

APPENDIX III

Atlantic Ocean - 8 May 1952

I. DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

On 8 May, approximately 600 miles off the east coast of the United States, between Jacksonville, Florida, and Savannah, Georgia, the pilot and co-pilot of Pan American Airline Flight 203, enroute to San Juan from New York, sighted three unidentified aerial objects. The objects were on a reciprocal heading of approximately 355° to 360° at the same altitude as the airliner.

The first object resembled a landing light but was much whiter and about ten times as large. It was followed by two slightly smaller orange objects with tapering tails which were fringed with blue. These three round objects were equally spaced and between 1/8 and 1/4 mile off the left wing.

II. STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION

The sources were interrogated and stated that the objects were completely foreign to them. There was no known missile, naval or air activity in the area at that time.

III. CONCLUSIONS

No conclusions.

APPENDIX IV

Seattle, Washington - 11 May 1952

I. DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

At approximately 0124 to 0132 PST, on 11 May 1952 many individuals reported sighting a vivid blue object with flaming sparks or streamers coming nearly straight down over Seattle, Washington. The object exploded in a brilliant flash, lighting up the sky and then disappeared. After the explosion, some of the witnesses experienced a tremor or shock wave of approximately nine seconds duration.

II. STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION

Two local astronomers were contacted and they stated that the object was a meteor. At the present time the astronomers are searching for fragments to confirm their statement.

III. CONCLUSIONS

Object was probably a meteor but file will not be closed until confirming evidence is found.

APPENDIX V

El Centro, Calif., Area - 13 May 1952

I. DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

In the El Centro, Calif., Area on 13 May 1952 four separate reports of unidentified aerial objects were made. They were as follows:

- 1115Z - Hovering over El Centro, five "flying saucers" as large as B-36's, with a light underneath, disappeared to the southwest at a terrific rate of speed. They were reported by the El Centro Sheriff's Office.
- 1115Z - An F9F pilot taking off from El Centro Naval Air Station reported what appeared to be a shooting star diving at an angle of 60°.
- 1142Z - A sheriff's car at Noland, Calif., sighted a strange object resembling a parachute flare over the south end of the Salton Sea.
- 1150Z - A control tower operator at Yuma, Arizona, sighted an orange and blue object 320° and 20 miles from his position. After hovering for a short time in one position, it changed to another position and began hovering again. Operator said it was sighted for too long a period to be a falling star.

II. STATUS OF INVESTIGATION

There were no AF fighters airborne at the time but four F9F's from El Centro Naval Air Station were airborne from 1100Z to 1230Z.

III. CONCLUSIONS

- It is possible that the F9F's and what appeared to be a shooting star account for the first report. *impossible!*
- What appeared to be a shooting star was probably a meteor.
- No conclusions.
- The tower operator stated that he had observed the same phenomenon several times previous and is convinced that it is merely the reflection of automobile headlights on the highway at night.