Incident #253

ATIC NO. - - -

DATE OF INFO 31 March 1949

AF NO. - - -

LOCATION Camp Hood, Tex.

WPAFB NO. - - -

SOURCE Army Officer

DATE OF REPORT - - -

DATE IN TO ATIC - - -

TIME OF SIGHTING 2150

COLOR Fire Color & White

SHAPE Round

SPEED - - -

SIZE Basketball

ALTITUDE 70° (Approx 2,000')

COURSE 240°

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED 10-15 Sec.

NO. IN GROUP 1

TYPE OF OBSERVATION Vehicle

SOUND - - -

MANEUVERS Parallel to road

PHASES - - - SKETCHES - - -

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Astro (Meteor)

Incident: ~~288~~

Name and address of observer: 1st Lt. [redacted]
Co. "C" 12th AIB, Camp Hood, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

NARRATIVE SUMMARY: Note: Radio interference was great immediately after sighting.

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INCIDENT NO. 288

1. Date of Observation ~~31 March 1949~~ Date of Interview 1 April 49
2. Exact time (local) 2150
3. Place of Observation Camp Hood, Texas
4. Position of observer In vehicle (did not stop)
5. What attracted attention to object - Fire trail on object
6. Number of objects one
7. Apparent size Approx size of basketball
8. Color of object Between fire color and white
9. Shape Round
10. Altitude About 70° (Approx. 2,000 ft.)
11. Direction from observer 240°
12. Distance from observer 2,000 ft when it passed overhead
13. Direction of flight of object(s) 240°
14. Time in sight 10 to 15 seconds
15. Speed Object was out of sight in few seconds
16. Sound and Odor none
17. Trail Long trail, easy to see, but disappeared at once
18. Luminosity very bright
19. Projections none noticed
20. Maneuvers Straight flight ~~parrell~~ PARALLEL to road
21. Manner of disappearance faded from view, due to distance
22. Effect on clouds no clouds
23. Additional information concerning object
24. Weather conditions Clear night

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GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATION OF UNIDENTIFIED
AERIAL OBJECTS

Incident No. 15

1. Date of Observation 31 Mar 49 Date of Interview 0800 1 April 1949

2. Exact time of observation (local) 2150

3. Place of Observation: (912.6) - (850.4)
(Map Coordinates)

4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details:
1/4 Ton on Ivy Road near RJ 206, vehicle did not have top.

5. What attracted attention to object:
Fire trail on object

6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:
One (1)

7. Apparent size (compare to known object, I. E., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):
Approximately size of basketball

8. Color of object:
Between fire color and white

9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):
Round

10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0° at horizon, 90° overhead):
About 70 degrees

11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):
240 degrees

12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be): Object passed over observer, guess approximately 2000 feet high

13. Direction of flight of objects or object:
240 degrees

14. Time in sight:
10 to 15 seconds

15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
Object was out of sight in a few seconds

16. Sound and order:
None

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GUIDE TO INVESTIGATION

Incident No. 15
31 Mar 49

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistance, etc.)
Long trail, very easy to see, but disappeared at once

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brillance):
Very bright

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennai, canopies, etc.):
None observed

20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc - sketch of flight path):
Straight flight parrell to road

21. Manner of disappearance:
Seemed to be traveling very fast - It was out of sight in a few seconds

22. Effect on clouds:
No clouds

23. Additional information concerning object:
None available

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:
Clear night

Name and address of observer
1st Lt [redacted], Co "C" 12th AIB

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, windown or other transparent material?
Does not wear glasses, no obstruction

were there any radar indications or extra noise on radio circuits at time of sighting? **Immediately after sight, attempt was made to establish radio communications, but interference was great.**

GENERAL

1. Teletype sequences of local weather conditions:

Sighting of 112 degrees (direction of observer was taken with compass)
Sighting of 123 degrees (direction of flight is approximate taken with compass)

WEATHER FORECAST FOR PERIOD 1200C to 1200G GIVEN 31 MAR 49

SKY CONDITION AND CEILINGS: PARTLY CLOUDY TODAY WITH CLEARING TONIGHT AND PARTLY CLOUDY TOMORROW

VISIBILITY AND OBSTRUCTIONS TO VISION: 10 +

PRECIPITATION: None

INTERVIEWER: H. W. McCulloch

H. W. McCULLOCH
Captain, GSC
Asst AC of S, G-2

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TO WPAFB ATTN MCIAXO-3
TO DIRECTOR SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS THE INSP GEN HQ USAF

CITE DC OSI 4-7.
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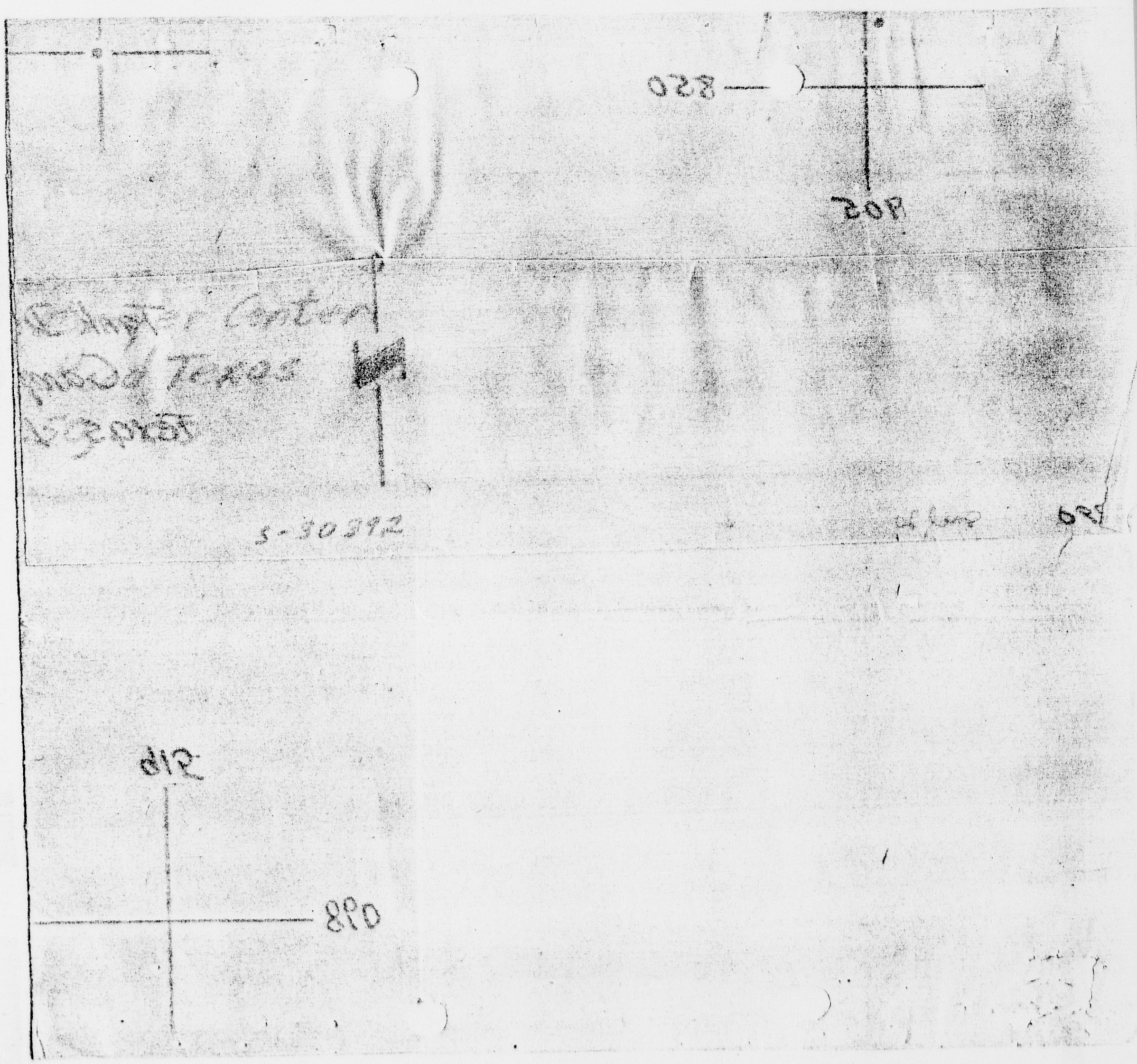

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH ARMY
FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS

452.1 AKADB

4 April 1949

SUBJECT: Unusual Light

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: M.C.I.

1. Reference letter Intelligence Division, General Staff, United States Army, CSGID 452.1, 25 March 1948, subject, "Unconventional Aircraft," and to Control No. A-1917.

2. The inclosed report of Incident No. 15, re sighting of "light" over Camp Hood, Texas, dated 1 April 1949 (Incl 1) and overlay (Incl 2) are forwarded for your information and any action deemed necessary.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

2 Incls
As stated

EUSTIS L. POLAND
Colonel, GSC
AC of S, G-2

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