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Mymsg CINC 63025D DTG Nov. Miami Herald Drew Pearson column 20 Dec carried detailed rept of 2 flying saucers over CZ. This rept was picked up and published in Panamanian papers. No rpt no press release was made locally and J2 intentionally used term "unidentified object" rather than saucer in confidential dispatch. DirIntel CAIRC states first rept to Dept AF was made in clear 20 Nov via TWX. Pearson art indicates no rpt no official release of news hence possible leak. Investigation and time delay indicate leakage not rpt not local. J2 forwarding copies of local news art via mail.

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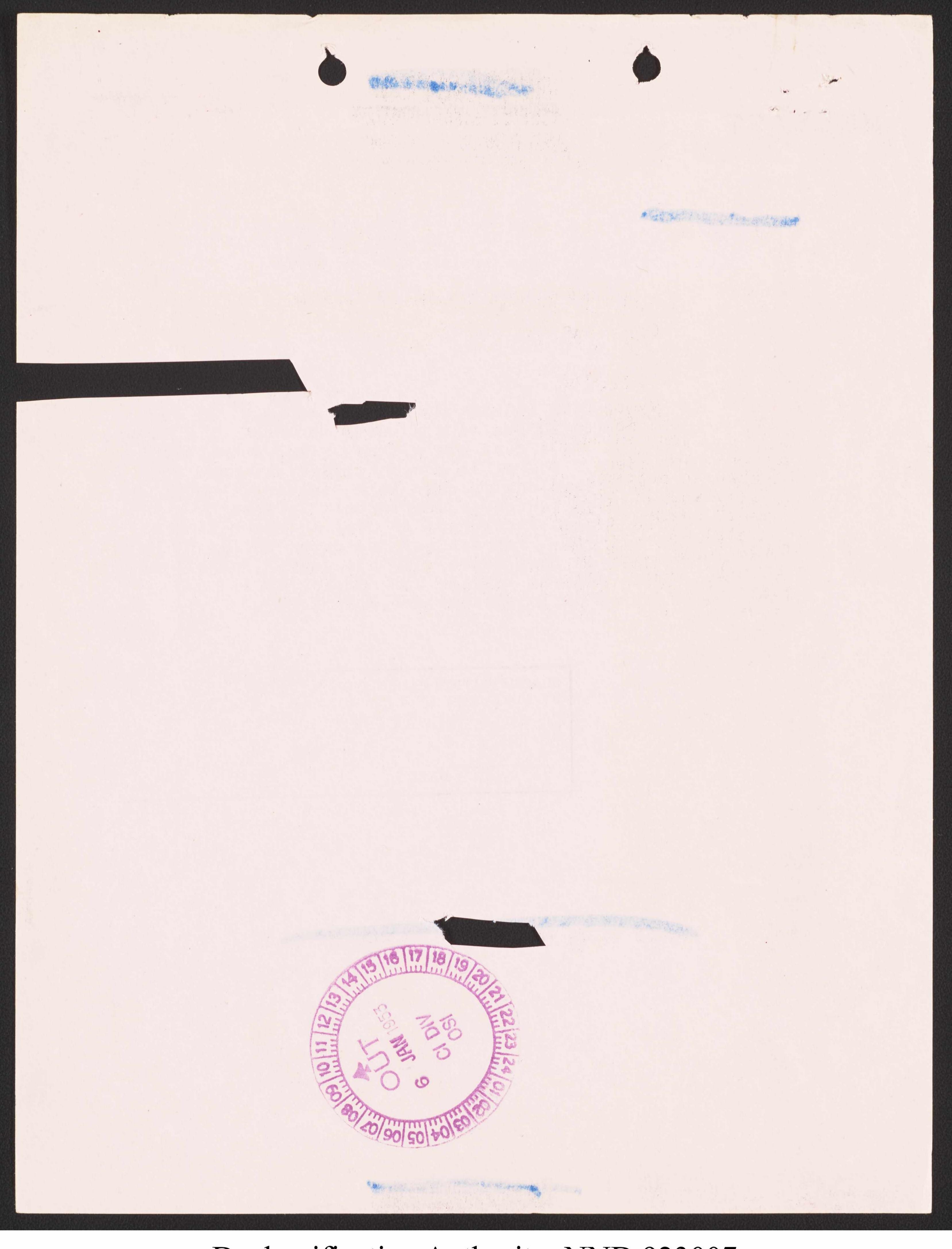
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UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS OVER PANAMA CANAL ZONE

# Sky Objects Mystify Canal Zone

#### By Drew Pearson

IT DIDN'T get into the papers, but the Panama Canal Zone was completely mystified by two "flying saucers" which flew over the area for five hours and 36 minutes on November 25.

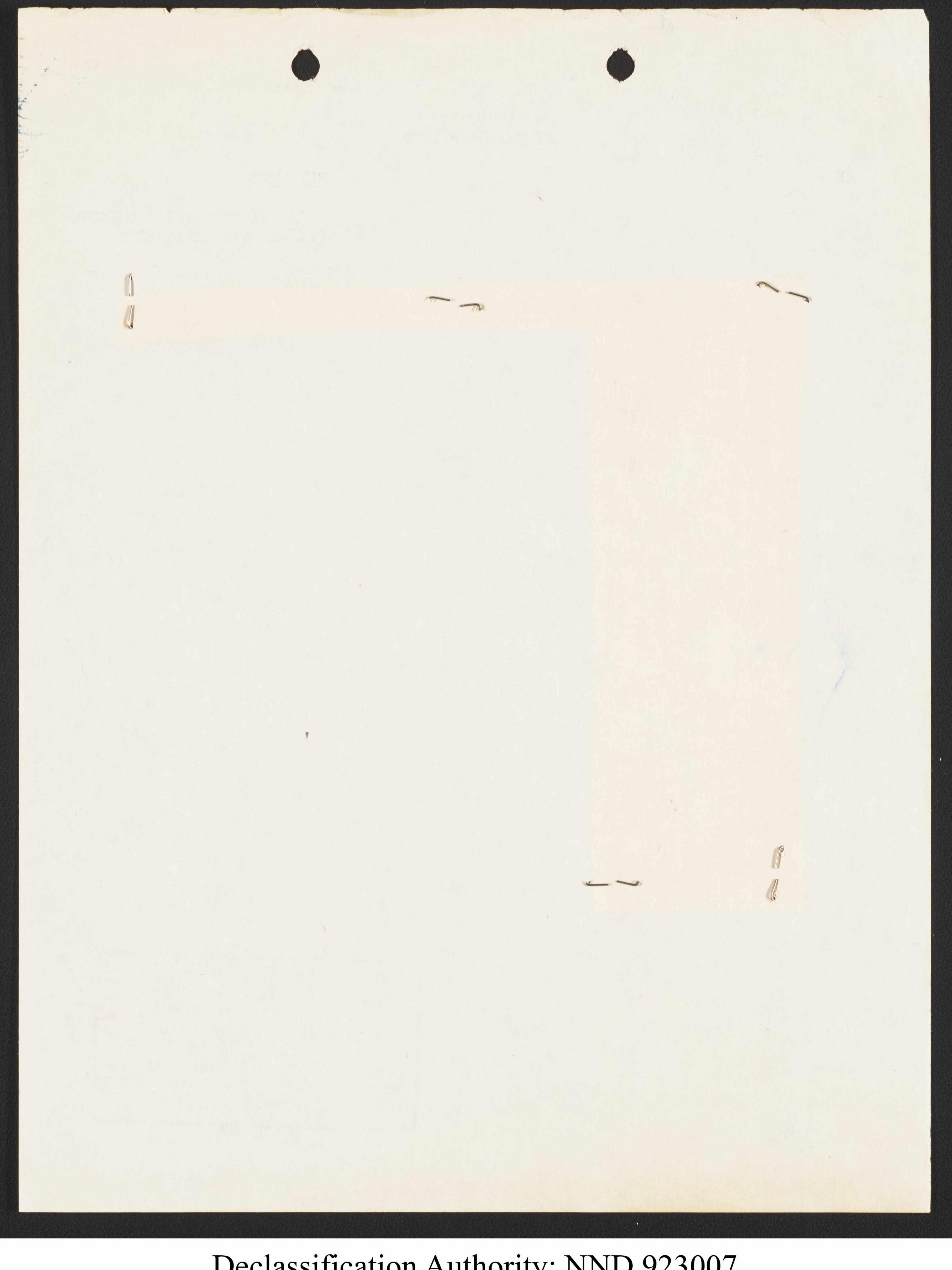
The Air Force actually sent up two B-26s, one B-17, and one Navy patrol bomber to try to intercept the objects, but failed.

An official cable to Washing ton from the Panama Canal Zone states "two unidentified objects" were sighted over the Canal Zone November 25 from 6:06 p. m. to 11:42 p. m.

The sighting was made by radar attached to antiaircraft guns. The two objects, whatever they were, remained over the Canal Zone for 5½ hours, traveling at an estimated speed of 275 miles per hour and maneuvering from 1000 feet to 28,000 feet in altitude.

As no United States aircraft were supposed to be flying in the vicinity at that time, the air defense commander was sufficiently stirred up over the mysterious sighting to send up three Air Force bombers and one Navy patrol bomber to intelept the strangers. However, they were unable to catch the elusive objects, which made absolutely no sound.

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