

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE April - August 1951		2. LOCATION Gambill, St Lawrence Island, Alaska		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other <u>Gun Fire</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT - - -		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☒ Yes Not Rec'd ☐ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION - - -		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Multiple		9. COURSE - - -	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Series of flashes and explosions observed and heard over six month period. Explosions also caused ground to vibrate. flashes either on shore or in water. (NOT A UFO REPORT).				11. COMMENTS Evaluated as gunfire from shore Batteries by CINCAL.	

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GEN GANLAND HANDLED
THIS TO ME TO
INCORPORATE WITH LT.
PUPPETS PROJECT
Y.L. Dunn

Have Helen sign hand-receipt and
carry to Lt. Puppelt. ABO

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HEADQUARTERS ALASKAN COMMAND
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, J-2
Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska

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31 January 1952

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal

TO: Directorate of Intelligence
Headquarters USAF
ATTN: AFOIN-A
Washington 25, D. C.

Herewith copies of reports of unusual phenomena and events from the intelligence files of the Alaskan Command as requested by Brigadier General Garland of Captain Lampman.

Incls:
See List

L. R. Lampman
L. R. LAMPMAN
Captain, USN
A C/S, J-2

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LIST OF ENCLOSED REPORTS

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1. Copy radio, DTG 030112Z, Jan 51 - from CINCAL to AOC, Northwest Air Command, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada (Confid.)
2. Copy radio, DTG 071937Z, Jan 51 - from CG AAC to COMALSEAFRON, Kodiak (Confid.)
3. Copy radio, DTG 280106Z, Jan 51 - from COMALSEAFRON to CG AAC (Confid.)
4. Copy radio, DTG 290030Z, Jan 51 - from CG 5001st Comp Wg to CG AAC (Confid.)
5. Copy radio, DTG 310011Z, Jan 51 - from CG AAC to CINCAL (Confid.)
6. Copy radio, DTG 060159Z, Feb 51 - from CG AAC to COMALSEAFRON, Kodiak (Confid.)
7. Copy radio, DTG 060844Z, Feb 51 - from COMALSEAFRON, ^{at Burton Island} Kodiak (Confid.)
8. Copy radio, DTG 080305Z, Feb 51 - from CG AAC to COFS USAF, Wash. D.C. (Confid.)
9. Copy radio, DTG 010435Z, Mar 51 - from CG AAC to CG ANC (Confid.)
10. Copy radio, DTG 150939Z, Mar 51 - from COMALSEAFRON to CINCAL (Clear)
11. Copy radio, DTG 182045Z, Aug 51 - from CG 5001st Comp Wg, Ladd AFB -(Secret) ~~to CG AAC~~
12. Copy radio, DTG 182147Z, Aug 51 - from CG AAC to C/S USAF, Wash. D.C. (Secret)
13. Copy radio, DTG 190215Z, Aug 51 - from CG AAC to C/S USAF, Wash. D.C. (Secret)
14. Copy radio, DTG 210249Z, Aug 51 - from CINCPAC to CINCAL (Secret)
15. Copy radio, DTG 222145Z, Aug 51 - from CINCAL to CINCPACFLT (Secret)
16. Copy radio, DTG 302330Z, Aug 51 - from CG 5001st Comp Wg, Ladd AFB (Secret) ~~to CG AAC~~
- ✓ 17. Copy radio, DTG 312200Z, Aug 51 - from CG 5001st Comp Wg, Ladd AFB (Secret) ~~to CG AAC~~
18. Copy radio, DTG 010255Z, Sep 51 - from CG AAC to C/S USAF, Wash. D.C. (Secret)
19. Copy letter, dtd 14 Sep 51 - from USARAL to CINCAL (Clear)
20. Copy report, dtd 17 Oct 51 - from Det #2, 703d CIC Det, USARAL to J-2 (Confid.)
21. Copy report, dtd 16 Nov 51 - from G-2, USARAL to J-2 (Confid.)

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1. List of Inclosed Reports (1-1 pg) T52-4202A

2. Copy radio, DTG 030102Z, Jan 51 - from CINCAL
to AOC, Northwest Air Command, Edmonton,
Alberta, Canada (C) T52-4202B

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3. Copy radio, DTG 071937Z, Jan 51 - from CG AAC
to COMALSEAFRON, Kodiak (C) T52-4202C

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4. Copy radio, DTG 280106Z, Jan 51 - from COMALSEAFRON
to CG AAC (C) T52-4202D

5. Copy radio, DTG 290030Z, Jan 51 - from CG 5001st Comp Wg
to CG AAC (C) T52-4202E

6. Copy radio, DTG 310011Z, Jan 51 - from CG AAC
to CINCAL (C) T52-4202F

7. Copy radio, DTG 060159Z, Feb 51 - from CG AAC
to COMALSEAFRON, Kodiak (C) T52-4202G

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8. Copy radio, DTG 060844Z, Feb 51 - from COMALSEAFRON, Kodiak
to Burton Island (C) T52-4202H

9. Copy radio, DTG 080305Z, Feb 51 - from CG AAC
to COPS USAF, Washington, D.C. (C) T52-4202I

10. Copy radio, DTG 010435Z, Mar 51 - from CG AAC
to CG AMC (C) T52-4202J

26 FEB 51 LADD AFB, ALASKA

11. Copy radio, DTG 150939Z, Mar 51 - from COMALSEAFRON
to CINCAL (Clear) T52-4202K

11-14 MAR TATLETLEK ALASKA

12. Copy radio, DTG 182045Z, Aug 51 - from CG 5001st Comp Wg, Ladd AFB
to CG AAC (S) T52-4202L

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13. Copy radio, DTG 182147Z, Aug 51 - from CG AAC
to C/S USAF, Wash. D.C. (S) T52-4202M

14. Copy radio, DTG 190215Z, Aug 51 - from CG AAC
to C/S USAF, Wash. D.C. (S) T52-4202N

15. Copy radio, DTG 210249Z, Aug 51 - from CINCPAC
to CINCAL (S) T52-4202O

16. Copy radio, DTG 222145Z, Aug 51 - from CINCAL
to CINCPACFLT (S) T52-4202P

17. Copy radio, DTG 302330Z, Aug 51 - from CG 5001st Comp Wg, Ladd AFB
to CG AAC (S) T52-4202Q

18. Copy radio, DTG 312200Z, Aug 51 - from CG 5001st Comp Wg, Ladd AFB
to CG AAC (S) T52-4202R
APR AUG GAMVILLE 15, ALASKA

19. Copy radio, DTG 010255Z, Sep 51 - from CG AAC
to C/S USAF, Wash. D.C. (S) T52-4202S

20. Copy letter, dtd 14 Sep 51 - from USARAL
to CINCAL (Clear) T52-4202T

21. Copy report, dtd 17 Oct 51 - from Det #2, 703d CIC Det, USARAL
to J-2 (C) T52-4202U
16 OCT ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

22. Copy report, dtd 16 Nov 51 - from G-2, USARAL
to J-2 (C) T52-4202V
*31 OCT 51 POINT BARROW,
ALASKA*

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443

FROM: CG 5001ST COMP WG LADD AFB ALS

ACTION TO: CG AAC

LTG:

Aug 51

Fr LEWOP3 2403C For Dir of Intel.
Ref mymsg Cite 3394C, late msg fr Det A-4
indicates fol: Nr of blasts exceeded 50. Explosions vis
sighted, obsr stated explosions originated in water off
base of mountains at azimuth 300 to 320° at distance of
25 to 35 miles.

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FROM: CG AAC A 780
ACTION TO: C/S USAF WASH DC
INFO TO: CINCAL
CINCPAC
COMALSEAFRON
DTG: AUGUST 51

AAOID-8-0906

Gambell Det rptd 43 heavy explosions at apprx
Azimuth 320 degrees in separate distinct groups (12, 13 and 18)
from 162300Z to 170430Z. Sound seemed to be on surface 30 to 40
miles distant and was likened to salvo of naval guns. Slight
ground-tremore felt. Could possibly be shore battery firing from
vicinity MYS Chukotskiy (ALGE 5215). Where previous explosions
have been reported.

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FROM: CG AAC
ACTION TO: C/S USAF WASH DC
INFO TO: CINCAL
CINCPAC
COMALSEAFRON

A 784

LTG: AUGUST 51

AAOID-5-0927 reourmsg dtg 182147Z.

Additional info indicates, nr blasts exceeded
50. Explosions vis sighted. Obsr states explosions originated
in water off base of mountains at Azimuth 300 to 320 at distance
of 25 to 35 miles.

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FROM: CINCPAC
ACTION TO: CINCAL
INFO TO: COMSUBPAC
DTG: ,

AAC Ft Richardson 182147Z and 190215Z refer.
Request any further amplifying info and evaluation.
In particular would appreciate plot of any radar contacts - air or
surface noted during period of explosions, and general data on previous
explosions vic Myschukotskiy.

NOTE:
UNDERLINED PORTION CORRECTED

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FROM: CINCAL
ACTION TO: CINCPACFLT
INFO TO: COMALSEAFRON
DTG:

No radar or air observations during period of incident queried in urmsg 210249Z similar phenomena noted 13 and 29 Apr 50. 19 and 30 July 50, 8 Aug 50. Located between Bora Lysaya Golova and Cape Cherkasskogo are 2 confirmed and 3 probable coastal defense batteries of 6 guns each mounted in pairs. Evaluation of reported explosions by CINCAL is gunfire from above cited positions on target which was not observed from St Lawrence. Height of radar antenna at site is 640 ft with horizon at 38 miles makes doubtful explosions were observed "in water off base of mountains." See AAC Intelligence Review Nbr 50-3 and Nbr 50-8, dtd 1 Mar and 15 Sep 50 for further details Gambell observations.

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FROM: CG 5001ST COMFWG LADD AFB ALS

ACTION TO: CG AAC

DTG:

LEWOP 33557C. For Dir of Intel.
Ref mymsg Cite 3394C and Par 6A6, AAC Ltr 200-3,
rept fr Det A-4 fols "Another series of explosions have been
rept by the natives and several men of this Det. The first was
noticed at aprx 291700Z and another at 292310Z. Have placed
obsr on the hill. Explosions were clearly heard at this time
292345Z. Seem to orig at base of mountains or a dis out in the
water. Sgd CO". Msg dispatched to Det req add info, will fwd
results.

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FROM: CG 5001ST COMP WG LADD AFB

ACTION TO: CG AAC

DTG: ~~SECRET~~

LEWOP3 3572C for Dir of Intel.
Refmymsg cite 3557C and par 6A6, AAC Ltr
200-3. Add info fr Det A-4 fols: obsr rept apprx azimuth
of explosions between 320 and 325 degs fr sta, Visual obsr
on mountain rept explosions of intensity to make grd tremble
and were accompanied by bright flashes. Photos were taken
with ATI equip. Photos will be fwd upon receipt by this hq.

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A 011

FROM: CG AAC
ACTION TO: C/S USAF WASH DC
INFO TO: CINCAL
CINCPAC
COMALSEAFRON
USARAL

DTG:

AAOID-3 1628

My msg 0906 on 18 Aug 51. Gambell Det rptd additional series explosions heard by natives. Military personnel of radar det. First explosions noticed aprx 291700Z. Second series 292310Z. Explosions clearly heard.

Explosions appeared emanated base of mountains or distance out in water from Chukotskiy Peninsula, vic of Chaplina. Georef Grid AL sector GE 5215. AAC Comment. Possible shore battery firing to off-shore tgt. See intel rpt 15-50 dtd 22 Aug 50 for additional info and evaluation.

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY ALASKA
APO 942, c/o POSTMASTER SEATTLE, WASHINGTON
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2

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14 September 1951

SUBJECT: Intelligence Report, Gambell, Alaska

TO: Commander-in-Chief
Alaskan Command
APO 942, U. S. Army

Attn: AC of S, J-2

1. The following information was reported by a member of the First Alaska National Guard Scout Battalion at Gambell, Alaska.

a. On 16 August 1951, at 1300 W, approximately ten explosions were heard originating thirty-five to forty miles Northwest of Gambell.

b. Similar explosions were again noticed at 1645 W, that same day.

2. Informant believes that the explosions heard on these two occasions were caused by the firing of heavy guns. During the period of this incident foggy weather conditions existed with Westerly winds.

/s/ W. A. Perry

W. A. PERRY
Colonel, GS
AC of S, G-2

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