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Long Distance Telephone Call

Commander, 4602d AISS

Capt Bronstein

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

- 1. Long Distance Telephone conversation between Capt Bronstein, This head-quarters, and Capt Hanson, Flight 3-H.
 - 2. Assigned follow-up UFOB investigation at Glen Bernie, Maryland.

ROBERT ERONSTEIN, Capt USAF Assistant Operations Officer

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PART ONE:

Description of sighting by 1/Lt Hurlbut E. Bonnie, 4706th Ground Obs Sq., Baltimore Filter Center, Baltimore 2, Maryland, (GeoRef GJPK 2420)

PART TWO:

Description of sighting by

PART THREE: Supplementary Investigative Efforts

Comments of Preparing Officer PART FOUR:

II. SUMMARY: An unidentified flying object was reported to the Baltimore Filter Center by a civilian GOC volunteer located in Glen Burnie, Maryland, at 09/0232Z Sept 55. The object had first been seen by another observer at the same post at 09/0018Z, apparently having caused no alarm. The UFOB was last seen by GCC observers at 09/0318Z Sept 55. The information contained in this report is the result of interviews with persons having visually observed the UFOB in addition to the assistance of various agencies and installations within the Baltimore-Washington area whose records enabled the investigator to establish the probable cause of the phenomenon observed.

III. INVESTIGATOR: 2/Lt Charles L. Berrier, AC 3019814

(See individual parts)

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I. SOURCE:

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Age:

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Occupation: 1st Lt, USAF, 4760th GOS, Baltimore, Maryland

Education: College

Qualifications: An Air Force Officer, alert, intelli gent

and possessing 20/20 vision.

II. RELIABILITY: Unknown. SCURCE was contacted by telephone.

III. SOURCE's DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING: SOURCE was at his residence in Glen Burnie, Maryland, at 09/0240Z Sept 55 when he noticed strange lights in the sky which seemed to be moving in a north-northwesterly direction at a moderate speed and an unknown altitude. He estimated object (s) at an angle of 40° with the horizon. Later, SOURCE estimated the distance between himself and the object to be approximately 5 miles, placing the object in the neighborhood of 20,000 feet. The object seemed neither to gain or lose altitude.

SCURCE recalled that no form or definite body shape was visible at any time during the sighting of the UFOB. There seemed to be only a configuration of blinking lights, though SOURCE naturally assumed that the lights were associated with a flying object.

The lights observed by SOURCE and his wife, who saw essentially the same phenomenon as her husband, blinked on successively in the sequence, red to blue to white, at intervals of approximately 5 seconds. The colored lights were never seen to appear simultaneously. At times the lights appeared to shoot out the sides of the undiscernable object.

SCURCE mentioned that there were some aircraft in the sky throughout the period of the sighting and at times sounds could be heard in general direction of the blinking lights, but in his opinion, they were coming from aircraft considerably beyond the UFOB.

The Baltimore Filter Center received a call from SCIRCE at 09/0252Z informing them of the phenomenon. SCURCE then returned to his observation point outside his house and continued observing the UFOB, reporting again to the Filter Center as it altered its course slightly and a third time at 09/0318Z Sept 55 to state that the object had gone out of sight.

According to SCURCE, no photographs were taken of the UFOB.

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Unknown. SCURCE was contacted by telephone. RELIABILITY:

III. SOURCE's DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING: At 09/0230Z Sept 55, just after having been posted on the blinking, flashing phenomenon in the western sky. SOURCE stated that the lights apparently were coming from an object at least 5 miles from his station and flying at an estimated altitude of 5,000 feet.

The condition of the sky was clear and the wind was slight. SOURCE's first thought was that the object might have been a balloon, but the way it seemed to follow a consistent path and maintain a constant altitude, shortly precluded this possiblity.

At 09/0252Z SOURCE reported the baffling phenomenon to the Baltimore Filter Center, after which he returned to his watch and continued tracking the object. It followed a west-northwesterly course and appeared to be losing altitude, which SCURCE attributed to the object's track along the curvature of the earth.

SCURCE told the investigator that the lights changed color periodically from red to blue to white every few seconds, giving the appearance of a streak of light coming from the object.

Aircraft were in the sky at various times throughout the sighting, but SOURCE felt that nome of these sounds could be associated with the UFOB. directly. Its speed seemed to rule out the possibility of its being an aircraft. Occasionally the sound would seem to come from the general direction of the UFOB (roar of aircraft). However, these aircraft seemed to be much farther beyond the UFOB.

SOURCE called in to report that the UFOB had begun to disappear at 09/0310Z Sept 55. No photographs had been taken of the UFOB.

The SOURCE stated that in his opinion, the object was probably a weather balloon. Investigator concluded the interview at this point.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS:

- 1. The CAA Tower at Harbor Field, Maryland (GeoRef GJPK 2318) was called for information on the UFOB. According to the controller on duty, Mr. M. H. Brandes, none of the aircraft flying in the vicinity of Baltimore during the hours of the UFCB sighting had noticed anything unusual in the surrounding sky. In his opinion had any of the pilots observed an unidentified airborne object it would have been reported to the control tower. A later check with this installation to determine whether any blimps or dirigibles had been flying in the area produced a negative
- 2. A check with the Air Traffic Control tower at Friendship Field (GeoRef GJPK 2212) yielded substantially the same results, namely that they had received no confirmation of an unusual flying object in the vicinity of Baltimore.
- 3. The Baltimore Filter Center was found to have been responsible for submission of data on the UFCB to the 647th AC & W Sq in Manassas, Virginia, which prepared the preliminary report. All observers of the object had called in to the Filter Center to report their sighting.
- 4. Operations, 647th AC & W Sq was contacted and this installation reported that in addition to the Bruno Item aircraft mentioned in their Preliminary Report, see (incl. #1) an F-00 had taken off from Andrews AFB, Maryland (GeoRef GJPJ 0818) at 09/0240Z, flown in the general vicinity of Baltimore at an altitude of 10,000 ft. practicing GCI-GCA recoveries west and north of the city, and landed again at A ndrews AFB at 09/0337Z Sept 55.
- 5. A check with 95th FIS, Operations at Andrews AFB revealed the following information concerning their activity on the night of 9 September 1955. First, that How 1, 2, and 3 (F-86-D's) had taken off from Andrews AFB at 08/2325Z Sept 55, practiced intercepts and IIS's before landing again at 09/0035Z. Secondly, that Item 1, 2, and 3 (same type aircraft) had taken off at 09/0035Z, flown to the north and west of Baltimore while practicing TIS's and running intercepts beforelanding and west of Baltimore while practicing IIS's and running intercepts before landing again at Andrews at 09/0226Z Sept 55. The aircraft were flying from 10,000 to 25,000 ft. during the manuevers. Mone of the pilots from any of these aircraft had reported having seen anything which resembled a UFOB. Each of the above mentioned fighters have lighting systems which blink on and off at approximately 5 second intervals in the sequence red to green to white.
- 6. The US Weather Bureau at Friendship Field was contacted and the officer on duty stated that his station no longer launched meteorological balloons but that Silver Hill Teather Station (GeoRef GJPJ 0453) near Washington did most of the
- 7. The Weather Station at Ft. Meade, Maryland, (GeoRef GJPK 1607) was called but no balloons had been launched from this site on either the 8th or 9th
- 8. Contact with /ir Research and Development in Baltimore and Friendship Field revealed that ARDC activity in this area is entirely administrative, not
- 9. The 4760th GOS in Baltimore, which controls the operation of the Filter Center and its civilian GCC volunteer support was responsible initially for the sighting and the reporting of the UFOB. Its personnel on duty offered the utmost assistance to the AISS investigator conducting the Follow-Up Investigation.

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- gater called Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, which was unable to offer assistance. The Baltimore division of the University of Maryland was then contacted, however the Observatory's astronomers were still on summer leave. Finally, the Director of the Maryland Academy of Sciences, Mr. Thompson King, was called. The Director stated that to his knowledge nothing unusual in the way of astronomical bedies might meet the description of the phenomenon described. Neither the Director nor his chief astronomer had any explanation of the "blinking lights", except to suggest that they may have come from an aircraft.
- 11. A later check with the Baltimore Filter Center revealed that a at the GOC Post in New Oxford, Pennsylvania (GeoRef GJNK 5653), had called the Filter Center at 0321Z to report that she saw an object with blinking lights east of her post flying toward York, Pa. (GeoRef GJPK 1658). She observed the object through binoculars but could not distinguish shape other than flashing lights. She observed the object until 09/0328Z when it faded from sight.

Weather Data During Observed Flight of UFOB:

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15,000	290	30
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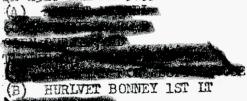
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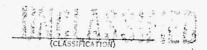


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- l. In the opinion of the Preparing Officer, the UFCB sighting was probably caused by the blinking night lights from one or more of the Andrews AFB jets flying in the vicinity of Baltimore between the hours of 09/0230Z and 09/0318Z Sept 55.
- The sequence of changing lights observed from the Glen Burnie GOC Fost of red to blue to white seems to bear a strong resemblance to the night lights of either an F-30 or an F-86 which blink from red to green to white. These aircraft were known to have been flying in the area reported on at the time of the sighting.
- b. None of the evidence collected seems to discredit the possibility that the lights observed were those of fighter aircraft in the vicinity. *
 - The operations reports from the 95th FIS at Andrews AFB, Maryland established the presence of aircraft in the vicinity of the UTOB.
 - The Operations Officer, 647th AC & W Sq confirms the presence of Bruno Item aircraft and an F-80 in the skies above and to the north and west of Baltimore at the time of the sighting.
 - The UFOB observers did hear sounds of aircraft in the skies, while one observer noted aircraft sounds coming from beyond but in the same direction as the UFCB.
- c. The following evidence indicates that the lights observed from the ground might not have been those from an Unidentified Flying Object.
 - That none of the pilots flying in the vicinity of Baltimore at the time of the sighting were able to offer any confirmation on the UFOB.
 - The presence of radar confirmation on the Andrews aircraft and the lack of it with respect to the UFOB.

CHESTER B. HAMSON CAPTAIN

Officer in Charge

COMMENTS of Approving Officer:

Concur with the opinion of the Preparing Officer that this sighting was probably caused by the blinking night lights from one or more of the jet aircraft known to be in the vicinity of the sighting.

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