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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: UFO Sighted at Waldorf, MD on 22 July 1965

TO: AFISIIC

1. The duty officer at the Command Post this date cut me in on a telephone call which was in progress. It concerned someone, not identified to me, making a call about an unidentified flying object which he had seen on the evening of 22 Jul about 1945 hours. He was describing the object when I was cut in. It was long, was orangish-red in color fading into the blue at the end of its very long tale. It was shaped liked a PEPCO sign. The caller could not estimate its speed. He was driving on a road east of Waldorf, Md at the time and saw it against a cloud bank. Telephone # 449-6231.

2. The caller had no further information and after he hung up, the Command Post cut out.

ROBERT R. SPRINGER, SMSGT, USAF
ADMINISTRATIVE SUPERINTENDENT

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TO: AFNIN

FROM: AFISIIA

SUBJECT: (U) Unidentified Flying Object

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- [ ] INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN INITIATED AND REPORTS WILL BE FORWARDED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
- [ ] ATTACHED IS REPORT OF INVESTIGATION. THIS MATTER IS ☐ PENDING ☐ CLOSED.
- [ ] REQUEST REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN. *(AFR 124-4)*
- [ ] IF THIS IS PROCESSED UNDER AFR ; REQUEST COMPLIANCE WITH PARAGRAPH
- [ ] REPORT OF PRIOR INVESTIGATION/SUMMARY ATTACHED.
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- [ ] RETURN ATTACHMENT(S) AFTER HAVING SERVED YOUR PURPOSE.
- [ ] REQUEST AN INDICES CHECK ON ABOVE SUBJECT AND INDIVIDUAL(S) LISTED IN OTHER/REMARKS.
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OTHER/REMARKS

1. The attached is forwarded for your action in accordance with AFR 200-2.

2. Our files contain no prior record regarding the letter writer.

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Ltr, 6 Jan 65, from
Mrs. T. V. Gates

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Mrs. F. V. Gaun
71 Downing Ave
Sea Cliff, L.I.
New York.

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71 Dogwood Ave
Sea Cliff, L.I.
January 6th/65

To Whom it may Concern,

Dear Sirs,

Yesterday, January 5th, I was visiting my friend whose husband is an American Air-line pilot. While I was there he came in with another pilot of the same line who proceeded to launch into a very detailed discription of an encounter with one of these so-called flying saucers over Washington D.C. at 6,000 feet on January 3rd at about 5 P.M. It sounded quite fantastic but I must admit he convinced me & his co-pilot actually saw the genuine article. They refused to report it because of the subsequent grilling the pilots have learned to expect, besides the boys know they are made the laughing-stock by the skeptical.

Now, maybe I'm a busy body to report it for him & it really, at first, never entered my mind but tonight in the Long Island Press I read a report that the radar operators at Patuxent Naval Station spotted two U.F.O's approaching at a speed of 1,800 miles per hour the evening of Dec. 29th.

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Since the public haven't been informed of any recent apparitions, I thought it was rather a coincident that an infernal machine was actually seen 5 days later thatn the blips on our radar.

They first saw the small black speck on a higher plane to their right It came very fast down & toward them. — like this: —

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It was so large it filled the wind sheild in front & though scared to death they altered course as a spontaneous reaction. The ship hovered in front of them, then also took off at a sharp angle away to the left & up. It all happened so fast I discount their estimation of the size & speed — which I feel is extremely difficult to gauge — in the wide blue yonder.

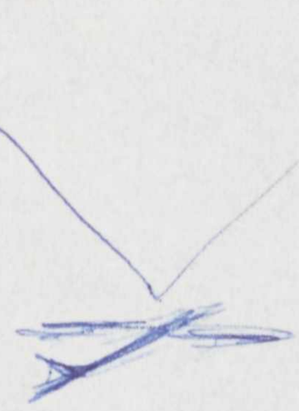
But I do think they got a good look at the shape. It was jet black. — the shape of a traingl: — slightly rounded at the bottom & fuzzy arround the edges as though enveloped in gases or had the



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optical allusion of a spinning top. One guess is good as another I. They thought it might have been travelling about Mach 3 & it was ~~big~~ - (they said about a block long) ~~&~~ It came mighty close (1,000 yards) This is all pure guess work.

At any rate the passengers probably didn't see it as it stayed in front of the jet :-



So, now I've done my duty as a good citizen — & reported this unexpected visitors. Somewhere, I read the Canadians were working on this saucer theory. I doubt very much if the Russians had it because the "juveniles" would be bragging by now. And possibly threatening. It gives me goose bumps to contemplate if it came from outer space. On the other hand, maybe creatures with a higher I.Q. than we have, have looked this beautiful Planet over & decided to wait until damn fool humans have blown themselves to Kingdom Come. They certainly would do a better job! Freedom has its drawbacks!

I'll not mention the Pilots name — he wouldn't appreciate my tattling!

Sincerely Mrs. Gates

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BOLLING AIR FORCE BASE 25, D.C.

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22 APR 1963

4D OSI 24-0 -734

Unidentified Flying Object (UFO)

Silver Spring, Md.

Commander
Andrews Air Force Base
Washington 25, D. C.

1. On 11 April 1963, this District Office received a telephonic notification of a UFO having been sighted by DAVID ALEXANDER, a schoolboy, 9508 Penn Oak Drive, Silver Spring, Maryland, JUniper 5-8618. A time exposure photograph was allegedly made of the UFO by ALEXANDER and a friend, JEFF BROWN, 9632 Brunett Street, Silver Spring, Maryland. ALEXANDER advised this occurred on the night of 11 November 1962 and he has been attempting since then to report it to the proper agency. ALEXANDER described the UFO as a streak of light which traveled horizontally across the sky, turned upward and exploded.

2. The above is furnished for your information and any action deemed necessary.

JOHN W. GAFFNEY
Colonel, USAF
Commander

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10 AUG 1960

4D OSI 24-0-583

(U) UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Commander
Bolling Air Force Base
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Pursuant to the provisions of AFR 200-2, dated 14 September 1959, the information below is forwarded to your Headquarters.

2. On 3 August 1960, Special Agent MORRIS C. CAILLOUET interviewed MSgt GEORGE B. COLLINS, RO 14014368, Special Assistant's Office, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs, Room 2D775, The Pentagon Building, Washington 25, D. C., telephone extension 79952. COLLINS stated that on the night of 2 August 1960 he was "trying out" a new set of 7 x 50 binoculars in the rear yard of his residence - 3913 Stratford Lane, Alexandria, Virginia. While looking at the moon, he noticed a small object moving in the lower portion of his field of vision. This was at approximately 2203 hours. He stated this object started moving, stopped, then moved again. At first he thought this to be some foreign material on the lens of his binoculars, but upon checking it the lens was clear and he could see the object without the use of the binoculars. He then sat in a chair so he could brace the binoculars and observed the object trace the approximate path indicated on Attachment #1. He stated the object took approximately seven seconds to travel this distance. As the object began fading at the end of the path indicated, COLLINS called his next door neighbor, B/G DONN C. HART (Retired), 3911 Stratford Lane, Alexandria, Virginia, over to view this object. At this time COLLINS stated they could not see the original object, but observed a second one as indicated on Attachment #1. This object remained stationary in the sky for approximately 1½ hours.

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3. COLLINS could not make an identification of these objects with anything known to him. See Attachment #2 for COLLINS' description of these objects.

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4. COLLINS stated the visibility and ceiling were unlimited during his observations, and that the object appeared in the southeast section of the sky. According to COLLINS, the angle of elevation of his line of sight was about 25 degrees.

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5. COLLINS stated he had marked the approximate location of the object by a mark on his garage and added that he would make further attempts to observe these objects.

JOHN W. GAFFNEY
Colonel, USAF
Commander

2 Atchs (dup)
1. Diagram, UFO Sighting, 2 Aug 60
2. Diagram, UFO Sighting, 2 Aug 60

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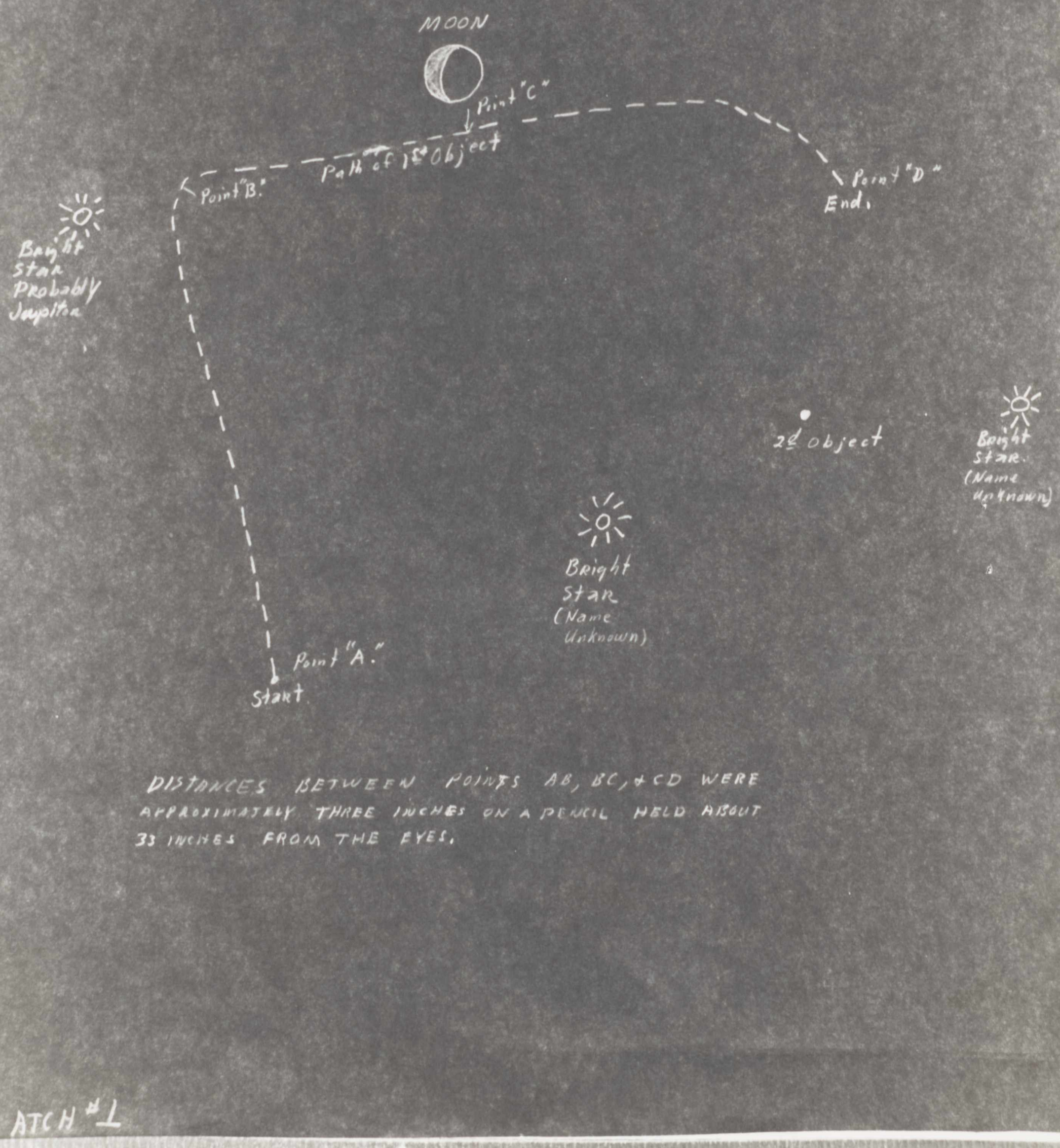
It should be noted that on 3 August 1960, Major LEO OLSEN, Directorate OSI, telephonically contacted this office and requested that M/Sgt GEORGE COLLINS, assigned to the Office of Special Assistant to the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Publications, be interviewed inasmuch as he possessed information concerning Unidentified Flying Objects.

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UFO SIGHTING - 2 August 1960
ALEXANDER, VA.



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ATCH #1

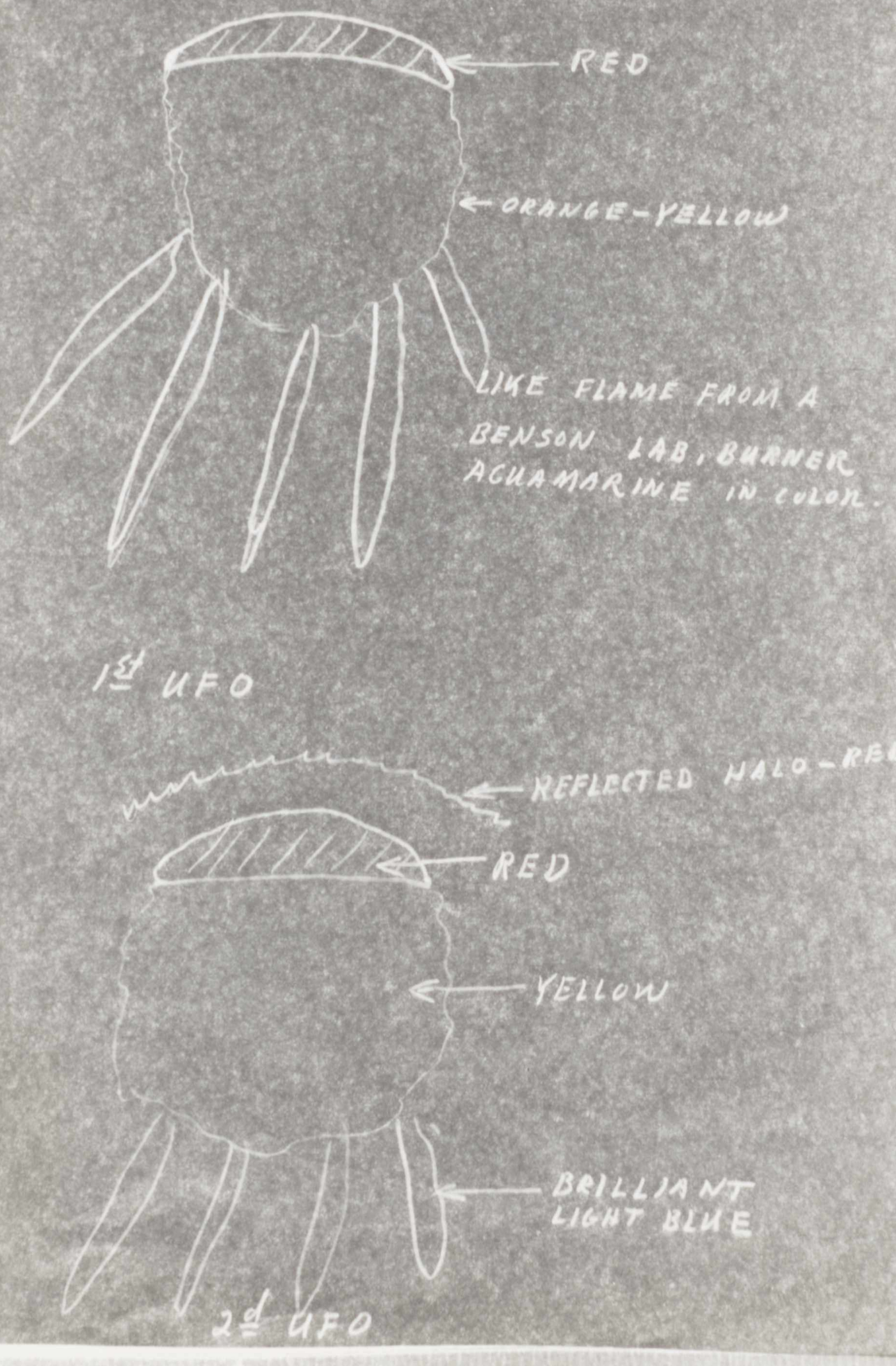
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UFO SIGHTING - 2 August 1960
ALEXANDER, VA.

MOON UFO

SIZE COMPARISON



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There Is So Something Alien Up There

Reviewed by Garrett Underhill

A writer on military subjects, Mr. Underhill served as an Army General Staff editor of military intelligence publications during World War II and Korea.

FLYING SAUCERS: TOP SECRET. By Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe, USMC (Ret.). Putnam's. 285 pp. $3.95.

THIS LATEST and most sensational book on saucery is avowedly an all-out effort by the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena to get a "showdown" congressional investigation of "Unidentified Flying Objects."

The author, a Committee director, flatly charges that of late years the United States Air Force deliberately has kept its investigation of "UFOs" under ever-tighter secrecy. He claims that the Air Force, like his Committee, has come to believe that UFOs are real but not Russian: they're from outer space.

He contends that the Air Force has clammed up because it fears to alarm people over what it can neither explain nor do anything about. He says that this fear of popular panic, which derives in no small part from the effect of Orson Welles' 1938 "Martian invasion" radio broadcast, recently has been heightened by in-air damage to commercial and military planes (and disappearance of others over the Pacific) only explicable in terms of collision with UFOs.

DESIGNED FOR the popular market, the book reads like a grafting of science fiction and "private eye." Throughout, the author and his cohorts battle for the truth against reputed Air Force cover-up. They find evidence in an ancient Turkish chart supposedly based on a map of the world owned by Columbus, that the present UFO "invasion" is merely a return of spacemen to earth, where they founded and abandoned a colony 10,000 years ago.

Exposition is largely by conversations reminiscent of a Ben Hecht city room ("You'd better work fast. This is a big break for Air Force censors. They can use it to kill off NICAP"), which is at least eminently entertaining.

To non-scholars, the book may be horrifyingly convincing. The author, a retired Marine flier, has strong support from fellow Annapolis graduates also retired.

THE AUTHOR nevertheless appears unfair to the Air Force. He fails to recognize that, were there any conscious program of cover-up, the decision wouldn't be the USAF's. Further, Keyhoe and his NICAP so far have consistently failed to develop a scientific approach, in effect living off Air Force data while contributing little or nothing but alarmism.

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(U) UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S): Unidentified Flying Object Sighted over Downtown Baltimore Area by Mrs. THELMA KERSEY, 112 W. Mulberry Street, Baltimore 1, Md.

Commander
Andrews Air Force Base
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Attached for your information is a copy of a letter received by this office from the Officer in Charge, Field Intelligence Office, U. S. Navy, 103 S. Gay Street, Baltimore, Maryland, concerning the sighting of an Unidentified Flying Object over the downtown area of Baltimore on 18 November 1959 by a Mrs. THELMA KERSEY.

2. This letter is classified CONFIDENTIAL to preclude unauthorized disclosure of investigative information.

KEEFE O'KEEFE
Colonel, USAF
Commander

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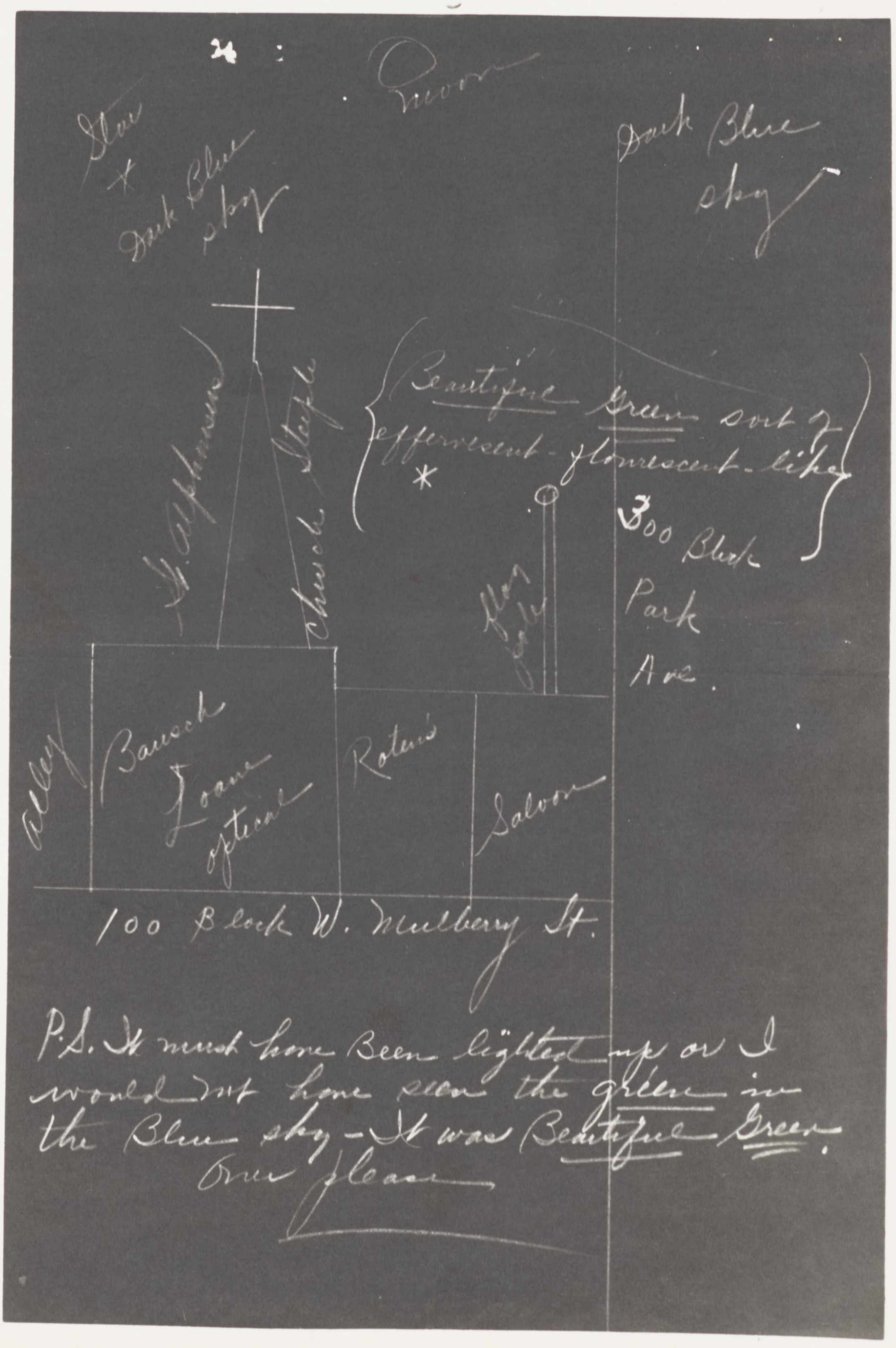
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P.S. It must have Been lightest up or I would not have seen the green in the Blue sky - It was Beautiful Green. Over Clear

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I had heard noise, as I sat by the
Window looking out - Clock had
just Jew minutes Before struck 2
o'clock - November 18, A.M -

If anything Preceded this mysterious
sight I missed it, I turned my head
and saw like a flash of lightening
so quick - looked like a shooting
star - or falling Star, only instead
of yellow, this was light Emerald
Green - It was really Beautiful like
on sides of Saturn but - like, it
was fast like lightening - the end
did not seem to dwindle away - Just
a length of this about as long as a
one Story Building is tall it looked
then there was Nothing at all. It is
hard to estimate in sky I am poor
judge but it looked about that long.
Im trying to give all details in crude
drawing for, as your knowledge of things
can first eliminate one thing or another.

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10 Dec 59 4th Dist OSI*IG Lab

These days we feel we should tell such, and surely it seems like God wanted me to see it and too, I feel it is HE who is urging me to tell you.

I looked in my home Book, saw nothing relating to Air force. You addressed an envelope full and if I misstaken to send to you I am sure you will pass who should have it and also be glad to do this for me.

It may be nothing at all. And then in these uncertain times a trifle may mean much to those who know and can Do Something.

Sincerely Yours
Mrs. Thelma Kersey

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10 Dec 59 4th Dist OSI*IG Lab

To= U. S. Government
Navy Intelligence Dept.
103 S. Gay Street
Baltimore, Md.

P.S. Kindly excuse haste and crudeness - Just wanted you to get information today.

Mrs. T. Kersey

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AFTER 5 DAYS RETURN TO

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Baltimore, Md.

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SUBJECT: (U) UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT,
Sighted by J. E. ROCKWELL,
Baltimore, Md., 11 Jan 59, Near
Crosse & Blackwell Plant, Baltimore, Md.

TO: Commander
1001st Air Base Wing
Andrews Air Force Base
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: Base Operations Officer

1. Reference is made to telephone conversation between Special Agent DANIEL A. CARTER, JR., this office, and T/Sgt RALPH H. NOON, of your office, on 12 January 1959, concerning above-captioned Subject.

2. The following information was received by this office on 12 January 1959 from 4th District OSI Detachment, Baltimore, Maryland:

Special Agent RANKE, U. S. Army Criminal Investigations Division, Fort Holabird, Maryland, reported that at 1735 hours, 11 January 1959, a Mr. J. E. ROCKWELL, 1829 Kitty Hawk Boulevard, Baltimore 11, Maryland, had sighted through the windshield of his 1955 Chevrolet for 3 to 5 seconds, an unidentified flying object. This sighting took place near the Crosse and Blackwell plant on Eastern Boulevard near 45th Street. The object moved from North to South.

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SUBJECT: (U) UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
Sighted by HAROLD F. EMMEL on
3 November 1958, at Baltimore,
Maryland

TO: Commander
Andrews Air Force Base
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: Base Operations Officer

1. Attached is a letter dated 4 November 1958 concerning an Unidentified Flying Object sighted by HAROLD F. EMMEL on 3 November 1958 at Baltimore, Maryland.

2. Also attached is a copy of the results of a check made by this District Office on 10 November 1958, of various telephone directories in Baltimore City and Baltimore County.

2 Incls
1. Ltr fr EMMEL, dtd 4 Nov 58
2. Results of local directories search, 10 Nov 58

cc: Dir OSI (ZI)

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Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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31 OCT 1958

24-0-499

SUBJECT: (U) UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS
Large, Flat, Egg-Shaprd Object
Sighted near Loch Raven Dam, North
of Baltimore, Md., 26 Oct 58

TO: Commander
1001st Air Base Wing (HEDCOM)
Andrews Air Force Base
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: Base Operations Officer

1. Reference is made to conversation between Special Agent MARTIN H. DEELY, of this office, and the Base Operations Officer, on 27 October 1958, concerning unidentified flying objects.

2. The following is submitted for your information:

a. At 0050 hours, 27 October 1958, Cpl KENNETH HARTMANN, Headquarters, Baltimore County Police Department, Towson, Baltimore-4, Maryland, advised the Baltimore Detachment of this District Office, that PHILLIP SMALL, age 27, 3735 Reisterstown Road, and ALVIN COHEN, age 24, 3348 Avondale Road, both of Baltimore, Maryland, had reported seeing an unidentified flying object. Cpl KENNETH HARTMANN advised that SMALL and COHEN had not been drinking and that they appeared to be very frightened. Cpl HARTMANN further advised that he received the following information from SMALL and COHEN:

> While driving near Loch Raven Dam, north of Baltimore City, around midnight on 26 October 1958, as they came over a small hill, they saw a large, flat, egg-shaped object approximately 75 to 100 feet long, hovering near the ground. As their car approached the object, the electrical system failed in their car, the engine stopped, and the lights of their car went out. SMALL and COHEN got out of the car and approached the object, at which time the object emitted a noise, the sound of which was described as being between a rumble and an explosion, and took off vertically, remaining in sight for approximately 35 to 40 seconds. The object gave off a fluorescent glow during the entire time it was observed. SMALL claimed that one side of his face was burned at the time of take-off.

b. With reference to paragraph 7d, AFR 200-2, the following is submitted:

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4D OSI 24-0-499, Subject: (U) UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS, Large, Flat, Egg-Shaped Object Sighted Near Loch Raven Dam, North of Baltimore, Md., 26 Oct 58

(1) Description of the Object:

(a) Shape - flat and egg-shaped
(b) Size - Approximately 75 to 100 feet long (diameter not indicated)
(c) Color - Fluorescent glow (no color indicated)
(d) Number - One object
(e) Formation - N/A
(f) Discernible Features or Details - None indicated.
(g) Tail, trail, or exhaust - None indicated
(h) Sound - Combination of rumble and explosion
(i) Other pertinent features - None indicated

(2) Description of Course of Object:

(a) Object was hovering in path of automobile
(b) Viewers were level with, or slightly above object.
(c) Object ascended straight up into the sky, no maneuvers indicated
(d) Object disappeared into the sky
(e) Object remained in sight approximately one minute.

(3) Manner of Observation:

(a) Ground-visual
(b) No optical aids
(c) Sighting was made from the ground

(4) Time and date of sighting:

(a) (Zulu time unknown) approximately midnight 26 October 1958
(b) Night-time

(5) Sighting occurred near Loch Raven Dam approximately eight (8) miles NNE of Baltimore, Maryland (Latitude and Longitude unknown)

(6) Observers:

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(a) Civilians - PHILLIP SMALL, age 27, 3735 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore 15, Maryland; ALVIN COHEN, age 24, 3348 Avondale Road, Baltimore 15, Maryland. Occupations not indicated

(b) Military - None

(7) - (12) Unknown.

cc: Dir OSI (ZI)

KEEFE O'KEEFE
Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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20 OCT 1958

SUBJECT: (U) RAYMOND THORNTON
5017 Middelton Lane
Camp Springs, Maryland

TO: Commander
Andrews Air Force Base
Washington 25, D. C.

1. The following is forwarded to your Headquarters for your information.

2. On 17 September 1958, RAYMOND THORNTON, 5017 Middelton Lane, Camp Springs, Maryland, telephone HIckory 9-8299, contacted the Directorate of Special Investigations and furnished the following information: He was driving along Temple Hills Road between Temple Hills and Camp Springs, Maryland, when he noticed off to the right, about 30° to 35° bearing from the car, two pinpoints of light, greenish blue in color, but mostly blue, surrounded by a glow of the same color, falling directly downward. He could not tell whether this object was 500 light years away or a mile away. It took approximately six seconds to fall from a point where it was first sighted to a point where the trees obscured it. A check of a map of the area indicated that it was pretty close to the vicinity of the Weather Bureau in Suitland (three miles away). The color of this object did not correspond to the wing tip lights of green; it was definitely blue. It seemed to fall at a rate which wasn't increasing or accelerating; it was a constant rate which seemed to be much faster than the velocity of a falling stone. It appeared to him to be approximately two miles away and a mile and a quarter high, and it covered that distance in approximately six seconds. He could return to the exact spot where he was when this object was sighted, because it was a place on Temple Hills Road where there are two culverts, and he stopped directly on one of them.

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3. THORNTON advised that he would be at home after 1800 each evening and he would discuss the matter with an Air Force representative.

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KEEFE O'KEEFE
Colonel, USAF
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BOLLING AIR FORCE BASE 25, D.C.

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20 DEC 1957

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

TO: Commander
Air Defense Command
Ent Air Force Base, Colorado

1. During the conduct of another type inquiry, the attached documents, handbills and pamphlets were furnished this office by the Inspector General, National Headquarters, Civil Air Patrol, Bolling Air Force Base 25, D. C.

a. The Junior Skywatch OF THE AMERICAS Newsletter, Vol. 1, No. 1, July-August, 1957.

b. Announcement of The 2nd Annual Interplanetary Space Conference of the Cosmic Circle of Fellowship, Inc.

c. Copy of letter from WAYNE S. AHO to General NATHAN TWINING, Chief of Staff, The U. S. Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington, D.C., dated 18 June 1957.

d. Copy of letter from WAYNE S. AHO to The Honorable RICHARD B. RUSSELL, Chairman, Armed Services Committee, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., dated 28 June 1957.

e. Volume 4, No. 3 of THE LITTLE LISTENING POST at Washington, D.C.

f. Letter to Senator BYRD from Major DONALD E. KEYHOE- Questions (Undated).

g. THE U.F.O. INVESTIGATOR, Volume I, No. 1, Washington 6, D. C., July 1957.

h. Pamphlet, A MESSAGE FROM OUTER SPACE, by William Ferguson. (Copyright 1955 by Golden Age Press, Inc., Box 1022, Oak Park, Illinois - Library of Congress Catalog Card Number 55-7223).

i. Pamphlet, RELAX FIRST, by William R. Ferguson. (Copyright 1937, Published by The Bronson-Canode Printing Co., 626 Federal Street, Chicago, 5, Illinois).

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j. Pamphlet, MY TRIP TO MARS, by William Ferguson, September 1954, published by The Cosmic Circle of Fellowship, Inc., 2144 N. Central Park Avenue, Chicago 47, Illinois.

k. Pamphlet, TRUTH AND FLYING SAUCERS, by Duncan Cameron Campbell, May 1957, Washington, D.C.

2. This material is being furnished your Headquarters for informational purposes only in view of your responsibilities under AFR 200-2 in connection with the reporting and investigation of UFO's. This material may assist in the preparation of any studies or reports which may be required of your headquarters or ATIC. The material does not have to be returned and may be destroyed after it has served its purpose.

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cc: Dir OSI (USAF)

DOYLE REES
Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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4TH DISTRICT OFFICE, OSI-IG
BOLLING AIR FORCE BASE 25, D.C.

24-0-457

12 DEC 1957

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT Reported
Seen at Brownsville State Hospital
Crownsville, Maryland, 13 Nov 57

TO: Commander
Air Defense Command
Ent Air Force Base, Colorado

1. Attached for your information is a report dated 15 November 1957 concerning the above-captioned Subject which was furnished this office by Headquarters, 109th Counter Intelligence Corps Group, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, on 20 November 1957.

2. For your further information, the Commander, 109th Counter Intelligence Corps Group advised that no further investigation of this incident was being conducted by his Headquarters.

JOHN M. NISWANDER
Lt Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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Ltr Fr Hq Ft G.G. Meade, Md.
dtd 15 Nov 57 (w/5 Incls n/c)

cc: Dir OSI (USAF)
Comdr, 1001st AB Gp, HEDCOM, AAFB

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

(Unclassified)

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object Reported 28 Nov 56 by Mrs.(FNU) BARRY, 1348 Taylor Street, N. W. Washington, D. C.

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TO: Commander
Headquarters Command, USAF
Bolling Air Force Base 25, D. C.

1. Synopsis: Mrs. FNU BARRY, 1348 Taylor Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. at 1000 hours, 28 November 1956 telephonically reported to a representative of U. S. Army, Military District of Washington that she had observed an unidentified flying object at 0600 hours that date.

2. Details: Major MILDRED C. BAILEY, L281, Chief, Intelligence Branch, U. S. Army, G-2, Military District of Washington (MDW) at 1115 hours 28 November 1956 telephonically notified a representative of this District that a Mrs. FNU BARRY, 1348 Taylor Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., telephone number Taylor 9-1504, at 1000 hours 28 November 1956 telephonically contacted Sgt JOHN COLLINS, RA 12308406, Message Center, Adjutant General Section, MDW and related the following information:

Mrs. BARRY at 0600 hours 28 November 1956 awoke and upon looking out her bedroom window observed a "flying saucer" which was approximately 4' x 6' in diameter, dome shaped, and white in color. Mrs. BARRY stated this object was "located in a westernly direction" and remained stationary for a period of approximately five (5) minutes after which it raised and went to an unknown height and then came down again and remained for approximately five (5) minutes longer. She stated the object made no noise. Mrs. BARRY furnished no further details.

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3. Action: At 1128 hours 28 November 1956 a representative of this District telephonically contacted Major EMMETT MILLER, 10945A, Director of Plans and Programming, and Intelligence Officer, Headquarters Command, Bolling Air Force Base 25, D. C. Major MILLER advised he would take necessary actions as provided for in AFR 200-2.

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Colonel, USAF
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AFCSI-6D INV 24-185-4

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object Observed Over Glen Ridge, New Jersey at 1940 Hours, 9 March 1956
SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: District Commander
14th OSI District (IG)
Lowry AFB
Colorado

1. Attached for your information and necessary action are copies of a letter from District Office Nr 4 concerning the above subject.

2. Request a copy of the attached letter be furnished appropriate representative of Headquarters, ADC, as a matter of interest to that Command.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

for EUGENE P. MORITZ, Lt Col, USAF
Chief, Sabotage and Espionage Branch
Counter Intelligence Division
Directorate of Special Investigations
The Inspector General

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14 MAR 1956

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SUBJECT: (Unclassified)
UNKNOWN SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object
Observed Over Glen Ridge, New Jersey at
1940 hours, 9 March 1956
SPECIAL INQUIRY - FLYOBRPT

TO: Commander
Headquarters Command, USAF
Bolling AFB 25, D. C.
Attn: Provost Marshal

1. At 0100 hours, 10 March 1956, this office was advised by a representative of the FBI that the Newark Office of the FBI had received information to the effect that an unidentified flying object had been observed by Mr. OVERTON KLINEFELTER, 42 Stephen Street, Glen Ridge, New Jersey, at 1940 hours, 9 March 1956. According to the FBI, Mr. KLINEFELTER advised that he had seen what appeared to be an extremely bright light travelling at a very slow rate of speed in a South by Southwest direction. It was indicated that this object was first observed by KLINEFELTER's son, not further identified, at 1930 hours and was still in the air at 1940 hours when observed by Mr. KLINEFELTER. It was further revealed by the FBI that the Newark FBI had been notified that some of Mr. KLINEFELTER's neighbors had also observed the object in question.

2. The files of this office do not contain any information concerning Mr. KLINEFELTER.

3. The above information is being submitted for your information. No further action in this matter is contemplated by this office.

4. Attention is invited to the provisions of AFR 124-1 which prohibit the release of investigative information to unauthorized persons.

5. This letter is classified CONFIDENTIAL pursuant to the authority contained in paragraph 24a, AFR 205-1.

FOR THE DISTRICT COMMANDER:

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CHARLES H. SITHER
Chief
Counter Intelligence Division

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cc: Dir OSI

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
4TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
BOLLING AIR FORCE BASE, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

24-0-359

24 FEB 1955

SUBJECT: (Unclassified)
Unidentified Flying Object Observed in Vicinity of Bethesda, Maryland on 10 February 1955
FLYOBRT

TO: Director, Special Investigations
Headquarters USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

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1. Reference is made to telephonic conversation between Lt. Colonel EUGENE MORITZ, Chief, Sabotage and Espionage Branch, Counter Intelligence Division, your Directorate, and Mr. CHARLES A. SITHER, this office, regarding the above Subject on 16 February 1955.

2. At the request of Lt. Colonel MORITZ, Captain WILLIAM A. BROCKETT, 73572, U. S. Navy, Industrial Officer, Bureau of Ships, David Taylor Model Basin, Carderock, Maryland, was interviewed on 16 February 1955. He advised that Mr. EDWARD J. STEIN, a civilian employee of the David Taylor Model Basin, had, on Friday, 11 February 1955, reported that he had seen an unidentified, saucer-shaped, illuminous object while driving in his car at approximately 2200 hours the previous night.

3. Accordingly, on this same date, Mr. STEIN, who is employed as a Model Maker in the Metal Working Shop, Industrial Division, Bureau of Ships, Department of the Navy, David Taylor Model Basin, Carderock, Maryland, was interviewed at the above installation. He advised that at approximately 2203 hours, Thursday, 10 February 1955, while driving his car east on McArthur Boulevard, Bethesda, Maryland, between 75th or 76th Street and the entrance to Cabin John Gardens, a distance of approximately two (2) city blocks, he observed an illuminous object shaped like a very small portion of the bottom of the moon, very slightly, if any, to the right of his car and at an altitude of approximately one hundred and fifty (150) feet. According to STEIN, this object appeared to be enormous in size, between three (3) to four (4) hundred yards in length and ten (10) to fifteen (15) feet high at its widest point. He stated that it was about the color of the moon, "a yellowish, radiant color", and had a flat top, parallel to the horizon, and a spherical bottom. STEIN recalled that it remained

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in the above-described shape and position, apparently not moving, for approximately thirty (30) seconds. He stated that the bottom portion then appeared to assume a funnel type shape, approximately thirty (30) to fifty (50) feet in depth at its widest point, narrowing at the bottom, and the object seemed to diminish in size. Upon arriving at the entrance to the Cabin John Gardens, according to STEIN, he drove back to the place where he had first sighted the object and retraced his route. He stated that, at that time, the object was not visible. He said that he had observed the object for approximately one and one-half (1½) to two (2) minutes, and that his wife, MARGARET HICKEY STEIN, and his son, RICHARD, ten years of age, were present in the car at the time of the incident and also observed the object. STEIN recalled that it was a dark, cloudy night with no moon or stars visible, and that there were no other cars on the road at that particular time.

4. Mr. STEIN also advised that he was an amateur "astrologer" for approximately seven (7) years until 1951, and that he has never previously seen an object of this size and shape. He could offer no logical explanation for the occurence, and stated that he heard nothing which might resemble aircraft engine noises.

5. STEIN gave his home address as 4 Webb Road, Bethesda 14, Maryland.

6. No further pertinent information concerning this matter was furnished by either STEIN or Captain BROCKETT. No further action is contemplated by this District Office.

FOR THE DISTRICT COMMANDER:

Charles A. Sither
CHARLES A. SITHER
Chief
Counter Intelligence Division

cc: Comdr, Hq Comd, BAFB
Air Tech. Intell. Ctr,
W-P AFB, Ohio, Attn: ATIAA-2C

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Flying Saucer Sightings Fall as 'Season' Nears

WASHINGTON, June 1 (UP) —Air Force officials said today that reports of "flying saucers" had fallen off sharply since 1952. They said they believed more scientific investigating and better public education were responsible.

So far this year only eighty-seven "sighting" have been reported. However, the "flying saucer season" — which coincides with the July-August meteor showers—is just coming in.

The Air Force received 1,700 reports of sightings in 1952. Last year there were 429.

The Air Force still is unable to explain about 10 per cent of the sightings. Officials said that if anyone saw any unidentified flying objects they "would welcome the information."

The place to notify is the Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright - Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio.

The presence of a fast-moving, unidentifiable object in the sky near Boston, visible for ten minutes, was reported yesterday.

When Capt. Charles J. Kratovil, a Trans World Airlines pilot, arrived at New York International Airport, Idlewild, Queens, after a flight from Paris, he said he had seen a "large, white disk-like" thing in the air at about 9:30 A. M. The object was also seen by members of his crew.

Captain Kratovil said the object was traveling parallel to his plane and high above it and was going against a sixty-mile-an-hour wind.

Captain Kratovil said the object was "large," but Harold Raney, flight engineer, said he thought it was about the size of a basketball.

New York Times
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Are you people still interested in "flying saucers"?

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RE: (Unclassified)
Unidentified Flying Objects Observed Over Fort Belvoir, Virginia
on 16 December 1953
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BY AUTHORITY OF THE DIRECTOR OF DEFENSE RESEARCH & ENGINEERING
BY KURT K. KUNZE, Capt, USAF
Historian
DATE 5 DEC 1975

TO: Commander
Headquarters Command
Bolling Air Force Base

1. This office received the following letter dated 21 December 1953 from the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Washington 25, D. C.:

"1. Between 0530 and 0615, 16 December 53, five members of the 515th Engineer Pipeline Company, assigned to this headquarters, observed two unidentified illuminous airborne objects. Three of the witnesses, Cpl T. G. Nobles, Pvt M. S. Wittstock, Pvt K. V. Herrick, were interviewed by G2, TEC at 0930, 16 December 53.

"2. Narrative report of interview follows:

"Pvt Wittstock observed, at approximately 0530, a bright illuminous object without definite shape at an altitude of approximately 400'-600' in a WSW direction from the 515th Engineer Pipeline Company Operations Office on Stump Dump Road, Fort Belvoir. Wittstock brought this to the attention of Cpl Nobles, Pvt Herrick, Sgt Mathis and Pfc Meyers of his unit, all of whom witnessed this object. A second illuminous object became visible at approximately 0545, being smaller in apparent size, and apparently at greater distance from the observers. Witnesses were unable to estimate the distances to the objects.

"Both objects were bright, but not of such intensity to disturb the eyes - appeared as intense as star light. Both objects changed color at irregular intervals; colors observed were red, blue and green. The red color seemed to be most noticeable at the times the objects appeared to be moving closer to the observers.

"The objects were approximately 75 degrees apart; the first appearing to be over Davison Army Air Field, the second (which appeared

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about 0545) was to the right of the first object in a westerly direction. Both objects moved erratically, independent of one another; they appeared to move closer to and also away from the observers, as well as moving laterally. The movements were jerky and not of great distances.

"The first sighted object disappeared beyond the horizon at approximately 0600; the second was not visible after approximately 0615 as the dawn's light made the object imperceptible.

"3. The guard on duty between 0500-0600, 16 December 53 at Davison Army Air Field, Pvt H. A. Arters, Co B, 969th Engineer Construction Bn., was questioned to determine if he had observed any unusual airborne objects or unusual lights while on guard. He had not. Aviation Branch at Davison Field was contacted to determine if they could explain any unidentified airborne objects in their area between 0530-0615, 16 Dec 53; they could not.

"4. The above report is being forwarded for your information. Should further interest be expressed by higher headquarters, this office is prepared to render any assistance possible.

S. R. KELLEY
Colonel GS
G2"

2. The above is being submitted for whatever action you may deem appropriate. No further action in this matter will be taken by 4th OSI District unless a request from competent authority for action is received.

FOR THE DISTRICT COMMANDER:

William P. Deegan

WILLIAM P. DEEGAN
Special Agent OSI, USAF
Counter Intelligence Division

-cc: Dir OSI

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TO AF FROM G2 DATE 22 December 1953 COMMENT NO. 1

Capt Owen/53715/mjl

Transmitted herewith for your information is a letter, Headquarters, Second Army, dated 10 December 1953, Subject as above.

FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2:

W. A. PERRY
Colonel, GS
Chief, Security Division

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HEADQUARTERS SECOND ARMY
FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, MARYLAND

AIABB-Z 290441 — 10 December 1953

SUBJECT: Unidentified Aerial Object

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TO: Assistant Chief of Staff, G2
Department of the Army
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: Chief, Security Division

1. On 7 December 1953, it was reported that Private First Class Alfred W. De Bonise, US 51153031, Headquarters Battery, 89th AAA Battalion, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland and Sergeant First Class James Conley, RA 12370618, Headquarters Battery, 89th AAA Battalion, sighted a strange object over Fort George G. Meade, Maryland.

2. On 9 December 1953, De Bonise and Conley were interviewed regarding the strange object which was sighted by them at 2130 hours, 7 December 1953. It was revealed that they were standing in the area of Headquarters Battery, 89th AAA Battalion, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland when they saw the object in the sky. Attention was called to the object by a noise which resembled the sound of an artillery shell in flight. The sound was not like that of an airplane or a truck. There were no further sounds after the initial whirring noise.

3. The object was white and shining "like a star". It appeared to be large, very high, and shaped like a round ash tray. It moved with an erratic motion, eventually fading out of sight in a north-easterly direction. De Bonise and Conley observed the object for about twenty (20) minutes. The night was clear and windy. (F-6)

4. No other relevant data could be secured.

FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2:

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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SUBJECT: FLYOBRT
Sighting of Unidentified Aerial Objects on
26 February 1953, at Kingsville, Maryland, and
5 March 1953, at Baltimore, Maryland
ROBERT F. PLOTT, Capt., USMC
SPECIAL INQUIRY

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TO: Commanding General
Headquarters Command, USAF
Bolling Air Force Base
Washington 25, D. C.

1. This office has received two (2) Summary of Information Reports from the Baltimore Regional Office, 109th CIC Detachment, Subject: Sighting of an Unusual Luminous Aerial Object, dated 12 March and 25 March 1953. These Summary of Information Reports are set forth verbatim as follows:

"SECURITY INFORMATION

12 March 1953

"Between 0739 and 0741 hours, 26 February 1953, Robert F. Plott, Captain, 0981014, Medical Service Corps, Chief of Radiological Hygiene Division, Army Environmental Health Laboratory, Army Chemical Center, Maryland, who was driving alone in his automobile in a westerly direction on U.S. Route 1, two to three miles west of Kingsville, Maryland, sighted an unusual luminous aerial object in the northeast sky. The object appeared to be self illuminated and about forty degrees above the horizon. Plott estimated the surface brightness and color temperature to be about the same as that of the sun which at that time was partly obscured by clouds in the southeast sky. A layer of medium dark gray stratus clouds, at an estimated altitude of 7,000 to 10,000 feet, were in the same part of the sky, but Plott was unable to determine whether the object was between him and the clouds, the midst of the clouds, or the far side of the clouds.

"At first sight the object appeared to be a motionless, sharply-defined ellipse with a vertical major axis. The minor axis appeared

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to be about two-thirds as long as the major axis. Plott estimated that at two and one-half feet from his eye the projected diameter of the object would be about one-eighth of an inch.

"After about fifteen seconds the brightness diminished somewhat and for an estimated five seconds the aerial object assumed the mushroom-shaped appearance of the caustic produced by the reflections of sun-light on the smooth interior of a wedding ring. Motion of the object first became apparent during this five-second period.

"Thereafter the major axis appeared to be horizontal and the object resumed its original brightness. It appeared to move at the same altitude in an easterly direction until, due to its movement away from the ob-server, it had reached a position thirty degrees above the horizon. Plott then lost sight of the object due to the progress of his automobile behind a hill. Upon reaching an unobstructed area further down the road, the object had disappeared and was not seen again. No smoke or vapor trails were observed.

"Captain Plott's qualifications as an observer are as follows: 20/20 vision corrected by eyeglasses. He has a bachelor of science degree from Carnegie Institute of Technology where he majored in physics. Among his studies at Carnegie Tech was a one year course on the phenomena of light. Plott has used light phenomena as a physicist in connection with experimental work off and on for a period of eight years. On numerous occasions Plott has observed reflections from air-craft and pyrotechnic flares of various kinds and observed no similarity in color, brilliance and shape between the luminous aerial object and anything he had observed before.

"At 1600 hours, 26 February 1953, an agent of this office returned with Plott to a spot one hundred yards west of the intersection of Forge Road and U. S. Route 1 where Plott first observed the object. A compass was sighted on the spot in the sky where Plott first observed the object and a reading of thirty degrees was obtained. A check at the Churchville Ordnance Corps tank proving ground - the only known activity in that di-rection that could have been using pyrotechnics - revealed that no pyro-technics had been used in that area.

"AGENT'S NOTE: The 208th AAA Battery, Catonsville, Maryland, was checked regarding any activity in the area with negative results.

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"SECURITY INFORMATION

25 March 1953

"On 5 March 1953, Robert F. Plott, Captain, Medical Service Corps, 0981014, Chief, Radiological Hygiene Division, Army Environmental Health Laboratory, Army Chemical Center, Maryland, sighted an unusual aerial object in the southwest sky similar to the object he had seen in the northeast sky on 26 February 1953 (see SOI, Subject as above, dated 12 March 1953). Plott's written report of the incident is as follows:

"While driving to my duty station at the Army Chemical Center, Maryland, on Thursday, 5 March 1953, at about 1654 hours, I sighted an unusual aerial object in the southwest sky about 30 degrees above the horizon. The object was first sighted from the top of the hill on Harford Road, Baltimore, just west of the intersection of Taylor Avenue and Harford Road. From the first sighting, the object had a well-defined outline and had the appearance of a bright evening star. I was driving along in a stream of traffic and could not conveniently stop except for traffic lights and street cars taking on passengers. From the first sighting to the place where I stopped and parked in front of the telephone exchange on Harford Road, the object disappeared and reappeared from view twice while I was watching it. Each time it appeared in about the same position in the sky and presented the same bright well-defined appearance. At 1703 hours I parked in the shade in front of the telephone exchange on Harford Road and I watched this object both while in the car and while standing outside the car. The object then disappeared from view for the third time. By the time I had locked the car and had gotten back on the sidewalk, the object had reappeared in about the same position in the sky. I walked west on Harford Road in the shade toward the intersection of Hamilton Avenue and Harford Road. There, near the entrance to the drugstore on the northeast corner of that intersection, I stood and watched this brilliant well-defined light. While watching the object, I saw a 'whirling' effect of the light in the object. Suddenly, about 3/4 of the light disappeared from the object. The darkened part had the blue appearance of the sky, as if viewed by reflection from a highly polished mirror or by transmission through a transparent medium. The strong light in this phase came from a caustic effect between four and seven o'clock on the object, from a sector of light between eleven and twelve o'clock on the object, and from a very thin but equally intense light outlining the object. Suddenly, the bright sector separated or

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divided into two approximately equal sectors. The one part sweeping clockwise to the caustic at about six o'clock on the object, the other sector sweeping counter-clockwise toward the same six o'clock on the object. The clockwise sweeping sector of light reached the six o'clock position about three seconds before the counter-clockwise sweeping sector. At the instant that the two sweeping sectors had merged at about six o'clock on the object, there was a very intense 'spot' flash of light lasting for about one second. This 'spot' flash was about 100% more intense than the original light. I believe that it is important to note here that the sweeping sectors were distinctly visible because of their brightness even with the bright caustic as a background or cover. The sweeping sectors appeared to lose their individual identity at the instant they merged and the 'spot' flash occurred between five and six o'clock on the object. Immediately the object appeared to tilt over so that an 'edge' view was seen and motion of the object in a westerly direction was immediately apparent. The object moved from about thirty degrees above the horizon to about twenty degrees above the horizon at what appeared to be a fixed altitude. The time interval for this motion was about one-half minute. The brightest part of the object in the edge-view position seemed to be a 'polarcap' on the top of the object. The bright object dimmed somewhat in the distance. At about 1714 hours I could no longer see the object and I then went into the drugstore to make a purchase. When I got out to the street again at abour 1717 hours, I looked again to the southwest sky and watched until about 1730 hours but did not again observe the object.

"Interviews with three of Plott's superiors and fellow workers indicated that Plott is a highly respected scientist; all were inclined to believe that Plott's observations were truthful and accurate, even though it would seem unlikely that a person would make two observations of this type in one week which were apparently seen by no one else in the vicinity."

2. Attention is invited to paragraph 16a, AFR 205-6, dated 1 September 1950, which prohibits disclosure of information to unauthorized persons.

FOR THE DISTRICT COMMANDER

cc:
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WILLIAM P. DEEGAN
Captain, USAF
Chief, Counter Intelligence Division

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Capt Brown/fjm/AFCSI-6

Transmitted herewith for your information is a letter from the 4th OSI District, Bolling AFB, Washington, D. C., setting forth the details of a report on an unidentified flying object over the Washington metropolitan area.

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LUCIUS L. FREE
Lt. Colonel, USAF
Chief, Sabotage & Espionage Branch

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4TH DISTRICT OFFICE, OSI-IG
BOLLING AIR FORCE BASE
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SUBJECT: Unidentified Aerial Object Observed at 0240 Hours on 15 November 1952 over Washington, D. C.
Observer, Capt MARTIN J. DAWSON
AO-779807
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TO: Commanding General
Headquarters Command
Bolling Air Force Base
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: Capt BENJAMIN BERKOW
Director of Intelligence

1. The following information is being forwarded to your Headquarters for whatever action you may deem appropriate.

2. On Saturday, 15 November 1952 at 0240 hours, Captain MARTIN J. DAWSON, AO-779807, a Special Agent of 4th District, OSI, and a pilot with approximately 1000 hours including combat time, along with his wife, FRANCES C. DAWSON, observed an unidentified aerial object. The object passed over their house at 626 Burns St., S.E. slightly to the East. The sound, which drew Captain DAWSON to the window of his home, as close as he can relate it, was similar to a flight of jets, six (6) or more, at very low altitude. However, on observing the position of this unidentified object, its altitude was estimated at 4000 feet moving in a southerly direction. All that could be observed was a white or pale blue light moving at a speed in excess of any conventional aircraft ever observed by the Captain or his wife. There were no wing lights; and from the angle first observed, a green, right wing, light as well as a white light should have been seen. The total time of observation was some seven (7) or eight (8) seconds before this craft made a left turn, to the south, that seemed normal and made an abnormal ascent of about a 45-degree angle. Even after the object made its turn, the white light was still observed but went out slightly after the object started climbing.

3. The weather at the time of observation was clear at point of observation with an overcast moving in from the west.

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4. No further action is being taken in this matter by this District Office.

Charles A. Sither, Major
for DONALD B. WHITE
Colonel, USAF
District Commander

cc: Hq OSI

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1. Inclosed herewith for your information is a letter dated 21 October 1952 from Mr. Narvel W. Reece, with two (2) inclosures, which was referred to this office by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Mr. Reece was notified of the referral.

2. Your attention is invited to Mr. Reece's request concerning the return or acknowledgement of the receipt of the inclosed negative.

3. No further action is contemplated in regard to this matter.

1 Incl
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LUCIUS L. FREE
Lt. Colonel, USAF
Chief, Sabotage & Espionage Branch

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D. C.

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Date: October 28, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS

There are attached for your information a copy of a self-explanatory letter dated October 21, 1952, and the enclosures thereto, received by this Bureau from Mr. Narvel W. Reece.

Mr. Reece has been advised that his letter has been referred to your Department. No further action is being taken in this matter by this Bureau.

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HOTEL POTOMAC

WASHINGTON, D. C.
18th & H. St. N.W.
Phone NA 9216
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Dear Sirs:

On Sunday, 5 October, my wife and I were walking towards the Smithsonian Institute when this picture was taken. Neither of us noticed anything unusual at the time, and I think that if the "spot" on the negative and picture, would be a "thing" of reality, we would certainly have noticed it.

If we would never have heard anything about "things" and objects, we wouldn't send this to you, beyond a doubt. But, what looks like a spot, could be something different. Better safe than sorry.

Respectfully yours,

Narvel W. Reece

Narvel W. Reece, C. T. S. N.
1578 Van Frandt Road
Cincinnati 31, Ohio

P.S. If possible, and/or convenient, please return negative or picture or acknowledge receipt of same.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: Unidentified Aerial Object
Observed Over Arlington, Va.
on 12 September 1952
FLYOBRPT

TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

1. SYNOPSIS - At 2036 hours on 12 September 1952, a report was received by the Duty Agent of District Office Number 4 from Special Agent PHILIP WILSON of the Federal Bureau of Investigation who resides at 2017 N. Greenbrier Street, Arlington, Va., that his wife and a Mrs. FRANK CACCIAPAGLIA JR. of 2001 N. Greenbrier Street, Arlington had observed an unidentified aerial object flying over their homes at 2000 hours on the same date. To verify the citings, both Mrs. WILSON and Mrs. CACCIAPAGLIA were telephonically contacted for complete details. At 2230 hours Lt JOHN K. WALES, Duty Officer, 1909 AACS, Andrews Air Force Base, reported to the OSI Duty Agent that he had received a telephone call from a Commander ELLINGTON who was the Duty Officer at Anacostia Air Station. In this call the Commander stated that eleven (11) persons had called him reporting flying objects. As a result of these calls, Navy Plane 51257 which was approaching the Air Station was ordered to remain aloft to look for any unusual objects. The pilot reported at 1920 hours that he did observe an object which appeared to be a falling star. All of the above facts were turned over to the Director of Intelligence, Headquarters Command, Bolling Air Force Base.

2. DETAILS - At 2036 hours, on 12 September 1952, a report was received by the Duty Agent of District Office Number 4 from Special Agent PHILIP WILSON of the FBI who resides at 2017 N. Greenbrier Street, Arlington, Va. that his wife and a Mrs. FRANK CACCIAPAGLIA who resides at 2001 N. Greenbrier Street had observed an unidentified flying object over their homes at approximately 2000 hours.

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Immediately thereafter, Mr. WILSON's wife, RUTH WILSON, was telephonically contacted to verify the information previously supplied. In the call she stated that at 2000 hours she observed a ball of light which appeared to be the size of a softball (baseball type) travelling from SE to NW at a slow rate of speed. She said that the ball of light had a very short tail, flying at approximately 500 feet without any sound of propulsion. She said that the object was flying much slower than a conventional type of aircraft could fly and remain aloft. She said she observed the object for only a matter of four (4) or five (5) seconds when it disappeared behind some trees located NW of her home. Immediately after observing the object she met a Mrs. FRANK CACCIAPAGLIA identified above who told her that she also had seen the object.

Mrs. CACCIAPAGLIA was also contacted by telephone. She stated that the object which she had seen appeared to be a fiery ball appearing to be approximately the size of a golf ball against the sky. She did not believe that its tail was long enought to be that of a meteor. She described the color of the object as being of reddish-orange but could not describe the color of the tail, it was different from that of the object. She would not make any commitment as to its speed, height, or actual size.

At 2230 hours, 1st Lt JOHN K. WALES AO 928306, Duty Officer of the 1909th AACS Squadron at Andrews Air Force Base called the Duty Agent to report that he had received a call from a Commander ELLINGTON of the Anacostia Naval Air Station. In this call the Commander related that he had received calls from eleven (11) persons between the hours of 2000 and 2015 in which calls "flying saucers" were reported. As a result of these calls, Navy Plane 51257 which approached the Naval Station at 1900 hours was instructed to remain aloft and look for any unusual flying objects. At 1920 hours the pilot reported that he had observed an object which appeared to be a falling star.

3. ACTION - As the above reports were received they were relayed to Captain BENJAMIN BERKOW, Director of Intelligence, Headquarters

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Command, Bolling Air Force Base for appropriate action. No action was taken by District Office Number 4 other than this for it was a matter over which the Office of Special Investigations does not have jurisdiction.

Donald B. White

DONALD B. WHITE
Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects
Reported in the Vicinity of
Andrews Air Force Base on
6 August 1952
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TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters, USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

1. SYNOPSIS - On 6 August 1952, a civilian allegedly visually sighted two (2) unidentified objects at 2115 hours. Between 2220 hours and 2239 hours on 6 August 1952, four (4) sightings of unidentified flying objects were made on the radar scope at Andrews Air Force Base. Aircraft flying in the area at the time did not see the unidentified objects.

2. DETAILS - At 2320 hours on 6 August 1952, Lt. WELLS, OIC, Approach Control Tower, Andrews Air Force Base, reported to the Duty Agent of District Office #4 that an unidentified aerial object had been observed on the radar scope at Andrews Air Force Base. After this information was received, contact was maintained with the Approach Control Tower at Andrews Air Force Base and the following is a summary of the information obtained through the contact:

Sighting #1 - At 2220 hours an unidentified flying object was observed on the radar scope. After computations were made, it was ascertained that the target was located two and one-half (2½) miles away at bearing 116, and that it was moving in a southernly direction at a very slow speed.

Sighting #2 - At 2223 hours another sighting was made. This time three (3) objects appeared. The first was computed at being four and one-half (4½) miles away at a bearing of 080. The second object was computed at being three (3) miles away at a bearing of 100. The third object was computed at being four and one-half (4½) miles away at a bearing of 113. At the time, Air Force Aircraft were flying in the area but the pilots of the aircraft were unable to see the objects.

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Subject: Unidentified Flying Objects, Reported in the Vicinity of Andrews Air Force Base on 6 August 1952

Sighting #3 - At 2232 hours one (1) object was observed on the radar scope at a distance computed at five (5) miles at a bearing of 93. This object faded from the scope at 2234 hours.

Sighting #4 - At 2239 hours, two (2) targets appeared on the radar scope at bearing of 053. According to the information received by this Office, it was not possible for the radar operators to compute the distance of the objects. At the time these targets were observed, a B-25, having #7562 was returning to Andrews Air Force Base. It was observed that as the B-25 approached the targets, the targets disappeared. The pilot, upon landing, reported that he did not see any unidentified flying objects.

According to Captain BENJAMIN BERKOW, Director of Intelligence, Headquarters Command, Bolling Air Force Base, a Mr. MORRISON reported that he saw two (2) bright objects flying in the sky at 2115 hours on the same date. These sightings were visual sightings made from Mr. MORRISON's home at 1221 48th Avenue, Southeast, Washington, D. C. According to MORRISON, the two (2) objects were flying toward Andrews Air Force Base, one in a straight course and the other circling the first. The objects were circular in shape, flying at a high altitude, and appeared to be about the size of a fifty cent piece. Mr. MORRISON stated that he has seen jets flying at a high rate of speed, but believed that these two (2) objects were flying faster than any jet he had ever seen.

3. ACTION - Through Captain BERKOW, it is known that Headquarters Command has all of the information contained in this report. No further action is contemplated in this matter by DO #4 inasmuch as it is a matter over which this Office does not have jurisdiction.

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Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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29 July 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL CARROLL:

SUBJECT: (Unclassified) Radar Sightings of Aerial Phenomena, National Airport, Washington, D. C., 25 July 1952
SPECIAL INQUIRY

1. In light of recent wide publicity concerning the above subject, I caused a check to be made for the purpose of determining the basis of recent releases to news media.

2. We were advised by the current Intelligence Branch, Estimates Division, AFOIN, which has staff responsibility with respect to these reports, that much of the publicity of the past few days is the result of a radar sighting of unidentified aerial objects by the Civil Aeronautics Administration at National Airport at 2115 hours, 25 July 1952. These sightings continued from 2115 hours, 25 July until 0010 hours on 26 July, and were described by radar operators as "good sharp targets." They were observed in numbers from four to eight.

3. At 2320 hours, 25 July 1952, two (2) Air Force F-94s were dispatched from New Castle AFB, Delaware, for the purpose of intercepting objects which have been sighted by radar. One of the F-94s reportedly made visual contact with one of the objects and at first appeared to be gaining on it, but the object and the F-94 were observed on the radar scope and appeared to be traveling at the same approximate speed. However, when it attempted to overtake the object, the object disappeared both from the pursuant aircraft and the radar scope. The pilot of the F-94 remarked of the "incredible speed of the object."

4. The Director of Intelligence advises that no theory exists at the present time as to the origin of the objects and they are considered to be unexplained. Much of the publicity has been based on authorized news releases by the Air Force.

5. We were informed that any additional information pertinent to the matter would be furnished OSI.

6. We are at present making no inquiry into the matter in the absence of a request from AFOIN under Air Force Letter No. 200-2.

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GILBERT R. LEVY
Chief, Counter Intelligence Div
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4TH DISTRICT OFFICE, OSI-IG
BOLLING AIR FORCE BASE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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4 AUG 1952

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object Observed on 26 July 1952 over Annapolis, Maryland
Observer: Major C. P. Carlson
SPECIAL INQUIRY

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TO: Commanding Officer
Headquarters Command, USAF
Bolling Air Force Base
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Director of Intelligence

1. This office received the following information from S/A DERRICK of the 109th CIC Detachment at Baltimore, Maryland:

Major C. P. CARLSON, Post Chaplain, Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland reported that on 26 July 1952, at 2230 hours, he saw a flying object over the vicinity of Annapolis, Maryland. The object appeared to be flying at approximately 10,000 feet in a northwest direction at what the Major described as being the "speed of a jet aircraft." The object appeared to be a large ball of fire, made no noise and did not maneuver. It remained in sight for approximately six seconds and then vanished into the air. The light intensity of this object was that of a "shooting star" but the object was much larger.

2. No action was taken in this matter by District Office #4 of the Office of Special Investigations. The above is being submitted for whatever action is deemed appropriate by your office.

DONALD B. WHITE
Colonel, USAF
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cc: Headquarters, OSI

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4TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
BOLLING AIR FORCE BASE, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

24-0-210

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects Sighted in the Washington, D. C., Area, and in the Area of Florence, S. C., on 26 July 1952
SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

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1. SYNOPSIS:

According to information received from Headquarters Command, Bolling Air Force Base, one (1) unidentified object was sighted by three (3) of the crew of an Eastern Airlines aircraft at 2204 hours on 26 July 1952 over Florence, South Carolina. Another visual sighting was made in the Washington area at 2015 hours on 26 July 1952 when the pilot and stewardess of a National Airlines aircraft sighted one (1) object. Three (3) sightings were made by radar in the Washington area on 26 July 1952. The first was made at Andrews Air Force Base at 2054 hours when ten (10) to twelve (12) objects appeared on the radar scope; the second radar sighting was made at Washington ARTC at 2057 hours when ten (10) to twelve (12) objects appeared on that radar scope; the third sighting was also made on the radar scope at Washington ARTC at 2223 hours when four (4) unidentified objects appeared. Two (2) fighter aircraft were sent aloft to intercept the objects; however, they were unable to find them.

2. DETAILS:

Captain BENJAMIN BERKOW, Director of Intelligence, Headquarters Command, Bolling Air Force Base, furnished the following information on the morning of 28 July 1952 concerning the above captioned Subject. According to Capt. BERKOW, three (3) of the crew of an Eastern Airlines Constellation, Flight #606, visually sighted one (1) object of an undetermined size over Florence, South Carolina, at 2204 hours EST on 26 July 1952. The only information available to Capt. BERKOW at the time was that the object appeared as a steady white light, travelling

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in a direct line at a high rate of speed at an estimated 22,000 feet. At the time the air speed of the observers was approximately 300 miles per hour. However, the altitude of the Eastern Airlines aircraft was not known.

Another incident reported was the visual sighting in the Washington area at 2015 hours EST on 26 July 1952 by a Captain LUNDY, the pilot of a Lockheed Lodestar (Flight #42), operated by National Airlines, which was flying at 1700 feet at 200 miles per hour. The sighting was also made by the stewardess on the aircraft whose name was not known at the time of the interview with Capt. BERKOW. According to Capt. BERKOW, the National Airlines pilot and the stewardess observed the object flying directly over the airliner, and they described the object as appearing somewhat as the glow of a cigarette. They estimated the object to be flying at 100 miles per hour.

Three (3) sightings were made by radar. The first of these was made at 2054 hours EST on 26 July 1952 when ten (10) to twelve (12) unidentified objects appeared on the radar scope at Andrews AFB APCH. The objects were in the Washington area, according to radar computations. The second and third sightings made on the radar scope were both made at Washington ARTC. In one of these sightings, made at 2057 hours EST, ten (10) to twelve (12) objects appeared on the scope and, according to computations, were found to be in the Washington area. In the other sighting, made at 2223 hours EST, four (4) unidentified objects appeared on the radar scope and, according to computations, were located in the Beltsville, Maryland, and Herndon, Virginia, areas.

According to Capt. BERKOW, two (2) fighter type aircraft were sent aloft to intercept the objects sighted in the Washington area. However, the fighters were unable to locate and intercept the objects.

The above information was all that Capt. BERKOW had at the time of the interview.

3. ACTION:

No action is contemplated being taken in this matter by this office since it is a matter over which this office does not have jurisdiction. Two (2) copies of this Spot Intelligence Report are

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Ltr, DO #4 OSI, BAFB, Wash, DC, to Dir of Sp Invest, Hq USAF, Wash, DC, File 24-0-210, dtd , SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT, Subj: Unidentified Flying Objects Sighted in the Washington, D. C., Area, and in the Area of Florence, S. C., on 26 July 1952, SPECIAL INQUIRY

being designated for District Office No. 6 inasmuch as it contains information concerning a sighting of an unidentified flying object within the geographical area covered by that District Office.

Donald B. White

DONALD B. WHITE
Colonel, USAF
District Commander

cc: DO #6

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4TH DISTRICT OFFICE, OSI-IG
BOLLING AIR FORCE BASE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

28 JUL 1952

24-0-209

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object
Observed Over the Pentagon
on 27-28 July 1952
Mrs. CHICIGA MILLER, Observer
SPECIAL INQUIRY

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BY AUTHORITY OF THE DIRECTOR OF SPEC INV
BY KURT K. KUNZE, Capt, USAF
Historian
DATE 5 DEC 1975

TO: Commanding Officer
Headquarters Command
Bolling Air Force Base
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: Director of Intelligence

1. Special Agent L. E. WEBSTER of the Washington Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation furnished this office the following information at 0210 hours on 28 July 1952. At the time the Special Agent furnished this information, he stated that the Federal Bureau of Investigation was not investigating this matter inasmuch as it is not a matter over which that bureau has jurisdiction.

2. This office is not taking any action in the matter unless requested and is referring this information to Headquarters Command for appropriate action.

3. According to Special Agent WEBSTER of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, a Mrs. CHICIGA MILLER of 2027 South Arlington, the GEORGE PICKETT home, Arlington, Virginia, reported that between 2000 hours on 27 July 1952 and 0200 hours on 28 July 1952 she observed a white light over the Pentagon. This light hovered immediately over the Pentagon, then made a direct descent towards it, stopped, and veered off. Mrs. MILLER could not describe the object from which the light emanated and only described it as being a white light.

4. The above was the only information which the FBI Special Agent could furnish concerning this incident.

5. Attention is invited to paragraph 16a, AFR 205-6, dated 1 September 1950, which prohibits disclosure of information to unauthorized persons.

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cc: HQ OSI
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Colonel, USAF
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4TH DISTRICT OFFICE, OSI-IG
BOLLING AIR FORCE BASE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

28 JUL 1952

24-0-208

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects
Observed at Triton Beach,
Maryland, on 27 July 1952
ROBERT CHASE, Observer
SPECIAL INQUIRY

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BY KURT K. KUNZE, Capt, USAF
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DATE 5 DEC 1975

TO: Commanding Officer
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3. According to the FBI Agent, a Mr. ROBERT CHASE of 3109 Nichols Avenue, SE, Washington, D. C., called the Federal Bureau of Investigation to state that he was at Triton Beach, Maryland, between 1500 hours and 1700 hours on 27 July 1952. During the period mentioned he saw two (2) objects in the sky flying from a westerly to an easterly direction. These objects came into his view on a straight course, made a turn, then returned to their original course and disappeared from view. One of the objects was so high in the sky that he could not describe it other than to say that it left a vapor trail. The other was low enough for him to say that it appeared circular in shape.

4. The above information is the only information which the Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation was able to furnish this office concerning the above described incident.

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Ltr, DO #4 OSI, BAFB, Wash, DC, to CO, Hq Comd, BAFB, Wash, DC, ATTN: Dir of Intel, file 24-0-208, dtd , Subj: Unidentified Flying Objects Observed at Triton Beach, Maryland, on 27 July 1952 ROBERT CHASE, Observer, SPECIAL INQUIRY

5. Attention is invited to paragraph 16a, AFR 205-6, dated 1 September 1950, which prohibits disclosure of information to unauthorized persons.

Harold D. Collins
Lt Col USAF

FOR DONALD B. WHITE
Colonel, USAF
District Commander

cc: Hq OSI

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Forwarded herewith for your information is a copy of a Spot Intelligence Report prepared by District Office 4, Office of Special Investigations, Bolling Air Force Base, dated 23 July 1952, concerning the above captioned subject.

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LEROY H. BARNARD
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4TH DISTRICT OFFICE, OSI-IG
BOLLING AIR FORCE BASE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

24-0-203

23 JUL 1952

SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: Unidentified Objects Sighted at Andrews AFB, 20 July 1952
SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

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BY KURT K. KUNZE, Capt, USAF
Historian
DATE 5 DEC 1975

1. SYNOPSIS:

Three (3) unidentified objects were sighted by five (5) AAFB base personnel between 0005 and 0030 hours EST, 20 July 1952. The objects appeared reddish-orange in color and moved erratically in flight at an undetermined altitude. They traveled from a northerly to a southeasterly direction. They were sighted for periods of from five (5) to thirty (30) seconds on three (3) different occasions. Another sighting was made by the Approach Control which picked up one (1) unidentified target at 0415 hours EST. This target was in the scope for thirty (30) seconds before fading.

2. DETAILS:

Inquiry into the presence of unidentified objects over Andrews AFB was initiated after this office had received a telephone call from a Lt. WYATT (not otherwise identified) who stated that he had been Operations Officer at Andrews AFB during the period between 0001 and 0830 hours on 20 July 1952, and that during his tour of duty, he had been receiving calls reporting "flying saucers" in the area. The lieutenant stated that the objects had been picked up by radar.

After receiving this call, an inquiry was made at the Control Tower at Andrews AFB where the following information was obtained:

Three (3) unidentified objects were sighted by five (5) base personnel between 0005 and 0030 hours EST on 20 July 1952. The three (3) objects appeared reddish and orange and moved erratically from a northerly to a southeasterly direction at an undetermined altitude. They were sighted for periods of from five (5) to thirty (30)

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seconds on three (3) occasions by MONTE J. BANNING, JOSEPH J. DeBOVES, Civilians, WILLIAM B. BRADY, A/1C, JOHN P. IZZO, T/Sgt. (all of whom are assigned to the control tower at AAFB), and Capt. HARRY W. REDDING, AO-818935, Airdrome Officer on duty at the time. At 0415 hours EST, the Approach Control picked up one (1) unidentified target which remained on the scope for thirty (30) seconds and then disappeared.

The following is a copy of the AACS Control Tower Log, 1909th AACS Squadron, dated 20 July 1952:

"0005 Phone call advsg that there was an object south of ADW. A/1C BRADY looked south and saw a orange object that appeared for just a moment then disapeared. The party on the phone saw the same thing. Wash Center also calling to advise they have five targets unidentified in the vicinity of ADW Range. TWR personnel used to observe from roof of the TWR.

"0120 While watching from the TWR roof Mr. DeBoves, T/Sgt IZZO and myself, Capt H. W. REDDING, observed what appeared to be two falling stars but they had an orange hue and a tail and were traveling at a fast pace.

"0125 T/Sgt and Mr. DeBoves also saw a third object that appeared like the first two objects (appeared like a falling star).

"0235 ADW A/O making a full report including the report by the party on the phone. Wash Center received a call from Capital Airlines plane that he saw three objects near HERNDON and reported that they were like nothing he had ever seen. He also reported three more between HRN and Martinsburg. Wash Center first saw these targets around 2340 and then about ten minutes later they moved toward ADW.

"0330 Wash Center advised the targets seemed to move more frequently when there were aircraft moving. As daylight was approaching they seemed to move less frequently.

"0530 Wash Center advised target north of ADW. Tower could not see it.

"TWX sent to Director of Intelligence, Hq USAF, Washington 25, D. C.
Air Technical Intell Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
ATTN: ATIAA-26
Commanding General, Ent AFB, Colorado Springs, Colo.
Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, USAF, Bolling AFB."

3. ACTION:

No investigation of this matter was conducted by this office inasmuch as no request for investigation was received. This matter was

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coordinated with Capt. BENJAMIN BERKOW, Director of Intelligence, Headquarters Command, Bolling Air Force Base, who stated that his office would handle the required investigation.

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Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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From 5th District OSI
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7 July 1952

SUBJECT: Alleged Sighting of Unconventional Aircraft 27 May 1952 Baltimore, Maryland SPECIAL INQUIRY

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BY KURT K. KUNZE, Capt, USAF
Historian
DATE 5 DEC 1975

TO: Commanding Officer
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio

1. Transmitted herewith for your information and retention are two (2) copies of the closed Report of Investigation by Special Agent O. R. WEATHERHOLT, 4th District OSI, Bolling Air Force Base, Washington 25, D. C., dated 30 June 1952, file No. 24-414, subject as above.

2. Attention is invited to Paragraph 7, AFR 205-1, dated 14 March 1949, which prohibits the disclosure of classified information to unauthorized personnel.

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D. G. NORTH
Lt Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NO. 24-414

DATE 30 JUN 1952

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] OLIVER R. HEATHERHOLT, S/A fsk

REPORT MADE AT DO #4, Bolling AFB

PERIOD 29, 31 May; 1 June 1952

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ALLEGED SIGHTING OF UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT 27 May 1952 BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

CHARACTER

SPECIAL INQUIRY

REFERENCE

None; this is an initial report

SYNOPSIS

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Historian
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Unauthorized disclosure of information contained in this report is prohibited and will be considered a violation of AFR 205-1 and AFR 205-6, paragraph 16.

Investigation predicated on alleged sighting of unconventional aircraft on night of 27 May 1952 in Baltimore, Maryland. One person described object as two (2) bright lights hanging in mid air, then separating, and diving toward the ground. One person described object as two (2) bright lights traveling at a great rate of speed. On 27 May 1952, between 2150 and 2350 hours, two (2) L-19A Aircraft from 29th Infantry Division, Harbor Field, Baltimore, Maryland, were flying in area of sightings, official weather for night of sighting was: Clear.

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DETAILS:

1. This investigation was predicated on information received from S/Sgt WILLIAM SEEDS, AF-22357624, 104th Fighter Squadron, Harbor Field, Charge of Quarters, who stated LEONARD MORRIS, 4617 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore, Maryland, had informed him on 27 May 1952 he had "seen those flying saucers."

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

2. LEONARD MORRIS, 4617 Reisterstown Road, born 16 August 1922, at Baltimore, Maryland, Education - High School and Trade School, presently employed with Bendix Radio, Towson, Maryland, was interviewed on 29 May 1952, and stated that on 27 May 1952, between 2330 and 2345 hours, while sitting on his front porch with his wife, they observed what first was believed to be a falling star and immediately decided it was not a star, but a plane traveling at a great rate of speed. This object had two (2) white lights about 100 feet apart and was traveling in an easterly direction, altitude and distance away unknown. The two (2) lights appeared to hover above a "mail plane" (estimated speed 300 miles per hour) and then increased its speed to about five times that of the mail plane and disappeared toward Washington, D.C. There was no sound from the lights. He later decided that the two white lights could not have been a plane since the lights were very round and were not similar to landing lights on aircraft. The distance between the lights did not vary. He observed the lights for a maximum of 10 seconds and did not see any red or green lights with the white lights nore was there a body connected to the lights. The weather was very clear at the time of observation. RICHARD BOSSERT, a fellow employee, had observed similar lights on the same hight, but in a different part of Baltimore and at an earlier hour.

3. Interview of RICHARD ADAM BOSSERT, 5014 Ivanhoe Avenue, presently employed by Bendix Radio, Towson, Maryland, reflects that on 27 May 1952, between 2230 and 2240 hours, he and his wife and landlady, Miss HELEN HAAS, same address, observed two unusual lights. A statement was obtained from BOSSERT as follows:

"Two large white lights appeared, low in the horizon, in a southeasterly direction. Our first impression was that it was a plane, in trouble, trying to land. The lights looked similiar to landing lights of airliners. At first they appeared to be heading directly for us and only several blocks away (if compared to the size of average airline lights.) There were no apparent running (red and green) lights. As I got out of the car, the lights separated, the one on my left dropped to the left and disappeared behind a house - the light on my right - veered upward and to the right and passed behind the second house. We observed it, as it emerged from behind the house and it moved rather slowly and at times seemed to float and 'bob' as though it were affected by air currents. Then it passed behind a third house, (moving south) and again appeared. It moved steadily southward for apparently several degrees then reversed and retraced its first sighting position, but after it passed behind the last house it was lost from sight. We watched for 15 minutes and never saw it again.

"The appearance was not comparable to anything I could explain. There seemed to be no form of a body, which should have been visible as a shilouette in the clear sky. The lights seemed to have no definite direction as to beaming. The light were as though a 1000 watt bulb might be hanging in mid-air several blocks away. As the light changed its direction (movement) the appgrance still stayed the same - as though it were pointing toward us at all times.

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DETAILS:

"There was no noticeable sound whatsoever. This seemed strange and because the night was quite still and sounds could be heard from the staduim, which is approximately 20 blocks away.

"We also watched several airliners in the following few minutes. All these planes could be heard and running lights blinked normally.

Witness: O.R. WEATHERHOLT /s/ "RICHARD BOSSERT"

Original copy of above statement is on file in District Office #4 and will be released upon request by proper authority.

4. Interview of Miss HELEN HAAS, reflects identically the same information as related by BOSSERT.

5. Review of flight records at 29th Infantry Division, Headquarters Battery, 224th Field Artillery Battalion, Harbor Field, Baltimore, Maryland, reflects that two (2) L-19A Aircraft, Numbers 51-4543N and 51-12026N, piloted by Captain J. ELMER WEISHEIT, JR.,)-440473, and 1st Lt BENJAMIN R. CADWALADER,)-1185474, on 27 May 1952 from 2150 to 2350 hours and 2150 to 2250 hours, respectively, were flying in vicinity of sightings of unusual lights by MORRIS and BOSSERT.

6. Interview of WEISHEIT reflects that on 27 May 1952, at approximately 2230 to 2240 hours, he and CADWALADER were flying in area described by BOSSERT. CADWALADER was flying behind and to the right of him and at approximately 2500 feet, cruising speed 100 mph. He related that CADWALADER was flying a little close and to motion him away he went up and to the left and then dropped approximately 1000 feet. CADWALADER went down to the right. Neither plane had its landing lights on, but there is a rather large white navigation light located on the bottom and top of each aircraft which throws a steady light. His plane's red and green navigation lights were not working. His aircraft was an unpainted aluminum, CADWALADER's aircraft was Olive Drab.

After CADWALADER left his area of flying, he was simulating instrument flying over Baltimore for approximately one hour at 2500 feet at cruising speed of 100 mph. During this hour he believes that he flew over western and southwestern Baltimore, which is the area of the two (2) unusual lights sighted by MORRIS. He described the weather as very clear and dark, with no moon.

7. Official weather report as obtained from Friendship International Airport is as follows:

Weather report from 27 May 1952:

2225 Hours: Clear, visibility 15 miles, surface wind southwest 8.
2327 Hours: Clear, visibility 12 miles, surface wind southwest 8.

8. CADWALADER was not available for interview at this time. He is taking Bar Examinations and attending graduation exercises.

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FLYING SAUCER SIGHTED IN VIRGINIA??
Washington Post
17 June 52

Flash in Sky Poses Saucer Question in Va.

RICHMOND, June 16 (AP).—Weather Bureau officials, astronomers and science fiction fans were taking turns today wondering about the mysterious and shiny "thing" that flashed across the Southside Virginia horizon yesterday.

Was it a meteorite, or—here we go again—a flying saucer?

To some, it appeared round. To others, oblong. To some, it was big. To others, small.

Sheriff F. W. Simpson of Powhatan County described it as "very high and in the shape of a spinning top, with two lights in the big part."

Commonwealth's Attorney William Blandford said "it looked just like a parachute at first. It seemed silver and looked like an oval."

Miss Margaret Satterwhite of Richmond, who was traveling in the Powhatan vicinity, said it was a "huge object, shaped like a glass ball."

Among the folks who might know, Weather Bureau officials said they hadn't seen the weird phenomenon and therefore couldn't offer any help. Astronomers at the University of Virginia observatory said the same.

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TO LT RUPPELT

FR ROTHSTEIN ATIAA-2C

LETTER TO PROJECT BLUE BOOK FROM ULIUS LOUIS AMOSS FROM GIBSON ISLAND, MD. DATED 24 APRIL 52.

DEAR GENERAL

RE FLYING SAUCER

WITNESS: DONALD STEWART

2241 WARREN AVE

BALTIMORE 30

SCENE RITCHIE HIGHWAY, OPPOSITE HARNESS RACING TRACK NEAR GLEN BURNIE

DATE SATURDAY, 19 APRIL 52 APPROX 10:20 PM

WITNESS WITH COMPANION WAS DRIVING AN ENGLISH FORD TOWARD BALTIMORE. HE HEARD A ROARING SOUND OVERHEAD "LIKE A HUGE VACUUM CLEANER GONE WILD" LOOKING OUT, HE SAW OVERHEAD, A GREAT DISH "HIGH", SHAPED LIKE A LARGE PANCAKE." SUDDENLY IT TURNED ON EDGE AND WITH GREAT SPEED PLUMMETTED DOWN UNTIL IT REACHED ABOUT 200 FT ABOVE THE CAR. THE DISH, SEEN FROM ITS ENDS, HAD A LARGE BUBBLE WITH AN APERTURE LIKE A PORTHOLE. WITNESS WAS TOO FRIGHTENED TO OBSERVE ANY FACES. THE EDGES WERE PALE GREEN LUMINESCENCE AND A LUMINOUS AFTER TRAIL PULSATED. THE OBJECT HOVERED FOR ABOUT TWO MINUTES OVER THE AUTOMOBILE WHICH IN THE MEANTIME HAD BECOME IMMOBILIZED. SUDDENLY THE DISK TOOK OFF IN A RAPID FLIGHT "TOWARD GIBSON ISLAND OR ANNAPOLIS. OPPOSITE, A YELLOW AUTOMOBILE, PROCEEDING TOWARD ANAPOLIS APPARENTLY WAS SIMILARLY IMMOBILIZED. WITNESS SHOUTED AT OCCUPANTS, A YOUNG MAN AND WOMAN WHO CLOSED THEIR WINDOWS AND APPEARED TO LOCK THE DOORS, BUT A MINUTE OR SO LATER, STARTED THEIR ENGINE AND TOOK OFF. WITNESS WAS INTERVIEWED BY LOU CORBIN, A RADIO STATION (WFBR) ANNOUNCER. CORBIN IS A RESERVE CIC OFFICER AND UP TO DATE IS KEEPING THE STORY. CORBIN FIRST PHONED A TECHNICAL FRIEND AT GLENN L MARTINS AND RECEIVED AN IMPRESSION THAT HE TOOK THE STORY SERIOUSLY, BUT DID NOT GIVE ANY LOGICAL EXPLANATION. CORBIN INTENDS TO GO OVER THE CAR'S ENGINE WITH A GIGER COUNTER BECAUSE THE CAR NOW GIVES OFF A ROUGH RATTLE AND A GARAGE MECHANIC SAID THE METAL PARTS APPEAR TO BE MAGNETIZED.

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IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT STEWART BE
QUESTIONED WITH CORBIN PRESENT BECAUSE
STEWART, THOROUGHLY FRIGHTENED, APPEARS NOT TO WANT
TO DISCUSS THE INCIDENT WITH ANYONE EXCEPT
CORBIN. CORBIN CAN BE TRUSTED TO KEEP ANY
INVESTIGATION SECRET. HE APPEARS MORE INTERESTED
IN HIS CIC STATUS THAN IN HIS PROFESSION.
SIZE ABOUT LIKE A DC-3
WITNESSES: GEORGE MASON & SON JOHN MASON ← I appear to be phony name according to MR. AMOSS
YACHT CLUB ROAD
RIVIERA BEACH, MD
WITNESSES CLAIM TO HAVE SEEN A GREAT AIRBORNE
DISK ABOUT 50 FT IN DIAMETER BETWEEN 10
& 11 PM SATURDAY APRIL 19 "OVER THE STONY
CREEK BRIDGE". DISK HAD LUMINECENT EDGES
AN GAVE OFF AN UNSTEADY LUMINOUS EXHAUST. DISK
WAS SEEN ABOUT 200 FT IN AIR AND TOOK OFF
WITH SPEED EXCEEDING JET PLANE TOWARD ANNAPOLIS.
COMMENT: I WILL TRY TO FIND THESE WITNESSES &
QUESTION. REPORTED TO BE ANGRY BECAUSE NEIGHBORS LAUGH AT STORY.
INCIDENTAL REPORTS
ON GIBSON ISLAND, NELSON STRIEKCIRUT
(??SPELLING) AND WIFE (STRICKCIRUT IS GIBSON
ISLAND SECRETARY) SOMEWHERE ABOUT 10
OR 11 PM ON SATURDAY 19 APRIL, HEARD WHAT
THEY THOUGHT MUST HAVE BEEN A NEW TYPE JET
PLANE OVER THE HOUSE "MAKING AN INFERNAL
RACKET" UNLIKE ANY NOISE HE HAD HEARD BEFORE.
HOUSE SHOOK STRICKCIRUT RUSHED OUT OF DOORS; SAW NOTHING.
MRS SALLY (SYMINGTON) HENDERSON AND JUDGE AND MRS
HENDERSON, SR, ON SATURDAY NIGHT
(ON GIBSON ISLAND) HEARD AN "AERIAL NOISE"
AND THEIR HOSSE "SHOOK WILDLY".
THOUGHT I WAS ON GIBSON ISLAND AT TIMES MENTIONED, NEITHER
MAY WIFE NOR I RECALL ANY UNUSUAL NOISE.
HAD WE THEN HEARD IT AND FELT VIBRATIONS
WE PROBABLY WOULD HAVE DISMISSED IT AS
NOISES AND SHOCKS WE HAVE BEEN ATRRIBUTIVE
TO ABERDEEN. GLEN BURNICE POLICE SAY
THEY HAVE HAD MANY SIMILAR INCIDENTS REPORTED, BUT
LAUGH THEM OFF. A NEWS - POST TELEPHONE
REPORTER REFUSED TO BE INTERESTED IN STEWARTS
STORY; SAID HE HEARD "DOZEN SIMILAR
REPORTS ON SATURDAY EVENING AND DISMISSED THEM ALL AS
HALLUCINATIONS.
WITH REGARDS
YOURS
ULIUS LOUIS AMOSS"

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SUBJECT: (U) UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT Reported Seen at Crownsville State Hospital Crownsville, Maryland, 13 November 1957

TO: Commander
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

1. Reference is made to letter, this office, file and Subject as above, dated 12 December 1957, to Commander, Air Defense Command, Ent Air Force Base, Colorado, and to Second Indorsement, your Headquarters, dated 31 January 1958, to aforementioned letter, file AFCIN-4E4, UFO Case File, Crownsville, Maryland, 13 November 1957.

2. For your information, on 13 November 1957, this office received the specimen in question from the 109th Counter Intelligence Corps Group, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, and on the following day, it was turned over to the Technical Information and Intelligence Division, Directorate of Operations, Headquarters, Air Research and Development Command, then at Baltimore, Maryland. On 24 March 1958, Lt Colonel BORIS I. NORSKY, Headquarters, ARDC, Andrews Air Force Base, advised that on 18 November 1957 his office forwarded the specimen in question to Wright Patterson Air Force Base, ATTN: AFCIN-4X3. However, according to Colonel NORSKY, this specimen disappeared while enroute.

3. No further action is contemplated by this office in this matter.

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cc:- Dir OSI (USAF)
Comdr, 1001st ABGp, HEDCOM, AAFB

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Colonel, USAF
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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

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ATTN: Mr. N. W. Philcox, Liaison Agent

RE: Unidentified Aerial Object Sighted General Area Ritchie Highway, South Baltimore, Maryland, 10:45 PM, 29 Mar 52 by Donald Stewart, 2241 Warren Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Sir:

There is attached for your information a copy of a report by Special Agent Boyce Royal of this office dated May 12, 1952, in regard to the captioned subject. Your attention is invited to the statement of Mr. Donald Stewart as reflected on page 4, paragraph 7, of the report, to the effect that, at the time of the alleged sighting of this object, he had in his possession a Thompson sub-machine gun. A copy of this attachment has also been furnished the Treasury Department.

No further inquiry into this matter is contemplated by the Office of Special Investigations.

Sincerely,

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Rpt by SA Royal dtd 12 May 52

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Chief, Counter Intelligence Division
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Mr. W. C. Henritzy
Office of Chief Counsel
Alcohol Tax Unit
Bureau of Internal Revenue
Department of the Treasury
Washington 25, D. C.

RE: Unidentified Aerial Object Sighted General Area Ritchie Highway, South Baltimore, Maryland, 10:45 PM 29 Mar 52 by Donald Stewart, 2241 Warren Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland

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A copy of this attachment has also been furnished the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

No further inquiry into this matter is contemplated by the Office of Special Investigations, USAF.

Sincerely,

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Rpt by S/A Royal dtd 12 May 52

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(Restricted Security Info) Unidentified Aerial Object Sighted General Area Ritchie Hway, S. Baltimore, Md, 10:45 PM, 29 Mar 52 by Donald Stewart, 2241 Warren Ave, Balt, Md

Collection Division, ATTENTION: Colonel Cook
Directorate of Intelligence DCS/O

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Counter Intelligence Division
Directorate of Special Investigations, IG

1. Reference is made to telephone conversation of 9 May 1952 between Colonel Cook of your Directorate, and Lt. Colonel Free of this office, in regard to the above subject.

2. Pursuant to your request there are attached herewith two (2) copies of a report by Special Agent Boyce Royal dated 12 May 1952 reflecting the results of the OSI inquiry in this matter.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR GENERAL CARROLL

SUBJECT: (Restricted - Security Information) Unidentified Aerial Object Sighted General Area Ritchie Highway, South Baltimore, Maryland, 10:45 PM 29 March 1952 by Donald Stewart, 2241 Warren Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland

1. I thought you might be interested in the results of an investigation we have just completed in regard to the above subject. At approximately 1600 hours 9 May 1952 we received a telephone call from the Directorate of Intelligence to the effect that one Donald Stewart of Baltimore, Maryland, had sighted an unidentified aerial object at 2245 hours 29 March 1952. According to the information received by AFOIN the object, when observed by Stewart, was headed in the general direction of Annapolis and hovered for approximately two (2) minutes 200 feet above Mr. Stewart's automobile causing the ignition of his automobile to be magnetized and stopping the engine. Stewart claimed a 17 year old high school student was present in his automobile at the time of observation and would corroborate his statement. Stewart had relayed this information to a news commentator in Baltimore who later told the story to a retired Army Colonel, who in turn advised AFOIN. Intelligence requested that OSI afford the matter priority attention since Secretary Finletter had expressed a personal interest in the report. Accordingly, District Office 4 was instructed to conduct a personal interview of Stewart and others who may have witnessed the alleged object, and to obtain sufficient background information concerning Stewart to enable an evaluation of his credibility. Upon interview by OSI, Stewart reiterated his previous report. However, our agents located and interviewed the 17 year old schoolboy who, although at first confirming the statements as given by Stewart, later admitted that he had not been with Stewart at the time of the alleged sighting, had not seen any such aircraft, and had related his previous story at the request of Stewart. The schoolboy, George Tyler, had hitched a ride with Stewart during the evening of the alleged incident.

2. Background information developed by DO 4 disclosed that Stewart had been at one time under investigation for illegally wearing a Navy uniform, and had also been fired from his employment in Baltimore as a result of placing a decal of the hammer and sickle and red star on the door of a Baltimore truck. Stewart was described by associates as a braggart and a "screwball".

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3. Extensive inquiries in the area of the alleged sighting failed to establish that any other persons had observed the object. Stewart, upon reinterview, reaffirmed his previous statements. During one of the interviews Stewart also remarked that, at the time of the sighting, he had a Thompson sub-machine gun in the rear seat of his automobile. He said that he at first intended to fire upon the object with this machine gun but was prevailed upon not to do so by his companion, Tyler. Tyler, during his interview, stated that he observed no machine gun in the automobile at the time he was present in same. We furnished the results of our inquiry to AFOIN 13 May 1952, and are transmitting a copy of the report to the Treasury Department and the FBI in view of the statement relative to the machine gun.

GILBERT R. LEVY
Chief, Counter Intelligemce Division
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LEVY:

SUBJECT: (Restricted - Security Information) Unidentified Aerial Object Sighted General Area Richie Highway, South Baltimore, Maryland, 10:45 P. M., 29 March 1952 by Donald Stewart, 2241 Warren Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland

1. At approximately 1600 hours, 9 May 1952, a telephone call was received from Lt. Colonel Ray W. Taylor, Deputy Commanding Officer, Air Technical Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, requesting that OSI undertake an inquiry in regard to the above subject. Colonel Taylor was on TDY, AFOIN, at the Pentagon at the time of the call.

2. Colonel Taylor advised that a report had just been received to the effect that Donald Stewart, 2241 Warren Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, had sighted an unidentified object at approximately 10:45 P. M., 29 March 1952, near Richie Highway in Baltimore. According to the report as related by Colonel Taylor, the object was observed proceeding in the general direction of Annapolis and that it hovered approximately two hundred (200) feet above Mr. Stewart at the time of the sighting. Colonel Taylor said that according to Stewart's story, Stewart's automobile ignition was "magnetized" and the engine stopped at the time of the sighting.

3. The source of this report to OIN was one Mr. Ulius Louis Amoss, Gibson Island, Maryland. Lt. Colonel Taylor said that Amoss operates a civilian intelligence information service and that he has furnished information to Intelligence in the past. According to Taylor he has no reason to doubt his credibility as source. Colonel Taylor understood from the reports that he had received concerning this matter that one Lou Corbin, employed by Radio Station WFBR in Baltimore, had obtained the full story of this alleged sighting from Mr. Stewart. The information furnished by Mr. Amoss indicated that Corbin is a CIC Reserve Officer and would be willing to cooperate fully. Colonel Taylor said that there was another occupant of the automobile identified only by the name of Tyler, who is a seventeen year old high school student.

4. Colonel Taylor requested that OSI afford this matter priority attention since Secretary Finletter had expressed a personal interest in the report and Colonel Taylor had been directed by Brigadier General McKeever, AFOIN, to have a complete evaluation of the alleged sighting by Tuesday, 13 May 1952.

5. I telephonically furnished the information to Lt. Colonel Collins at approximately 1645 hours, 9 May 1952, requesting that District Office

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No. 4 conduct a personal interview of Mr. Stewart and possibly Tyler and others who might have been determined as having witnessed the alleged object. Colonel Collins was also requested to conduct a local agency check of Mr. Stewart and obtain sufficient background information to enable an evaluation of Stewart's credibility.

6. Colonel Collins advised that a complete report reflecting DO 4's inquiry would be hand carried to the undersigned by mid-afternoon 12 May 1952.

LUCIUS L. FREE
Lt. Colonel, U. S. Air Force
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TO: Director of Special Investigation
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DATE 13 MAY 1952

COMMENT NO. 1
Col Cook/mjl/56548
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FROM: Deputy Director for collection
and Dissemination, D/I, DCS/O

Confirming the verbal request of Lt Colonel Taylor, ATIC, Wright Field, it is requested that you conduct an investigation covering the background, and credibility of Mr. (FNU) Stewart, and circumstances surrounding his reporting having observed a flying saucer in Maryland.

Eugene G. Cook

EUGENE G. COOK
Colonel, USAF
Executive, Deputy Director for
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Sighting of Unidentified Aerial Object, Ritchie Highway, SO. Baltimore, Maryland, 29 March 1952

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REFERENCE

Telephone message CI Division Hq. OSI, 9 May 1952

Unauthorized disclosure of information contained in this report is prohibited and will be considered a violation of AFR 205-1 and AFR 205-6, paragraph 11.

SYNOPSIS

Investigation requested by Hq. OSI predicated on information received from Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright Patterson AFB that DONALD STEWART and (FNU) TYLER had observed unconventional type aircraft on 29 March 1952 in the vicinity of Baltimore, Maryland. Information relayed to Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright Patterson AFB by ULIUS LOUIS AMOSS who received it from LOU CORBIN, a news commentator, employed by station WFBR, Baltimore, Md. CORBIN interviewed, furnished information that DONALD STEWART, 224 Warren Avenue and GEORGE TYLER III, 112 East Montgomery St., Baltimore, Md., had been interviewed by him on 24 and 27 April 1952 and had reported sighting a disc-like aircraft at approximately 2045 hours, 29 March 1952 on Ritchie Highway near the intersection of US Route 301; that automobile engine stopped and paint cracked as aircraft hovered 200 feet above car. STEWART interviewed and related substantially the same story which he had given CORBIN previously. RAY FOX, Engineer, Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Baltimore, Md, interviewed, advised he had made complete examination of STEWART's vehicle at request of CORBIN; including examination with geiger counter and determined no unusual defects. AMOSS interviewed, stated had no direct knowledge of incident and had merely relayed information furnished him by CORBIN; advised that several residents, Gibson Island, Maryland had heard unusual noises but none had observed any such aircraft. TYLER interviewed and confirmed statement given by STEWART however, upon reinterview, admitted that he had not been with STEWART at the time of the alleged sighting, and had not seen any such aircraft; advised that STEWART had asked him to tell that story and that he had done so. Interviews conducted along Ritchie Highway in vicinity of location where aircraft

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was allegedly sighted indicated no knowledge of any such craft. Anne Arundel County Police Department had no record of reports of described aircraft. STEWART in reinterview reaffirmed sighting and that TYLER had been with him at the time and had seen the aircraft. File checks re STEWART at local police agencies negative. FBI, Baltimore Field Office records reflect STEWART fired from employment at Baltimore, Maryland, for placing a decal bearing Communist insignia on a truck belonging to the firm by whom he was employed. FBI check re TYLER, CORBIN, AMOSS negative.

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DETAILS:

1. This investigation was initiated upon a request from Headquarters OSI on 9 May 1952 from Lt. Col. LUCIUS L. FREE, predicated upon information received from Lt. Col. RAY W. TAYLOR, Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, to the effect that Col. TAYLOR had received information regarding an unidentified aircraft which was reported to have been seen at 2245 hours, 29 March 1952, on Ritchie Highway, south of Baltimore, Maryland. Air Technical Intelligence Center advised that the information had been received from ULIUS LOUIS AMOSS, a civilian.

2. This is a joint investigation of Special Agents CLIFFORD P. JONES, OLIVER R. WEATHERHOLT, and the writer.

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

3. On 10 May 1952 Lt. Col. LUCIUS L. FREE, Headquarters OSI, was interviewed and furnished the writer with a copy of a TWX received from the Air Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson AFB. Information contained in the TWX is summarized as follows:

The TWX represents a copy of a letter to the Commanding General, Project Blue Book, from ULIUS LOUIS AMOSS, Gibson Island, Maryland, dated 24 April 1952. The letter stated that one DONALD STEWART, residing at 2241 Warren Avenue, Baltimore 30, Maryland, had observed an unconvential type aircraft on 29 March 1952. Present with him at the time of this observation was one FNU TYLER, believed to be a seventeen year old (17) high school student. The aircraft was allegedly observed while STEWART and TYLER were driving north on Ritchie Highway, approaching Baltimore, Maryland. It was described as shaped like a large pancake and was alleged to have hovered over the automobile, killing the engine. The letter also advised that STEWART had been interviewed by a LOU CORBIN, a radio announcer of WFBR, Baltimore radio station. CORBIN was described as a reserve CIC officer. The letter also stated that a GEORGE MASON and son, JOHN MASON, alleged to reside on Yacht Club Road, Riviera Beach, Maryland, had also seen such an aircraft. A NELSON STRIEKCIRUT and wife, and a Mrs. SALLY SYMINGTON HENDERSON and Judge and Mrs. HENDERSON were all said to have heard an aerial noise on 19 April 1952 at approximately 2300 hours. The Glenn Burnie Police were said to have had many similar incidents reported but laughed them off.

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

4. On 10 May 1952 Mr. HUBERT KEITH, U. S. Weather Bureau, International Friendship Airport, Baltimore, Maryland, advised that the weather map for 2226 hours, 29 March 1952, indicated clear sky, NNW winds - eight (8) miles per hour; at 2256 hours, 29 March 1952, partly

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cloudy, NNW winds - twelve (12) miles per hour; winds aloft at one thousand (1000) feet, NNW - sixteen (16) miles per hour.

5. On 10 May 1952 Mr. LOUIS E. CORBIN was interviewed at radio station WFBR in Baltimore, Maryland, and stated in substance as follows:

Mr. CORBIN advised that he had received information in the latter part of April to the effect that a DONALD F. STEWART, residing at 224 Warren Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, had, while accompanied by Mr. GEORGE S. TYLER III, observed a strange appearing aircraft on 29 March 1952. Mr. CORBIN indicated that the source of his information had been a newspaper reporter for one of the local newspapers, whose name he did not divulge. CORBIN related that he had for some time been interested in the "flying saucer situation", and that it had been his intention to write a documentary program for broadcast concerning that subject. He said further that inasmuch as the above incident was the first one to be brought to his attention within that area, he determined to investigate it.

On 24 April 1952 CORBIN interviewed Mr. DONALD F. STEWART and ascertained that he was employed as a clerk by the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. He further ascertained that the date of observation was 29 March 1952; place, Ritchie Highway near the harness track; time, 10:45 PM; weather, clear; moon and stars out; approximate length of observation, two (2) minutes; estimated altitude, two hundred (200) feet. CORBIN obtained the details of the incident and set them down in a chronological order. A photostatic reproduction of the information obtained in that interview is being forwarded as an inclosure to this report. CORBIN also interviewed Mr. GEORGE S. TYLER III relative to the above incident and made a similar writing, a photostatic reproduction of which is being forwarded as an inclosure to this report.

CORBIN advised the writer that he was acquainted with the editor of a civilian intelligence bulletin, Mr. ULIUS LOUIS AMOSS, to whom he communicated the above information. Mr. CORBIN further advised that he would not release any of the information publicly and did not intend to do so until such time as the authorities completed investigation of the incident. CORBIN related that when he had called the Anne Arundel County Police they had informed him that they had had numerous reports of that nature but had passed them off as harmless. CORBIN stated that he had had a friend of his, RAYMOND FOX, conduct a scientific examination of STEWART's automobile for the purpose of determining any unusual characteristics which might have been present. CORBIN advised that he was not a reserve CIC officer; however, he related that he had been an intelligence officer with the staff of General GEORGE S. PATTON in Europe and that he presently holds an inactive reserve commission as lieutenant colonel, O-375086.

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Mr. CORBIN, during the course of the interview, made no mention of GEORGE or JOHN MASON, and when specifically questioned with regards to the two above individuals, he said that he did not recall either.

6. On 10 May 1952 the records of the FBI Field Office, Baltimore, Maryland, were reviewed and reflected that DONALD FRANKLIN STEWART, 224 Warren Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, was questioned for illegal wearing of the Navy uniform in July 1948. Records also reflect that STEWART was a member of the U. S. Naval Reserve and the investigation was discontinued as no violation. These records also reflect that STEWART was fired from the Baltimore Supply Company, Baltimore, Maryland, for placing a decal of the hammer and sickle and red star on the door of a Baltimore Supply Company truck. This act was committed on 30 July 1948. The FBI Field Office records reflect no records of ULIUS LOUIS AMOSS and no derogatory information on LOUIS E. CORBIN, No information concerning reports of unconvential aircraft sighted during the past two (2) years were on record at the FBI Field Office.

7. Mr. DONALD FRANKLIN STEWART was interviewed at his residence, 224 Warren Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, on 10 May 1952, and with reference to the incident in instant case, he related in substance as follows:

STEWART, accompanied by his friend, GEORGE TYLER, were returning to Baltimore from Glenn Burnie, Maryland, via the Ritchie Highway, on 29 March 1952. They were in a 1949 Anglia Vampire, an English car, and were proceeding in a northerly direction, having just left a Howard Johnson Restaurant adjacent to the intersection of Ritchie Highway and U. S. Highway #301. While approximately opposite a harness track five hundred (500) yards north of the above named intersection, STEWART related, he observed a strange looking aircraft appearing on the horizon ahead of his automobile. STEWART described the aircraft as being a flat disk with a cupola or dome in the center of one side. He described the dome as having what appeared to be a small porthole on one side and the shadowy outline of what appeared to be a "hatch, similar to those found on a ship". He stated that this craft approached his vehicle from a northeasterly direction and hovered above his automobile.

He further described the object as being of a luminous silver color and emitting bright lights around the edges similar to neon tubing of high brilliance. He stated that at the time the incident occurred he had in the rear seat of his vehicle a Thompson sub-machine gun with which weapon he left the automobile and walked around the car several times debating as to whether or not he should fire upon the aircraft. He advised that his companion, TYLER, remained in the automobile and had pleaded with him not to discharge the weapon for fear of retaliation from the aircraft. Mr. STEWART declined to comment as to the origin, present whereabouts, or owner of the above named weapon.

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STEWART stated that when the aircraft came to rest above his automobile, it appeared to be "at least fifty feet (50) in diameter, and wavered slightly." While in sight the aircraft gave off a sound similar to that of a vacuum cleaner. STEWART averred that the aircraft maintained its position above the automobile for approximately three (3) minutes and then turned on its edge, thereby presenting its flat surface to his vision, and appeared to roll across the sky at a terrific rate of speed, greater than that of a jet plane. STEWART estimated the horizon to the southwest of his vision, towards which the object was traveling, as approximately three and one-half (3½) miles from his position, and that the object as it disappeared across the horizon was approximately the dimension of a five (5) inch disk held at arm's length. He advised that when the object first appeared, it appeared to be at an angle to the horizon of fifty (50) degrees, and as he was proceeding north it appeared on the northeast horizon on the crest of a hill. He also advised that during the period the object was in his vision he noticed no sign of activity within it and discerned no odor from it.

STEWART advised that during the time of the above observation of the aircraft there was only one other automobile in the immediate vicinity. He described this to be a 1948 Pontiac convertible, yellow, with 1952 Maryland license plates, the first three (3) digits of which were six-zero-zero (600). He related that the car was apparently occupied by a man and a woman and that the man had dismounted his automobile and was looking at the aircraft, but that upon being hailed by STEWART, had returned to his automobile and driven off rapidly. It was Mr. STEWART's opinion that he did so upon seeing the aforementioned Thompson sub-machine gun. Mr. STEWART informed the writer that he was not addicted to or a casual indulger of any form of alcoholic beverages and was not under such influence at the time of the sighting. He further advised that he wore glasses only for purposes of reading and that the only obstruction to his observation of the above described aircraft was the windshield of his automobile when first sighted; however, when he emerged from the automobile he was able to observe the aircraft without any trouble.

STEWART contended that the above incident had a singular effect upon his automobile in that it killed the motor and apparently magnetized its wiring. He also stated that the above incident had resulted in the paint on his car cracking.

AGENT'S NOTE: An inspection of STEWART's automobile revealed that it had been recently painted.

It was ascertained from STEWART that his hobbies were the collection and handling of weapons, American History, and that his avocation was politics. He stated that he had been active in the political candidacy of a senatorial contestant of the State of Maryland and was currently leader of the political club supporting the above mentioned candidate in his ward. He advised that on the night of the

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above incident he had been engaged in distributing campaign literature with reference to the above campaigning in Glenn Burnie, Maryland, and was returning to Baltimore when he observed the aircraft. During the course of the above interview STEWART appeared calm and answered all questions without hesitation and when subjected to requestioning, did not change his statements in any particular.

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

8. Mr. LOUIS GITEOS, 228 Warren Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, was interviewed on 10 May 1952, and stated that he has known STEWART all his life and has found no fault with him. GITEOS advised that STEWART comes from a good family and he would recommend him for a position of trust. GITEOS stated that he does not believe STEWART has ever been in trouble with the police.

9. Miss MARY HOOVER, 226 Warren Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, was interviewed on 10 May 1952 and stated that STEWART "shoots a lot of bull", usually bragging about himself and his accomplishments. Outside of talking too much, HOOVER believes that STEWART is honest, makes a good impression, does not drink, a good worker, and loyal to the government. She would recommend STEWART for a position of trust, but stated that she did not believe he could keep a secret.

10. Mrs. LOUIS GITEOS, 228 Warren Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, was interviewed on 10 May 1952 and stated that STEWART talks too much and likes to exaggerate. Other than that, Mrs. GITEOS would recommend STEWART for a position of trust. She considers him honest, loyal, and a good boy.

11. Mr. RAYMOND FOX, Project Engineer, Engineering Department, Radioactive Detection Division, Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Baltimore, Maryland, was interviewed at the Maryland Yacht Club on 10 May 1952, and advised that during the latter part of April 1952 he examined the automobile described in the above paragraph with a geiger counter and could detect no radioactive reaction. He also stated that he examined the engine and all working parts of the automobile and was unable to detect any unusual defects or characteristics. He stated that the automobile had been repainted and that he was inclined to disbelieve the incident as it was related to him.

AT FERNDALE, MARYLAND

12. On 10 May 1952 Officer J. L. GAVIN, Anne Arundel County Police Department, Ritchie Highway Sub-Station, advised that the only report relative to instant investigation that he was aware of as being received by the department was purported to have been an observation during the latter part of March by the bridge keeper, Curtis Bay Bridge, Curtis Bay, Maryland. Officer GAVIN volunteered that the proximity of that area to the Aberdeen Proving Grounds resulted in frequent noises of explosions

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and that the police department had many calls of inquiry but that they all, with the above exception, were reports of noise and not of the sighting of any such aircraft. Officer CAVIN stated that in his opinion it was highly unlikely that an automobile could stop for a period of three (3) minutes on a Saturday night, as during the time of the alleged incident, without several other vehicles passing by. He gave as his reasons that Ritchie Highway was an arterial highway for several outlying districts of Baltimore as well as being a portion of the north-south route from Baltimore to the Potomac Bridge, and that traffic was usually frequent at all times, and especially so during that part of the evening on weekends.

AT GIBSON ISLAND, MARYLAND

13. ULIUS LOUIS AMOSS, Colonel, USA, Retired, residing at 8 Cotterhill Road, Gibson Island, Maryland, was interviewed on 11 May 1952 with reference to his knowledge of above alleged sighting of an unconventional aircraft. He stated in substance that his knowledge was third-hand and therefore he was not in a position to give detailed information. He advised that he was informed of the above incident by CORBIN who, in addition to the information set forth above, had told him that a GEORGE MASON and his son, JOHN MASON, purported to reside on Yacht Club Road, Riviera Beach, Maryland, also had information with reference to instant incident.

AMOSS stated that the residents of Gibson Island frequently heard noises in the night, reported like that produced by a large formation of conventional aircraft. Col. AMOSS described this noise as of a magnitude and intensity similar to a major bombing group of at least one hundred (100) planes. He advised that Mr. and Mrs. NELSON STINCHCOMB (whom he previously reported as STRIEKCIRUT), and Judge and Mrs. HENDERSON, Sr., and Mrs. SALLY HENDERSON SYMINGTON had all reported loud noises of the above type on the night of Saturday, 19 April 1952, and that he had included this information in his letter to General ACKERMAN only as miscellaneous data. He related that the noises occurred nightly but were particularly intense on Thursday nights.

Col. AMOSS informed the writer that he had attempted to locate GEORGE and JOHN MASON but had been unable to contact them. He stated that there was no street designated Yacht Club Road at Riviera Beach, Maryland, and that the nearest approximation of that name was Club Road. He further stated that there was only one residence on Club Road and that residence was presently occupied by a Mr. GEORGE REA, whom he was unable to contact.

14. Attempts by the writer to interview individuals named in the preceding paragraph met with negative results.

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AT GLENN BURNIE, MARYLAND

15. Mr. ROBERT MEADOWS, Proprietor of a Shell Service Station, located at 1501 Ritchie Highway, approximately three hundred (300) yards north of the intersection of Ritchie Highway and U. S. Route #301, was interviewed on 11 May 1952, and advised that to the best of his recollection he had been on duty in the station on the night the above incident was said to have occurred, and that to his knowledge no such incident took place. MEADOWS related that had the aircraft traveled in the direction as alleged, he would surely have observed it; or if he had not been on duty that night, he would surely have been informed of the incident by the man who had been on duty at the time. MEADOWS informed the writer that it was highly unlikely in his opinion that any three (3) minute period could elapse without the passage of several automobiles at the time the above incident was alleged to have occurred.

16. Mr. WILLIAM ROELECKE, Jr., employee of Howard Johnson Restaurant, located at the intersection of Ritchie Highway and U. S. Route #301, was interviewed on 11 May 1952 and advised that he had no knowledge of the above incident.

AT CURTIS BAY, MARYLAND

17. Mr. MAHLEN HOLLINS, Drawbridge Operator, Curtis Bay Bridge, was interviewed on 11 May 1952 and advised that he is the regular draw-bridge operator on the Curtis Bay Bridge on the 1600 hours to 2400 hours shift. HOLLINS stated he was on duty the evening of the 29th of March 1952 and that he had not observed, nor ever observed, any unconventional aircraft. HOLLINS further advised that he did not make a report to the Anne Arundale Police Department of such an incident.

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

18. On 11 May 1952 Mr. GEORGE S. TYLER III, aged sixteen (16), 112 E. Montgomery Street, Baltimore, Maryland, was interviewed at 1030 hours and repeated the same story as he related to CORBIN. One variance in the story was that the car engine did not stop until after STEWART and TYLER had gotten out.

19. GEORGE S. TYLER, Jr., father of GEORGE S. TYLER III, was interviewed on 11 May 1952 and stated that STEWART is "off the beam" and "not normal"; at times he is smart, but "too smart". TYLER said his son is a little careless with the truth and he believes the story is made up. TYLER stated STEWART is a peculiar person, and he has known him for several years. TYLER thinks STEWART made it up to get his name in the papers. TYLER also stated that Ritchie Highway is very crowded and more than one person would have seen it. Mr. TYLER thinks that if his son had seen it he would have discussed it with him or some other member of the family, but he did not do so.

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20. On 11 May 1952 LOUIS F. TYLER, uncle of TYLER III, 230 Edgeville Road, Baltimore 25, Maryland, was interviewed and stated that he does not believe his nephew's story. He stated that TYLER III can dream up fantastic stories at times. He believes it is a hoax and thinks his nephew was talked into telling the story.

21. At approximately 1215 hours, 11 May 1952, GEORGE S. TYLER III was reinterviewed in the presence of his father and mother, at which time TYLER stated that STEWART had seen the "saucer" prior to the time of meeting him and that all the information which he had given was information that STEWART told him. TYLER advised that he did not see a thing and had reported the description of the aircraft as STEWART had told him. He stated that STEWART had told the sighting of the aircraft to him as they returned from Glenn Burnie, Maryland, to Baltimore, and asked him (TYLER) to affirm the report because he feared that no one would believe his story. TYLER advised that he called the newspapers, the Sun and the Post, to find out if anyone else had reported the incident, and was informed that several reports had been received. TYLER further stated that at first he believed the story STEWART had told him; however, he now believes that STEWART made it all up. TYLER averred that he had been in Glenn Burnie visiting friends and was waiting at a bus stop to return to Baltimore on the night of 29 March 1952, when he met STEWART who had been in Glenn Burnie posting campaign posters; that STEWART had offerred to give him a ride back to Baltimore and he had accepted; that it was on the trip back to Baltimore that STEWART had related to him the sighting of the strange aircraft earlier in the evening.

TYLER stated that they left Glenn Burnie at approximately 2230 hours and had driven to Baltimore without incident; that they had made no stops along the road; that he did not see any sub-machine gun in the automobile as reported by STEWART.

22. STEWART was reinterviewed at approximately 1315 hours, 11 May 1952, and stated that TYLER was with him and had witnessed the incident. STEWART denied emphatically any falsehood in the story and stated that the whole thing was the absolute truth.

23. On 12 May 1952 Special Agent OLIVER R. WEATHERHOLT interviewed Mr. HAROLD B. ISENNOCK at the Griebel Motor Company, Light and Henrietta streets, Baltimore, Maryland. Mr. ISENNOCK stated that work was performed on STEWART's car on 8 May; that the work performed was adjustment of brakes, installation of clutch, adjust generator, repairing or taping the wires leading from the generator, change oil, and lubrication. He stated that the car needed only routine repairs and there was no indication of any unusual repairs.

Mr. ISENNOCK advised that STEWART had traded at the garage regularly and that he considered him a "screwball". Review of the

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records at the garage reflected that the car had been serviced on 23 April, 8 December, 18 December 1951; and 31 January, 20 March, and 8 May 1952. The records reflected that the car had been brought in for routine check-ups and repairs. There was no indication in the records that the car had been repainted. Mr. ISENNOCK stated that the car was still the same green color; however, he could not state as to whether it had been recently repainted. He did state he knew the car had not been repainted at his garage.

24. On 12 May 1952 records checks at the Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore County Police, and Maryland State Police reflected no records of STEWART.

INCLOSURES

FOR HEADQUARTERS OSI

1. Photostatic reproduction of information obtained from STEWART by CORBIN (with sketch).

2. Photostatic reproduction of information obtained from TYLER by CORBIN.

C L O S E D

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INTERVIEW # 1. ----- THURSDAY ---- APRIL 24, 1952 -- PROJECT BYEFUL

NAME: Mr. Donald F. Stewart , ADDRESS : 224 Warren Avenue, Balto. 30, MD.

TELEPHONE NUMBER: SAratoga 1423 , AGE: 23

EMPLOYMENT: B. and O. Railroad ---- Clerical Work

DATE OF OBSERVATION: March 29, 1952 PLACE: Ritchie Highway-- Harness Track

TIME OF OBSERVATION: 10:45 P.M. . WEATHER: Clear --- MOON and STARS OUT

APPROXIMATE LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: TWO MINUTES

ESTIMATED ALTITUDE: 200 FEET .

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT:

At approximately 10:45 P.M. on Saturday, March 29, 1952, near the Harness Track on Ritchie Highway, The above in company with a Mr. George Tyler of East Montgomery Street in Baltimore, witnessed the following:

A sound similar to a vacuum cleaner attracted attention. Upon investigation,while traveling north toward Baltimore, a strange object was proceeding in the sky in an approximate north-south direction. It appeared to be moving very slowly (considerably slower than a commercial airliner). WITNESS SKETCH ATTACHED -------

This object was estimated to be at least as large as a two motored transport plane. It hovered directly over the highway and over the automobile. After approximately two minutes, it suddenly turned perpendicular with a whirring sound and started to roll down the sky with fantastic speed like a rocket.

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When the object was over the highway the car engine died suddenly and remained dead until it departed. A yellow Pontiac convertible traveling south along the highway experienced the same situation. Occupants in all cars were very frightened. The automobile, A British Ford was taken to Griebel Motors on Light St. They over-hauled the entire car. A friend, Mr. Kenny Johnson, an electrician, in a repair shop said something about wiring being magnetized. Mr. Johnson had previously been an aviation Jet mechanic during the war. Mr. Stewart is not sufficiently familiar with the technical situation to recall his exact explanation.

A check with the Glenn Burnie Police on this date April 24th, indicated that several times during this year the Headquarters at Glenn Burnie Police were notified concerning a curious object in the sky. The Police have always considered the source of such objects as being Aberdeen Proving Grounds. In all events the Police have not conducted a detailed investigation as a result of any such call to their headquarters.

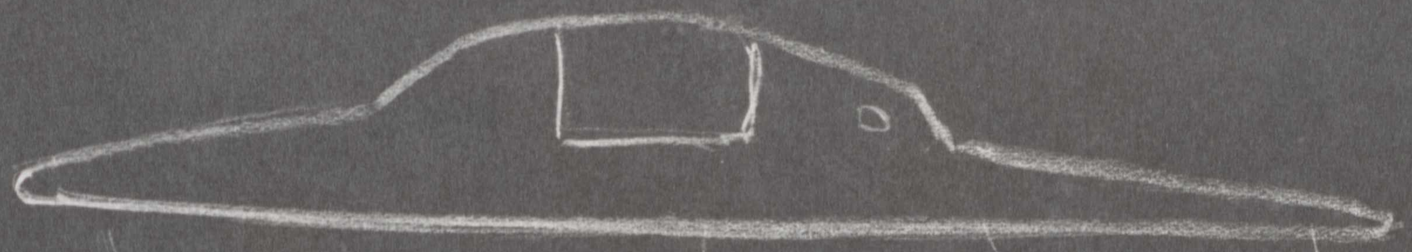
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General summary of an appraisal made by "R.F."

Several checks of the automobile apparently indicated a negative reaction.....safe to conclude that something was observed in the sky. A thorough examination of the witness suggests that it's unlikely he could have made up a story. His reported observations are aero-dynamically possible and fall into a logical sequence. Impossible at the moment to identify object or its origin.....SPECULATION: Possibly "ours".

Lou Corbin — WFBR

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→ Light - Kept FADING —
Light sort of a white phosphorous
color. —
Bright around the outer rim —

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INTERVIEW # 2. ------ SUNDAY ---- APRIL 27, 1952 ---- "PROJECT EYEFUL"

NAME: MR. George S. Tyler III ADDRESS: 122 East Montgomery St. Balto., Md.

TELEPHONE NUMBER: BLaza 2119 AGE: 17

EMPLOYMENT : Southern Highschool ---- Third Year.

DATE OF OBSERVATION March 29, 1952 PLACE: Ritchie Highway --- Harness Track

TIME OF OBSERVATION : 10:45 P.M. WEATHER: Clear

APPROXIMATE LENGTH OF OBSERVATION : A Minute or so!

ESTIMATED ALTITUDE: Maybe a hundred feet or so

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT:

(THIS WAS A TELEPHONE INTERVIEW ---- THE YOUNG MAN WAS REQUIRED TO REMAIN AT HOME TO WATCH HIS SISTER. HE WAS UNABLE TO COME TO STUDIO AS PLANNED EARLIER.)

Attention was first attracted while driving north along Ritchie highway toward Baltimore. In company with Mr. Donald Stewart, a friend, a slowly-moving object was observed just ahead of the automobile. It was approximately 10:45 P.M. The engine in the car seemed to die and car drifted to a stop, the driver pulling slightly off the road. The object was approximately over the car and had no forward motion. It seemed to be tilted slightly and was giving off a yellowish-greenish light which faded and then grew intense and then fade again. The outer edges of this object which seemed to be round with a thickness toward the center, seemed to have what Mr. Tyler described as St. Elmos fire. He said that he could not say for sure whether he had observed anything that looked like a port hole. He stated he wasn't sure either whether there was another car in the exact location, but there might

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have been one a few yards south of where he was. He indicated that he was quite "astounded" at what he saw. He indicated that he was slightly scared for fear people would think he and his friend had made up the story just to get some publicity, but felt better when the newspapers had told them that others had reported a strange object in the sky. As a note of interest, the young man confided that since he got home rather late that Saturday evening his parents had confined him to the premises. He wasn't allowed to go out with the boys for awhile. PERSONAL OBSERVATION ---- Mr. Tyler seemed a good deal more conservative than his friend, Mr. Stewart. He Is on the LaCrosse Team at Southern Highschool. He seemed (at least over the phone) to be fairly intelligent. He stated that Mr. Stewart was in his opinion a great deal more excited about it than he was.

There were several after-thoughts occuring to him during the conversation. Some of these are as follows: The object when it departed increased in altitude and then sped off with a dazzling speed....faster than anything he had ever seen before. He also said that its highest altitude was still considerably lower than most commercial planes he has seen over his home. As it was increasing in height just prior to leaving he thought he could detect a highly polished surface which resembled a chrome plate. As it sped away it seemed also to have a short yellowish-greenish exhaust. All the time it was hovering, he stated the object was wavering slightly.

He add this toward the end of his story.....I know this doesn't make sense, but I'd swear the engine on that car started up on its own. To him the car seemed to run all right the rest of the way into Baltimore. He admits the car engine starting up has him baffled. But he said definitely that it wasn't started by his friend. He added....it doesn't make sense. In closing the conversation he added again.....I'll stick to my story....we saw something and you can be sure we didn't make this up to get publicity.

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT
Unidentified Flying Objects S. W. of Friendship Airport & Baltimore Between

AREA REPORTED ON
Maryland - USA

FROM (Agency)
Intelligence Division, Hq MATS, Andrews AF Base, Washington 25, D. C.

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
19 February 1952	13 February 1952	B-2

PREPARED BY (Officer)
Robert E. Mullin, Captain, USAFR

SOURCE
Two Officers, Hq Air Resupply and Communications Service.

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

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BY KURT K. KUNZE, Capt, USAF
Historian
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SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in [illegible] conclusions, or recommendations. Enclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)

The following report was made by Captain Ellis M. Woodward, and Major Clifford G. Moeller, pilot and co-pilot, respectively, of a MATS C-47 aircraft on a local flight from Andrews Air Force Base, Washington, D. C.:

a. Bright white object, with no sign of trailing streaks of light, beams, or glowing characteristics. At an estimated distance of 8 to 10 miles it appeared to be traveling at an altitude of 7500 to 8500 feet and seemed to be about 1/6 the size of the rising moon. The object was observed twice. On the first occasion it was traveling very slowly for a moment but accelerated very rapidly and disappeared to the southwest of Washington, D. C. within 2 minutes. On the second occasion the object approached Washington from the south and east, then made a left turn to the city. When within 2 to 3 miles ESE of Washington the object appeared to hold its position for approximately one minute and then disappeared from sight almost immediately.

b. The first sighting was made at approximately 2030 hours on 12 February 1952; the second was made at about 2100 hours that same evening. In each instance the object was observed for from 2 to 3 minutes.

c. The object was observed visually by the two pilots who were flying a MATS C-47 (#5936) aircraft at an altitude of 8000 feet.

d. The two observers were between Friendship Airfield and Baltimore, Maryland on the first occasion and on the second they were approximately 10 miles south of Baltimore. In the first instance the object appeared to be 8 to 10 miles distant; the second time it seemed to be 15 to 20 miles away.

e. Both observers are experienced pilots with the Air Resupply and Communications Service. In addition, Captain Woodward is an Intelligence Officer.

f. There has been no report of any activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sightings.

g. No photographs were taken nor was any physical evidence obtained.

h. No interception or identification action was attempted.

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9 JAN 1951

SUBJECT: (Unclassified) Radar Targets - Corner Reflectors
SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: Commander
Military Air Transport Service
Andrews Air Force Base
Washington 25, D. C.

ATTENTION: Director of Special Investigations

Transmitted herewith for your information and any action deemed necessary is letter, Office of Special Investigations, District Office #4, dated 12 December 1950, relative to providing of identification stamps on subject.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

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12 December 1950

SUBJECT: Radar Targets - Corner Reflectors.

TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

1. It has been determined that the Air Weather Service, USAF has, in connection with their studies of winds aloft, launched Corner Reflectors (Radar Targets). These targets do not bear any stamps, tags, or other data which would serve to identify it for what it is. Consequently, on a number of occasions, persons who have found these targets or have sighted them in flight, have reported them to military, CIC, Police, and FBI authorities as "flying saucers", or as some other type of unconventional aircraft.

2. The Air Weather Service does not desire the return of these targets once they have been launched and served their purpose inasmuch as they are of no intrinsic value.

3. Recently, one such target was sighted and recovered on a farm in Eastern Maryland. A report was received that a "flying saucer" or "disk" had been observed in flight and it had landed in this particular locality. Two (2) OSI Agents, FBI Agents and a Maryland State Trooper expended 1 1/2 days in locating the object and interviewing the individual who had sighted the object. This time and expense would undoubtedly have been unnecessary had the target born a simple stamp to the effect that it was a weather target and that if found it could be retained by the finder. The targets themselves are susceptible to such stamps or markings and it is urged that consideration be given to communicating directly with the Air Weather Service in connection with this suggestion.

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HQ, MILITARY AIR TRANSPORT SERVICE, Andrews AF Base, Washington 25, D.C.

15 JAN 1951

TO: Chief, Air Weather Service, Andrews AF Base, Washington 25, D. C.

1. Attention is invited to basic communication and inclosure.

2. Request your headquarters comment on the recommendation contained in paragraph 3 of Inclosure #1.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL KUTER:

JULIUS A. KOLB
Colonel, USAF
Deputy Inspector General

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HQ, AIR WEATHER SERVICE, Andrews AFB, Washington 25, D. C.

TO: Commander, Military Air Transport Service, Andrews AFB, Washington 25, D. C.

1. All AWS units which use Corner Reflectors (Radar Targets) will be instructed to indicate on the target that it is a weather target and may be retained by the finder.

2. The Signal Corps will be requested to have similar information stamped on the radar targets by the manufacturer in the future.

FOR THE CHIEF, AIR WEATHER SERVICE:

KENNETH M. FULCHER
CAPTAIN, USAF
ASST. ADJ. GENERAL

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HQ, MILITARY AIR TRANSPORT SERVICE, Andrews AF Base, Washington 25, D. C.

26 JAN 1951

TO: Headquarters USAF, The Inspector General, ATTN: Director of Special Investigations, Washington 25, D. C.

Attention is invited to preceding indorsement.

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SUBJECT: (Unclassified) Radar Targets - Corner Reflectors
SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: Commander
Military Air Transport Service
Andrews Air Force Base
Washington 25, D. C.

ATTENTION: Director of Special Investigations

Transmitted herewith for your information and any action deemed necessary is letter, Office of Special Investigations, District Office #4, dated 12 December 1950, relative to providing of identification stamps on subject.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

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Major, U. S. Air Force
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TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters USAF
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Directorate of Research & Development, DCS/D

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Counter Intelligence Div, Directorate of Special Investigations, The Inspector General

Maj Detwiler/mjf/71776
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1. The Potomac River Naval Command has advised that the information concerning Ross was forwarded to the Bureau of Aeronautics, Operations 321K, Department of the Navy.

2. In light of the above, it is suggested that you may wish to make direct contact with Operations 321K in order to arrive at a satisfactory course of action regarding Ross.

3. In the event that further action is desired of this Directorate, it is requested that such be indicated by Comment #4 hereto.

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24 February 1951

SUBJECT: Flying Saucers and Space Frequency
Theory of Seattle Physicist THOMAS ROSS
SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters, USAF
Washington 25, DC

1. Reference is made to letter, your office, file 24-185-4-4, dated 17 January 1951, subject as above, and telephone conversation between Major DETWILER, your office, and Capt JONES, 4th District, OSI, on 15 February 1951.

2. Lt. Commander DANIELS, Potomac River Naval Command, advised that the information concerning ROSS and his flying saucer and space frequency theory had been forwarded to the Bureau of Aeronautics, Operations 321K, Department of the Navy; and that similar information had been forwarded to FBI; Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, U. S. Army; 13th Naval District, and the 4th District, OSI (which was in turn forwarded to your office).

3. Lt. Commander DANIELS suggested that inquiry concerning action taken by the Navy on this subject be obtained at Headquarters level.

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for KIRBY M. GILLETTE
Colonel, USAF
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17 JAN 1951

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SUBJECT: (Confidential) Flying Saucers and Space Frequency, Theory of Seattle Physicist THOMAS ROSS - SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: District Commander
4th OSI District (IG)
Bolling Air Force Base
Washington 20, D. C.

1. Reference is made to letter, your District, file 24-49, subject as above, dated 28 October 1950.

2. Request that this Headquarters be advised of action taken and/or contemplated by the Potomac River Naval Command in this matter. In the event that no interest has been indicated by the Department of Navy, it is further requested that Ross's patent claims be confirmed.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

LEROY H. BARNARD
Lt Colonel, U. S. Air Force
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29 December 1950

SUBJECT: Flying Saucers and Space-Frequency
Theory of Seattle Physicist Thomas Ross

TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Reference is made to letter, this office, file and Subject as above, dated 28 October 1950.

2. Inclosed for your information and whatever action deemed necessary are photostatic copies of two letters forwarded to this office by Headquarters, Potomac River Naval Command.

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U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION
PATUXENT RIVER, MARYLAND

15 NOV 1950

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commandant, Potomac River Naval Command (Code 32)

Subj: Space-Frequency Theory of Seattle Mystic, Thomas Ross; information concerning

Ref: (a) Chief, BuAer restr. ltr AER-R-D7, Ser. 93968 of 16 Sep 1949

Encl: (1) Photostat of ltr from Donald S. Ross, 7435 Harrison Street, Portland 22, Oregon, of 6 Nov 1950, to CO, NAS

1. Submitted herewith as Enclosure (1) is a photostatic copy of a letter written by Donald S. Ross, received at the Naval Air Station, Patuxent River, Md., denoting interest in subject matter.

2. In compliance with paragraph 3 of reference (a), this letter is forwarded for information and such action as is appropriate.

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3435 Harrison Street
Portland 22, Oregon
6 November 1950

The Commanding Officer
U. S. Naval Air Station
Patuxent River, Maryland

SUBJECT: Space-Frequency. File reference A8-2 11-265

Sir:

Attention is invited to a connection between the Space Frequency theory of Physicist Ross and the Cosmic Ray Weapon research reported to be carried forward feverishly by Russia.

Before reported disappearance of a Cosmic Ray expert from England, presumably to Russia, with accompanying release of public knowledge of Russian interest in Cosmic Ray weapons to negate power of atomic bombs, I quoted in the first full paragraph of a letter dated 17 September 1950: ".....For long the seeming lack of such stellar ghosts has puzzled me, but here is a neat way of accounting for the high energies of cosmic rays and the habit they have of coming from all directions. Note that the overlying layers of solar material could not deter escape of energy from the solar interior in this manner." The quotation was from a letter of 23 July 1950. Thus there is no element of "hindsight" in the belief that knowledge of Cosmic Rays and knowledge of Space Frequency may be closely connected.

The physical connection between the two researches means that if Russia should gain the knowledge enabling her to be first with a Cosmic Ray weapon, she would be very likely to come into possession of the full implications of Space Frequency theory.

The United States appears to be in more need than ever of the services of all researchers gifted with insight into the probable nature of space and matter, lest Russia gain an upper hand which might persist for centuries of ruthless tyranny.

The entry of Red China into the war increases the danger that a super Pearl Harbor attack may, in striking at aircraft centers, take the lives of Space-Frequency physicists Dr. Lancaster and Thomas Ross the first night, before they have been given opportunity to check with radar officers, astronomers, and others for testing validity of the Theory, and opportunity to map research directed at information-gathering and offensive-next-generation potentialities of Space-Frequency.

Very truly yours,

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7 NOV 1950

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commandant, Potomac River Naval Command (Code 32)

Subj: Space-Frequency Theory of Seattle Physicist, Thomas Ross; information concerning

Ref: (a) Chief, BuAer restr. ltr AE2-1-2-27, Ser. 93/6 of 26 Sep 1949

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The Commanding Officer
U. S. Naval Air Station
Patuxent River, Maryland

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SUBJECT: Space-Frequency. File reference AS-2 11-266.

Dear Sir:

A new possibility for testing correctness of the Space-Frequency theory is contained in the recent discovery of a shell of high temperature in the sun's corona, much hotter than the solar surface itself. Astronomers, according to the Scientific American account of the discovery, are "at a loss" to account for these higher temperatures.

If certain quantitative data which my brother, Thomas Ross, the Space-Frequency physicist, is attempting to obtain from Palomar, should be available, a revealing calculation may be possible. If the theory is correct, the mysterious high-temperature zone may be explained. Perhaps the Arlington Observatory physicists could also check the new discovery in light of the Space-Frequency outline in my letter of 17 Sep 60.

Correctness of the hypothesis would have very far-reaching implications for the national security. By suitable detectors, it might be possible to read the very code books carried by submarines--with their location at all times perfectly transparent. Destruction of the submarines at will would probably be possible by creating powerful frequency series sufficient to explode ammunition, or to force surfacing by less drastic means. There could be no sneak attack upon our shores, and our defense technicians could probably destroy bombers by firing their gasoline or by exploding their bombs at the airbases or on the carriers. Such possibilities seem fantastic, I am well-aware, and Thomas Ross himself would insist upon stringent proof before saying that Space-Frequency is correct. I have seen too many demonstrations of his unusual insight into physics, and into workings of the human brain, to write off as hunk Rogerian his belief that space and matter may be sensory interpretations of frequencies as different from ultimate reality as the sensation of green is different from the frequency producing it. (As a student physicist, Thomas Ross attracted nation-wide attention to University of Washington experiments aiding the colorblind. Later, a Civil service applicant sought his aid; passed a difficult test, only to be rejected for having employed "an artificial means.") To overlook the possibility, however remote, that such a physicist is correct concerning possible nature of space and matter is to gamble with the Nation's security. Therefore I am especially glad that the Navy has seen fit to launch at least a preliminary investigation, and can only hope that fruits of that investigation do not mature too slowly to avert our sustaining atomic attack.

Very truly yours,

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Directorate of Research & Development, DCS/D — Captain Baker/ag/73684 AFDRD

1. Desire information as to action Navy contemplates taking with regard to subject. If Navy has already taken action, what are the results?

2. In the event that the Navy does not plan to investigate the case further, request your office confirm Ross' patent claims.

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Major, U. S. Air Force
Administrative Executive

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13ND/P-22695

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SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS & SPACE-FREQUENCY THEORY
Seattle physicist Thomas ROSS; Donald S. ROSS

REPORT MADE AT: Seattle, Washington DATE: 15 September 19 50

REPORT MADE BY: Wm.L. Hall, Lt., USNR; H.L. Whitmore, Agent

PERIOD COVERED: 25 Aug.1950 to present STATUS OF CASE: CLOSED TO 13ND

ORIGIN OF CASE: POTOMAC RIVER NAVAL COMMAND. FRNC ltr dtd. 25 Aug.1950, Ser. [illegible]320-50, Code 32, same subject.

REFERENCES: NONE

ENCLOSURES: (A) Invest.Rpt.dtd.12 Sept.1950 on D.S.Ross & T.M.Ross; & 1pt.dtd.1; Sept.'50 on Thomas Medl Ross.
(B) Ltr. from D.Ross to CO.USNavTngSta.
(C) Statement,Med.dtd.1; Aug'50 (1 copy to ONI only)
(C) U.of W. transcript of grades for Thomas Medl Ross (1 copy to FRNC only)

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SYNOPSIS

THIS REPORT REVEALS NO DEROGATORY INFORMATION.

This investigation predicated on a request from FRNC to secure information concerning writer of Enclosure (B) letter -Donald ROSS; and his brother Thomas ROSS.

Investigation conducted in 13ND revealed information as set forth in Enclosure (A).

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Seattle physicist Thomas Ross; Donald S. ROSS

Files of DIC 13ND, Retail Credit Bureau, Portland, Oregon; Police, Portland, Oregon; and Sheriff, Multnomah County, Portland, Oregon, negative concerning Donald S. ROSS and Thomas N. ROSS.

A confidential informant advised that Donald ROSS had filed a 1948 income tax return but none in 1949. This return indicated that Donald ROSS worked for a very short time for the U.S.Weather Bureau and also for the Post Office Department. Total income during the year was less than $1000. His address was listed as 3435 Harrison Street, Milwaukie, Oregon. Officials at the Weather Bureau at Portland did not know ROSS. No record of employment in the Post Office Department could be located.

Contact with physicists at Vanport College, Portland University, and Reed College indicated neither SUBJECT known in those circles.

In view of lack of information developed it was decided to contact Donald ROSS at his home. This contact resulted in the following information being developed through observation and statements by Donald ROSS. Some were verified by newspaper articles and letters in the possession of Donald ROSS and others remain unverified but there seems to be no reason to doubt the sincerity of Donald ROSS.

Facts regarding Donald Ross, 3435 Harrison St., Milwaukie, Oregon.

1. Donald attended early school years in Moclipse, Wash.
2. He is 42 years old and a 3rd generation American. Ancestry from Scotland. Both parents still living in Moclipse, Wn. A very poor family due to fathers being somewhat of an invalid for many years as a result of an unfortunate accident.
3. He has a speech impairment but not a serious one although it does detract from his first impression.
4. Donald went to Central Washington School of Education but completed College work at Reed College, Portland where he graduated in 1932 in English Literature.
5. He is now employed at a small machine shop, Cranston Machinery Co., Oak Grove, Oregon, where he hopes to develop an electrical outlet on which he holds the basic patents.
6. He is married to a woman who is food editor of the Oregonian (apparently writes under name of Nancy Morris). His wife is the daughter of a psychology professor at Oregon State College—name not determined.
7. He has worked for the U.S.Weather Bureau in Moclipse, Wn., the CCC at Vancouver Barracks as educational director and was in the Weather service of the U.S.Army(Sgt.) during World War II.

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Seattle Physicist Thomas ROSS: Donald S. ROSS

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8. He readily admits that he has never made a "big splash" in the world but believes his prime purpose of being is to act as a spokesman for his brother Thomas who he believes has one of the great scientific brains of the country but no ability what-so-ever in dealing with people.
9. Donald is an inventor, of sorts, having developed an improved barometer now used by the U.S.Weather Service (no patent) and also a magnetized electric terminal (patented) which probably has many industrial applications.
10. In addition to Thomas, Donald has a younger brother, name not determined, and a sister Mrs. John Daugent, 6316 29th Ave. So., Seattle, Wn.

Facts regarding Thomas ROSS:

1. Thomas is 40 years old. He has never married.
2. He went to early schooling in Moclipse, Washington.
3. His scientific ability was recognized early in his successful attempts to develop a mechanical brain and a memory tube, on which he now holds U. S. patents.
4. He graduated from the U. of W., Seattle,Wn. in 1937
5. His efforts of his early years are described in some detail in a front page article, with picture, in the'Aberdeen World'of April 24, 1936. A later article of Aug.14, 1950 in the'Aberdeen World' gives additional details.
6. He was recognized in print as early as 1933 when he had the lead article in the Scientific American of April 1933 entitled "Machines that Think".
7. An attack of polio when he was only 18 months old left Thomas crippled. This crippling of one leg has warped his attitude toward people to such an extent that he has complete disregard about what people think of him. Consequently he often dresses practically like a tramp even when appearing in a conference of high type officials. His brother Donald recognizes this attitude and for many years has acted more or less as an advocate for his brother in contacts with patent authorities, etc.
8. Thomas was employed by Boeing Co. in Seattle in charge of their spectrograph department. He left this position apparently because of inability to get along with Company personnel policy. His last employment has been with United Recovery Co., Seattle but he left because of financial position of Company which failed to pay him his salary.
9. Thomas now lives with or can be reached through his sister Mrs. John Daugent, 6316 29th Ave. So., Seattle, Wn.
10. He and his abilities are well known to Dr. Stevenson Smith, University of Washington; Dr. Lanczos, Boeing physicist; and a Mr. Stedman of Boeing. His work is also known to Dr. Clark Howell of Yale University.
11. Thomas ROSS' work now considered of prime interest is his "space frequency" theory. According to this theory any steel safe or wall or any distance can be penetrated. This theory, if correct, would permit the user to, in effect, be present at any conference in the world. It would outline energy carrying channels that would permit the direction of destruction to any place in the world, and many other things beyond the comprehension of the investigating officer. The theory as explained by Donald ROSS, in a rather logical development, would naturally

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11. (cont.) revolutionize war and peace in the world as we know it. For this reason Donald ROSS considers that his brothers safety could easily be put in jeopardy if foreign nations should realize his possession of this type information. He has accordingly not discussed the matter generally although he has made continued effort to bring it before proper government officials.

The interviewing officer could not help but be impressed with the sincerity of Donald ROSS and his endeavors to transmit what he considers vital information to the proper officials. Because of his education, Donald ROSS has a particular ability to put ideas into words. His vocabulary and expression of thoughts are excellent but yet common enough for easy understanding. He has a file of letters resulting from previous correspondence with the U. S. Army along this same subject. Apparently this information has been lost in the Washington shuffle of defense offices. In any case he has now felt that the Navy's continued interest in flying saucers make it the logical contact in this instance. As near as I can determine Donald ROSS connects flying saucers with his brothers space frequency theory.

After talking with Donald it would be this Agent's recommendation that any future contact with Thomas ROSS should be made in Company with Donald. His desire to cooperate is apparently unquenchable as is his conviction that his brother is a genius and the possessor of one of the 10 great brains of the world today.

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SUBJECT: Thomas Neil ROSS -Physicist.

Files of the Registrar's Office, University of Washington reflect that SUBJECT attended there from 1 October 1934 to 15 June 1936 at which time he graduated. He subsequently took graduate work during the Winter and Spring quarters of 1937, and returned again during the Winter quarter of 1942. His major was Physics, and he holds a Bachelor of Science (Cum Laude) degree. His grade point average was very high by comparative standards.

Dr. Stevenson Smith, professor of Psychology at the University of Washington, was interviewed on the afternoon of 11 September 1950, at which time he stated that Thomas ROSS is an "eccentric" with a degree of ingenuity that is astonishing. He said that he had SUBJECT as an undergraduate student at the University in 1934 and through 1936 at which time he was given part-time employment as a shop machinist largely because of his ingenuity. Dr. Smith stated that after SUBJECT graduated, he went on for graduate work in mathematics and engineering, exhibiting a great deal of brilliance. He said that SUBJECT helped in the invention of a "mechanical rat", contributing a great many ideas; that he invented a "learning machine" and subsequently wrote an article for some scientific magazine on this invention. Dr. Smith related that SUBJECT has done many very clever things, such as creating a device for the color blind, another device for the blind which enables them to visualize the pattern before them by means of vibrations received when the device is pointed, in the manner of a flashlight, in the desired direction. He said that SUBJECT is presently working on something which he thinks is very good. It concerns a recording device which can record any physical act which transpires, and at a later time cause a mechanical device to perform the act as a robot. He said that SUBJECT has successfully made a slight application of this principle to a spot welding machine. Dr. Smith continued that SUBJECT is still somewhat of an eccentric, but is definitely not psychotic, has a terrif imagination, knows his physics and mathematics, and is the sort of a person who should not be passed over lightly; that he might give the impression of being a "crank" to some people, but that he really has some terrific ideas far above just "gadgeteering". In conclusion, Dr. Smith stated that he would hope to see what SUBJECT has to offer carefully considered by any interested party because he is sure that it would be founded on basic principle and would be feasible. He said that he has never known SUBJECT to have a "screwball" idea, that in his opinion he has something worthwhile to offer, and that things that the ordinary person would not think of in years seem to come to SUBJECT instantaneously --that anyone would do well to investigate anything he has to offer. Dr. Smith stated that he believes that SUBJECT has done enough to justify the above opinion.

Files of the Boeing Aircraft Co. were checked concerning SUBJECT and the following facts were noted: SUBJECT's application for employment with Boeings reflects that he was born 8 October 1909 at Hoquiam, Wn., is 5'11" tall, and weighs 204 lbs., has black hair and blue eyes, father: Charles E. ROSS, born in Idaho, and mother: Cora Smith, born in Illinois. That he attended grade school at Moclips, Wn; high school at Hoquiam, Wn.; Junior College at Aberdeen, Wn.; and the University of Washington, at Seattle, Wn., his special course being psychology. His previous employment was listed as: U.S. Weather

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13MD-7-7(b)

SUBJECT: Thomas Neil ROSS -Physicist.

Bureau, Washington, D.C. from Sept.1937 to Aug.1940. His SS # is 536-14-4726. A copy of the Washington State Board of Health birth record #526, file 14080, registered #138, reflects that SUBJECT was born 10/3/09 at Hoquiam, Wn.; Father: Chas. E. ROSS; mother: Anna Carr . Employment references listed by SUBJECT were: Andrew Almer, Postmaster, Moclips, Wn.; Dean of Men Lewis C. Tidball, Grays Harbor Junior College, Aberdeen, Wn.; and Dr. Stevenson Smith, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington. Physical defects: slight lameness. SUBJECT signed the "Boeing Secrecy Agreement" on 5/5/41.

A letter of reference contained in the file at Boeing Co. is quoted below:

"U.S.Department of Commerce, Weather Bureau
Washington, D.C.

February 11, 1941

Boeing Aircraft Co.
Seattle, Washington

Gentlemen:

With reference to your letter of February 5, 1941, making inquiry in regard to Mr. Thomas Neil ROSS, formerly employed by the Weather Bureau, records of this office indicate that Mr. ROSS served as an Airway Observer at $2.00 per diem, when actually employed from October 11, 1937 to August 31, 1940 at Moclips, Washington. His duties involved taking, coding, and transmitting of weather observations in connection with the Airway Weather service. Mr. Ross stated that he resigned in order to seek more highly paid employment.

The official in charge at Seattle advises that his services were excellent.

Your stamped envelope is returned herewith as it is not required in the conduct of government correspondence.

Very truly yours,

/s/ C. Carton Swain
Chief, Division of Personnel"

The following is SUBJECT's Boeing employment record:

Hired	1/16/41	Inspector	$120.
Reclass.	7/1/41	Jr. Inspect.	$140.
"	10/1/41	Inspector	$175.
"	11/25/42	Sr. Inspect.	$220.
"	10/9/43	Insp. Elec. Strand "B"	1.37½
"	10/4/44	Group ldr Spectrograph and Elec. Strand	1.60
"	10/3/45	Spectrographer "A"	1.37½
"	6/28/46	Grp ldr Spect. & Elec. Strand	1.80
"	2/6/48	Research Lab Analyst "A"	310.
Resigned	12/21/48	To accept other employment	

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Ross, Thomas Neil

Entrance Credit from Hoquiam, Wash. Graduated 1933 Grade Point Average 3.45

English	1	Foreign Language		History U.S.	1	Science Chem	1				
Math. Alg	1	Latin	1	Mod.	1	General	1				
Pl. Geom	1	Spanish	2	Ancient	1	Physics	1				
						Vocational	2				

Advanced credit from Grays Harbor Jr. College, Wash. 95 cls.

Phil	3	Psych	3
Eng C 31	6	Germ 2 31	6
Math H 5 6	30	P E	R5
Chem C 1 2	30		

Course	No.	Title	Cr.	Gr.	Pt.
		Autumn 1934			
German	5	2nd Year Read.	3	A	12
Psych	116	Animal Behavior	3	B	9
		Winter 1935			
German	6	2nd Yr Rapid Readg	3	B	9
Physics	97	Mechanics	5	B	15
Psych	108	Mental Meas.	5	B	15
	152	Undergrad Res	3	A	12
		Spring 1935			
Germ	7	2nd Yr Rapid Readg	3	A	12
Physics	98	Electricity	5	B	15
Psych	113	Structural	2	A	8
	153	Undergrad Res	3	B	9
		Summer 1935			
Geol	105	Petrology	5	B	15
Physics	101	Intro Mod Phys	5	A	20
Psych	124	Psy of Learn	5	A	20
		Autumn 1935			
Physics	99	Engineer Light Lab	1	A	20
	100	Electricity	5	B	15
Geol		Introduction			
		Winter 1936			
Econ		Econ of		A	20
Physics	114	Cathode Rays,	3	A	12
Engineering		Mechanics	3	B	9

Course	No.	Title	Cr.	Gr.	Pt.
		Spring 1936	74		273
	0	Scientific	3	A	12
Physics	101	Pyrometry	3	B	9
	160	Optics	5	C	10
		Tot. Hrs. Hrs 91	91		304
		Grays Harbor Jr. Col.	95 cls		
		Autumn 1936	116		413
Psych	102	Neural Basis Behav	5	B	15
	111	Hist of Psych	2	B	6
	201	Research	3	-	-
	211	Seminar	2	-	-
		Winter 1937			
	202	Grad Research	3	A	12
	212	Seminar	2	A	8
		Spring 1937			
	203	Grad Research	3	A	12
	213	Seminar	2	B	6
	112	Mod Theory	3	A	12
		Work Thesis			
Physics	120	Spectroscopy	3	B	9

213 Total Reg. Hrs. Total Cr's Total Pass Hrs. Total Cr's Total Reg. Hrs. Total Cr's

Advanced credit by Examination

Entrance credit allowed for 30 Sec. Trigonometry

Cr. Gr. Date of Physical Exam 10 S 1934 Hoquiam, Wash.
Physician C E Hood
Transferred from Grays Harbor Jr. College
2 C 30 Sec. 5 20-42

Reg. No. Name
School(s) High Sc. '35

Deg. Cause

Date 8-1-37 Graduated 6-16-36 Course Univ. Major Physics Degree Bachelor of Science

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Record of Ross Thomas Neil

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Address reply to
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and refer to
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Serial 11-281

U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION
PATUXENT RIVER, MARYLAND

for PEACE U.S. SAVINGS BONDS

26 SEP 1950

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commandant, Potomac River Naval Command (Code 32)

Subj: Flying Saucers and the Space-Frequency Theory of Seattle Physicist Thomas Ross

Ref: (a) Chief, BuAer restr. ltr AER-T-D-57, Ser. 93968 of 16 Sep 1949
(b) CO, NAS ltr AS-2 11-254 of 18 August 1950, to Commandant, Potomac River Naval Command

Encl: (1) Ltr from Donald S. Ross, 3435 Harrison St., Portland 22, Oregon of 17 Sep 1950, to CO, NAS

1. Submitted herewith as Enclosure (1) is a photostatic copy of a letter received at the Naval Air Station, Patuxent River, Md., denoting interest in subject matter.

2. In compliance with paragraph 3 of reference (a), this letter is forwarded for information and such action as is appropriate.

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Encl. A

3435 Harrison Street
Portland 22, Oregon
September 17, 1960

The Commanding Officer
U. S. Naval Air Station
Patuxent River, Maryland

SUBJECT: Space-Frequency. File reference A8-2 11-263.

Dear Sir:

Action originating thru your Station, per your letter of 17 August 1960 resulted in a recent call upon me by a very courteous and able representative of Naval Intelligence.

My impression was that the investigator was sufficiently impressed with documented proof that Thomas Ross is a practical scientist, to recommend further investigation. He was inclined, I believe, to give weight to my statement that in view of the possibility of a dictatorship using Space-Frequency to impose its will by all-pervasive spying and by being able to blow up ammunition anywhere, even one chance out of many that the Theory is correct would be too important for safely being ignored. (As a matter of personal opinion, I believe the chances are about 75% that the Theory is correct, and about 50% that effects could be utilized as dramatically as previously indicated.)

During the interview, when asked whether a submarine could be observed despite deep submersion, I answered that if Space-Frequency is a correct theory, the water is nothing but a manifestation of energy and should not conceal a submarine. I also said that submarines so discovered could probably be destroyed by transmitting heating effects to their interiors.

Perhaps the Navy would find the following information useful in a preliminary physical checking into the Theory. Radar installations, and the Naval Observatory, as well as other scientific facilities, could give aid by matching observed facts against the Space-Frequency Theory of which my physicist-brother wrote to me in recapitulation:

> "In the space-frequency hypothesis, the space of experience becomes the subjective equivalent of a domain of frequencies, just as color is the equivalent of another domain and acoustical tone the equivalent of yet another. The concept is most difficult to convey, but space-frequency is in no sense conceived to be something added to space; the idea is rather that if the frequencies did not exist none of the physical or subjective properties of space would exist either - there just wouldn't be anything or any place.
>
> "Regarding means of checking the hypothesis, there would be no need to use flying objects. (I had diagramed such a set-up for testing his belief that there are certain points between which transmission is instantaneous rather than at approximately the speed of light.) A radio station should, for instance, create one or more "ghosts" of its radiating members, the distance of these ghosts from the actual station being proportional to the carrier frequency. I cannot predict whether such distances should be on the order of millimeters or light-years. Some quantitative data would

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be needed, such as a thoroughly erudite mathematical physicist might predict, or as might be found by deliberate experiment or by accident.

"One problem that has puzzled me is whether the radiating atoms of the sun and stars should not also produce ghost effects. Each star, for example, might have a virtual ~~image~~ shell composed of the overlapping ghost images of its internal radiating (and disintegrating) atomic particles. For long, the seeming lack of such stellar ghosts has troubled me, but here is a neat way of accounting for the high energies of cosmic rays and the habit they have of coming from all directions. Note that the overlying layers of solar material could not deter escape of energy from the solar interior in this manner.

"The generation of ghosts is not conceived to alternate with the generation of normal radiation, but to take place simultaneously. The normal radiant wave starts out at the same time as the ghost wave leaves its point of origin, therefore some television "ghosts"---to use the word in a slightly different sense---may not be due to reflection or diffraction, but to energy received from the virtual radiators called for by space-frequency. In radar, the effect might obtrude itself forcefully upon the attention of operators. A spurious "pip" coming always at a time interval proportional to the pulse frequency could scarcely be overlooked.

. . . . . .

"Dr. Lanczos.....knows Dr. Einstein and proposed a similiar idea. Einstein rejected it because it destroyed his cherished concept of the perfect equivalence of all points in space, but any interpratation I can put on the Einstein corollaries almost demands some such hypothesis. Space that is not absolute must have structure, and a frequency structure is the closest I can come to conceiving of something at once non-physical ~~xxxx~~ and operative.

My brother says that if he were in possession of technical information such as radar and other Officers now doubtless possess as classified material, he could "block in quite a bit of solid explicit theory, make quantitative predictions, and probably handle the gravitational problem in a direct manner."

If the Navy feels that the Space-Frequency theory should be given full investigation, may I suggest that the scientific brain that was capable of evolving the theory is too close to the great Boeing aircraft factory to be even comparatively safe in the event of atomic bombing? (I speak from the standpoint of national security. For my small nephews, sister, and other brother, as well as for the hundreds of thousands of other Seattle residents, I can make no plea for removal for so urgent a cause. If the United states were first master of Space-Frequency, there would be safety from any bombing---that is part of my hope for them.)

Respectfully,

Donald B. Ross

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Extract from the Staff Duty Officer Journal

Director of Intelligence 5 June 1950
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Air Adjutant General, Staff Message Division Major Moquin/lfw/73079
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The following information extracted from the Staff Duty Officer Journal for your information:

"REPORT OF STAFF DUTY OFFICER FOR PERIOD 1600 to 2400 HOURS, 2 June 1950

RECORD OF EVENTS WITH ANY ACTION TAKEN:

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At 2015 a Mr. Bayliss, Telephone Alexandria 6334, called and stated that he and others were watching a triangular object at about 1000 feet over Alexandria in line with runway 21 at National Airport. Checked with Base Operations at both Bolling AFB and National Airport, they did not see anything unusual.

Night Journal Extract
from Staff Duty Officer
Unidentifiable object over Alexandria

/s/ FRANCIS P. KILLEAVY
Captain USAF
Staff Duty Officer"

W. V. MOQUIN
Major USAF
Chief, Message Branch

cc: CSI

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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NO. 24-93

DATE 22 November 1949

REPORT MADE BY CLAUDIUS E. BELK tw

REPORT MADE AT DO #4, Bolling AFB

PERIOD 24 Aug and 16 Sept 1949

OFFICE OF ORIGIN DO #4, Bolling AFB

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JONATHAN E. CALDWELL
GRAY GOOSE CORPORATION
ROTOR-PLANE COMPANY

CHARACTER

SPECIAL INQUIRY (UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT MODELS)

REFERENCE

Pending Rpt., S/A C. E. BELK, DO #4, dtd 31 August 1949, File #24-93.

SYNOPSIS

Unauthorized Disclosure of information contained in this report is prohibited and will be considered a violation of AFR 205-1 and AFR 205-6, paragraph 11

Investigation in the area of Catonsville Junction, Maryland, failed to disclose location of carpenter shop reportedly used by CALDWELL. National Agency Checks re CALDWELL were negative. Examination of materiel in the files of the Civil Aeronautics Authority and personal files of WILLARD E. DRIGGERS failed to disclose any relevant information not previously reported.

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DETAILS CALDWELL ET AL 24-93

1. Investigation conducted by S/A OTTO D. SUNDSTAD and writer.

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

2. On 24 August 1949 investigation in the vicinity of Rolling Road and Edmondson Avenue, Catonsville Junction, Maryland, failed to disclose location of carpenter shop reportedly used by CALDWELL.

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

3. On 16 September 1949 photostatic copy of material on file in Civil Aeronautics Authority and information in the personal file of Mr. WILLARD E. CRIDGERS were examined and failed to disclose any relevant information not previously reported.

4. The following National Agency Checks, re. CALDWELL, were conducted with negative results:

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All logical leads have been developed; therefore, this case is being closed.

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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NO. 24-111

DATE 31 Oct 1949

REPORT MADE BY CLAUDIUS E. BELK gks

REPORT MADE AT DO # 4 BOLLING AFB

PERIOD 1-3 OCTOBER 1949

OFFICE OF ORIGIN DO # 4 BOLLING AFB

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT
UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS
CAMP HOLABIRD, MARYLAND
30 SEPTEMBER 1949

CHARACTER

SPECIAL INQUIRY

REFERENCE

This is an Initial Report

SYNOPSIS

Unauthorized disclosure of information contained in this report is prohibited and will be cause for violation of AFR 205-1 and AFR 205-6, paragraph 11-

Investigation predicated upon report of Captain WILLIAM C. HANLEY, 109th CIC Detachment, 1 October 1949, that two (2) unidentified aerial objects had been observed in the vicinity of Camp Holabird, Baltimore 19, Maryland 30 September 1949. Investigation revealed observation of two (2) disc shaped objects for a period of approximately two minutes by three (3) individuals. Members of the CAA Patrol, Baltimore Municipal Airport, saw nothing of an unusual nature, this date, and persons working in the area, where objects were reported, failed to observe the incident.

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DETAILS UNKNOWN SUBJECT 24-111

1. Investigation predicated upon telephonic report of Captain WILLIAM C. HANLEY, 109th CIC Detachment, 1 October 1949, that two unidentified aerial objects had been observed in the vicinity of Camp Holabird, Baltimore, Maryland 30 September 1949.

2. This investigation conducted by Special Agents ADELBERT C. VON MAUCHER, MARCEL D'HOOGE and the writer.

AT BALTIMORE MARYLAND

3. On 1 October 1949 Corporal GAEYE FLOYD, RA 34544426, 2111 ASU, Camp Holabird, Baltimore 19, Maryland, was interviewed, and stated in substance:

While on duty as a Military Policeman on the Main Gate, Camp Holabird, between 1517 and 1519 hours, 30 September 1949, he observed two (2) unidentifiable aerial objects near the smoke stack of the Chevrolet Assembly Plant which is adjacent to Camp Holabird. These objects appeared to hover between the smoke stack and a large tree, a relatively short distance away. FLOYD described the objects as disc shape, uch like an enlarged silver dollar, very shiny, but at such a distance as to prohibit actual observance of any specific color. A comparative measure as to the actual size of the objects was estimated as being approximately one half the diameter of the Chevrolet Assembly Plant's smoke stack. Approximate angle of elevation during the period of observation was estimated as about 15 degrees. The objects seemed to be proceeding in no apparent direction, but because of the uncertainity concerning the distance of the objects from the observer, it would be difficult to estimate any definite speed. FLOYD heard no sound that he could attribute to the objects and saw no flame or exhaust. The objects appeared to be without fins, canopies, or antenna. Weather conditions at the time of observation were evaluated as relatively clear; no clouds were present, although a slight ground haze is thought to have existed. Position of the sun at time of observation was estimated as being 15 degrees in azimuth south of the objects, and an undetermined angular distance above. It was impossible to establish the manner of disappearance of objects inasmuch as the objects left FLOYD'S field of vision during an interruption caused by persons passing through the gate.

4. On 1 October 1949 Corporal WILLIAM A. GARVEY, RA 31436905, 2111 ASU, Camp Holabird, was interviewed, and stated in substance:

At approximately 1530 hours, 30 September 1949, upon approaching the Main Gate, Camp Holabird, his attention was called to an unidentifiable object in the vicinity of the smoke stack of the Chevrolet Assembly Plant by Corporal FLOYD, a guard on duty at the Main Gate. The objects appeared disc-like in structure, the center of which was raised much as though a segment of a smaller sphere had been place upon the disc, giving it somewhat of an inverted type saucer appearance. Apparent size was established as

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approximately that of the diameter of the nearby smoke stack; color was thought to have been silver. During period of observation, estimated to have been one minute, the objects were thought to have been moving away from the observer until they faded into the distance. GARVEY thought the objects had a thin stream of flame one-half its vertical magnitude, and one times its horizontal length, extending from its top. No projections of any sort were noted; no accompaning sounds were heard. Weather was evaluated as relatively clear with slight haze.

5. On 2 Oct 1949 the site of the Hamilton Helicopter Assembly Shop, BOAC Terminal, Baltimore Municipal Airport, was visited, but observance suggested the Hamilton Company no longer existed in that location. Subsequent inquiry in the area suggested this concern had moved to a downtown location several months ago; that the nearest helicopter concern, actively engaged in flying, was in Delaware. No knowledge of the Hamilton Helicopter having flown in this area recently was known.

6. On 3 October 1949 WOJG MERWIN L. WALSH, W-907042, Co A, CIC Center, Camp Holabird, Md, was interviewed and stated in substance:

Upon leaving the post in his car at about 1525 hours, 30 September 1949, when the MP on duty called his attention to two (2) objects hovering to the right of the smoke stack of the Chevrolet Assembly Plant, approximately one thousand (1,000) yards SW of the Main Gate Guard House on Holabird, Ave. WALSH described the objects as being about 36 inches in diameter, circular in shape, which appeared to be directed toward him at an angle of about 30 degrees from the horizontal; slightly convex and having concentric circles impressed upon the surface facing him. They appeared to be made of a vapor or gas of a silvery color, translucent and reflected light. The source of light (sun) was to the left (south) of the objects. The objects were not moving and there was no indication of smoke, flame, or locomotive power. They hung in a stationery manner during the two minutes period of WALSH's observation. The weather was clear with no noticeable haze or industrial smoke.

7. On 3 Oct 1949 the records of the Civil Aeronautic Authority Patrol, Municipal Airport, Baltimore, Md. were examined and the record of the airport traffic controller (tower-operator) for the period, 0800 to 1600 hours, 30 Sept 1940 read as follows: "....UFR weather entire period. Operations normal."

8. Investigation in the immediate area of this reported activity failed to reveal any apparent cause or source for this phenomenon.

INCLOSURES

FOR HEADQUARTERS, OSI

1. Photograph showing area of observation taken from point of observation. Arrow indicates position of objects (In Duplicate).

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FOR CG, AIR MATERIAL COMMAND

ATTN: MCIAXS

1. Photograph showing area of observation taken from point of observation. Arrow indicates position of objects (In Duplicate)

All logical leads have been developed; therefore, this case is considered closed.

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