	PROJECT 10073 RECORD			
1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION			
20 Jul 49	Valdosta, Georgia	407		
3. SOURCE	10. CONCLUSION			
Civilian	INSUFFICEENT DATA FOR EVALUATION			
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS				
ONE				
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS			
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Ground-Visual				
7. COURSE				
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8. PHOTOS				
C Yes				
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE				
C You				

DATE

25 July 1949

## FREPARING OFFICE

G-2, Hq. Third Army, Ft. HePherson, Ga.

SUBJECT

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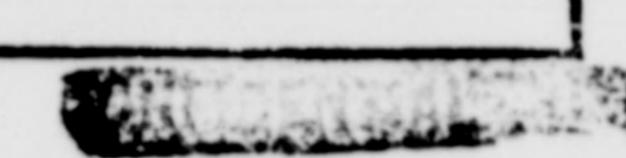
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				INCIDENT	NO.	407
١.	Date of Observation	20 July 1949	Date of	Interview		
2.	Exact Time (local)	Before midnight				
3.	Place of Observation	Valdosta, Georgi	ia			
+•	Position of observer	Ground				
5.	What attracted attenti	on to object				
5.	Number of objects					
	Apparent size					
5.	Color of object	Reddish orange				
	Shape	Like V-2 flame				
	Altitude .					
	Direction from observe					
2.	Distance from observer					
	Direction of flight of	•bject(s)				
+•	Time in sight	7 Minutes				
•	Speed	Rapidly				
5.	Sound and odor					
7.	Trail					
5.	Luminosity					
	Projections					
).	Maneuvers	Appeared to be o	limbing			
	Manner of disappearance					
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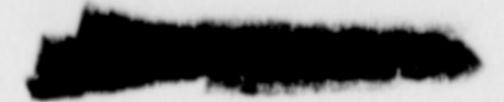
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23. Additional information concerning object

24. Weather Conditions

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Name and address of observer:



Occupation and hobbies:

Engraver

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

HARRATIVE SUMMARY:

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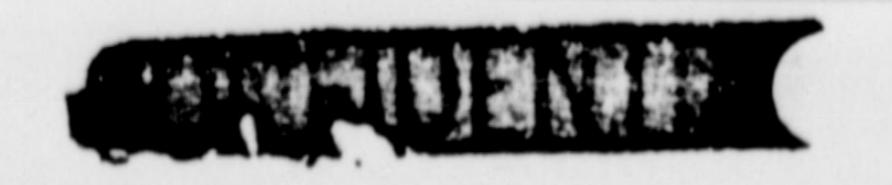
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5TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, DAYTON, OHIO

27 September 1949

IN REPLY REFER TO: 5D 24-21

SUBJECT: PROJECT GRUDGE

SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO:

Commanding General

Air Materiel Commander

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base

Dayton, Ohio Attn: MCIAXS

- 1. Inclosed for your information and necessary action are reports of investigation of Special Agent PALMER S. MCCLELLAN, District Office #6, dated 14 September 1949.
- 2. Inclosed reports concern two separate incidents occurring on 7 and 19 July 1949 at Valdosta, Georgia.
  - 3. No investigation is contemplated by this district.

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SAMES F. X. O'CONNELL

Lt. Colonel, USAF District Commander

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## HEADQUARTERS THIRD ARMY FORT MCPHERSON, GEORGIA

AJACI-3 360.33

25 July 1949

Unconventional Aircraft SUBJECT:

TO

Commanding General Air Materiel Command

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

Dayton, Ohio

Attention: MCI (Control No. A-1917)

- 1. Inclosed herewith is summary of information re report of flaming object over Valdosta, Georgia.
- 2. Apparently this is not the same incident mentioned in our letter 15 July.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

Corposi, GGC Wm. T. Martin Jr. AC of S, G-2 Major Infantry

Chief Dom. Intel.Div.

1 Incl:

S/I dtd 25 July 49

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