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Incident # 21

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PROJECT LASE FIELD

ADP NO. _____

DATE OF INFO _____

ADP NO. _____

LOCATION _____

ADP NO. _____

SOURCE _____

DATE OF REPORT _____

DATE IN TO ACIA _____

REMARKS 0900

COLOR S

Obs: Spherical like large balloon with disk

SPEED slow

SIC _____

ALTITUDE 4,000 ft.

CUR _____

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED _____

NO. IN GROUP 1

TYPE OF OBSERVATION _____

TIME _____

REMARKS Resolved

SKETCH

Temporary ATIC Form 329
(Jan 52)

FILED

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
UNCLASSIFIED

Incident #81 -- Hickam Field -- 7 July 1947

Clearly there is nothing astronomical in this incident.

It would appear that the object sighted was an instrument-carrying balloon.

UNCLASSIFIED
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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CHECK-LIST - UNDEVELOPED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 7 July 1947
2. Time 0900 hours
3. Location Hickam Village
4. Name of observer Mr. [REDACTED]
5. Occupation of observer Air Communications Section, Hawaii, Hickam Fld.
6. Address of observer N/S - Could be contacted at Hickam Fld.
7. Place of observation vicinity of Hickam Village
8. Number of objects 1 - a large balloon with a silver disc suspended below it.
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight few minutes
11. Altitude 6,000 ft
12. Speed slow
13. Direction of flight NW toward sea
14. Tactics revolved
15. Sound N/S
16. Size [REDACTED] N/S
17. Color silver
18. Shape spherical - like large balloon with disc attached
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions cloudy
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance lost among the clouds
26. Remarks (over)

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Mr. [REDACTED]'s attention was attracted by a flashing object in the sky. He stated that this object had the appearance of a large balloon with a silver disc (not unlike a camera lens) suspended below it. Although he could not distinguish a cable connecting the two objects he assumed that they were attached since they kept the same distance apart and seemed to move in unison. It was at approximately 6,000 ft and slowly ascending moving in a northeasterly direction toward the sea. He observed the object several minutes during which time the silver disc attachment flashed off and on which he attributed to the rays of the sun striking it as it revolved. He discontinued watching after a few minutes but upon trying to locate it again could not do so owing to the cloudiness.

B/Ltr from AMC
dtd 5 Jan 1949
Subj: Project
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24 Jan 1949

HEADQUARTERS, AIR WEATHER SERVICE Andrews Air Force Base, Wash-
ington 25, D. C.

TO: Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson
Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MC1AXO

Investigations by this headquarters reveal that a synoptic
weather balloon could have been at the location where sightings
were reported in the following incidents. In compiling this
list consideration was given to the wind direction and speed at
the surface and aloft at the scheduled time of balloon release, and
the location of the nearest weather station making balloon obser-
vations.

2	52	91	126
3	72	93	148
4	73	94	155
25	78	105	166
28	81	113	169
36	87	115	172

FOR THE CHIEF AIR WEATHER SERVICE

2 Incls:
n/o

/s/ W. A. West
W. A. WEST
Lt. Col., USAF
Adjutant General

HEADQUARTERS
AIR MATERIEL COMMAND
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

MCIAXO-3/HWS/rm
Jan 5 1949

MCIAXO

SUBJECT: Project "SIGN"

TO: Chief, Air Weather Service,
Andrews Air Force Base,
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: DSS

1. Project "SIGN" is responsible for the collection, investigation and interpretation of data relative to sighting of unidentified flying objects. Attached Incident Summaries 1 thru 172 from the files of Project "SIGN" are forwarded for study and recommendations as to which of the incidents may be eliminated as balloons released on routine synoptic ascents by the Air Weather Service, the Navy Aerological Service or the United States Weather Bureau. The summaries attached may be retained in your headquarters for working and reference purposes.

2. The Air Weather Service is the only agency of its type that has been asked to assist in the accomplishment of Project "SIGN" except that the United States Weather Bureau has provided information on ball lightning. Research projects in which balloons are used and which are conducted or sponsored by the Army, Navy or United States Air Force are checked by the Intelligence Department of this Command. These checks are usually made direct from the Project "SIGN" Office, MCIAXO-3. These checks are distinct from the check of synoptic balloon flights made by weather service stations of the Air Force, the Navy and the Department of Commerce. (U. S. Weather Bureau) requested of Air Weather Service.

3. It is the opinion of this office that the below listed incidents are those having the greatest possibility of being balloons. This list does not eliminate the possibility that many of the remaining incidents are balloons.

2	24	50	91	113	155
3	25	52	92	115	156
4	28	72	96	126	157
11	30	73	104	141	159
14	31	81	105	143	163
16	32	87	107, 8, 9	151	167
22	33	89	112 (See 122)	154	169
23	44				

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Hq AMC, Chief, Air Weather Service, Washington 25, D. C.
Subj: Project "SIGN"

4. The form used in interrogating witnesses to sightings is inclosed as a matter of interest. Comment as to possible improvement of the "Essential Elements of Information" in regard to routine synoptic balloon flights is invited.

5. It is requested that correspondence be forwarded to the Commanding General, Headquarters, Air Materiel Command, attention MCIAKO-3.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

2 Incls;
Summaries 1-172 incl
"EEI"

/s/ W. R. Clingerman, Col, USAF
for H. E. McCoy
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Intelligence Dept

Copies furnished:

AFOIR, Hq. USAF
Capt Trakowski, Geophysics Lab
Major Kodis, MCREEP
Colonel Neal, MCLAWS

Dr HYNEK'S EVALUATIONS EXTRACTED FROM PROJECT GRUDGE REPORT.

INCIDENT INDEX

1. Astronomical

a. High probability:

#26, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 48, 49, 59, 60, 66, 69, 70, 94,
95, 96, 97, 98, 101, 102, 103, 104, 116, 119, 132, 136, 140,
147, 148, 158, 174, 184, 185, 187, 197, 203, 204, 208, 216,
219, 238.

b. Fair or low probability:

#19, 20, 23, 24, 28, 35, 36, 46, 50, 63, 67, 80, 82, 93, 100,
112, 120, 121, 129, 130, 144, 153, 165, 166, 167, 175, 192,
199, 202, 205, 220, 230, 240.

2. Non-astronomical but suggestive of other explanations

a. Balloons or ordinary aircraft:

#3, 11, 22, 41, 42, 53, 54, 73, 81, 83, 91, 92, 113, 114, 115,
126, 131, 138, 141, 145, 155, 156, 157, 159, 160, 161, 163,
169, 171, 173, 178, 180, 182, 188, 190, 194, 195, 196, 198,
200, 201, 209, 210, 217, 222, 235, 237, 239.

b. Rockets, flares or falling bodies:

#4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 25, 56, 65, 78, 106, 107,
108, 109, 133, 170, 211, 218.

c. Miscellaneous (reflections, auroral streamers, birds, etc.):

#39, 89, 123, 124, 128, 146, 164, 181, 189, 214, 221, 231, 234.

3. Non-astronomical, with no explanation evident

a. Lack of evidence precludes explanation:

#38, 44, 45, 47, 55, 57, 72, 86, 87, 88, 90, 99, 110, 117, 118,
125, 127, 137, 139, 149, 150, 177, 179, 191, 206, 212, 213,
229, 232, 233.

b. Evidence offered suggests no explanation:

#1, 2, 10, 17, 21, 29, 37, 40, 51, 52, 58, 61, 62, 64, 68, 71,
75, 76, 77, 79, 84, 105, 111, 122, 135, 151, 152, 154, 152,
168, 172, 176, 183, 186, 193, 207, 215, 223, 224, 225, 226,
227, 236, 241, 242, 243, 244, 134.