

## CROWN ZELLERBACH CORPORATION

343 SANSOME STREET  
SAN FRANCISCO, 19

August 25, 1956

Major Robert F. Merritt  
Director Public Information  
Headquarters, WADF  
Hamilton Air Force Base

Dear Major Merritt,

The attached pastel drawing was rendered by Mr. [REDACTED] a commercial artist of this city. The drawing is intentionally a rough sketch since it was not possible to get more than an impression of the objects.

In Mr. [REDACTED] opinion the objects were at least one fourth of a mile away, how much further he couldn't guess. They remained in view for perhaps three or four seconds and were moving rapidly in a westerly direction. There was no accompanying sound.

As I told you on the phone, Mr. [REDACTED] was hunting at the time about three miles west of Lakeport, California. The date was July 22, and the hour 6 a.m. The morning was overcast as indicated in the sketch. None of the other members of the hunting party saw the objects.

I advised Mr. [REDACTED] to make the drawing because I felt that it might serve a useful purpose. He is a sincere, highly skilled artist and trained observer. Because of this I am sure his drawing is a reasonably accurate reproduction of what he saw.

Mr. [REDACTED] would appreciate the return of his drawing after it has been appraised. For that purpose his business card has been attached to the drawing. If possible, we would also like an explanation of the objects seen.

Sincerely,  
[REDACTED]

Crown Zellerbach Corporation

BR/ad



HEADQUARTERS  
4602D AIR INTELLIGENCE SERVICE SQUADRON (ADC)  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
ENT AIR FORCE BASE, COLORADO

AISOC

16 October 1956

SUBJECT: UFOB Report

TO: Commander  
Air Technical Intelligence Center  
ATTN: APOIN LEL  
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base  
Ohio

1. Inclosed are the following for your information and necessary action:

- a. Pastel Drawing
- b. AF Form 112 (copy)
- c. Letter, Mr. [REDACTED] 25 Aug 56 (copy)
- d. AISOP Form No. 5 (copy)

2. Upon completion of your analysis of the drawing request it be returned to the artist. His card is attached to the drawing for this purpose.

3. Since a copy of the AISOP form No. 5 is being forwarded through normal channels, request the inclosed copy be destroyed upon completion of analysis.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

4 Incls:

1. Drawing
2. AF Form 112
3. Letter
4. AISOP Form 5

CHARLES W. GODSEY  
Captain, USAF  
Assistant Adjutant

| ROUTE TO     | AGENCY    | INITIAL    | DT | DISPOSITION |      |     |     | DESTROY |     |
|--------------|-----------|------------|----|-------------|------|-----|-----|---------|-----|
|              |           |            |    | FILE        |      |     |     |         |     |
|              |           |            |    | Perm        | Temp | Jan | Apr |         | Jul |
| <i>W/Sec</i> |           |            |    |             |      |     |     |         |     |
|              | T/A Div   |            |    |             |      |     |     |         |     |
|              | Elec      |            |    |             |      |     |     |         |     |
|              | Wpns      |            |    |             |      |     |     |         |     |
|              | Atomic    |            |    |             |      |     |     |         |     |
|              | S/A Div   | <i>BEN</i> |    |             |      |     |     |         |     |
|              | Arm Fcs   |            |    |             |      |     |     |         |     |
|              | Politics  |            |    |             |      |     |     |         |     |
|              | Economics |            |    |             |      |     |     |         |     |
|              | D/V Div   |            |    |             |      |     |     |         |     |
|              | I/W Div   |            |    |             |      |     |     |         |     |
|              | C/I Div   |            |    |             |      |     |     |         |     |

ALSO ROUTE TO:

*X 2/55**Send 4602<sup>nd</sup> A155**attn A15OC*

## REMARKS:

Perm - 1 year or more

Temp - Less than one year

*Note last paragraph of attached letter. Can you summarize this or should it be sent to some *Eng. file*?*

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## AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

|                              |            |      |   |    |   |       |
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| FROM (Agency)                | REPORT NO. | PAGE | 1 | OF | 1 | PAGES |
| Hq Western Air Defense Force |            |      |   |    |   |       |

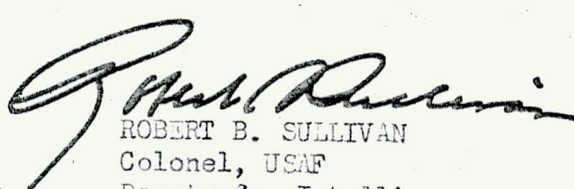
1. As depicted in drawing.
  - a. Same
  - b. Unknown
  - c. As depicted
  - d. Two
  - e. As depicted
  - f. As depicted
  - g. As depicted
  - h. None heard
  - i. Unknown
2.
  - a. Unknown
  - b. Unknown
  - c. Unknown
  - d. Westerly direction
  - e. Unknown
  - f. 3-4 seconds
3.
  - a. Ground-visual
  - b. None
  - c. N/A
4.
  - a. 221300Z July 1956
  - b. As depicted
5. Estimated 30-02N/122-58W.
6. Civilian, [REDACTED], San Francisco, California.  
Commercial artist.
7.
  - a. Unknown
  - b. Unknown
  - c. Unknown
  - d. Unknown
  - e. Unknown
  - f. Unknown
8. Unknown
9. N/A
10. None
11. Director of Operational Intelligence, Hq WADF. Inclosed letter from second party was delivered to reporting officer by third party, Major Robert F. Merritt, Director of Public Information, this headquarters. Reporting officer unable to make estimate of what reportedly was seen.
12. Letter from Mr. [REDACTED], Crown-Zellerbach Corporation and sketch by Mr. [REDACTED] inclosed. Note request contained in last paragraph of attached letter.

  
 PAUL W. HENDERSON  
 Major, USAF  
 Preparing Officer

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| COUNTRY<br>United States                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | REPORT NO.                                              | (LEAVE BLANK)     |
| AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                         |                   |
| SUBJECT<br>Unidentified Flying Object                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                         |                   |
| AREA REPORTED ON<br>California                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | FROM (Agency)<br>Headquarters Western Air Defense Force |                   |
| DATE OF REPORT<br>10 September 1956                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | DATE OF INFORMATION<br>25 August 1956                   | EVALUATION<br>F-6 |
| PREPARED BY (Officer)<br>Paul W. Henderson Major, USAF                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | SOURCE<br>Civilian                                      |                   |
| REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)<br>AFR 200-2                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                         |                   |
| SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)                                                                                                         |                                                         |                   |
| <p>Unidentified flying objects as seen by Mr. [REDACTED], San Francisco, California, at about 0600 on 22 July 1956, approximately three miles west of Lakeport, California (30-02N/122-58W). Source is unknown to reporting officer, therefore, above evaluation is furnished.</p> |                                                         |                   |
| <p style="text-align: right;">46020 AISS UFOB REPT. <u>393</u> <u>Final</u><br/>DATE-TIME GROUP <u>22/1300Z 1956</u><br/><u>LAKEPORT, CALIF.</u><br/><u>In Suff. Data for</u><br/><u>evaluation</u></p>                                                                            |                                                         |                   |
| APPROVED:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                         |                   |
| <p style="text-align: right;"> <br/>           ROBERT B. SULLIVAN<br/>           Colonel, USAF<br/>           Deputy for Intelligence         </p>                                             |                                                         |                   |
| <p>2 INCLS.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Drawing (to be returned).</li> <li>2. Letter, Mr. Bradley Rutledge, 25 Aug 56</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                 |                                                         |                   |
| DISTRIBUTION BY ORIGINATOR<br>Hq ADC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                         |                   |

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