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CONTROL TOWER UNDER THESE CONDITIONS.

5. ON 29 OCT 75, LEWIS, IDENTIFIED IN PARA 2, ADVISED THAT THE A/C WAS FIRST OBSERVED BY CLIFTON W. BLAKESLEE, SGT, FR b7c b7c, AND WILLIAM J. LONG, SSGT, FR b7c b7c, BOTH ASSIGNED TO THE 42 SPS, WHO WERE ON DUTY AT THE STORAGE AREA. THE INITIAL SIGHTING TOOK PLACE AT APPROXIMATELY 1945. THE A/C WAS OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY 1000 METERS NORTH OF LAFB. THE A/C WAS SUBSEQUENTLY OBSERVED BY LEWIS AND OTHERS INTERMITTENTLY FOR THE NEXT HOUR AND A HALF. SUBSEQUENT TO THE SIGHTING BY LONG AND BLAKESLEE, THE A/C DID NOT COME NEARER TO THE NORTHERN PERIMETER OF LAFB THAN APPROXIMATELY 3 MILES. LEWIS OBSERVED A FLASHING WHITE STROBE LIGHT AND RED NAVIGATION LIGHTS ON THE A/C. THE OPERATOR OF THE A/C EITHER TURNED THE LIGHTS OFF PERIODICALLY OR THE A/C FLEW BELOW A POINT FROM WHICH THE LIGHTS COULD BE OBSERVED. THE A/C DISAPPEARED FROM VIEW AND DID NOT REAPPEAR. A SEARCH OF THE VICINITY OF THE NORTHERN PERIMETER OF LAFB BY 42 SPS PERSONNEL MET WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

6. ON 29 OCT 75, COMMANDER, 42 BW, ADVISED THAT HE RESPONDED TO THE AREA FROM WHICH THE UNIDENTIFIED A/C WAS OBSERVED. HE

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ARRIVED AT APPROXIMATELY 1955. THE A/C BORE A WHITE FLASHING LIGHT AND AN AMBER OR ORANGE LIGHT. THE SPEED AND MOVEMENT IN THE AIR SUGGESTED THAT THE A/C WAS A HELICOPTER. FROM 1945-2020, THE A/C WAS UNDER CONSTANT OBSERVATION. SUBSEQUENT TO THAT TIME THE A/C WOULD APPEAR AND DISAPPEAR FROM VIEW. THE A/C DEFINITELY PENETRATED THE LAFB NORTHERN PERIMETER AND ON ONE OCCASION WAS WITHIN 300 YARDS OF THE MUNITIONS STORAGE AREA PERIMETER.

7. EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY THE A/C THROUGH MAINE STATE POLICE AND LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS WERE NOT SUCCESSFUL. FAA, HOULTON, ME, COULD NOT IDENTIFY THE A/C.

9. COMMAND, POST, LAFB, ADVISED THAT THIS INCIDENT WAS REPORTED THROUGH THE COMMAND POST VIA OPREP-3/PINNACLE MESSAGE ON 27 OCT 75. DISTRIBUTION OF THIS MESSAGE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

- NATIONAL MILITARY COMMAND CENTER
- CHIEF OF STAFF/AF
- USAF FORWARD OPERATIONS DIVISION, FT RITCHIE, MD
- HQ SAC
- 9TH AIR FORCE
- 45TH AIR DIVISION

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