## HEADQUARTERS 3902D OPERATIONS SQUADRON Offutt Air Force Base Nebraska

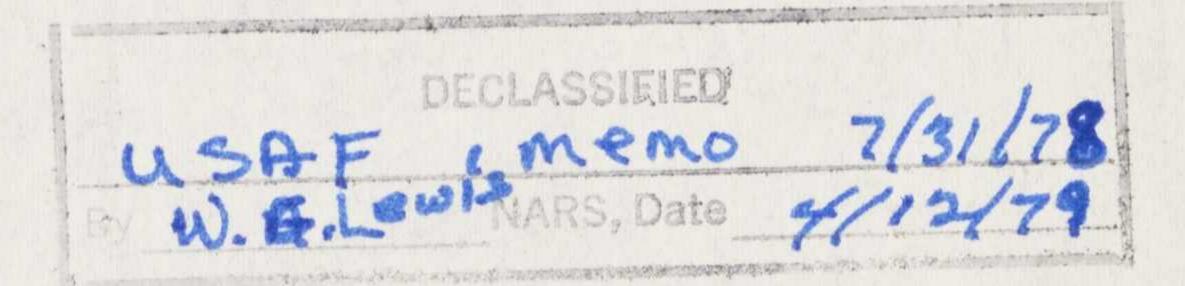
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23 October 1953

Report of Radar sighting of unidentified object by SCR -584 SUBJECT: Rawin Crew, 0305Z 13 October 1953. UFOB.

TO:

Director of Operations 3902d Air Base Wing Offutt Air Force Base Nebraska



1. Description of Object.

a. Shape N.

b. Size N.

c. Color N/A

Number. One.

e. Formation N/A

f. Any discernible feature or detail N.

g. Tail, Trail, Exhaust as compared to size of object N.

h. Sound N.

i. Other pertinent or unusual features N.

2. Description of course of object.

a. What first called attention of observer to object. The sudden appearance of an object on the radar scope which was of equal size and same intensity as the radar target on the weather balloon.

b. Angle of Elevation and Azimuth Angle at first appearance. Angle of Elevation 54 degrees, Azimuth Angle 250 degrees.

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- c. Slant Range and Azimuth Angle of object when it dissappeared. Slant Range of 20000 yards, Azimuth Angle of 070 degrees.
- d. Description of Flight path and maneuvers of object. The "UFOB". The object entered the scope from the Northeast and continued on a heading of 250 degrees for about 10 minutes, gradually it changed direction and left the scope on a heading of approximately 070 degrees. Altitude of object varied from 225000 feet to 37000 feet during sighting.
- e. Manner of dissappearance of object. Object just faded off the Radar Scope.
- f. Length of time in sight. Object in sight for approximately 36 minutes.
  - 3. Manner of observations.
- a. Observed by Ground Electronic Equipment SCR-584 on an "A" scope.
  - b. Statement as to optical aids. N.
  - 4. Time and date of sighting.
    - a. 0300Z, 13 October 1953.
    - b. Light conditions. Day.
  - 5. Location of observer, 41 degrees 07' N 95 degrees 54' W.
  - 6. Identifying information of all observers.
    - a. Civilian N/A
- b. Military. S/Sgt August A Washington Hq first Weather Gp "Base Weather Station" Offutt AFB. Ground Equipment operator AFSC 25150. A/2C Harold M Napier. Hq 1st weather Group "Base Weather Station" Offutt Air Force Base. Ground Equipment operator AFSC 25130. Both airmen regarded as highly competent and reliable.
- 7. Weather and winds aloft. Conditions at time and place of sighting.
- a. Observers account of weather conditions. Clear and unrestricted.
- b. Report from nearest AWS on US Weather Bureau of winds. Surface 130/10K, 6000' 190/19K, 10000' 220/10K, 16000' 200/10K, 20000 190/5K, 30000' 240/19K.



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- c. Ceiling. Unlimited.
- d. Visibility. 12 NM
- e. Cloud Cover. None
- f. Thunderstorms in Area. None.
- 8. Any other unusual activity or condition Meteorological, Astronomical or otherwise which might account for sighting. N.
- 9. Existance of physical evidence of sighting such as Materials and photographs. N.
  - 10. Interception of identification action taken N/A
- ll. Location of Air Traffic in area at time of sighting. No local Air Traffic. No aircraft using R.B.S. site.
- 12. Position, title and comments of preparing officer. Navigator, investigating officer. After interviewing observers of sighting, questioning radar technicians and operators of the RBS site and base radar operators, it has been established that sightings similar to these have been made many times during recent years. These sightings are made often at the RBS site and they have called in radar experts and none can definitely find a cause for this apparent appearance of objects on the radar scopes. It is the conclusion of radar experts that this is a phenomena of microwaves transmission and reception, probable aided by meteorological and astronomical activity.

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