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ATIC NO. ---

DATE OF INFO July 1948

AF NO. ---

LOCATION Chapel Hill, N. C.

REPORT NO. ---

SOURCE Univ. of N.C., Math Instructor

DATE OF REPORT ---

DATE IN TO ATIC ---

TIME OF SIGHTING 2114 and 2115

COLOR ---

SHAPE Cigar

SPEED High

Instrument Measured / Estimated / Measured

SIZE Approx. same as a/c

ALTITUDE Extreme

COURSE LINE

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED Approx. 1 Min.

NO. IN GROUP 3

TYPE OF OBSERVATION ---

SOUND ---

MANEUVERS ---

PHOTOS ---

SKETCHES ---

OBJECTS NOT OBSERVED (SOUND ONLY)

Temporary ATIC Form 329
(2 Jan 52)

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Incident #137, 137a -- Chapel Hill, North Carolina -- 7 July 1948

This report refers solely to a sound phenomenon. Statements of the witnesses indicate specifically that no object was seen. The summary sheet given here seems to confuse the description of this incident with that of incident #138.

Fireballs and bright meteors are often known to emit sounds similar to the rolling of thunder. The information given in this report is so meager, however, that, while the sound referred to could have been meteoric, no decision can be made.

It seems more probable that actual aircraft were heard.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 137a

1. Date 7 Jul 48
2. Time 2114 and 2115
3. Location Chapel Hill, N. C.
4. Name of observer [redacted]
5. Occupation of observer Capt., Infantry, Reserve
6. Address of observer Box [redacted] Chapel Hill
7. Place of observation Chapel Hill, N. C.
8. Number of objects three (3)
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight Approximately one (1) minute
11. Altitude Extreme
12. Speed High
13. Direction of flight East Northeast
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound Jet
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Not Visible
22. Weather conditions Clear
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks:

ASC-251-D
(15-10-43)

[redacted]

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A. G. P.	
PRIORITY	X
ROUTINE	X
MULTIPLE ADDRESS	

TELETYPE MESSAGE

AIR SERVICE COMMAND TELETYPE NETWORK

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FROM: AMC

DATE: 9 Jul 48

W. R. CLINGERMAN
Colonel, USAF
Actg Chief of Intelligence
NAME, RANK AND TITLE OF AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

TO: Director of Intelligence
General Staff, USA
Washington 25, D. C.

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TELETYPE NO MCIA-7-1

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED FROM HQ, THIRD ARMY, FT McPHERSON, GA. ON 8 JULY 1948: "THREE UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT PASSED OVER CHAPEL HILL NC BETWEEN 2114 AND 2115 CMA SEVEN JULY CMA AT AN EXTREME ALTITUDE AND AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED CMA BEARING EAST NORTH EAST PD CRAFT WERE NOT SIGHTED BY OBSERVERS CMA EXHAUST TRAIL NOT VISIBLE CMA CHARACTERISTIC JET SOUND CMA WEATHER CLEAR PD WITNESSES CLN [redacted] LT US NAVEL RESERVE CHAPEL HILL CMA MATHEMATICS INSTRUCTOR UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SMCLN AND [redacted] CAPTAIN INFANTRY RESERVE CMA BOX 188 CHAPEL HILL PD NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE PD EVALUATION FO PD". SIMILAR INFORMATION WILL BE FORWARDED AT A LATER DATE. SIGNED, TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

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COORDINATION

C. G. OR C. O.	CONTROL OFFICE	MAINTENANCE	P & T	SUPPLY	BUDGET & FISCAL	OTHERS

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Project "SICW" - Unidentified Aircraft

[redacted]
U. S. Infantry Reserve
[redacted]
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

1. Clarification is requested as to your sighting of unconventional aircraft on 7 July 1948.

2. Teletype received at this Headquarters from Hq, Third Army, Ft McPherson, Ga, reads in part:

> "THREE UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT PASSED OVER CHAPEL HILL PD BETWEEN 2114 AND 2115 CMA SEVEN JULY CMA AT AN EXTREME ALTITUDE AND AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED CMA BEARING EAST NORTH EAST PD CRAFT WERE NOT SIGHTED (?) BY OBSERVERS CMA TRAIL NOT VISIBLE CMA CHARACTERISTIC JET SOUND CMA WEATHER CLEAR PD..."

3. It is requested that you furnish this Headquarters with a signed statement regarding the above sighting. This information should be directed to the attention of MCIAXO-3, as indicated in the upper left-hand corner of this letter.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

W. R. CLINGERMAN
Colonel, USAF
Actg Chief of Intelligence
Intelligence Department

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Math Dept. Univ. N. C.
Chapel Hill, N. C.
8 Aug 48

To The Commanding General
Air Materiel Command

Attn: MCIAMO-3
Wright-Patterson AF Base
Dayton, Ohio

From: [redacted], USNR
Math Dept UNC - Chapel Hill N. C.

Subject: Sighting of Unconventional Aircraft on 7 July 48

1. I know nothing more than is listed by teletype - letter attached

2. I heard & did not see what I believed to be jet planes as reported by Capt Harvey Daniel, A.US.

Respectfully submitted

[redacted]
Lt, USNR

Enclosed
2C-137

Dr HYNEK'S EVALUATIONS EXTRACTED FROM PROJECT GRUDGE REPORT.

INCIDENT INDEX

1. Astronomical

a. High probability:
#26, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 48, 49, 59, 60, 66, 69, 70, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 101, 102, 103, 104, 116, 119, 132, 136, 140, 147, 148, 158, 174, 184, 185, 187, 197, 203, 204, 208, 216, 219, 238.

b. Fair or low probability:
#19, 20, 23, 24, 28, 35, 36, 46, 50, 63, 67, 80, 82, 93, 100, 112, 120, 121, 129, 130, 144, 153, 165, 166, 167, 175, 192, 199, 202, 205, 220, 230, 240.

2. Non-astronomical but suggestive of other explanations

a. Balloons or ordinary aircraft:
#3, 11, 22, 41, 42, 53, 54, 73, 81, 83, 91, 92, 113, 114, 115, 126, 131, 138, 141, 145, 155, 156, 157, 159, 160, 161, 163, 169, 171, 173, 178, 180, 182, 188, 190, 194, 195, 196, 198, 200, 201, 209, 210, 217, 222, 235, 237, 239.

b. Rockets, flares or falling bodies:
#4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 25, 56, 65, 78, 106, 107, 108, 109, 133, 170, 211, 218.

c. Miscellaneous (reflections, auroral streamers, birds, etc.):
#39, 89, 123, 124, 128, 146, 164, 181, 189, 214, 221, 231, 234.

3. Non-astronomical, with no explanation evident

a. Lack of evidence precludes explanation:
#38, 44, 45, 47, 55, 57, 72, 86, 87, 88, 90, 99, 110, 117, 118, 125, 127, 137, 139, 149, 150, 177, 179, 191, 206, 212, 213, 229, 232, 233.

b. Evidence offered suggests no explanation:
#1, 2, 10, 17, 21, 29, 37, 40, 51, 52, 58, 61, 62, 64, 68, 71, 75, 76, 77, 79, 84, 105, 111, 122, 135, 151, 152, 154, 162, 168, 172, 176, 183, 186, 193, 207, 215, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 236, 241, 242, 243, 244, 134.