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PROJECT BOOK RECORD Incident #247

ATIC NO. ---

AF NO. ---

SERIAL NO. ---

DATE OF OBSERVATION ---

TIME OF OBSERVING ---

OBJECT Fireball

SIZE ---

COURSE 270°

NO. OF OBJECTS 1

SOUND ---

PHOTOS ---

SKETCHES ---

DATE OF INFO 5 Dec 48

LOCATION Blanca, Colorado

SOURCE Civilian

DATE IN TO ATIC ---

COLOR Green

SPEED ---

ALTITUDE ---

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED ---

TYPE OF OBSERVATION Visual - ground

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Remarks: Went out in mid-air.
Filed: 12 Sept 48 - Moffett, Colo

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ASTRO (METEOR)

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NO. 24-2	DATE 1 February 1949
REPORT MADE BY HAROLD B. CHRISTENSEN	
REPORT MADE AT DO #11, Tinker AFB, Oklahoma	
PERIOD 25, 31 January 1949	
OFFICE OF ORIGIN DO #17, Kirtland AFB, N. M.	
STATUS RUC	

TITLE

UNKNOWN
(Aerial Phenomena)

CHARACTER

SPECIAL INQUIRY

REFERENCE

Ltr fr 17th OSI District, file 24-8, 20 January 1949

SYNOPSIS

Investigation requested by 17th District Office, Kirtland AF Base. On nights of 12 September, 5 and 12 December 1948, Mr. [redacted] observed a "green fireball" in southern Colorado. [redacted], interviewed on 31 January 1949, stated "fireball" to be bright green and soundless. Unable to ascertain definite size, shape, speed, or altitude.

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DETAILS:

1. This investigation is predicated upon letter, 17th District Office of Special Investigations, Kirtland Air Force Base, Kirtland Field, New Mexico, dated 20 January 1949, stating MR. [redacted], 315 Barfield Building, Amarillo, Texas, observed what he described as a "green fireball" upon three separate occasions.

2. Mr. [redacted] was interviewed on 31 January 1949 and gave the following information:

On 12 September 1948, accompanied by Mr. [redacted] (initials unknown), a teacher at Moffat, Colorado high school, the first "fireball" was seen in the vicinity of Moffat, Colorado. It appeared to be a bright green falling star. On 5 December 1948, while traveling on U. S. Highway 160, in the vicinity of Blanca, Colorado, the "fireball" was again observed. Moving horizontally and westerly, at a very fast rate of speed, it once more appeared to be a bright green. [redacted] stated that the "fireball" seemed closer and more brilliant than previously. It did not fall but "went out in midair." The "fireball" was last seen on 12 December 1948 in the vicinity of Monte Vista, Colorado, and again had the appearance of a bright green falling star. In the company of [redacted], at this time, was a Mr. [redacted] St. Louis Valley Cooperative, Monte Vista, Colorado. [redacted] described this phenomena to the best of his ability but was unable to give concrete details regarding size, shape, location, etc.

3. During the interview, it appeared to this agent that WRIGHT was above-average in intelligence and that the "fireball" was not just a figment of his imagination.

4. Reference is made of radio reports in Oklahoma area stating "fireballs" were seen on night of 31 January 1949 in northern New Mexico.

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