

ROUTINE

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PASSED OVER THE WAFB WEAPONS STORAGE AREA LOCATED IN THE NORTH-CENTRAL PORTION OF WAFB. SECURITY POLICE VISUAL CONTACTS DID NOT DISCLOSE THE TYPE CRAFT, HOWEVER THE HELICOPTER'S RUNNING LIGHTS WERE ON. NO ATTEMPT TO HOVER OVER THE STORAGE AREA WAS REPORTED. INITIAL SECURITY POLICE REPORTS INDICATED THE HELICOPTER WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE LANDED, OFF-BASE, NEAR THE NORTHERN PERIMETER. CIVIL POLICE WERE NOTIFIED, HOWEVER NO EVIDENCE WAS FOUND TO CORROBORATE A LANDING. WAFB CONTROL TOWER PERSONNEL DID NOT TAKE VISUAL CONTACT WITH THE CRAFT. NO EFFORT WAS MADE TO CHALLENGE THE CRAFT BY RADIO TRANSMISSION. RAPCON RADAR UNIT TRACKED THE CRAFT FOR APPROXIMATELY EIGHT AND ONE-HALF MILES, IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION AWAY FROM WAFB. AN AIRBORNE KC-135 AIRCRAFT TRACKED THE HELICOPTER APPROXIMATELY THIRTY-FIVE MILES, ON A SOUTHEASTERN BEARING FROM WAFB AND THEN LOST CONTACT. UPON NOTIFICATION, WAFB AUTHORITIES CONTACTED LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, THE U.S. COAST GUARD STATION, AND THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, HOWEVER ALL DISCLAIMED KNOWLEDGE OF THE CRAFT. ONE

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U.S. ARMY HELICOPTER HAD BEEN AT WAFB ON 30 OCT 75, BUT HAD DEPARTED AT 1751 HOURS AND WAS SCHEDULED TO FLY TO SELFRIDGE ANGB, MI, SOUTH OF WAFB. NO CONFIRMATION WAS MADE OF THAT CRAFT'S RETURN. (SOURCE: WILLIAM D. THOMPSON, MAJ, CHIEF, 379TH SECURITY POLICE SQ, WAFB; SA VARNES, AFOSI DET D503. AFOSI EVALUATION: [b5]) COMMENTS: FBI, SAGINAW, MI, WAS APPRAISED OF THIS INCIDENT AND ADVISED THEY WERE UNAWARE OF HOSTILE THREATS AGAINST WAFB. EFFORTS ARE BEING MADE TO CONFIRM THE ROUTE AND ARRIVAL TIME OF THE U.S. ARMY HELICOPTER FROM WAFB TO SELFRIDGE ANGB, MI (SANGR), AND IF ANY OTHER ARMY CRAFT MIGHT HAVE BEEN IN THE WAFB AREA AT THE TIME OF THIS INCIDENT. THE COMMANDER, 379TH COMBAT SUPPORT GROUP, AND THE COMMANDER, 379TH BOMB WING, WAFB, WERE BRIEFED BY SECURITY POLICE. COPIES OF THIS IIR WILL BE HANDCARRIED TO THOSE COMMANDERS, AND TO THE COMMANDER, 40TH AIR DIV, WAFB.

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THIS IS IIR 1 624 0415 75

1. UNITED STATES

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2. UNKNOWN ENTITY: UNIDENTIFIED HELICOPTER SIGHTED OVER WURTSMITH AFB, MI

3. NA

4. 30 OCT 75

5. WURTSMITH AFB, MI, 3-7 NOV 75

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