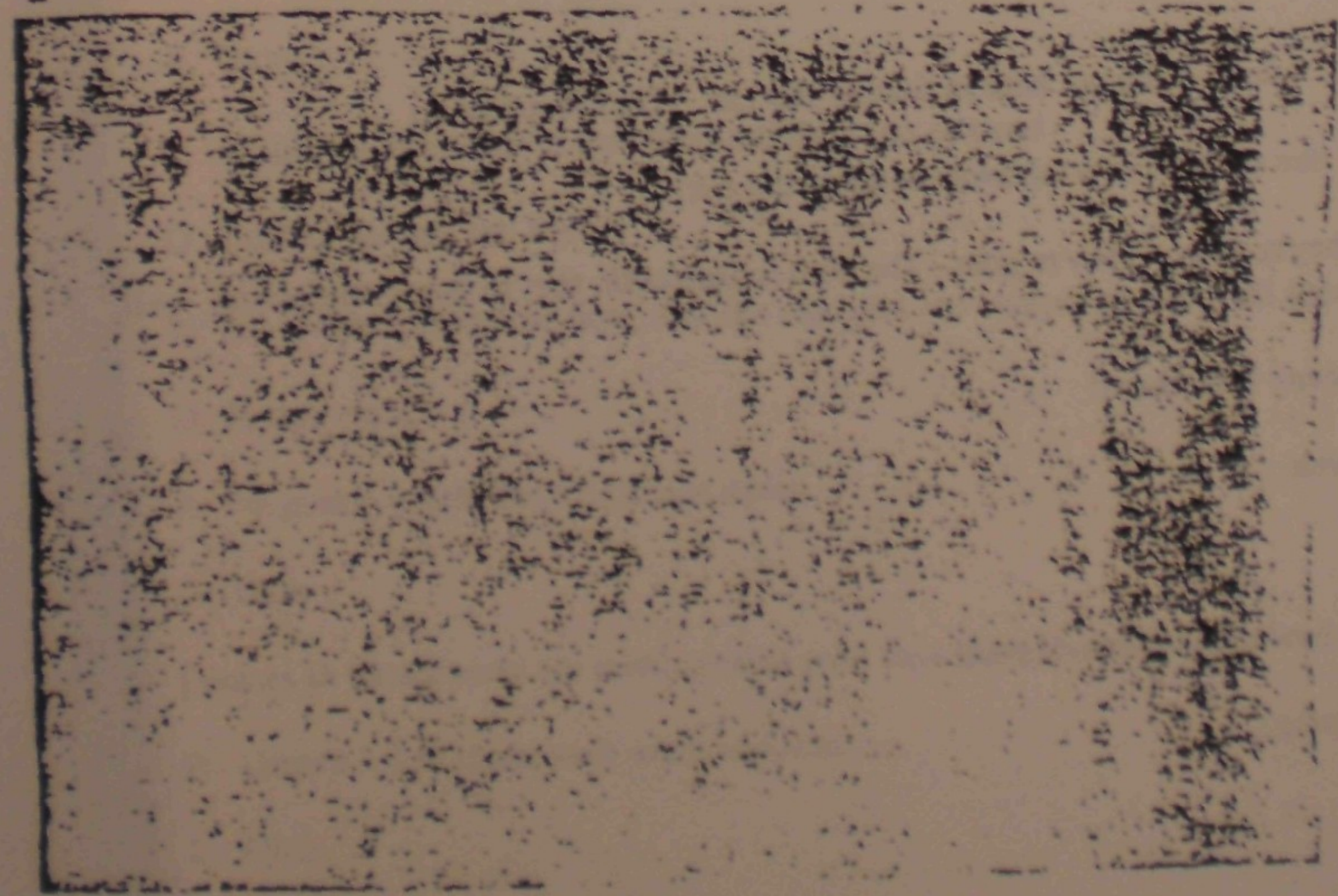
TEXT: 1. [REDACTED] AT LEAST 20 UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS WERE OBSERVED [REDACTED] THE NIGHT OF 19 MAY 86.

[REDACTED] BETWEEN SAO PAULO AND RIO DE JANEIRO. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS RED, WHITE AND GREEN LIGHTS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SIMILAR OBJECTS NEAR BRASILIA [REDACTED]

2. [REDACTED] THE AIR MINISTER IS QUOTED BY THE PRESS AS SAYING THERE WERE THREE GROUPS OF TARGETS ON THE GROUND RADAR AND THAT THE SCOPES OF THE AIRBORNE RADARS WERE SATURATED.



Edwards Air Force Base
(Date Unknown)

Code: P = Voices of various Pilots A = Voices of various ATCs O = Voices of various Officers
H: Height coverage officer Pedro - San Pedro station

SIDE A:

P: Alright, this is Jack.

A: Good. Hello, Jack.

.....
P: [fades in] Recording from the air.....matter of fact, this was the first one I observed and I would say now it's 20,000 feet.

A: Uh-huh. Huh.

A: I don't see anything in that area now.

A: No, I don't...we're not painting anything in that area.

P: Well, they have, well, I have 20,000 feet by eyeball. Could be 100,000.

A: Uh-huh. Right. Yeah.

A: Do you get anything between Victorville and Edwards?

P: Here's one out here.

A: Does it appear now that they are moving away and moving out?

P: [too faint to copy]

A: They're going, huh?

P: I alreadyofficer... I don't think got here in time to see 'em. They're going up.

A: Hmm. Does it look like they are moving away and moving out?

P: Yes, it sure does. They're goin'. They're goin. The ones to the south, they're going straight up. All of them are.

A: Hmm. About how many were there?

P: At one time I had seven.

A: Uh huh.

P: At the present time I have 1-2-3-4-5 rising too.

A: Are those five also rising?

P: All five of 'em are rising

A: Alright

P: At one time I had...

A: [cuts in] ... go up to the roof and take a look.

A: Okay, run up.

P: ...did you ever see anything, ___ One?

O: This is Captain Clark. I can't seem to find anything but stars out there

P: Well, sir, they are all rising now.

O: (Clark) Is that right?

P: Yes sir. They're all going up now.

O: (Clark) Okay, you've got one bright star just about south of us. Where from that? You know, that bright one - I think it's about a 45 degree angle up.

P: Uh.

A: AFL?

A: Yeah.

A: Maintenance control

A: Yeah.

O: Let us - get back to me. We're just in the process of winding this thing up. OK?

A: Okay

P: All of 'em now appear that their red light has stopped

O: I didn't see any red light.

P: All of them from here now, that the red light has stopped and they all appear to be heading ____

O: Is that right?

A: I'm gonna watch that bright one again.

O: Okay

[Voices in background are relating what pilot says through a radio or phone, talking to other parties.]

P: There's 3-4 of them, well south and dim.

O: Okay

P: I still red light occasionally out of one of them.

O: Where are they from that big bright one?

P: Beneath them and just a little bit south. And there's three of 'em almost in a straight line.

O: Uh huh.

P: Almost horizontal.

O: I see.

P: And I still see a red light occasionally from those, but not from the big one.

O: Yeah. Okay. When you come down take a look at 'em again.

P: Okay sir. _____, you still on?

A: Roger.

P: Yeah, they all appear to be leaving now. I don't know.

A: Okay. Too bad we didn't get up on 'em.

P: I don't know, it was definitely...

A: [cuts him off] No. No, I'll call ya when....

P: This space - this space officer that has been observing this here with me all night. Here, let me get him back on and see if he is getting the same impressions of it I'm getting. I don't like to be the only one seeing these type things.

A: Roger. [laughs]

[delay]

A: Base Ops....

O: [on plane?] Yessir. Let's register this along with you.

A: Right.

O: The man says the tower boy there is froze. He has had somebody confirm his story. He says they are all pulling up at a very rapid rate right now.

A: Well, we'll wait and go. All we need is their request.

O: Alright sir.

A: We've lost radar contact with them.

O: How long ago did you lose radar with them?

A: Oh, I'd say roughly 10-15 minutes.

Q: _____ is on the other phone. I might get a consultation to see if he's seeing the same thing I'm... it appears to me that they are all rising in altitude rapidly. It would appear to be. Yep. How about the bright up? Does it appear to be straight up? How about straight - that's much higher now than when we first saw it. Yeah.

Q: (different voice) Call the Navy if you can. Ask if they have any balloon launches out of Ontario?

Q: Len?

Q: Roger.

Q: It's (a name - can't make out) again. Base Ops confirms my - what I'm seeing. They are all rising and the weatherman in Base Ops has been observing these things all night with me and he has been using reference points to try to judge if they're moving.

Q: Right.

Q: And he confirms that they are very much higher now than what they were. They are, they are definitely going up.

Q: Do you have any estimate on the altitude now?

Q: I'd hate to venture a guess. I would say something like maybe 30,000-40,000, but now this is strictly way outoff the eyeball guess.

Q: Not on my low altitude?

Q: No sir, I wouldn't say. Not nearly what they were. At first sighting on that one, I would have judged it's altitude to be no more than, at the most, 5,000 feet.

Q: Well, we had some measured altitudes but, but said UFO officer was gonna want us to take a look. We were waiting to go. But I haven't heard anything yet from him.

Q: I don't think he's made it to Base Ops yet.

Q: Well, I told Sgt. Horner to ask him why he was and tried to get a decision then, but I haven't heard anything.

Q: Well, I wanted this captain down here at _____ to see it before we went or something. I can't make out any red lights anymore.. (two voices talking at once). One is still definitely flickering. Well, they're all still flickering but they are so far away now I can't make out the red light. It was like there was just a small red light on the bottom of it like an obstruction light of some type.

Q: Did anybody talk to the Navy down at Miramar, Ontario - in that area to see if they launched anything?

Q: No sir, I haven't talked to anybody. All I've talked to are all the people here. Tower operator at George.

Q: We'll see if we can get a hold of them down there. I think we can get a line we can get a line to them, they might know...

O: I don't have any interest in communications with them.

Q: Hey, Sarge?

O: Yes sir?

Q: Has the captain come back yet? To the Squadron?

O: No sir, he didn't come back on the line yet. [mangled]

O: Once I got a look at that real bright object, it looked like....[breaking up]

O: I see? He found it?

O: Yeah, he found the bright object the first time and he thought it was a star and it was coming in that this was a star but he had seen the (?) again but he'll take another look at it and we'll see if he can find the other thing that....

O: At one time I had seven of 'em.

O: I see, how many have you got now?

O: (on plane) I have five of 'em now.

O: Still have five?

O: Yep. Well, now, since I, since that first rack of the fence they seem to be stationary again now.

O: I see. How many degrees off the horizon would you say?

O: Oh, good grief, there's the...

O: A 45 degree angle?

O: At least. Or more.

O: 60?

O: 45 at least...about 45-50 degree angle. That's the brightest one. The other ones would be in the lesser angle. Maybe 30 degrees angle but they're much further away.

O: Did you see anything when you went out?

O: (new) No, I didn't see anything.

O: Oh. I didn't either.

O: Couldn't see for the haze anyway. We can't even see the lights on top the mountain.

O: Yeah.

A: You know, we have a lot of traffic. Well, not a lot of traffic but we have some traffic moving in that area now. I was wondering maybe if they might have gotten up out of the way or something. This whole thing is nice, isn't it?

A: Yeah, it was {slurred}

A: Yeah, sure does.

O: (on plane) Those to the south are really giving a blinking now.

O: What are they doing?

O/P: Blinking.

O: Hmmm. How big an object would you say they were?

A: That'd be hard to say.

O/P: {laughs} It's very hard to say. From the distance, from what I have judged to be the distance and the altitude of these things..

O: Uh-huh.

O/P:the closest one to me has the, about the area of two stars. About twice as big as a normal star and very bright.

O: This is Captain Clark back on again.

O: Yes, Captain Clark! What did you find out there?

CC: On that bright star now, let's see if I have the right one, coming down and to the right slightly you find three that are in kind of a "V".

O: That's the ones you're looking at?

A: Yes sir.

CC: And then I see one on the bottom bar of that V, the V kind of aims up to the right.

A: Yes sir.

CC: Between the two bottom stars, and I see one that does seem to be twinkling red.

A: Yes sir. That one in the center now appears to be the one that's doing it.

CC: Yeah.

A: More than the other one. Earlier the big bright one was blinking. He has quit now.

CC: Yeah.

A: The three to the south...they seem to be..one of them will blink and then it will be the other one and then another one.

CC: I see.

A: But I can't get all three of them to blink, to blink red, at any one time.

CC: They sure look like they're a long ways.

A: Those three are. This one is very high. The bright one is very high now. When I first observed it, it didn't appear to be so more than 5,000 feet and about over the _____.

CC: Oh? For heaven's sakes. Well, it looks like it's well up there now.

A: Yes sir. I have made a guesstimate at 40,000.

CC: Yeah.

O: Who does?

A: I have - well of course, that's just my eyeball on it.

CC: Yeah.

O: Paul?

Paul: Yeah.

O: Okay. Our night finders are locked on them.

Paul: Oh, they are?

O: Boron (?) says they have them locked on.

O: What do, what do they say they are?

O: Stand by just a second.

O: Okay. What is the altitude on them? 11,000?

O: Well, I don't know whether the night finders are locked on or not. They're saying 8,000.

O: 8,000, huh?

O: Yal.

O: (another) What do you have for distance on them?

O: Standby.

A: I have to say more than 8 on this one I see.

O: Yeah, it looks like a real fine star. Does it show any perceptible movement?

A: Well sir, it has moved. That's the thing. It has moved.

O: Yeah. Well, I couldn't determine anything out there on the wall where I was standing.

A: Well, now. I have observed it now for an hour and 50 minutes.

O: Yeah.

A: Almost two hours now. And in that time it has gained altitude twice and moved what would appear to be five or six miles to the west.

O: Uh-huh.

O: (another) Does anybody have the winds over there?

A: Yes sir, I have it here in the tower. It's presently calm. No more than 2 knots and they are westerly winds. And these things are moving westerly.

O: Oh, hold it. I've got a report here from Lans. My airman says he's got one moving up there. He's taking my binoculars up now and take a look.

O: Okay, sir, stand by. I've got another phone ringing.

O: Okay, go ahead.

P: Hello, I'm drawing back to base, I'll be back shortly.

A: Okay, you got a range as (blurred, then delay).

A: Can you see them?

(delay)

O: Ask the _____ if he's got a height on any of them.

O: Okay, and so they're down on MDS..

O: It's down, it should be down.

O: Sgt. Duane? This is Lt. Masack. I'd like to break off here for a second if I could, please. We need the line.

O: Alright. Roger.

O: Okay, stand by One.

O: So they have moved around, huh?

P: Right, sir, they have moved and _____ indicated _____ the search and the height at the rate I set at the same time and we are....maintaining coverage on these aircraft - on these objects.

O: Okay. Stand by.

H: Pedro? Hello, Pedro.

Pedro: It's _____.

H: Right. You still got these guys on your search?

Pedro: Search?

H: Or on your height.

Pedro: Got some of 'em on my height here.

H: Okay. What _____ now, on the special you got?

Pedro: These are a _____

H: Zero Three Zero to Zero Six Zero since we've been talking, observing him. Can you pick up on him? Okay, now here's the other one. I want to make sure he's _____

(Lots of noise, horns, rings, beeps, etc. on tape)

A: Right. The only one I can see flashing.

O: Okay, sir. Here's height coverage from the site. Okay _____ Major Strubbe break through. The rest of you people on the line if you want to hear the Major speak.

A: The height people are on now.

H: Okay. The target has moved 3 miles to Zero Nine One. It's moved from Zero Three Zero degrees at 80 miles to Zero Six Zero at 30, at 00 _____ on the site.

O: Which site?

H: From San Pedro.

O: Okay, say that again. Range and azimuth from Pedro?

H: Range and azimuth from Pedro just moved from Zero Three Zero at 80 miles. First pick-up. And presently he is Zero Six Zero at 00, Pedro what did you say that range was? On that last request?

Pedro: I didn't give you the range.

H: Oh, you didn't?

O: Zero Six Zero at what range?

H: Give range on this one, please.

Pedro: Okay. The one I've presently got?

H: Let's see. Negative. Okay, Pedro, give azimuth and range.

O: Pedro, you on?

Pedro: Right, I have Six Zero on the line.

H: Okay, what was the range? We didn't get that. Okay, Pedro, give azimuth and range on this target now.

Pedro: Got it. Azimuth is Zero Seven Zero. Range is about - I can't pick him up.

H: What's range?

Pedro: I can't pick him up. Range is about 40 miles, I guess.

H: Okay. Got problems with the instrumentation. Aman (?) said, first position on this target was 20 miles.

END OF SIDE A, TAPE 1

SIDE B:

A: Yes sir?

O: Look around to about uh, look uh, about Two Two Zero, for 5 miles or so.

A: Two Two Zero?

O: Alpha Zero has a contact, he says about 15 right or 20.

A: Two Two Zero?

O: Right.

O: Alpha. Do we get any flights down there anywhere now?

A: No sir, we don't. We're gonna let them fly.

P: Begin Pedro.

A: There is a light out there over the base.

O: Right.

H: Not at 80 miles now.

Pedro: Oh he is?

A: If I could contact now.

H: Please give us the azimuth and range on it, Pedro.

Pedro: Now he's at Zero Zero Zero for about 16 miles.

O: Uh, that is Interceptor.

Pedro: Good. Thank you.

(delay - just background noise)

P: Tower?

A: Yes sir?

P: Okay, we're going to turn it to Zero One over the runway again.

A: Okay. Which runway are you setting her down?

P: Well, it's turning, it's kinda swinging too far out. We don't like that, so we're gonna come in from about your...

A: Why don't you let it come in _____.

P: We're gonna come in. We're about your Two Seven Zero position.

A: Two Seven Zero?

P: Right. Flying Zero Nine Zero, right over the top of you.

A: Are you gonna come east, uh west-east over me then?

P: Right.

A: Right. What did he find out there to the west?

P: He lost his contact.

A: I still have a contact out there.

P: Oh you do? Visual?

A: Yes.

P: Is it one of these objects? Does it look the same as the rest of them?

A: No. This one uh just appears to be a flashing. Nothing red or green at the bottom.

P: Oh, I see. Could be something else.

A: Turn steady at Three Four Zero.

H: Uh, Pedro?

Pedro: Roger.

H: What the azimuth on that request you just had?

Pedro: Again?

H: Give me an azimuth off of this request.

Pedro: Alright.

O: Hey, Lans?

H: Right.

O: Send us that again, I _____ provide a checklist.

H: Okay.

Pedro: Matt?

H: Rog.

Pedro: Okay, I have your azimuth. He's heading Zero Nine _____

H: No, he's heading Three Four Zero now.

Pedro: Lans?

H: Right.

Pedro: 345. Range about 80.

H: Okay. That's Interceptor.

A: They're gonna swing him Zero Nine Zero again shortly here. Right over tower. Okay, turn it starboard Zero Nine Zero.

H: Pedro?

Pedro: Matt, are you getting any data off these objects now?

H: Pedro, hi.

Pedro: This is Pedro. How are ya doing?

H: Right. Kick your Number One into manual and follow the Interceptor and I'll tell you when to chase ahead of it.

Pedro: _____ degrees?

H: Right. He should be back to Three Five Zero degrees now. He's picking up his Zero Nine Zero heading.

Pedro: Okay _____ Okay.

P: Okay, Tower, we have Zero One now bearing about Two Nine Zero for 15.

A: _____ At 15?

P: Right. Coming straight for ya.

A: What heading? What heading are they on?

P: It's heading Zero Nine Zero.

A: Zero Nine?

O: What frequency is he on?

O: I think he's heading on a One One Zero.

H: Pedro, you locked on Interceptor now?

Pedro: Say again, Lans?

H: Are you locked on Interceptor now? Are you locked onto the Interceptor with your height finder?

Pedro: I can't hear you.

H: Say, have you got your height finder on the Interceptor.

Pedro: I'm not sure yet. How many degrees again?

H: Three Six Zero.

Pedro: Three Six Zero? What position and what range?

H: About 75.

H: Okay, we've been checking Zero One. They should be heading Zero Nine Zero right over your tower.

A: Zero Nine Zero overhead?

H: Yeah, he's about 6-8 miles out now from you.

A: Six or eight miles? What altitude?

H: 25,000.

O: And what altitude was he at last?

A: 25.

A: 25?

A: He was up to 25,000?

A: He's just - I'll point him to Zero One at 25,000.

A: 25?

A: Rog.

[background voices]

A: Okay. Zero One should be directly overhead now.

(delay)

O: How's Zero One looking now?

A: I don't have him in sight

O: Oh, he's right overhead, I guess

(delay)

A: Rog

A: Alright, I have Alpha Lima in sight now.

A: Yeah, he says he's got a contact. 12 o'clock 16.

A: That's it.

H: Okay, Pedro. Turn your height finder 7 degrees ahead of him. Turn your height finder 7 degrees ahead of that height - ahead of that Interceptor.

O: That should be a contact.

H: Hey Tower?

A: Yes?

H: How's he looking now? Is he headed toward anything?

A: Pretty good. He looks good.

H: Are the blips merging. I mean, uh...

A: Yes, he's converging on him.

H: You got any contacts out there?

O: No contacts out here.

H: Okay, keep going. keep going ahead. Go as far as 25 to 15 degrees ahead of the target.

O: Hey, Tower _____

A: They are converging. He seems to be maybe just a little bit south of it. Left turn, left turn. Low left turn. He's low and left. That thing is rising.

H: Tower, how's things look now?

A: He's low! Search high - search high. Search very high, the thing is rising. It's rising rapidly.

O: It looks like it's right above him from the Tower now.

A: It looks almost directly above him and rising.

H: Okay. Pedro, come back. Come back to the 'Ceptor.

- 1. The first step in the process of... [faint text]
- 2. The second step is... [faint text]
- 3. The third step is... [faint text]
- 4. The fourth step is... [faint text]
- 5. The fifth step is... [faint text]
- 6. The sixth step is... [faint text]
- 7. The seventh step is... [faint text]
- 8. The eighth step is... [faint text]
- 9. The ninth step is... [faint text]
- 10. The tenth step is... [faint text]
- 11. The eleventh step is... [faint text]
- 12. The twelfth step is... [faint text]
- 13. The thirteenth step is... [faint text]
- 14. The fourteenth step is... [faint text]
- 15. The fifteenth step is... [faint text]
- 16. The sixteenth step is... [faint text]
- 17. The seventeenth step is... [faint text]
- 18. The eighteenth step is... [faint text]
- 19. The nineteenth step is... [faint text]
- 20. The twentieth step is... [faint text]

A: Is he up from me now?

H: Pedro, search. Are you on here?

Pedro: Roger, go ahead.

H: Okay. Next time he gives me a position that he's passing this object, I'm gonna give it to you and right then I want you to mark it and have your height finder search 15 degrees either side of that.

Pedro: Okay.

O: Where's Alpha Lima now?

O: Hey, Tower?

A: Yes?

O: They didn't say what frequency the Alpha Lima was on, did they?

A: No. If I had to guess...

O: Two Three Zero might do it.

A: Lans?

H: Yes?

A: What frequency are you working Alpha Lima on?

H: Two Eighty Two Two.

A: Two Eighty Two Two?

H: Rog.

O: Okay, Alpha Lima Zero One should be closing on that object we just made a pass at. And a possible contact down our search radar.

A: Lans?

H: Rog.

A: Where's Alpha Lima now?

H: He's Zero Six Five for 30 from you now.

A: Zero Six Five 30.

H: Right. Make that 25 now.

A: 25.

H: Rog.

O. Mark that spot, Sherm. We lost the possible contact on search radar again.

A. What altitude?

H. Okay, Zero One now should be Zero Six Zero for 20.

A. Zero Six Zero for 20. What altitude?

H. 40,000.

A. 40?

H. Rog, Pedro, he's now at level 40. He's climbing at 40, he should be at 33 now. 34.

Pedro. 33, 34. Alright, sir.

H. You got him, Pedro?

Pedro. Zero Three Two. Got a target there. He's coming inbound.

A. You got any possibilities you can run him on?

H. Okay, Tower.

A. Yes.

H. We have Alpha Lima Zero One, Zero Eight Zero for 18.

A. Yeah, I think I have Alpha Lima now. One of the objects is to his right. It's low.

H. To his right and low.

A. Yeah.

H. (calls out) Search visually right and low. Pedro search? Mark that spot. Check 5 degrees either side of that search, height finder and look high and low. Okay, Zero One is at 40,000.

A. You got 40?

H. Yeah, he's searching right and low. No joy. Tower, how is he in reference to some of the blips now?

A. I'm not sure I have him now. I think I've lost him.

H. He is now about, uh, Alpha Lima is now about One Two Zero for 13.

A. One Two Zero at 13?

H. Rog, 40,000.

O. Yeah, he's really enjoying that area. Pedro, you guys find target out there?

Pedro. He is too far away. He's too far west.

O: Alpha One Zero is too far west?

Pedro: Yes.

O: Well, now he's only about - he's bearing about One Three Five for 8 from you now.

Pedro: I have him at about One Six Zero, moving almost due south of me now. He is well west of all the objects.

O: Roger, we'll bring him over your station again, head up that way.

Pedro: Okay, have him come right, have him line up with my runway Zero Four. Have him go in a right turn and roll out Zero Four Zero and bring him right down my runway.

H: You're gonna do what now?

Pedro: Right turn and roll out Zero Four Zero, come right down my runway.

H: Okay. Realize his turn radius up there is about 20 miles.

Pedro: That'll put him to the north when he comes around.

H: Rog. Okay.

Pedro: Okay. Put him in a starboard turn Zero Four Zero.

H: Zero One, turning starboard Zero Four Zero.

P: Roger.

H: That should bring him in quite a ways north of you.

Pedro: Yes he will. We'll probably lose him when he goes over the tower and have to catch him on the..

H: Rog.

Pedro: I'll try to keep an eye on him.

H: I've got a possible contact on search radar bearing from your station Zero Seven Five for 10.

Pedro: Zero Seven Five at 10?

H: Roger. Anything out there?

Pedro: I have one at Zero Seven Five, could _____.

H: Rog.

Pedro: And high. He's in our blanked out area now.

H: Which height finder?

[several speaking at once]

O: Lans, this is Tower.

H: Rog.

O: This is Captain Clark. Do you have any height on these things over here to the east of Edwards?

H: Negative. Unable to get them on height finder. We're trying to mark them now with the Interceptor passes under them.

CC: Right.

H: Or in the vicinity of them. And we are unable to get them on the height finder at the present time. If you give me an approximate time that he does pass under this, I got the surveillance man at the site standing by to mark this position. I'll have both height finders search that area.

CC: Okay.

A: Okay, he's looking pretty good.

H: Okay. Zero One's gonna come in about 2 or 3 miles north of your station.

A: I have him in sight.

H: He's in a right turn. And you have him steady on what heading?

A: If he comes directly across from Tower from his present position, he'll head right straight towards us. Have him, have him hold, when he comes over the Tower, have him hold that heading.

H: What heading?

A: The heading he'll be on when he comes over the Tower, he's heading right straight over the Tower now. Have him hold that heading.

H: He's steady on the steady out over the Tower.

A: Okay, steady out and head almost due...head him about Zero Eight Zero. He's overhead Tower now.

H: Pedro?

Pedro: Right, Pedro.

H: Right, you got this guy on your height finder right now?

Pedro: Not on height One Zero.

H: Got him on search.

Pedro: Negative. Don't have him on...he's in a blanked out area over here.

H: On your search he's blanked out?

Pedro: Negative. On the height finder.

H: Nah, have you got him on the search?

Pedro: Right, I got him.

H: Okay.

A: What heading is the Interceptor on now?

H: He's on Zero Eight Zero heading.

A: Okay, hold that.

P: Zero Zero Zero at 16, 72.

H: He should be directly overhead now. What's his nearest target at this time? Tower? Hey, Tower this is Lans.

A: Go ahead, Lans. This is Tower on.

H: Yeah, what's his nearest target at this time.

A: I can't even see him anymore now. He hasn't come out the east side of the Tower yet. How far east is he showing?

H: Two miles now. He's eight miles high.

A: I have him in sight now.

H: Okay, he's heading Zero Eight Zero.

A: Okay. Have him continue Zero Eight Zero. About Zero Seven Zero now.

H: Okay, he's past the Tower by 5 miles.

A: Zero, head him left Zero Seven Zero.

H: He's turning port Zero Seven Zero now.

A: Roger. I have him.

H: Rog. How's he lining up?

A: He looks pretty good.

H: Luminous object 12 o'clock?

A: Should be 12 o'clock.

?: (calls out) Luminous object 12 o'clock.

A: Have him turn port another 10 degrees. Port Zero Six Zero.

H: Zero Six Zero now.

A: He'll be passing to the right of it.

?: Passing slightly right.

A: Another port.

H: Port how much?

A: 20 degrees. And high, high. He's way low.

H: Way low?

A: Yes.

H: We're at 40,000 feet!

A: Still low. Search high. I would say he was about under it now.

?: He should be under it now.

H: Did he pass under target at this time?

A: Yes, about the time I said mark it appeared that he was almost under it.

H: Okay. Mark that spot there. Pedro?

Pedro: Right.

H: Okay, search 10 degrees either side. Hm. All Zero One reports is one great big bright shiny star.

A: That's what it appears like from the Tower now. It has that appearance from here now. It is much, much higher than when we first observed it.

H: If it's that much higher, we're not gonna see it on the search radar.

A: I suspect it's over your radar now. It's hard to judge the distance.

Pedro: Pedro.

H: Go.

A: Let me take a quick scan of the skies here and see what else, see if I can spot another one.

P: ...72.

H: Zero One Zero 72. Is that in the area of this target you're searching?

Pedro: Rog. This is the search. PPI.

H: That is the PPI search area?

Pedro: I have the Interceptor at another range now but I have another target. Zero One Zero headed east.

H: Hey, Tower?

A: Yes sir?

H: Have you got anything else in sight?

A: No sir, just those two that we tried on there. And he appeared from the Tower to pass way beneath it.

H: Edwards?

A: Yes sir?

H: Is there one about southeast of you, about 3 miles at this time.

A: He's at 3?

H: Right. Yes, southeast much closer. We've got a possible contact there on something.

A: Just a moment, I see something, let me throw my glasses on it.

H: One Two Zero.

A: Let me throw my glasses on it.

[background]

H: Pedro, what's the ground speed on that target you got?

Pedro: That I just gave you?

H: Right.

Pedro: I don't know, I scanned him twice and now he's gone.

H: Painted him twice and he's gone. That's what I was afraid of. Hey, Tower? Hey, Tower? Hmm. Sir, I hate to be an optimist but that fighter looks like he's going some place.

H: Pedro?

Pedro: Right.

H: Right. Did you find anything back in that search area I gave you?

Pedro: Negative.

H: Nothin'. Hey, Tower? They've all been kidnapped.

A: Lans?

H: Rog.

A: Just a minute here. (pause) The only one I have now that I can definitely say is making the colors is -

H: Stand by, Pedro.

A: ...is approximately One Two Zero from me.

H: One Two Zero from you?

A: Yes.

H: I've got a possible contact on search there.

A: What, sir?

H: Stand by, Tower. Let me tweak and see if there's any...I'm gonna leave the phone here for a second. Okay, Pedro.

Pedro: I just had a _____

[huge increase in background noise - continuous]

O: Where is Alpha Lima Zero One?

H: Zero One is bearing Zero Eight Five 30.

A: Still there?

H: Rog.

A: Uh - bearing of Zero One Zero?

H: Right.

A: He's about 16,000 feet?

H: 16,000?

A: Right. Sir? W.D.? Yo!

H: Rog. Right. That target at Edwards there is at 16,000.

O: You've got him on target at 16,000?

H: Right.

O: That's One Six thousand?

H: Right, 16,000. Pedro? Keep your height finder locked on it. And search. Keep an eye on it.

Pedro: Is that at uniform One Zero Six?

H: Negative. This is an uninitiated track. It's uh.. _____ at Edwards.

Pedro: Roger. I see. We'll initiate it.

H: Keep an eye on it. Last time we did, it split. Remember?

O: You still got prism search?

H: One Two Zero from you?

A: Yes.

H: I've got a possible contact on search there.

A: What, sir?

H: Stand by, Tower. Let me tweak and see if there's any...I'm gonna leave the phone here for a second. Okay, Pedro.

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H: Keep an eye on it. Last time we did, it split. Remember?

O: You still got prism search?

H: Tower, come back on the air. Sir. Yes. That target has disappeared off of radar.

O: I've got some present data here now.

H: Yah I see it. No, that's not it. You hit the wrong one. It's the one above it. _____

O: I don't show anything else.

H: He's coming in head on at it.

O: Roger. Were you able to establish a track out of that?

H: Negative, Edwards was able to establish a track. Have you still got it on height finder. Hey, Tower?

A: Yes sir.

H: Zero One bearing One Two Zero for 10 coming now.

A: One Two Zero at 10. What altitude?

H: He's descending to One Five.

A: I don't have it.

H: Okay. Zero One's got a visual - a flashing target, low, his present position.

A: He's got one?

H: Yes he does.

A: Alright. Zero Zero Eight. He's in the right place.

H: He's in the right place now, huh?

A: I don't have him in sight but if he's Zero Ten at 10 he's in the right place.

H: Okay, there's a target at One south. Hey, Tower?

A: Yes sir.

H: You've got a visual on Zero One? He's about One Four Zero for 8 now. Now about One Six Zero.

A: Here he is. Okay. I have Alpha Lima. What's the heading of Alpha Lima?

H: Alpha Lima is now at 11,000 feet. He's bearing One Six Zero for 6 from you.

A: Yeah, what's the heading.

H: Let's see, he's orbiting now. Looks like he's turning starboard directly over ya.

A: Does he have a _____

H: Hey, Edwards?

A: Yes?

H: Do you have Zero One now?

A: Yes, I have him tracked.

H: Is he still in the vicinity of the target?

A: I can't definitely say that that is a target. We saw it. We have what he's looking at but it doesn't appear to be ah, flashing from the Tower. I think we have what he's looking at. We do have something out there. I can't say what it is.

[terrible background noise continues]

H: But that's not a target, huh?

A: It doesn't look like the other ones did. It looks further away. It looks like he's coming back over the field now. He's heading out west of me now, right?

H: Say again?

A: He's out west of me now, right?

H: Roger.

O: Did the interceptor make any contact with that target Zero One Zero?

H: He ran right over it. I don't think - I don't know if he made contact visual on it or not.

A: ...it's stationary...

H: Is he stationary?

A: Rog. 16,000?

A: 16,000 _____

H: Weapons? W D? What happened to Weapons? Did they drop off? What happened to the fighter? Somebody ease him off?

A: He's right over Edwards.

H: Oh, he's right over you?

A: Right up overhead. You got him on the height finder?

E: He's not over Edwards now.

H: Does somebody have him on a height finder?

O: What about Pedro?

H: They're looking for him. They've got him on search. Weapons?

W: Rog.

H: Weapons on? We looked for ya there for a second.

W: Yeah, I dropped off for a second. Okay, Alpha Zero One is in approach, we can see him at this time.

H: Is he coming back for another pass on 109, sir? That's what we just put on that _____ pass.

O: Huh, 109, huh? What's the height on 109 there? Got a height on him?

H: Last time they had him he was at 16,000.

O: 16, huh?

H: Pedro?

Pedro: Roger?

H: You still got that bat on the radar?

Pedro: I still have him on search.....

?: Search One Zero Nine and see what you get.

H: You had him at 16,000 though, right?

Pedro: Right. He's stationary, he hasn't moved but about one degree. He's still the same.

H: Okay, put that height finder on automatic and I want to sent a request to it.

Pedro. Will do.

[roaring background noise continues]

O: _____?

H: Rog.

O: Look on visual. What does Alpha Lima come up with on visual?

P: Negative.

H: Negative. Okay, Pedro, you got the request.

Pedro: Okay. I haven't received it yet.

H: No, on Zero. One won't go up that high.

Pedro: Okay, I got it.

A: We've got radar contact out here at your One Three Zero position for 12.

H: Say again?

O: Are you running an ETM on it now?

H: Affirmative.

O: I don't have any contact on it now _____. Okay, does Zero One have a visual contact on these things?

A: Yes.

O: Okay, we'll cover off Lima Zero One then.

A: I don't have another one in sight.

H: You lost them all, huh? Zero One said he saw some reflections off the ground that appear to be flashing.

A: Reflections off the ground that appear to be flashing?

H: Right. Off the lake bed.

A: Huh. I don't know what that could be - my beacon?

H: No, he knows the beacon. Okay, Sir, might as well key off and break this line down then.

A: Okay, sir.

H: We'll see you tomorrow night.

O: Surveillance here. Do you want to debrief Alpha Lima?

H: Yeah, I've been looking at it in the air here on my - on the monitor.

O: Yeah. Are you going to debrief him when he lands?

H: Probably will.

O: Okay. I'll come over for that then.

H: Okay, fine.

O: Alright. Thank you.

[phone ringing]

FS: Flight supervisor.

H: ____ three. You wanted to know the results of Alpha Lima Zero One?

FS: Yeah.

H: Negative.

FS: Negative results, huh?

H: Well, he picked up a low-flying aircraft, a few ground targets, things like that.

FS: I'll be doggone.

H: He went through it 15, 25 and 40,000 feet on these visual objects and uh, supposedly flew right under it according to ground observations, visual observations, and I recorded nothing flying underneath it.

FS: Okay, well thanks very much. It was kind of interesting anyway.

H: Yeah, it is. We're as curious as you are.

FS: Yeah.

H: Guess we'll never know.

FS: Yeah. I guess not. Okay, well, thanks for calling.

H: Rog.

[phone ringing]

SG: _____ Snyder George(?).

H: Right. This is _____ W.D. Tech One. T-More(?) will be active this morning.

SG: Okay, sure, kiddo.

H: Tell the boss.

[phone ringing]

?: _____

H: Right. Is Jack — oh, good. Good morning, Jack. This morning _____

[Ends and different voices pick up.]

[faint voice] ...recording from the air. Nothing out here. (clear) Matter of fact, this is the first one I've observed and I would say now it's 20,000 feet.

H: Uh huh.

END OF TAPE

**INTERVIEW WITH SNOOPY 2 POLICE HELICOPTER PILOT
CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA - 27 DECEMBER 1977 INCIDENT**

CODE: W - Witness (the pilot) I - Interviewer(s)

SIDE B, TAPE 2

W: It was on December 27th, approximately 5 minutes till 11p.m. We were flying out on the Independence Boulevard area. There was a call that came over the police radio at 9th and College. We weren't sure what the call was. We understood they were looking for an automobile so we headed that way. I was traveling a north-northwesterly direction toward the 9th and College. As I was headed that way, I observed two objects. It was approximately 2,000 foot indicated altitude. I pointed to my partner _____ and showed him the two objects. I thought at first it was two military helicopters headed towards Fort Bragg. It was like they were flying in formation and it appeared they had their landing light on. As we went under both objects, I observed that there was no rotating beacon, no strobe light, no navigational lights or anything.

After going underneath them I swung back around - it was only a minute. They had the car they were looking for. So we turned around. I was going to go back around and check it out. Going back, I couldn't find the objects. I got to the Coliseum. I circled around the Coliseum and turned back to the northerly - to a northerly direction. As I did, I observed the two objects coming at me. I was doing approximately a hundred, a hundred and ten miles an hour at this particular time. So I pulled back on the cyclip and started climbing, losing my air speed. I was trying to get behind the one that was the closest to me. As both objects passed by, I turned to the left and tried to circle behind one of the objects. One of the objects that was in front appeared to climb to about four thousand foot. The other object turned to an easterly direction. I was turning to a westerly direction so I immediately swung back to the right - to an easterly direction. As I did, I observed the object and I was within two hundred foot of it. It was a bright glow of light, it looked just about like the light that a 100 - 150 watt light bulb would put out. I observed the light. It glowed upward instead of outward. The shape of the top of the object appeared to be the shape of a parachute. It had the ribbed seams in it. It was about half the size of a parachute.

As I observed it, a ball of fire came from the front portion of the object and fell approximately ten foot - that's all I could see. And then the object took off in an easterly direction. I started after the object. About that time, the control tower operator called me and told me he had a target south of me around South Park Shopping Center. I swung to the south and I observed the same object. We started toward the object and got within approximately a mile of it. The object disappeared. I immediately called the control tower operator back and asked him if he still had it on the screen. And he stated to me that it just dropped it off the screen.

I: Okay, and you saw no more lights? That was the end of the....

W: That was the end of it.

I: Okay. Uh, the total elapsed time - what do you feel - did you note your watches when you first saw it and then when it ended? Did you get the elapsed time from the initial sighting of the objects to when it last..?

W: I would estimate that my second encounter with them after I came around behind the Coliseum and they were coming out of the north...I would say right about 11:00 o'clock. We have a digital clock on the instrument panel in the helicopter. And I looked at the clock after I lost both - or all three - objects. And it was five minutes after 11:00. So, I saw the total thing and it lasted less than four minutes.

I: Okay, four minutes, now, from the first encounter to the - when you first sighted the two objects - or the second time?

W: The second time. I would say it was a total of about seven minutes total from the time I first spotted them until I lost them.

I: Okay. Seven minutes. Okay. Four minutes on the second encounter when you picked them up again. Okay. Now, you mentioned three objects. Two objects you first saw and then coming back, did you see the two objects?

W: It would be the same two objects.

I: Okay. Did they seem to be connected?

W: No, they were not connected because one stayed about 1,800 to 2,000 foot indicated altitude. The other one appeared to climb to about 4,000 foot.

I: Okay.

W: And one appeared to go straight for as far as I seen him. Later on, while I was talking - I was talking to the control tower the whole time. I called the tower and asked him if he had any targets on the scope out there by the Coliseum; that I had two objects out there that didn't have any night navigation lights, rotating beacons or anything. He stated to me that he did have three targets over the Coliseum area. I swung around and turned the landing light on them - from the helicopter. And he stated he had visual contact with them.

I: Okay, now, one of the targets is a Cessna going by.

W: That had already gone by. I saw the, I observed the Cessna going by.

I: You did observe the Cessna?

W: Yeah, I....

I: Okay. So after you turned your landing light so the tower could see you, okay, now did you have two or three objects in sight?

W: I had two objects. I didn't know anything about the third object.

I: Okay, you had two objects in sight. Now when the...the ball or piece fell down or went off, now did you have the two objects in sight when they, when one of them fell off?

W: I only had one. I was on the bunch on the end. Then I couldn't keep up trying to catch both of them. So I was trying to get one of them.

I: Okay, so two were in the area but you were trying to get one? Okay, so you were watching one. So the ball came off of that one object then did the object rise?

W: No, it gave him a uh, easterly or northeasterly direction. I couldn't really say because I swung to the left and then I swung back to the right -

I: ...on the radar tape we've got what direction they basically pinpointed, but. Okay. Okay, when the object rose and went up to 4,000 feet, did it rise up before it ejected the ball or did it go up and then eject the ball, then...okay.