PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE

[illegible]

2. LOCATION

Walker AFB, New Mexico

3. DATE-TIME [illegible]

[illegible]

GMT

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar

☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept

5. PHOTOS

[illegible]

6. SOURCE

S/Sgt, USAF

7. [illegible] OBSERVATION

[illegible]

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS

5-6

9. COURSE

NW

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

[illegible] color.

11. COMMENTS

Speed - 500-[illegible] MPH.

12. CONCLUSIONS

☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon
☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft
☐ Was Astronomical
☐ Probably Astronomical
☐ Possibly Astronomical
☐ Other
☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
X Unknown

What?! Balloon?

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 2[illegible] SEP 52)

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SUBJ CLN FLYOBRPT PD REF PAR 7C CMA AFL 200-5 CMA THE FOLG INFO IS SBM CLN PART I. A CIRCULAR SHAPED OBJECT SMCLN METALLIC SMCLN METALLIC COLD IN COLOR SMCLN SPEED VERY RAPID AND DEFINITELY UNOBTAINABLE BY CONVENTIONAL ACFT BUT NOT ACCURATELY DETERMINED SMCLN NEGATIVE SOUND SMCLN IN LEVEL FLT TBLG A CRSE SE TO NW PD PART II. BOSRD APRX 10 SECONDS AT 2330Z CMA 17 JUNE CURR PD PART III. VIS PD PART IV. OBSR APPRX FIVE MILE NE OF LANSING CMA MICH PD OBJECT BETWEEN 35 AND 40 DEGREES AZIMUTH FR THE PT OF OBSERVATION PD DIS AND ALT UNDETERMINED PD PART V. OBSR [illegible] CMA STATE JOURNAL CMA LANSING MICH PD RELIABILITY

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AND EXPERIENCE JNKNOWN PD PART VI. VISIBILITY 15 MILES SMCLN SKY CLEAR SMCLN WINDS ALOFT 20000 FT CMA 280 DEGREES AT 52 KNOTS PD PART VII. FRIENDLY ACFT IN AREA PD PART VIII. NEGATIVE PD PART IX. NEGATIVE PD PART X. FOUR F-94 ACFT FR 61ST FTR-INTCP SQ CMA SELFRIDGE AFB CMA MICH FLYING IN AREA AT TIME OF SIGHTING PD ALT 25000 FT PD THIS OFFICE EVALUATES SIGHTING AS F-94 ACFT PD END

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[illegible] RECORD CARD

[illegible]	2. LOCATION [illegible] miles [illegible], MICHIGAN	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably [illegible] ☐ Possibly Balloon
[illegible]	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Interceptor Radar	☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
[illegible]	6. SOURCE Newspaper Reported	☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 seconds	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	9. COURSE No	☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING	11. COMMENTS
One elliptical shaped object, dark grey in color was observed 10 seconds in a downward path.	No sound. F-94 a/c in area at 25,000'. Originating office evaluates this as F-94 type a/c.

ATIC FORM 209 (REV 25 SEP 52)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, USAF
5TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, [redacted] OHIO

IN REPLY REFER TO: 5D-24-21

30 June 1952

SUBJECT: Sighting of Unidentified Object in Sky Near Wright Air Development Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: Commanding Officer
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio

1. The following information is transmitted to your Headquarters for any action which may be deemed appropriate:

On 19 June 1952, Captain [redacted], Flight Safety Officer, Patterson Operations Building, Room 211, Phone 5-1209, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, advised that he received a telephone call on 18 June 1952, from [redacted], Civilian Employee, WADC (Wind Tunnel), Telephone [redacted], to the effect that [redacted] had sighted an unidentified object in the sky near WADC on 17 June 1952, between 1605 and 1610 hours. A transcription of the telephone conversation between Captain [redacted] and [redacted] was obtained from Captain [redacted] and is attached hereto as Inclosure No. 1.

Captain [redacted] further stated that [redacted], Civilian Employee, WADC (Wind Tunnel), Telephone [redacted] and [redacted] telephonically advised he had witnessed an unidentified object in the sky over WADC, Area "B", 17 June 1952, between 1600 to 1615 hours and gave substantially the same information as [redacted]. Captain [redacted] suggested that Colonel [redacted], WADC, Telephone [redacted] be contacted to determine if his section had any strange objects in the air 17 June 1952, that would resemble a flying saucer or that would tend to create an illusion.

2. No further investigation of instant matter is contemplated by this office, unless otherwise directed by your Headquarters.

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Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

3. Attention is invited to Paragraph 7, AFR 205-1, dated 14 March 1949, which prohibits the disclosure of classified information to unauthorized personnel.

D. G. North.

D. G. NORTH
Lt Colonel, USAF
District Commander

1 Incl
Transcript of phone
conversation

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A: Above Wright Field on the south edge moving slowly towards the west a very brilliant, somewhat would be comparable to possibly a mirror in the sunlight shining******At first I thought it was an airplane or possibly a helicopter cause it was emotionally very slow and watched it moved gradually****change altitude, but it moved away from the car. The car speed was possibly thirty or forty mile an hour. It was moving away from the car. It was estimated 7500 miles roughly.

Q: You say it appeared to be over what part of the field?

A: I would say it was traveling pretty closely parallel to Airway Road, and almost directly above.

Q: Did it appear to be paralling in one particular direction?

A: Yes. It didn't change directions very swiftly, gradually it seemed to move toward the north a little bit, but in the general direction of the west.

Q: Did not have the appearance of any type of conventional aircraft or structure?

A: No, it didn't have any distinquishable outline. Somewhat oval, oblong, nothing **********dark distinquishable outline to it at all.

Q: Were there other witnesses in the*********?

A: That's right, there is one in this******office and there were men standing up in the construction crew down in Airway Road apparently looking up at it. It was quite obvious that they were looking at it.

Q: Well, this is the only report we have received so far on it. I certainly thank you for calling and if we get any more reports it will give us a little more inkling of what it was.

A: Would you like to talk to one of the other gentlemen who saw it?

Q: Well, I believe your report will be sufficient, Mr. [redacted] but what I am going to do, I am going to turn it over to WADC. They quite often conduct experiment with all sorts of outlandish gadgets. In all probability, it was some sort of a test they were making with some sort of a *****No telling what it might be.

A. Is there any chance of me ever hearing about the results of that?

Q: Well sir, you can call me in about ten days or so and if I receive any more on it, actually, there is no real official action we could take. You know, unless it is something that is easily explained. It is really a little bit out of our line. It's like safety, but we are interested in knowing about any of these things. We will probably find out though that it is some sort of an experiment gadget the boys over at WADC.

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A: I imagine. Your name is Captain R[redacted]

Q: Yes that's it.

A: And your number?

Q: [redacted]

A: Alright sir, I thank you a lot.

Q: Thank you for calling.

A: You bet. Bye, CHEERIO!

Memorandum for Record 2 July 1952

SUBJECT: Trip to McChord AFB and Fairchild AFB, Washington

On 26 June 1952, Capt [redacted] of ATIAA-5 departed by Commercial Air for McChord AFB to investigate a recent series of sightings of unidentified aerial objects. On the morning of 27 June 1952, Capt Hennesy, the Wing Intelligence Officer of the 4704th Defense Wing, was contacted. Capt Hennesy reviewed the sightings that had been reported from the McChord area on the 17, 19, and 23rd of June 1952. Reports all came from an area with a radius of 20 miles around McChord AFB. The object was described as a silver to yellowish-white light. It was always described as just a light and was described in size as being up to 15 times the size of an aircraft landing light. Numbers of the objects varied from one to five and they seemed to be flying at a fairly slow speed and low altitude. Direction of flight varied in many reports but seemed to center around the north, northwest, or nertheast direction. Most of these sightings were visual from the ground and in some cases binoculars were used. Some of the sources who were control car operators, marine officers, AF officers, and many reliable civilians. Actually there was a total of from 30 to 40 observers of these sightings. The number of objects varied from one to five and the formations or description of how the objects were arranged varied. Some people said they were in a V formation, some said that there was one central object with several smaller objects orbitting and there were other descriptions. The time that this took place ranged from 2050 PST to 2110 PST. The majority of the reports were recorded around 2100 PST. The objects would seem to stop, start, and go in level flight and then come to a stop and make a turn. On two instances

F-94 aircraft were scrambled, however, the attempted intercepts were unsuccessful. At one time the tower observed the object and scrambled two F-94's. The F-94's were visible in the air at same time as the object but the F-94's could not make an aerial contact.

Since it was impossible to get airline reservations out of the Tacoma area except on the evening of 27 June, it was impossible to contact all the sources, however, the sources were readily available were contacted. The two principal sources were a lady who worked in the PX and an AF 2nd Lt. Both cases or descriptions fit the object as given above. An attempt was made to identify the size of this object by asking the persons if it were an automobile approaching them on a highway, and they were about to pass the automobile ahead of them, assuming it was an automobile headlight be too close to pass the car ahead of them. ~~[illegible] the size of the object be too close to pass the car ahead of them~~ ALL agreed that it would be very doubtful as to whether or not they would attempt to pass the car. This seems to establish the size of the light as that of a headlight of an automobile approximately a half mile down the road. It is plain to see that if this were an aircraft light, it would have to be some type of experimental light as no normal navigation light would appear to be this size.

The 25th Air Division, who has control of all radar in the area, was checked, however, they do not keep a permanent plot of air traffic and consequently could not tell us whether there were any aircraft in the area on that night, however on the night it was determined that they picked up nothing unusual. About the time the fighters were scrambled on two occasions they werepicking up nothing that would correspond to the object on their radar scope. Previous arrival of Capt Ruppelt Capt Hennesy had checked the Navy and Coast Guard for possible activity that might account for sighting, however, results were negative. Flying aircraft was

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McChord AFB Wash 17 June Conf

FOLLOWING FLY OB RPT FWD IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFL 200-5: PARA 1. UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJ VARIOUSLY REPTD AS SIZE OF JET FTRS LIGHTS OFVAR VARYING BRIGHTNESS, AND STAR LIKE OBJ. NO VARIED IN REPT FROM 1 TO 5. COLOR REPTD AS SILVER AND AS WHITE LIGHTS BY DIFFERENT OBSRS. FORMATION DESCRIBED AS TRIANGLE, STEPPE DOWNECH, AND 2 TO 4 OBJ OSCILLATING AROUND A LARGER AND BRIGHTER OBJ. NO TRAIL, EXHAUST OR MEANS OF PRPLN REPTD BY ANY OBSR. OBSRSS DISAGREED ON SOUND. THOSE REPTG A SOUND STATE IT WAS THE SAME AS JET ACFT NOISE. MOST RELIABLE OBSRS STATE THERE WAS NO SOUND, ALTHOUGH NOISE WAS HEARD FROM 2 F-94 WITH AFTERBURNERS ATTEMPTING AN INTCP. SLIGHT VARIATIONS REPTD IN DIR OF MVMT, BUT GENERALLY REPTD AS EAST SOUTHEAST TO EAST NORTHEAST. SPEED VARIOUSLY REPTD AS DRIFTING, SPEED OF LIGHT PLANE, AND DEAD STOP. RELIABLE OBSRS STATES OBJ COVERED 30 TO 40 DEGREES IN 15 MINUTES. DISAPPEARED IN HAZE OVER AREA. PARA 2. TIME REPTD VARIED FROM 1930 PST TO 2220 PST, 17 JUN 52, WITH FAIRLY RELIABLE OBSRS REPTG SIMILAR SIGHTINGS AND FORMATIONS AT BOTH EXTREMES OF TIME. OBSRD BY ANYONE OBSR FOR MAXIMUM OF 15 MINUTES, WITH RELIABLE OBSRS REPTG AS MANY AS 3 SIMILIAR SIGHTINGS. PARA 3. OBSRD FROM GRD WITH AT LEAST 2 OBSRS USING 7 BY 50 BINOCULARS. OTHER USED NO OPTICAL EQUIP. PARA 4. OBSRD FROM NUMEROUS PTS WITHIN 10 MILE RADIUS OF MCCHORD AFB, EXTREME VARIATION IN REPTS ON DIS, DIR AND ALT. PARA 5. OBSRD BY MORE THAN 20 PERSONS AT VARIOUS LOC WHO REPTD INDEPENDENTLY, INCLUDING 2 CONTWER OPRS, 1 AF OFF ASGD TO 25 ADIV (DEF), 1 MARINE LT, AND A NO OF APPARENTLY VERY RELIABLE CIV. PARA 6. WEA 22000 FT THIN BROKEN, WINDS ALOFT 290 DEG AT 61 KNOTS AT 30000 FT. HIGH CIRRUS CLOUDS RESEMBLING CONTRAILS RUNNING GENERALLY EAST-WEST. VISIBILITY UNOBSTRUCTED EXCEPT BY THIN HAZE IN SOME AREAS. PARA 7. NO ACTY OR COND WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR THE SIGHTING IS KNOWN.
PARA 8. NO PHY EVIDENCE IS AVAILABLE. PARA 9. 2 F-94 ACFT SCRABBLED WITH NEG RESULTS ON EARLIER REPTS. F-94 ACFT CONDUCTING NIGHT FLYING DURING LATTER PART OF PERIOD OF REPTS FLYING IN 2 SHIP ELM. RELIABLE OBSRS NOTED F-94 ACFT AT SAME TIME THAT OBJS WERE OBSRD. NO OTHER LOCAL AIR TRAF ABOVE 5000 FT. NAVY HAD ONLY 1 TRANS TTYPE ACFT IN AREA AT TIME. OBJS COULD NOT BE PICKED UP BY LOCAL RADAR.
PARA 10. AF FORM 112 WILL FOLLOW

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not checked although it is doubtful if Boeing was carrying on any experiments that would correspond to this since their prime contracts are for high altitude bombers and transport aircraft. This will be checked, however.

On 30 June, Major Goldman, Intelligence Officer of the 97th Bomb Wing at McChord AFB, was contacted. It was learned that they had had a recent series of reports in Spokane that had not been previously reported to ATIC. Excuse for not reporting was the fact that they did not have time to send a wire or fill out a Form 112. I advised that in cases where there were definitely tied up on manpower if they will just send a TWX covering most of the information, the Form 112 can be dispensed with in the case of an emergency. The incidents had been written up however, in rough draft form and they were all collected and brought back to ATIC by Capt [redacted]. It was determined that a Col [redacted] or someone by a similar name, a medic at the Air Base, had recently been giving lectures in the Spokane area. The gest of his lecture was that space ships do exist and that the Spokane area is probably one of the best areas in the world for observing such space ships. Consequently, it is believed that some of these reports may have stemmed from this officer's lectures. It is esteemed highly advisable to advise this officer through channels that if he cares to make such speeches in the future that he definitely state that the opinions that he states are his opinions and that he has absolutely no connection with the Air Force on this subject. He should also be reminded to make it plan that the figures that he quotes are his own figures or those arrived from popular books and not from any official Air Force report.

On 1 July 1952, Capt [redacted] returned to ATIC.

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Major Westley S. Parks, Flight Service Center, McChord AFB

Capt Joe W. Donaldson, Flight Service Center, McChord AFB

NEGATIVE REPORT

NO ACTION TAKEN

NO KNOWN TRAFFIC IN AREA AT TIME PD

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STAFF MESSAGE DIVISION

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FROM: CO 58TH FTR INTCP SQ OTIS AFB MASS

TO : SECDEF WASH DC
CGCONAC MITCHELL AFB NY
CG EADF STEWART AFB NY

NR : NONE

17 June 52 (DTG 171415Z)

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FLYOBRPT 1 PD ATTN ATIAA-2C PD OBJECT SIGHTED WAS A LIGHT THE SAME COLOR AS THE STARS BUT MUCH BRIGHTER PD IT APPEARED IN SIZE AS A PLANET COMPARED TO A STAR PD NO EXHAUST ON TRAIL COULD BE OBSERVED PD NO MANEUVERS COULD BE OBSERVED PD OBJECT FADED FROM VIEW INTO THE MILKY WAY CONSTELLATION PD

2 LIGHT WAS OBSERVED AT 0128 EDT AND WAS OBSERVED FOR APPROX 15 SECONDS

3 OBSERVATION WAS MADE VISUALLY FROM THE AIR PD I WAS IN AN F-94-B AT 40,000 FEET AT AN INDICATED AIR SPEED OF 210 PD

4 LOCATION WAS 41 DEGREE 55 N 70 DEGREES 30 E I WAS FLYING A HEADING OF 180 DEGREES PD OBJECT WAS SIGHTED APPROX 25 DEGREES OFF PORT SIDE OF NOSE APPROX 30 DEGREES HIGH PD OBJECT CROSSED PORT TO STARBOARD PARALLEL WITH HORIZON AND DISAPPEARED ABOUT 10 DEGREES TO 15 DEGREES ON STARBOARD SIDE STILL 30 DEGREES HIGH PD DISTANCE UNKNOWN AS NO COMPARISON IN SIZE COULD BE MADE PD

5 PILOT HAS APPROX 1500 FLYING HOURS AND APPROX 9 YEARS EXPERIENCE PD

6 WEATHER WAS 20000 BROKEN CLEAR ABOVE VISIBILITY WAS EXCELLENT CMA WINDS ALOFT AT TIME WERE 320 DEGREES 75 K PD

7 SEVRAL THUNDERSTORMS WERE BUILDING UP IN VICINITY OF PROVIDENCE RI AND BOSTON MASS WITH OCCASIALLIGHTENINGFLASHES PD

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FROM: CO 58TH FTR INTCP SQ OTIS AFB MASS

TO: SECDEF WASH DC, CGCONAC MITCHELL AFB NY, CG EADF STEWART AFB NY

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CIRVIS

1. Object sighted was a light the same color as the stars but much brighter. It appeared in size as a planet compared to a star. No exhaust on trail could be observed. No maneuvers could be observed. Object faded from view into the milky way Constellation.

2. Light was observed at 0128 EDT and was observed for approx 15 seconds.

3. Observation was made visually from the air. I was in an F-94-B at 40,700 feet at an indicated air speed of 210.

4. Location was 41 degree 55 N 70 degrees 30 E I was flying a heading of 180 degrees. Object was sighted approx 25 degrees off port side of nose approx 30 degrees high. Object crossed port to starboard parallel with horizon and disappeared about 10 degrees to 15 degrees on starboard side still 30 degrees high. Distance unknown as no comparison in size could be made.

5. Pilot has approx 1500 flying hours and approx 9 years experience.

6. Weather was 20000 broken clear above visibility was excellent; winds aloft at time were 320 degrees 75 K.

7. Several thunderstorms were building up in vicinity of Providence RI and Boston Mass with occasional lightning flashes.

8. Negative report.

9. No action taken.

10. No known traffic in area at time.

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Note: This message has been relayed to CGAIRDEF Com Ent AFB and CIA Wash DC [redacted]

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MESSAGE

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
STAFF COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE

DTG: 171415Z

ACTION: AF

INFO: CSA, G2(CIA), G3, AFSA, NAVY, JCS, OSD

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1. DATE

2. LOCATION

3. DATE-TIME GROUP

Local 0915 PST

GMT

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

☐ Ground-Radar

☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS

☐ Yes

☐ No

6. SOURCE

Several - Varied

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION

one hour

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS

one

9. COURSE

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10. CONCLUSIONS

☐ Was Balloon

☐ Probably Balloon

☐ Possibly Balloon

☐ Was Aircraft

☐ Probably Aircraft

☐ Possibly Aircraft

☐ Was Astronomical

☐ Probably Astronomical

☐ Possibly Astronomical

☐ Other

☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation

☐ Unknown

11. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Several people took bearings. Observed through telescope and appeared to be round with protrusion on bottom.
One observer noted objects orbitting large object.

12. COMMENTS

Balloon launched inland from beach at 0927 PST.
Possibly balloon in from other area.

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JUNE 18, 1952

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Dreher-Brown Sightings

Pss Balloon

Introductory: This incident and the related observations involve two persons, three objects, and three points of sighting. Chester Brown reported 1) a sighting made by a colleague in the Spokane police department from the City Hall(chart ref. No.1), and 2) his own sighting made from a hill in South Spokane (chart ref. No.2). George Dreher saw the same object from his home in the extreme south of Spokane (chart ref. No.3), and it was his call to his friend, Chester Brown that led to the above mentioned two sightings. The collaboration between the two persons and the fact that the balloon-like object was visible for a long period of time offers reasonable certainty that the two reports concern the same object insofar as the "balloon" is concerned. Dreher's report raises the possibility of two additional objects.

Narrative: (The following narrative has special bearing on this report) George Dreher's attention was drawn to the sky by what he thought was a weather balloon, at what he believes was 0940 PST. The balloon was to the Northeast and at first observation was so small that he was not sure of its identity. He secured binoculars and satisfied himself that the object was a balloon. However, upon closer examination of the balloon

he noticed a number of small flashing objects circling the "balloon". These objects were outside the field of his binoculars. This first period of observation lasted about one hour, during which time the "balloon" was virtually stationary, and he then lost sight of the object. At about 1040 PST, Dreher's youngster, in the yard, called his attention to an object. Dreher observed this object with the naked eye and it flashed in a straight line from north to south, climbing into the sun. He watched it for about 25 seconds before it disappeared.

Immediately upon sighting the object, Dreher called his friend, Chester Brown, at the police radio station, City Hall. Brown places this time at 0915-0920 PST, which is earlier than the sighting time given by Dreher. Brown went home to secure an astronomical telescope and then went to a point on Spokane's "South Hill" to get a fix on the object. Meanwhile, another employee of the police department make a careful visual observation of the object from the sixth floor of the City Hall building.

The sightings by Brown and his friend in the police department involve only the "balloon" and they did not see the small objects circling the "balloon or the flashing object reported by Dreher.

George T. Dreher Sightings

Dreher's first sighting began at 0940 PST and lasted approximately one hour. His second sighting took place at 1040 PST and lasted 25 seconds. Both sightings took place from his yard in south Spokane: 117 24W, 47 37N.

The first object sighted was described by Dreher as a weather balloon and was seen to the northeast (chart ref. No.3). More accurate observations on this object are set forth in the report of Chester Brown which follows.

Dreher's sighting of the second object involved a group (number not established because of nature of movement of objects) of glinting objects which he saw circling the "balloon". Their movement was that of hovering, disappearing and reappearing, always above the "balloon" .

The third object was seen by Dreher as it flashed across the sky in a straight line at 1040 PST. It travelled from north to south, climbing and disappeared into the sun, according to Dreher. As it moved it rotated on its axis becoming round and then flat and as it turned Dreher claims he saw a hub-like projection or "control box" in the center. Dreher estimated this flashing object as being larger than the B-36's he has seen over Spokane. It was a dull silver in color and glinted in the sun. He estimated its altitude at 30,000-40,000 ft. and at an angle of 60 degrees from horizontal.

He compared its speed to that of a jet fighter and estimated that it was going three times faster than a jet. It left no trail or smoke. The day was clear and there were no airplanes in view.

George Dreher's background

George Turner Dreher resides at E.1114 Thurston St. Spokane (phone RIverside 7876) and works in Osborn, Idaho as chief engineer for radio station KWAL. He has worked in this field for 14 years. During the war years he served as a Marine radar technician in the Southwest Pacific theatre. He was described by his friend Brown, as being a serious, clear-thinking person althougn inclined to become excited over such things as this flying object.

Weather and Winds

The Geiger Station weather reading for 0928 PST was: visibility 40 miles, sea level pressure 1,015.2 mb, temperature 68 degrees, surface winds ENE 5 knots, altimeter 30.00, humidity 36%, cloud cover less than 1/10 of sky with cirrus and alto cumulus. Below are the winds aloft as of the 0900 PST reading and are given in standard U.S. Weather sequence.

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Low volicities over 50,000 ft were not recordable.

Investigators Note:

A check with the Geiger Weather Station and with the Fairchild AFB weather section revealed that no weather ballonns were up from these stations at the time of the above sightings. Geigers 0700 balloon burst at 81,140 ft altitude 87 minutes and 47 seconds after launching at an azimuth angle of 226, 98,097 ft from the station.

Chester L. Brown Sightings:

Brown's signting of the "balloon" began at 0915-0920 PST and lasted until 0930-0935. They were made from a spot on Spokane's "South Hill", 117 25W 47 39N. A telescope was used. It was seen at about 30 degrees north of due east and appeardd to be 40-50 degrees from the horizontal. The object did not drift. Brown claimed that he has seen weather balloons before and that this object was not a weather balloon. It changed shape periodically, elongating, and then returning to its round shape. Brown saw no netting and nothing suspended from the object. He described it as clearly transparent and it had a "tit" on the bottom. Brown estimated that the object was over Felts Field (see chart) and that on the basis of such a location would have been 8 to 10 ft in size. (Note: One "fix" as shown on chart comes close to Felts Field).

Brown also reported on a sighting made of the same object by a friend in the police department, from the sixth floor of the City Hall: 117 25W, 47 40N. In this sighting the object was placed at 30 degrees north of due east and also at a 40-50 degree angle from horizontal. The sighting was make at approximately 0915 and was visual. Brown was certain on the reliability of this person.

The investigating officer's estimate of Brown's reliability as a source is based on phone conversations but his approach to the whole matter was very factual and unemotional. Brown is very cooperative and in his position as radio engineer for the Spokane Police Department places him an a good position to pipe numerous reports to this office.

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East Spokane

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects Reporting

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)	
	Intelligence Officer Hq OCAMA, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	
DATE OF REPORT: 14 July 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION: 18 June 1952 March AFB Calif	EVALUATION: Poss A/C
PREPARED BY (Officer): R. E. SMITH, 1st Lt, USAF	SOURCE: Captain Eric P. Nelson and 2d Lt Clifton Ashley	

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

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

1. Report submitted by Captain Eric P. Nelson and 2d Lt Clifton Ashley, 1555th AAS Squadron, Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma.

2. Above named officers report sighting an object, silver in color, bearing 270°, altitude 12,000 ft, position approximately 100 miles due East of March Air Force Base, showing no vapor trail, and somewhat longer in size than width. Object was in sight off left wing, moving in same direction as aircraft of observers and was in sight for approximately one-half (1/2) hour. Time of sighting was 1700 to 1730 hours Pacific Coast Time. No vapor trail was seen. Object remained in position relative to aircraft indicating a speed of 175 mph, but after 1/2 hour increased speed and disappeared from sight in minutes time. Object was tilted forward in direction of flight at about 45°.

3. 2d Lt Ashley reports seeing similar object in September 1951, while on a flight from March Air Force Base, and in approximately same location as reported in paragraph 1, above. Object was first sighted at a distance of 20 to 30 miles, traveling in same direction as Lt Ashley's aircraft, and remained in view for approximately 25 to 30 minutes. Altitude was 11,000 ft, visibility unlimited and exceptionally clear. While under observation object was seen to tilt as though to turn but course remained constant. Tilt ranged from slight degree to full 90° tilt, and tilted attitude was held for many minutes at a time. This object also traveled with a forward tilt of approximately 45°, and in direction of travel. Object remained discernible until it disappeared at distance of approximately 150 miles, when it resembled an extremely bright pinpoint of light.

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2. LOCATION

COLORADO, WISCONSIN

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar

☐ A.-V. visual ☐ Air-Interceptor Radar

5. SOURCE

Unknown

6. NUMBER OF OBSERVERS

one

7. DURATION OF OBSERVATION

Several seconds

8. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

One object circumscribed, remained in sight several seconds.
Appeared to be the size of a full moon.

9. CONCLUSIONS

☐ Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft

☐ Not Astronomical
☐ Probably Astronomical
☐ Possibly Astronomical

☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☐ Unknown

10. COMMENTS

Jet a/c were flying local and current missions in area.

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FLYOBRPT 1 PD OBJECT SPOTTED OF CRESCENT SHAPE PD 2 PD TIME OF SIGHTING

9 AM CST REMAINED IN SIGHT FOR SEVERAL SUCONDS PD 3 PD VISUAL

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HEADQUARTERS
126TH FIGHTER-INTERCEPTOR SQUADRON
Truax Field
Madison, Wisconsin

26 June 1952

SUBJECT: Air Intelligence Information Report

TO: Chief
Air Technical Intelligence Center
ATTN: ATIAA-2c
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

Transmitted herewith is Air Intelligence Information Report, Subject: Unidentified Flying Objects Reporting (FLYOBRPT), dated 26 June 1952.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

OMAR M. OLSEN
1st Lt, USAF
Adjutant

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Country United States	Report No. 1	(Leave Blank)

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

Subject: Unidentified Flying Objects Reporting (FLYOBRPT)

Area Reported On: Section 19, Township of Columbus, Columbus, Wis.		From (Agency): 126 Ftr-Intcp Sq, Truax Fld
Date of Report: 26 June 1952	Date of Information: 13 June 1952	Evaluation
Prepared by (Officer): OMAR M. OLSEN, 1st Lt, USAF		Source: Mr [redacted], Columbus, Wis.

References (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)
MSG 443, dated 26 June 1952, 126th Fighter-Intcp Sqdn, Truax Fld, Madison, Wis.

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On 13 June 1952, at approximately 9 A.M., a crescent shaped object, resembling a new moon in size and shape, unlike any known conventional aircraft, was seen to remain motionless for several seconds and then move up and North, vanishing almost instantaneously. Observer reports seeing two jet type aircraft in the same vicinity, but reports that object was at a lower altitude, also that it did not leave a vaper trail.

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

From (Agency)	Report No.	
126th Fir-Intcp Sq, Truax Fld, Madison, Wisconsin	1	Page 2 of 2 Pages

In compliance with Air Force Letter 200-5, dated 29 April 1952, paragraph 7c and 7d, the following report is submitted:

1. Object was of crescent shape, resembled a new moon in size and shape. Was not like conventional aircraft.

2. Time of sighting was approximately 9 A.M. on the 18th of June 1952.

3. Object was observed visually from the ground.

4. The grid co-ordinate at the place of sighting are 89 Degrees 4 minutes West and 43 Degrees 20 minutes North. The nearest known landmark is Columbus, Wisconsin. Object moved North and was at a lower altitude than two jet aircraft flying in the vicinity.

5. There is no knowledge of the observer, consequently his rating will be 6-F.

6. Clear skys prevailed over the area at the time of sighting. Visibility was at 15 miles. Winds were from the North-North-West at 18 miles per hour. The temperature was in the high 70 Degrees.

7. No meteorological or other solar disturbances have been accounted for at that time.

8. No physical evidence exists.

9. No intercept or identification action was taken due to the delay in receipt of report.

10. On 18 June 1952 our Jet aircraft were flying local and camera gunnery missions. Source has stated that he saw two Jets to the South-South-West at the same time of sighting.

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, USAF
5TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, DAYTON, OHIO

IN REPLY REFER TO: 5D-24-21

1 July 1952

17 June 52

SUBJECT: Sighting of Unidentified Object in Sky
Near Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio
SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: Commanding Officer
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio

1. The following information is transmitted to your Headquarters for any action which may be deemed appropriate:

On 18 June 1952, Mr. [redacted], Dayton, Ohio, Phone No. [redacted], advised the Air Provost Marshal's Office, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, that he and his children observed what appeared to be a guided missile.

Mr. [redacted] stated at 8:59 p.m., 17 June 1952, he and his children noticed this object approaching from the southeast headed northwest, then curved east. The object was very high and in his opinion was not a jet aircraft. Mr. [redacted] further stated the object was noticed for approximately ten (10) to twelve (12) seconds and he heard a faint humming sound.

2. No further investigation of instant matter is contemplated by this office, unless otherwise directed by your Headquarters.

3. Attention is invited to Paragraph 7, AFR 205-1, dated 14 March 1949, which prohibits the disclosure of classified information to unauthorized personnel.

D. G. NORTH
Lt Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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[illegible], Ohio

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

☒ Ground-Radar ☐ Ground-Radar

☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS

☐ Yes

☒ No

6. SOURCE

Civilian (Male)

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION

10-12 seconds

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS

1

9. COURSE

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Heading NW, then E.

11. COMMENTS

Faint humming sound - all info available.

12. CONCLUSIONS

☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon

☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft

☐ Was Astronomical
☐ Probably Astronomical
☐ Possibly Astronomical

☐ Other
☒ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☐ Unknown

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10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Mod slow. Round.
Zig-zagging.
Weather balloon rel about as 2000 20?
from Oroville P'burg airport.

11. COMMENTS

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1. ONE RED GLOW ABOUT 300 - 500 MILES PER HR SOUNDLESS CMA ZIG ZAGGING THRU SKY PD

2. CITED AT 2200 EST FOR ABOUT 30 MINUTES PD

3. VISUAL OBSERVATION FROM GD PD

4. LOCATION DIR ABOVE MT LEBANON CMA PA AT ABOUT 25 CMA 000 FT MOVING IN SOUTHEASTERLY DIR PD

5. DOUBT RELIABILITY OF OBSERVERS PD

6. CLEAR NIGHT CMA WINDS ALOFT 290 CMA 33 KNOTS AT 20 CMA 000 FT PD 260 DEGREES 65 KNOTS AT 30 000 FT PD

7. WEA BALLON RELSD AT 2200 EST PD

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9. ONE F-86 INVESTIGATED WITH NEG RESULTS PD

10. THREE F-86 ACFT PLUS NUMEROUS AIRLINERS ABNE IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY PD END

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object Reporting (FLYBERT)

AREA REPORTED ON: Pontiac, Michigan

FROM (Agency): DCI 4705th Def Gp Selfridge AFB, Michigan

DATE OF REPORT: 20 Jun 52

DATE OF INFORMATION: 19 Jun 52

EVALUATION: F-9

PREPARED BY (Officer): [redacted] Gerald C. Healy 2nd Lt, USAF (Officer)

RANK: Civilian

REFERENCES (Control number, Circular, previous report, etc., as applicable): FLYBERT

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final conclusions paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 113—Part II.)

Unconventional object observed in sky over area just south of Pontiac, Michigan, between 0300 and 0415 on 19 Jun 52 (evening of 18 Jun here) by Mr. John Hoffman and other witnesses.

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On the night of 13 Jan 48 (approximately 2300 hours (CST) [illegible]), Mr. Herron Hoffman observed a bright orange light in the west from his home on Walnut Lake, Michigan. Coordinates of Walnut Lake are 42° 34' N - 83° 20' W. He immediately summoned brother, Mr. [redacted], who lived close by. Mr. [redacted] came with his wife [redacted], his mother Edith Hoffman, and his 10 year old son to observe the phenomena. He brought a pair of 7X binoculars and used them in further observations. The orange light was seen to zig-zag in the western sky, and then reversed motions. Mr. John Hoffman went into the house to call the Officer of the Day at Selfridge to report it, returned about 15 minutes later and the light had disappeared. It was now seen to be white, with then a soft white color. The object went straight up, still in the west, and disappeared. At this time it was considered to be a shooting star and seen by all observers in the group. The white light again appeared in the west at an elevation of 45°, [illegible] and moved in a northeasterly direction until it disappeared. Jet aircraft from this base appeared in this area, circled once and proceeded in roughly the direction in which the object had disappeared. Mr. [redacted] observed the tail pipe flames of the jets through his binoculars and identified them as such. Until the appearance of the aircraft no noise had been heard. Sixteen later the light was seen to return from its original northwest direction, making a smooth arc across the sky, in approximately one minute, to finally disappear in the south.

Weather was clear and stars were visible. The object was orange at 1st [illegible] and changed to a pinkish color as it ascended. It was approximately the same size as a star and left no trail. A light aircraft was seen in the vicinity of the sighting for the first few minutes.

This is the third report made by Mr. [redacted]. He is employed as a sales manager for a [redacted] paint company in Detroit. His home address and phone number is [redacted], Pontiac, Michigan, Telephone Keyhole 6-3576.

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LOVELL C. KELLY
2nd Lt, USAF
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DOI 0587 J2 PD IAW PAR 7C CMA AFL 200-5 DTD 29 APR 52 FOLG INFO IS SBMD CLN /1/ SINGLE UNIDENTIFIED LIGHT VARYING FROM BRIGHT ORANGE TO WHITE IN COLOR APPEARED IN VICINITY OF WALNUT LAKE CMA S OF PONTIAC MICH PD SIZE APPROX OF A STAR CMA NO TRAIL OR SOUND PD TRAVELLED AT GREAT SPEED CMA ZIG-ZAGGED CMA WNT STRAIGNT UP CMA REVERSED DIR AND DESCENDED ABRUPTLY CMA AND AT ONE TIME REMAINTED MOTIONLESS PD OBJECT CMA AFTER DISAPPEARING ABOVE CMA APPEARED IN N CMA MADE SMOOTH ARC ACROSS SKY TO S AND DISAPPEARED PD /2/ INITIAL SIGHTING 18 JUN 52 APRX 0300 Z CMA FINAL DISAPPEARANCE AT 0345Z PD

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/3/ OBJECT OBSERVED VISUALLY AND THROUGH 4X BINOCULARS PD /4/ OBSERVERS AT 42 DEGREES 34 MINUTES N 83 DEGREES 2Ø MINUTES W PD OBJECT SEEN IN W CMA N AND S SEVERAL MILES DISTANT AND AT ELEVATIONS UP TO 45 DEGREES PD /5/ REPTG WITNESS CLN MR JOHN HOFFMAN PD OTHER OBSERVERS CLN MR MARRON HOFFMAN CMA MRS BEATRICE HOFFMAN CMA MRS EDITH HOFFMAN CMA AND TEN YR OLD BOY PD RELIABILITY UNKNOWN PD PAREN NOTE CLN MR HOFFMAN HAS REPTD TWO PREVIOUS SIGHTINGS IN THIS VICINITY PAREN PD /6/ CLEAR NIGH CMA STARS PLAINLY VISIBLE PD /7/ OBSERVERS SAW WHAT APPEARED TO BE A SHOOTING STAR IN S AFTER LIGHT UNDER OBSERVATION HAD DISAPPEARED IN W PD /8/ NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE PD /9/ NO INTERCEPTION MADE PD /1Ø/ JET ACFT FROM THIS BASE WERE IN OBSERVATION AREA CLOSELY FOLG OBJECTS APPEARANCE AT ONE TIME PD THESE SERE SEEN BY RPTG OBSERVERS AND PRESENCE CONFIRMED BY CHECK WITH THIS BASE OPRS PD ONE CUB TYPE LIGHT ACFT WAS ALSO SEEN CIRCLING IN AREA PD END

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FOL FLYOB RPT FWD IAW AFL 200-5: PARA 1.UNIDENTIFIED FLY OBJ OR OBJS REPTD AS 4 VERY BRIGHT YELLOWISH WHITE LIGHTS, BRIGHTER THAN ACFT LANDING LIGHTS, MOVING IN STRAIGHT TRAIL FORMATION AT A VERY SLOW SPEED, NO TRAIL OR EXHAUST OR MEANS OF PRPLN NOTED AND NO SOUND HEARD. OBJ OR OBJS TVL NORTHWARD FR-POINT, LAT 47 DEGREES 20 MINUTES NORTH, LONG 122 DEGREES 26 MINUTES WEST, NORTH OF TACOMA, TO MAURY ISLAND IN PUGET SOUND, LAT 47 DEGREES 23 MINUTES NORTH, LONG 122 DEGREES 26 MINUTES WEST, THEN TURNED WEST AND CONT OUT OF SIGHT OF SBSR. OBJ REMAINED MOTIONLESS FOR 3 TO 4 MINUTES OVER MAURY ISLAND. OBSR STATE LIGHTS MAY HAVE BEEN ON SINGLE OBJ OR MAY HAVE BEEN 4 OBJ IN TRAIL FORMATION. SPACING WAS EVEN, BUT 1 OBSR REPTD VARIATION IN SPACING WHILE OBJ OF OBJS REMAINED OVER MAURY ISLAND WHICH MIGHT BE CAUSED BY VIEWING OBJS WHILE THEY WERE TURNING. PARA 2. TIME REPTD AS BETWEEN 2000 FR AND 2130 PST, 19 JUNE 52. OBSR FOR APRX 10 MINUTES. PARA 3. OBSR VISUALLY FR THE GROUND WITH 1 OBSR USING 8 BY 30 BINOCULARS. PAR 4. 1 OBSR SIGHTED OBJ FR - POINT BEACH, LAT 47 DEGREES 20 MINUTES NORTH, LONG 122 DEGREES 26 MINUTES WEST. OTHER OBSR SIGHTED OBJ FR NORTH PART OF CITY OF TACOMA, WASHINGTON, LAT 47 DEGREES, 18 MINUTES NORTH, LNG 122 DEGREES 23 MINUTES WEST. BOTH OBSR SAW OBJ TO THE NORTH OVER PUGET SOUND BUT COULD EST ALT ONLY AS VERY LOW. PARA 5. OBSR BY MRS DALE FORKENBROCK, - POINT WASH, PHONE YUKON 9116, WHO REPTD ALL INFO GIVEN ABOVE. MRS DD WC HOHNSON, 3710 NORTH 31 ST, TACOMA, WASH, PHONE PROCTOR 7362, XMIN HTSEP RPT, CFM ALL OF MRS FORKENBROCKS STATEMENTS, AND ADD THAT HER ATTEN WAS ATTRACTED TO THE OBJ BY A SEVERE DISTURB ON HER TV SET. RELIABILITY OF OBSR IS UNK. MRS FORKENBRACK CALLED OBJ TO ATTEN OF 10 NEIGHBORS AND MEMBERS OF FAMILY. PARA 6 WEATHER RPT AS 25000 FT OVERCAST AT 2000 HRS PST LOWERING TO AN ESTIMATED 8000 BROKEN AT 2330 HRS PST, VISABILITY REMAIN AT 15 MILES. WINDS ALOFT, 240 DEGREE AT 24 KNOTS AT 1000 FT, 230 DEGREE AT 33 KNOTS AT 20000 FT, AND 230 DEGREES AT 36 KNOTS AT 30000 FT. PARA 7. NO ACTIVITY OR CONDITION WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR THE SIGHTING KNOWN. PARA 8. NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE AVAIL. PARA 9. NO INTCP OR IUEN ACTION TAKEN. PARA 10. LOCAL AIR TRAFFIC NOT CONSID A FACTOR. PARA 11. ATTEN INVITED TO OUR MESSAGE W-6-920, 19 JUNE 52, RPT SOME WHAT SIMILAR OBJ
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PERSONNEL WHO HAVE OBSERVED UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

4 Jun 52: Major Wesley H Parks, FSC, McChord AFB
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T Sgt Orom C Lott " " "
A/1c William C Callison, 1905th AACS Sq, McChord AFB
A/1c Bobby J Langford " " " " "

Bertil Eklind, West Coast Airlines, Hoquiam, Washington

Robert Erickson, Student, Grays Harbor College, Hoquiam, Wash

Richard Christian, " " " " " "

E. Duggins, Moon Island Airport, Hoquiam, Washington

All in general [redacted] UNCLASSIFIED 15-62 5-23

CHECK LIST FOR PREPARATION OF TELETYPE MESSAGE ON "FLYOBRPT".

Priority: _____

Classification: RESTRICTED unless higher classification is justified.

MULTIPLE ADDRESS TO:

ACTION: Director of Intelligence, Headquarters USAF, Washington 25, D.C.

Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, ATTN: ATIAA-2c

Commanding General, Ent AFB, Colorado Springs, Colorado

INFO: Commanding General, Hq WADF, Hamilton AFB, Califorhia

Commanding General, 25th Air Division, McChord AFB, Washington

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Following FLYOBRPT forwarded in accordance with AFL 200-5:

1. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT(S):

a. Shape: Just a light

b. Size: up to 15x A/c landing light

c. Color: Silvery & yellowish-white always white yellowish tinge

d. Number: 1 to 5

e. Formation (if more than one): ^ ; ;

f. Aerodynamic features:

2100 PS Doubtful
2110 PST only see lights

g. Trail or exhaust:

h. Propulsion System:

i. Speed:

j. Sound:

k. Maneuvers: Steadily to stop

l. Manner of disappearance: Over horizon

m. Other pertinent or unusual features:

2. TIME OF SIGHTING:

a. Time: _____ hours (Local Standard Time) 1930 to 2300 PST * 2100 PST

b. Date: _____ 195____.

c. Length of time observed:

3. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

a. Visual or electronic:

b. From air: [redacted]

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(1) Speed of aircraft:

(2) Altitude of aircraft:

(3) Type of aircraft:

c. From surface (ground or sea):

d. Type of optical or electronic equipment used: Binoc occasionally

4. LOCATION:

a. Location of Observer during sighting: 20 mi radius McChord

(1) Latitude: _____ ° _____ ' _____ " _____

(2) Longitude: None seen: Seattle area

(3) Reference to known landmarks:

b. Location of object(s) with respect to observer:

(1) Distance: Tends toward N. of McChord

(2) Direction: N - NW - NE

(3) Altitude: Low

5. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER (S) AND WITNESS(ES):

a. Name: 2 Control Tower Opns Reliable civilians
1 Marine Officer
2 AF Officers

b. Address:

c. Telephone Number:

d. Organization, rank, service number (if any):

e. Estimate of reliability and experience:

f. Any other factors bearing on estimated reliability of the sighting: Almost all familiar w/ aircraft

6. WEATHER: (At time and place of sighting)

a. Weather conditions prevalent in area: Varied 8,000 clg to clear

b. Winds aloft:

Not considered a factor

_____ degrees _____ knots _____ feet

Direct degrees of move knots not in feet

alignment degrees wind knots section feet

7. ANY ACTIVITY OR CONDITION, METEOROLOGICAL OR OTHERWISE, WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR THE SIGHTING: Neg

8. EXISTENCE OF ANY PHYSICAL EVIDENCE SUCH AS FRAGMENTS, PHOTOGRAPHS AND THE LIKE, OF THE SIGHTING: Neg

9. INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEN: Attempts unsuccessful

10. LOCATION OF ANY AIR TRAFFIC IN THE GENERAL AREA AT THE TIME OF THE SIGHTING:

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FORM 112 will (not) be submitted; Date, if submitted:

Report received by DOI From:

Agencies contacted for information and/or confirmation of facts:

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PERSONNEL HAVING OBSERVED UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

4 Jun 52: Mrs. [redacted] (visiting)
Mrs. [redacted] Phone [redacted]
[redacted]
Walla Walla, Washington

9 Jun 52: Mr[redacted]
[redacted]
Walla Walla, Washington

17 Jun 52: Mr. & Mrs. R[redacted] P[redacted]
[redacted]
Puyallup, Washington

Mrs. G[redacted]
[redacted]
Puyallup, Washington

Mr. & Mrs. B[redacted]
[redacted]
Tacoma, Washington

Mrs. [redacted]
Americ[redacted]l
Tacoma, Washington

Tower operators →
[redacted]
1905th. AACS Squadron
McChord Air Force Base, Washington

Mrs. [redacted] P[redacted]
[redacted]
Tacoma, Washington

1/Lt [redacted]
[redacted]
Tacoma, Washington

People who alledgely saw unidentified flying objects but reports received:

Mr. & Mrs. [redacted]
Crescent Height (across bay from Tacoma)

Mr. & Mrs. [redacted] (neighbors of above)

Mr. & Mrs. [redacted]
[redacted]
Tacoma, Washington

Mrs. [redacted]
[redacted] Tacoma, Washington

Mr. & Mrs. [redacted]
Standard Fish Company
[redacted]t
Tacoma, Washington

Mrs. [redacted]
[redacted]
Tacoma, Washington

Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Tacoma, Washington

18 Jun 52: [redacted]
Mt. Ranier, [redacted], Washington

23 Jun 52: 2nd Lt [redacted]
3[redacted] Interceptor Squadron
McChord AFB, Washington

17 Jun 52: 1st Lt [redacted]
857 So 54th
Tacoma, Washington

Neighbors:
1st Lt & [redacted]
Mr. & Mrs. [redacted]
Dr & Mrs. H[redacted]

19th Jun: Mrs. [redacted]

Miss [redacted]
[redacted]
McChord [redacted]

AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE
[redacted], OHIO

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JUN 24 1952

Mr. [redacted]
Lynchburg, Virginia

Dear Sir:

Your report of the recent sighting of aerial phenomena has been received, and is being added to existing data on the subject as a current incident to be included in the investigation.

A questionnaire is inclosed. This form is used to collect information for study. It will be of further assistance in the study of aerial phenomena if you will complete it as well as you can and forward it in the return envelope.

The assistance you have offered by bringing the matter to our attention, and your public-spirited desire to be of service in doing so, is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Robert E. Kennedy
ROBERT E. KENNEDY
Major, USAF
Air Adjutant General

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