



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Office of Civil Aeronautics
Washington 25, D. C.

17 June 1952

Mr. Don Davidson
Box South Irving Street
Arlington, Virginia

Dear Mr. Davidson:

Your letter of June 12 to the Secretary of Defense has been received. The Civil Aeronautics Administration is in the process of forwarding your letter to the Intelligence Center at Dayton, Ohio, for any action they may deem fitting.

In the meantime, Mr. Jones, in conducting the official investigation of the matter, is conducting the official investigation of the matter. The data included in your correspondence may be of interest to SACI inasmuch as it coincides with the already known data on correcting reported sightings.

In your letter, which is being sent to the Agency, you mention that you wish to work with the Agency on the matter. This is being handled in the manner most compatible with the Armed Services Division A-1.

Your information is being analyzed and we will be in touch with you as the matter develops. We are in the process of conducting an investigation of the matter.

Thank you very much for your interest in this matter. Sincerely,

William S. Jones
WILLIAM S. JONES
Chief, Air Force Desk
Civil Branch

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(The two releases, enclosed in the letter of 19 June 1952, have been shipped below to enable clear reproduction. They are verbatim copies.)

19 JUNE 1952 TO DIRECTOR, AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Secretary of the Air Force Thomas E. Fletcher and other Air Force officials have been informed of the results of the investigation of the "flying saucer" reports over the past five years. The investigation, which was conducted by the Technical Intelligence Division, has shown that the reports are the result of the imagination of the layman, not the product of a genuine phenomenon. The reports are the result of the imagination of the layman, not the product of a genuine phenomenon.

In this way, detailed reports and particularly photographs from people who claim to have seen unidentified flying objects will continue to be welcomed. No report may be submitted to the Civil Aeronautics Administration which is not, in its nature, a verbatim copy of the original information or source.

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(Author's note: On May 9, 1952, the day after the above-mentioned release, the Civil Aeronautics Administration issued a press release to the effect that it had received a letter from a person claiming to have seen a "flying saucer" on May 8, 1952.)

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The Civil Aeronautics Administration is continuing its study of unusual light phenomena, which are frequently reported by persons claiming to have seen unidentified flying objects. The study is being conducted by the Technical Intelligence Division, which is the only agency in the Department of Commerce which is authorized to receive and handle such reports. The study is being conducted by the Technical Intelligence Division, which is the only agency in the Department of Commerce which is authorized to receive and handle such reports.

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June 11, 1952

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Atlanta, Minneapolis, and New York International (official) reported no unidentified targets. The CA tower at Boston's Logan Field has advised that no unidentified targets have been observed since the beginning of the investigation.

On May 20, 1952, Cleveland, Ohio, has observed unidentified targets many times, the former particularly when temperatures have been in excess of 80 degrees Fahrenheit.

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