

4602D AISS UFOB LOG

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| REPORT NUMBER<br><b>AISS-UFOB-74-56</b>                                                                                                             | DATE/TIME OF SIGHTING<br><b>25/0207Z Jan 56</b>    | RECD AISOP<br><b>21 Mar 56</b>     |
| LOCATION OF SIGHTING<br><b>Beltsville, Maryland</b>                                                                                                 |                                                    | LOGGED BY<br><b>S/Sgt DeRudder</b> |
| MEANS RECD<br><b>TT Msg</b>                                                                                                                         | ACTION TAKEN<br><b>No investigation authorized</b> |                                    |
| INVS UNIT<br><b>N/A</b>                                                                                                                             | DATE INVS ASSIGNED<br><b>N/A</b>                   | ASSIGNING OFFICER<br><b>N/A</b>    |
| DATE IR RECD HQ<br><b>N/A</b>                                                                                                                       | DATE IR APPROVED<br><b>N/A</b>                     | DATE IR TO ATIC<br><b>N/A</b>      |
| DATE FORM 5<br><b>22 Mar 56</b>                                                                                                                     |                                                    |                                    |
| COMMENTS<br><br><b>In the opinion of this headquarters this sighting was actually a time exposure of the moon which was improperly interpreted.</b> |                                                    |                                    |
| CONCLUSIONS<br><br><b>WAS ASTRONOMICAL: Moon</b>                                                                                                    |                                                    |                                    |

AISOP FORM 7 (2 APR 55)

HEADQUARTERS  
4602d AIR INTELLIGENCE SERVICE SQUADRON (ADC)  
ENT AIR FORCE BASE  
COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO

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SUBJECT: Transmittal of AF Form 112 (UFOB)

TO: Commander  
Air Technical Intelligence Center  
ATTN: AFOIM-4E1  
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

1. Enclosed herewith find AF Form 112 number IR-81-56, 1401st Air Base Wing, Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland, forwarded for action deemed necessary.
2. As indicated on the UFOB Index Card (Encl 2), it is the opinion of this headquarters that this sighting was a misinterpretation of a time exposure of the moon and an evaluation of WAS ASTRONOMICAL has been placed on this sighting.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

- 2 Incls:
1. AF Form 112
  2. UFOB Index Card

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| COUNTRY OF ORIGIN<br><b>USA - NATS</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  | REPORT NO.<br><b>11-1-56</b>                                                                                   | (Leave blank) |
| <b>AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |                                                                                                                |               |
| AREA REPORT CONCERNS<br><b>Beltsville, Maryland</b>                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |                                                                                                                |               |
| AGENCY OF ORIGIN<br><b>1101st Air Base Wing<br/>Andrews Air Force Base</b>                                                                                                                                                                      |  | DATE OF REPORT<br><b>1 Mar 56</b>                                                                              |               |
| SOURCE OF INFORMATION<br><b>Civilian</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  | DATE OF INFORMATION<br><b>25 Jan 1956</b>                                                                      |               |
| PREPARING OFFICER<br><b>Major Donald S. Watkins</b>                                                                                                                                                                                             |  | EVALUATION                                                                                                     |               |
| REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)<br><b>REF AFB 200-2</b>                                                                                                                                            |  |                                                                                                                |               |
| SUBJECT<br><b>"UFOB" Report</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |                                                                                                                |               |
| SUMMARY (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclusions at lower left. Begin text of report on A.I. Form 123a.)<br><b>UFOB photographed in Beltsville, Maryland area, 25 January 1956.</b> |  |                                                                                                                |               |
| <div style="text-align: right;"> <p>74</p> <p>4602D AISS UFOB REPT</p> <p>DATE-TIME GROUP <b>85/0307Z</b></p> <p><b>Jan 56</b></p> </div>                                                                                                       |  |                                                                                                                |               |
| FOR THE COMMANDER:                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |                                                                                                                |               |
| <p>2. <del>1. 1001st Air Base Wing</del></p> <p>1. <del>1001st Air Base Wing</del></p> <p>3 photographs</p> <p>2. Map</p>                                                                                                                       |  | <p><i>[Signature]</i></p> <p><b>GEORGE A. LUDWIG</b></p> <p><b>Lt Colonel, USAF</b></p> <p><b>Adjutant</b></p> |               |
| DISTRIBUTION BY ORIGINATOR                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |                                                                                                                |               |



The following information is submitted in format required by par 7d, AFB 300-2:

(1) Description of object:

(a) Item (1) - see attached photographs.

(2) Description of source:

(a) See 3 below.

(b & c) Camera was focused on the moon in east southeasterly direction, angle of elevation about 85°.

(d & e) See 3 below.

(f) 13 minutes.

(3) Manner of observation:

(a) Ground - photographs.

(b) Better Zeiss Ikon 75 mm camera. Hovar anastigmat lens, f 6.3, on tripod, opening f 6.3, infinity - .

(c) N/A.

(4) Time and date of sighting:

(a) 250207 Jan 56 until 250240 Jan 56.

(b) Night.

(5) Location of observer:

11512 - 34th Place, Beltsville, Md., approximately 39°03'N, 76°55'30"W.

(6) Identifying information of observer:

(a) Civilian.

(1) Name: [REDACTED]

(2) Age: 14 years.

(3) Mailing address: [REDACTED] Beltsville, Maryland.

(4) Occupation: student.

(b) N/A

(7) Weather and winds aloft conditions at time and place of sighting:

(a) Observer's account of weather conditions - Clear, no wind.

(b) The Andrews AFB Weather Station reports the following conditions at the times indicated for the Washington, D. C. area (approximately



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1401st Air Base Wing

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25 miles from the location of the sighting, meteorological data at the location of the sighting is not available):

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Surface WNW at 7 knots

6000' 320 degrees at 18 knots

10,000' 300 degrees at 24 knots

16,000' 290 degrees at 39 knots

20,000' 280 degrees at 66 knots

30,000' not available

50,000' not available

80,000' not available

(c) Ceiling: None.

(d) Visibility: 8 miles.

(e) Amount of cloud cover: Clear.

(f) No thunderstorms in the area.

(8) There was no other unusual activity or conditions, meteorological, astronomical or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

(9) No interception or identification action was taken.

(10) There was no known air traffic in the area at the time of sighting.

(11) (a) Preparing Officer: Donald S. Watkins, Major, USAF.

(b) Position Title: Plans Officer  
1401st Air Base Wing  
Andrews Air Force Base  
Washington 25, D. C.

(c) Observer has stated that during the 33 minute exposure of the negative inclosed he did not see the object which appears on the photograph. The preparing officer has no comment to offer concerning the possible cause of the sighting.

(12) Physical evidence consists of three (3) photographs and one (1) ~~negative~~ *photograph* (inclosed).

*Donald S. Watkins*  
DONALD S. WATKINS  
Major, USAF  
Wing Plans Officer

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## AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

## AREA REPORT CONCERNS

Beltsville, Maryland

## AGENCY OF ORIGIN

1401st Air Base Wing  
Andrews Air Force Base

## DATE OF REPORT

1 Mar 56

## SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Civilian

## DATE OF INFORMATION

25 Jan 1956

## PREPARING OFFICER

Major Donald S. Watkins

## EVALUATION

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

REF AFR 200-2

## SUBJECT

"UFOS" Report

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 119a.)

UFOS photographed in Beltsville, Maryland area, 25 January 1956.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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1.

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3 photographs

2. Map

  
GEORGE A. LEWIS  
1st Colonel, USAF  
Adjutant

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