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29 Jul 52

LOCATION 42°03'N 71°1'E
OTTIS AFB, MASSACHUSETTS

1. DATE-TIME GROUP

2. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

3. COMMENTS

29/214900Z

☐ Ground-Visual

☐ Ground-Prior

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☒ Air-Visual

☐ Air-Intercept

4. SOURCE

AF Pilot

5. DURATION OF OBSERVATION

6. NUMBER OF OBJECTS & CATEGORIES

8 minutes

One

7. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

8. COMMENTS

White light blinking and sometimes flashing rapidly traveled slowly gaining altitude up approx 22,000 ft. At closest range object appeared to have something hanging from it. Observed by pilot of F-94 a/c.

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT FLYOBRT		
AREA REPORTED ON Boston, Mass.	FROM (Agency) Civ Wt Obsv, Logan Apt, Boston & Airborne F-94 pilot w/58 FTS, Otis AFB, Mass.	
DATE OF REPORT 4 Aug 52	DATE OF INFORMATION 23 Jul & 30 Jul 52	EVALUATION N/A
PREPARED BY (Officer) JAMES A. BROWN, Capt., USAF, Wg Intell	SOURCE Mr. [REDACTED] Lt [REDACTED]	
REFERENCES (Control number, direction, previous report, etc., if applicable) See Incls and 58th Ftr-Intop Sq Rpts of 23 Jul, Lts [REDACTED]		

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclusions at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)

This report is intended to clarify and resolve two previous reports, per above and incls.

Reference Incl 1:

The report submitted pertaining to sighting by Mr. [REDACTED] has been resolved to the satisfaction of the undersigned. Mr. [REDACTED] made the sighting at the same time F-94B aircraft, piloted by Lts [REDACTED] of the 58th Ftr-Intop Sq, were in his surveillance area.

After considerable detailed conversation with these two pilots as to their tactics, etc, in attempting to intercept the object(s) they had sighted it is the opinion of the undersigned that Mr. [REDACTED] was tracking their aircraft.

The F-94s were maneuvering in the area reported by Mr. [REDACTED].

The F-94s made definite turns.

Afterburners were lit, power advanced and retarded.

Mr. [REDACTED] is likely unfamiliar with the appearance of the afterburner blast of a jet fighter as it appears at night, and during maneuvers.

Reference Incl 2:

After considerable detailed conversation with the pilot making the sighting the base weather officer was conferred with.

It is the opinion of the undersigned, the base (Otis AFB) weather officer, and (now) the reporting pilot, that the object sighted and reported as unidentified was a weather pilot balloon.

Further, it is the opinion of all three that the object (resolved as a pilot balloon) was most likely released from Westover AFB, Mass.

Because of this conclusion no further report was made on the object.

James A. Brown
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Captain, USAF
Wg Intell Off

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[REDACTED] 28TH OID 2521 FLYOBRPT. ATTN: DIRECTOR OF
INTELLIGENCE. ATTN: ATIAA-2C AT JEPHQ PD

(1) ONE LARGE BRIGHT OBJECT FLYING A STRAIGHT COURSE WITH ESTIMATED
SPEED OF BETWEEN 600 TO 700 MILES PER HOUR.

(2) 2335PDT, 29 JULY. OBSERVED MOMENTARILY.

(3) VISUAL.

(4) OBSERVED AT GOC POST APPROXIMATELY 8 MILES NW CHICO, CALIF. OBJECT
WAS SIGHTED OVERHEAD.

(5) MR. [REDACTED] CHICO, CALIF.

(6) WX- WARM WITH SCATTERED CLOUDS AND MODERATE WINDS IN AREA OF

sighting

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SIGHTING.

(7) NONE

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

(10) NONE REPORTED

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FM CG 35TH ADIV DEF DOBBINS AFB GA

TO JEPHQ/DIR OF INTEL, HQ USAF WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO

[REDACTED] CITE COC-1026 FOR: ATIAA-2C FLYOBRPT PD AT

301630 EST THIS HQS RECEIVED A CALL FROM A MRS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ATLANTA, GA. INFORMING US OF AN UNUSUAL FLYING

OBJECT NEAR HER HOME AT 2200 EST 29 JULY 1952. THE FOLLOWING DATA

WAS OBSERVED:

1. APPEARED AS FIRE IN THE SKY-ORANGE IN COLOR
2. SHAPED IRREGULAR SOMEWHAT LIKE MOON
3. APPEARED TO BE LOW AND CLIMBING UP
4. SPEED APPEARED TO BE NEGATIVE OR VERY SLOW
5. DIRECTION NW OF OBSERVER, DISTANCE UNKNOWN
6. OBSERVED 5 OR 10 MINUTES AND STILL APPEARED.

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THE ABOVE DATA ALSO WITNESSED BY HER HUSBAND, A HEATING ENGINEER.

THIS HQS UNABLE TO USE ANY OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION OR OBSERVATION BECAUSE OF 18 HUS LAPSE.

ABOVE SIGHTING ALSO WITNESSED BY MRS ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

~~XXXXXXXX~~ DECATUR, GA. AT 2200-2215 EST. MRS ~~XXXXXXXX~~ GAVE SAME STORY

EXCEPT THAT THE OBJECT WAS SEEN WSW OF HER AND THAT THE OBJECT FIRST

APPEARED AS TWO OBJECTS WHICH FUSED TOGETHER. OBSERVED FOR 15

MINUTES. REMARKS: WEATHER BALOON RELEASED FROM DOBBINS AFB AT

2150 EST, THE APPROXIMATE TIME OF OBSERVATION. WEATHER BALOON DID

NOT HAVE LANTERN BUT, HAD A LARGE REFLECTOR. NUMEROUS THUNDERSTORMS

IN AREA WHICH COULD EASILY KEEP REFLECTOR LIGHTED.

WINDS ALOFT AT TIME OF SIGHTINGS:

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CONSIDERING VARIABLE WINDS AND THE FIX OBTAINED BY INTERSECTION OF

LINE OF SIGHTINGS OF WEATHER BALOON COULD BE RESPONSIBLE.

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[REDACTED] 28TH OI/9506 FLYOBRPT

(1) UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT PD SPEED EST PD 1200 MPH CMA AT AN ALT PD OVER
20000 FT PD OBJECT MOVING NORTH TO SOUTH PD SHAPE AND COLOR UN-
REPORTED PD 2325Z *must be 2325Z or earlier*

(2) 1535 PDT PD LENGHT OF TIME OBSERVED UNREPORTED PD

(3) VISUAL FROM GROUND

(4) OBSERVER AT GOC POST CMA RED BLUFF CMA CLIF PD

(5) OBSERVERS CLN [REDACTED] CMA [REDACTED] CMA RED BLUFF CMA CALIF PD

[REDACTED] PD WITNESSES WERE CLN MRS [REDACTED] CMA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PD RED BLUFF CMA CALIF PD [REDACTED] CMA RED BLUFF PD

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(6) WX GENERALLY CLEAR WITH SCATTERED CUMULUS CLOUDS TO NE OVER MTNS PD

(7) NONE

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

(10) NONE KNOWN

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