

UFOs & THE AGENCY



The Central Intelligence Agency is probably the most feared security service in the world. Its activities range from espionage and mind-control, to the acquirement of personal computer details. Yet this massive international effort has been the singular most active research unit in terms of its UFO surveillance. This spectacular package has been specially selected due to its wide ranging research and investigation by the CIA of unidentified flying objects.

This large file begins with early 1950's CIA reporting of UFOs... or 'flying saucers' as they were referred to. Reports from Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Spain, Algeria, South Africa, the Ivory Coast and of course, the USA. A wealth of CIA evaluation and major analysis is concentrated in a few select papers, diagrams and media 'watching' also forms the basis of a concerted effort to pin-down the origin of UFOs.

Informative letters from CIA chiefs to other leading military and intelligence organisations reveal a balanced operation to search and report upon all international UFO events. Key individuals such as Major Donald Keyhoe and George Adamski also feature. Unidentified objects photographed in Sweden, and strange mysterious satellites placed the CIA on full alert. An incredibly large foreign intelligence investigation of UFOs permitted the CIA to determine the truth regarding alleged sightings, these documents are of extreme importance to the massive research programme which the CIA denied existed until the mid-1970's. A valuable file for all students of Ufology, and interested parties alike.

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DANISH DEFENSE LEADERS TAKE SERIOUS VIEW OF FLYING SAUCERS

[Comment: The information below is the full text of an article which appeared in the Stockholm daily, Morgon-Tidningen, on 13 July 1953. The leading Copenhagen dailies, Berlingske Tidende, Social-Demokraten, Politiken, and Information, during the period around the above date, did not carry the story.]

Copenhagen, 12 July -- Danish defense authorities take a serious view of the problem of flying saucers. The military experts are of the opinion that although most of the observations [of flying saucers] have turned out to be astronomical phenomena, there remain the reports of trained observers which, among other things, would seem to indicate that the saucers are dispatched from Soviet bases in the Arctic Ocean.

The Danish Air Force Command has recently turned over to the Defense Staff a report on various phenomena in the air over Denmark and the waters adjacent to Denmark. The report is based on observations from Danish Air Force radar stations. These observations are compared with information regarding the remote-controlled projectiles which have been traced in the atmosphere over the northernmost part of Norway and Finland. On the basis of these observations, the members of the Defense Intelligence Service have come to the conclusion that the projectiles could have been dispatched from a Soviet base on Novaya Zemlya in the Arctic Ocean.

The report discusses the incident in which an officer and seven privates from Karup Airfield on Jutland, on 12 November 1952, sighted an object in the air which resembled an aircraft, but which moved more rapidly than any known type of aircraft. The [Danish] observations are compared with a number of Norwegian observations, among them one which occurred in October 1952 when, according to the Norwegian Defense Staff and the Norwegian Navy, an aircraft of hitherto unknown design flew over the naval base at Horten at the entrance to Oslofjord. Another incident which is pointed out occurred on a maneuver

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recently in northern Norway, when the crew of an anti-aircraft battery outside of Bodø observed a mysterious object at a great height. A jet plane was sent up, but it was not able to reach the object, which disappeared at a terrific speed.

The report of the Danish Air Force Command emphasizes that the "flying saucer traffic" over Scandinavia seems to be a fact of great aerotechnical interest.

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SIGHTINGS OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS
10 JUNE-15 JULY 1954

UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS PHOTOGRAPHED IN FINLAND DURING AND AFTER ECLIPSE --
Helsinki, Helsingin Sanomat, 11 Jul 54

Several photographs of an unidentified object in the sky were taken in Helsinki during the eclipse on 30 June 1954. According to informed circles, a round object which appears on the photographs is not the moon or a cloud. One photograph differs from the others in that the upper edge of the object is illuminated as if the sun were shining on a hard surface. The center of the object appears as a dark blotch. [The photograph described is shown in source.]

Helsinki, Helsingin Sanomat, 12 Jul 54

*A strange object was photographed in the sky in Maarianhamina immediately after the sun was in full view, following the eclipse on 30 June 1954. The cigar-shaped object appeared on several pictures taken consecutively. [A photograph of the object is shown in source.]

- REPORT LATER SIGHTING IN FINLAND -- Helsinki, Helsingin Sanomat, 15 Jul 54

On 14 July 1954, an unidentified, oblong object was sighted at Pulkkin, flying [southwest] in the direction of Haapavesi-Nivala. The object, which was flying very high, appeared grey from the rear and very bright from the side. The object was in view for several minutes and was flying with the speed of an ordinary plane.

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS FILMED IN NORWAY DURING ECLIPSE -- Oslo, Aftenposten, 6 Jul 54 (PM edition)

Color motion pictures of unidentified flying objects were obtained by photographer Johnny Rjoernulf during the recent total eclipse of the sun. The pictures, which were obtained from an airplane flying at an altitude of 4,500 meters, show two shining disks with condensation trails moving at great speed in the direction opposite to that of the plane. [Photographs are shown in source.]

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT SIGHTED IN AUSTRIA -- Salzburg, Salzburger Nachrichten, 10 Jun 54

A contractor in Hallein, Austria, reported to the gendarmerie that he and two other men sighted a strange object in the sky over the Tennen Mountains shortly after midnight on 7 June 1954. The object was gleaming red and appeared to have a diagonal streak across it. It seemed to be about three times as large as Venus and moved spasmodically in a vertical and then a horizontal direction. The object was in view for 2 hours.

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Mr. Walter Pforzheimer *B-3*
Office of General Counsel
Assistant Director/Scientific Intelligence
Draft Reply to Senator Johnson's letter

4 May 1954

Attached, in accordance with your request, is a
suggested draft reply to Senator Johnson's letter of
19 April 1954.

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Dear Senator Johnson:

In response to your letter of 12 April 1954, we have reviewed the problem posed by your constituent, Mr. P. D. Barziza. Of course, you realize that Intelligence cannot state explicitly what it does or does not know. To reassure you, however, and not for passage further, we are not alarmed by the many reports on "sightings" of flying saucers. The information available to us indicates that the largest percentage of all reported sightings have been explained satisfactorily as normal, natural phenomena. In the remaining percentage of sightings, which is very small, the information reported is so lacking in scientific detail as to make their credibility very low.

In light of the above, we suggest that you reply to your constituent without direct reference to this Agency, along the following lines:

"I am very glad to be able to reply to your letter of 12 April 1954 inquiring about flying saucers.

After inquiring in the appropriate quarters in government, I find that many of the books and articles in the public press give incomplete and sometimes non-factual information. I have been assured, furthermore, that we should not become alarmed by such information.

I have been told that a number of books on this subject do indicate that the US Air Force covers the subject of flying saucers, and I suggest that you write UNF if you have further questions." We hope that this information will be of use to you.

TO

ATTN:

DATE: 16 December 1960

FROM : Chief, Detroit Office

SUBJECT: Sighting of Unusual Object

1. If the USAF is still interested in unidentified objects in the sky they may be interested in the following report given to us by [REDACTED]

2. "At about 6:54 pm Wednesday, 14 December 1960, I had the radio on and was listening to a program (the second three star report which would fix the exact time). I looked out to the left (about due east) and saw an object that looked like a meteor except that it was extremely large and almost like a disc, not like a point of light. It was a greenish light (just off white), but green and quite visible to me. I may not have picked it up as soon as it appeared but it was visible to me at an angle of an elevation of about 50 to 55 degrees and it came down to within about 20 degrees elevation. Of course it is impossible to estimate distance as I didn't know what I was looking at, my first impression was that it would land in the Detroit River. It was moving at an angle to the vertical of about 10 degrees, running off to the right or the south. It eventually burned out before it got to the ground. The thing which astonished me about it was that it is not the meteorite season and it was much bigger than anything I had ever seen. It was definitely incandescent, and of a very high temperature [REDACTED]

3. "During my class a little later I asked if any of the students had seen this object. Out of 25 in the class, [REDACTED] was the only one who saw it. He said he was going east on Hines Drive. He thought it was going to land at the end of Hines Drive. Hines Drive runs east and west. He said he was about two or three miles west of Telegraph and when asked about where it was going to land he said about Telegraph. Telegraph is about three miles west of where I was, so that means he judged that it was closer. This error in his estimate verifies that it must have been a sizeable object because it was east of me and it looked big to me. He said he was driving fairly fast when he saw it, but had exactly the same impression I did. [REDACTED]

4. "Another student [REDACTED] who was not in my class last night, said he saw it. However, I have not had an opportunity to question him.

5. "This was not flying saucer stuff. I say that only in the sense that I have worked all my life with high temperatures. I am a doctor here in dynamics and physics and I know a high temperature when I see it. That's why I would say the object was way up in temperature. I thought it might be related to some part of a missile or something similar. It was going at a high velocity and had to in order to reach the temperature it was at."

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SIGHTINGS OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS
OVER SPAIN AND AFRICA, JULY - OCTOBER 1952

DISKS APPEAR OVER MARRAKECH -- Rabat, L'Echo du Maroc, 17 Jul 52

Marrakech (special correspondent) -- At 2100 hours [presumably on 16 July 1952], many people saw a large, luminous disk flying horizontally, with a leaping and bounding motion. Then, there was a burst of light. A second disk of smaller dimensions appeared, going off horizontally toward the southwest. The whole appearance lasted about one minute.

From several points of the Marrakech region, luminous disks were seen traveling at a dizzy speed.

On 14 July, flying saucers had been seen over the Ifrane region, flying toward Meknes.

LUMINOUS DISK OR BALL SEEN OVER MOULAY BOUSSELHAM -- Rabat, L'Echo du Maroc, 5 Aug 52

On 2 August 1952, at about 2045 hours, a group of five trustworthy persons saw a luminous disk or ball in the sky over Moulay Bouselham, French Morocco. The object, red in the center and bluish around the edge, flew very rapidly from southeast to northwest, remaining visible for at least 20 seconds before it disappeared over the horizon.

LUMINOUS OBJECTS SEEN OVER ALGERIA -- Oran, Oran Republicain, 16 Aug 52

In Ain Sefra, on the night of 12 August 1952, a railroad agent observed a ball of fire suddenly appearing against a background of clouds, racing across the sky from east to west and leaving behind a luminous pink trail. Apparently increasing in volume, the object stopped suddenly, became bright red, and seemed to explode, but the observer did not hear any noise.

At 2115 hours on 14 August 1952, two persons in the city of Constantine saw a luminous object flying at high speed toward Guelma. According to the witnesses, the apparatus, which had no resemblance to a flying saucer, emitted a very bright light. At the time this happened, the local weather bureau had not launched any weather balloons.

The same day, at 1920 hours, many people at the docks of Philippeville saw in the sky an enormous red disk going from north to west, leaving behind a greenish trail.

SAUCER-LIKE CRAFT SEEN IN SPAIN -- Tangier, Espana, 12 Aug 52

According to the Cifra news agency, on the evening of 10 August 1952, a resident of Cuenca, Spain, while walking along the Cuenca-Madrid road, saw an object similar to the so-called flying saucers. It crossed the sky at high speed in a matter of seconds. The object was round and gave off two luminous trails.

OBSERVE TWO STRANGE FLYING OBJECTS IN SPAIN -- Tangier, Espana, 22 Aug 52

Several inhabitants of Puerto Real, 6 kilometers from San Fernando, recently saw two elongated oval objects in the sky approaching each other from opposite directions. When it seemed that they were about to collide, each object made a right turn, picked up speed, and then disappeared. The objects flew at a great height, seemed lead-gray in color, and appeared to be piloted.

LUMINOUS OBJECT SEEN OVER MALLORCA -- Tangier, Espana, 4 Sep 52

On 3 September 1952, late at night, four professors of the Seraphic Seminary in Palma, Mallorca Island, noticed a luminous disk in the sky, traveling from west to east. They said that it could not have been a shooting star and that they were giving the report as objectively as possible in its barest details to provide another item for the study of the flying saucer phenomenon.

TWO METEOROLOGISTS SEE SAUCERS IN UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA -- Oran, L'Echo d'Oran, 8 Sep 52

On the morning of 6 September 1952, a meteorologist was taking weather observations in Durban, Union of South Africa, when he saw a white object moving smoothly across his field of vision. After two more had appeared and passed in the same manner, he called a coworker, with whom he observed three more saucers. He was able to follow one of them with a theodolite, which indicated that the object was at a high altitude. It had about the same shape as a weather balloon which was then at an altitude of over 3,500 meters. The spherical objects appeared to be at an altitude above 6,500 meters.

Both men have been meteorologists for some time (the second man is the director of the weather bureau at Natal). Their information was written into the records of the local meteorological office.

THOUSANDS WITNESS SAUCER OVER MOROCCO AND TANGIER -- Casablanca, Maroc-Presse, 22 Sep 52

On 21 September 1952, at about 1820 hours, an unusual object, possibly a saucer, flew at great speed over Casablanca. Shortly afterwards, about 15 telephone calls were received from local residents, and our Tangier correspondent

called to say that he had seen the object going from east to west at 1815 hours (about 2-5 minutes before it flew over Casablanca!). Also, two observers in the Nefifik River valley were able to time the passage of the object with a chronometer; it was then 1817 hours, and the object was coming from the direction of Rabat, traveling from east to west.

Some of the reports gave the following details about the object: luminous, cigar-shaped, and giving off a silvery smoke trail; a luminous, whitish-green globe ending in a long cone and flying about 700 feet up, the same as a plane which flew by at the same time (outside of Casablanca); and a flaming, globe-shaped mass trailing white smoke in puffs, as though puff followed an explosion -- the object stopped short a moment and revolved on itself, emitting a shower of sparks about its cone.

About 6,000 spectators at a boxing match in Casablanca saw the object pass over the arena. In Louis Gentil, numerous persons saw it at 1818 hours, flying from east to west. In Marrakech, it made its appearance for 5 seconds at 1830 hours, when it was clearly seen by three persons who described it as a meteor, again traveling from east to west.

REPORT STRANGE OBJECT OVER TANGIER AND FES -- Fes, Le Courrier du Maroc, 22 Sep 52

On 21 September 1952, at 1815 hours, many people at a beach 17 kilometers from Tangier saw toward the south a luminous disk of a diameter close to that of the setting sun, flying horizontally from east to west. After holding its course for about 12 seconds, the disk, which looked like a brightly illuminated metal object, suddenly emitted two great streaks of flames and disappeared.

At 1820 hours, a strange object was also seen in the sky over Fes, French Morocco, flying at high speed from east to west and leaving behind a luminous white trail.

PILOT GETS CLOSE VIEW OF SAUCER FOR BRIEF INTERVAL -- Casablanca, Maroc-Presse, 23 Sep 52

The pilot of a tourist plane reports that on 21 September 1952, he flew for 10 seconds and about 50 meters in the same direction as the flying saucer so widely observed that day. This former military pilot, whose name is Creze, answered specific questions put to him and gave the following information:

As he was preparing to land at an airfield in Casablanca, at 1825 hours, he noticed the strange object about 30 meters to the left of his plane (a ground mechanic later verified this, as he saw a luminous object fly between himself and the plane). It was flying horizontally from east to west, along the same line of flight as that maintained by Creze. The latter was doing 220 kilometers an hour at the time, at an altitude of 450 meters, and the object was going about twice as fast. He motioned to his passenger, who saw it too. It looked like a bright blue-green flame and had an oblong cigar-like shape. He heard no noise coming from it. After it passed the plane, it disappeared in the direction of the sea. The pilot did not attempt to pursue it, fearing the same fate as that of the US pilot [Captain Mantell].

That same evening, in Azemmour, French Morocco, a French couple and their farm workers heard a loud explosion as the strange flying object passed by. This is the first report we have of any sound heard from such objects. Other reports were received from Fes, Meknes, and Safi, where in each case the sighting was said to have occurred at 1820 hours.

BELIEVE OBJECT OVER MOROCCO ONLY A METEOR -- Rabat, L'Echo du Maroc, 22 Sep 52

On 21 September 1952, at 1818 hours, the mysterious flying object seen in all Morocco and beyond was observed over Rabat. It seems more likely, however, that this time, it was a meteor, because the trajectory of the object was given as rectilinear, it did not maneuver in the way saucers are said to do, and its entire body was incandescent, which is not true of flying machines.

The object was variously described as an orange-colored ball of fire, an arrow, or a cone-shaped object trailing a bright green-blue cloud of smoke, heading from east to west and parallel to the coast, and moving at the speed of a conventional plane at an altitude of about 1,000 meters. The object was visible for only a few seconds. After it passed a thin, white trail of smoke remained visible for about 5 minutes.

GIVE DETAILS ON MYSTERIOUS OBJECT FLYING OVER IVORY COAST -- Abidjan, La Cote d'Ivoire, 8 Oct 52

Three members of a family in Abidjan declared that shortly after 0130 hours on 3 October 1952, a bright green light flashed from the east across the sky, seemingly the exhaust of some craft. The latter was momentarily motionless, at which time it seemed orange red in color. Then it revolved about itself in a ring of fire, zig-zagging upward and remaining in the same area of the sky. As it moved, it assumed various shapes, flat, round, and oval. Its color varied then from purple to gold. After many rapid, noiseless turns, it dwindled in size, turned green, and disappeared -- that was at about 0200 hours.

The three observers gave the impression of being quite level-headed.

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3 December 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Flying Saucers

1. At 1100 yesterday morning I met with Dr. Julius A. Stratton, Executive Vice President and Provost of Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Dr. Max Millikan, Director of CEMIS. I briefed them on the various new reports of sightings including the Limestone Base Case, the Florida Scout Master, the Utah Motion Pictures, etc. I also brought Dr. Stratton up to date on developments which had occurred since our previous discussion of the subject in August. Dr. Stratton reiterated his earlier position that this is a subject which must be investigated and he said that probably the best means of getting a thoroughly competent review of the problem would be through Project LINCOLN. He said, however, that in view of the delicate position in relation to Air Force, as a result of the "Summer Study Report", any acceptance of this project by LINCOLN must be based on Air Force concurrence or on an independent proposal from one of the other services. He said that Alfred Hill would be the best man to head the group. Assuming that it might prove impractical to place the Project at LINCOLN, we explored other possibilities including Princeton and Cal Tech. Dr. Stratton felt very strongly that Cal Tech would be the better of the two in view of the presence there of Robertson, Lauritson, Spitzer (on temporary duty from Princeton), Millikan's brother and others. Dr. Stratton asked particularly that we keep him informed of the progress that we make in having this problem investigated as he is personally very interested as well as fully aware of the potential danger and implications of the situation.

2. Following the meeting with Drs. Stratton and Millikan, I had lunch at the Faculty Club with Lloyd Berkner and Jerrold Zacharias and briefed them on the recent cases and our feelings regarding their implications. Berkner, while apparently not interested in taking a personal part, felt strongly that the saucer problem should be thoroughly investigated from a scientific point of view. Zacharias did not appear to be greatly interested in the problem and made only one suggestion, i.e. that Shirley Quimby of Columbia University be brought into the picture. Quimby took his physics degree at the same time as Zacharias; is now at Columbia University, having during the war been a Navy scientist working on ASW. Zacharias suggested Quimby because the latter is probably the most expert man in the country on magic and general chicanery.

3. My conclusion from these conversations is that it will probably be necessary to secure the full backing of DCI in order that a scientific review of this problem may be laid on. Without this backing, it would probably be impossible to secure the Air Force cooperation which would be necessary, particularly in the matter of availability of reports, etc.

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On 12 June at 11:00 a.m. local time, a flying object was seen from Iranian Julfa [N 39-15, E 45-3] travelling on a course from Nakhichevan [N 39-15, E 45-3] to Julfa, USSR. The object appeared to be a ball about one-half meter in diameter and had a tail one-half meter in length. It travelled at high speed at a height of about 2,000 feet and was visible for only a few seconds. The smoke trail left by the object drifted over Iranian Julfa from the USSR and consisted of a trail about 5 or 10 centimeters in diameter.

Field agent [REDACTED] also reported seeing a flying object at the same time and described it as being about the size of a football and moving at a height of 2000 meters. He said the smoke track left behind the object was visible for about 15 minutes.

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reported the following observations at 10:00 am EDT on 4 Aug 50 at 39° 35' North, 72° 24½' West.

1. On 4 Aug 50 at 10 am my ship, while on a heading of 245° true, with a smooth sea and clear weather, visibility 14 miles, barometer reading 30.03, was underway from Walton, Nova Scotia, to an East Coast US port. I was in the chart room just aft the bridge when Third Mate, who was at mid-bridge checking the compass, shouted that there was a flying object off the starboard bow. I immediately ascended the conning tower and by this time the object was on our starboard beam. It was traveling on a reciprocal course to ours about 50 or 100 feet above the water at an estimated speed of over 25 mph. From the conning tower I observed it with my binoculars for a period of approximately a minute and a half when it disappeared into the horizon in a north-easterly direction. I would estimate that the closest it approached my ship was one thousand feet and it was an ovular, cylindrical shaped object the like of which I have never seen before. The object was quite small and I would judge that its diameter was approximately 10 feet. It had depth but to what extent I was unable to observe. The object made no noise and as it passed abeam our ship it appeared to pick up considerable speed. It was not flying smoothly but impressed me as having a churning or a rotary motion. It had a shiny aluminum color and sparkled in the sunlight.

2. I was on the main deck, port side, just forward of the bridge when the Third Mate shouted there was an object on our starboard bow. I looked off to the starboard and saw an object of elliptic shape looking like half an egg cut lengthwise traveling at a great rate of speed on a course reciprocal to our own. I immediately ran to the stern, port side, and with my glasses was able to observe the object disappearing into the horizon. From the time I was first alerted to its presence until it disappeared from sight, 15 seconds elapsed. I believe that it was traveling at a tremendous rate of speed, possibly faster than 500 mph. During the time I saw it, it was approximately 70 feet off the water and I judge it was approximately 10 miles away. I clearly saw its shadow on the water. I last observed it off the starboard quarter and it seemed to be increasing its speed and ascending. It had an elliptic shape and I could clearly see that it had three dimensions. It wobbled in the air, made no noise, and was a metallic white in color. The length was approximately six times the breadth and its belly had a slightly pitted surface.

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- [REDACTED]
3. At 10:00 am on 4 Aug 50 as I was checking the compass at mid-bridge through a bridge port hole, I observed a flying object off the starboard bow. I immediately shouted to the Captain who was in the chart room, and the Chief Mate, who was below on the port deck, of my observation and went out on the flying bridge myself. The object was approximately 70' above the horizon at a distance of 12 miles. It came toward us, then ran on a course reciprocal to ours and turned off into the horizon in the northeast. I clearly saw its shadow on the water. My impression of the object was that it was elliptical, not unlike a Japanese diamond box kite in shape. I have no idea of its size but the length was about six times the breadth and it had a depth of from two to five feet. It made no noise and was traveling at a tremendous rate of speed. As it traveled through the air, it made a spinning or wobbly motion. After it disappeared in the horizon, I saw it reappear several seconds later, ascending at an even faster speed than when I first observed it. I have no idea what this object was, I never saw anything comparable to it before, and it was one of the most frightening experiences I have ever had. I roughly estimate that the object traveled 28 miles during the 15 seconds I had it under observation.

[REDACTED]

Collector's Note: The Chief and Third Mates were interviewed on 8 August by two Intelligence Officers. The Captain, who was absent at that time, was interviewed on 9 August by only one of the two Intelligence Officers. In describing the occurrence, the Chief and Third Mates reenacted their behaviour at the time of sighting, and the period from the time the Chief Mate saw the object abeam until he reached the after deck and saw it disappear off the starboard quarter was timed at 15 seconds. In laying the angles of observation out on a chart and assuming the object was ten miles distant and taking the time into account, it is evident it was certainly traveling at a very high rate of speed, which approximated 400 to 500 miles per hour. It will be noted that there is a tremendous discrepancy between the Captain's estimate of the speed and the estimate of the two officers which could not be explained as they were very careful in making their statements and asserted that their observations had been correct. All three men were quite evidently very much upset by the sighting. Aside from the discrepancies, it was quite evident to the Intelligence Officers who interviewed these men that they had certainly seen some very unusual object which they could not identify but was just as certainly not any conventional type of aircraft. [REDACTED]

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Interview with [REDACTED]

1. On 27 October, [REDACTED] and I interviewed [REDACTED] relative to an observation of unconventional or saucer-like aircraft during his visit. [REDACTED] The following is a statement of his observations with my comments. [REDACTED] will submit separately his views on [REDACTED] statements but I believe he is in general agreement with the views stated herein.

2. The party was travelling between [REDACTED] on a train at the specific request of [REDACTED] who made every attempt to journey by train when possible. (This tends to refute the theory that the train trip was arranged in order to stage the operation [REDACTED]) About an hour and one-half out of [REDACTED] the subject, who was not feeling well, was resting in his compartment with the lights turned out while the remainder of the party was in the next compartment with the lights on. He suddenly noticed a greenish-yellow ball rising rapidly. He rushed into the next compartment stating that he had seen what he thought was a flying saucer. They turned out the lights and looked out the window but initially saw nothing and the rest of the party was initially skeptical. However, suddenly a second ball was noticed rising rapidly and then the other members of the party were convinced. The second object was initially seen at a minimum altitude of 700 to 800 feet, and while the first object was initially viewed at an even higher altitude. Nothing was seen on the ground with the exception of a search light which was about one-half to one mile away and appeared to be aimed at a very low trajectory almost at the train. The subject did not on either occasion see the form of the object, only this fiery ball. No firm estimate could be made of the size or distance of the ball because there were no reference objects. However, the subject had the impression that the object could have been as small as a rocket although no trail was left by the rising ball. The object gave the impression of whirling and appeared to follow a single trajectory with no break in its flight pattern. The subject did not see any lights, only the yellowish glow (this is contrary to statements of other observers). The search light did not appear to be following the object. About five to ten minutes after the sightings and after the subject had returned to his own compartment, the guard came in and pulled down

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SUBJECT: Interview with [REDACTED]

the states. No unusual attitude on the part of the guard was noted but it was dark. (This is in direct contradiction with the original dispatch and the statement [REDACTED] was not present when the dispatch was prepared and sent from Prague, and as a consequence did not have a chance to verify the contents.

4. The testimony [REDACTED] does not in my opinion support the theory [REDACTED] developed saucer-like or unconventional aircraft. It is quite possible that the objects seen were the exhausts of normal jet aircraft in a steep climb. The fact that none were seen on the ground night indicate that the aircraft were in a dive followed by a sharp pull-up in such a way that nothing was seen until the exhausts were visible to the observers on the train. However, it is possible that the aircraft were indeed of the short or almost vertical take-off variety.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Interview with [REDACTED]

The following is a report of an interview with [REDACTED]

"He was riding on the train [REDACTED] with 3 others [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] had a cold, was feeling tired, and lay down in one of the two compartments. The others were in the second compartment. [REDACTED] had the lights out. He noticed what appeared to be a yellow spot on the window. Looking closer he saw it was outside and seemed to be a greenish yellow ball which was ascending rapidly. After it disappeared, he went in to tell the others. While he was discussing it with them, a second object appeared and they all watched it. When the second object was first sighted, the compartment lights were on, but were then switched off. It was after dark and [REDACTED] was unable to see any outline or details of either object other than the greenish yellow light which appeared to be round. He could see no rocket trail nor smoke. He had the uncertain impression that the object was gently whirling or 'tumbling upward'. The trajectory was upward at a steep angle (not vertical) which he described as the way a Fourth of July rocket goes off a highly inclined track. In both cases, the objects were first seen at a distance which he estimated was 600 to 800 feet above the earth. However, he emphasized he had no good way of telling how far away the objects were. The objects kept on going up without a break in their course. They did not level off. He seemed uncertain as to how they finally disappeared. At no time did he hear any noise above the train noise.

There was a searchlight visible such as we used in World War II to spot planes. It was turned on but was not pointed at the objects and did not attempt to follow them. In the discussion with the others afterward they claimed to have seen lights on the objects and to have been able to make out some details. [REDACTED] remarked that their eyes were better than his for he could see only the round yellow light. The others said the objects went over the train.

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SUBJECT: Interview

[redacted] stated that after he was back in his compartment, lying down, the porter pulled down the shades. This was at least 10 minutes later and was not unusual. [redacted] stated that he preferred to ride the train, taking it whenever possible. There was nothing unusual about him using the train on this trip. He did not feel [redacted] were trying to conceal anything from him in this region. He did not see anything to indicate the presence of a big airforce base in this region. Elsewhere, he passed several airbases and no attempt was made to conceal them from him.

[redacted] has never seen a jet airplane take off at night. If these objects were jet airplanes, they climbed surprisingly rapidly.

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SUBJECT: Answer to Request of Special Letter
Dated 30 January 1967

1. Analysis of the UFO image on the provided photography was performed to the limited extent permitted by the copy prints. It must be remembered that the conclusions presented are based on the examination of copies rather than the originals. The copying process yields not only the grain and flare characteristics of the original image, but also may distort the recovery of reproduction even when the correct enlargement parameters are known. In this case, these parameters are unknown.

2. The following was assumed for the basis of this analysis. The accuracy of these assumptions, however, is questionable.

a. The total enlargement factor of prints one and three is the same.

b. The total enlargement factor of prints two and five is the same.

c. The total enlargement factor of prints one and three is approximately two times that of prints two and five.

3. Findings:

a. The pattern of apparent grain clustering is similar in prints one and three and in prints two and five.

b. The shape of the UFO image appears to be slightly distorted in print one than do those of the helicopter image in print three.

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dated 30 January 1967

c. Contrast and density analysis of the images was not considered valid due to the inherent distortions caused by the copying process.

d. The edge sharpness of the UFO image in print two appears quite similar to the edge sharpness of the pipe in the same print.

e. It is assumed that the difference in image size between prints two and five was caused by a change in camera to UFO distance. This distance was less in print five than in print two. The following two conditions are offered:

(1) Considering a large UFO at a distance of approximately a quarter mile (1,300 feet) and a stationary camera location, the UFO would have had to travel a considerable distance (100 feet) in a straight line almost directly toward the camera position to produce such a change in image size.

(2) Considering a small, stationary UFO at a distance of approximately six feet and a slightly variable (4 feet) in camera location, a change in image size of this magnitude would have resulted from a change in camera location of less than the above variable.

f. _____ has reviewed the quantitative results obtained by _____ and has found no discrepancies in the data. Unfortunately, with the material available very little objective information can be obtained except building up a table of image size versus distance from the camera station. _____ feels that the original information can be further substantiated by providing the following table of image size versus distance of the camera. It is anticipated that this study would concentrate on three areas:

(1) If a specific location including place, distance, and angles.

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(2) Stereoscopic analysis of the UFO and its relationship with the surrounding branches, p 12, and camera station.

(3) Dynamic analysis of the relative movement of the system including camera station and UFO.

h. Conclusion:

More definite. To decide the authenticity of the image as being a UFO is not possible from the furnished prints. It is possible that an analysis of the original photograph would provide added information which would enable a definite conclusion. Associated facts such as the facilities reluctance to discuss or show the original photograph, the convenient location of the wire frame through which the photographs were taken and the difference in scale of the UFO image between prints two and five which is most easily explained with a model tends to substantiate the model theory. No definite conclusion as to whether the object is either a model or a genuine UFO can be offered at this time.

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17 December 1953

MEMORANDUM TO: Assistant Director, Scientific Intelligence

FROM : Chief, Physics and Electronics Division, SI

SUBJECT : Current Status of Unidentified Flying Objects
(UFOB) Project.

1. In accordance with the verbal request of Mr. Erent, Exec/SI, on 30 November, the following resume of the current status of unidentified flying objects activities has been prepared.

2. P2E Division assumed responsibility for the OSI project on unidentified flying objects as a result of your memorandum of 27 May 1953. The project has been confined to maintaining awareness of the activities of other agencies (notably the USAF) in the unidentified flying objects business and to maintenance of files.

3. Status of Department of Defense Activities.

a. Air Force. The Air Force continues to maintain, but with apparently decreasing emphasis, its interest in UFOB's. The present interest of the Directorate of Intelligence, Hq., USAF, is confined to a cursory cognizance of ATIC's project (Bluebook No. 10073). At ATIC the project is carried by one officer (Capt. Charles A. Hardin), one airman (1/LC Max G. Futch), and a secretary operating as the Aerial Phenomena Section of the Electronics Branch, Technical Analysis Division. In spite of this limited staff, as well as several changes of project officer, the project records appear to be up-to-date. ATIC personnel no longer conduct field investigations of UFOB sightings (these are requested from US/F intelligence officers [primarily Air Defense Command and Airways and Air Communications Service] nearer to the sightings), but confine their activities to receiving and checking reports as received, requesting additional field investigation where necessary, performing necessary checking against meteorological, astronomical, aircraft and balloon data, and recording their findings and conclusions in a cross-referenced system by date, location, source, type of observation and conclusion drawn. The Aerial Phenomena Section also deals directly with the Public Information Office of Hq., USAF, regarding information for public release. For about the past year, approximately ten percent of the reported sightings have been tagged as unsolved.

Of particular interest is the fact that ATIC is in the process of transferring project Bluebook to Hq., Air Defense Command. According to Lt. Col. Harry Johnston, Chief, Electronics Branch, the reason for the transfer was that ADC had been doing most of the

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investigative work of the project and "if it turns out that these things (UFOB's) are space ships or long range aircraft from another country, AEC is the (Air Force) Command that would have to take action." Col. Johnston followed this concept with the somewhat contradictory statement that the project transfer did not reflect any change in Air Force policy. It is undoubtedly true that AEC is the Air Force Command primarily concerned with UFOB's at the present time in that their interceptors are occasionally dispatched "against" reported UFOB's and that their reporting stations and communications systems are involved in a considerable portion of the UFOB activity. ATIC will maintain liaison with the project.

Approximately a year and one half ago [ATIC initiated a program to purchase cameras for selected AEC radar sites and AACG control towers in locations where consistent UFOB reports were received in the hopes of photographing UFOB's. One lens of the camera (a stereoscopic type) was to be covered with a single grating to record the spectrographic nature of the UFOB photographed. One hundred "Vidcon" 35 mm. cameras with "stereon" anastigmat f 3.5 lenses were purchased along with 100 gratings (15,000 line) from CECO, Chicago. Seventy-four (74) cameras were distributed. Ninety percent of the gratings have "gone bad"--the actual grating separating from the plastic mounting plates. New gratings are expected shortly and ATIC expects to recall all of the 74 distributed cameras and re-equip them with the new gratings.]

Several months ago we were advised that ATIC planned to set up a concentrated instrumentation observational effort in the Albuquerque area. This has not been dropped.

[Project STORK (SECRET) has been preparing, at ATIC request, a comprehensive statistical report on UFOB sightings during the period 1947 through 1952. This study is now expected to be completed by 15 December 1953.]

ATIC issues status reports on Project Bluebook on a tri-monthly basis the most recent being Report No. 12 30 September 1953.

b. Navy. The Navy in spite of press reports to the contrary, is presently devoting only part of one CNI analyst's time to maintaining cognizance of UFOB's.

c. Army. The Army has evidenced little or no interest in UFOB's other than cooperating with the Air Force in reporting sightings and pertinent data using the Air Force format.

4. Investigations or Interests of Foreign Governments.

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d. Other. Aside from a few scattered reports, mostly old, which indicate interest in UFOB's by private individuals or groups, there is no information of concern or inquiries of consequence in other foreign countries.

5. Results of OSI Panel Recommendations. The consultants who considered this problem in January 1953 recommended that UFOB's be stripped of special status and aura of mystery and that policies on intelligence, training and public education pertinent to true indications of hostile intent or action be prepared. The definite drop in the number of "sightings" reported during 1953 over 1952 could be attributed to actions following these recommendations. Two recent books ("Flying Saucers From Outer Space" by Keyhoe and "Flying Saucers Have Landed" by Leslie and Adamicki) take full advantage of "official" UFOB reports released by the Air Force to develop a central theme that UFOB's are extraterrestrial in origin. Fortunately, the latter book is so nonsensical and obviously fraudulent that it may actually help calm down public reaction. These books do, however, illustrate the risk taken by the present policy. There are no other as yet apparent results of these recommendations.

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14 October 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Flying Saucers Problem

1. At an informal discussion between DE/I, AD/IC, and Acting AD/SI, it was agreed that the saucer problem should be attacked by getting together the responsible individuals in the community to work out a program of research and intelligence which can then be implemented by them directly. The agreed program can then be forwarded to the DCI and possibly the Secretary of Defense and the balance of the National Security Council as an established program rather than waiting for a great deal of formal, high level paper pushing before taking action.
2. DE/I directed Acting AD/SI to contact Dr. Whitman and Gen. Sanford to arrange an appropriate time at which this problem can be reviewed. Acting AD/SI to call on Dr. Whitman and review the background of our study before the meeting.
3. Subsequently, Acting AD/SI was advised that the most convenient days for this meeting would be Monday or Tuesday, 20 or 21 October. Those present would be:

Dr. Walter G. Whitman, Chairman, PDB
Gen. John A. Sanford, Director of Intelligence, USAF
Mr. Loftus E. Becker, DD/I
Mr. James C. Rober, AD/IC

plus others deemed appropriate by the principals.

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ARGENTINA
25 May 1962

COMMUNISTS APPEAL FOR POPULAR FRONT

Havana PRENSA LATINA in Spanish to Latin America 0341 GMT 25 May 1962--S
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(Text) Buenos Aires--The Argentine Communist Party released a declaration in which it appeals to trade unions and several parties to unite to form a strong national popular front in order to prevent the consolidation of the dictatorship. The declaration says that the present regime has definitively been unmasked "in the face of world opinion as well as the (country's)," and that the civil-military dictatorship of a fascist type, imposed on the country by the reactionary groups of the armed forces, serves the interests of the monopolies, especially the Yankees, and the landholding oligarchy.

The document says that only the mobilization and action of the masses can foil the consolidation of this dictatorship.

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS--Buenos Aires--The appearance of unidentified flying objects over the city of Bahia Blanca, south of Buenos Aires, is causing the most varied comment among the people there. The most extraordinary occurrence was on 21 May when many people observed a strange luminous body suspended for several minutes over the city, and then saw it disappear quickly. A local photographer was able to take two pictures of the object, which looks like a luminous oval on the print. The Cordoba Astronomical Observatory is compiling data about this phenomenon which has been observed in other regions of Argentina, although not as clearly as in Bahia Blanca. The observatory has asked the public to submit their observations in order to determine whether the phenomenon was a cluster of meteorites, part of an artificial satellite, or due to other causes. (Lima AFP Spanish Latin America 0354 GMT 25 May 1962--W) A luminous object which was crossing the heavens above Bahia Blanca was photographed by a reporter of the local newspaper NUEVA PROVINCIA, according to that newspaper. The reporter was walking along the street when he first noticed the object. Seeing that it was not leaving the city, he drove to the Maldonado Canal, and there took several photographs, one the very instant the mysterious body stopped and changed its course. This was when the object was closest to earth. (Lima AFP Spanish Latin America 1525 GMT 24 May 1962--W)
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18 February 1953

INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Transmitted herewith is a copy of the report (Tab A) of the scientific panel convened as a result of the action taken by the Intelligence Advisory Committee on 4 December (IAC-M-90, paragraph 3A) on this subject. Attached to the report are a summary of evidence presented (Tab B) and a list of the personnel participating (Tab C).
2. It is proposed to transmit copies of this report to the Secretary of Defense; the Director, Federal Civil Defense Administration; and the Chairman, National Security Resources Board for their information and such action as they may feel necessary.
3. The results of the panel's studies have moved CIA to conclude that no National Security Council Intelligence Directive on this subject is warranted.
4. Please inform the undersigned by 25 February 1953 if you do not concur in the action and conclusions contained in paragraphs 2 and 3, above.

JAMES Q. REPER
Secretary

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REPORT OF THE SCIENTIFIC PANEL
ON
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Pursuant to the request of the Assistant Director for Scientific Intelligence, the undersigned Panel of Scientific Consultants has met to evaluate any possible threat to national security posed by Unidentified Flying Objects ("Flying Saucers"), and to make recommendations thereon. The Panel has received the evidence as presented by cognizant intelligence agencies, primarily the Air Technical Intelligence Center, and has reviewed a selection of the best documented incidents.

2. As a result of its considerations, the Panel concludes:

- a. That the evidence presented on Unidentified Flying Objects shows no indication that these phenomena constitute a direct physical threat to national security.

We firmly believe that there is no residuum of cases which indicates phenomena which are attributable to foreign artifacts capable of hostile acts, and that there is no evidence that the phenomena indicate a need for the revision of current scientific concepts.

3. The Panel further concludes:

- a. That the continued emphasis on the reporting of these phenomena does, in these parlous times, result in a threat to the orderly functioning of the protective organs of the body politic.

We cite as examples the clogging of channels of communication by irrelevant reports, the danger of being led by continued false alarms to ignore real

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indications of hostile action, and the cultivation of a morbid national psychology in which skillful hostile propaganda could induce hysterical behavior and harmful distrust of duly constituted authority.

4. In order most effectively to strengthen the national facilities for the timely recognition and the appropriate handling of true indications of hostile action, and to minimize the concomitant dangers alluded to above, the Panel recommends:

a. That the national security agencies take immediate steps to strip the Unidentified Flying Objects of the special status they have been given and the aura of mystery they have unfortunately acquired;

b. That the national security agencies institute policies on intelligence, training, and public education designed to prepare the national defenses and the morale of the country to recognize most promptly and to react most effectively to true indications of hostile intent or action.

We suggest that these aims may be achieved by an integrated program designed to reassure the public of the total lack of evidence of inimical forces behind the phenomena, to train personnel to recognize and reject false indications quickly and effectively, and to strengthen regular channels for the evaluation of and prompt reaction to true indications of hostile measures.

/s/ H. P. Robertson, Chairman
California Institute of Technology

/s/ Luis W. Alvarez
University of California

/s/ Lloyd V. Berkner
Associated Universities, Inc.

/s/ S. A. Goudmit
Brookhaven National Laboratories

/s/ Thornton Page
Johns Hopkins University

SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY PANEL ON
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

14 - 17 January 1953

EVIDENCE PRESENTED -

1. Seventy-five case histories of sightings 1951 - 1952 (selected by ATIC as those best documented).
2. ATIC Status and Progress Reports of Project GRUDGE and Project BLUE BOOK (code names for ATIC study of subject).
3. Progress Reports of Project STORK (code name for Battelle Memorial Institute contract work supporting ATIC).
4. Summary Report of Sightings at Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico.
5. Report of USAF Research Center, Cambridge, Mass., Investigation of "Green Fireball" Phenomena (Project TWINKLE).
6. Outline of Investigation of U.F.O.'s Proposed by Kirtland Air Force Base (Project POUCE).
7. Motion Picture Films of sightings at Tremonton, Utah, 2 July 1952 and Great Falls, Montana, August 1950.
8. Summary Report of 89 selected cases of sightings of various categories (Formations, Flicking Lights, Hovering, etc.).
9. Draft of manual: "How to Make a FLIOERPT", prepared at ATIC.
10. Chart Showing Plot of Geographic Location of Unexplained Sightings in the United States during 1952.
11. Chart Showing Balloon Launching Sites in the United States.
12. Charts Showing Selected Actual Balloon Flight Paths and Relation to Reported Sightings.
13. Charts Showing Frequency of Reports of Sightings, 1948 - 1952.
14. Charts Showing Categories of Explanations of Sightings.
15. Kodachrome Transparencies of Polyethylene Film Balloons in Bright Sunlight Showing High Reflectivity.

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16. Motion picture of seagulls in bright sunlight showing high reflectivity.
17. Intelligence Reports Relating to U.S.S.R. Interest in U. S. Sightings.
18. Samples of Official USAF Reporting Forms and Copies of Pertinent Air Force, Army and Navy Orders Relating to Subject.
19. Sample Polyethylene "Pillow" Balloon (54 inches square).
20. "Variations in Radar Coverage", JANP 101 (Manual illustrating unusual operating characteristics of Service radar).
21. Miscellaneous official letters and foreign intelligence reports dealing with subject.
22. Copies of popular published works dealing with subject (articles in periodicals, newspaper clippings and books).

TAB C

SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY PANEL ON
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14 - 17 January 1953

<u>MEMBERS</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>FIELD OF COMPETENCY</u>
Dr. H. P. Robertson (Chairman)	California Institute of Technology	Physics, weapons systems
Dr. Luis W. Alvarez	University of California	Physics, radar
Dr. Lloyd V. Berkner	Associated Universities, Inc.	Geophysics
Dr. Samuel Goudsmit	Brookhaven National Laboratories	Atomic structure, statistical problems
Dr. Thornton Page	Office of Research Operations, Johns Hopkins University	Astronomy, Astrophysics

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Dr. J. Allen Hynek	Ohio State University	Astronomy
Mr. Frederick C. Durant	Arthur D. Little, Inc.	Rockets, guided missiles

INTERVIEWEES

Brig. Gen. William M. Garland	Commanding General, ATIC	Scientific and technical intelligence
Dr. H. Marshall Chadwell	Assistant Director, O/SI, CIA	Scientific and technical intelligence
Mr. Ralph L. Clark	Deputy Assistant Director, O/SI, CIA	Scientific and technical intelligence

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<u>INTERVIEWEES (asn't)</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>FIELD OF COMPETENCY</u>
Mr. Philip G. Strong	Chief, Operations Staff, O/SI, CIA	Scientific and technical intelligence
Mr. Stephen T. Pensozy	Acting Chief, Special Study Group, D/I USAF	Scientific and technical intelligence
Capt. Edward J. Ruppelt, USAF	Chief, Aerial Phenomena Branch, AFIC, USAF	Scientific and technical intelligence
Mr. J. Dewey Fournet, Jr.	The Ethyl Corporation	Astro Eng.
Lt. R. S. Hensham, USN	USN Photo Interpretation Laboratory, Anacostia	Photo interpretation
Mr. Harry Hao	USN Photo Interpretation Laboratory, Anacostia	Photo interpretation

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WESTERN EUROPE

Austria

"FLYING SAUCER" SIGHTED OVER BREGENZ -- Vienna, Neue Wiener Tageszeitung,
21 Aug 54

Bregenz, 20 August -- Three inhabitants of Hari, on the Lake of Constance, observed a "flying saucer" at about 2045 hours on 19 August. A carpenter named Fessler, his son-in-law, and Kloser, a teacher, described it as follows: a small gleaming disk-shaped object, about twice as large as Venus, came from the southwest, flying in the direction of Pfander. Suddenly it turned and went in the opposite direction, making some abrupt zigzags over Bregenz. After about 2 minutes, it disappeared into a bank of clouds.

Finland

"FLYING SAUCER" OVER HELSINKI -- Paris, Franc-Tireur, 15 Sep 54

Several people report having seen a circular flying object over Helsinki on the night of 14 September. The object, flying at an altitude of 300 meters, gave off an intense light and left a trail of reddish smoke about three times its diameter. It was visible for about 7 seconds.

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France

MANY PERSONS SEE UNUSUAL OBJECT OVER PARIS -- Paris, Le Parisien Libere, 3 Sep 54

Jolivet, a resident of Paris, reported that on 30 August, he had seen a luminous, circular object flying over the city. After his report appeared in the press, many other persons [source gives names and addresses] reported that they had witnessed the phenomenon on the same day. Some of the reports indicate that the object was headed south-southwest, while other reports indicate a northeast direction; but, according to Claire Cordier and Andre Greffier, two natives of Angers, the object disappeared toward the north. Claire Cordier reported a "disk" flying over her home town as well; see below.

"FLYING DISK" SIGHTED IN WESTERN FRANCE -- Algiers, Alger Republicain, 4 Sep 54

A disk-shaped object was [no date given] observed by various persons simultaneously, at about 2020 hours, flying over Angers and Lion-d'Angers, both in Maine-et-Loire Department, and over Chateau Contier, Mayenne Department. The object was generally described as being brown and emitting a smoke trail of an odd hue of green. According to Claire Cordier, a nurse in Angers, the object gave off a soft drone, and its glow was reminiscent of the light in neon tubes. The phenomenon was visible for several minutes.

UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS SEEN IN SOMME DEPARTMENT -- Daxar, Paris-Daxar, 10 Sep 54

A 27-year-old mason and his assistant report that recently [on 1 September; see below] they saw a gray object resembling a truncated pillbox with a large inverted plate lying on it in a field about 200 meters from the road where they were working, near Acheux-en-Amienois, Somme Department. The object oscillated slowly and seemed to have a closed door on its side. When the men had run about 50 meters toward it, the object began to fly away. Smoke was then visible from a sort of exhaust pipe on the underside. After an oblique flight of about 15 meters, the object rose vertically and disappeared. Police later found no traces of the object.

Paris, Le Parisien Libere, 14 Sep 54

Emile Renard, a mason, and Yves de Guillemeux, his assistant, saw what they considered to be a "flying saucer" at 0.15 hours on 1 September. Both men are known to be very reliable. They stated that the object apparently never touched ground, but hovered above the ground like a helicopter. It was about 10 meters in diameter and 3 meters in height, did not glow, and departed noiselessly, trailing smoke as it took off. They saw the object for at least 3 minutes.

[Source contains three crude sketches of the object drawn by these men.]

"FLYING DISK" SIGHTED IN AISNE DEPARTMENT -- Paris, Le Parisien Libere, 14 Sep 54

At about 0030 hours on 1 September, Robert Chovel and his wife and father-in-law were driving home from the theater in Hirson, Aisne Department, when they saw a luminous, red-orange "disk" flying above the railroad track. The "disk" stopped suddenly across the road, 300-400 meters from the ground. It

seemed to have on its upper side a small luminous tail forming an integral part of the object.

When the travelers reached the bridge at Buire, they saw what they believed to be a "flying saucer" increasing its altitude; as soon as the car lights beamed on it, the object started flying at great speed toward La Herie, 3-4 kilometers away, and disappeared.

UNUSUAL OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER NORMANDY -- Paris, Franc-Tireur, 16 Sep 54

At 0800 hours on 15 September, according to the report of Leciére, a newspaper agent in Carpiquet, Calvados Department, a white point of light appeared in the sky and grew rapidly in size. It was oval-shaped and had unusual brilliance. The phenomenon lasted 2 minutes. The witness stated that he was not subject to hallucinations.

A similar phenomenon was reportedly seen by a farmer in Thacon, also in Calvados Department.

BELIEVE "FLYING SAUCER" PILOTS WERE SMUGGLERS -- Paris, Franc-Tireur, 16 Sep 54

[The following is additional information on reports of two cases cited in the FULS roundup of 14 September 1954.]

Two of the alleged recent landings [on 10 September] in France of "flying saucers" are considered by the local air police to have been nothing more than the landing of planes used in smuggling. Furthermore, in one case, the farmer in Correze Department stated that the pilot uttered unintelligible words; yet the farmer was certainly no polyglot and could easily have been fooled. In the other case, in Valenciennes Department, the witness may have been sincere, but it should be noted that he had a cranial traumatism one year ago and several nervous disturbances since. It is true, however, that in the latter case, the air police found four unusual marks on the railroad ties near the spot indicated by the witness, marks that could not have been made by the tools of railroad workers.

Italy

STRANGE FLYING OBJECT SEEN IN TUSCANY -- Paris, Franc-Tireur, 1. Sep 54

Grosseto, 16 September -- Two inhabitants of Pitigliano report the sighting of a round, white object making a strange, loud noise, flying near Grosseto in Tuscany, on 14 September. The object came to a standstill and then disappeared at high speed.

MYSTERIOUS OBJECT OBSERVED OVER ROME -- Daxar, Paris-Daxar, 20 Sep 54

Rome, 18 September (AFP) -- On the afternoon of 17 September, the control tower at the Ciampino air base observed a mysterious object shaped like half a cigar flying slowly at an altitude of about 1,200 meters. The object, leaving a trail of luminous smoke, was visible for about 40 minutes. Those manning the tower watched the object make a 400-meter dive and then regain its former altitude, moving from a horizontal to a vertical position. As the object took off toward the sea, the Ciampino tower notified the Pratica di Mare control tower,

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30 kilometers from Rome, which picked up the object and followed it on its radar screen for about 20 minutes. The radar showed the presence of an antenna located at the center of the widest part of the object.

The Netherlands

"FLYING SAUCERS" OVER THE HAGUE -- Amsterdam, De Telegraaf, 6 Aug 54

Ten firemen and their chief observed two "flying saucers" over The Hague on the night of 4 August between 2300 and 2400 hours. The objects were seen in the clear night air at a high altitude. They moved at incredible speed, at times remaining motionless for as long as 30 seconds. They were described as being flat ovals with a whitish-gray light. All of the observers agreed that the objects could not have been aircraft or balloons.

NEAR EAST/AFRICA

Turkey

SIGHT UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS OVER IZMIR PROVINCE -- Nicosia, Halkin Sesi, 31 Jul 54

Izmir, 30 July (Turkish News Agency) -- It has been reported that unidentified flying objects have recently been observed in the sky over Izmir Province. These objects, which have been sighted by thousands of persons in the Karapinar area of Izmir Province, were flying at great speed from east to west.

Izmir, Yeni Asir, 18 Aug 54

On 17 August, at approximately 1000 hours, as the Ayvalik-Izmir bus approached the Bergama road intersection, passengers observed a silver-colored oval object in the air. Mustafa Turut, one of the 25 passengers, stated that the object appeared to be very close to the ground and that it emitted a loud rustling sound, rose, and disappeared.

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS OVER TUNCELI PROVINCE -- Istanbul, Cumhuriyet, 2 Aug 54

Horat, 2 August -- At approximately 1000 hours today, two unidentified flying objects were observed traveling at an altitude of 6,000 meters. One of the objects, which appeared from southwest of the town of Horat, maintained its course and left in a northeasterly direction. The other object first rose to a considerable height and then disappeared in the same direction.

Uganda

"FLYING SAUCERS" SEEN IN EAST AFRICA -- Paris, Le Parisien Libere, 14 Sep 54

Kampala, 13 September -- A civil servant stated that he had seen two unspecified flying objects over Kampala, Uganda, a strange golden ball which appeared to be smaller than the moon yet larger than a star.

Several other inhabitants in East Africa also claim to have seen "flying saucers" recently.

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FAR EAST

Singapore

STRANGE LIGHT SEEN OVER AIRFIELD -- Calcutta, Jugantar, 6 Sep 54

A mysterious light traveling at high speed was observed over Singapore on the night of 4 September. Several persons reported this sighting to the British aviation authorities at Kalar [sic; Kallang?] Airfield. A British official said that at least six persons reported seeing the light. Rosemary Whitley, wife of a government radio engineer, said that she saw a huge white light traveling at a very high speed over the airfield.

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INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting held in Director's
Conference Room, Administration Building
Central Intelligence Agency, on 4 December 1952

Acting Deputy Director (Intelligence)
Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. Robert Amory, Jr.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Jr., Special Assistant, Intelligence
Department of State
Brigadier General John M. Willems, acting for Assistant Chief
of Staff, G-2, Department of the Army
Rear Admiral Carl F. Espe, Director of Naval Intelligence,
Department of the Navy
Major General John A. Sanford, Director of Intelligence,
Headquarters, United States Air Force
Dr. Walter F. Colby, Director of Intelligence, Atomic
Energy Commission
Brigadier General Edward H. Porter, Deputy Director for
Intelligence, The Joint Staff
Mr. Meffert W. Roberts, acting for Assistant to the Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Sherman Kent, Central Intelligence Agency
Dr. E. Marshall Goodwell, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. Paul Borel, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. Ludwell L. Montague, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. Philip Strong, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. Joseph W. Smith, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. William C. Trueheart, Department of State
Mr. Miron Burgin, Department of State
Lieutenant Colonel T. C. Anderson, Department of the Army
Lieutenant Colonel Edgar H. Thomson, Jr., Department of the Army
Colonel John J. Morrow, United States Air Force
Colonel Jack E. Thomas, United States Air Force
Lieutenant Colonel Thomas J. Grant, United States Air Force
Colonel S. M. Lansing, The Joint Staff
Captain John A. Holbrook, USAF, The Joint Staff

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LAC-H-90
4 December 1952

Approval of Minutes

1. Action: The minutes of the last meeting, 1 December 1952 (IAC-M-89) were approved.

Conditions and Trends in Latin America Affecting U. S. Security
(WIE-70)

2. Action: Approved with minor modifications.

Unidentified Flying Objects

3. Action: The Director of Central Intelligence will:

- a. Enlist the services of selected scientists to review and appraise the available evidence in the light of pertinent scientific theories.

- b. Draft and circulate to the IAC a proposed NSCID, which would signify IAC concern in the subject and authorize coordination with appropriate non-IAC departments and agencies.

4. Discussion: The acting Chairman, Mr. Amory, presented to the committee the DCI's request that this subject be informally discussed. Dr. Chadwell briefly reviewed the evidence and peripheral considerations, and noted that most of the available evidence is processed by ATIC. General Sanford offered his full cooperation. It was recognized that the problem is best approached if directly related to specific problems of intelligence and defense. It was thought desirable that the action noted above under "a" be undertaken immediately, with consideration of a proposed NSCID to depend in some measure on the results achieved by the scientists' studies.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Assistant Director, Scientific Intelligence

DATE: 4 April 1958

FROM : Chief, Applied Science Division, SI

SUBJECT: Comments on Letters Dealing with Unidentified Flying Objects

- REFERENCES: (1) Letter to Director, CIA, from Leon Davidson, dated 11 March 1958
- (2) Letter to Director, CIA, from Donald E. Keyhoe, Director of National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena

1. As a result of the action taken by the IAC on 4 December 1952 (IAC-M-90, Paragraph 3a), a Scientific Intelligence Advisory Panel was convened 14-18 January 1953. The panel consisted of the following scientists: H. P. Robertson, Luis W. Alvarez, Lloyd V. Berkner, S. A. Goudamit, and Thornton Page. The panel concerned itself with the evaluation of any possible threat to National Security by unidentified flying objects. The panel issued a report dated 17 January 1953. This report was classified Secret.

2. The letters from Leon Davidson and Donald Keyhoe to the DCI concerned themselves primarily with Edward J. Ruppelt's book on Unidentified Flying Objects. At the time that the scientific panel met, Ruppelt was a Captain in the Air Force and attended the panel meetings. His book, however, is concerned with the identification of unidentified flying objects. Ruppelt's statements regarding the mission of the panel are in error. He has led the reader to believe the panel's mission was to identify the flying objects and to make recommendations on methods to further identify such objects. This is the basis for the apparent contradictions which arose during the Mike Wallace television interview. This is also the basis for Mr. Keyhoe's misgivings.

3. In late October 1957, Major James F. Byrne of AFCHM-XIA requested a declassified version of the panel report. This office contacted each member of the panel and as agreed upon, declassified version was written and sent to the Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, Department of the Air Force on 20 December 1957. It was the decision of all the panel members and the CIA that while no member of the panel objected to the use of his name in connection with the declassified version, they desired that no connection of the panel members with CIA be disclosed.

REPORT OF THE SCIENTIFIC PANEL
ON
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

17 January 1953

1. The undersigned Panel of Scientific Consultants has met at the request of the Government to evaluate any possible threat to national security posed by Unidentified Flying Objects ("Flying Sancers"), and to make recommendation. The Panel has received the evidence as presented by cognizant Governmental agencies, primarily the United States Air Force, and has reviewed a selection of the best documented incidents.

2. As a result of its considerations, the Panel concludes:

That the evidence presented on Unidentified Flying Objects shows no indication that these phenomena constitute a direct physical threat to national security.

We firmly believe that there is no residuum of cases which indicates phenomena which are attributable to foreign artifacts capable of hostile acts, and that there is no evidence that the phenomena indicate a need for the revision of current scientific concepts.

3. In the light of this conclusion, the Panel recommends:

That the national security agencies take immediate steps to strip the Unidentified Flying Objects of the special status they have been given and the aura of mystery they have unfortunately acquired.

We suggest that this aim may be achieved by an integrated program designed to reassure the public of the total lack of evidence of inimical forces behind the phenomena.

/s/ Lloyd V. Berkner
Associated Universities, Inc.

/s/ H. P. Robertson, Chairman
California Institute of Technology

/s/ S. A. Goudsmit
Brookhaven National Laboratories

/s/ Luis W. Alvarez
University of California

/s/ Thornton Page
John Hopkins University

4 April 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT : Comments on Letters Dealing with Unidentified Flying Objects

REFERENCE: Memo to Assistant Director/SI from Chief, ASD/SI, dated 4 April 1958, same subject

1. Major Byrne's office (AFCEI) was contacted in regard to the release of the panel report to Mr. Davidson and Major Keyhoe. I was referred to Major Tacker, Office of the Secretary of Air Force Information Service (SAFIS).

2. In response to our query as to whether Air Force had any objection to our answering these letters enclosing a copy of the panel report, Major Tacker indicated that he had rather the CIA forward the letters to him with copies of the unclassified report and he will answer the letters. He stated that the Air Force is endeavoring to impress upon Major Keyhoe and others in a similar position, that his office is the proper place to come for such information.

3. In view of my conversation with Maj. Tacker, I called Frank Chapin in the DDCI's office and advised him that the Air Force not only preferred to answer the letters, but was most insistent that they be permitted to answer them. He, therefore, is going to send the letters to Major Tacker and advise Mr. Davidson and Major Keyhoe of this action. B3

4. I think we can use this procedure as a precedent henceforth in all inquiries regarding UFO's.

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Chief, Applied Science Division, SI

Supplied to

Davidson & Keyhoe

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Acting Assistant Director for Scientific Intelligence

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects

REFERENCE: AIN/BI Memorandum of 21 March 1958, Same Subject

1. Major Keyhoe's question concerning alleged efforts by CIA Agents to prevent UFO witnesses making public their sighting experiences, suggests a possible misinterpretation of the policy governing the relationship of Contact Division field personnel and their sources.

2. A deliberate effort is made to apprise each source of Contact Division that the relationship between the source and the Agency is confidential in nature. This caveat is not intended to impose a security restriction on the information imparted by the source but to minimize the disclosure of the Agency's relationship with the source. It is conceivable that some confusion may result through failure of a source to distinguish between revelation of his relationship with the Agency and revelation of whatever information he possesses. The former is and should be maintained on a confidential basis; the latter is the property of the source to reveal or withhold as his judgment dictates.

3. On 6 November 1957 a directed collection request for UFO information was levied on Contact Division by the Office of Scientific Intelligence under [REDACTED] Responses to the requirement were forwarded to Collection Staff, OSI on 14 November 1957.

4. Contact Division has a detailed history of Dr. Leon Davidson's activities in the field of UFO's and outer space communications. ATIC has also communicated with Dr. Davidson to their mutual dissatisfaction.

5. Copies of the pertinent Contact Division field correspondence are enclosed.

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Acting Assistant Director for Operations

Enclosures:

- (1) Memo to Chief, CD/CO from Chief, Detroit Office, dated 7 Nov 57, Subject, Case [REDACTED]
 - (2) Memo to Chief, CD/CO from Chief, [REDACTED] dated 12 Dec 57, Subject, Case [REDACTED]
 - (3) Copy of FAX to NYOR, WA-21883, Dated CD/CO [REDACTED] (1 April 58)
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : P. G. Strong

DATE: 31 March 1953

FROM : F. C. Durant

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects

1. (Jack Heckert) telephoned yesterday and told me that O/CI is no longer following reports of U. F. O.'s. [Jack] has the O/CI file of U. F. O. dispatches and wanted suggestions as to where to send it. B-3

2. O/SI interest in U. F. O.'s is currently centered on Dave Stevenson (Air Branch/Applied Science Division). He is back-stopped by Lt. Col. Fritz Cder (Geophys Br/P&E Division). [Stevenson] has all O/SI files with exception of key documents, Panel Reports, etc. which are in the Operations Staff office. A-1

3. It would seem wise for O/SI to keep a watch on U. F. O. reports in view of possibly greater activity this summer. The following steps are suggested to assign responsibility and insure receipt of intelligence information:

a. Designate Chief, Applied Science Division as coordinator of reports on U. F. O.'s with the suggestion that Mr. David B. Stevenson be named "action man". Carbon copy to Chief, P&E Division would request division support to [Stevenson] be coordinated by [Lt. Col. F. C. Cder].


b. Request O/CI turn files now in custody of [John Heckert] over to [Stevenson] for perusal. I believe very little material would be worth saving except as samples of indicative or unusual reports. The rest I recommend be destroyed. B-3

c. Request O/CI Screening Panel ([Miss Lowry], I believe) route all future messages pertaining to U. F. O.'s to the Applied Science Division, Attention: [D. B. Stevenson], for review.

4. The above method is believed the simplest method for O/SI effectively keeping tabs on the subject. There would be little time required on [Stevenson's] part to keep himself up to date. In the event of a future flap, his continuing watch should prove valuable in a critical analysis. From time to time he might report orally to you or to me on the status quo but no formal reports seem indicated.

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5. If the above plan appears suitable and you so desire, I'll prepare directive memos.


F. C. DURANT

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
INFORMATION REPORT

COUNTRY Netherlands

SUBJECT [REDACTED]
Flying Saucers

PLACE ACQUIRED
BY SOURCE) [REDACTED]

DATE ACQUIRED
BY SOURCE) [REDACTED]

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4. "On July 24 at about 6:30 a big formation of 'Flying Saucers' was seen above Arnhem. Mrs. [REDACTED] and her four children, two sons of 16 and 13 and two daughters of 12 and 10, saw them coming in 'V' formation from the North and they could see them for several minutes before they suddenly disappeared to the South."

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief,

SUBJECT: Observation of Flying Object Near

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During my trip inside the ~~train~~ a number of ~~persons~~ party, I was one of four persons who observed an unusual flying object in the ~~area~~. Following are the details of my own observation of this object, to the best of my recollection:

1. Our trip from ~~the~~ train was planned according to timetables available in ~~the~~ and we were originally scheduled to leave ~~the~~ during daylight. Apparently the ~~officials~~ responsible in ~~the~~ did not know about certain changes which had been made in the train schedules, and our schedule was altered ~~in~~. We left ~~the~~ at about 1800 hours on Tuesday, ~~the~~. Our accommodations were in a "soft" sleeping car of the international type, consisting of six two-person compartments. The car was occupied as follows:

Compartment 1.- Porter

2.- Probably empty

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4.- myself and a ~~man~~, an American civilian who was ~~on~~ traveling on private business.

5.- A ~~man~~ general who wore a hat with a ~~feather~~

6.- A young civilian, about 25 years old, probably

Front

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The car was arranged with compartments all on one side, the left side as one faced forward, with an aisle on the right side. There were windows in the compartments and on the outside of the aisle, but not in the aisle wall of the compartments. However, during the time of the observation, the door to my compartment was open, so that movement of persons in the aisle would have been observable. My recollection is that the window of my compartment may have been open a little way from the top. Prior to the time of observation, ~~the~~ were all together in Compartment 4.

2. From ~~the~~ the train traveled slowly along the ~~track~~ in a generally southerly direction. Before the train turned at ~~the~~ went to his own compartment to rest and turned off the light in Compartment 3. At ~~the~~ the train turned westward.
3. About ten minutes after we had passed ~~the~~ returned to Compartment 4, and, with great excitement, said, "I just saw a flying saucer!" The time was then about 1/10 hours. When asked where he had

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seen it. ~~He~~ went to the window of the compartment, saying, "Turn off the lights." ~~He~~ also went to the window, and I looked over their shoulders. ~~He~~ said, "I just saw it coming up." When the lights were off, I saw through the window, to the south of the train, an object resembling a searchlight at the end of the horizon, perhaps a little above the horizon. It did not throw a beam but instead glowed with a reddish light, something like the glowing of an electric hot plate. It looked like a circular light standing on edge, facing the train, and perhaps tilted slightly downward. I had the impression that the searchlight was at a distance of perhaps four to six miles. The land was flat and without buildings, installations, or special vegetation. At the time of observation, twilight had fallen and the first few stars were out but it was still light enough to see for some distance. The sky was clear, with no clouds.

4. At this point I said, "I don't see it." ~~He~~ said, "Here, it's coming again"; and the others said, "Yes, it's coming up. It's whirling." I then noticed an object slightly to the right of the searchlight. It had two shining eyes and seemed to be rising vertically. It then seemed to change course and to approach the train on more of a horizontal course but still ascending slightly (traveling northward). I am not certain whether the body of the object changed position, but the eyes, which seemed to be fixed on the side of the object facing the train during the ascent, continued to face toward me. The eye on the left was brighter than the other but both gave a white light, glowing like a firefly rather than casting a beam. On the horizontal course, the object gave the impression of gliding. No noise was heard and no exhaust glow or trail was seen by me. When the object appeared to be about to pass over the train, I ran to the other side of the train in order to look out the window on the aisle side, but I saw nothing. The observation lasted about six or seven seconds, maybe less. The porter was standing in the corner of the aisle, forward, near Compartment 6, but did not seem to be looking out the window at the time.
5. After the object had passed, we turned on the lights in the compartment, and ~~he~~ said, "We saw a flying saucer." I wanted you boys to see it so that I would have witnesses." Everyone in the compartment was convinced that we had seen something real and unusual. I asked if it could have been some kind of airplane and the others replied, "No, there was no resemblance."
6. A few minutes later, ~~he~~ returned to his compartment. ~~He~~ then suggested that I, as interpreter, ask the porter the name of the last station which we had passed. I was reluctant to do so for fear of arousing the porter's suspicion. However, ~~he~~ insisted and, about five to seven minutes after the observation, I approached the porter in the aisle and in a roundabout way approached the question of the names of the last and next stations, whether they were large, and how long we

would stop at the next station, commenting that we should like to obtain some water or tea. The porter answered in only general terms, not naming the stations, but saying, "The next station will be a longer stop and you will be able to get off to buy something." I returned to the compartment and told ~~the porter~~ that the porter seemed a little reluctant to give any details. A few minutes later the porter came into Compartment 4 and pulled down the window shade, saying ~~(It's better this way)~~ (It's better this way). He also pulled the shades on the aisle windows, but I do not recall his entering the ~~Compartment~~ to pull the shades. After the stop at the next station, he gave us the name of the station: ~~the station~~. ~~(The porter may have shown some slight excitement when he pulled the shades, but I do not believe that his excitement was connected with our observation. I believe that the cause may have been his failure to follow the standard rule on ~~some~~ trains to pull the shades as soon as it became dark. He was late in doing this, and no doubt we were passing through some restricted area where such instructions must be observed strictly. I do not believe that either of the other two passengers in the car tipped off the porter that something important had happened. Before dark, the ~~porter~~ in Compartment 5 had asked the porter to prepare his bed because he had to get up at 0200 hours to get off the train. As far as I know, he went to bed quite some time before the occurrence. The civilian from Compartment 6 was seen in the aisle sometime after the occurrence but not at the time of the occurrence)~~

7. I cannot describe the shape of the object which we observed, inasmuch as I observed no silhouette. I had the impression of a short object, probably shorter than an airplane, but in no way did I obtain an impression of the silhouette of an airplane. Perhaps the object could have had short wings. I am not certain whether it was or was not disc-shaped or circular. It appeared to us that the object at first was farther from the train than the searchlight. At all times, the searchlight appeared to be larger than the object and stationary. I cannot estimate the altitude reached by the object, but it was very high. I cannot estimate the speed at which the object traveled. It did not seem to be traveling very fast. On its horizontal course, it seemed to be gliding smoothly, and it seemed to be moving more slowly as it approached the train than when first observed. It definitely did not whiz by at an unusual speed. I did not hear any noise which might have been associated with the object, and I believe that the sound of an airplane engine could have been heard over the train noises. I first observed the eyes of the object when the object approached the train. They were distinctly two in number, set apart at a fixed distance, but I cannot estimate how far apart they were. I observed no other, small lights on the object. I do not recall seeing any military traffic or installations of significance within half an hour on either side of the point of observation.
8. Only ~~the porter~~ and I were debriefed in ~~the station~~ and at that debriefing ~~the porter~~ was the principal speaker; I provided only a few supplement

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details. [REDACTED] was not debriefed on the subject. Except for
the debriefing in [REDACTED] I have not discussed this matter with other
members of [REDACTED] party since the occurrence.

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Interrogation of ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

1. The train was about one hour and ten minutes out of ~~XXXXXX~~. The train had traveled for about 10 minutes after it turned east away from the ~~XXXXXX~~. The time was about 7:10 PM.
 2. The object was sighted out the left side of the train. The landscape was a bare plain to the horizon.
 3. The train was moving at about 30 mph.
 4. The lights had been turned on in the train but it was not yet completely dark outside.
 5. The sky was clear.
 6. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ was resting in one compartment which was dark.
 7. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ were in second compartment with lights on.
 8. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ came into compartment and announced that he had seen a flying saucer.
 9. The lights were extinguished and all looked out the window.
 10. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ saw a search light which was described as a glow. There was no beam.
 11. When the object was pointed out to him he saw two white lights, like eyes, rise vertically and then move rapidly over the train. He looked out the opposite side of the train but could see nothing.
 12. The body of the object appeared only as a darkened object against the sky. It may have been square or round, he was not sure.
 13. The lights were not quite equally spaced on the span of the object, being somewhat closer together than the distance to the tips.
 14. There appeared to be stub wings on the object.
 15. The object appeared to be about 1/3 the size of the searchlight.
 16. It was not possible to estimate the distance to the object.
 17. The total time of sighting was estimated to be about 5 seconds.
 18. About 10 minutes after the sighting, the steward came in the compartment and pulled the shades down. When they protested he said it
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was better this way. Source got the impression that they were passing a restricted area, however, he stated that it was customary to lower the shades when the lights were on.

19. Source went to see if he could learn the name of the station they had passed about 10 minutes before, but had no success.

Notes on interview with ~~_____~~

1. The train left ~~_____~~ at about 6:00. It was still light enough to take color photos.

2. About an hour & 10 minutes later ten minutes out of the station after the train had turned away from the Sea the sighting occurred.

3. The ~~_____~~ was in one compartment ^{with the lights out} along the Col. ~~_____~~ & ~~_____~~ were in the adjacent compartment with the lights on. It was getting dark but the horizon was lit.

4. The ~~_____~~ rushed to their compartment & announced that he had seen a flying saucer. The lights were extinguished & all looked out the window. For a moment they saw nothing then ~~_____~~ said, "There is."

~~_____~~ saw a shadowy object against the sky slightly the horizon moving upward. The object appeared to rotate slowly. There were seven

The forward speed was
about 100 mph.

light on top of the object.
The object was a flat circular
shape with a bulge upward
described as similar to a
partially inflated balloon.

The object moved upward
rotating slowly, it stopped
rotating and moved rapidly
over the train. It did not
appear to increase in size
as it moved over the train.

There were no wings on the
object & it was said not to
be a conventional airplane.

No estimate of distance could
be made. Its size was thought
to be about as large as a fight
jet.

There were two search
lights to the left with the beam
horizontal. The lights appeared to
be diffused. The lights were
not thought to be associated
with the object.

The object appeared to be
about 38° ahead of the nose
& crossed the train at about
 90° . The train was moving
west.

Jan 4.

Turned off lights.

Rose short arc

Reached alt 9 took off.

No noise

Show revolved dark object
flame revolved after glow
afterwards, turned very slow
Spring like a top.

Done

Two search lights on 11 to go
other at an angle 11 to go

Not in same rays.

Faster than jet.

To leave for rocket.

Revolving stopped & by moved
rapidly forward.

Looked like inflated balloon

Several jets around rim

white light on top.

side light white.

Searchlight 1 mile.

~~Left~~ ~~6:00 PM~~ 9th Oct
Dark at 6:30

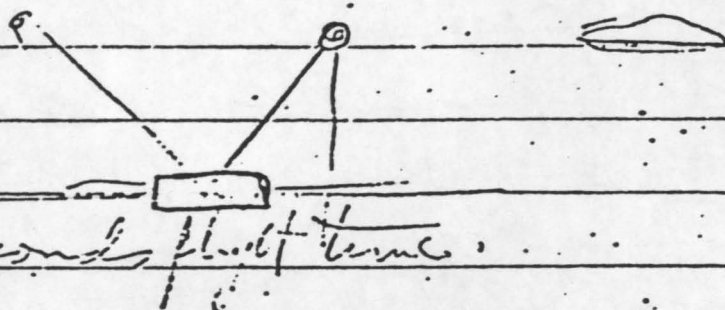
6:45 ~~Left~~ went to airport

comp door open

10 min after train turned

Left

~~Left~~
long enough to take color picture of
object appearing light on top
light on sides appearing



helicopter



100 yds from large jet bomber,
much larger than transport.

Repair base,
got a picture.

The object as sighted

1. The object was in the air - rising slightly above the horizon when first seen.
2. It appeared as a shadowy object which slowly rotated as it ascended. The object was round and appeared like a partially inflated balloon. It had a light on the top. There were several lights or jets on the outer edge. The object moved upward slowly ^{at first} then rapidly moved across the train faster than a jet.
3. The object was reported to be about 30° ahead of the train & crossed directly over at 90° . The train was moving at about 30 MPH. This would make the speed of the object about 60 MPH. Even if only 100 ft. it should not

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17 March 1960

UFO'S Sighted, Photographed in Sweden; Unidentified Satellite Seen

The full text, with the exception of the final paragraph, of an article on pages 1 and 8 of the 8 March 1960 issue of the Stockholm daily, Dagens Nyheter, is given below. The article, which was entitled: "Light in Sky New Satellite, Experts Believe", was accompanied by a photograph of the two UFO's sighted by Esse Jansson mentioned in the article.

"The luminous object which was observed shortly after 2000 hours on 6 March by the crew of the Sundsvall plane of Linjeflyg [Swedish airline], was, judging from all the circumstances, a hitherto unidentified satellite. The point of light was also observed from the observatory in Saltsjöbaden.

"I made the discovery just before the object disappeared below the northwest horizon, states Docent Gunnar Larsson-Leander [presumably of the observatory]. It seemed to be a satellite and I am sure that it was not a shooting star or meteor."

"Two unidentified flying objects were observed and photographed on the morning of 6 March by photographer Esse Jansson of Norrtaäl. He states that he had gone out into a field early in the morning to photograph the unidentified satellite, 1960 Alpha, which was expected

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to pass the Stockholm latitude in a southerly direction about 0525 hours. Between 0515 and 0527 hours he observed two objects which came from the north and were moving in a southeasterly direction. Their movement was slow but otherwise initially was not entirely unlike that of the satellites he had seen before. Suddenly, however, the direction of movement changed, and the objects turned such that they were going back in the same direction they came from. On one of his plates he even caught a third luminous object of the same kind.

"It has not been possible to determine whether the observation is purely an optical illusion or not. It can be added, however, that a resident of Bromma, Thorsten Haakansson, reports that between 0528 and 0543 hours on 6 March he saw the so-called phantom satellite, 1960 Alpha, with binoculars through a window facing on the west. But in his case also the satellite moved a little peculiarly as seen from the observer's location: 'I observed the satellite in the north-northwest and it was moving in a horizontal direction . . . (but) then it went straight down at a right angle and disappeared.'"

The sighting by the crew of the Sundsvall-bound airplane mentioned above was originally reported in Dagens Nyheter of 7 March, page 9, under the title "Moving Light Phenomenon Is Believed to Be Satellite". The full text of that article follows.

"According to a radio report to Midlanda Airport outside

Sundsvall, an unidentified luminous object, probably a satellite, was sighted from one of Linjeflyg's regular planes en route from Stockholm to Sundsvall.

"Air Captain Mauritz Hamrin, captain of Linjeflyg's regular evening plane to Sundsvall, said late in the evening of 6 March that, 'It was just after 2000 hours Swedish time that Copilot Kjell Fern reported a bright luminous object on a generally north-westerly course.' He [Hamrin] thinks that there is hardly any great doubt that it was some form of satellite.

"Light phenomena which may originate from a satellite have also been observed over Stockholm. It was reported to Dagens Nyheter from Lidingö that on two evenings in succession a moving point of light had been observed at 2230 hours in a south-southwesterly direction and 15 to 20 degrees above the horizon."

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21 September 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Director, Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Unidentified Flying Object Reported on 20 September 1957

1. As reported by components of the US Air Defense Command, an unidentified flying object (UFO) was tracked by US radars on a relatively straight course from the eastern tip of Long Island to the vicinity of Buffalo. The object was reportedly moving westward at an altitude of 50,000 feet and speed of 2,000 kts. "Jamming" was reported by several radars in this vicinity and westward as far as Chicago. In a subsequent briefing for representatives of the IAC, the US Air Force reported that the original reports had been degraded somewhat by information that: (a) there was an 11 minute break in the track; (b) weather conditions in the area were of the type which have in the past produced false radar pips and electronic interference; (c) B-47's of SAC were in the area near Chicago on an ECIA training flight. The ADC has not completed its investigation of this incident, but in any event it now seems clear that the phenomena reported west of Buffalo were not related to the UFO.

2. We have no intelligence on Soviet activities (e.g., long-range air, submarine, or merchant shipping operations) which can be related specifically to this reported event. We believe it unlikely that a Soviet aircraft could conduct a mission at this speed and altitude and return to Bloc territory. However, we credit the USSR with the capability to have a submarine-launched cruise-type missile of low ~~performance~~ performance and a range of about 500 n.m., but we have no specific evidence of the existence of such a missile.

3. We have examined possible Soviet motives for launching a one-way vehicle on an operation over the US, and consider that there would be little motivation at this time, except possibly a psychological or retaliatory motive, which we believe is marginal. One-way reconnaissance operations are largely ruled out by the likelihood that the results would be of small value, and the risk of compromise would be very great.

4. We conclude, therefore, that it is highly improbable that a Soviet operation is responsible for the UFO reports of 20 September.

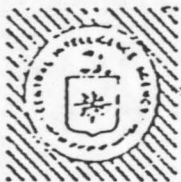
5. Considering the facts that the ADC investigation is incomplete, and that weather phenomena are increasingly likely explanations of the original reports, we recommend that no IAC meeting be called on this subject at this time.

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6. [redacted] asked for [redacted] personal opinion of the UFO phenomenon. He was told that 99 percent of these occurrences were traceable to either natural or man-made phenomena such as celestial movement, aircraft or artificial satellites, and that the other one percent cannot be explained--possibly an hallucination. [redacted] then asked, "Do you think it is possible...could there be something coming from outer space?"

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harvesting and handling was excessively laborious; and, most important, the farmers complained that the rape yields no feed and because of its uncertain yields it is a highly risky crop producing small returns.

This year the yields are very good. The two-phase harvesting operations have virtually eliminated manual labor; the drying is being handled by the purchasing enterprises. The purchase price was raised by 50 crowns per quintal. Further, 40 kilograms of feed is being allotted for delivery of each quintal of rape. Assuming an 18-quintal-per-hectare yield, which is not at all uncommon on well-tended fields, the producing enterprise can earn a good price and 7 quintals of feed grain.

Considering the soil and climatic conditions, per-hectare yields are not fully satisfactory even now. Neglect in earlier years resulted in 60-70 percent of the sown beets to be plowed under in 1962 and 1963 in West Slovakia, South Moravia, North Bohemia, and Central Bohemia krajs.

According to Engr Korda of the Department of Crop Production of the Ministry of Agriculture, the situation in the production of winter rape is changing. Despite the decrease in recent years, the over-all area planned for sowing of rape (about 50,000 hectares) is not to be changed because the more favorable purchase prices and the exchange of feed grains for delivered rape are increasing interest in the crop. Rape production is shifting from the best-growing areas to the potato-growing areas of Czechoslovakia. Conditions in the latter areas are more favorable to rape, particularly because the snow cover reduces the chance of freezing of the crop, Korda stated. (EEDPR, 7 Sep 65)

TEXTILE PLANT EXPANDING CAPACITY -- Prague, Noviny Zahraničního Obchodu, 18 Aug 65, p 4

The "Textilana" Plant in Liberec annually produces 2 million meters of fabrics. However, this amount is not sufficient to satisfy foreign demands. Therefore, it is currently being modernized with old machines being replaced by more modern machines which will increase annual production of 5 million meters of fabrics. Ghana is currently the largest buyer of these fabrics whereas in Belgium "Textilana" is rapidly gaining first place among foreign importers. (EEDPR, 7 Sep 65)

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FLOOD AID CRITICIZED

The 27 August 1965 issue of Bratislava Pravda carries the Ministry of Construction's rebuttal to criticism that it is mismanaging the publicly subscribed flood disaster aid. Criticism is being levied by the Slovak Danube River flood victims who are becoming disenchanted with daily press and radio broadcast accounts of accumulated donations and who have yet to see tangible proof in the form of bricks, cement, and various prefabricates.

S. Malik, secretary of the flood commission and the man who keeps the Ministry of Construction informed on disbursements, gave the following explanation: According to plans the flood victims will receive, among other things, a total of 10 million bricks by the end of August and an additional 10 million by the end of September. Between 17 July and 22 August a number of brick kilns have contributed the allotted quota. These were delivered to certain disaster areas in overabundance whereas other areas received none. Responsibility for delivery and distribution does not lie with the Ministry of Construction but with the railroad and business concerns. It has been shown that sufficient amounts of cement have been delivered to the flood areas but because of unsatisfactory storage the cement is hardening. By 19 August the Ministry of Construction issued 870,000 slate shingles, 108,000 pieces of asbestos cement roofing, 34,000 meters of square tiles, 5,933 meters of prefabricates. The Ministry of Construction has been conscientiously fulfilling its tasks. However, it is sending these items where it is told to send by the organs that control the rehabilitation of the devastated areas. (EEDPR, 7 Sep 65)

* FLYING SAUCER REPORT

[Note: For several weeks, the Hungarian language daily Uj Szo, published in Bratislava, has given extensive, frequently front page, coverage to flying saucer reports, usually from South America but sometimes from other areas, attributing them to the French news service AFP, Reuters, etc. Occasionally, these articles included explanations by Czechoslovak experts who discounted the stories and offered alternatives to the extraterrestrial hypotheses. The 20 August 1965 issue of Uj Szo published a front page CTK (Czechoslovak Press Office) dispatch from San Salvador reporting a photograph of a flying saucer published in Prensa Grafica, Salvador. The following is a full translation of a page 2 CTK story in the same issue of Uj Szo.]

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Jaroslav Kalista, an employee of the Plzen branch of the State Bank, has reported to the CTK that on 14 August, shortly after 2100 hours, in Strakonice Okres of the South Bohemian kraj, between the villages of Kasejovice and Lnare, he and Jiri Cadek, a resident of Lnare, saw four light discs in the sky. The four discs were all the same distance from one another and formed a slang line above the earth. It appeared that they were standing in one place. According to his report, several more discs appeared after about 5 minutes. The discs broke the regular formation and gradually disappeared. Both phenomena lasted only a few seconds.

Dr. Vladimír Guth, director of the Ondřejov observatory and a corresponding member of the Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences, reported in connection with Kalista's observation: "Recent press reports have prepared people to watch the sky more. Naturally we cannot classify every curious sight as extraterrestrial. I do not believe in flying saucers. There could be several explanations of the phenomenon. The destruction artificial satellites and carrier rockets causes similar phenomena. I was witness to the destruction of a Cosmos artificial satellite. It suddenly lit up and exploded into small glowing pieces. We were not the first to witness such a phenomenon. Artificial satellites regularly break up into 5 or 6 pieces.

"From the meteorological circumstances and astronomical data for that day we can conclude that the 'something' observed was a solid body which was 25 kilometers above the earth. If a known artificial satellite was destroyed we will know it later. It is probable, however, that it involved rocket signals customary in military maneuvers. The possibility is not ruled out that secret experiments are being conducted in the atmosphere the organizers of which want to distract attention from themselves by spreading news about flying saucers." (EEDPR, 7 Sep 65)

DETECTION OF SENSITIVITY TO RADIATION

Prague Mlada Fronta of 24 August 1965 carries an article by Dr. Milan Pospisil, Candidate of Sciences, of the Institute of Biophysics of the Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences in Brno. After dealing with contemporary scientific research and results in radiobiology, Pospisil states that his institute has proven that by following the rate of metabolism it is possible to predict sensitivity of individuals to radiation. The reasons for such reactions are unclear, although one might speculate about the higher production of toxic products by individuals with a higher metabolism. Nevertheless, this knowledge has been utilized for a purposeful influencing of the sensitivity of live tissue, he says.

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It is known that thyroxin, a hormone of the thyroid gland, increases metabolism and also increases the sensitivity of organisms and tissue toward radiation. On the other hand, his laboratory has proved that resistance to radiation will tend to decrease the activity of the thyroid gland, Pospisil continues. Endeavors to utilize an artificial decrease of metabolism through the extrinsic colling of organism have great prospects, he says.

With regard to further work, Pospisil states that his institute has worked out a test which will make it possible to predict an individual's reaction to radiation on the basis of the indirect indexes of the activity of his suprarenal gland, and thus to identify resistant and sensitive individuals. (EEPR, 7 Sep 65)

NEW PUBLIC OBSERVATORY -- Prague, Zemedelske Noviny, 19 Aug 65, p 4

On 18 August, the cupola of the new public observatory in Jihlava was installed. The observatory is located atop the three-story Hall of Culture of the Revolutionary Trade Union Movement. A helicopter was employed in the installation of the sections of the 5.5-ton cupola. (EEDPR, 7 Sep 65)

TECHNICAL CONFERENCE -- Prague, Stavebnicky Casopis, No 7, [Aug] 65, p 454

The Fourth Seminar on Photoelasticimetry will be held on 17-18 May 1966 at the Gottwaldov work center of the Advanced Technical School in Brno, which is sponsoring the session. The session will deal with instruments and equipment for photoelasticimetry laboratories. Engr Miroslav Perla, Candidate of Sciences, of the Mining Institute of the Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences in Prague, is chairman of the session's preparatory committee. Further information may be obtained from Engr Jan Cernousek of the Advanced Technical School in Brno, Zalesna 3396.

The Third Seminar on Photoelasticimetry was held in Turcianske Teplice on 17-18 May [1965].. (EEDPR, 7 Sep 65)

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The author then presents some additional details to illustrate her statements and makes the point that young people today "are obviously not studying for the sake of the financial benefits involved. However, a lot more of them will be attending advanced schools once the anticipated financial rewards will be greater. Capitalism does not have a monopoly on people who like money. While I cannot categorically state that each of the 100,000 students enrolled at our schools is thinking of money alone, I do have the statements of the mothers of our two earlier subjects (the student and the construction helper who are of equal age). According to them, the student is at present working off a brigade with the Prague Municipal Transportation system as a streetcar ticket puncher, whereas the construction helper is about to get married and to spend his honeymoon in Yugoslavia." (EEDPR, 15 Sep 65)

MILITARY ACADEMY GRADUATES RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT

According to the 5 September 1965 issue of Rude Pravo, Czechoslovak Defense Minister Armadni General Bohumir LOMSKY delivered a report to President Novotny at Prague Castle where the President received graduates of various military academies. In a short speech LOMSKY emphasized that two-thirds of the soldiers had graduated with honors, that one-half of them are engineers which demonstrates the importance the army is placing on technology, and that currently every fourth regular army officer is a college graduate. In conclusion, LOMSKY thanked the Party and the government for their "universal zeal which is being dedicated to arming and fortifying the combat capability of our country". He assured his listeners that together with the Soviet and other fraternal armies of the joint Warsaw Pact armed forces, the Czechoslovak army is always ready to fulfill its patriotic and international commitment in defending socialism and peace.

On behalf of the officers, Podplukovník Engr K. LIEBL expressed appreciation for Party and government help in expanding the curriculum in military advanced schools. "The new knowledge, intelligence and experiences will be used by the new commanders in fulfilling their daily tasks, in strengthening combat capability of our army."

The graduates came from the A. Zapotocky Military Academy, the Klement Gottwald Military Academy, the J. E. Purkyne Military Medical Research and Postgraduate Institute, the Military Faculty of the Advanced School for Transportation and from foreign advanced schools.

Also attending the ceremony were ASO (Communist Party of Czechoslovakia) Central Committee Presidium members J. Dolansky, A. Dubcek, J. Hendrych, M. Chudik, D. Kolder, B. Lastovicka, J. Lenart and

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Acting Assistant Director
for Scientific Intelligence

DATE: AUG 8 1955

FROM : Chief, Physics and Electronics Division, SI

SUBJECT: Responsibility for "Unidentified Flying Objects" (UFOB's)

REFERENCES: A. Memo to Ch/P&E from AD/SI, 27 May 53, "Unidentified Flying Objects"
B. Memo to AD/SI from Ch/P&E, 3 July 53, "Unidentified Flying Objects"
C. Memo for the Record signed by Ch/ASD, Ch/Ops, and Ch/P&E, 14 June 54, "Intelligence Responsibilities for Non-Conventional Types of Air Vehicles"

1. By reference A, this Division was assigned "responsibility for maintaining current knowledge of sightings of unidentified flying objects."

2. By reference B, which received the concurrence of your office, this Division proposed to handle its responsibilities as follows:

- "a. the project will be considered as inactive
- b. the incoming material will be reviewed periodically to segregate references to recognizable and explainable phenomena from those which come under the definition of 'unidentified flying objects'
- c. all material on unidentified objects will be deposited in the files for future reference unless it raises an immediately recognizable problem of concern to national security."

3. Reference C clarified but did not reduce the responsibility of this Division on the subject project.

4. Since the issuance of Reference A, the responsibility delineated in par. 2b, above, has required between 10 and 25 analyst hours per month and the responsibilities under par. 2c, above, about half that much clerical time.

5. It is requested that this Division be relieved of the responsibilities assigned to it under Reference A since:

a. No intelligence of concern to national security has been developed from the project.

b. The project as defined by Reference C does not fall under the provision of DCID 4/4 on Critical National Intelligence Objectives.

c. P&E's successful participation in the FY-1956 OSI Production Program requires that all non-essential activities be terminated.

6. In view of the fact that no positive intelligence of significance has been produced under the subject project, it is recommended that the project be terminated and the files thereof be placed in dead storage.

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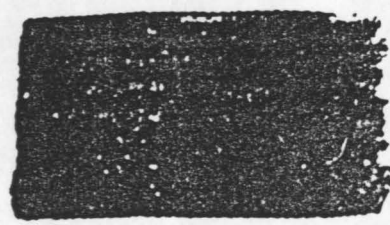
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1. An unusual incident was observed during a 10 September 1976 British European Airways (BEA) flight (number 831) from Moscow to London. Between 1800 and 1900 hours, the aircraft was cruising at an altitude of approximately 33 thousand feet (9,900 meters), apparently inside the border of Lithuania, when a blinding, single source, constant intensity, and stationary light was observed off the starboard flight path of the aircraft. The light's distance was estimated to be approximately 10 to 15 miles (16 to 24 kilometers) off of the aircraft's path and approximately five to six thousand feet (1,500 to 1,800 meters) below the aircraft, somewhat above a lower cloud layer. The light, which resembled a sodium vapor lamp (yellowish in color), and which was too intense to view directly for any period of time, completely lit the top of the lower cloud layer, giving it a glowing cast.
 2. The light was of such interest that the BEA pilot came onto the aircraft's intercom network, stated that he was somewhat concerned over its presence, and said he had asked the Soviet authorities for an identification of its source. The Soviet authorities came back with a negative identification response, suggesting that he should not ask questions. The light was observed for approximately 10 to 15 minutes, until the aircraft had flown past and left the light source behind.

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INFORMAL

Deputy Assistant Director/SI

1 August 1952

Acting Chief, Weapons & Equipment Division

"Flying Saucers"

1. Pursuant to your request for overall evaluation of "flying saucers" and associated reports, the following is pertinent:

a. Of 1000 to 2000 such reports received by ATIC, a large percentage are clearly "phony". An equally large percentage can be satisfactorily explained as known flights of currently operational U.S. equipment (aircraft, weather balloons, etc.) and many others are undoubtedly of natural phenomena (meteorites, clouds, aberration of light caused by thermal inversion or reflections, etc.).

b. Less than 100 reasonably credible reports remain "unexplainable" at this time; regarding these reports, there is no pattern of specific sizes, configurations, characteristics, performance, or location. The sources of these reports are generally no more or less credible than the sources of the other categories. It is probable that if complete information were available for presently "unexplainable" reports, they, too, could be evaluated into categories as indicated in "a" above.

2. Notwithstanding the foregoing tentative facts, so long as a series of reports remains "unexplainable" (interplanetary aspects and alien origin not being thoroughly excluded from consideration) caution requires that intelligence continue coverage of the subject.

3. It is recommended that CIA surveillance of subject matter, in coordination with proper authorities of primary operational concern at ATIC, be continued. It is strongly urged, however, that no indication of CIA interest or concern reach the press or public, in view of their probable alarmist tendencies to accept such interest as "confirmatory" of the soundness of "unpublished facts" in the hands of the U. S. Government.

4. The undersigned has arranged with the Commanding Officer of the Air Technical Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, for a thorough and comprehensive briefing related to this subject on 8 August 1952. Subsequent to obtaining full details, a detailed analysis will be prepared and forwarded.

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Referring to the announced nuclear powerplant in this city, Castro Madero said that if it is decided to install a nuclear energy-driven powerplant in the area, "we will have an economic and nonpolluting source of energy." He explained: "But that depends on the plans of the energy secretariat."

He also spoke of the future of a heavy water plant in Arroyito, Neuquen Province, regarding which he said that "the plans remain firm, but there are problems of international safeguards, which is why that technology is being held back. So Argentina has taken the road of installing a pilot plant at Atucha." He concluded by saying: "When Argentina is in a position to define its industrial plan and has the technology, I believe it will be installed in Arroyito."

Castro Madero concluded by referring to Atucha II, Embalse Rio Tercero and other plans which are being drawn up, regarding which he said that he is "waiting for the final report from the energy secretariat, which has finished the first part." He asserted: "That is, decisions have been made on the electrification network up to the year 1985 and the second stage, from that year until 2000, is being planned."

BOLIVIAN ARMY COMMANDER VILLALPANDO TO VISIT

PH30255Y Buenos Aires NOTICIAS ARGENTINAS in Spanish 2150 GMT 12 May 78 PY

[Text] Buenos Aires, 12 May--According to a responsible source, Gen Alfonso Villalpando Truza, commander in chief of the Bolivian Army, will arrive here next Monday. This high-ranking military officer is scheduled to arrive at Ezeiza at 1300.

RELATIVES OF MISSING PERSONS SUBMIT PETITION TO GOVERNMENT

PH121300Y Santiago Chile Radio Minería Network in Spanish 1030 GMT 12 May 78 PY

[Text] Buenos Aires--A group of relatives of missing persons has submitted to the government a petition with 17,005 signatures. The group expresses its concern over the fate of thousands of missing persons. The document, which was also released to the mass media, adds that the group wishes to hold a meeting with a presidential advisory committee to find out "about our dear relatives."

INTERIOR MINISTRY REPORTS ARRESTS, RELEASES

PH30253Y Buenos Aires TELAM in Spanish 2342 GMT 12 May 78 PY

[Excerpt] Buenos Aires, 12 May--The Interior Ministry reported today that as of 5 May five persons were arrested and placed at the disposal of the executive branch while eight persons were released. One person was authorized to leave the country within the same period of time.

AUTHORITIES REPORT SATELLITE DOWN IN BOLIVIA

PH142357Y Madrid EFE in Spanish 1740 GMT 14 May 78 PA

[Text] Salta, Argentina, 14 May--The strange object that some people in the northern zone of Salta Province, 1,700 km from Buenos Aires, claim they saw falling was in fact an artificial satellite which already has been located in Bolivian territory, official sources in Salta announced Sunday.

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Many people in this part of the country claim they saw an object which resembled a soccer ball falling behind the mountains on the Argentine-Bolivian border, causing an explosion that shook the earth. This took place on 6 May. Around that time some people in San Luis and Mendoza provinces reported seeing a flying saucer squadron flying in formation.

The news from Salta confirms that the artificial satellite fell on Taire Mountain in Bolivia, where it has already been located by authorities. The same sources said that the area where the artificial satellite fell has been declared an emergency zone by the Bolivian Government.

YPF SIGNS \$250-MILLION CREDIT IN U.S.

FY1C 514Y Buenos Aires Domestic Service in Spanish 1030 GMT 10 May 78 FY

[Text] Raul Ondarts, president of Government Oil Deposits [YPF], signed a credit agreement for \$250 million with a group of international bankers in New York on 3 May.

The announcement was made by (Ernesto Varela), the financial director of the government institution, upon his return from the United States yesterday. He said that YPF will use \$100 million for exploration plans and \$150 million to reduce its foreign debt, transforming it from short to medium term.

The credit agreement is on a 7-year basis with a 2-and-1/2-year grace period. The terms of the agreement were, at the time of negotiation, the most favorable granted to our country or to YPF.

BRIEFS

RESTRICTIONS ON FIREARMS--The executive branch has upheld the restriction on the transportation of firearms, including small- and large-caliber hunting arms, in order to maintain strict control on the use of all firearms. Authorization for shipment of arms should be requested from local authorities and will be valid only for a limited time. Transportation of some semiautomatic and automatic rifles is banned under all circumstances. [Buenos Aires Domestic Service in Spanish 2000 GMT 3 May 78 FY]

ELECTRONIC TELEX SWITCHBOARD--Buenos Aires--The National Telecommunications Company will inaugurate a computerized, totally electronic telex switchboard for international services on Monday. The new switchboard will permit an increase in the number of circuits to 1,200. As a consequence of the use of the new telex central, Channel 011 will no longer be used as of Monday; nor will Channels 0111, 0112 and 0113, as of Wednesday. [Buenos Aires TELAM in Spanish 1627 GMT 5 May 78 FY]

TV MICROWAVE LINK--Santa Rosa, La Pampa, 5 May--The local TV station will broadcast experimental programs transmitted by microwave this weekend. The microwave link will connect Santa Rosa with the national microwave network through the city of Bahia Blanca. [Buenos Aires TELAM in Spanish 1330 GMT 5 May 78 FY]