1. DATE - TIME GROUP 1. 11 11 13 53 12/03102	2. LOCATION Soattle and Renton Washington
3. SOURCE Civilians	10. CONCLUSION BALLOON
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	
Ond	Sighting characteristic of balloon observation.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
Not Reported	Round, white object was observed through a four power telesconshifting back and forth, disappearing over the horizon. One observer stated that the object was at 10,000 ft and other estimated the objects altitude as 20,000 ft. High altitude balloons were reported in vicinity of the sighting. Balloons were at a heading of 5 deg. Winds aloft were 20 deg at 10,000 ft and 360 deg at 20,000 ft.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	
Ground-Visual (TX)	
7. COURSE	
Erratic	
8. PHOTOS	
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9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE	
ZENO	

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Unidentified Flying Object Near Renton, Washington

State of Washington, USA

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13 March 1953

11 May 1953

Gerald E. Tyler, Major, USAF

Civilian observers of Seattle and Renton, Washington

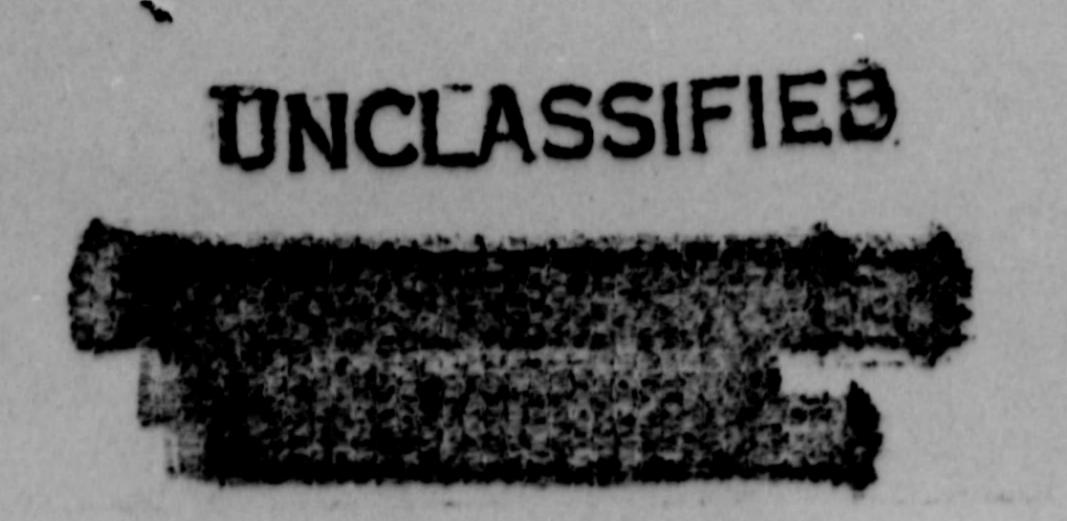
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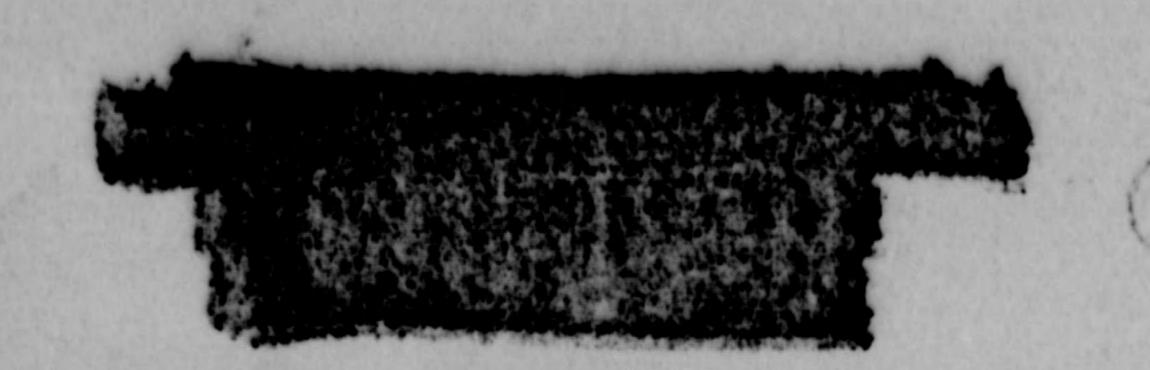
Report contains information on the sighting of an unidentified flying object in the vicinity of Seattle and Renton, Washington.

GERALD E. TYLER Major, USAF Intelligence Officer

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- 1. Date of sighting: 11 May 1953
- 2. Time of sighting: -1910PST 7:00
- 3. Place of sighting: Seattle and Renton, Washington
- 4. Weather at the time of sighting: Clear, visibility 15 miles. Winds aloft 10,000 feet 20° 30 knots, 20,000 feet 360° 40 knots.
- 5. Witnesses: Mr. Washington, Seattle, Washington, telephone
- 6. Type of sighting: Ground observation. Object was viewed through a four power telescope.
- 7. Object sighted:
 - a. Number one
 - b. Shape round
 - c. Size reported as the size of a marble
 - d. Color white to opaque
 - e. Speed unknown
 - f. Altitude One observer estimated 20,000 feet, and the other observer estimated 10,000 feet.
 - g. Sound no sound was heard
 - h. Exhaust trail no exhaust trail, no observed propulsion system.
 - i. Heading object shifted back and forth, then disappeared over the horizon.
 - j. Observer location Town of Renton, Washington
 - k. Length of observation unknown
 - 1. Object position in relation to observers: No bearing was given.

Ceneral Remarks:

The four power scope used was a rifle scope. One observer reported the object was glowing and lighted. No interception was attempted, no physical evidence was produced, no photographs or sketches were submitted. However, high altitude balloons were reported in the general vicinity of the sighting. Seattle NAS VHF/DF facilities reported that at 1830PST a balloon which they were tracking was on a balloon to station bearing of 60, a class B fix. At 1900PST the balloon to station bearing was 60, and at 1930PST the balloon to station bearing was 50, still a class B plot. Several aircraft were flying locally at the time of sighting but none were reported at high altitude.

1830 Ps +

Check 6' bearing from Seattle against dression of Renatur, wash.

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