

DRAFT MINUTES

PROJECT SECOND STAGE

In his opening remarks the Chairman stated that one of the prime objects of keeping the Committee in being was to keep abreast of developments in connection with unidentified flying objects. In this connection, particularly at this meeting it was intended to review the work now under way at the Department of Transport as well as to follow up the various items outlined for action at the last meeting.

On learning that the RCAF had no progress to report on the request that Capt. Ruppelt of the USAF be brought to Canada for discussions with this Committee, the Chairman stated that unless greater cooperation was received from the members it would appear senseless to continue discussions. The RCAF representative was again asked to look into this matter and make a really serious attempt to obtain the desired contact with the US Group. There being no further discussions on the Minutes of the last meeting these were moved for adoption by Mr. Smith and seconded by S/L Birch.

Prior to asking Mr. Smith to outline the activities of DOT, the Chairman made reference to the "fire ball" sighting on 13 January. This fire ball was seen 0702 hours in the region generally from Eastern Quebec to Western Ontario and Northern Michigan. The Dominion Observatory is conducting a complete investigation and over one hundred reports have already been received. However, due to sparsity of population in the region where the "fire ball" is thought to have landed it is doubtful whether complete details may be determined.

The Chairman made reference also to the latest book on the newstands entitled "Flying Saucers Have Landed" by Leslie and Adamski. Quite obviously this book may be categorized as another fake based on a lot of assumed theories and must certainly not be taken too seriously. However, the last part of the book, written by Adamski, contains some interesting data and the Chairman intends to obtain further information concerning the authors' source of information.

With reference to the work being done at DOT, the Chairman asked Mr. Smith to review the project covering the following phases:

- (a) what the organization is now doing with reference to analysis of reports and any conclusions arrived at.
- (b) methods used by the DOT sighting station.
- (c) future plans

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