UFO CRASH: WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB USA

A SELECTION OF USA INTELLIGENCE DOCUMENTS DESCRIBING A POSSIBLE UFO HOUSED AT WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB

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52-21-02-01 12 August 1952

SUBJECT: "Flying Saucers" at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

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

1. The following information was obtained by a Special Agent of this District Office and is submitted for your information.

2. A/1C CLYDE H. WHEELER, AF-01238827, 6511st Support Squadron, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, was interviewed 31 July 1952, and advised that MSgt. LOUIS E. BUNCE, AF-06329199, 575th Field Maintenance Squadron, Box 19, Selfridge Air Force Base, Mt. Clemens, Michigan, told him approximately 10 June 1952, that he (BUNCE) knew about the flying saucers at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. At this time (approximately 10 June 1952), BUNCE explained in detail that he knew the people at Wright-Patterson AFB had found some flying saucers and also some bodies inside the saucers. The saucers and bodies were taken to Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, date unknown. At Wright-Patterson AFB, BUNCE explained officials at the Radiation Laboratory disassembled the flying saucers, which supposedly came from Texas and the bodies inside the saucers were taken to the Aero Medical Laboratory, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, for further study. The discussion of saucers came about as a result of BUNCE's interest in a project that A/1C WHEELER was working on and also as a result of BUNCE's knowledge of WHEELER having been at Wright Air Development Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, sometime in January 1952.

3. A mutual friend of BUNCE, identified as Mr. [redacted], Sugar Bush Road, North Baltimore, Michigan, verified this story to WHEELER as related above by BUNCE, concerning the flying saucers. [redacted] advised WHEELER that a friend of his, who works at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, at the present time, is [redacted], East Springfield, Ohio, and his friend had related this information to him ([redacted]) concerning the flying saucers and bodies now at Wright-Patterson AFB.

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[illegible] to his [illegible] AFB, Ohio [illegible] Inclosure #2. [illegible] copy of the questions [illegible] Inclosure #2. Also, [illegible] suggested to WHELLER that they [illegible] concerning this matter, and WHELLER admits helping [illegible] with a code system, of which a photostatic copy was made and is attached to this letter as Inclosure #2.

5. According to WHELLER, a civilian employee at Wright Air Development Center, at the Radiation Laboratory, identified only as [redacted], is a good friend of [redacted] and is supposed to have supplied the information to [redacted] concerning the flying saucers being disassembled at the Radiation Laboratory and the information concerning the bodies that were taken to the Aero Med Laboratory. On 13 July 1952, WHELLER typed a statement, a photostatic copy of which is attached to this letter as Inclosure #3.

6. Approximately 20 June 1952, WHELLER claims he wrote a complete report concerning the above captioned matter and gave this report to 2nd Lt. [illegible], who is Intelligence Officer at Headquarters Squadron, 116th Air Force, Selfridge Air Force Base, Michigan. At the time WHELLER gave the report to the Intelligence Officer, he was instructed by the Intelligence Officer to listen to [redacted] or anyone else, who had knowledge of flying saucers and report back to the Intelligence Officer any information [illegible] subject.

7. During the month of June, WHELLER claims he went to the Base Library, Selfridge AFB, and checked a book entitled "Behind the Flying Saucers" by FRANK SCULLY. This was first suggested by Lt. [illegible]. WHELLER claims, and after reading the book, he found it contained the same information as related to him by Lt. [illegible] concerning the flying saucers with this exception: In the book there was no mention made of the Flying Saucers being disassembled at Wright-Patterson AFB at the Radiation Laboratory, and no mention made about the bodies inside the saucers being taken to Aero Med Laboratory, Wright-Patterson for further study.

8. A review of FILE No. 24-21 at Headquarters, 5th CSI District, reflected a photostatic copy of the statement to the Intelligence Office, Selfridge AFB, mentioned above, and also reflected a letter of transmittal from the Air Provost Marshal, Selfridge AFB, Michigan, wherein the Provost Marshal stated it is his belief that WHELLER may be attempting to draw attention to himself or further his interest or a possible security leak may exist in the Flying Saucer Program. The letter of transmittal with inclosure (Special File [illegible]) is attached hereto as Inclosure #4.

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NB - nothing in 5th DIST OSI file

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SUBJ: "Flying Saucers" etc al

9. No further investigation of this matter is contemplated by this District Office unless specifically requested by your command.

4 Incls
1. Photo cy questions fr BUNCH to WHEELER
2. Photo cy code by BUNCH and WHEELER
3. Photo cy statement by WHEELER dtd 13 Jul 52
4. Photo cy ltr of trans dtd 13 Jul 52 w/incl (Special file of WHEELER)

JAMES H. GUNN
Lt Colonel, USAF
District Commander

Cy to:
CG OSI, w/incls

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20 AUG 1952

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Air Provost Marshal
Selfridge Air Force Base, Michigan

[illegible] Director of Special Agents (OSI), [illegible], Ohio

TO: Commanding General
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
ATTN: Air Provost Marshal
Dayton, Ohio

1. Special File is forwarded for your information and any action deemed necessary. (One (1) typewritten copy is being maintained in Intelligence files this headquarters.)

[illegible] Wilfred Clyde [illegible] Wheeler, [illegible] transferred to [illegible] Sq (VAC) (ADC) (TD) your command per par [illegible] special orders this headquarters, 23 June 1952, as amended per [illegible] this headquarters [illegible]

3. Information contained herein was presented to Intelligence Office this headquarters by Lt Col Wheeler [illegible] was further coordinated with Intelligence and [illegible] Directorate [illegible]

4. Upon review this evidence [illegible] Wheeler [illegible] draw attention to himself to further the threat of espionage security leak may exist in the Flying Saucer [illegible]

5. Subject airman has been [illegible] report [illegible] marshal upon arrival at your station. No further action [illegible] initiated by this headquarters since [illegible]

a. Subject airman is already on orders for transfer [illegible] your organization.

b. [illegible] security [illegible] Program, determination for same must be made at your installation.

GEORGE C. TIMBALL
Major, USAF
Air Provost Marshal

1 Incl:
Statement
SHERIEH, Clyde (27 Jun 52)

SECURITY INFORMATION

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Assignment: [illegible]

[illegible] Clyde E. Wheeler
[illegible]
[illegible] Support Squadron
Wright-Patterson AFB
Dayton, Ohio
13 Jul 52

[illegible]S.
[illegible]ston, Ohio.

[illegible]eport of the 8th of July 52

[illegible] did visit Mr. [illegible] Lloyd Bunce, who resides [illegible] Court, accompanied by [illegible] at nine. We [illegible] and I arrived at approximately [illegible]
My visit was to say goodbye to the Bunce family and that [illegible] reason for bringing my friend along. Sgt. Bunce was [illegible] per and was seated at the far end of the table and he [illegible] it next to him. He motioned to my friend to sit [illegible] the table. Mr. [illegible] engaged in conversation with Mr. Bunce's wife [illegible] about children when the Sgt. asked [illegible] used in communication back and forth. I told him that [illegible] about it" which he replied [illegible] asked his wife to bring him a pencil and a pad of paper. He [illegible] proceeded to make out his own questions which were about [illegible] 11. All this time he continued to talk to Mr. [illegible] about [illegible] things while making up the code questions. The Sgt. [illegible] set on to Mr. Breech as to what he was doing until [illegible] staring at the pad upon which the Sgt. was writing. The Sgt. [illegible] noticed this and said, " Of course you know what [illegible] until [illegible] doing.", to which [illegible] just smiled and went on [illegible] The code was finally finished as I did help make [illegible] copied the question and answer sheet for Sgt. Bunce [illegible] to be a poor speller and writer. He said that [illegible] date the good letter [illegible] of the month or the fifteenth [illegible] month and to use exactly the same answers to [illegible] questions. [illegible] and the Sgt. talked over the [illegible] the next day, 9 Jul 52, I started to clean my [illegible] and [illegible] cleaning I talked to the Provost Marshall about the code and [illegible] advised me on the usual security measures and to make up this report. This is the end of my report. Clyde E. Wheeler [illegible]

I have in my possession the introduction letter to [illegible] and have listed his address as

[illegible] West Springfield, Ohio [illegible] Wright Field

I will report in as soon as I arrive at Wright for further instructions.

Assignment: [illegible]

Incl #3

[illegible] to be mechanical engineer, engineer showed me a picture of [illegible] airplane he was working on which change wing incidence to 90° to form some sort of helicopter.

5.- I may be able to get correct date. I rented Fred's trailer and I lived at John's Trailer Court on Jefferson Avenue until I could get an assignment to the Base Trailer Court on which date I do not remember. Check with (Capt) Arnold D. Baldwin, [illegible] Wadesburg, Ill. [illegible]

7.- Base can be verified. Also general letter of introduction from Maj. [illegible]

8.- Signed Record of Evacuation form which I had [illegible]

9.- Have badge receipt in my files [illegible]

10.- Sent drawings on [illegible] Letter asking about possible transfer, etc. to Capt. Sparks. (Some letters were sent which we have copies.)

11.- Base Housing or Secretary Treasurer Trailer Court for date.

12.- I sent request for transfer through squadron orderly room.

[redacted]

[redacted] Louisiana Polytechnical Institute at Ruston, Louisiana. I reported for duty at Eg. Sq. Tests AF on the twentieth day of October [redacted]

Before coming to Selfridge, I had been working on a ejectable nose of a fighter plane which could possibly be revolved 360° on its axis or could be ejected from the aircraft from the front or rear at tremendous speeds up and exceeding 60,000 mph, which would have to be proved in tests which I could not perform.

When I arrived at Selfridge Field I met [redacted] baby live at his home because of [redacted] about the 15th of October 1951. I moved to [redacted] Michigan [redacted] I talked over my airplane idea and he liked it pretty much although I observed he had some qualms [redacted] he really didn't pay much attention to the airplane until I mentioned it [redacted] worked for Briggs Manufacturing Company in Detroit as a salvage inspector and did work part time as a bartender at a place on the corner of [redacted] and [redacted] in Eastpoint called [redacted] and I became partners as far as the airplane went and we decided that the best thing was to go to the Air Force and present it to them.

I worked in my section in [redacted] that Captain John Fay (now Major) had a calculator slide [redacted] figured time lapsed dates and that he the Captain was waiting for acceptance on the calculator. He mentioned the fact he went to Wright Field with the [redacted]

[illegible] (1) [illegible]

[illegible] I should see Major Montray in DC. Finally, at a date I do not remember, I was called to explain this idea, to Major Montray in Major Fay's presence. They both suggested making an appointment with Professor [redacted] an aeronautical engineer at the Wayne University. At a later date [redacted] then a Sgt who was later made a partner with [redacted] and myself, filled the appointment with [redacted] (check date in orderly room). (2) Included in the meeting was a man I do not know but would recognize. We sat about the cockpit and were told [illegible] the [illegible] wings [illegible] the [illegible]

I reported result to Major Fay and I suggested a try [illegible]

Next, my wife and I decided that we should move from [redacted] and get a place of our own because of [illegible] in it [illegible] calling up various persons [illegible] finally [illegible] calling Mrs [redacted] who had an ad in the paper. That night (3) I met [redacted] for the first time. He told me he worked at the Arsenal but would not say what he was doing not even to his wife nor me. I took that as good policy and never asked questions as I felt that it was none of my business. [redacted] explained security in itself and why even I as an airman regardless of what I do on the air base should keep the base there when I leave at night.

Next, after I got to know [redacted] well enough, [illegible] that [illegible] machines. I asked [redacted] what he thought about my airplane idea and he thought it was pretty good and suggested I go to Wright Field and see what the Air Force thought about it.

[redacted]

[illegible]

[illegible] a three day leave, which after explaining my reason to Major Gillen, [illegible] Commander, Tenth IF, released me on a three day pass.

On a Friday c/a 18 Jan 52, I went to Operations with my model and got a hop in a T-11 aircraft to Patterson Field arriving approximately 11:15 after more than an hour of flight. I went looking for the patients office at Patterson and was told to go to Wright Field by shuttle bus in Area C. [illegible] I found a large Administration Office on the [illegible]

[illegible] I was [illegible] a reserve room with the air terminal and got a staff car for which I signed the trip ticket on arrival at Wright outside of Capt Sperber's office building. Capt Sperber took me in his car to meet the civilian aeronautical board which consisted of about (6) six men and chairman Captain Sperber presented my airplane with the following ideas:

1. Telescopic Wings, which were turned down.
2. Spartan cockpit, [illegible]
3. Everything possible was impossible but nothing impossible.
4. Expendable cockpit, [illegible]

I was told to go back by Captain Sperber and don't give up the cockpit idea, which I did not do. Lt Waldich, was informed of my results which I

[redacted]

admit were not very encouraging, as well as Major Fry, [illegible]
Capt Monte Mason.

We then took Lt Maidick and [redacted] into a partnership with [redacted] and myself.

A letter came from Capt Sperber and said the engineering staff was examining my idea's which surprised us in some ways. Then Lt Maidick sent a letter to Wright asking about the information requested in that first letter. They sent back five reason's or disadvantages and asked me to explain them and send all the information I had on this subject.

This request for information and figures sent me to the University of Michigan (7) where I consulted with [redacted] mechanical engineer and teacher, which lasted approximately three hours. (8)

Lt Maidick, [redacted] and I sent a [redacted] figures to Michigan shortly after or before University of Michigan consultations. Mr. [redacted] is employed by Continental Aviation in Detroit, Michigan as a mechanical engineer. Mr [redacted] said he would do anything to help me but the project was to big for a few individuals to attempt. I believe the next thing I did was go to Major Gillen and ask him if he knew a way I could get any help on this. Major Gillen said at my suggestion that he would call Captain Spaur, Major General Harry Johnson's Aide and have him look at it (Capt Spaur) and see what he thought about the design. Capt Spaur looked it over and said he would talk to the General about it. (Next day I went to ready hangar on this field and talked with pilots on duty, including Major Chandler about this airplane idea so that I would have complete opinions on this airplane idea so that I would have complete opinions on this subject when presented to General Johnson. Time: (9) Saturday evening)

[redacted]

[redacted]

Weeks dragged by and Lt Baldich and I continually met Capt Spaur trying to find out when I was to meet the General. General Johnson was very busy with the Armed Forces Day Program and I was assured by Capt Spaur that I would see him at least when the program was over. (10) I finally got to see General Johnson and he was very much impressed as I saw it and he offered suggestions on improving the idea. He mentioned a Mr. [redacted] Chief Executive of [redacted] and told me I could write to him and see what he thought about the design.

I received Mr [redacted] address a day later from Capt Spaur and then proceeded to draw up sketches for [redacted]. Lt Baldich was going to draft up the letter to [redacted] but decided I could do it as well about three weeks later. On his advice we sent to [redacted] letter which was very brief with enclosed sketches. I wrote this letter in ink and have never received an answer which has surprised me because I thought I would get a quick reply.

I then decided to type another letter which I asked a girl in [redacted] my section although I hated to bother Mr [redacted] as for he is probably a very busy man because of his position in the [redacted] company. I still have not sent the second letter because the answer to the first may come in anyday now.

Soon after moving to the Base Trailer Court the space across from me became vacant and a family moved in with five children. The father of the children is named M/Sgt "Dick" Bunts or Bunce. He is a friendly man and I never paid to much attention to him although I once borrowed $10 off him for one day until my wife's allotment check came the next day. When I borrowed

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the $10. I really didn't know him except that he was a S/Sgt and I needed the money but at the time because of a delay in the check.

I started to build a radi-controlled model and progress was halted because I lacked a power supply to the transmitter. My wife asked me why I had halted working on the plane and I told her why. She then told me she was talking to Mrs [redacted] that day and she had told her wife that her husband worked w in the radio shop. So that same night I told him about the airplane and he was very much interested and that he would try to find a diagram of a power pack so he or I could build one. The very next day his wife called me over and said Dick had something for me. He came over to my trailer with a box and said I could use it (Power Supply) if I signed a statement of charges. I frowned on the idea and I asked him if we would get into trouble about it. He said he had explained the situation to his lt or officer in charge who said it was ok because they had three of them and they had no use for them and a statement of charges was ok. I signed the charge slip as A/2C Clyde E. Wheeler, Hq Sq Section, 7th AF.

The next day I felt I should see Lt Baidish and tell him about the power pack. He said the idea was frowned upon but he thought it ok providing I took good care of it and get the statement back after using it, since it was for the model which we intended to show General Johnson upon completion. I still have in my possession at my trailer and I have used it numerous times.

Next thing the radio receiver or the transmitter would fade off frequency, and I mentioned the fact to Capt Horn, my section head, who was very much interested in the ship. He said he would speak to Capt Conemmon of the 36th Comm Sq, a personal friend of his. Capt Conemmon told me to

bring the radio in and he would get me a permanent power supply and try to get the receiver and transmitter to work properly. Two weeks later, I inquired of M/Sgt Hale about the progress of my receiver and transmitter. He said Capt Concannon had taken it and it probably was at Radio Station "MARS". Capt Concannon was away when I did this inquiring so I asked Capt Horn's permission to go see about the radio and receiver at the Radio Station "MARS". A T/Sgt said there was a terrific backlog of crating to be done and he hadn't had a chance to work on it. So I, therefore, took the radios and thought I would ask M/Sgt Bunts about if he could help me. He said he knew a man by the name of Mr [redacted] in his radio repair section who had played with that type of receiver and transmitter and that he could possibly help me.

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Sgt Bunts built an extra room onto his trailor and I helped him considerably in putting the roof and siding up. The room was made of all scrap lumber of old crates and he bought all the hardware and beaverboard, door and screening with siding from Sear's Roebuck which I know for a fact as I helped open the articles up as they were received by him. The wood was strictly scrap and no violations were committed in acquiring such as I know for fact.

During the time I helped him to build this extra room, we talked over airplanes of conventional types, such as Hiller's helicopter and such manuevers used in Piper Cub's and light planes. No saucers were mentioned and everything was on a non-technical level.

24 June 1952 I received notice that my request for transfer had come through and I would be clearing the field o/a 7 July with ten days delay enroute, reporting NLT 2400 hrs, 20 July 52.

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I told Sgt Bunts when I saw him that same day and that evening started the flying saucer deal.

Sgt Bunts told me about Frank Scully and his book "Behind the Flying Saucer", which I had read something about in the newspapers and in an article in "True Magazine". He explained that he knew there were flying saucers and that they had two of them at Wright Field with the sizes of 27' diameter and 99' diameter. He said that one craft had a broken porthole in it and that the reason the three passenger's were dead was because of a terrific heat field caused by friction had cracked the porthole and had killed all inside. At Wright Field, he claimed the Air Force had closed Project Saucer because it was a true fact and would be alarming to the American public and that the Air Force reopened the project under the name of Project Radiation and that the laboratory was situated on the top of a hill in Wright Field. I listened to him on this subject and when I said I doubted the story in some ways he told me it was fact because they had proof. I asked him what sort of proof could be have. He then said backing his statements that there was a man who came from this field by the name of [redacted] who was transferred to Wright Field and was put on Project Radiation. He said that they (meaning Mr [redacted] and someone else I don't know and Sgt Bunts) thought [redacted] would no doubt be assigned to that project and they arranged for [redacted] to tell [redacted] who works in Maintenance Electronics or a building of that name, so that [redacted] could transmit back to this radio shop so Mr [redacted] and Sgt Bunts could know if there were really flying saucers and such.

[redacted]

[redacted]

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Then M Sgt Bunts told me about the radio they found in the [illegible]

and they got interested the day of the two they took and that one was the

one with the broken pressure gauge. They kept probing through the port

hole until they hit something that opened the door of the ship. They found

a radio or something similar of which set a signal off at a staggered

interval of time somewhat over 15 minutes. They said it evidently set off

a signal but which could not be picked up with out modern electrical

devices. The case of the radio which was about 5" (inches) could not be

pierced by diamond drills and was as light in weight as aluminum.

Then came some theories which he told me was such that the answer to

this cancer was that a magnetic field was set up about of this craft by a

[illegible] spinning disc [illegible] which created the magnetic field

[illegible]

I met M[redacted] yesterday and he confirmed Sgt Bunts story and said a

letter of introduction would be given me introducing me to [redacted] when

I got there who would in turn introduce me to [redacted]

I realized after meeting Mr[redacted] that a serious lack in security was

present and if the cancer was real as they said it started to scare me at

the thought I knew this. I didn't feel well yesterday afternoon as my

mind was on cancers and this information I knew. I relaxed a little when I

got home last night and realized the actual seriousness of my position.

I decided I would see Mr[redacted] and being my best friend would give me some

advice as to whether he thought it was a hoax or not.

After supper, I decided I would write up some questions pertaining to

the cancer and see what Sgt Bunts would say. I figured my serial number

[redacted]

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would be a good boy and he said that we should be very [illegible]
received their information. Then the business was serious [illegible]
Mr. [redacted] came over I introduced him to Sgt Bunts and we talked about Scully [illegible]
book and the bible but not on the radio and other things such as [redacted]
[redacted]

We left Sgt Bunts and I told [redacted] the whole story who said to meet him tonight and we will compare Scully's Saucer story and for me to go the Intelligence Office Monday morning.

/s/ MSgt Clyde E. Wheeler,
Hq 24 Section, Tactical Air [illegible]
24 June 1952

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HEADQUARTERS SECOND ARMY
FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, MARYLAND

AIASB-2 67135

1 May 1953

SUBJECT: Rumors Pertaining to Flying Saucers located on premises of Wright Patterson AFB

TO: Assistant Chief of Staff, G2, Intelligence
Department of the Army
Washington 25, D.C.
Attention: Chief Security Division

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1. Forwarded herewith is Summary of Information, received from the Columbus Regional Intelligence Officer, pertaining to flying saucers which are allegedly located on the premises of Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

2. This information has been forwarded to the Office of Special Investigation by the Regional Intelligence Officer, Columbus Ohio.

FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G2:

Incl: a/s

WHITSIDE MILLER
Lt. Colonel, GS
Dir, ZI Intel Div

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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION
(SR 380-320-10)

DATE: 27 April 1953

PREPARING OFFICE: [illegible] Field Office, 109th CIC Detachment, 320 [illegible] Federal Bldg. Columbus, Ohio

SUBJECT: [illegible] Flying [illegible] which are allegedly [illegible] the premises of [illegible] Wright Patterson Air Force [illegible]

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UNRELIABLE . . . . . E	IMPROBABLE 5
RELIABILITY UNKNOWN . . . . F	TRUTH CANNOT BE JUDGED . . . 6

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

[illegible] April 1953, Ralph E. Brown, M/Sgt, RO 32037100, Hq Det 2306, ASU, [illegible] Military District, Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio, was interviewed in [illegible] from a telephone call from Capt Plandowski, S-2, Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio. Brown related that at approximately 2200 hours on 24 April 1953, he [illegible] engaged in a conversation with a [redacted] The conversation with [redacted] took place while Brown was waiting for a check to be cashed by the bartender, Dick Walker, of the Ionian Room in the Deshler-Walleck Hotel, Columbus, Ohio. [redacted] began the conversation by asking Brown casual questions such as [illegible] he is stationed. Brown stated that [redacted] then related the story to him that Wright-Patterson Air Force Base (WPAFB), Dayton, Ohio, has in its possession three flying saucers, two of which are in serviceable condition and one in a damaged condition. WPAFB also has the bodies of the men who were [illegible] the saucers. [redacted] stated that HE knew this to be true since he has seen them. Brown believed [redacted] said WPAFB was building a space ship, but he did not know if this space ship was a new one or a flying saucer being [illegible]. [redacted] stated that HE is connected with WPAFB, and therefore, [redacted] there is not any question as to the validity of the statements concerning the [illegible]. [redacted] stated that the Air Force authorities are too perturbed about the [illegible] and are not sure how to release the information to the public. The authorities are afraid of creating a general panic if the news is released to the [illegible]. The authorities decided to release the information to the [illegible] groups of individuals going about and picking out persons whom they [illegible] are intelligent enough to accept the story as true. [redacted] related that there is a group of people in Columbus, Ohio, who are planning what is to be done when the news of the saucers is made public. Brown's impression was that the group is small in number, perhaps four to eight members. [redacted] stated there is a doctor in this group and HE gave the impression that the group is composed of prominent people in Columbus, Ohio. [redacted] intimated the world situation is "so big" that by approximately June 1953, there will be a complete change in world affairs. The Korean war would be ended [illegible] there would no longer be any threat of a world war. [redacted] did not [illegible] the aforementioned world situation. Brown gathered the impression [redacted] that because of the superior intelligence of these men [illegible] that the world would unite itself against them. Brown requested [redacted] introduce him to this group, but [redacted] stated that Brown [illegible] the group soon since they knew how to get in touch with him. [illegible] gathered the impression that the group is to contact him shortly. [illegible] impression that the group would positively call on him. Brown [illegible] he asked [redacted] whether the men from the saucers were interplanetary space travelers. [redacted] answered that they ([illegible]) the group in Columbus [illegible] Air Force [illegible]

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BY KURT H. KUNKE, Capt USAF
4 DEC 1975 Historian

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SUBJECT: Rumors pertaining to flying saucers which are allegedly located on the premises of UPAFB, dtd 27 Apr 53

authorities) are not sure where the "saucer men" originated their travel. When asked if the "saucer men" came from beyond Pluto, [redacted] began to discuss the facts concerning Pluto. HE related that Pluto is the farthest planet from earth and was the last planet to be discovered. Brown related that [redacted] talked as though he were well-versed on the topic of flying saucers. [redacted] quoted speeds at which saucers have flown, altitudes they have attained, and about the abrupt changes in direction which saucers are capable of making. Brown believed that most of the information [redacted] gave concerning speeds, altitudes, and changes in direction [redacted] may have gathered from newspaper accounts of flying saucers, or HE may have gathered the information through official research with the Air Force. [redacted] acted as though it was HIS job to be well-versed on the topic. Brown stated that [redacted] was evasive when questioned for details concerning the saucers. [redacted] stated that Brown would be told more information when the proper time came. HE was very convincing in HIS manner of conversation. Brown stated that [redacted] had no objection to his writing [redacted] name on a piece of paper. Brown gave the following description of [redacted]

Age: 30 to 35
Weight: 170 to 175
Height: 5'11" to 6'1"
General Description: [redacted] is a slender, well-built individual with a long oval face. [redacted] has straight brown hair which HE parts on the side. When [redacted] smiles HIS teeth are very prominent and HIS upper teeth are very even. [redacted] has a fair complexion. [redacted] was dressed very neatly in a tan gaberdine suit and a light gray or tan top coat.

Brown stated that [redacted] left the Ionian Room abruptly and was not under the influence of alcohol. [redacted] also refused a drink which Brown attempted to purchase of HIM. After [redacted] departed Brown asked the bartender, [redacted], if he knew [redacted] and [redacted] related that he knew [redacted] and considered HIM a "[redacted]". Brown believed that [redacted] must come into the Ionian Room often since [redacted] knew HIM. Brown stated that he waited [redacted] what he considered a reasonable amount of time and then attempted to follow [redacted]. Brown again met [redacted] in the washroom of the Gunter-Walleck Hotel, but lost HIM after [redacted] departed from the washroom.

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20 March 1959

SUBJECT: Location of Large Cylindrical Silvery Object in Sinaloa Province, Mexico

TO: District Commander
18th District OSI (IG) USAF
Maywood Air Force Depot
Chali Air Force Station
Maywood, California

1. Reference telephone conversation between Special Agent James C. Harris, your activity, and Lt Colonel Max O. Mitchell, this office, 20 March 1959, and letter your headquarters, above subject, dated 11 March 1959.

2. It is requested that your headquarters attempt recovery of the article located in Mexico. If recovery cannot be accomplished, it is requested that positive identification of the object be made. Every effort should be made to not dissemble or mutilate the object in any way.

3. This office is prepared to immediately advance the sum of $200.00 in contingency funds for accomplishment of this mission. If an amount greater than $200.00 is required, this office should be notified.

4. It is requested that your office maintain liaison with the Western Office, ATIC, regarding this operation.

MAX O. MITCHELL
Lt Colonel, USAF
Chief, Western Office, ATIC

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Historian
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26 MAR 1959

SUBJECT: Location of Large Cylindrical Silvery Object in Sinaloa Province, Mexico

TO: Chief, Western Office
Air Technical Intelligence Center
P. O. Box 37
Pasadena, California

1. Reference is made to your letter dated 20 March 1959 requesting that this office attempt to recover the object described in letter, this district office, dated 11 March 1959.

2. On 23 March 1959 the OSI Detachment Commander at San Diego interviewed [redacted], the daughter of [redacted]. She advised that she had received a letter dated 28 February 1959 from her cousin [redacted] (a relative of [redacted]). The letter stated in part: "A Colonel in the Mexican Army from the State of Chihuahua had picked up all the equipment and letters."

3. Evidently the unidentified individual who first found the object had also reported its location to local Mexican police authorities. The present location of the object is unknown to our Detachment Commander at San Diego.

4. The classification of [redacted] is required on this letter for protection of investigative information against unauthorized disclosure which could be prejudicial to further investigative efforts.

9 APR 1959

F. P. DUNNINGTON, JR.
Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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