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NO. IN GROUP ---

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DATE OF UFO 26 November 1948

LOCATION Eastern Washington, & Oregon

SOURCE Navy Cmdr.

DATE IN TO ATIC ---

COLOR ---

SPEED ---

ALTITUDE 1000'-5000'

Estimated
Mean
Reliability
Measured

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED ---

TYPE OF OBSERVATION Aerial

MANEUVERS ---

REMARKS: Source points out that although objects seemed authentic they were actually only reflections of the sun, from the tops of metal farm structures.

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U. S. NAVAL STATION
BLDG 247
1611 W. Wheeler Street
Seattle 99, Washington

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26 November 1948

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From: Commander W. J. Young, USNR

TO: District Intelligence Officer, 13ND

SUBJECT: Flying Disks, Report on.

1. Reporting officer has had occasion to do considerable flying as a passenger in connection with his duties. On several occasions he has witness d a phenomenon which could easily have been mistaken for flying disks. This phenomenon has been observed in the vast plains of the Willamette Valley and the plains of Eastern Washington and Oregon. One striking example was on the trip over the Willamette Valley on a clear sunny day when the blue haze, always present, seemed somewhat thicker than usual. The aircraft flying at 3,000 ft, appeared to be in company with several planes flying at altitudes from approximately 1,000 to 5,000 feet. Some appeared on the beam of the airplane, others on the bows or dead ahead. The objects would disappear from time to time and new ones would appear. It was finally determined that what looked to be aircraft at various altitudes were reflections of the sun from aluminum roofs or barns and other farm buildings at great distances from the aircraft. This was caused by the perspective of land converging with sky on the horizon, and the reflection of the roofs and the limited ground visibility made it appear as though these objects were actually airborn at various altitudes in the haze.

2. This report is not meant to discount the possibility of "flying disks" but may be helpful in the evaluation of the many reports which will be received from sincere sources once a cycle of such reports has started.

s/ W. J. Young

W. J. Young
Comdr., USNR

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31 DEC 1948

Dept. of the Air Force, Hq. USAF, Washington 25, D. C.

TO: Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Wright Field, Ohio

Forwarded as a matter pertaining to your Command.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

ROBERT TAYLOR 3rd
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Collection Branch
Air Intelligence Requirements Division
Directorate of Intelligence

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Serial 08211P32

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS
Washington 25, D. C.

10 Dec 1948

From: Chief of Naval Intelligence
To: Director of Intelligence, U. S. Air Force
(Attn: Air Intelligence Requirements Division)

SUBJECT: Report on Flying Discs

Reference: (a) DI/USAF Conf ltr AFOIR-OO-5 dtd 14 Oct 48

Enclosure: (A) DIO 13ND Conf ltr to CNO (CNI) dtd 26 Nov 48 with enclosure attached thereto.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith as a matter of interest to your office in compliance with reference (a).

D. L. DAY
By direction

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DIO/13NDO
Flying Discs (JACKET)

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From: District Intelligence Officer THIRTEENTH Naval District

TO: Chief of Naval Operations (CNI).

Subject: "Flying Discs"

Reference: (a) CNO Conf. ltr. Op-322V P16-3/QN Ser 044422p32 dtd 4 Nov 1948

Enclosure: (A) (HW) Report of Commander W. J. YOUNG, U. S. N. R. Dated 26 November 1948.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded as being of possible interest.

2. The reporting officer is Commander YOUNG.

s/A. E. Jarrell

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