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20 January 1953

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I would first like to apologize for writing to you direct, however, I have cleared this morning with our State Director and he suggests this procedure.

We have been having some success with our Ground Observation Corps as we have four (4) posts here in the county.

Last Fall I was contacted by one of our local business men wanting to know if I would be interested in joining the International Flying Saucer Bureau. I told him that I would and did join with the idea fully in mind of having the local people who are interested in Flying Saucers also work in our Civil Defense Program. We are only too willing to co-operate in any way we can with Civil Defense. The city of Franklin is approximately twenty (20) miles southwest of Indianapolis, on the dual lane highway U S #31.

I am enclosing a letter which was received last October, as well as the current issue of SPACE REVIEW. Would like to know if this organization has been cleared or is subversive in any way.

I would appreciate your expediting this information back to us so that we will know what steps to take in further enlisting interested persons in our program.

If you do not require the enclosures please return them.

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Home address:
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Franklin, Indiana.

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WE WANT YOU TO MEET

EDGAR L. PLUNKETT, BRITISH REPRESENTATIVE—Born at Bristol, Glos., England, on December 26, 1903. Covered most parts of the world as a radio operator at sea from 1922 to 1936, including the U.S.A., notably New York, Boston, Baltimore, Norfolk, Newport News, Tampa, Mobile, and many other ports. Has many interesting memories of the prohibition days, the gangster era, Jack Dempsey, Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig and other notable highlights. Has worked for many years for Anglo-American friendship and still corresponds with friends here in U.S.A. Was called to service in 1939. Was rescued from Dunkirk Beaches by the French Destroyer L'Incomprise on June 1, 1940. Went to Middle East in 1941, and served through three Western Desert Campaigns with the British 8th Army. After fall of Tunis was commissioned in Palestine and was then posted in Egypt. Returned to England at the end of the war after four and a half years service overseas as a Captain. Now employed by his original firm as a clerk.

He has a wife and three children, their ages are Denis 21, now with the R.A.F, Diana 18, and Michael 14. Hobbies are writing and reading and other journalistic yearnings including poetry, plus an unabated desire to travel. Since the formation of Civil Defense a year or so ago, he has become a qualified instructor and lectures three evenings weekly to industrial personnel.

Mr. Plunkett has shown great interest in IPSB activities and will without a doubt prove to be our most valuable foreign representative.

ASSOCIATE EDITOR

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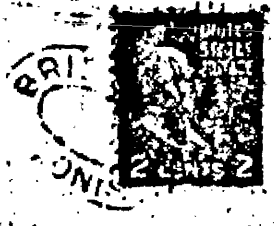

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EXCERPTS FROM A SUMMARY OF A FIVE-YEAR FLYING SAUCER INVESTIGATION

By George D. Fawcett, International Council, IFSB

I have just decided to stop investigation that I began a little over five years ago on one of the most fascinating mysteries of modern times, that being the well known "Flying Saucer" phenomena. Since the summer of 1947 when the first saucer scare broke out in the United States, I have spent much of my time, money and energy seeking a solution to this riddle. While carrying on my private investigations I was able to interview several astronomers, scientists, pilots and guided missile experts, who had spotted these saucers or at least had been investigating or studying these strange objects. In addition to these interviews I have talked to many eye-witnesses who had sighted these objects throughout the United States and have mailed questionnaires out to many others.

I have kept bulletins and scrapbooks on the saucers for the past five years, and while going to college I wrote a six-page pamphlet entitled "The Flying Saucer Phenomena" for my friends, teachers, and classmates. I have lectured to several groups in Lynchburg. Though I've been interested in this phenomena from the very first, my sighting of an orange disk like globe which hovered for four minutes over the Lynchburg College administration building in Lynchburg, Virginia, on the morning of July 6, 1951, has increased my interest threefold since then. That is one of my reasons for stopping my investigation. It's really too big a job for one person to handle. We must realize that we are dealing with a phenomena that is as fantastic as it is fascinating. Many of the reports that I have been able to gather in my collection tend to back this statement.

Some recent thoughts about the "flying saucers" are that perhaps there will be some landings soon. This doesn't seem too far-fetched as that these flying saucers are still being seen everywhere, for longer periods of time, and in groups instead of alone, as well as more reports of huge saucer or rocket ships. Then, too, they seem to come and go at will, perhaps being stationed as satellites themselves.

I feel that our government must know something about these saucers because in my opinion at this very moment the United States Government is carrying on an educational program regarding interplanetary travel of our country. Perhaps space ships from other planets are already here! At any rate, whether they are trying to prevent religious controversy or panic or for any other motives which they might have, our government is still releasing, denying, suppressing and even plating reports at intervals for some reason.

Regardless, the future will tell! In closing, I'd like to use a favorite phrase of Charlie Lowberry, Lynchburg College student who said, "things are really looking up." I wonder if some things aren't looking DOWN, too; Sooner or later we're bound to find out, and to this all I can say is, "the sooner, the better."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Mr. Fawcett's discussions and opinions will be found in future issues of Space Review.

ATTENTION MEMBERS AND OFFICERS: If you would be interested in receiving an emblem to wear on your coat lapel with our club letters "IFSB" engraved on a Saucer background, we would be interested in knowing. We cannot order these emblems unless we get enough people showing interest. The price would be approximately $1.00 each. Please let us know as soon as possible. Thank you!

SAUCER SIGHTINGS BY IFSB MEMBERS

Exclusive! From Franklin, Indiana and Surrounding Towns

SIGHTING NO. 4—On the morning of July 28, 1952 in the skies to the southeast and at times directly over Franklin, Indiana appeared three strange objects. Their flight was watched by a large number of men of sound mind and character. The following is compiled from a Police report turned in by Capt. Lee Sloan, Patrolman Jack W. Moore and Patrolman Kenneth Rund of the Franklin, Indiana Police Department on Monday morning, July 28, 1952 at 6:00 a.m. These objects were witnessed by policemen, civilian authorities, and members of the United States Army. After notifying all proper authorities of the objects no definite steps were taken by the army or otherwise. The report is as follows:

There were three objects, one larger and brighter than the two smaller objects. The larger of the three seemed to cast off a white yellowish light. Its pattern of flight seemed to be that of a circle. It seemed to always be keeping track of the two smaller objects. The two smaller objects cast off a distinctive light of their own, one being an orange hue and the other a reddish color. The two smaller ones seemed to be in a dog fight all their own, since they executed barrel rolls, loops and spins. They made turns of 90 degrees and 45 degrees without losing any degree of speed, as well as dancing up and down as if someone was playing with a giant yo-yo. The objects made single sorties to the south completely out of sight, to return almost immediately into view again, joining the other in a neatly executed show of turns, loops and spins. We estimated their height at approximately 15,000 feet while their speed varied from an estimated 1500 miles per hour to an estimated 10,000 miles per hour. Even with a pair of binoculars it was almost an impossibility to determine any exact shape other than that they appeared to be round and flat as a saucer. They were observed for a period of four hours and fifteen minutes. Dawn came at 4:48 a.m. and all stars had gone around 5:00 a.m. At 5:03 a.m. it was bright daylight—and the three objects were still visible. Their color did not change in daylight. At 5:11 a.m. the larger of the three objects was joined by the two smaller ones; the smaller objects one at a time disappeared above the larger, first the orange, then the red. After weaving to envelope the two smaller objects it moved up and to the west out of sight. The joining of the three objects and the disappearance of the larger took exactly 40 seconds. These objects were verified by: Edinburg Police Dept., Camp Atterbury, Ind.; Columbus [illegible] Dept.; Seymour State Police Dept., Greensburg Police Dept., North Vernon Police Dept., Connersville Police Dept., Connersville State Police Post; Fort Wayne, Ind.; and Madison, Ind. Mr. Moore and Mr. Rund are IFSB members now.

SIGHTING NO. 5—Louie Masonick, Jr., Representative for Minnesota

Sighted a round object Northeast of Long Prairie, Minnesota about 2:30 p.m., April 20, 1952. It was a dull gray color, traveling about 250 MPH and when it ascended there was a low hum. It was about 5,000 feet high and was visable for about 45 seconds. Direction of flight was from East to West in one direct path.

SIGHTING NO. 6—Alan K. Stacy, Member from California

Sighted a disc shaped object in the East of Los Angeles about 9:08 p.m. on September 22, 1952. It was a yellowish white in color, and remained in a stationary position for about 4 seconds. It was about 15 degrees above the horizon. It was about 50 feet in diameter and traveling due north.

When sending in your reports on Saucer Sightings, please give the date that you saw the saucer. Thank you!

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE I.F.S.B.— GREETINGS FROM ENGLAND

Capt. Edgar L. Plunkett, British Representative

Are we on the verge of a breath-taking discovery? Yes, I believe we really are! To quote Captain Eddie Rickenbacker, "Too many good men have seen Flying Saucers for us to dismiss them lightly as hallucinations."

The nineteenth and twentieth centuries have produced a number of astonishing discoveries notably the dreaded atom bomb, and also has had to discard in many cases previously held convictions such as that "matter is indestructible".

Even the average layman today, due to increased educational facilities, and access to literature of all kinds, has a very good idea that life in all its forms consists of "energy", and that this energy somehow links back to some form of pulsating orbital structure like unto the universe, but on an infinitesimally smaller scale. Therefore, it is—to me at least—quite believable that it is possible that somewhere—something—someone—has solved the riddle of this energy, etheric, electromagnetic, call it what you will. Having progressed so far, it follows that given elements capable of withstanding immense stresses and strains, the propulsion of what has become known as the "Flying Saucer" becomes a possibility. It is known that between the Sun, Moon, and our Earth, and presumably between other inter-planetary and possibly interstellar bodies there exists magnetic lines of force, thus if some form of aircraft or saucer has control of the means of attraction and repulsion, these lines of force which by the way never touch one another, would form the perfect highway along which to travel at the speed of light, and probably very much faster. It would also account for the capability of these so-called "saucers" to accomplish right-angled turns, inasmuch that these known magnetic waves emanate in all directions. Therefore, from the point of view of the average thinking man in the street, I say, "I believe the flying saucer does exist, and that the coming years will vindicate such men as Captain Mantell, Kenneth Arnold, and countless other pioneers in this field." In conclusion, may I say to all IFSB members at home and abroad, "carry on the good work, and above all, do not be disappointed, discouraged or deluded by the jeers and sneers of the ignorant so-called majority."

The best of everything for the New Year ahead!

Yours fraternally, E. L. PLUNKETT

MYSTERIOUS CRAFT

by Gail Sprague

Out of the dark, mysterious, depths of space,
Came strange looking craft at a tremendous pace.
Their course was true, the third planet from the sun,
Their orders: Don't return until your task is done.
Down they descended; some got out.
"Be back in 24 hours," the commander told the scout.
Time went fast, all returned.
Off went the craft, bearing all they'd learned.
The decision was reached, never again,
On this small planet they'd ever land.
Wars, corruption, prejudice and greed,
Made this the worst of all planets, all agreed.

OUT THERE

by Victor Root

Out in space lies my destiny,
Out there, beyond the clouds;
Where winds have not yet blown,
Where man has not yet gone;
That's where I long to roam.

Out in space lies my destiny,
Out there, among the stars;
Where night is forever ruling,
Where solitude is soothing;
That's where I long to roam.

Give me a silver ship,
To make the happy trip;
Out there, among the stars.

DIRECTORY OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following are additional representatives since our last publication.

BRITISH REPRESENTATIVE—Edgar L. Plunkett, 71 Chedworth Rd., Horfield, Bristol 7, England; Assistant Representative for Britain—Denis Plunkett

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Above names will not be published again. Additional names in future issues.

Anyone that wishes to correspond with other members will please send us permission to print your name and address so that others will know that you desire correspondence. We do not publish lists of our members' names and addresses without permission from them.

LET'S LOOK AT THE MAGAZINES

READERS DIGEST FOR JULY 1952—Two articles: "Have We Visitors from Space," and "Flying Saucers—New in Name Only."

TRUE MAGAZINE, SEPT. 1952—"The Flying Saucers and the Mysterious Little Men."
OCT. 1952—"We Flew Above Flying Saucers."
DEC. 1952—"What Radar Tells About Flying Saucers."

QUICK MAGAZINE, OCT. 20, 1952—"Moonbound," Page 18.

COLLIER'S, OCT. 18, 1952—"Man on the Moon."
OCT. 25, 1952—"More About Man on the Moon."

PIC. MAGAZINE, NOV. 1952—"How Do Saucers Fly?"

SIR MAGAZINE, DEC. 1952—"Flying Saucers and the Air Around Us."

MR. MAGAZINE, JAN. 1953—"Is Washington Afraid of Flying Saucers?"

MAN TO MAN MAGAZINE, JAN 1953—"Flying Saucers Are Not New."

THE MYSTERY OF OTHER WORLDS REVEALED—A Fawcett Book No. 166. Excellent. A four star edition—one of the finest to date in the pulp line. Cost 75c. We advise all saucer-minded folk to get this magazine. It is only once in a great while that a publisher puts out such a fine publication. Contains news of Space Travel; Flying Saucers; and Rocket Development.

These magazines are in the IISh LIBRARY as part of our collection. We will send written information to anyone that may have questions on above magazines.

Coming in April "SPACE REVIEW"—"SAUCERITIS" by John Armitage of England.
An article that will make you really THINK!
A COMPLETE LISTING OF ALL OF OUR OFFICERS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

HIGHLIGHTS ABOUT REPRESENTATIVES

DICK CAMPBELL, Rep. Indiana—Rep. Campbell has written us many interesting letters and aided in making his home town of Franklin the only city in the world with the most IFSB members. At present it totals over twenty. He was assisted by Mr. Louis Frahm, and Mr. Jack Moore of that place.

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J. RONALD ALBERT, rep. Ontario, Canada—Will be appointed Representative of CANADA AT LARGE. Doing a fine job. Would like more Canadians to join club.

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VICTOR ROOT, Rep. Illinois—*One of our most valuable representatives.* He has spent much time preparing a map of the United States showing the places where saucers have been sighted. He is quite a poet, too; see his poem in this issue. Mr. Root presented the IFSB with this saucer map. We are proud of it. We are sorry to say that Mr. Root may have to move to California in the near future. It will be very hard to replace such an ardent worker.

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EARL D. BROADDUS, Rep. Kentucky—Obtained two new members for IFSB. One of them was Mrs. Glenn C. Fuller, saw a flying saucer. Her report will be in our next issue of "Space Review". Mr. Broaddus is spreading the word about IFSB.

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DIANE BUCHANAN, Rep. Iowa—Obtained a new member, and has clippings she intends to send in to IFSB.

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GAIL SPRAGUE, Rep. Wisconsin—Gail is quite the cartoonist. She sent in a cartoon for us which really made the International Staff roll off their chairs. She showed the parlor of a home with the front door open, a strange looking creature had walked in the door leaving muddy tracks on the floor. Outside can be seen a saucer parked on the lawn. A housewife approaches the creature and this is what she says: "I don't care where you're from. Look at my clean rug." She also sent us a fine poem that appears in this issue. Gail obtained a new member for us also. She sure is showing fine interest.

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ALLAN LEVINSKY, Rep. Maine—Claims that very few people are seeing saucers in Maine. Is doing his best to get people interested in IFSB.

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ROBERT R. RITTER, Rep. Tennessee—Chalks up another member for IFSB.

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LUIS LUHRING, Rep. Puerto Rico—*Mr. Luhring has sent us numerous clippings from* Puerto Rico about saucers. He plans to get as many people as possible to join IFSB. He says that the interest in saucers is as great in Puerto Rico as anyplace else.

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S. L. DAW, Rep. Washington, D.C.—We are happy to have for our representative in Washington, D.C., the first member of the clergy, Reverend Daw. Mr. Daw, as he prefers to be called by club members, is doing great work for IFSB. We are anxiously awaiting to see his actual photos of saucers, that he took himself.

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RONALD KINNEAR, Rep. New York—Took upon himself to advertise in his own state and had 50 post cards printed and plans to mail them out, in his state.

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We are not getting any reports from some of our Representatives. It is absolutely necessary that we hear from you, so please do your best to get those monthly reports rolling in on time.

"MY THEORY"

by IFSB Members

THEORY NO. 6—Submitted by BARBARA KNORR, *Member from Connecticut*

Everybody seems to believe that the "saucers", whatever they are, come from this Solar System. I do not believe any other planet but ours can support intelligent life. Perhaps plant life, but not human.

I do believe that if our planet can support life, why not other planets in other Solar Systems. I do not believe that these people wish to destroy us because if they had they could have done so long ago. Also, how do we know that these things we see are not beings themselves.

THEORY NO. 7—Submitted by Representative LOUIE MASONICK, JR., *of Minnesota*

My theory is one most IFSB members seem to have. First, I believe they are from another planet. All those stars must have something going around them. All those celestial bodies must be up there for some reason, besides to look at. Then, also, they may even be from our Solar System.

I do not think an official agency of our government should come out and say—"we do not know what they are and whether or not they are a menace." The best way to reveal the objects would be through clubs like the IFSB. I do not believe that they are a menace. I think there is intelligent life on them and that they are just observing us.

THEORY NO. 8—Submitted by Representative ALAN RIEVMAN of Connecticut

My theory on the origin of the "flying saucers" is that they are definitely real and are from one of the planets of our Solar System. I do not believe that they are from one of the other Solar Systems. These "neighbors" probably thought that our planet could not have intelligent life upon it, but with the first atomic explosion they may have changed their minds.

I am sure that they are not from Earth because if they were ours it would be impossible to keep it quiet and if they were from a foreign government they wouldn't be flying over the United States. They would risk being shot down and their secret revealed to us.

THEORY NO. 9—Submitted by Representative VICTOR ROOT of Illinois

My theory is that the "flying saucers" are manned ships controlled and operated by intelligent creatures who are scouting our world. They will not try to make contact with us for many reasons. One is that we are too warlike and emotional. Another is that we have diseases which may harm or even kill them. Some day when we reach out and touch the planets we may meet them. A race of intelligent creatures other than ourselves, certainly does exist.

THEORY NO. 10—Submitted by ALAN STAZER, *Member from California*

I think that the "flying saucers" are from the solar system of ALPHA or PROXIMA CENTUARI. Most likely the 3rd or 4th planet. The planet is probably about 4000 miles in diameter and two-thirds as big as the earth. Some other reasons are that Centauri is too far distant for observation of such a small body as a planet. This star is of about the same size and the same spectral, type-GO, as the Sun. Editor's Note: WOW!

All theories become the property of IFSB and cannot be returned.

SCIENCE FICTION NEWS

Alan C. Bowman

Victor Root, Illinois Rep. of IFSB, has some Science-Fiction mags for sale, or free in exchange. He is selling them for a small fee. Write to IFSB for address.

The DECEMBER, 1952, issue of FATE magazine is a must to all IFSB members and officers. It contains an article by Curtis Fuller, entitled, "Let's Get Straight About the Saucers." A complete detailed story of the incident of the scoutmaster described in our January issue, is discussed with a picture of the scoutmaster. SUBSCRIBE TO FATE MAGAZINE AND KEEP UP TO DATE ON THE SAUCERS. Write to 806 Dempster Street, Evanston, Illinois

New Pocket Books on Stands. Dell No. 627, "When Worlds Collide" by Philip Wylie and Edwin Balmer. Pocket Book No. 908, "New Tales of Space and Time", edited by Raymond J. Healy.

Thanks to Ray Palmer for our letter in the December issue of "Other Worlds" Clark Publishing Co., 806 Dempster St., Evanston, Illinois. Let's subscribe.

NEW BOOK BY VIKING PRESS "Across the Space Frontier", edited by Cornelius Ryan, $3.95, Viking, New York.

RANDOM HOUSE HAS DONE IT AGAIN WITH: "By Space Ship to the Moon", written by Jack Coggins and Fletcher Pratt, foreword by Willy Ley. $1.

SCIENCE FICTION NEWS-LETTER, by our Council Member, "Bob" Tucker, P.O. Box 702, Bloomington, Illinois.

THE UNITED STATES ROCKET SOCIETY, Box 29, Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

Hollywood is coming out with two good movies: "War of the Worlds" and "The Conquest of Space".

SAUCER REVIEW, by Elliott Rockmore, a member of our Council. P.O. Box 148, Wall St. Station, New York 5, N.Y.

Owners of tape recorders or wire recorders: Join T.R.I. (Tape-respondence International. Send your voice to your correspondents) 3488—22nd St., San Francisco 10, Calif.

BORDERLAND SCIENCES RESEARCH ASSOCIATES located at 3524 Adams Ave., San Diego 16, California, would like to have IFSB members join their society.

Many new Science Fiction Mags are hitting the newsstands and some are good while others are the usual run. A few of the better ones are: Tops in SF; Science Fiction Quarterly and Fantastic.

Two good S-F books: "Robots Have No Tails" by Lewis Padgett and "Player Piano" by Kurt Vonnegut. Both humorous line.

The officers of IFSB are planning on issuing a 12-page booklet sometime next year with a complete record on all saucer reports that they now have collected. This booklet will not be a regular issue of "Space Review", but a separate issue and will sell for 50c to everyone. Our President, Mr. Bender, will write the foreword with comments throughout by officials of IFSB. The booklet will be entitled: IFSB REPORTS ON THE SAUCERS. If interested, write!

We would like members and officers to send in snapshots of themselves so that when the time comes for us to print pictures in Space Review, we will have the photos available.

MENTION "SPACE REVIEW" when writing to any of above mentioned publications.

This page will be eliminated in future issues, and will be replaced by articles on "saucers".

EDITORIAL

In 1492 Columbus discovered a new world after traveling thousands of miles across the great expanse of unknown waters called the Atlantic Ocean. It was a great adventure, yet one that was laughed at, ridiculed, and even spoke of as a "folly".

Here was a small group of men searching for what lay beyond the known, endeavoring to unfold the mysteries of lands that were not supposed to exist. All they had were three small ships laden with provisions that they estimated would last the journey.

The seas were infested with monsters, so the skeptics said, and the world was flat with a dropping off place. Columbus proved these fallacies to be wront, when he landed in the West Indies.

The years directly ahead of us will see another great adventure such as this. A small group of men will assemble in a certain designated place, climb into their ship, a ship vastly different than that of Columbus's time. This ship will be a rocket ship, and its occupants will shoot off into the vast sea of space to find new worlds, new peoples, and new frontiers.

They will be laughed at, they will be ridiculed, and the whole thing will be called the greatest "folly" on earth, but will it be such? Time has proven that impossibilities become realities.- the automobile, the airplane, radio, telephone, telegraph, television, and the smashing of the atom are definate proof. All is possible to one who believes,—and I am a sound believer!

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FROM THE ASSOCIATE EDITOR'S DESK

The mysteries of space have long fascinated most people on earth. One need not be an astronomer to gaze in awe at the sight which unfolds before the eyes as we gaze skyward on any clear night.

The vastness of space is difficult to explain, even for astronomers. When distances are spoken of it is simpler for learned men to use the term "light years" than miles. The number of celestial bodies suspended in space like our own earth are unknown. The guesses are from millions on up. But they remain just that—guesses.

We who make our home on a mere cinder of matter in the eyes of space, cannot be so naive enough to think that intelligent life exists only here. Those who believe that there is a purpose for everything which happens, should agree that these millions of bodies in space must serve more of a purpose than just twinkling brightly on a clear night.

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SUTTON, WEST VIRGINIA MONSTER MAY BE "COLLIER'S" ROCKET!

Rev. S. L. Daw, Washington, D.C., Representative, IFSB

I have personally photographed flying saucers six times and personally photographed the place where one landed in Charleston, West Virginia. I also talked to two eye-witnesses. I saw and talked to a police officer who was burned by one in Wheeling, West Virginia. My own cousin was the doctor who treated him.

I attempted to photograph one going over Melessa Pass, 5000 feet up in the Blue Ridge mountains, as I was at a height of 2500 feet at Wahala Glen just directly opposite from Melessa Pass. The picture was not too good due to the mist from the mountains.

The object that landed at Charleston, West Virginia was described as a large metal ball, throwing off a white light and after landing, two small men in red emerged from a trap in the top and climbed up a tree to look around. Seeing people watching them, they got back in and took off. We can prove what this was: In the attempt to shoot rockets to the moon, there is a device with the motors on the wings and the body of the device is a jet propelled apparatus which throws off a large metal shaped disc which throws off a red color from the center which when reflected could easily be taken for some sort of a small person. This was described in Collier's magazine of October 11, 1952.

According to the Washington Daily News, the monster seen at Sutton, West Virginia could be the rocket described in Collier's magazine. The picture on the cover of the magazine shows a sphere-headed, wide-bottomed, tank-bellied rocket craft spewing out burning hydrazine and nitric acid as it lands hind-end on the moon. The West Virginia people claimed to have seen: "An object estimated at 10 feet tall, four feet wide at the bottom and in the shape of a man. Two lights flashed from side to side, the machine made a noise like gas escaping, and a sharp sickening odor was about." Sounds somewhat the same.

The United States may be experimenting with something that the public is not aware of, and it is doing its best to keep it a secret. The age of rocket ships is just around the corner.

CIVILIAN SAUCER INVESTIGATION OF NEW ZEALAND CONTACTS IFSB

The Civilian Saucer Investigation of New Zealand was set up in New Zealand on October 13, 1952. They plan to prove or disapprove the existence of saucers. It has no affiliation with the Government, the armed forces, or to any society to which its members may belong. Most of the members have been studying flying saucer reports for at least five years. They represent all interested parties, astronomers, scientists, aviators, and the man in the street. The committee consists of Mr H. H. Fulton, a sergeant in the R.N.Z.A.F. attached to engineering, who is the President of CSI of NZ; Mr. R. J. Lavaris, a member of the Territorial Air Force, who is the secretary of CSI of NZ; Mr. G. H. Gilmore, aviation engineering inspector; D. Lavaris, a student studying for a science degree; and E. J. Greager, an astronomer and engineer.

Aims of the committee are to correspond with kindred bodies overseas, and to ultimately find the origin of flying saucers and their comparison.

Mr. H. H. Fulton, and Mr. R. J. Lavaris have been made members of the International Council of IFSB. We hope to establish friendly relations with this society and get a representative in New Zealand. CSI sent to IFSB a large map of New Zealand showing all spots where saucers have been sighted with a history of each sighting. A complete report on this will be made in our next issue. We wish CSI of New Zealand the best of luck and hope they will be a success.

SAUCERS IN THE NEWS

MAYAGUEZ, PUERTO RICO, Oct. 3, 1952—Strange objects were sighted by two persons in Mayaguez on Oct. 3, they were cruising East and were red in color. It was about 10:30 p.m. when they were sighted.

NORWAY AND SWEDEN, Oct. 13, 1952—During October the Norwegian Government stated that a strange object resembling a saucer landed on Norwegian soil. German experts are claiming that the devices are of Russian origin, and the description given by Norway fits the description given by German experts. Stockholm, Sweden, has also been sighting strange objects.

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, Sept. 13, 1952—A young woman sighted a noiseless green ball flying too fast to be a plane or a meteor. She said it smelled like a rotten egg.

STUTTGART, GERMANY, Nov. 1, 1952—At the recent meeting of the third International Astronautical Congress in Germany where 200 scientists from 12 countries gathered they stated that saucers are not from Mars or any other planet. They said they are merely optical and atmospheric illusions.

LONG ISLAND NEW YORK—A terrific air explosion took place over a small area of Long Island N.Y., which broke windows, cracked sidewalks and caused general panic. There were no planes around or scheduled at that time, Oct. 1952.

INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, NEW YORK, Oct. 16, 1952—A blue flame flashed over International Airport at 7:33 p.m. It was a fiery ball-like object. Hayden Planetarium official stated it may have been the burning up of a meteor.

TOWCESTER, YORK, ENGLAND, Sept 20, 1952—During exercise "Mainbrace" RAF pilots sighted a white object at 14,000 feet. The object was silver in color and circular. It maintained a slow forward speed before beginning to descend, swinging like a pendulum. It followed the aircraft, revolved on its own axis at times, and then took off

WASHINGTON, D.C., Oct. 16, 1952—The Navy announced that it launched rockets from giant balloons, high above the North Geomagnetic Pole, and sent them to altitudes of about 40 miles. The balloons were as tall as a 10-story building.

PARIS, FRANCE, Oct. 7, 1952 — A flying saucer was sighted over Southern France by two Air France pilots.

WESTERN KOREA FRONT, Oct. 29, 1952—U.S. troops saw a half-dozen mysterious spark-throwing "cartwheels" over the western front of Korea. They were as the eye sees, 18 inches in diameter, moving in a 15-foot circle.

GAILLAC, SOUTH OF FRANCE, Oct. 29, 1952—For the second time in two weeks, 20 townspeople of Gaillac saw a series of white circular objects, slightly swollen at the center, spinning across the sky, they were flying in formation of two and were grouped around something that looked like a giant flying cigar. As the objects passed overhead they let fall a sort of string of bright white threads, which settled gently on trees and telephone lines. When the people tried to pick them up, they melted like ice. A police officer who picked up some of the thread said: "It looked like glass wool and it melted away almost as soon as it was touched."

OLORON, FRANCE, Oct. 17, 1952—About a dozen people, including a schoolmaster, saw flying saucers surrounding a long cigar like object flying through a clear sky at about 6,000 feet.

NEW ZEALAND—The clippings and stories from New Zealand are swamping our office and are so numerous that we must devote a whole page to them in our April issue.

For more detailed information on any of the above, please write to IFSB.

Please date your clippings that you send to us, and note the source.

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IFSB OF BRITAIN ORGANIZES

Capt. E. L. Plunkett Appointed British Representative.

The IFSB has finally been organized in Great Britain with retired Capt. E. L. Plunkett, of the 8th Army as British Representative. Mr. Plunkett resides at 71 Chedworth Rd., Horneld, Bristol 7, England. *Denis*, son of Mr. Plunkett, is the assistant representative, but is now serving his *country in the Royal Air Force.*

Rep. Plunkett has shown great interest and foresight in forming the IFSB in the British Isles. Numerous articles have appeared in leading newspapers through his efforts. He is planning on using local halls and auditoriums to give lectures and show pictures with the aid of an edipiascope. He also plans to give talks at the local [illegible] club of that city which is a semi-war veterans type of society.

Many people in the British Isles have contacted Mr Plunkett showing great interest in IFSB. Most of these people are very learned individuals such as officers in the Armed Forces, members of the British *Inter-Planetary* Society, Aero-Dynamists, newspaper reporters, and flying saucer enthusiasts.

At present Mr. Plunkett is holding weekly meetings at his home, where they discuss IFSB and flying saucers in general. For further information about our Brit- Representative see page twelve of this

LUIS LUHRING NAMED PUERTO RICAN REPRESENTATIVE

Mr. Luis Luhring of Punta Santiago, Puerto Rico, has accepted the position of Representative for the island of Puerto Rico. He will handle all IFSB business in that place. Write to Box 23, Punta Santiago, Puerto Rico. Mr. Luhring is a very capable man and will aid the IFSB greatly.

FRANKLIN, INDIANA JOINS EN MASSE

Business Men and Public Officials Join IFSB. To Form Own City Group.

The City of Franklin, Indiana, has gone out fully for the IFSB and is now the only city in the world that has the most members in our organization. Through the great efforts and work of Mr. Louis Frahm, business man, Mr. Jack W. Moore, policeman; Mr. Robert Wolf, civilian defense director, and Mr. Dick Campbell, IFSB Representative for Indiana, this great accomplishment was made possible. At this publication, Franklin can claim 20 members with ten from nearly towns, giving a toral of 30. Since all this interest has been aroused Mr. Frahm plans to form a city group with their own chairman, secretary and treasurer. Among the members you will find policemen, librarians, mechanics, commercial pilots, business men, bus drivers, students, etc. The group plans to purchase a telescope of suitable power. In addition to this they plan to rig up a 3¼ x 4¼ Graflex camera with an optical type view finder and screen door handle on each side for easy handling. This is the equipment they plan to start with. Later, if finances permit, they may build a portable radar set.

Franklin, Indiana, and nearby towns, have been fortunate in having had at least four sightings this past summer. Two were witnessed by Mr. Frahm and Mr. Moore. Reports of these sightings are reviewed in this issue of Space Review.

OUR PRESIDENT HEARS FROM PROF. EINSTEIN

Mr. Al K. Bender, President of IFSB, received a *letter from* Professor Einstein with this message: "Having no experience and only superficial knowledge in the field -I regret not to be able to comply with your requests." Mr. Bender wanted his opinion on the flying saucers. This was the Professor's reply.

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October 26, 1952

Mr. L. H. Frahm
949 S. Jefferson Street,
Franklin, Indiana

Dear Mr. Frahm:

Once again I am happy to write to you about IFSB and your fine work in helping our organization grow larger and stronger.

In your last letter you asked what course of action your club should take in connection with IFSB. I would suggest the following:

(1.) Appoint a local Chairman of the IFSB in Franklin, Indiana. Also appoint a local treasurer and secretary.

(2). Hold your meetings at least twice a month, where you can discuss saucer happenings and club activities. Use a local hall, or better yet, hold the meetings at each others homes.

If and when you form your own city group, a certain portion of the club membership fee may be retained by you to help your cause.

(4). Mr. Dick Campbell, is an International Officer in IFSB and should be paid such respect at all your gatherings.

(5). We will do any post card printing you desire cards of similar size.

(6). You can print your club activities in "Space Review".

(7). Get contributions from your members to help you get formed

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(8). Report to IFSB all reports and sightings in your area. However, first put the sightings before your group and let them judge whether they are authentic or not.

(9). Keep a record of all club members in your area and their activities as far as IFSB is concerned.

(10). Obtain if possible (merely a suggestion), a tape recorder so that you can send actual voice to IFSB headquarters. In this way, I as President, could send messages for you to play at your local meetings. In the future I may even pay your city a visit and attend one of your meetings.

These are all merely suggestions for you to ponder over and if you decide to adopt any of them please consult with your Indiana Representative, Mr. Campbell. After you have done this, get in touch with me at once.

I sincerely hope that these suggestions will help you in making some move as to what your local group will do.

Forever Looking Up,

Albert K. Bender

Albert K. Bender
President

AKB/[illegible]

June 24, 1953
Los Angeles Calif

Mr John Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Flying Saucers

Dear Mr. Hoover =

This is being written to you so that it may be forwarded to President Eisenhow if you feel it advisable; and to prevent any secur leaks if such transmission of message is to be accom lished.

PURPOSE =

A PLAN FOR BRINGING DOWN ONE OF THE STRANGE AIR VEHICLES AS SIGHTED OVER JAPAN AND ELSEWHERE IN THE WORLD; AND THEN TO BE STUDIED BY OUR SCIENTISTS.

EQUIPMENT NEEDED =

1. GUIDED MISSILES = that may be guided from the ground or a Mother Ship or made to home on these strange objects through Radar or Radio

2. A DEVICE which when sighted from Ground or Air in Twilight or Darkness resembles of these Craft as to = ~~Shape~~ Shape Size Lights and Flying Characteristics

May be necessary to use a high flying Zeppelin Balloon or Jet Craft, Helicopter or other

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Equip. Needed ([redacted])

3. Below the Decoy =
Highly accurate guns, cannons or other necessary weapons which are constantly trained on our Decoy or adjacent Area to de

4. Highly Secret and Skilled Personnel =
To prevent any leak as to plan; and able to carry out operation to be successful on the first trial if possible.

Plan =
Send Decoy up in an Area known to have consistently seen these strange objects.
Sent to predetermined Altitude, and known flying patterns So that Gun Crews below are alert to let go instantaneously when strang craft approaches to investigate our Decoy.
Decoy and our Ground operators should be in an Area where we can retrieve the fallen object.

Of course if it is known that these objects are from other planets the need for bringing one down is not immediately imperative.

Respectfully Submitted to be forwarded if you deem it advisable

[redacted]
To Hollywood College
[redacted]
Los Angeles, Calif.
Calif.

October 28, 1952

Mr. [redacted]
Cincinnati 31, Ohio

Dear [redacted]

I want to thank you for your letter and the enclosures which you forwarded to this Bureau.

I have taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter and the enclosures thereto to the Department of the Air Force, inasmuch as the matter referred to in your letter is within the jurisdiction of that Department.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Note: The Records Section has been unable to locate a cross reference on the name [redacted] encl. page 7). In view of the information contained in [redacted] it is not believed the reference will be pertinent in this instan This action is being taken to expedite the Bureau's reply to the correspondent. File mentioned above concerns name check requests.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: October 27, 1952

FROM : V. P. KEAY

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

SYNOPSIS:

Air Intelligence advised of another creditable and unexplainable sighting of flying saucers. Air Intelligence still feels flying saucers are optical illusions or atmospherical phenomena but some Military officials are seriously considering the possibility of interplanetary ships.

BACKGROUND:

You will recall that Air Intelligence has previously kept the Bureau advised regarding developments pertaining to Air Intelligence research on the flying saucer problem. Air Intelligence has previously advised that all research pertaining to this problem is handled by the Air Technical Intelligence Center located at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio; that approximately 90 per cent of the reported sightings of flying saucers can be discounted as products of the imagination and as explainable objects such as weather balloons, etc., but that a small percentage of extremely creditable sightings have been unexplainable.

DETAILS:

Colonel C. M. Young, Executive Officer to Major General John A. Samford, Director of Intelligence, Air Force, advised on October 23, 1952, that another recent extremely creditable sighting had been reported to Air Intelligence. A Navy photographer, while traveling across the United States in his own car, saw a number of objects in the sky which appeared to be flying saucers. He took approximately thirty-five feet of motion-picture film of these objects. He voluntarily submitted the film to Air Intelligence who had it studied by the Air Technical Intelligence Center. Experts at the Air Technical Intelligence Center have advised that, after careful study, there were as many as twelve to sixteen flying objects recorded on this film; that the possibility of weather balloons, clouds or other explainable objects has been completely ruled out; and that they are at a complete loss to explain this most recent creditable sighting. The Air Technical Intelligence Center experts pointed out that they could not be optical illusions inasmuch as optical illusions could not be recorded on film.

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Memo to Mr. A. H. Belmont
from V. P. Keay

RE: FLYING SAUCERS

Colonel Young advised that Air Intelligence still feels that the so-called flying saucers are either optical illusions or atmospherical phenomena. He pointed out, however, that some Military officials are seriously considering the possibility of interplanetary ships.

ACTION:

None. This is for your information.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: October 8, 1952

FROM : V. P. KEAY

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

Reference is made to an article which appeared in "The New Yorker" dated September 6, 1952, which is attached. This article which was written by [redacted] contained inaccurate information regarding FBI investigations, indicating that the FBI conducts certain inquiries regarding flying saucers at the request of the Air Force. It is pointed out here that, although the Bureau did at one time conduct some investigations regarding flying saucers, a present agreement has been set up with the Air Force whereby the Air Force conducts all investigations pertaining to flying saucers and the Bureau, upon receiving complaints of this nature, merely turns the complaints over to the Office of Special Investigations (OSI), which in turn transmits the information to Air Intelligence. Air Intelligence has set up the Air Technical Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, for the purpose of coordinating and handling of research pertaining to flying saucers.

Inquiry was conducted in order to determine, if possible, the source for the information appearing in the attached article regarding FBI investigations. Lieutenant Colonel L. L. Free in charge of the Espionage Branch, Counter-Intelligence Division, Office of Special Investigations, advised that no one in OSI has been contacted by [redacted] and he suggested direct contact by the Bureau Representative with Air Intelligence to determine if [redacted] had been in touch with anyone in that organization in order to gather information for his article.

Colonel C. M. Young, Executive Officer to Major General John A. Samford, Director of Air Intelligence, advised that [redacted] has not contacted General Samford's office. Colonel Young also telephonically contacted Captain Ruppelt of the Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, on September 30, 1952. Captain Ruppelt advised Colonel Young that they have never indicated in any way to [redacted] that the FBI has an interest in flying saucers. Captain Ruppelt stated that the FBI to his knowledge has never been called upon to furnish reports on flying saucers. Ruppelt is under the impression that [redacted] made the story up or picked it up from some magazine or newspaper article sometime back. Both Colonel Young and Captain Ruppelt are thoroughly familiar with Bureau policy pertaining to flying saucers.

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Colonel Young suggested that further contact be made with Mr. Albert Chop of the Office of Public Information, Office of the Secretary of Defense, who represents the Air Force in public relations contacts pertaining to flying saucer matters.

Mr. Chop was contacted and advised that he was familiar with the attached "New Yorker" magazine article. He advised that [redacted] had gathered most of the material about two years ago when considerable publicity regarding flying saucers had appeared in newspapers. He does not know where [redacted] gathered the material at that time but assumes that he gathered it from various sources, such as other newspaper articles. When the recent publicity regarding flying saucers appeared in newspapers, [redacted] renewed his interest in flying saucers and attempted to bring his article up to date. He contacted Mr. Chop for further current information. Mr. Chop advised that he gave Lang some routine items of interest regarding flying saucer complaints and investigations by the Air Force, but that he instructed [redacted] not to contact the Air Technical Intelligence Center for further information from that source. Mr. Chop also advised that at no time was the FBI mentioned and that he has no idea where [redacted] obtained the information appearing in his article concerning FBI investigations. Mr. Chop advised that he is thoroughly familiar with Bureau policy pertaining to flying saucer investigations, and that he at no time has indicated to any writer or newspaper representative that the FBI conducts investigations pertaining to flying saucers. Mr. Chop advised that, if the Bureau desires, he would be glad to contact [redacted] to discreetly determine where [redacted] obtained his information indicating that the FBI conducts investigations pertaining to flying saucers. He stated that he could make this contact without indicating in any way the Bureau has contacted him. He was advised that his offer of cooperation was appreciated, but that it was not desired that he make such an inquiry at the present time.

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There is attached a current mimeographed form containing current information regarding the whole flying saucer matter which was turned over by Chop. This is the information which

is ordinarily given to newspaper reporters or writers who make inquiry in the Office of Public Information.

ACTION:

None. For your information.

Date: October 28, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Subject: FLYING SAUCERS

There are attached for your information a copy of a self-explanatory letter dated October 21, 1952, and the enclosures thereto, received by this Bureau from Mr. [redacted]

Mr. [redacted] has been advised that his letter has been referred to your Department. No further action is being taken in this matter by this Bureau.

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Dear Sirs,

On Sunday, 5 October, my wife and I were walking towards the Smithsonian Institute when this picture was taken. Neither of us noticed anything unusual at the time, and I think that if the "thing" on the negative and picture, would be a "thing" of reality, we would certainly have noticed it.

2. If we would now have heard anything about "things" and "objects", we wouldn't send this to you, beyond a doubt. But, what looks like a spot could be something different. Better safe than sorry.

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Yours [illegible]

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Date October 6, 1952 Case References INVESTIGATION OF POSSIBLE
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Consigned to The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force, The Pentagon
Washington, D. C.
Att: Mr. [redacted]

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

30 September 1952

Recd from Air Intelligence 10/1/52 mm

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. COX

SUBJECT: Comments on Article in The NEW YORKER

1. A call was made to the Air Technical Intelligence Center, 1330 this date, (Captain Ruppelt) regarding the attached article.

2. ATIC did not in any way indicate to [redacted] that the FBI has an interest in flying saucers. Furthermore, Captain Ruppelt stated that the FBI to his knowledge has never been called upon to furnish reports on flying saucers. ATIC is under the impression that [redacted] made the story up or picked it up from a magazine or newspaper article sometime back that definitely was not associated with their organization.

3. ATIC suggests that you check further with Mr. Al Chop, Office of Public Information, and perhaps he can supply you with the information you have requested.

C. M. YOUNG
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Policy & Management Group
Directorate of Intelligence

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION
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Recd from Mrs Albert Chop Office of Public Info, OSD. - 10/6/52

The following information concerning Air Force investigations of unusual aerial phenomena is submitted in answer to your request.

In the Fall of 1947 the United States Air Force took official notice of reports of so-called "flying saucers" because the reports from the public indicated that the problem might be related to the Air Force responsibility for the air defense of the United States.

On December 30, 1947 the Air Force directed its Air Materiel Command, at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, to set up a project to collect and evaluate all available facts concerning "flying saucer" sightings.

To perform this task the Air Materiel Command obtained the services of civilian and military astronomers, psychologists, electronic specialists, meteorologists, aeronautical engineers, and physicists.

On December 27, 1949, after 375 reported sightings had been investigated, the Air Force, with the concurrence of the Army and the Navy, announced the findings of the "flying saucer" project.

The evidence at that time indicated that the majority of the reports of unidentified flying objects could be accounted for as misinterpretations of various conventional objects, a mild form of hysteria, meteorological phenomena, light aberrations, or hoaxes.

There remained, however, a number of unexplained sightings, and the Air Force has continued its investigations inasmuch as it is an Air Force responsibility to identify and analyze aerial phenomena that could possibly be a menace to the United States.

Subsequent to December 1949, these investigations have been conducted as a normal intelligence function, rather than a special project, by the Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio.

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To date, the Air Force has undertaken to investigate and analyze about 1500 reports dealing with these phenomena. As before, most of the reports were identified and disposed of as friendly aircraft erroneously reported, known electronic and meteorological phenomena, light aberrations, hoaxes, and other known natural occurrences or man-made objects.

The unexplained reports, however, which are in the order of 20 percent of the total, cannot be definitely associated with these familiar things.

Difficulty in Evaluating Reports

The difficulty in disposing of these unexplained reports is based largely upon the insufficiency of accurate basic data such as size, shape, composition and flight characteristics (speed, acceleration, altitude, exact maneuver pattern, etc.) of the objects.

Although some instruments which are useful in obtaining more accurate data of this type have been available, the reports based on sightings with these instruments have been very infrequent and comprise an extremely small percentage of the total. Moreover, even these reports have not included much of the information required.

Because of the inadequacy of this basic data, the Air Force has in the past devoted its efforts primarily to determining whether these unexplained sightings indicated the existence of a menace to the United States. Initially it was believed that some pattern might evolve from the study of a large volume of reports. To date, no pattern has materialized to reveal anything whatsoever which can be interpreted as indicative of purpose or consistency or which can be construed as a menace to the United States. Nonetheless, since these unexplained sightings persist, the Air Force will continue its investigations, giving the problem adequate but not frantic attention.

It is now felt, however, that reports from people whose training and experience in observing aerial objects qualify them to obtain essential data are the only ones likely to produce material suitable for systematic analysis. The Air Force is planning to provide additional tools to help these observers obtain the basic data it needs.

Reports of similar phenomena go back to Biblical times. There have been flurries of them in various centuries. The current series of sightings began generally in 1946.

There are many reasons why the volume of these reports has increased materially during the past few years. Aerial activity originated by man has increased, and people today have a greater curiosity about this activity than before. Also, our present efficient communication facilities and news media provide an incentive for reporting unusual observations, for publicizing them and for recording them. However, the ability to measure these phenomena does not seem to have advanced in step with opportunities for observing them. The Air Force believes that most of these phenomena will gradually be understood as more is known about occurrences in the upper atmosphere.

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Source of Reports

The majority of reports of aerial phenomena have come from civilians. About 8 percent come from civil airlines pilots, while approximately 25 percent are reported by military personnel. Reports have been received also from highly qualified scientists. Although primary significance is attached to reports from qualified observers, there is no intention to discredit untrained observers.

Radar Sightings

The Air Force has received many reports of unusual images on radar scopes. It is fairly well established that some of these images are ground objects reflected from a layer of warm air above the earth (a temperature inversion).

Temperature inversion reflections can give a return on a radar scope that is as sharp as that received from an aircraft. Speed ranges of these returns are reportedly from zero to fantastic speeds. The "objects" also appear to move in all directions.

Such radar sightings have resulted in hundreds of fruitless intercept efforts.

One scientific theory holds that light can be similarly reflected from a layer of warm air above the earth and, if proven to be correct, this could account for some visual sightings.

Bearing out the theory of temperature inversion reflection is an incident which occurred in January 1951 near Oakridge, Tennessee. Two Air Force aircraft attempted to intercept an unidentified "object" and actually established a radar "lock" on the object. Their altitude at the time was 7,000 feet. The unidentified object, according to their radar, appeared to be at an elevation of ten to 25 degrees. Three passes were made in an attempt to close on the object. In each instance the pilots reported that their radar led them first upward and then down toward a specific point on the ground.

Ionized clouds are believed to be the cause of some unidentified radar returns. Thunderstorm activity is identifiable by radar, and radar is used for the purpose of avoiding thunderstorms. In addition, radar has picked up many objects first reported as "unidentified phenomena" which were later identified as aircraft, birds, balloons, ice formations in the air, or other known aerial objects or manifestations.

Policy Regarding Attempted Interception

No orders have been issued by the Air Defense Command to its fighter units to fire on unidentified aerial phenomena. The Air Defense Command is charged with air defense of the United States, and its mission is to attack anything airborne which is known or appears to be hostile. This should not be interpreted to mean that our pilots will fire haphazardly on anything that flies.

Attempts at interception are not made every time that unidentified images appear briefly on an Air Force radar scope. Current Air Force interceptors are short-range, short-duration, high-speed aircraft and can be employed most effectively when it is possible to track a target by visual or radar means so that its position in the air at some future time may be predicted with a reasonable degree of accuracy.

Methods of Evaluating

The first step in evaluating sightings of unusual aerial phenomena is to collect all available data and check it against known airborne objects such as balloons, aircraft, missiles, meteors, and weather phenomena. If still unexplained, reports from reliable sources, with sufficient details, are turned over to specialists in various scientific fields for further analysis.

Future Plans for Evaluating

As stated earlier, there is a need for better reports from trained observers using adequate equipment. The Air Force intends to implement its present study with instruments wherever possible.

The recent development of special photographic equipment may make it possible to gather data hitherto unobtainable through ordinary photographic methods. This equipment consists of a diffraction grating camera which separates light into its component parts (spectrum) and registers them on film. The principle involved is that used by astronomers in determining the composition of the stars. In this manner Air Force scientists may be able to determine the characteristics of the phenomena and subsequently identify the source.

Another proposal involves the use of a continuously operating Schmidt telescope equipped with a camera. This telescope has a wide aperture lens and is capable of covering a cone of 150 degrees or nearly the whole sky from horizon to horizon. This equipment will make it possible to get on a series of photographic plates a complete record of what happens in the sky at night.

What "Saucers" Are Not

The Air Force has stated in the past, and reaffirms at the present time, that these unidentified aerial phenomena are not a secret weapon, missile or aircraft, developed by the United States. None of the three military departments nor any other agency in the government is conducting experiments, classified or otherwise, with flying objects which could be a basis for the reported phenomena. As far as is known there is nothing in them that is associated with material or vehicles that are directed against the United States, from another country or from other planets.

Your interest in this matter is greatly appreciated. Please call upon us if we may be of further service.

Sincerely yours,

A REPORTER AT LARGE

SOMETHING IN THE SKY

IN midsummer of 1947, the United States Air Force, already concerned with such problems as the development of guided missiles and supersonic craft, the rigging up of radar networks, and its controversy with the Navy over unification, found itself confronted by another, and completely different, headache—the flying saucer. People in every section of the country were seeing strange objects that streaked across the sky at tremendous speeds, and while these people, who included such practiced students of the heavens as airplane pilots, farmers, and the Lieutenant Governor of Idaho, were not able to identify the things they had seen, they were able to describe them vividly and unforgettably. The newspapers called the first of these mysterious objects a flying saucer, taking their cue from the man who reported having seen it and who described it as saucerlike, and the name stuck, although later people reported seeing things that looked like flying chromium hubcaps, flying dimes, flying teardrops, flying gaslights, flying ice-cream cones, and flying pie plates. As more and more curious things were seen in the skies, cautiously quizzical editorials began to appear in the papers, and the President and members of Congress received a deluge of letters demanding an explanation. Many of the letter writers had concluded that the objects, whatever they might be, were manned by Russians, and that as soon as their pilots had reconnoitred sufficiently, they would return loaded with atomic bombs. Others thought the earth was being visited by space ships from another planet. Still others suspected that our own Air Force was secretly testing some new form of aircraft. Everyone agreed, however, that it was up to the Air Force, as the custodian of our welkin, to explain the flying objects and, if necessary, to repel them. The result was the launching by the Air Force, on January 22, 1948, of a special investigation, an investigation that, though it has reached numerous conclusions, is still under way and has yet to put the public mind at rest.

It appears that, aside from the hope of reassuring a jittery populace, the Air Force, in embarking upon this undertaking, had any or all of three things in mind. It may well have shared the civilian concern over what, if anything, the Russians might have to do with the reported phenomena, and it may even have felt that to insure a thoroughgoing investigation there was certainly no harm in assuming for the moment that the era of interplanetary travel had arrived and the earth had become an objective for journeys from elsewhere in the solar system. Or—and this would not necessarily exclude the first two considerations—the Air Force may have been setting up a smoke screen to protect, in the interest of national security, the secret of some experimental flying objects of its own that only a trusted few of its members knew about. Whatever the purpose, the investigation, with which I have been in touch from time to time, has seemingly been exhaustive. The Air Force personnel originally assigned to it was later augmented by astronomers, psychologists, physicists, meteorologists, physicians, and representatives of the F.B.I. The investigation, which soon became popularly known as Project Saucer, was first headed by Lieutenant General Benjamin W. Chidlaw, Commanding Gen-

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have nothing to do [illegible] so-called saucers; I'll swear to [illegible] a stack of Bibles, if you like. Second, we don't have any secret new types of aircraft that could have started all this commotion. Third, nobody, in our opinion, has spotted space ships from some other planet. Fourth, everything our investigators learned has been made available to the public."

THE first saucer incident occurred on the afternoon of June 24, 1947, when Kenneth Arnold, on a business trip for a Boise, Idaho, firm that makes fire-control equipment, was flying his private plane from Chehalis, Washington, to Yakima, Washington. The reflection of a bright flash on one wing caught his eye. He turned and, at a distance he thought was about twenty miles, saw what he took to be nine tailless aircraft heading toward Mount Rainier. "I could see their outlines quite plainly against the snow," Air Force Intelligence quoted him as saying. "They flew very close to the mountaintops, directly south to southeast, down the hog's-back of the range, flying like geese, in a diagonal, chainlike line, as if they were linked together . . . a chain of saucerlike things at least five miles long, swerving in and out of the high mountain peaks. They were flat . . . and so shiny that they reflected the sun like a mirror." Arnold said he watched the saucers for three minutes and estimated their speed at about twelve hundred miles an hour.

Air Force technicians, consulted by newspapermen, said that any object moving that fast would be invisible to the naked eye at Arnold's estimated distance. The press scoffed at Arnold's story, and he was resentful. "Even if I see a ten-story building flying through the air, I won't say a word about it," he declared, and when he got back to Boise he wrote a series of articles about his experience for a magazine called *Fate*.

No sooner were the skeptical newspaper accounts printed than dozens of people turned up with similar reports. Another resident of Boise spotted a disc over that city, "a half circle in shape, clinging to a cloud and just as bright and silvery-looking as a mirror caught in the rays of the sun." Lieutenant Governor [illegible] of Idaho, disclosed that [illegible] he had seen a comet-shaped object sailing over the western part of the [illegible]. It finally dipped below the ho[illegible]n, he said. (Later on, the personnel of Project Saucer decided that the Lieutenant Governor had been looking at either Saturn or Mercury.) Four cops in Portland, Oregon, saw a group of discs "wobbling, disappearing, and reappearing."

Reports of other phenomena having been seen in the skies appeared in the papers almost daily. Two Army officers at Fort Richardson, Alaska, reported seeing a spherical object flying through the air at incredible speed and leaving no vapor trail; some fishermen off Newfoundland saw a series of aerial flashes, silver to reddish in color; a lady in Oregon watched a group of saucers spell out "P-E-P-S-I," and alerted her neighbors to the presence of foreign agents practicing a secret code in our skies; an Oklahoma City man saw a saucer "the bulk of six B-29s;" and a prospector in the Cascade Mountains of Oregon saw six saucers in a group, banking in the sun—"round, silent, and not flying in formation." On the Fourth of July, there were twelve reports of saucers in widely separated parts of the United States. One of these saucers, sighted at Trenton, New Jersey, was traced to a fireworks display. Dr. Paul Fitts, an Ohio State University psychologist who was for a time attached to Project Saucer, considered this crowded condition in the holiday skies the result of mass suggestibility, the same jumpy trait that caused Americans to see Zeppelins overhead during and after the First World War. "Our graphs show that saucer incidents always increase dramatically after publicity," he has since told me. "The sky, you know, has been a source of exciting visions from time immemorial, and its attraction is particularly strong in our jittery moments."

FROM the beginning, the officers in charge of Project Saucer recognized a peculiar difficulty in their assignment. "If you look out the window and see something, how can I prove or disprove what it was if I didn't see it and you can't tell me much about what you

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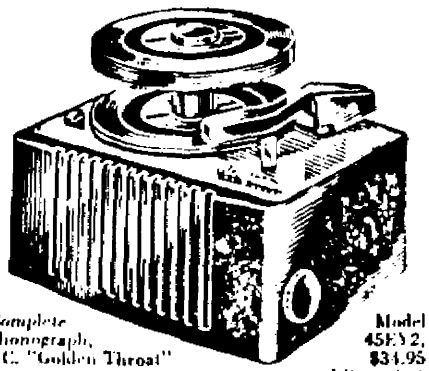

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Wright Field and the high command in Washington, said to me one day shortly after Project [illegible]er had presumably become a thing of the past. "It would be different if flying saucers were known to exist. Then we could have collected evidence indicating the degrees of probability that such things were sighted and the reason for their appearance at a given place. But it is impossible to prove, logically and with finality, a double negative—that is, that there are no flying saucers and that people have not seen flying saucers. The best we could do under the circumstances was to deduce, first, from the fact that it had not been proved, that saucers *had* been seen and, second, from the fact that reasonable theories could be advanced to explain away all the *reports* of seeing them, that probably nobody had seen them at all. The fewer the theoretical explanations and the less plausible they were, the more reason there was for suspecting people *had* seen saucers." The Major shook his head, and continued, "It's a difficult concept to grasp, but so was the job we were tackling."

I asked Major Boggs whether there was any way to account for the epidemic of reports of strange celestial objects. "Of course there is," he replied. "If you look up at the sky long enough, you can almost always make out something there that appears strange. And more people are looking up now than ever before. Kids don't count freight cars any more; they count airplanes. People who were trained in air observation during the war have gone right on observing. Also, the public hasn't forgotten that the atomic bomb was kept secret from it for three years. This time, people want to know what's cooking, so they look up." Major Boggs sighed. "Time was when people used to make a wish if they saw a shooting star. Now they telephone the Air Force."

Major Boggs and I pondered this unromantic age in silence for a moment. Then he returned briskly to the problems that had confronted the investigators. "The one tangible thing we had to work on was the fact that the sky is full of things," he said. "I can't even come close to estimating the number of commercial and military aircraft up there at any given moment. Then, there are more than five hundred outfits of one kind or another that release balloons from time to time. These range from simple weather balloons, no [illegible]ger than

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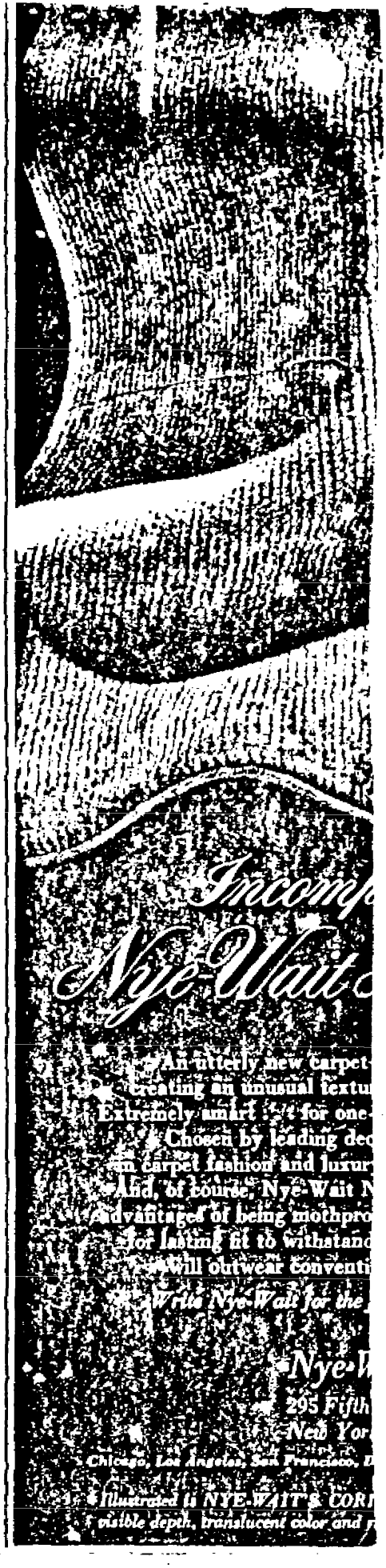
in the way it disapp[illegible] the line of sight.

Here, the experts prof[illegible] to hope, was something *Project Saucer* could get its teeth into. The whole flying-saucer mystery might be explained. The first step was to determine whether the object was an aircraft that had been partially obscured by a cloud or whose appearance had been distorted by a rainstorm. Two hundred and twenty-five civilian and military flight schedules were analyzed, and it was found that one other plane, an Air Force C-47, had been near the Eastern airliner at the time the mysterious object was sighted. Conjecture about the C-47 began to appear irrelevant, however, when the Macon ground crews agreed with Chiles and Whitted that the thing they had seen was going much faster than two hundred miles an hour, and so, unless it dawdled around somewhere, wouldn't have taken anything like an hour to get from Macon to Montgomery.

Astronomers went to work on the problem. Dr. Hynek considered the possibility that a brilliant, slow-moving meteor might be the explanation. Various bits of the apparition's description encouraged this notion—"orange-red flame," "cigar-shaped," "a tremendous burst of flame." Unfortunately, the flight schedules of meteors are not available, and Dr. Hynek had no means of testing his hypothesis. "It will have to be left to the psychologists to tell us whether the immediate trail of a bright meteor could produce the subjective impression of a ship with lighted windows," he wrote in a report on his findings. The psychologists expressed the opinion that a meteor could indeed be mistaken for a space ship. Dr. Fitts, the Ohio State psychologist, observed that both Chiles and Whitted were human and therefore as likely to be victims of mass suggestibility as anyone else. Dr. Fitts told me during a talk I had with him that psychologists are used to the fact that even people of high mental calibre often make mistakes about what they see. "Also, I would like to make the point that pilots are trained to instruments," he said. "They grow very dependent on those instruments, and I don't know whether [illegible]re necessarily superior observers [illegible]out them. I do know that during the war, when I was in the Air Force, pilots frequently gave some pretty odd reports of what they'd seen while flying their missions." Chiles and Whitted readily agreed that their report might



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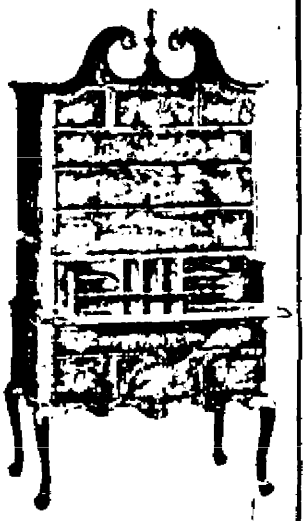

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ing a routine patrol for the North Dakota National Guard, and ju ked the tower at the Fargo Municip port for clearance to land when . saw what seemed to be another plane's tail-light a thousand yards away. He queried the tower, and the men there reported that the only other aircraft over the field was a Piper Cub. Gorman could see the Cub plainly outlined below him. Curious, he flew toward the light. "It was about six to eight inches in diameter, clear white, and completely round, with a sort of fuzz at the edges," Gorman later told investigators, adding that he saw "no outline of anything" around the edges. "It was blinking on and off. As I approached, however, the light suddenly became steady and pulled into a sharp left bank. . . . I dived after it and brought my manifold pressure up to sixty inches, but I couldn't catch up with the thing. It started gaining altitude and again made a left bank. I put my F-51 into a sharp turn and tried to cut the light off in its turn. By then, we were at about seven thousand feet. Suddenly it made a sharp right turn and we headed straight at each other. Just when we were about to collide, I guess I got scared. I went into a dive and the light passed over my canopy at about five hundred feet. Then it made a left circle about a thousand feet above, and I gave chase again." Gorman followed the light up to fourteen thousand feet, where, after another near collision, his ship went into a power stall and the light disappeared to the northwest. Gorman noticed no sounds or exhaust-trail odors. He had gunned his plane up to four hundred miles an hour without gaining on the light. It was able to maintain an extremely steep angle of ascent, far greater than that of his Air Force fighter. "When I attempted to *turn with [the light]*, I blacked out temporarily, due to excessive speed," he said. "I am in fairly good physical condition and I do not believe there are many, if any, pilots who could withstand the turn and speed effected by that light and remain conscious."

Project Saucer suspected that Gorman was tilting with a weather balloon. For one thing, it learned that the Fargo weather station had released a lighted balloon only ten minutes before Gorman's patrol stopped being routine. The object's steady, practically vertical climb suggested the behavior of a balloon. A technician who once worked on Project Saucer told me recently that chasing a weather balloon with an airplane is comparable to diving to the bottom of a pool after a hollow rubber

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Even pictures taken of supposed saucers failed to impress the experts. There was the case of a man in Phoenix, Arizona, who spotted a flat gray object spiralling up and down in the sky at a speed that he estimated at between four and five hundred miles an hour. He snapped two pictures of it with his Brownie. Prints were rushed to Project Saucer, and Dr. Irving Langmuir, the physicist and a Nobel Prize winner, was asked to study them. The distinguished scientist learned that a thunderstorm had occurred just before the picture-taking, and concluded that he was looking at a couple of rather poor shots of a piece of paper being buffeted by the wind.

AS time went on and the skies, apparently, continued to teem with flying saucers, the generals in the Pentagon, warming to their task, decided to enlarge the scope of the investigation. Commanders of all Air Force installations in the country were ordered to assign Intelligence officers to look into sightings reported in their areas. The officers were instructed to solicit the assistance of municipal police officials, who might be familiar with the personalities of the saucer observers. The F.B.I. was also called upon for assistance, and assigned agents to help interview people who reported that they had seen discs. The agents used a standard questionnaire, drawn up by Air Force Intelligence, which called for such information as the saucer's size, speed, color, and maneuvers. The information was usually transmitted to Wright Field, but some stories were so obviously false and some "evidence" so obviously trifling that the F.B.I. men didn't even bother to fill out the questionnaire. In Seattle, for instance, an alarmed woman called the police to inform them that a flaming disc had landed on her roof. The object turned out to be a hollow, drum-shaped affair made of plywood, with "USSR" crudely daubed on it in paint. An F.B.I. man found that a turpentine-soaked cloth had caused the flame. A practical joke, he decided. A farmer near Danforth, Illinois, reported that a saucer had crash-landed in one of his fields and burned up a patch of weeds. The F.B.I.

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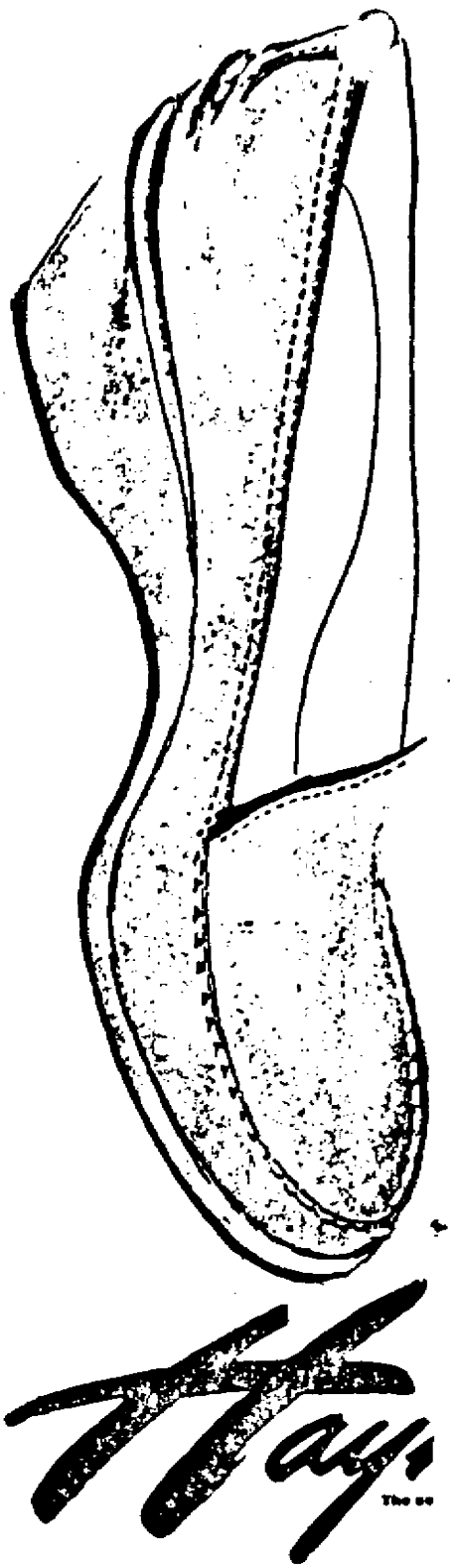
Other elements of the problem were studied by such men as Dr. George Valley, a nuclear physicist at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; staff members of the research firm of Rand Corporation; an assortment of physicists and aerodynamicists who specialize in the study of the stratosphere and the space beyond it; and the electronics experts attached to the Cambridge Field Station. These men were all searching for physical rather than psychological explanations, and some fairly strange theories occurred to them—the possibility that extraterrestrial animals were flying into our atmosphere, for example. (No data turned up to support that arresting idea.) The theory that the saucers were hostile aircraft was carefully studied and rejected. "The performances of these saucers not only surpass the development of present science but the development of present fiction-science writers," one scientist noted. The specialists also considered and rejected the concept of discs capable of riding the air on beams or rays of some kind. They even speculated on whether the anti-gravity shield that H. G. Wells thought up for his novel "The First Men in the Moon" would work; it wouldn't, they decided. The supposition that interplanetary craft were whizzing in at us was also discredited, despite its popularity with laymen. Space ships, the scientists thought, would have to be so large and unwieldy that they couldn't possibly zigzag as frivolously as the reported saucers did. Besides, a space ship, regardless of its size, could not, in the opinion of these men, carry sufficient fuel to remain for any length of time in the earth's dense atmosphere. The scientists noted, too, that the supposed spacemen showed a remarkable lack of interest in the rest of the world, being, it would seem, almost unanimous in their desire to see America first. "The small area covered by the disc barrage points strongly to the belief that the flying objects are of earthly origin, be they physical or psychological," one of the scientists reported.

From the report turned in by the astronomers, I learned that they, in addition to seining out comets, meteors, bolides, and achondrites from the stream of objects people were seeing in the skies, had also thoughtfully considered our planetary neighbors. The old question of the possibility of life on Mars took on a new urgency, and a new corollary: If there *are* living creatures on Mars, would they be capable of building space ships? The astronomers



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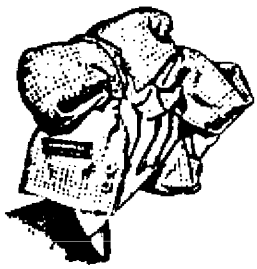
that—that while the information they give me may be made [illegible] their names never will be." In [illegible] cases, Captain Ruppelt said, investigation has shown that the people he has interviewed had been deceived by things that have been deceiving others all along—balloons, planes, meteors, and so on—but a nettling residue of around twenty per cent of the cases have wound up in that exasperating old pigeonhole labelled "Unidentified." Nothing, for example, could be found to account for the "something silvery directly overhead" reported by a mystified Civil Aeronautics Administration inspector at Terre Haute. A commercial pilot who, flying near Battle Creek, Michigan, spotted "an oval-shaped silver object" ahead of his ship, posed a similarly unsolved problem, as did a highly respected naval officer, stationed at the dirigible base at Lakehurst, New Jersey, who reported that he had stared through his binoculars at a brilliant image making turns that were far too tight for any known aircraft.

Twenty-five per cent of the observers interrogated by the Aerial Phenomena Officer in the last two and a half years have been military pilots. Eight per cent have been commercial pilots, some with as much as twenty years' experience in the air, and at one stage in the current phase of the investigation, even a few physicists at Los Alamos, New Mexico, men who make a fetish of objectivity, were interviewed after they reported having seen puzzling lights hovering above their atomic-energy laboratories. "If you took any one of these incidents by itself, it might not mean much," Captain Ruppelt said. "But in view of the number and calibre of the informants, you couldn't help taking their claims seriously."

In February, 1951, Dr. Urner Liddel, a nuclear physicist attached to the Office of Naval Research, at Washington, D.C., declared that at last, thanks to the lifting of certain security restrictions, he could provide the solution to the mystery of the flying saucers: They were "skyhooks," he said—balloons a hundred feet in diameter, which the Navy had secretly been sending up for the past four years in order to study cosmic rays. Dr. Liddel's assertion was immediately disputed by Dr. Anthony O. Mirarchi, who, as former head of the Air Force's Atmospheric Composition Bureau, had assisted in the diagnosis of Project Saucer reports. Dr. Mirarchi said he thought the saucers might be missiles from some foreign



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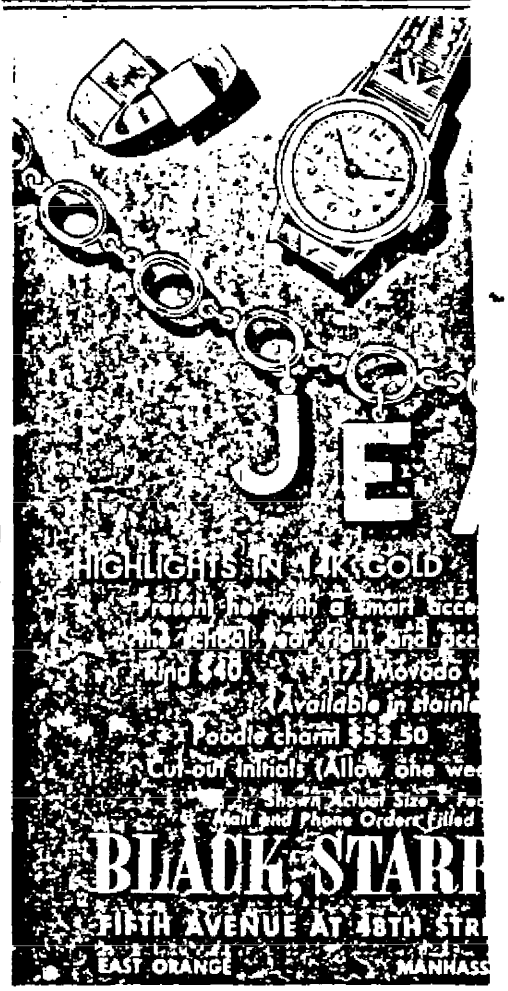

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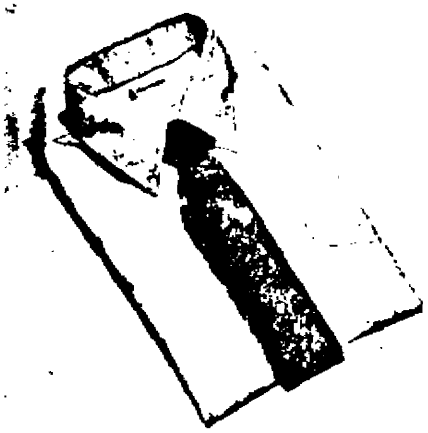

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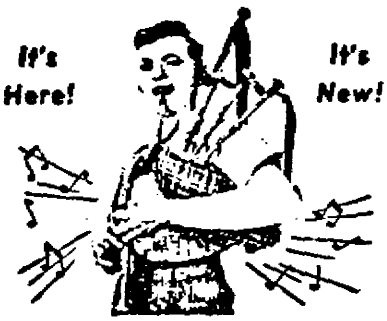

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fourteen minutes, Piermay saw bright lights that resembl[ed] shooting stars, but three of them [were] moving horizontally, unlike any shooting star he had ever seen. Another commercial pilot who was reached in flight nearby said that he saw a light off his left wing; Barnes found a corresponding pip on the radarscope. Other pilots in the vicinity reported, however, that they could see nothing unusual. Toward daybreak, ten peculiar pips were counted simultaneously on Barnes' screen. "There is no other conclusion I can reach but that for six hours on the morning of the twentieth of July there were at least ten unidentifiable objects moving above Washington," Barnes wrote. "They were not ordinary aircraft. . . . Nor in my opinion could any natural phenomena account for these spots on our radar. Neither shooting stars, electrical disturbances, nor clouds could, either. Exactly what they are, I don't know. Now you know as much about them as I do. And your guess is as good as mine."

A week later, at 9:08 P.M. on July 26th, the Air Route Traffic Control Center's radarscope again showed unidentifiable objects over Washington. So did the screen at the Andrews Air Force Base, just outside the capital. Two jet interceptors, capable of doing six hundred miles an hour, were dispatched from a base near New Castle, Delaware, to investigate. When the interceptors appeared on the radarscopes, they were guided toward the objects. One of the pilots sighted four lights approximately ten miles in front of his plane and slightly above it, but they vanished while he was trying to overtake them. Twenty minutes later, he saw "a steady white light," but within a minute it, too, disappeared. "We have no evidence they were flying saucers," an Air Force representative said later. "Conversely, we have no evidence they were not flying saucers. We don't know what they were."

As a result of these two incidents, particularly the one involving the interceptors, public agitation reached a new height. The Air Force was bombarded with hundreds of letters, telephone calls, and telegrams demanding information and offering advice. One of the smaller airlines supplied its crews with cameras and ordered them to photograph any saucers they encountered. A civilian wrote to the Air Force that he would let it in on "the secret" in return for a colonelcy. A Los Angeles pastor wrote to Einstein, beseeching him to clear up

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advisers . . . in th[illegible]ss of visitors from elsewhere, [illegible]ph the sky continuously, but they [illegible]n reported no saucers. The General was reminded that many of the people who had told of seeing the most spectacular things were considered the most reliable. He replied that he had no intention of discrediting them, but the fact remained that none of them had offered data of the kind a scientist would find useful. An Air Force officer whom General Samford personally knew to be a competent witness had told him of seeing a saucer in the Middle East. This man, too, had been unable to obtain accurate measurements. "We have many reports from credible observers of incredible things," the General remarked.

Like General Moore, his predecessor in Project Saucer days, General Samford denied that the Air Force was attempting to cover up secret experiments. When he was asked if the saucers might be the guided missiles of a foreign country, he replied that he didn't see how, on the basis of their weird performances, they could be unless "someone" had achieved a means of developing unlimited power—"power of such fantastic higher limits that it is a theoretical unlimited; it's not anything that we can understand"—and utilizing it under conditions in which no mass is involved. As for the latter, the General told the press, drawing a laugh, "You know, what 'no mass' means is that there's nothing there."

WHILE General Samford's interview probably reassured the public as evidence that the Air Force was still on the job, it did nothing to lessen the nation's saucer-consciousness. The reporters had hardly thanked the General for his comments when, on August 1st, a Coast Guard photographer produced a picture showing four bizarre lights burning brilliantly in a daylight sky. He said he had taken it over Salem, Massachusetts. The next day, a Harvard astrophysicist called the photograph worthless because it was accompanied by no scientific data, such as temperature distribution and altitude. On August 6th, an Army physicist at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, created the equivalent of flying saucers in his laboratory by introducing molecules of ionized air into a partial vacuum in a bell jar, and three days later an internationally known authority on atmospheric conditions said of the physicist's experiment, "I know of no conditions of the earth's atmosphere, high or low, which would duplicate

October 10, 1952

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[redacted]
The Hague
The Netherlands

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated October 6, 1952, has been received.

You will perhaps recall being advised at the time of your visit to this Bureau that the matter discussed was not within the jurisdiction of the FBI. However, in view of your imminent departure from Washington the information was accepted for transmittal to the appropriate agency, which was to contact you if interested.

Full details were made available at that time to the Department of the Air Force for evaluation and consideration. In the absence of some arrangement between you and the Air Force, your further use of the pertinent facts is, of course, a matter for your own determination.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Bulet to OSI, Air Force, dated 5-7-52 transmitted data furnished by [redacted] to the Bureau 5-5-52 concerning his ideas as to plans for a workable flying disc. [redacted] was informed that further contact with him, if any, would come from the interested Government agency rather than the Bureau. No mention was made of his keeping the facts secret pending a reply from the Bureau or the Air Force. (62-83894-273)

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THE HAGUE October 6th

Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Pennsylvania Avenue
W A S H I N G T O N D.C.

[redacted]

Dear Mr [redacted]

Excuse me please if I misspelled your name, but I never saw it in writing.

On May 5th at 2.15 P.M. of this year I paid you a visit in the F.B.I. offices, where I told you details on a certain subject you will surely remember. At the end of the conversation I promissed you not to talk about it until I had received word from you whether or not the proper authorities were interested. It was taken for granted that a few months might elapse before the answer could be given.

Five months have passed by since then, and as the subject has now become active in Europe, I am really anxious to go ahead with it. I have ofcourse tried to check the theory on each aspect and while doing so I found various complementary as well as fundamental details.

I have now reached the point however where I would like to discuss the whole with an expert and I would therefor certainly appreciate to know whether I have to consider our agreement on complete silence as still being valid and necessary or not

It might be that you are too busy to be able to write to me or that the authorities are not interested. As it is not my intention to bother you too much with it, I will take it that there is no longer any necessity for silence on my part if I do not receive any information to the contrary by the end of this month.

By this proposition I do not intend to force an issue but I would like to discuss a subject like this with scientists friends of mine, which I cannot do as long as I am bound by my promise to you.

With very kind regards,

Yours Truly

[redacted]

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 10/3/52

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (100-36998)

SUBJECT: RE: SPECIAL INQUIRY
UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS;
Inspector General, USAF
2nd District Office of Special Investigations
67 Broad Street
New York 4, New York Flying Discs

For the information of the Bureau, on August 27, 1952, the Newark division received a request from the Inspector General, United States Air Force, 2nd District Office of Special Investigations, 67 Broad Street, New York 4, New York, that the background of a civilian photographer, [redacted] Paterson, N. J., and of [redacted] Passaic, N. J., be investigated in an attempt to determine their reliability in view of the fact that they had allegedly observed and photographed an unidentified aerial object on July 31, 1952.

The appropriate credit and criminal checks were made in this matter as well as discreet neighborhood inquiries as to both individuals, and no information was received that either individual had criminal records or that they were known in the past to have perpetrated any kind of fraud.

It was ascertained that [redacted] did photograph an allegedly unidentified aerial object and that [redacted] witnessed the incident and developed and printed the exposed film which was subsequently forwarded to the 5th OSI District, Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio by Mr. [redacted], staff writer, "The Herald News, Passaic, N. J."

The letter further requested that the photographer and the witness be questioned as to the circumstances under which the photographs were taken and that an attempt be made to locate other sources in the area that might determine the authenticity of the photos. No investigation of this type was made by the Newark division.

In accordance with SAC letter #63, Series 1952 dated 8/29/52, the results of the credit and criminal checks and the neighborhood investigations were forwarded to the local OSI Office, New York City and no further investigations have been made by this office.

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF 0040
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: September 20, 1952

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: STRANGE WHITE OBJECT SEEN OVER MONTANA ON SEPTEMBER 19, 1952

I talked with ASAC Plaxico of Butte on September 20, re the attached news releases indicating that the FBI was investigating a strange white object which reportedly streaked across the sky of Montana for about one hundred miles. Mr. Plaxico stated that while a report of this object had been received at the Butte Office, that no investigation was conducted regarding the matter and that none was contemplated.

ACTION:

For your information.

Attachment

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September 11, 1952

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Mr. [redacted]
Roadstown, New Jersey

Ex-106

Dear [redacted]

Your letter postmarked September 6, 1952, has been received, and I appreciate the interest prompting you to let me have the benefit of your observations.

Since the contents of your communication may be of interest to other governmental agencies, I am taking the liberty of forwarding copies of it to the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics, Civil Aeronautics Administration, Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., and to The Honorable, The Secretary of Defense, The Pentagon, Washington, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Copy by form sent to Secretary of Defense
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Roadtown, N.J.
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J. Edgar Hoover,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Wash. D.C.

Dear Mr Hoover! -

Since reading so much about flying saucers and other objects in the sky, I have decided to write you about a theory which I came to believe in 1917

One evening about 10 - I saw an object in the South meeting sky. It seemed to be falling toward the Earth at about a 45° angle which would let it hit about South of us. It went behind some buildings and when I ran out to see where it might hit, it was moving horizontal with The Earth's surface. Almost immediately it started to rise and seemed to rise faster and

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straighter - till it disappear[ed] (2)
into space in the South East.
It looked half as big as the
Moon and was a pale yellow,
but since it was much above I
know it was much smaller.
A man above 70 sat here
and saw it. He said his
ancestors had seen them
generations back and had
called them "Omens" and also
"Jack O Lanterns"
I was very much concerned
about how this body had fallen
half way to Earth [from where I
had first seen it] and had then
risen and vanished into space.
I knew it was too far in Earth's
gravity to be pulled out by the
gravity of the Sun or Moon, as
they were on the opposite side
of the Earth. This object had
gone on an entirely different
direction than either of them.

At the time I was studying magnets. They seemed to be very simple devices, with the following characteristics. They attracted iron. They attracted each other. They repelled each other. Some had much Pull and much Push. Some had much Pull and little Push. Some had little Pull and much Push and some had little Pull and little Push.

Now Matter of iron ore are suspended in Medium, by Magnets, while there are melted and the impurities drop out leaving clear iron.

While studying magnets an idea came to me and I have not been able to get it out of my mind since. I will give a few examples to illustrate my theory:

G = Gravity

P + P = Push + Pull of Gravity

a complete unit, such as Earth, contains a force which pulls all objects toward its center.

It also contains a force, similar to that of a magnet, which repels [illegible] all objects away from its center.

The Pull of Earth & mine Rocks equals the force of gravity. [illegible] of Earth & mine contains this Repulsive force, but one rock or part of the Earth contains this force.

A magnet attracts only certain metals and repels only magnets.

It does not attract all other Earth and also repels them according to the [illegible] of the attraction or repulsion will increase the [illegible].

If the earth & the moon Pull each other & the attracts all objects and does without a center of fall to the surface or one found on the [illegible] or falling [illegible].

Some Quantities contain more Push than Pull. For example the Stars which seem to be trying to run away from the Universal contain much more Push than Pull and exert a Push all loose objects on their surface, out into Space. That is up to a weight in proportion to the difference between their Push & Pull G.

The Sun and the Planets contain more Pull than Push.

The Planet nearest the Sun contains more Pull in relation to its Push than any other Planet.

The Planet farthest from the Sun contains less Pull in relation to its Push than any other Planet.

If each Planet had the atmosphere of Earth a man would weigh more on the Planet nearest the Sun and would weigh less on each Planet as he moved out from the Sun.

The Pull G of Mars may be much greater than Earths Pull G. But if this Mars Push is much greater also

There are many hundreds of (6) small C Units, with the right proportion of P + P.C., moving around the Sun on smaller Orbits than the Earth.

Some are probably smaller than a grain of sand and some are large enough that they will one day be found and their Orbit traced.

Some are all Gas, some are all solids and some are solids with Gas around them. Some may be composed entirely of metal and coming in contact with the air at high speed would take on the color of that metal (a fine "Red hot" or burning the Gases would present different colors).

Some travel in Orbits close to that of the Earth.

Some travel in Orbits around the Earth and are locked to it. (like the moon)

These small C Units may travel alone or in groups of different numbers and formations

Any one or any group of these small C Units may be

Pushed + Pulled neare enough to the Earth to be seen.

Those attached to Earth travel around the Equator and are seen, mostly, in that section.

The G units that have to much Push in relation to their Pull to attach them selves to a Planet or the Sun are forced about in space from Planet to Planet and, at rest, may be traveling in any direction and any speed.

These small G units do not fall to Earth but combine their P+P.G with that of Earth and sail away into space, whence they came.

The greatest Pull of Earth's G is centered about the Equator. This great Pull keeps the Equator facing toward the Sun.

The greatest Push is at the Poles.

Thus a man would weigh more at the Equator than at the Poles.

A Plane flies fastest at its ceiling because the Push of magnetism for the loss of Air left

The Compass needle points north. so a Magnet and G must be related.

The Pull G. of the Moon is much greater than its Push. Its Pull causes higher tides here on Earth than the Pull of the Sun. Not because it is greater than the Pull of the Sun [the Sun may be many times greater] but because it is much greater in proportion to its Push. The greatest Pull of the Moon is centered on the side facing the Earth. This great Pull keeps the moon from turning, except as it rotates around Earth. This great Pull is locked with Earths G Pull at Equator and so the Moon hangs over our Equator. But the great Push of Earths G combines with that of the moon & holds them apart.

Another moon, or a comet, or any small G body, coming into the Solar system from Space; at the right angle; and with the right proportion of P+P's. could attach itself to the Sun or any of its Planets. If it were the Earth it would circle us at

the Equator, due to the greate G pull at that point.

The P+P.G. of the Sun reaches out and holds the farthest Planet and that Planets P+P.G. reaches to the Sun. Thus our Solar systems P+P.G reaches out to hold its Nearest neighbors just so close and no closer.

Most likely no two G units have ever collided unless one first lost its power of P+P.G.

As two magnets are pushed together they repeat each other with a twisting force. Thus may be the answer to the rotation of the Earth on its axis. The Great Pull at Equator, with more Push at Poles may be answer to Heavens.

Creatures with the right organs can live in their own environment. Thus they could be made to live on any Planet or even on any moon. This does not mean that the same Creatures could live here as on,

Any ship with a center of Gravity control could travel through any space at almost limitless speed. It could also stand still. An occupant would have no sense of speed or sudden change of direction.

Just as Earth is surrounded by air, a G ship would have a layer of the same kind of gas as the Planet or Star where it was made.

This would act as a buffer and keep the ship cool.

But I doubt if we have any such visitor from Space.

I think the visitors seen are the small G units circling the Earth + Sun. and not one of them will ever bring harm to our people.

I wonder if any of the flying Saucers are man made G units. We have many Scientists working on the Atomic field and also in other fields with almost limitless possibilities. Possibly some type of balloon has been

bombarded with a cyclotron. (11)
If it has risen faster and higher
and if it flies much longer! Then
these may be the first C units
made by man.

I simply wish to convey
the idea that every Planet or
grain of sand containing a center
of Gravity sends out a repelling
force as well as a pulling force.
These forces hold the Earth + Sun,
"Locked", so the Earth may be
pulled many miles closer to the Sun
one day and Pushed many miles
away the next; but can't get only
so close + only so far away.

Thus all C units are not only
safe from colliding with each
other but are mostly locked in
definite Orbits.

Since this idea (or theory)
fits in and explains many
of the flying saucers seen
here in the States I am

writing you because I feel that the present course of events makes this idea worth investigating and I know you will deliver it to the right person or group.

With the highest esteem for you and your department I thank you for your very kind service.

[redacted]

Roadstown,

N. J.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : [redacted]

DATE: August 29, 1952

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
ALLEGEDLY CITED BY MR. [redacted]
WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

By letter of August 26, 1952, the Air Force requested that we examine the cap of Mr. [redacted], a scoutmaster at West Palm Beach, Florida, who claims that he observed an unidentified flying object in a desolate area. He reported that upon his investigation, a [redacted] object 30 feet in diameter hovered over his head and shot a "red blob" which caused him to lose consciousness. The cap has some holes burned in it and it is reported that the hair on Desvergers' arms was singed. The Air Force requested that we determine, if possible, from any residues left the nature of the residual material.

The Air Force desires an oral report on this tonight. We have finished the examination and are preparing to advise the Air Force as follows:

1. There is no residue which would permit a determination as to the nature of the material which caused the burns in the cap. In addition to the obvious burns, there is one minute burned area which is probably too small to have been caused intentionally but more likely by a small hot ember.

2. The bill and a large part of the edges of the cap are singed but the singeing is not uniform as would be expected if it had been caused at one time by a single flash of flame. The front edge of the cap bill is more severely singed than other portions of the cap. This condition would not be expected if the source of the flame was directly overhead.

3. When the cap is observed from the front, the left edge of the insignia and the fold in the blue cloth, there is an absence of singeing noted under the fold suggesting the possibility that the cap was not being worn when the singeing took place. It is noted that this fold "smooths out" when the cap is placed on the head.

RECOMMENDATION: That in response to the request, of Colonel [redacted] of the Air Force, it is recommended that he be orally advised of the above.

cc: [redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : A. H. BELMONT

DATE: August 28, 195

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

PURPOSE:

To advise all Supervisors engaged on night duty of instructions concerning the referral of flying disc information to OSI.

BACKGROUND:

Captain [redacted] OSI, 4th Air Force Base, Bowling Field, has requested that any information concerning the sighting of flying discs (saucers, etc.) be telephonically furnished immediately to his office, day or night, by dialling Code 1261, and asking for Extension 509. Captain [redacted] advised the Air Force is greatly concerned about the captioned matter, and would appreciate the Bureau's cooperation in immediately advising of details received concerning such complaints.

ACTION:

It is recommended a copy of this memorandum be filed in the night and week-end Supervisor's book in your office for their information.

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(C) FLYING DISCS -- Reference is made to Bureau Bulletin #57, Paragraph D, dated October 1, 1947, and SAC Letter #38, dated March 25, 1949, in the captioned matter.

It is noted that some Bureau field offices are not furnishing to OSI locally complaints regarding flying discs, pursuant to existing Bureau instructions.

Upon receipt of information by your office relating to the sighting of a flying disc, you should endeavor to determine from the complainant details of the type referred to in the Air Force memorandum, which was furnished to your office as an enclosure to SAC Letter #38. The information should then be promptly furnished to OSI locally by your office. As you are aware, the investigation of so-called flying discs is the responsibility of the Department of the Air Force.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: August 22, 1952

FROM : Mr. [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

PURPOSE:

To recommend existing instructions to the field re flying discs be called to the attention of the field.

BACKGROUND:

A review of communications received from the field indicates they are not observing existing instructions contained in Bureau Bulletin #57, paragraph D, dated 10/1/47, and SAC Letter #38, dated 9/25/49, to refer details of complaints regarding flying saucers to OSI locally.

ACTION:

It is recommended the attached SAC Letter be issued.

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Mr. [redacted]
Koshkonong, Missouri

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter dated August 14, 1952, has been received, and I want to thank you for affording me the benefit of your observations.

Inasmuch as the matter to which you refer is of interest to another governmental agency, I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of your communication to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Copy of incoming sent to the Director of Special Investigations, the Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, by form letter.

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[illegible] Hoover

[illegible] for four years

have I claimed that

the flying saucers was

a disease breeding object

in that else which we

project in the air

Thousands of them would

[illegible] all over the

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Then I left before
daylight the same day
with those we see
the Vapour only -
Pray the source and
you will have our lives
help for your departure
Thanks

[redacted]

Kind Regards
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August 20, 1952

[redacted]

Los Angeles 6, California

Dear [redacted]

EX-73

Your letter of August 12, 1952, has been received and I want you to know that I appreciate the interest prompting you to bring your observations to my attention.

Inasmuch as the matter to which you refer is of interest to the United States Air Force authorities, I am taking the liberty of making a copy of your communication available to The Honorable, The Secretary of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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66 SEP

Los Angeles California August 12th 1952

Dear Mr. Hoover

Last sunday my wife and I attented a Moveing picture where they showed the Flying Saucer it looked like a spot of light
It gave me the impresion that there might be a plane up in the sky with a spot light or serch light that is send down from the plane and when our plan es make an affort to go up there to find them they turn off the light and there for we feel that they have made a fast getaway up into the sky at a very fast speed this plane goes bac to its air field or to another place and fool the public
If our plane on its way up to find this plane would go up with all th lights turned off and stay farr away and try to come over the top of this plane they would be able to catch it but they should be prepaired to shoot it out if needed
I think in order to prove this Idia we should send one of our own plane up and have them send down a spot light or serch light to find out if this is not true
if this is of any help it will make me happy
I dont think I am very Off

Sincerely

[redacted]

Los Angeles California

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Director, FBI

August 5, 1952

SAC, San Diego

[redacted]

In view of the current hysteria concerning the so-called "flying saucers", I thought that the Bureau might be interested in the following information concerning the captioned organization.

I am transmitting herewith certain literature concerning the captioned organization which was furnished to me by [redacted], who operates the [redacted] Company in San Diego and who has his office in the same building housing the FBI office.

It is of interest to note that on Friday, August 1, 1952, at approximately 12:00 noon, [redacted] asked to see me urgently, which I did. As a member of the captioned organization, he advised me that they were having a meeting at 1:00 PM the same day, inasmuch as they had been advised that they had some very important information to discuss. He went on to relate that through the means utilized by his organization (which the enclosed literature will reflect borders on the occult), they were able to prognosticate well in advance the recent earthquake which occurred in Tehachapi, California. He advised that they have also been able to obtain the following information:

1. That a very severe tidal wave will hit the Pacific Ocean sometime in the not too remote future and that most of the Japanese Islands will be washed away and disappear.

2. That all fishes with scales in Japanese waters will soon leave these waters for other destinations, in view of the oncoming tidal wave.

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3. That this tidal wave will wash away the Hawaiian Islands.

4. That the West Coast of the United States will likewise be affected by this tidal wave.

5. That they prognosticated the appearance of a new island in the Pacific which was published in the newspapers within the past week.

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Director, FBI 8-5-52

Re: [redacted];

6. That the flying saucers are not fantasies; that they are factual and actual; that his associates in the captioned organization have been in conversation with the men operating the flying saucers, and that they have asked that high officials of the U. S. Government be informed that they are here on our planet on a peaceful mission and that they are not on a warlike mission. However, if the U. S. Government continues to send planes after these flying saucers and if these planes fire on the flying saucers, they have disintegrators which they will utilize and which will disintegrate these planes completely in no time flat.

[redacted] requested that either I myself attend the meeting at 1:00 PM or that I designate a stenographer to attend the meeting, so that she could take down all the minutes of the meeting. I told him that unfortunately this was very short notice, that I had another commitment and that our stenographers were pretty well occupied at that time. He said he would advise me of anything important that might transpire at the meeting. As of August 2, 1952, he has not advised me of anything which transpired at the meeting.

I should like to point out that [redacted] appears to be a perfectly sane, sound individual; he operates a very large insurance business in San Diego, and is convinced in his own mind of the efficacy of this organization.

No investigation is being conducted concerning this matter and I do not contemplate attending any meetings of this organization.

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Jackson, Minnesota

INDEXED - 88 Dear Mr. [redacted]

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Your letter postmarked August 15, 1952, together with enclosure, has been received, and I want to thank you for bringing this matter to my attention.

Inasmuch as the contents of your communication do not reflect any violation within the jurisdiction of this Bureau, I am unable to comply with your request.

I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter and your original enclosure to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C., since these matters may be of interest to that agency.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Copy of incoming to Dept. of Air Force.

NOTE: In view of correspondent's reference to a "steady white light" circling their farm, his letter ~~which~~ is being referred to the U.S. Air Force branch ~~interested~~ in matters of this type. Correspondent's enclosure was a sample of what appeared to be shredded thin strips of tinfoil.

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Jackson, Miss
Aug 2, 195

[redacted]
Jackson, Miss
[redacted]

Flying Saucers -
J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I wish to report to you tonight an
- and send you a sample of (something
- looks like Lead) because we found it
in a pasture in a round pile, and
- ocation of it, it looks as tho the clover
burned. It was in a circle pattern
we found it in a triangle form. Last
- Morning the Neighbors wife got up
a clock & woke & happened to see a
bright lights circling their farm & the
I pay any attention to it. Then Sunday mo
when we went to get the cows, the Sa
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of them dropped out as a plan AUG 19 1952 was
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is about a ½ mile from the pasture & moving
all evening what it is. So would like

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Have your analysis if I can ever know.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

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Jackson Minn
Aug 2, 1952

J. Edgar Hoover
Federal bureau of Investigation.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr Hoover;

I don't know if you analyze articles so will send you a sample of (something that looks like tinsel) because my uncle found it in a pasture in a round pile, underneath of it, it looks as tho the clover was burned. & there are 3 similar patches which are burned in a triangle form. Last Sunday Morning the Neighbors Wife got up to get a drink of water & happned to see a steady white Light circling their farm, but didn't pay any attention to it. Than Sunday morn. when my uncle went to get the cows, he saw this stuff shining in the Sun light. It couldn't of been dropped out of a plane as it was loose & not in a container & the nearest road is about a ½ mile from the pasture & now we are wondering what it is. So would like to have you analyze it & let me know.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

Date: August 20, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: [redacted]

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF 20 Aug 52

DATE 9/11/52

There is attached a communication which was enclosed with a letter dated July 29, 1952, from Mr. [redacted] Brooklyn 5, New York, relative to the captioned matter.

Mr. [redacted] letter has been acknowledged and he has been informed that this communication has been furnished to your office for appropriate attention. No further action is contemplated in this matter by this Bureau.

Attachment

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SECURITY INFORMATION - CONFIDENTIAL

CC: [redacted]

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Director, FBI 8-18-52

SAC, San Diego (100-3565)

BORDERLAND SCIENCES , RESEARCH ASSOCIATES
San Diego, California;
[redacted]

Reference is made to San Diego letter dated 8-5-52 concerning the captioned matter.

For the additional information of the Bureau, there is being transmitted herewith one copy each of the following which were made available to me by [redacted] who is a member of the captioned organization:

1. Mimeographed letter consisting of four pages addressed to His Excellency, The President of the United States.

2. Mimeographed announcement consisting of three pages entitled "For Information of the Public — and the Sake of the Record — A Synopsis of Important Data".

Enclosure (2)
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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. [redacted]

DATE: August 8, 1952

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION WRITTEN IN GERMAN LANGUAGE RECEIVED BY [redacted] PERTAINING TO "FLYING SAUCERS" SECURITY MATTER - X

Reference is made to a letter from the Cincinnati Office dated August 6, 1952, submitting an anonymous letter in German concerning so-called "Flying Saucers."

Attached are 7 copies of a translation of this German material prepared in the Cryptanalysis-Translation Section.

No reply has been made by us to the August 6, 1952, letter from Cincinnati.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Domestic Intelligence Division review the Cincinnati submission and accompanying Bureau translation, for appropriate handling, noting particularly a suggestion in the last paragraph of the Cincinnati letter to consider making this information available to other Governmental Agencies.

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TRANSLATION FROM GERMAN

Flying Saucer,
a weapon tested in 1944, which is probably now being produced in series, and at this time causes a great stir, is a V-weapon which has a round body similar to a disk having a diameter of about 48-50 m. On the outer ring it has about 45-50 automatic circular nozzles which after the ignition of the disk circulate around a plexiglass sphere in the center in which the measuring and controlling devices for long-distance steering are located. In the sphere is still sufficient space for atom bombs. These weapons are in Russian hands and can have an effective range of 30-35,000 km. The constructor of V-weapons RIEDEL in Germany stated that it concerns a typical V-weapon on which he had worked himself. I am sure that the truth is better than a panic among ignorant people.

W. SCH.

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Date: August 14, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISKS

There is attached a copy of a self-explanatory letter dated August 1, 1952, received by this Bureau from Mrs. [redacted] Avenue, Fairmont, West Virginia, relating to the captioned matter.

Mrs. [redacted] letter has been acknowledged and she has been informed that a copy of her letter has been furnished to your office for appropriate attention. No further action is contemplated in this matter by this Bureau.

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NOTE:

Bureau files fail to reflect any information that can be identified with Mrs. [redacted]

EH:kc

53 AUG 26 1952

Date: August 13, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISKS

There is attached a copy of a self explanatory letter dated July 31, 1952, received by this Bureau from Mr. [redacted] Park Avenue, New York City, relating to the captioned matter.

Mr. [redacted]'s letter has been acknowledged and he has been informed that a copy of his letter has been furnished to your office for appropriate attention. No further action is contemplated in this matter by this Bureau.

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NOTE:

Bureau files fail to reflect any information that can be identified with Mr. [redacted]

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AUG 26 1952

Date: August 13, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISKS

There is attached a Photostat of a self explanatory letter dated August 5, 1952, at Pontiac, Michigan, received by this Bureau from Mr. [redacted] Zone 17, Pontiac, Michigan, relating to the captioned matter.

Mr. [redacted] letter has been acknowledged and he has been informed that a copy of his letter has been furnished to your office for appropriate attention. No further action is contemplated in this matter by this Bureau.

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NOTE:

There is no record identifiable with [redacted] in the files of the Bureau

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August 12, 1952

Mrs. [redacted]
[redacted]
New Palestine, Indiana

Dear Mrs. [redacted]

Your letter dated July 31, 1952, addressed to the War Department, c/o Federal Bureau of Investigation, has been received.

Your interest in furnishing your observation in this regard is appreciated.

In view of the contents of your communication which also appear to be of interest to the Department of the Air Force, I have taken the liberty of furnishing that Agency a copy of your letter.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. [redacted]
Mauston, Wisconsin

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated August 1, 1952, has been received, and I appreciate the interest which prompted your bringing your observations to my attention.

Inasmuch as the matter of the flying saucers is being investigated by the United States Air Force, I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, The Pentago Washington, D. C. If you have further observations along this line, I would suggest that you may wish to communicate directly with him.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Copy by form to Air Force Intelligence.

NOTE: Special Agent [redacted], EOD 3-28-25, GS-12, $8760, assigned to Minneapolis.
Special Agent [redacted], EOD 4-6-31, GS-15, $10,800, assigned Division II as inspector.

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Houston, Wisconsin, 1 August 195

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
FBI
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

As a retired member of the St Paul Police Force and having had numerous pleasant contacts with Agent [redacted] and [redacted] I take the liberty of an opinion that came to me that the flying saucers seem more possible that the released energy of exploded Atomic bombs could be floating around in the atmosphere. I know you will forward this thought to the proper authorities and certainly would appreciate your comments on this thought.

I am a Veteran of both World War #1 and #2 and also a member of The American Legion for 32 years. I am presently a member of The American Legion Post #91 of Houston, Wisconsin which is known as the Carlson-Hoppe Post.

If this thought is instrumental in breaking down the source of this power thereby relieving some of the tension in our American Country, it may be worth following up at this time.

Thanking you very much for your cooperation and consideration in this matter and will you please acknowledge and advise your comments.

Yours very truly,

[redacted]
Houston, Wisconsin

EXPEDITE PROCESSING.

CC: Personal file

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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FBI, SAVANNAH 8-9-52 6-46 PM EST WED

DIRECTOR, FBI URGENT

FLYING SAUCERS, SAVANNAH RIVER PLANT, AEC. SECURITY OFFICE OF AEC ADVISED THIS DATE THAT TWO EMPLOYEES OF THE E. I. DU PONT COMPANY SAW A BLUE LIGHT WITH AN ORANGE FRINGE SHAPED LIKE A SAUCER FLY OVER THE FOUR HUNDRED AREA OF THE SAVANNAH RIVER PLANT AT APPROXIMATELY NINE THIRTY PM AUGUST EIGHT, FIFTYTWO. OBJECT FLYING AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED AND TRAVELING IN A NORTHEASTERN DIRECTION.

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Date: 11/7/57

Transmit the following message via AIRTEL

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, DETROIT (100-26505)

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS; IS - X.

Re Detroit Teletype to Bureau, 11/7/57, captioned "UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS; IS - X."

Interview of [redacted], aka. [redacted] reported in blank memo, five copies of which are herewith for the Bureau, was conducted by SA [redacted]

No indication of irrational or otherwise abnormal behavior by [redacted] was observed during the interview.

[redacted] advised that his communication was directed to Mr. ROBERT CUTLER rather than to President EISENHOWER after seeing Mr. CUTLER's picture and identification with the President's Office in a local paper.

[redacted] resides with his wife, nee [redacted] married in 1952 at Detroit, and four small children, in a single residence in an old Polish neighborhood at [redacted] Detroit. No previous record located in Detroit indices identifiable with [redacted] or his wife.

On 11/7/57, [redacted] advised IC [redacted] that records of the [redacted], reflect only [redacted] inquiries concerning [redacted] during 6/56 and 3/57 and 6/57, which confirm his local address and employment

(3) - Bureau (Encls.5)(RM)
1 - Detroit

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Detroit 31, Michigan
November 7, 1957

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

In response to a letter directed by him to Mr. Robert Cutler, Special Assistant to President Dwight D. Eisenhower, reflecting that he "might have some information about the rocket in Texas," [redacted] Detroit, was interviewed November 7, 1957, and furnished the following information:

[redacted] was born February 19, 1926 in the State of Warsaw, Poland, [redacted] was brought from Poland as a prisoner of War to Gut Alt Golssen, approximately 30 miles east of Berlin, Germany, in May, 1942, where he remained until a few weeks after the end of World War II. He spent the following years at Displaced Persons Camps at Kork, Strasburg, Offenburg, Kilheim and Freiburg, Germany. He attended a radio technician school at Freiburg and for about a year was employed in a textile mill at Laurachbaden, Germany. He arrived in the United States at New York, May 2, 1951, via the "S.S. General Stewart" as a Displaced Person, destined to the Reverend [redacted], Hamtramck, Michigan; his alien registration number [redacted].

Since May, 1951, he has been employed at the Gobel Brewery, Detroit.

News report of mysterious vehicle in Texas causing engines to stall prompted him to communicate with the United States Government concerning a similar phenomenon observed by him in 1944 in the area of Gut Alt Golssen.

According to [redacted], during 1944, month not recalled, while enroute to work in a field a short distance north of Gut Alt Golssen, their tractor engine stalled on a road through a swamp area. No machinery or other vehicle was then visible although a noise was heard described as a high-pitched whine similar to that produced by a large electric generator.

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An "SS" guard appeared and talked briefly with the German driver of the tractor, who waited five to ten minutes, after which the noise stopped and the tractor engine was started normally. Approximately 3 hours later in the same swamp area, but away from the road where the work crew was cutting "hay", he surreptitiously, because of the German in charge of the crew and "SS" guards in the otherwise deserted area, observed a circular enclosure approximately 100 to 150 yards in diameter protected from viewers by a tarpaulin-type wall approximately 50 feet high, from which a vehicle was observed to slowly rise vertically to a height sufficient to clear the wall and then to move slowly horizontally a short distance out of his view, which was obstructed by nearby trees.

This vehicle, observed from approximately 500 feet, was described as circular in shape, 75 to 100 yards in diameter, and about 14 feet high, consisting of dark gray stationary top and bottom sections, five to six feet high. The approximate three foot middle section appeared to be a rapidly moving component producing a continuous blur similar to an aeroplane propeller, but extending the circumference of the vehicle so far as could be observed. The noise emanating from the vehicle was similar but of somewhat lower pitch than the noise previously heard. The engine of the tractor again stalled on this occasion and no effort was made by the German driver to start the engine until the noise stopped, after which the engine started normally.

Uninsulated metal, possibly copper, cables one and one-half inch to two inches in diameter, on and under the surface of the ground, in some places covered by water, were observed on this and previous occasions, apparently running between the enclosure and a small concrete column-like structure between the road and enclosure.

This area was not visited by [redacted] again until shortly after the end of World War II, when it was observed the cables had been removed and the previous locations of the concrete structure and the enclosure were covered by water. [redacted] stated he has not been in communication since 1945 with any of the work crew of 16 or 18 men, consisting of Russian, French and Polish POWs, who had discussed this incident among themselves many times. However, of these, [redacted] was able to recall by name only [redacted] no address known, described as then about 50 years of age and presumed by [redacted] to have returned to Poland after 1945.

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This report is loaned to you by the FBI, and neither it nor its contents are to be distributed outside your agency.

1) Mr. Boardman
1) Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Sanders
1 - Liaison

BY COURIER SERVICE

November 8, 1957

Mr. J. Patrick Coyne
National Security Council
Executive Office Building
Washington 25, D. C.

62-38894-383

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 5/20/15 BY [redacted] b1c
CMP #045974

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Dear Pat:

Reference is made to the letter addressed to "Mr. Robert Cutler, Washington 25, D. C.," by Mr. [redacted] Detroit 11, Michigan, in which [redacted] advised that he might have some information "about the rocket in Texas." He desired to know to when he could speak in this regard. b1c

EX 105

Mr. [redacted] was interviewed on November 7, 1957 at which time he advised that his name is [redacted] that he is also known as [redacted] that he was born on February 19, 1926, in Warsaw, Poland, and that he was a German prisoner of war from May, 1942, until the Summer of 1945. [redacted] advised that he arrived in New York on May 2, 1951, as a displaced person, Alien Registration Number [redacted] He advised that during 1944, while he was a German prisoner of war, he observed a vehicle described as circular in shape, seventy-five to one hundred yards in diameter, and approximately fourteen feet high. He stated the vehicle was observed to rise vertically to a height sufficient to clear a fifty-foot wall and that it moved slowly horizontally a short distance out of view which was obstructed by trees. He stated that the engine of a tractor failed to operate during this period and that the engine failed on one other occasion when a high-pitched whining noise was heard in the area. During the interview, [redacted] spoke in a rational manner with no indication of mental instability.

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Mr. J. Patrick Coyne

You will be advised of any further information which may be received regarding [redacted] and the information furnished by him.

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Pursuant to your request, Mr. [redacted] letter is returned herewith.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover

Enclosure

1 - Office of Security
Department of State

1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency

Attention: Deputy Director, Plans

1 - Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence
Department of the Army

Attention: Chief, Security Division

1 - Director of Naval Intelligence

1 - Office of Special Investigations
Air Force

1 - Immigration and Naturalization Service

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TO DIRECTOR FBI

FROM SAC, DETROIT 1P

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS, IS - X. REBUTEL NOV SIX LAST.

b7C [redacted], DOB FEB NINETEEN, NINETEEN TWENTYSIX, WARSAW, POLAND, WAS GERMAN POW MAY, NINETEEN FORTY TWO, UNTIL SUMMER OF NINETEEN FOURTYFIVE. ARRIVED NY MAY TWO, NINETEEN FIFTYONE, AS DP, AR NO. AR [redacted] [redacted] UPON INTERVIEW ADVISED THAT WHILE GERMAN POW DURING NINETEEN FORTYFOUR OBSERVED A VEHICLE DESCRIBED AS CIRCULAR IN SHAPE, SEVENTY FIVE TO ONE HUNDRED YARDS IN DIAMETER, APPROXIMATELY FOURTEEN FEET HIGH. THE VEHICLE WAS OBSERVED TO SLOWLY RISE VERTICALLY TO HEIGHT SUFFICIENT TO CLEAR FIFTY FOOT WALL AND TO MOVE SLOWLY HORIZONTALLY A SHORT DISTANCE OUT OF VIEW OBSTRUCTED BY TREES. ENGINE OF TRACTOR FAILED TO OPERATE DURING THIS PERIOD AND ONE OTHER OCCASION WHEN HIGH PITCHED WHINNING NOISE HEARD IN AREA. NO INDICATION OF MENTAL INSTABILITY DURING INTERVIEW. FURTHER DETAILS FOLLOW AMSD.

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Mr. Belmont NOV 13 1957

EX 105

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 10-22-2010 BY [redacted]

1 - Mr. Coyne, NSC Coul. attorney by
CC-Sgt. Cpt. Army, Army, AF, ENS
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November 6, 1957

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS, IS-X. MR. [redacted] DETROIT, MICHIGAN, ADDRESSED LETTER DATED NOVEMBER FOURTH TO ROBERT CUTLER, WHO IS SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT, STATING QUOTE I MIGHT HAVE SOME INFORMATION ABOUT THE ROCKET IN TEXAS. I HEARD ABOUT IT ON THE POLISH RADIO PROGRAM. I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW TO WHOM I COULD SPEAK TO. UNQUOTE IMMEDIATELY INTERVIEW [redacted] FOR ANY INFORMATION HE MAY HAVE. BUFILES REFLECT NO INFORMATION RE [redacted] DETEL.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON

November 5, 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ALAN H. BELMONT
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, FBI

Pursuant to my conversation with you a few moments ago, there is enclosed a letter received by General Cutler's office today from Mr. [redacted] Detroit 11, Michigan.

It would be appreciated if the Bureau, at its convenience, would arrange for a representative to interview [redacted] for the purpose of obtaining any information in his possession in elaboration of the substance of his letter.

Your assistance in this and related matters is appreciated.

J. Patrick Coyne

11/5 Coyne called me re this. I told him we would welcome the writer if he would send over the letter. JH

1 Enclosure

ADDENDUM: I would appreciate the return of [redacted] letter when it has served your purpose.

JPC

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1 ENCLOSURE 84

COPY

Nov. 6, 57.

Dear Mr. Robert Cutler;

I might have some information about the rocket in Texas. I heard about it on the Polish Radio Program.

I would like to know to whom I could speak to.

Sincerly Your's

[redacted]

Detroit 11, Mich.

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TO DIRECTOR FLYING DISCS

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD 072245

REPORT OF SIGHTING OF UNKNOWN FLYING OBJECT NEAR DANVILLE, ILLINOIS, NOVEMBER 6, 1957, INFORMATION CONCERNING. [redacted], REPORTED THAT [redacted], REPORTED AT APPROXIMATELY 9:00 PM, NOVEMBER 7, 1957, SIGHTING A BRIGHT WHITE LIGHT FLYING THROUGH THE AIR IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION FROM DANVILLE, ILLINOIS. [redacted] TRIED TO FOLLOW IN THEIR CAR IN THE SAME DIRECTION AND DROVE GENERALLY IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION FOR TWENTY MILES WHEN THEY LOST SIGHT OF THE OBJECT. DURING THIS TIME IT APPEARED AS BRIGHT WHITE, AMBER AND ORANGE. NO INDICATION THAT IT DIPPED TO THE GROUND OR THAT IT AFFECTED THEIR CAR. THEY REPORTED FOR A FEW SECONDS IT SEEMED TO AFFECT BOTH THE RECEIVER AND TRANSMITTER OF THEIR FM TWO-WAY RADIO. REPRESENTATIVES OF INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE INQUIRED THIS OFFICE CONCERNING, NO COMMENT WAS MADE. ABOVE BEING FURNISHED FOR INFORMATION BUREAU.

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b7C [redacted] OSI, testing Fuels
Duty Officer given above info.
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Mr. Rosen

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

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TO DIRECTOR "FLYING DISCS"

FROM SAC, HOUSTON 081700

UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT WHICH FELL NEAR HOME MRS. [redacted] HOUSTON, TEXAS, OCTOBER 24 LAST. INFORMATION CONCERNING. MRS. [redacted] HOUSTON, ADVISED THAT ON OCTOBER 24 LAST OBJECT BETWEEN SIZE OF GOLF BALL AND FIST FELL INTO HER YARD. OBJECT ALLEGEDLY OF METALLIC ASH OF SOME KIND, WAS BRIGHT AND HOT WHEN IT FELL. OBJECT FOUND BY [redacted] WHO REPORTED IT TO SCIENCE TEACHER, WHO SUGGESTED AUTHORITIES BE CONTACTED. INFORMATION FURNISHED OSI, ELLINGTON AFB, WHO HAS CONDUCTED INVESTIGATION. PRESS INQUIRY RECEIVED TODAY.. ANSWERED BY STATING REPORT OF FALLING OBJECT HAD BEEN RECEIVED AND INFORMATION CONCERNING HAD BEEN RELAYED TO MILITARY AUTHORITIES, ELLINGTON AFB. OBJECT ACCORDING TO OSI IS PART OF AN ORDINARY FLARE AND OF NO SIGNIFICANCE. FOR BUREAUS INFORMATION.

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5:11 PM CODING UNIT HJT

Mr. Belmont

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR FBI

DATE: 11-8-57

FROM : SAC KANSAS CITY (66-2995)

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On November 5, 1957, SA (A) received information from Mr. Kansas City, Missouri that an uncle, or , employed by an aircraft concern and residing at Fort Worth, Texas, about two years ago saw an unidentified subject in the sky near his home. He obtained his movie camera and took pictures of the object. About eighteen months ago the uncle visited in Kansas City and the movies of the flying disc were shown. According to the pictures were very good and consisted of about fifteen feet of film.

Mr. stated that he and his uncle have felt "foolish" when discussing the matter and never bothered to report it. He said however in view of the late international developments he felt that the Government should have this information.

In view of the fact that the Bureau may be interested in this film, it is requested that the Dallas Office at Fort Worth, Texas locate and interview or and obtain the film for transmittal to the Bureau.

It is suggested that the Bureau, after reviewing the film, advise the Office of Special Investigations, USAF, of any pertinent information deemed appropriate.

2 - Bureau
2 - Dallas
1 - Kansas City (66-2995)

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TO DIRECTOR 2

FROM SAC NEW YORK 1P

UNIDENTIFIED ~~FLYING OBJECTS~~ Flying Discs OVER INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF OLD BROOKVILLE, LI, NY. EVENING OF ELEVEN SIX FIFTYSEVEN. INFO CONCERNING. b7C b7D [redacted] OF INC. VILLAGE OF OLD BROOKVILLE. ADVISED SEVERAL RESIDENTS OF THAT AREA AND MEMBER OF PD HAVE REPORTED SIGHTING TWO RED LIGHTS HOVERING IN AIR THAT VICINITY. LIGHTS APPEAR TO BE AN EVEN DISTANCE APART AND TO BE JOINED TOGETHER. AT ONE TIME THESE LIGHTS LIT UP AND SEEMED TO CAST A RED DUST OR FOG IN SURROUNDING AIR. [redacted] ADVISED HE REPORTED ABOVE INFO TO MITCHELL AIR FORCE BASE AFB AND ROSELYN AIRFIELD. BOTH ADVISED RECEIVING NUMEROUS REPORTS RE ABOVE AND ROSELYN AIR FIELD SAID AIRCRAFT ARE INVESTIGATING MATTER. [redacted] ADVISED ABOVE INFO BROADCAST ON NEWS PROGRAM LOCAL RADIO STATION WINS. OSI, ONE, G-TWO, CAA IN AREA ADVISED.

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Mr. Belmont

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-83894) DATE: 4/24/57

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND (62-0)

SUBJECT: CIVILIAN RESEARCH
INTERPLANETARY FLYING OBJECTS
[redacted] Ave., Cincinnati 27, Ohio
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Relet from Norfolk to Bureau dated 4/18/57.

For information of Bureau, only record in Richmond indices on [redacted] is that contained in Richmond letter to Bureau dated 3/28/57 entitled "WILHELM REICH, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING". RUC

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SAC, Cincinnati (100-11671) April 23, 1957

Director, FBI (62-93894)

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CIVILIAN RESEARCH
INTERPLANETARY FLYING OBJECTS
[redacted]
CINCINNATI 27, OHIO
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reurlet April 12, 1957, captioned as above.

Bufiles reflect that [redacted] of Dr. Wilhelm Reich, M.D., Director of the Wilhelm Reich Institute, aka., The Orgone Institute Researc Laboratories, Inc., at Rangeley, Maine. Dr. Wilhelm Reich, following extensive investigation by the Food and Drug Administration, United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare, in May, 1956, was found guilty of contempt of court following the issuance of an injunction barring interstate shipment of devices, literature and promotional material regarding treatments by Reich of cancer and other serious diseases, said devices having been described as worthless by the Food and Drug Administration. Following unsuccessful appeal efforts, Reich was imprisoned on March 12, 1957. Since early 1957, as well as previous thereto, Wilhelm Reich, [redacted] and other members of Reich's staff have directed voluminous correspondence to the Bureau, to various Bureau divisions, an other United States Government agencies and officials. None of the material review at the Bureau has indicated any violations within the investigative jurisdiction of thi Bureau.

It is noted that Dr. [redacted] was recently interviewed by Special Agents of the Richmond Office assigned to the Alexandria, Virginia, Resident Agency at which time she furnished information in essence comparable with that set forth in her letter to [redacted]. She also indicated at that time that she had addressed similar information to the office of United States Senator Margaret Chase Smith and had contacted Assistant United States Attorney General William Tompkins. At that time [redacted] a naturalized citizen of the United States, also made certain derogatory comments relating to justice

cc - Richmond, with enclosure (SEND BY REGISTERED MAIL)
cc - Norfolk (SEND BY REGISTERED MAIL)

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and government administration in the United States, representing possible admissions against interest. This information was furnished by the Bureau to Assistant Attorney General Tompkins and the Director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

In view of the above information and in the absence of any indication that matters related by [redacted] in her letter to [redacted] are with the Bureau's jurisdiction, Richmond should disregard the lead set out in the last paragraph of referenced Cincinnati letter.

There is enclosed herewith for the Richmond Office an Autostat of Eva Reich's letter to Leonard Stringfield, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated March 19, 1957. In view of [redacted] vague threatened use of force (set forth in the last paragraph of her letter to [redacted] Richmond Division should promptly make this information available to appropriate local officials in Alexandria, Virginia.

STA. FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (62-83894) DATE: 4/12/57

FROM : SAC, Cincinnati (100-11671)

SUBJECT: CIVILIAN RESEARCH,
INTERPLANETARY FLYING OBJECTS
[redacted]
Cincinnati 27, Ohio
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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FLYING SAUCERS

On March 25, 1957, [redacted] OHIO appeared at the Cincinnati Office for the purpose of calling attention to a letter dated March 19, 1957, which he had received from [redacted]

For the information of the Bureau and the Norfolk Office, Mr. [redacted] is presently the Advertising Manager for [redacted] Cincinnati, Ohio. According to [redacted] he has been interested in flying discs or objects for a number of years and has cooperated with the United States Air Force to the extent of furnishing the Air Force with any information on flying objects coming to his attention. Mr. [redacted] was also the publisher of a paper called the [redacted]", which carried the following heading: [redacted] was a monthly publication which carried information and intelligence research by [redacted] on flying objects. According to [redacted] the [redacted] had a limited circulation.

In connection with Dr. [redacted] letter, [redacted] stated that prior to the receipt of the letter he received a long distance telephone call from Dr. [redacted] on March 12, 1957. This call was received by him in the early morning prior to his departure for work. He related that Dr. [redacted] was a subscriber to the [redacted] and that during the phone conversation she made reference to some of his reports which he had published in the [redacted] and for the most part spoke on matters that were "over his head" and things that he did not understand. According to [redacted] she concluded the conversation by stating she would write him a letter, which letter was the reason for his call on the FBI

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Mr. [redacted] furnished the letter to this office but desired the same be returned to him and it should be noted that Dr. [redacted] speaks of [redacted] testifying before some Congressional committee in connection with flying saucers and his publication. She further speaks of events designated "OROP Desert Ea" which [redacted] knows nothing about.

In the first paragraph of page 2 in speaking of the above event, she makes reference that there is evidence for espionage against this work and later adds that the FBI so far has declined to investigate as the subject is "not within their jurisdiction". It is further noted that she also speaks of the evidence of the "orgone energy motor", which [redacted] has no knowledge of. Dr. [redacted] mentions a number of people as being former members on the staff of the expedition "OROP Desert Ea".

For the information of the Bureau and Norfolk, persons mentioned by Dr. [redacted] in her letter have been checked through the Cincinnati indices with negative results.

There are attached hereto two autostatic copies of Dr. [redacted] letter to Mr. [redacted] dated March 19, 1957, for the Bureau, and one copy for the Norfolk Office. The Norfolk Office is requested to check their indices on Dr. [redacted] and furnish the Bureau with any identifiable data concerning her and persons mentioned in her letter of March 19, 1957. This office is returning the original to Mr. [redacted] and is not maintaining a copy of the same in this office.

[redacted]
Cincinnati, 27, O

March 19, 1957

Dear Mr [redacted]

This letter is to confirm and elaborate the content of our telephone conversation on March 12, 1957. At that time I called you on my own initiative, acting as a planetary and U.S. citizen, who was a witness to a series of facts and events designated "OROP Desert Ea". It was my aim to find out whether you would be willing to testify about the facts known to you concerning UFO sighting reports made by the civilian public in the USA and elsewhere, which as Editor of [redacted] you have collected and filed over several years. I also wanted to know whether under oath you would reveal what you know in your official capacity as former USAF Intelligence officer (This information about you was gleaned from Edward J. Ruppelt's book "The UFO Story"). I finally based my call on the title of your publication "The official Publication of [redacted]" as distinguished from the mystics who dabble in the unknown.

I informed you that staffmembers of Expedition Orop Desert Ea, Arizona, 1954-1955 had lodged a charge of treason, fraud, perjury and conspiracy against certain government officials through the office of Senator Margaret Chase Smith on March 1, 1957. That these men had obstructed vital civilian research on the space problem, and have now apparently succeeded in their treacherous attack through defrauding the US court as to the nature of the work carried on during Expedition Orop Desert Ea; the discoverer of Life Energy, Dr. [redacted] being consequently imprisoned on March 12, 1957. The staff members of Expedition Orop Desert Ea wish to stress that in making their charges they are acting strictly on their own, on the basis of the respective facts known to each one. An investigation by the United States Congress has therefore been requested by us, concerning the underlying facts in this unique scandal. What has to be opened up is the entire field of UFO phenomena, the Undue Secrecy by Airforce headquarters , and the suppression of public news concerning the subject. Evidence points to the existence of a widespread conspiracy of those who want to maintain the status quo of the present world view, the atomic-mechanistic empty space hypothesis, the THEY in the background who want to kill all new knowledge by criminal means. Our evidence shows that they are in control of apparently all branches of the government. I feel personally unsure whether there exists at this point any bona fide honest constitutional government. After the events of March 11,1957 the constitution is dead, [illegible] rational order has failed. I am basing this statement on the fact that in spite of the evidence on court record the sentence against the Discovery of the Life Energy was executed. For reference you have to go to the nearest US District Court where you will find Volume V Record Appendix to Briefs for Appellants, Case No. 5160, Supreme court Number 585, Secret and Suppressed Evidence, Orop Desert Ea, 1954-1955. The Title of the Report is "Contact with Space", Oranur, Second Report, 1951 - 1956. By Wilhelm Reich. Dr. Reich was found guilty of Contempt of Court for disobeying an UNLAWFUL and Fraudulently obtained order against his work (1954) and for stating at trial that he had to continue with work for reasons of national security.

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We, the staff members of this expedition are factual witnesses to some of the work such as : Oranur experiment, Orur (Denatured Nuclear material - in other words "Atoms for Peace") , the Cloud-buster, Cloudbuster plus Orur or "Spacegun", Disabled Ea (Epsylon alpha Dr. Reich's designation of Space craft

Conferences with ATIC, notification of government officials in responsible positi
Conferences with CIA; DOR clouds and effects, DOR removal (Smog so-called,
also appears as smoky substance subsequent to UFO sightings as you know); DOR
as Deadly Orgone Energy ; Orene ; Oranur Weather control ; Rainmaking, also
over Deserts, Hurricane dissipation; Transportation of Orur including "queering
of Radar", ; Breakdown (Hemiplegia) of spacegun operator while drawing from Ra,
And many further detailed aspects of ORGP Desert Ra work such as the "energetic
modes found experimentally", etc., etc.... There is no shortage of facts ,
observations, and evidence. But the Truth has so far not yet been heard, which
is all it needs to win.

Furthermore there is evidence for espionage against this work ; Tapped
radio, opened mail etc. Since to date UFO's are officially "nonexistent"
The FBI has so-far declined to investigate as the subject is "not within their
Jurisdiction". I am personally witness to the fact of the existence of
the Orgone Energy Motor, and letters, documents, etc., describing the
mysterious disappearance of one William Washington who came into possession
of much knowledge concerning "ergonometry, mathematical, and the Motor principl
and who has disappeared since 1949. I am sure any investigating agency could
locate his whereabouts in a short time. It is clear that the powerful
Oil interests in this country are out to keep their predominance in the field
of power and income, and are involved in keeping the Orgone Energy Motor
problem suppressed.

These points are mentioned to give you a hint how necessary a bona fide,
courageous, forthright investigation has become. I am appending a bibliography
for your convenience where you may find some of the printed evidence for our
charges.

If no investigation is forthcoming within a reasonably short time we are
forced to use force;- to use the scientific power of the Energy which we have
learnt to trigger (storms, floods etc.)

Sincerely yours

[redacted]

Alexandria, Va

Other [redacted]

PS Since it will take me a day or two to prepare reference list, it will follow
and is not enclosed, as stated in letter.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (62-83894) DATE: 4/18/57

FROM : SAC, Norfolk

SUBJECT: CIVILIAN RESEARCH SAUCERS
INTERPLANETARY FLYING OBJECTS
[redacted] Cincinnati 27, Ohio
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Cincinnati letter to Bureau 4/12/57, copies for Norfolk, requesting Norfolk check indices regarding [redacted] (Mrs. [redacted], Alexandria, Va.

Inasmuch as Alexandria, Va., is covered by the Richmond Office, both copies of relet designated for Norfolk, as well as enclosure, are being forwarded to Richmond for appropriate handling. Norfolk indices negative re Dr. [redacted]

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1 - Cincinnati (100-11671) (Info.)
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1 - Norfolk
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: March 15, 1957

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: [redacted]
GREAT MEADOWS, NEW JERSEY

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Nichols
Boardman
Belmont
Mohr
Parsons
Rosen
Tamm
Trotter
Nease
Tele. Room
Holloman
Gandy

For record purposes, [redacted] (Great Meadows, New Jersey, telephone [redacted] telephoned from his home at 12:52 p.m., March 14, 1957, while I was tied up on another matter, and talked with Wick. [redacted] age 56, is one of the original founders of [redacted], was employed by Louis de Rochemont on our movie, "House on 92nd Street," and he formerly was editor of [redacted]" He married [redacted], whom he says is known to the Director. He has one arm.

[redacted] said, to make a long story short, that he has run into a situation which has to do with an unidentified flying object observed two days ago in the Great Meadows vicinity. [redacted] said he had made a formal report in writing to military authorities, as well as to two civilian groups interested in the affair. General Wedemeyer is connected with one of the latter groups. [redacted] said he is not satisfied that the "intelligence" he supplied to the military is being handled properly, nor does he know to whom he should submit information and in what fashion. He said frankly he wanted an Agent to call upon him so that the Agent could evaluate his information, although he said he well knew "flying saucers," etc., were not within the scope of the FBI's interest nor jurisdiction.

(The attached news ticker from United Press reflects that in testimony before a House Appropriations Subcommittee, 2-19-57, Dr. Hugh Dryden, Director of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, had flatly stated there is no such thing as a flying saucer. It was said too that the Air Force or some other authority should nail down the unidentified "flying objects" and "say it is pure fiction.")

ACTION TAKEN:

ENCLOSURE While normally we would simply tell a caller that we have no jurisdiction and that he should refer such matter to the proper military

cc: Mr. Boardman
cc: Mr. Belmont

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authorities, in this instance, because of [redacted] demonstrated friendliness to the Bureau and the Director, his sane and reasonable approach to matters and his apparent concern for the welfare of our country, I instructed Wick to have the Newark Office have an Agent when in the vicinity of Great Meadow simply drop by Mr. [redacted] home to see what he has in mind.

ASAC Commons of the Newark Office told Wick he would have an Agent drop by to see [redacted] and would send a letter to the Bureau covering results.

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Trotter
Mr. Nease
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Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

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(FLYING SAUCERS)

THE DIRECTOR OF THE GOVERNMENT'S TOP AIR RESEARCH AGENCY HAS TOLD CONGRESS FLATLY THAT THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A FLYING SAUCER.

THE ASSURANCE CAME FROM DR. HUGH L. DRYDEN, DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONA ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS, AT A CLOSED-DOOR HEARING BY A HOUS APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE.

THE TESTIMONY, TAKEN ON FEB. 19, WAS MADE PUBLIC TODAY.

DRYDEN AND OTHER NACA OFFICIALS INCLUDING GEN. JAMES A. DOOLITTLE, THE AGENCY CHAIRMAN WERE QUESTIONED ABOUT A REPORT PUBLISHED IN GERMANY THAT THE NAZIS DEVELOPED SHORTLY BEFORE THE END OF WORLD WAR II A 138-FOOT SAUCER THAT ROSE TO 40,000 FEET AND FLEW AT A SPEED OF 1,250 MILES AN HOUR.

"THERE IS NO TRUTH IN THAT STATEMENT," DRYDEN SAID. "THIS IS AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR A BOOK..."

REP. ALBERT THOMAS (D-TEX.), SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, PRESSING FOR A MORE CONCLUSIVE STATEMENT, ASKED:

"IS THERE NO SUCH THING AS A FLYING SAUCER, AND THE GERMANS DIDN'T HAVE IT IN 1945 AND DON'T HAVE IT YET?"

"THAT IS RIGHT," SAID DRYDEN.

DRYDEN ALSO DENIED A RELATED CLAIM THAT THE NAZIS HAD PERFECTED A BOMBER THAT COULD HIT THE U.S. AND RETURN WITHOUT REFUELING.

"YOU HAVE TO DISTINGUISH HARDWARE FROM IDEAS," DRYDEN EXPLAINED.

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DOOLITTLE ALSO DISCOUNTED THE PUBLISHED ACCOUNT OF THE SAUCER AND INTERCONTINENTAL BOMBER, WARNING HOWEVER THAT BACKERS OF THE BOOK PROBABLY WOULD USE THE DENIALS 2AS ANOTHER LEG UP" TO PUBLICIZE IT.
IN REFERENCE TO FREQUENTLY PUBLISHED "SIGHTINGS" OF WHAT OFFICIALLY ARE CALLED "UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS" THOMAS SAID THE AIR FORCE, OR SOME OTHER AUTHORITY, "OUGHT TO, ONCE AND FOR ALL, NAIL IT DOWN AND SAY IT IS PURE FICTION."
HE SAID THE AIR FORCE HAD "HEMMED AND HAWED" ON THE ISSUE, APPARENTL A REFERENCE TO THE 1955 AIR FORCE REPORT THAT IT HAD INVESTIGATED 5,000 REPORTED SIGHTINGS AND FOUND "NO EVIDENCE" OF THE EXISTENCE OF SAUCERS.
THIS WASN'T QUITE THE SAME THING AS SAYING THE SAUCERS DID NOT EXIST, AS DRYDEN NOW HAS ASSERTED.
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February 20, 1957

Mr. Hagan Parrish
Sheriff of Polk County
Post Office Box 631
Bartow, Florida

My dear Sheriff:

Your letter dated February 8, 1957, has been received, and I want to thank you for bringing the enclosed material to our attention.

Since the contents of your communication are of primary concern to another governmental agency, I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter and a copy of its enclosure to the Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, Building Tempo E, Fourth and Adams Drive, Southwest, Washington, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

COMM – FBI

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - Seattle, with copy of incoming and copy of its enclosure
Re Richmond letter 1-11-57 captioned "Aerial Phenomena Research Group, Miscellaneous Information Concerning."

NOTE: Bufiles reflect that a citizen in Richmond, Virginia, received a similar letter earlier this year from the Aerial Phenomena Research Group of the same type forwarded by correspondent. OSI at Langley Field, Virginia, made a copy of it available to the Bureau. (62-83894-372) No other pertinent references located. Copies of incoming and its enclosure sent to OSI by form.

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HAGAN PARRISH
SHERIFF

COUNTY of POLK
STATE OF FLORIDA
BARTOW, FLORIDA

[illegible] ROGERS, Chief
CRIMINAL DIVISION
[illegible] WINTER HAVEN, CY 3-0052

PHONES:
OFFICE 3-7011 JAIL 3-7171

REPLY REF

[illegible] BRUCE ALBRITTON, Chief
ADMINISTRATIVE
[illegible] FT. MEADE, AT 4-9955

February 5, 1957.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing herewith a bulletin received at this office on February 5, 1957, for your evaluation.

Assuring you of our complete cooperation at all times, I am

Sincerely,

Hagan Parrish

HAGAN PARRISH, SHERIFF

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Enc.

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FEB 26 1957

Aerial Phenomena Research Group

Seattle, Washington

Headquarters:
5108 Findlay Street

Bob Gribble
Executive Director

Dear Sir:

Several reports of unidentified flying objects seen over cities in your section of the country since_____ have recently arrived at our office. We would appreciate names and addresses of witnesses reporting unidentified flying objects or other aerial phenomenon to your office during this period. All names and addresses will be held strictly confidential, to be used only when contacting the witness for information regarding their experience.

We are a national organization whose objectives are to investigate and determine the nature of unidentified flying objects and related phenomena. Any information you can give us pertaining to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Thanking you in advance, I am

Sincerely yours

_____
Director of Investigations

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2-15-57

United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
501 Southern States Bldg.
Richmond, Virginia
January 11, 1957

District Commander
21st District
Office of Special Investigations
Langley Air Force Base, Virginia

RE: AERIAL PHENOMENON RESEARCH GROUP
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

Dear Sir:

Mrs. [redacted] Richmond, b7C
Virginia, advised this office on January 2, 1957, that she had received a letter from captioned organization requesting she furnish any information she might have relative to her alleged observation of a "flying saucer" a year or so ago near Richmond, Virginia. Mrs. [redacted] informed she is employed b7C
by the Richmond Quartermaster Depot of the United States Army and it was while on her way to work one morning that she had sighted the object in question. She stated that several other women employees of the Depot were present and subsequently one of these women had told a newspaper reporter about the incident and all their names had appeared in the papers.

Mrs. [redacted] advised that she was reluctant to answer b7C
the letter as she felt it could be an illegal or subversive group who was trying to obtain information they should not have. She pointed out that she knew nothing about the organization but the correspondence did not reflect the group was connected with the United States Government in any way.

She informed that the letter indicated the group was a national organization whose duty it was to investigate any and all unusual aerial phenomenon. It also reflected that one Bob Gribble was the Executive Director and Jim Ewart was the Director of Investigations. The address for this organization was shown to be 5108 Finlay Street, Seattle, Washington.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/11/57

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND (62-779)

SUBJECT: AERIAL PHENOMENON RESEARCH GROUP 5119 [illegible] ST. SEATTLE, WASH.
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING
FLYING SAUCERS

Attached are two copies of a letter to the District Commander of OSI at Langley Field, Va., which are being forwarded to the Bureau for information.

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Stamford, Conn.
October 5, 1956

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director of F.B.I.
Washington, D.C.

Flying Saucers.

Dear Mr. Hoover.

Enclosed is a copy of a Lecture sent to me from Detroit. I think it is the most fascinating Research ever made.

In your busy life you may not have encountered it, so I thought I would send you a copy.

Why doesn't the Government come out with the truth about Unidentified Flying Objects?

Everybody seems to accept the Saucers as a matter of course and

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the "distinguished" men (Legion) have taken about them.

A number of clergymen feel that the time has come for someone to answer intelligently and sincerely the public inquiries! They have gone to "The Book" — the Sacred Bible where man can always find the answers to all his needs, doubts, fears — and inquiries!

I have heard many people say that you probably have all the answers — but I suppose you have been throttled too!

I'm so glad you refused to accept the invitation to run for President. You would have been a good one — (if you could be let alone) — but sordid Party politics would have engulfed you too much.

To the Legions of your admirers you stand too High — are too

clean up Court to be [redacted] involved.

Thanks to Almighty God there are Characters Influenced like you still standing on the same firm ground of our Forefathers.

Each day now a few more chips are knocked off the pillars of Learning, High morals, decent behavior and honest standards. Where can it all end? The days are becoming Wearisome and fearful; surely the repercussions are shaking the outer walls of even Our Father's House.

I wonder what the God of our Fathers is going to do about it?

With deepest respect,

[redacted]

TRUE COPY

[redacted]
Stamford, Conn.
October 5, 1956

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Director of F.B.I.
Washington, D.C.

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Why doesn't the Government come out with the truth about unidentified Flying Objects?

Everybody seems to accept the "Saucers" as a matter of course, and people are becoming annoyed at the "ostrich stance" our Leaders have taken about them.

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With deepest respect,

/s/

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October 12, 1956

Miss [redacted]
Stamford, Connecticut

Dear [redacted]

Your letter of October 5, 1956, with enclosure, has been received.

I want to thank you for the interest which prompted your writing and for your very kind words concerning my administration of this Bureau.

The information contained in your letter and the enclosure does not fall within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI, and I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter, as well as a copy of the enclosure, to the Director, Office of Special Investigations, The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Copy of incoming and enclosure sent by form to The Inspector General, Department of the Air Force.

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District Commander

January 11, 1957

The above data is being furnished for your information, it being noted that the files of this office contain no reference to this organization.

Very truly yours,

W. G. GRAPP
Special Agent in Charge

Loarman
Belmont
Sanders
1 - Liaison

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BY COURIER SERVICE

November 15, 1957

CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. J. Patrick Coyne
National Security Council
Executive Office Building
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Pat:

Reference is made to my letter of November 8, 1957, furnishing information supplied by [redacted] concerning an unidentified flying object which he observed in 1944 while in Germany.

Attached is a copy of a memorandum which reflects the details of the interview with [redacted] A copy of the memorandum has also been furnished to each of the agencies receiving a copy of this letter, listed below, as a matter of interest to those agencies.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosure

1 - Office of Special Investigations
Air Force

1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency

Attention: Deputy Director, Plans

1 - Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence
Department of the Army

Attention: Chief, Security Division

MAIL ROOM

"WHIRLING WHEELS"

(A Correlation of Flying Saucers and
Visitors from other Planets in The Bible)

by: Reverend [redacted]

"Flying Saucers" have made the headlines off and on for many months no
Much has been written about them. Research has shown that "flying cha
riots" and strange powers, both of locomotion and destruction, are des
cribed in the holy books of various heathen faiths many thousands of
years older than our own. "Flying Chariots" have been seen and report
and not believed for many ages. That is nothing new. But what is new
is that recently they have been photographed.

Having established the factuality of the "flying saucer", it is now a-
bout time that we find a theological confirmation of the whole matter.
This is a necessity! If "flying saucers" inhabit outer-space, and if
they have some kind of celestial character, they should have some plac
in the total economy of God. They should have more place in our think
ing and planning, and one would expect them to be mentioned in our own
holy books, too. We are therefore not surprised, upon investigation,
to find "flying" clouds, rolls, chariots, wheels and people, mentioned
in the Bible. To realize this, is to make a great many mysterious
things in the Bible seem both matter-of-fact and encouraging!

The ancients, it is true, had no adequate words to describe the things
they saw in their day which came from outer space. If a thing flew,
was called a "flying" cloud, bird, chariot or angel. We, today, shoul
have progressed far enough scientifically to call objects from outer-
space by names which are more appropriate. But the unhappy term "flyi
saucer" is a term more reminiscent of a tea-party than of the man-work
of science. It seems our own nomenclature, or is it our imagination,
very inadequate also. However, the possibility and probability of rea
izing unheard of sources of power and speeds, and the conquering of
space is to us but a matter of time.

To understand our own holy book we must replace outworn mythological t
minology of yester-year with the most adequate scientific terminology
today. The heaven of yesterday we call "space" today! It can be noth
ing else. The angels of yesterday are the "space-men" of today. An
angel was an inhabitant of space. They came from other worlds. If
there are any inhabitants of outer space, we today would call them "sp
men". The "flying" clouds, horses, or chariots of scripture we call
"flying saucers" or "space ships". With a clarification of but these
three terms, many things now fall into place quite naturally.

Angels or "space-men" have been seen. They've walked on earth. We re
way back in the Old Testament, "Two angels (or space-men) came to Sodo
in the evening. When Lot saw them he rose to meet them, and bowed him
self with his face to the ground". He spoke to them and offered them
hospitality. They did him a favor too. They saved his life! For the
two space-men subsequently led an attack on Sodom and Gomorrah and de-
stroyed it with "brimstone and fire out of heaven (space)" (Gen. 19).

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Daniel (Dan. 9:21) calls the angel Gabriel, a man. He describes thi space-man as coming to him in "swift flight at the time of the eveni sacrifice", and he also describes the interview which followed. Nu ous incidents are mentioned in scripture of space-men landing on ea and contacting earth-men, usually bringing to them an important mes About three hundred such incidents can be listed! They brought hel well as destruction, these men from outer-space or heaven.

I believe that we should take these observations more matter-of-fac We are not dealing with mythology here. A literal understanding of these incidents in modern thought-patterns brings astonishing clari to all. Our religion should become more materialistic in order to form with scripture, and not vice-versa as our clerics and others h been telling us for so long. We have practically and mistakenly sp tualized religion out of existence, and thus caused the great divor between science and religion. True science is true religion.

These angels or space-men pilot some sort of vehicle. One of these space-men, described as a "mighty one" (Rev. 10), "came down out of heaven (space) wrapped in a cloud". Let us call symbolical languag and oriental imagery by their right names. To be "wrapped in a clo means to be surrounded by an object. In other words, this space-ma was piloting a space-ship. How else could the observers of that da have described this phenomenon? That "flying" clouds don't refer t real clouds we see from the quotation, "Who are those that fly <u>like</u> cloud?" (Isa. 60). The following literal description of a supposed flying-cloud ought to decide the matter. "A stormy wind came out of the north, and a great cloud, with brightness round about it, and fi flashing forth continually, and in the midst of the fire, as it were <u>gleaming bronze</u>. And from the midst of it came the likeness of four living creatures (spacemen)" (Ezk. 1).

The space-man mentioned above had a "rainbow over his head", namely vari-colored lights shone from a canopy over his head which shall b described later. Light "like the sun" came from this space-ship, a its "legs", no doubt landing-gear, were "like pillars of fire". Th whole earth was lit up by the power of the light given off by this space-ship (Rev. 18:1).

Besides describing these "space-ships" as "flying" clouds, they are also described as a "flying roll" (Zech. 5:1), in other words "sauc or "cigar" shaped. An approximate size estimated by an observer of that century who had no knowledge of perspective or distance, is in- cluded in this description. They are also described as a "flying se pent" (Isa. 14:29 - 30:6), referring no doubt to the long trail of fire left by the space-ship's exhaust.

However, the clearest, most prominent, most detailed, and most appro priate name given these flying-ships or space-ships, and one which would well adopt as the most scientific is, "WHIRLING WHEELS", as th reporter Ezekiel calls them (Ezk. 1). This reporter now gives the detailed description of the so-called "flying saucer" in existence day - many details of which have been verified by modern observers some even caught by camera.

"Now as I looked at the living creatures (space-men) I saw a wheel the earth (the space-ship had evidently landed), one for each of th four of them (four space-ships in all). The appearance of the whee was like the gleaming of a chrysolite (transparent or translucent o green). Their construction being as it were a wheel within a wheel they had spokes and rims (recent observations and pictures have ver this description of an outer rim and an inner wheel, etc.). And wh the living creatures (space-men) rose from the earth, the wheels ro for the spirit of the living creatures was in the wheels".

The last sentence is extremely interesting. The reporter claims th when the space-men rose the wheels rose with them. That is exactly what a person of an unmechanical age would say. Men can move, but an object. So they described the men as carrying the ships with th We, of course would say the opposite, namely that the wheels or spa ships carried the space-men.

The "whirling wheels" are described as "full of eyes", in other wor full of round openings, port-holes, or power outlets, "all around a within". This description again tallies with observations and phot graphs made recently.

The space-ships are described as "darting to and fro, like the flas of lightning" (Ezk. 1). "When they went they went in any of their four directions without turning as they went. In whatever directio the front wheel (or ship) faced, the others followed without turnin as they went". Besides describing their unbelievable maneuverabili "without turning", this also seems to claim that they flew in forma tion, following a leader (also see Ezk. 10:9).

The fuel or power for these space-ships is found in the middle of t space-ship. It is described as "fire between the whirling wheels" (Ezk. 16:6). "In the midst there was something that looked like bu ing coals of fire, like torches moving to and fro, and the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning" (Ezk. 1).

And now there follows a detail which is the very acme of veracity. "Over the head of the living creatures (space-men) there was the li ness of a firmament (the protective canopy over a pilot's head) shi ing like crystal (transparent glass), spread out above their heads" (Ezk. 1). This "glass globe" has also been observed on the "flying saucers" of today and photographed. It also seems that flying orde are given by remote control via radio or wireless. A voice is said to come "from above the firmament (canopy) over their heads". It i also claimed by this biblical reporter that part of these space-shi is collapsible and other parts retractable. The latter is perhaps the central turret which will be described later.

In flight these "whirling wheels" give off music (Rev. 4:8). This phenomenon has been reported in the holy books of other faiths much older than our own. "It's like the sound of many waters, like the thunder of the Almighty, a sound of tumult like the sounds of a hos (Ezk. 1:24 - 3:13). The word "host" is important to keep in mind t cause it refers no doubt to the great number of these space-ships f ing together. The insignia which seems to be on the outer surface the space-whips are recognizable as a cherub (a humorous or should say "human" touch), the face of a man, a lion, and an eagle (Ezk. 1 These space-ships are given orders to patrol the earth, "Go and pat the earth" (Zech. 6).

On the basis of what we have learned, certain events in scripture w are understandable and acceptable. Enoch, it is reported, went to another world without dying (Heb. 11:5), as perhaps Moses did also. Jacob thought he had a vision when he saw "a ladder set up on the earth and beheld angels or space-men, ascending and descending on i (Gen. 28). The ladder obviously was let down from a space-ship for some purpose or other. Space-men had a particular interest in Jaco it seems, for on a later occasion he wrestled with one of them, the space-man only playing with Jacob until it was time for the space-m to go, whereupon he partially paralyzed Jacob (Gen. 32). It is int esting to note that space-men usually appear around sunset, during night, or at sunrise. Through some whirl-wind-like action Elijah d appeared into space via a "flying chariot" (II Kings 2:11). Moses

and Elijah came to meet Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration via "a bright cloud". We know what these "clouds" were. The "cloud" disappeared with them again. The poor man in Luke 16, was carried by space-men into another world. Do space-men carry away into heaven or space the "souls" of the dead? A woman in Rev. 12, was given unusual locomotive powers to escape her enemy. These instances can be multiplied hundreds of times !!

Even God's activities now become clearer! God's presence in scripture is described "like birds hovering" (Isa. 31:5). The hovering is a hovering of some flying object. "Clouds" are called His chariot, with them comes the wind, fire and flame (Ps. 104). One reads of "a swift cloud" (Isa. 19:1), in other words a space-ship. Note the following description: "Then the earth reeled and rocked: the foundations also of the mountains trembled and quaked, because He was angry. Smoke went up from His nostrils, and devouring fire from His mouth: glowing coals flamed forth from Him. He bowed the heavens and came down. Thick darkness was under His feet. He rode on a cherub and flew. He came swiftly upon the wings of the wind" (Ps. 18). We have discussed these signs above. They describe a space-ship, although the observer here, in not seeing the pilot, describes the space-ship as though it were a person. Perhaps in this case this space-ship might be God's own private space-ship or the so-called "mother" ship. Why should we deny God the right to make a machine and use it too, if He wants to?

God's presence with Israel in the desert was via a "pillar of cloud" in the day and by night a "pillar of fire"; the fire of course would not be visible in the sky by day (Exo. 13). Out of this cloud God harassed the Egyptians. In Isa. 66, it is reported "for behold the Lord will come in fire and His chariots like the storm-wind with flames of fire". And again, "His chariots are like the whirlwind" (Jer. 4:13). Psalms 68:17, claims that God lived on Mount Sinai for a while with 20,000 chariots. Big "clouds" settled on Mount Sinai with "fire" and "smoke" for forty days. Moses was given the tablets of the law on this mountain, through the intervention of space-men, as Paul tells us. Sinai seems to have been God's headquarters for a certain maneuver at this time. Space-men with their ships always seem to be present when God's people are in danger. Even a difficult passage like "And the 'glory' of the Lord went up from the midst of the city and stood upon the mountain" (Ezk. 11:23), now becomes clear. It means that the ships took off from the middle of the city, the take-off place, and then landed on a mountain.

Neither should we forget that God is called the Lord of "Sabbaoth" in the Bible, which means the Lord of "hosts" or "armies" - real armies, space-armies. This name "the Lord of hosts", is the most used name for God in the Bible. He is the God of war. This title is used hundreds of times together with the complementary phrase "hosts of heaven", or hosts of space. Jacob once saw the whole assembled army. We read, "The angels (space-men) of God met him and when Jacob saw them he said, 'This is God's army'." (Gen. 32). These hosts were at one time an object of worship by earth-men. It seems that God often came down out of heaven or space to earth to fulfill His plans and to carry out certain campaigns.

When the space-ships were stationary and when the central turret was raised, they looked like thrones, and are so-called in scripture. "His throne was fiery flames, its wheels were burning fire, a stream of fire issued and came forth from before Him" (Dan. 7:9). No ordinary thrones these, but space-ships! In Rev. 4, we have a unique description of the "mother" ship and twenty-four others on a landing-field which looked like a "sea of glass-like crystal", and from them all came flashes of lightning, voices and peals of thunder".

The life of Jesus, now too, becomes clearer when these things are remembered. His powers of levitation, His ability to pass through doors, walk on water, and heal the sick, are the essential attributes of men from outer space. They will also be ours someday when we will be "free like birds" (Ezk. 13:20). At Jesus' birth the celestial army came quite close to earth. A space-man appeared to the shepherds and the "glory" of the Lord, with the usual signs of His presence, shone around them. There was a multitude of the heavenly army with this space-man. And after their cosmic announcement, the music of their space-ships was heard as they again disappeared into space.

Jesus' ascension is described as "a cloud (or space-ship) received Him out of their sight" (Acts 1:9). His coming again is to be in the same manner. "Then will appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven (space) coming on the clouds (space-ships) of heaven (space) with power and great glory" (Matt. 24:30 - Rev. 14). He will come with His whole army and will then take over the destiny of the world. Jesus comes then, conquering and to conquer; a King of kings, and Lord of lords. This time He summons the twelve legions of space-men, which He refused to summon at the time of His betrayal. He will appear on a white "horse" or space-ship, "shooting flames of fire", leading a whole fleet of space-ships, from whose mouths issue sharp swords", no doubt blasts of destructive energy. He signals all the "birds that fly in mid-heaven" (all the sky-ships in space) to the cosmic conflict, with the words, "Come gather.", and the world will be destroyed by God's black fleet described below.

The rumbling space-ships leap on top of the mountains to await the signal for the attack (Joel 2:5). That day will be a day of darkness and gloom and of hydrogen and cobalt clouds. "Like blackness there is spread upon the mountains a great and powerful people, their like has never been from of old nor will be again. Fire devours before them, and behind them a flame burns. The land is like the Garden of Eden before them, but after them a desolate wilderness".

Earth-men who have pleased God in the meantime, will "ascend up into space in a space-ship in the sight of their foes" (Rev. 11). Paul puts it this way, "We will be caught up together with them in the clouds (space-ships) to meet the Lord in the air" (I Thess. 4:17). In this manner a remnant of earth-men will literally be rescued or saved..... For what?

For the "Father's house in which are many rooms", or as some translators put it, "stopping-places", "resting-stations" or "filling-stations if you wish, or the way to outer-space and beyond. All the planets and universes in outer space are there for a good and glorious purpose. They are not just dead dust. They are the planets on which these space men live, and we too will someday live.

This clear understanding of things as they are and as they will be, is for our comfort. We should always remember that God's people are alway protected by a circle of space-ships. "We are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses", we read in Heb. 12. The whole heavenly host once came out to protect but one man, Elijah (II Kings 6:17). "Behold the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire". And Elijah was save or rescued right from under the noses of a whole city full of enemies.

God's word to us knowing all this is: "Fear not, for those who are wit us are more than those who are with them!" ... May our prayer be, --

"O, Lord, open our eyes that we may see."
(II Kings 6:17)

THE END

TYPOGRAPHICAL ERRORS

Pg. 2 - paragraph 3 - line 20 - should read "ought to decide".

Pg. 3 - paragraph 7 - line 13 - should read "into space via".

Pg. 4 - paragraph 4 - line 10 - should read "Paul tells us".

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Whirling Wheels

~ Rev. John Miller STM

1 - Liaison Section
1 - Mr. [redacted]

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BY COURIER SERVICE

Date: September 20, 1956

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
Building Tempo E
4th and Adams Drive, S.W.
Washington, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: THE A.P.R.O. BULLETIN
1712 VAN COURT
ALAMOGORDO, NEW MEXICO
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Flying Saucers

On August 31, 1956, [redacted] Street, St. Louis, Missouri, who is employed as an electrician, [redacted] furnished the St. Louis Office of this Bureau with information that he and a group of his fellow workers have subscribed to a publication captioned "The A.P.R.O. Bulletin," which contains articles about flying saucers. [redacted] advised he answered an advertisement in a magazine and subscribed to this publication for one year, at a cost of $3.00. [redacted] further advised that in his opinion, the publication slurred and criticized the U. S. Air Force and officials of the U. S. Air Force.

No action is contemplated in this matter by this Bureau.

BY COURIER SVC.
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NOTE ON YELLOW:

Bureau files are negative concerning captioned publication and in view of the fact that it deals with flying saucers and the established policy has been to refer matters of this type to the Air Force, no further action is deemed necessary.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/7/56

FROM : SAC, ST. LOUIS (62-0)

SUBJECT: THE A.P.R.O. BULLETIN,
1712 Van Court,
Alamogordo, New Mexico
MISCELLANEOUS

On August 31, 1956, [redacted] Street, St. Louis, Missouri, employed as an electrician, [redacted], St. Louis County, [redacted] appeared at the St. Louis Office to advise that he and a group of fellow workers have subscribed to a publication entitled "The A.P.R.O. Bulletin", which is published at 1712 Van Court, Alamogordo, New Mexico, and which contains articles about flying saucers.

[redacted] stated he and a group of fellow workers saw an advertisement concerning the above described publication in a magazine and they subscribed to this publication for one year at a cost of $3.00. [redacted] further stated this publication slurred and criticized the U. S. Air Force and officials of the U. S. Air Force and was in his opinion Communistic.

A copy of this communication is being forwarded the Albuquerque Office for purposes of information.

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1 - St. Louis (62-0)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 8/15/56

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-24442)

SUBJECT: [redacted]
FLYING SAUCER

The following is being furnished to the Bureau for its information in the event an inquiry should be received from the Air Force:

On 8/14/56, Lt. [redacted] and Sgt. [redacted], 4602nd Air Intelligence Service Squadron, Norton AFB, San Bernardino, California, called at this office, accompanied by Captain [redacted] of the Air Information Service.

Lt. [redacted] stated he had received a teletype from his headquarters, reflecting that [redacted] Street, Van Nuys, California, had reported that on 7/16/56, a spherical vehicle had landed in his back yard, splitting a large tree in two. On 7/30/56, this vehicle returned and on this occasion some little green men emerged from the vehicle and invited [redacted] to ride in their ship. He supposedly went up with them for approximately 20 minutes.

Lt. [redacted] stated he had no additional information except that [redacted] was believed to be employed in some minor technical capacity for the Columbia Broadcasting System.

Captain [redacted] stated he recalled that the incident reported by [redacted] was presented on a CBS television newscast about the time it occurred, and that during the telecast, the split tree was shown, and an interview was had with [redacted]. According to Captin [redacted] the tenor of the comments by the television announ was that he placed little credence in the story, but was presenting it for what it was worth.

Lt. [redacted] stated that he believes the incident reported by [redacted] to be utterly ridiculous, but, in accordance with instructions from his headquarters, he must make some inquiry concer [redacted] in such a manner as not to result in any publicity indicat an Air Force interest. He inquired if the FBI would conduct investi

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DIRECTOR, FBI

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RE: [redacted]
FLYING SAUCER

gation to obtain information concerning the background of [redacted] and was advised that no such investigation would be conducted by this office in the absence of instructions from the Bureau.

No record of [redacted] is reflected in the indices of the Los Angeles Office and [redacted] was so advised.

No action by this office is contemplated.

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BY COURIER SERVICE

Date: May 11, 1956

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
Building Tempo E
4th and Adams Drive, S. W.
Washington, D. C. (orig. & 1)

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISC OBSERVED
OXFORD, PENNSYLVANIA
MAY 4, 1956
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING (ESPIONAGE)

At 11:35 p.m., May 4, 1956, an individual who identified himself as [redacted] Oxford, Pennsylvania, advised this Bureau he had just observed at Oxford, Pennsylvania, a bright light traveling about 2,000 feet in the air toward Baltimore, Maryland. He described the object as a solid, bright yellow light visible from all directions and that it was twice as bright and twice as large as the headlight of an automobile. He also described it as twice as bright as the evening star. He was unable to describe it in more detail. He stated the object made no noise, that at first its speed was the same as the car he was driving but it sped up and although he was driving 80 miles an hour he was unable to keep up with it. He advised that two of his friends, [redacted] also had observed the object.

BY COURIER SVC. 4 MAY 14 AM 11-PM

At 2:45 p.m., May 5, 1956, the above-referred-to individual advised his true name and address were [redacted] Kenneth Square, Pennsylvania.

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Letter to Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force

The above information was telephonically furnished to Captain [redacted] of your office by this Bureau on May 4 and May 5, 1956, for whatever action deemed desirable by your office. No action is contemplated in this matter by this Bureau.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : A. H. Belmont

DATE: 5-5-56

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISC OBSERVED
OXFORD, PENNSYLVANIA
May 4, 1956

Reference made to memorandum Mr. [redacted] to Mr. Belmont, May 4, 1956, indicating [redacted] Oxford, Pennsylvania, called at 11:35 p.m., May 4, 1956, concerning a bright light he had observed traveling toward Baltimore at an altitude of approximately 2,000 feet.

This same individual telephonically advised the writer 2:45 p.m., May 5, 1956, his true name is [redacted] and that his true residence is [redacted] Kenneth Square, Pennsylvania. [redacted] desired to know the results of any investigation conducted as the result of his previous call. It was pointed out to him that the Bureau was not at liberty to disclose such information.

Bureau indices on [redacted] limited to Pennsylvania, were searched with negative results.

At 3:35 p.m., May 5, 1956, Captain [redacted] OSI, was telephonically advised at his residence.

ACTION: This is for your information.

cc Belmont
[redacted]
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: May 4, 1956

FROM [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISC OBSERVED
OXFORD, PENNSYLVANIA
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Mr. [redacted] Oxford, Pennsylvania, telephone [redacted], called 11:35 p.m., May 4, 1956, and advised that he had just observed a bright light traveling about 2000 feet in the air toward Baltimore. He last saw it at the place he was calling the Bureau from which was [redacted] Oxford, Pennsylvania. He described the object as a solid, bright, yellow light, visible from all directions which he described at one point as being more than twice as bright and twice as big as the headlight of an automobile and another time as twice as bright as the evening star and it was impossible to persuade him to describe it more specifically. He said the object made no noise and that at first it was traveling overhead about as fast as his automobile but then it speeded up and he could not keep up with it although he was traveling at 80 miles per hour. He said that two of his buddies in the barroom where he had first observed the object had also observed it--[redacted] and [redacted] He said he had tried to call Civil Defense headquarters in Baltimore but no one was on duty. Bulles reflect in informa identifiable wire [redacted]

ACTION:

Captain [redacted] OSI, was advised.

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cc - Mr. Belmont
Mr. Branigan

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EX. - 120

cc: L. Tolson
A. Belmont
LVB. Boardman
Ellisburg
Liaison

BY COURIER SERVICE

Date: April 16, 1956

To: Director of Special Investigations (Original & 1)
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
Building Tempo E
4th and Adams Drive, S. W.
Washington, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: SIGHTING OF OBJECT RESEMBLING
FLYING SAUCER ON APRIL 6, 1956,
NEAR HENDERSON, NORTH CAROLINA
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(ESPIONAGE)

On April 6, 1956, Miss [redacted] an employee of this Bureau who resides at [redacted] Alexandria, Virginia, while en route to Norven, North Carolina, via automobile, with her fiance, Mr. [redacted] observed an unusual object which appeared to resemble a flying saucer.

Miss [redacted] stated at about 5 A.M., on April 6, 1956, while it was still dark and while driving on Route 1 north of Henderson, North Carolina, she and Mr. [redacted] were startled by what appeared to be an oval-shaped, low-flying object coming directly towards their car at a great speed, on the driver's side. Miss [redacted] stated the object, which was less than 25 feet from the ground, appeared to be spinning, was bright as though containing a series of lights in a zigzagging pattern, was light blue in color and was at least as wide as the highway and no more than from two to four feet in thickness. She stated the object did not change shape, it made no sound and that she observed it for only a few seconds before it appeared to pass over the car, accelerate speed and veer off out of sight behind them. Miss Richards advised when daylight came she noticed it was cloudy and that approximately 30 minutes after they had sighted the object it began to rain.

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NOTE: Cover memo Belmont to Boardman 4-13-56
EHL:ss, re: [redacted]
Name Check Unit, EOD 4-14-47."

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Letter to Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force

Miss [redacted] advised Mr. [redacted] an employee of the [redacted] who resides at [redacted] North Arlington, Virginia, would recall approximately where they sighted the object and he may be able to furnish additional pertinent information.

The above is furnished for your information and no further action is being taken in this matter.

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TO : MR. NICHOLS

DATE: 4-10-56

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: [redacted] Flying Saucers

Miss [redacted] on 4/9/56 reported the following rather unusual occurrence which is in the "Flying Saucer" category.

On 4/5/56 Miss [redacted] left Washington by car with her fiance, [redacted] (employee of [redacted]) to go to Morven, North Carolina to meet the [redacted] family. Around 5 a.m. on 4/6/56 as dawn was breaking and while driving on Route 1 north of Henderson, North Carolina, the pair was startled by what appeared to be a round low-flying object coming directly towards the car. The object appeared to pass over the car and Miss [redacted] turned to see it appear to speed up and then veer off out of sight. She and Mr. [redacted] both felt they had seen something unusual which was difficult to explain and certainly did not appear to be an optical illusion.

Miss [redacted] stated the object as she saw it appeared round, was spinning and was bright as though containing a series of lights in a zig-zag pattern. The object appeared to be flying very low as it came towards them, moving at great speed and gave off no particular sound. The object, to the best of her belief, was at least as wide as the highway and appeared no more than two to four feet in thickness.

Miss [redacted] who is one of our best employees, stated heretofore she has placed little credence in "flying saucer" stories and felt that had she and her boyfriend not seen the same object she would be inclined to think she had imagined something. She appreciates that what they saw may have been some kind of optical illusion; however, at the time the object appeared very real to them.

RECOMMENDATION:

If you agree, it is recommended that this memorandum be referred to the Liaison Section of the Domestic Intelligence Division for possible referral to any interested military agencies.

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