

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 25 February 50 26/0415Z	LOCATION Albuquerque, New Mexico
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astro (METEOR)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Evaluated as a meteor observation.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 1/2 Seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Object about three times the size of a shooting star, tear drop shape with short tail. Color of greenish-white like a parachute flare. No sound or odor. Object appeared to burn out.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE WSW	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
17TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO

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File No: (24-8)-24

15 March 1950

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT
Fireball Sighted by [REDACTED],
Albuquerque, New Mexico, 2115 hours,
25 February 1950
SPECIAL INQUIRY - Unconventional Aircraft

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Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
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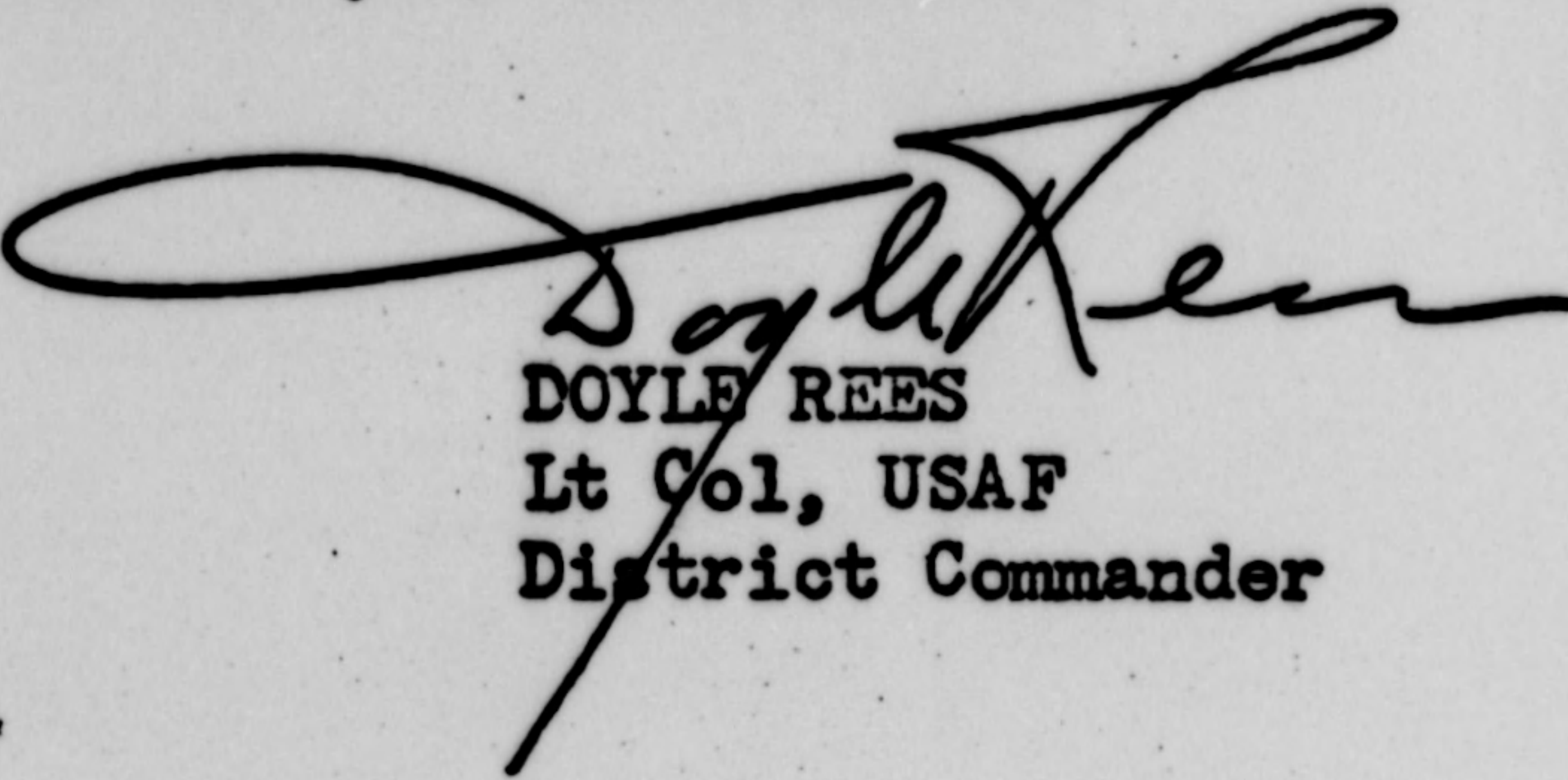
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1. Reference is made to previous Reports of Investigation from this office relative to observations of unidentified aerial phenomena.

2. Attached is one copy of a Report of Investigation by Special Agent [REDACTED], this office, dated 15 March 1950, subject as above.

3. Investigation of unidentified aerial phenomena is continuing in this office and copies of all future reports regarding observations of this nature will be forwarded for your information.

1 Incl:
Rpt of Inv, 15 Mar 50


DOYLE REES
Lt Col, USAF
District Commander

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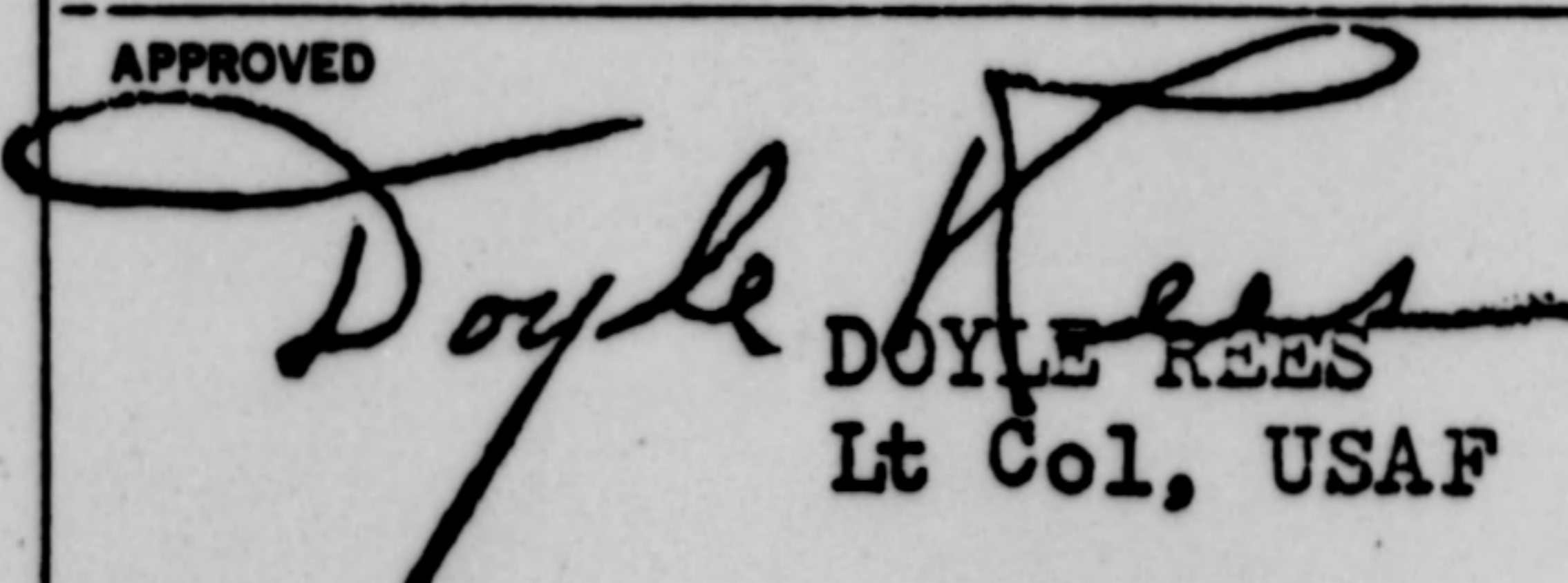
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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS REPORT OF INVESTIGATION		FILE NO. (24-8)-24	DATE 15 March 1950
TITLE UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT Fireball Sighted by [REDACTED], [REDACTED], 2115 hours, 25 February 1950		REPORT MADE BY S/A CRISTINO B. GRIEGO	
		REPORT MADE AT DO #17, Kirtland Air Force Base	
		PERIOD 1 March 1950	
		OFFICE OF ORIGIN 17th DO, Kirtland Air Force Base	
		STATUS CLOSED	
CHARACTER SPECIAL INQUIRY - Unconventional Aircraft			
REFERENCE AFCSI Letter No. 85 and Hq OSI File No. 24-185			
SYNOPSIS Investigation predicated upon information received from Dr LINCOLN LAPAZ, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Aerial phenomena sighted West of Albuquerque approximately 1358 hours, 24 February 1950. PURSUANT TO PAR 11 AFR 205-6 UN: AUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE OF INFOR- MATION CONTAINED IN THIS REPORT IS A VIOLATION OF AFR 205-1			
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File	2	APPROVED  DOYLE REES Lt Col, USAF District Commander.	
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DETAILS:

1. This investigation is predicated upon AFCSI Letter No. 85, dated 12 August 1949, and OSI Headquarters File No. 24-185.

AT ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

2. Mr. [REDACTED], University of New Mexico Student, 124 $\frac{1}{2}$ N. Arno, Albuquerque, New Mexico, was interviewed on 1 March 1950. The following information is transmitted as a result of this interview.

Time and date of sighting: 2115 hours, 25 February 1950
Point of observation: 600 N. Vassar, Albuquerque, N. M., residence of Dr. [REDACTED]. Sitting in living-room looking West. [REDACTED] did not see object.
Number of objects: One
What attracted attention to object: Brightness of same.
Color: Bright greenish white. Left a reddish glow behind it.
Forward end of it also seemed a little red.
Size: About three times the size of a shooting star.
Shape: Tear drop shape with short tail.
Apparent construction: Unknown - appeared to be burning.
Distance of object from observer: Unknown - could have been 5 miles and it could have been 85 or more.
Angle of elevation from horizon: Approximately 20°
Direction from observer: West-southwest
Direction of flight of object: Toward South- 5° off vertical (almost straight down)
Tactics or maneuvers: None fell almost straight down
Evidence of trail or exhaust: Small trail of sky rocket effect
Effect on clouds: Cloudless sky.
Luminosity of object: Greenish-white like a parachute flare
Apparent means of support and/or propulsion: None
Projections and/or indentations: None noticed
Speed: Slightly slower than falling star.
Sound: None
Odor: None
Time in sight: One and a half seconds at most.
Manner of disappearance: Appeared to burn out.
Notes relative to observer: Observer is a student in Journalism and has been interested in writing articles in University newspaper concerning "flying saucers" and other strange air phenomena. That is why he became so interested at sighting of object.

3. All logical leads have been exhausted and this case is being closed.

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