

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 23 April 1957		2. LOCATION Guam, Marianas (14.27N 124.0E)		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☒ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other <u>flare</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 23/1655Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 12 seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE -- --	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING CIRVIS report of phosphorous flare fired fm surface. Report fm a/c.				11. COMMENTS Not rptd as a UFO. Rptd as a flare.	

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PFICO, PACIFIC Air Force/Far East Air Forces (REAR), APO 953, San Francisco, California 15 May 57, Subject: (Unclass) Intelligence Report

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24 MAY 1957

Headquarters Air Defense Command, Ent Air Force Base, Colorado Springs, Colorado

TO: Commander-in-Chief, Continental Air Defense Command, ATTN: COINT, Ent Air Force Base, Colorado Springs, Colorado

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MAY 28 1957

Headquarters Continental Air Defense Command, ENT Air Force Base Colorado Springs, Colorado

TO: 4602d Air Intelligence Service Squadron, ENT Air Force Base Colorado Springs, Colorado

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Headquarters, 4602d Air Intelligence Service Squadron (ADC), Ent Air Force Base, Colorado

29 MAY 1957

TO: Commander, Air Technical Intelligence Center, ATTN: APOIN 4EL, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

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HEADQUARTERS
PACIFIC AIR FORCE/FAR EAST AIR FORCES (REAR)
APO 953, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PFICO

15. MAY. 1957

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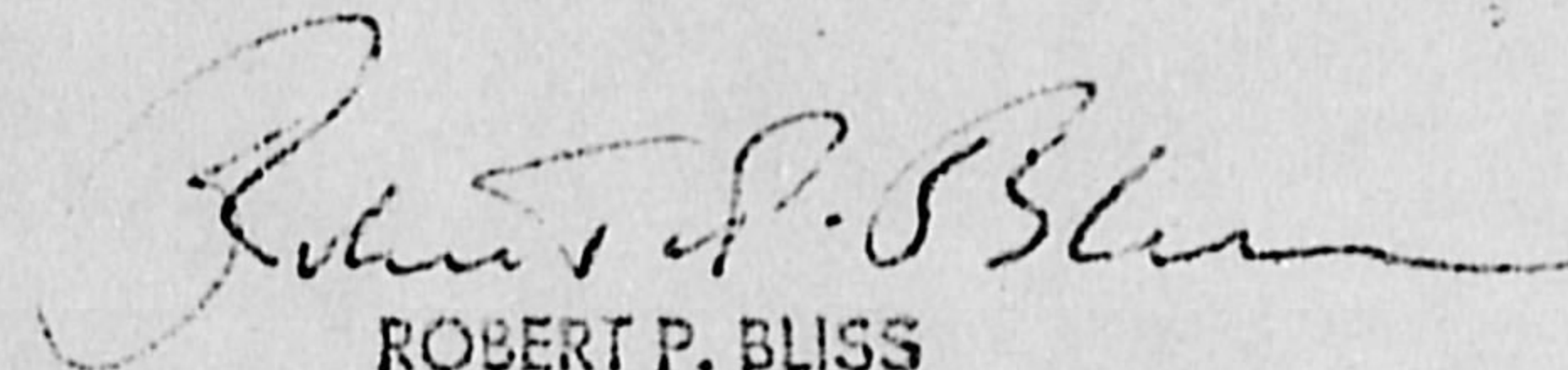
TO: Commander
Air Defense Command
Ent Air Force Base, Colorado

1. In accordance with AFR 200-3 dated 13 May 1955, the attached "CIRVIS" report is submitted.

2. Copies of the attached inclosures were forwarded to the following addressees:

Chief of Staff, USAF
Headquarters FEAF, ATILQ
Commander in Chief, Pacific
Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet
Headquarters, Thirteenth Air Force

FOR THE COMMANDER:


ROBERT P. BLISS
Colonel, USAF
Asst Deputy for Intell

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Ltr, 7 May 57, Subj: Intell
Rept, w/2 incls

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TO RUAGEL/CONTAIW

RUAGEL/EFCON US

RUAGLO/COMATF 131P

RJMALC/COMDR13TH AF

RJEDEN/COMDR AIR DEFENCE ENT AFB COLORADO

RJEPHQ/CHIEF OF STAFF USAF WASHDC

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CIRVIS/SIGHTED LIGHT FLARE AT 180 FT MI RIGHT OF COURSE

APPEARED TO BE PHOSPHRS FLARE FIRED FROM SURFACE 1755Z 1427N 12422

BT

23/1745Z APR UOMPAN

Possible

Location { 14° 27' N
124° 00' W

Time = 1755 - 8 = 0955 (i.e. morning
of day 1
previous)

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Headquarters
1502d Air Transport Wing, Heavy (MATS)
United States Air Force
APO 953, San Francisco, California



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7 MAY 1957

SUBJECT: Intelligence Report

TO: Commander
PACAF/FEAF (REAR)
Attn: Colonel Freeman
APO 953

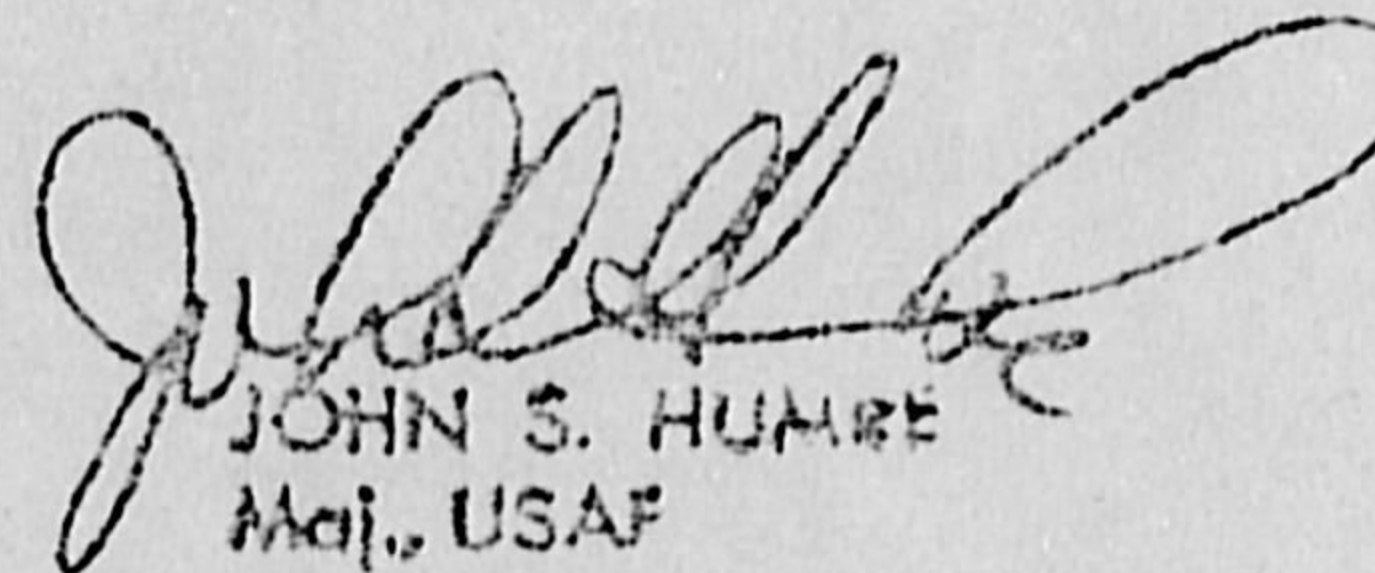
1. Attached is a copy of a "CIRVIS" report submitted by the crew of a MATS R7V Flight, Trip #352/23B. Also attached is a statement by LCdr Roach who was piloting the aircraft at the time of the reported incident. This report is forwarded to your headquarters as a result of a telephone conversation between Colonel Freeman, your headquarters, and Major Ervin of the 1502d Air Transport Wing, Heavy.

2. This report was given to the Guam Air/Ground Station initially and reported to Guam Operations upon landing at NAS Agana. The report is forwarded to your headquarters for your information and further distribution as you deem necessary.

THE COMMANDER:

2 Incls

1. Mission Rept,
ATS-8, 29Apr57
2. Statement, LCdr Roach


JOHN S. HUMMEL
Maj., USAF
Adjutant

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AIR TRANSPORT SQUADRON EIGHT
1500th AIR TRANSPORT GROUP
APO 953

DATE 4-29-57

SUBJECT: Mission Report

TO: Squadron Intelligence Officer

1. During the course of trip(s):
the following sightings were observed::

a. Ships (List number only)

(1) Cargo/Freighter	(4) Submarines
(2) Transport/Passenger	(5) Other types
(3) Combat/Navy	(6) Unidentified

b. Aircraft (List Number and Type)

c. Other (State what was sighted and numbers)

2. The following sighting(s) BRIGHT FLARE 5 Mi To Sthd.
was considered to warrant further investigation and was reported to

GUAM by means of a CIRVIS report on
GRD STATION OR INSTL CIRVIS, ROUTINE, ETC.

23 APRIL 1957. 1746Z.
DATE - TIME

3. Additional information considered to be of an intelligence nature:
(Use other side if necessary).

LIGHTED BRIGHT FLARE 18T
5 Mi. RIGHT OF COURSE APPEARED WHITE PHOSPHORUS
POSS. B14 FIRED FROM SURFACE AT 1655Z AT
14-27N 124-00E.

Frank C. Henville
AIRCRAFT COMMANDER

NOTE: This report will be classified in accordance with information contained hereon.

1500th ATG mission rpt form 200-3
Prepared by VR-8 Nav.Off.

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STATEMENT OF LCDR ROACH

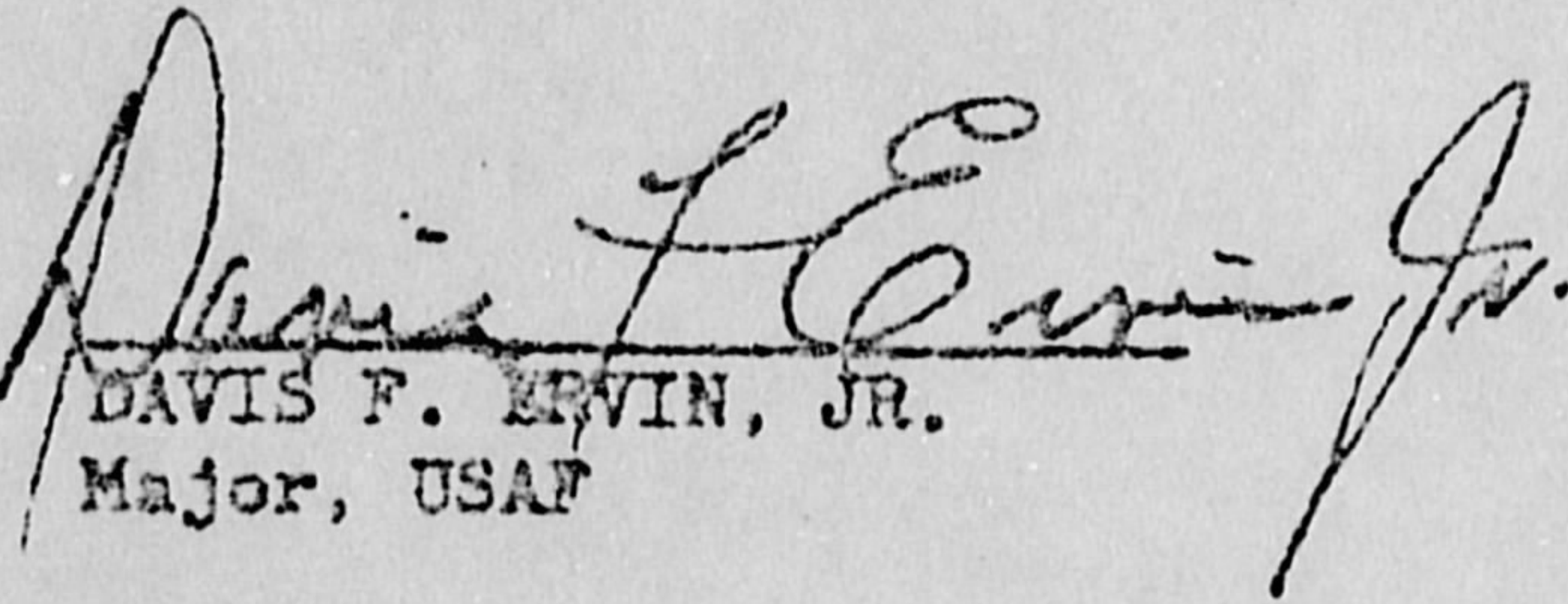
The incident occurred about 1655Z. Just prior to that time I had been operating the radar on the various ranges and various degrees of antenna tilt. I don't remember what range I finally left the radar on when I looked up, scanned the instruments, and looked outside and noted how clear and light it appeared. There was no weather in the area except scattered cumulus clouds which were way below us; we were at 17,000 and I'd estimate the tops of the scattered clouds were at 4-5000 feet. It seems I had looked back at the instruments when I had the sensation it was suddenly becoming light. It seemed that in a fraction of a second (about the time it would take a match to flare to its full brilliance after being struck) it was so bright I had the impression a searchlight was being directed at the aircraft (it was bright enough I could have easily read a book in the cockpit by its light). The thought that immediately entered my mind was that of missing our ETA at the P-ADIZ and that an interceptor aircraft had fired a flare or turned a searchlight on us. I looked out the right hand cockpit window and saw a bright ball of light about 10 degrees above and behind the right wing, at what I would estimate was within 100 yards of the aircraft. The object fell below and behind the right wing and went out immediately after it became visible under the wing. After the main ball of light went out there appeared to be three fragments which fell separately, glowing for perhaps two seconds. The color was a white phosphorus and there was no apparent forward or aft movement in relation to the aircraft. There was no apparent shock or noise accompanying the incident and I would estimate that it was about 12 seconds from the time I first became aware of the

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Statement of LCdr Roach (cont'd)

increase of light until the last fragments went out. I could see no other objects on either side of the aircraft or in any area which I could see. I called for the Aircraft Commander, LCdr Harrell, who was back in the passenger cabin at the time; however, there was some delay in his being notified and it was about 15 or 20 minutes before he came forward and made out the CIRVLS report which was sent to Guam as we were not in contact with Clark when the report was ready. LCdr Harrell also passed the information on to Pan American Flight 26 Victor which was enroute to Manila and asked him to pass it to Clark by phone as soon as he got in.

A TRUE COPY:


DAVIS F. ERVIN, JR.
Major, USAF