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# UFO CRASH!

**A SELECTION OF US INTELLIGENCE  
DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO ALLEGED UFO  
CRASHES WORLDWIDE**

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**Contents include: Alien body recovered at Roswell; FBI report on  
entity in vehicle; Project Mogul; The Blue Room; DIA files on  
'space objects' recovered in New Zealand; Aztec UFO crash;  
NASA files; UFO recovered in Denmark and Sri Lanka**

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1. COUNTRY: NEW ZEALAND

8. REPORT NUMBER: 6 869 0081 72

2. SUBJECT: "MOON DUST" - NZ Department of Scientific and Industrial Research Report on Space Debris

9. DATE OF REPORT: 23 June 1972

10. NO. OF PAGES: 1

3. ISC NUMBER:

11. REFERENCES: DIA: 58D, Cahy 8, para d

4. DATE OF INFORMATION: 1 June 1972

12. ORIGINATOR: USDAO WELLINGTON

5. PLACE AND DATE OF ACQ: Wellington, 19 Jun 72

13. PREPARED BY:

6. EVALUATION: SOURCE B INFORMATION 2

14. APPROVING AUTHORITY:

7. SOURCE: NZ Ministry of Foreign Affairs

PAUL K. WILKINSON, LTC USARP  
ACTING DEFENSE ATTACHE

15. SUMMARY:

Report forwards a copy of the New Zealand Department of Scientific and Industrial Research analysis of the first four of five metal spheres found between 3 April 1972 and 12 May 1972 in the vicinity of Ashburton, New Zealand. The fifth sphere was similar to the three larger spheres covered by the report.

1. General. Report provides detailed visual, spectrographic, chemical and metallographic analysis of the four spheres.

2. Conclusion. The four spheres are of modern titanium-based alloys and of high quality fabrication. The design suggests they were gas pressure vessels forming part of a space vehicle. Markings on the spheres appear to be manufacturers identification markings and apparently of Russian or East European origin.

COMMENTS: As pointed out in the DSIR report and discussed with DSIR, JIB, and MFA personnel throughout the past several months of investigation, it would be difficult to prove liability for property damage or personal injury under existing International Space Agreements. While the space debris markings in this case are indicative of origin, there is really no conclusive proof of ownership.

16. DISTRIBUTION BY ORIGINATOR:

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17. DOWNGRADING DATA:

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18. ATTACHMENT DATA:

1 Enclosure  
1. DSIR Report on Four Metal Spheres of Unknown Origin Found in the South Island of New Zealand. 1 cy

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1. (U) COUNTRY: NEW ZEALAND (NZ)

2. (U) REPORT NUMBER: 0 009 0100 78

3. (U) TITLE: (U) PROJECT MOON DUST

4. (U) PROJECT NRI: NA

5. (U) DATE OF INFORMATION: 24 OCT - 5 NOV 78

6. (U) DATE OF REPORT: 781107

7. (U) DATE AND PLACE OF ACQ: 781107 - WELLINGTON, NZ

8. (U) REFERENCE: CIR D-T3B-49756 (CONTINUING)

9. (U) ASSESSMENT: SOURCE A INFO 2

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10. (U) ORIGINATOR: USDAO WELLINGTON, NZ

11. (U) REQUEST FOR EVALUATION

14. (U) SOURCE: AMEMBASSY SCIENTIFIC ATTACHE

15. (U) DIRC: NO OF SCIENTIFIC

16. SUMMARY: THE NEW ZEALAND DEPARTMENT OF SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH HAS ADVISED THE EMBASSY'S SCIENTIFIC ATTACHE OF THE INVESTIGATION OF POSSIBLE FOREIGN SPACE MATERIAL REENTRY. ALTHOUGH THIS STATION IS NOT CURRENTLY ON A MOON DUST ALERT, THIS REPORT IS BEING MADE IAW REF CIR TO INFORM ADDRESSEES THAT POSSIBLE SPACE FRAGMENTS HAVE BEEN LOCATED IN NEW ZEALAND. THE EMBASSY IS REPORTING THE INFORMATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE DEPARTMENT INSTRUCTIONS.

22. THE FOLLOWING IS KEYED TO PARA 12.A OF REF CIR.

12.A.(1) SIGHTINGS:

(A) POSITION OF OBSERVER: ASHBURTON, NEW ZEALAND  
(43-548, 171-48E)

(B) TIME OF SIGHTING: APPROXIMATELY 1400 GMT, 701023

(C) UNKNOWN

(D) UNKNOWN

(E) UNKNOWN

(F) UNKNOWN

(G) UNKNOWN

(H) UNKNOWN

(I) UNKNOWN

(J) OTHER DATA ASSOCIATED WITH THE SIGHTING: THERE HAS BEEN ONLY ONE UNCONFIRMED OBSERVATION BY AN ASHBURTON MILKMAN WHO REPORTED A SIGHTING ABOUT 1400 GMT ON A NORTH TO SOUTH TRAJECTORY.

(2) GROUNDING MATERIAL:

(A) LOCATION (44-548 - 171-44E)

(B) CIRCUMSTANCES OF RECOVERY: ON 24 OCT 78, A SPACE FRAGMENT, KNOWN LOCALLY AS A "SPACE BALL", WAS PICKED UP BY FARMER JOHN LOVETT IN HIS Paddock ABOUT 20 KM SOUTH OF ASHBURTON ON NEW ZEALAND'S SOUTH ISLAND. IT WAS TURNED OVER TO THE NEW ZEALAND POLICE WHO IN TURN DELIVERED IT TO THE NATIONAL RADIATION LABORATORY IN CHRISTCHURCH FOR A RADIOACTIVE CHECK (NEGATIVE FINDING). THE OBJECT HAS NOW BEEN DELIVERED TO THE NZ DSIR FOR DETAILED EXAMINATION AND ANALYSIS. ON NOV 8 A SECOND "SPACE BALL" WAS FOUND BY

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ANOTHER ASHBURTON FARMER (AGAIN NAMED LOVETT, APPARENTLY BROTHERS) WHILE CUTTING A FIELD OF ALFALFA. THE LOCATION OF THE SECOND FRAGMENT WAS APPROXIMATELY 240 METERS FROM THE FIRST AND IN AN ADJOINING FIELD. IT WAS NOT DISCOVERED UNTIL IT HAD BEEN STRUCK BY THE MOWING MACHINE AND IS, THEREFORE, REPORTEDLY DAMAGED BY THE MACHINERY. THE SECOND OBJECT HAS BEEN TURNED OVER TO THE NZ POLICE BUT HAS NOT YET REACHED DSIR IN WELLINGTON.

(1) TIME OF IMPACT: UNKNOWN. THE FARMER, JOHN LOVETT, CLAIMS TO HAVE BEEN IN THE Paddock ON OCTOBER 22 AND IS CERTAIN THE FRAGMENT, WHICH WAS PROMINENTLY LOCATED, WAS NOT IN THE Paddock AT THE TIME. IF THE MILKMAN'S SIGHTING CAN BE CONFIRMED, THE APPROXIMATE TIME OF IMPACT WOULD BE 1400 GMT, OCT 23. COORDINATES OF IMPACT AREA ARE 171-44E AND 44-04S.

2. SEE "SIGHTINGS" ABOVE.

3. SEE "SIGHTINGS" ABOVE.

4. CHARACTERISTICS OF IMPACT AREA: UNKNOWN. (NZ POLICE HAVE BEEN ASKED TO INTERVIEW THE DISCOVERING FARMERS AND PERFORM A MORE THOROUGH INSPECTION OF THE IMPACT AREA).

5. DAMAGE: NONE

IDENTIFYING MARKS: NONE APPARENT ON FIRST SPHERE. SECOND SPHERE HAS NOT BEEN EXAMINED FOR IDENTIFYING MARKS.

(D) PHYSICAL NATURE AND CONDITION:

1. SIZE: SPHERE WITH WELDED EQUATOR; 100 MM. DIAMETER AT THE EQUATOR AND 165 MM. DIAMETER AT THE POLE; THICKNESS APPROXIMATELY 3MM.

2. WEIGHT: 882 GRAMS (DSIR ESTIMATES APPROXIMATELY 10 PER CENT ORIGINAL WEIGHT LOSS THROUGH DEFORMATION CAUSE BY

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Dear Mr Redfern

This is in response to your correspondence of 3 Feb 94 regarding whether or not the so-called "Roswell Incident" could possibly be explained by the theory that this was a test US missile crash that may have had rhesus monkeys as passengers (and hence, that the bodies of such primates were subsequently mistaken as "aliens"). Although I have seen similar speculation in the popular press as a possible alternative explanation of this incident, I have never seen any US Government documents, classified or not, to indicate that this might be so.

As you know, the "Roswell Incident" was a seminal event in UFO believers' history and it is vitally important to believers that this incident be attributed to a crashed "flying saucer" (or "flying disc" as they were called in those days); and that alien bodies were recovered from the "spacecraft". Simply put, if that explanation is not true and there is any other explanation (such as the one put forth in your letter) then much of what has been published subsequently regarding UFO's would automatically be proven spurious (the so-called "MJ-12 papers" are an obvious example). Other possible explanations, such as the crashed experimental aircraft or downed Japanese Fugo balloon theories would have the same result. Likewise, new confirmation of the historically stated explanation (downed balloon) would further detract from many subsequent UFO claims, which have flowed from the "Roswell Incident."

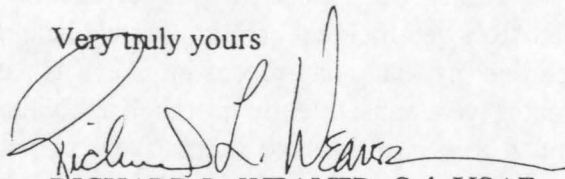
Coincidentally, with the recent renewal of interest in the "Roswell Incident" within UFO circles, there has been concurrent official US government interest generated by a Congressman from New Mexico. As a result, the General Accounting Office (GAO), the investigative arm of Congress, will be inquiring into how such reports were previously handled, with an apparent focus on the "Roswell Incident". This inquiry is being initiated as this is written. Certainly your crashed rocket theory seems a reasonable scenario to explore for possible records as are the other theories mentioned. I assume GAO will consider them all.

Part of the frustration in trying to explain such incidents well after the fact is the average citizen's lack of knowledge of informational and archival systems. Specifically, most people do not realize the type or volume of information available in US archives. More importantly, they do not realize the type or amount of data not available. Consequently, when information is not available it is usually attributed to malevolent motivations or sinister "cover-ups." When it is available but doesn't correlate with the information seeker's theory, then it is often characterized as having been altered or labeled as disinformation. This is truly a "no-win" situation for those of us in government. We are, in effect, either bunglers or conspirators.

Since you have taken your valuable time to write to me in my official capacity, you should be aware of the fact that any response from me will be viewed as highly suspect from some persons within the UFO community. In fact, I am routinely vilified by a number of US UFO researchers (and at least one of your countrymen) as one of the arch co-conspirators preventing the public from learning the "real truth" about UFO's. The actual truth is that there is no grand conspiracy and I would very much like to devote full time to my real job of protecting currently classified national defense information.

I thank you for your correspondence and recommend that you await the GAO report of this matter. Since the GAO is not part of the US military, perhaps its findings will be viewed in a different light.

Very truly yours



RICHARD L. WEAVER, Col, USAF  
Director, Security and Special  
Programs Oversight



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DATE: July 10, 1953

TO: Director of Special Investigations  
The Inspector General  
Department of the Air Force  
The Pentagon  
Washington 25, D. C.

FROM: John Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

The following information was furnished to the Atlanta Field Office of this Bureau at 5:45 A.M. on July 8, 1953, by Mr. [REDACTED] reporter. Mr. [REDACTED] stated Mr. [REDACTED] Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia, telephone number [REDACTED], contacted him at the office of the [REDACTED] and advised as follows:

According to [REDACTED] he and two other companions, while travelling in an automobile on Bankhead Highway in the vicinity of Mableton, Georgia, encountered three small animals which they believed had landed from a flying saucer. Teters advised as he and his companion approached, the three animals started making their way back to what was believed to be a flying saucer. According to Teters, two of the animals escaped in the flying saucer but the third was killed when hit by the automobile in which Teters and his companions were riding.

According to [REDACTED] Teters displayed the animal which had been killed to him at the "[REDACTED]" newspaper office. [REDACTED] stated the animal did not resemble anything he had ever seen before but it looked as though it belonged to the monkey family. According to [REDACTED], the animal was approximately 21 inches long, had a rather pointed head, large ears and pinkish skin. [REDACTED] stated because of the early morning hour he was unable to locate a scientist to examine the animal, but he did have one of the leading veterinarians of Atlanta, Georgia, examine it.

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██████████ advised the veterinarian would not come it himself but the veterinarian pointed out he had never seen an animal in the monkey family without hair nor had he ever seen a dead animal that did not turn pale at death. According to ██████████, the veterinarian stated the animal's tail was missing and that when he had questioned others about the missing tail ██████████ had seemed somewhat surprised and indicated it had possibly been cut off in the accident. ██████████ stated there was blood around the mouth of the animal, which resembled human blood.

At the time ██████████ furnished the above information to the Atlantic Office of this Bureau, he stated neither he nor any member of the ██████████ newspaper staff had been drinking but had witnessed the above. ██████████ stated he first thought ██████████ had tried to pull a publicity gag in this matter; however, it was ██████████ opinion if this had been ██████████ motive, ██████████ would have timed his visit to the newspaper office better as the newspaper was unable to print anything on the story after midnight. ██████████ informed the Atlantic Office of this Bureau that ██████████ would probably run a story concerning the information set forth above.

It is noted your office was telephonically contacted on the morning of July 9, 1953, by a Liaison representative of this Bureau concerning the above matter. The above is furnished for your information and no investigation is being conducted in this matter by this Bureau.

(SAUCER)

ATLANTA--TWO BARBERS AND A BUTCHER PRODUCED A 21-INCH LONG "CREATURE" TODAY TO BACK UP THEIR TALE THAT THEY HAD SEEN A FLYING SAUCER AND THE ELUSIVE LITTLE MEN AFTER CONSUMING ONE BEER A PIECE.

AN ANATOMY PROFESSOR SAID, HOWEVER, THAT THE CORPSE THE EARTH MEN SUSPECTED WAS FROM OUTER SPACE APPEARED TO BE A MONKEY.

THE MEN WERE CONVINCED IT WAS FROM OUT OF THIS WORLD. THEY SAID THEY RAN INTO IT WITH THEIR AUTOMOBILE WHILE DRIVING ON A HIGHWAY NEAR HERE LAST NIGHT.

"RIGHT THERE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE HIGHWAY WAS THIS THING, GLOWING RED ALL OVER," SAID EDWARD WATTERS, 28-YEAR-OLD BARBER. IT LOOKED LIKE A FLYING SAUCER PICTURE HE HAD SEEN IN A SCIENCE MAGAZINE. HE SAID

"THREE LITTLE MEN WERE RUNNING FOR IT," WATTERS CONTINUED. "THEY ALL JUMPED. TWO OF THEM MADE IT. I HIT THE OTHER ONE."

WATTERS SAID THE MACHINE SOON ROSE INTO THE AIR AND ZOOMED AWAY. HE SAID IT WAS NOT MORE THAN WAIST HIGH AND ABOUT HALF AS WIDE AS THE ROAD.

WATTERS' COMPANIONS, ARNOLD PAYNE, A BUTCHER, AND THOMAS WILSON, A BARBER, TOLD THE SAME STORY. WATTERS SAID THE INCIDENT OCCURRED ABOUT MIDNIGHT AFTER THEY HAD CONSUMED ONE BEER A PIECE.

DR. W. A. MICKLE, ANATOMY PROFESSOR AT EMORY UNIVERSITY, EXAMINED THE ANIMAL, WHICH HAD BECOME A VICTIM OF AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT. MICKLE SAID IT LOOKED LIKE A MEMBER OF THE RHESUS MONKEY FAMILY, ALTHOUGH IT HAD NO HAIR.

"IF IT'S A CREATURE FROM OUTER SPACE, THEY HAVEN'T INVENTED ANYTHING NEW," HE SAID.

WATTERS DECIDED TO FREEZE THE THING WITH DRY ICE AND PUT IT ON DISPLAY.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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Miss Gandy

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DIRECTOR, FBI URGENT

FLYING SAUCERS, MR. [REDACTED] - [REDACTED],  
COMPLAINANT. THREE FORTYFIVE AM THIS DATE [REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY FURNISHED  
THE FOLLOWING - FANTASTIC TALE - ASSURING THAT NEITHER HE NOR ANY MEMBER  
OF [REDACTED] STAFF HAD BEEN DRINKING BUT HAD WITNESSED THIS  
STORY. [REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]  
RD, NE, [REDACTED] CALLED ON HIM AT NEWSPAPER OFFICE  
STATING HE AND TWO OTHER COMPANIONS WHILE TRAVELING IN CAR ON BANK-  
HEAD HIGHWAY ABOUT MABLETON, GA. ENCOUNTERED THREE SMALL ANIMALS WHICH  
THEY BELIEVED HAD LANDED FROM SOME PLACE IN FLYING SAUCER. [REDACTED]  
INFORMED [REDACTED] THAT AS THEY APPROACHED THE THREE OBJECTS STARTING  
MAKING THEIR WAY BACK TO WHAT HE BELIEVED A FLYING SAUCER, THAT TWO  
OF THE ANIMALS ESCAPED IN SAUCER BUT THIRD WAS KILLED WHEN HIT BY THE  
AUTOMOBILE. [REDACTED] DISPLAYED OBJECT OR ANIMAL TO [REDACTED] AT NEWSPAPER  
OFFICE. [REDACTED] STATED ANIMAL DID NOT RESEMBLE ANYTHING HE HAD EVER  
SEEN BEFORE BUT LOOKED AS IF IT BELONGED TO MONKEY FAMILY. ANIMAL  
MEASURED AND FOUND TO BE APPROXIMATELY TWENTYONE INCHES LONG, HAD  
RATHER POINTED HEAD, LARGE EARS AND SKIN WAS PINKISH. DUE TO  
EARLY MORNING HOUR [REDACTED] UNABLE TO LOCATE SCIENTIST TO EXAMINE  
ANIMAL BUT DID HAVE ONE OF LEADING VETERINARIANS THIS CITY EXAMINE IT

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[REDACTED] STATES VETERINARIAN WOULD NOT COMMIT HIMSELF BUT VET POINTED OUT HAD NEVER SEEN ANIMAL IN MONKEY FAMILY WITHOUT HAIR AS THIS ONE NOR HAD EVER NOTED A DEAD ANIMAL THAT DID NOT TURN PALE AT DEATH. VETERINARIAN STATED ANIMAL HAD HAD A TAIL BUT SAME WAS MISSING AND QUESTIONING [REDACTED] ABOUT SAME [REDACTED] SEEMED SOMEWHAT SURPRISED BUT IT WAS POSSIBLY CUT OFF IN ACCIDENT. [REDACTED] ADVISED THERE WAS BLOOD AROUND MOUTH OF ANIMAL CAUSED BY ACCIDENT WHICH RESEMBLED HUMAN BLOOD [REDACTED] FIRST THOUGHT [REDACTED] POSSIBLY TRYING TO PULL PUBLICITY GAG DUE TO RECENT NEWSPAPER STORIES BUT BELIEVED HAD THIS BEEN HIS MOTIVE WOULD HAVE TIMED HIS VISIT BETTER AS THEY WERE "ABLE TO PRINT ANYTHING AFTER MIDNIGHT. [REDACTED] STATED NEWSPAPER WOULD POSSIBLY RUN STORY ON ABOVE FACTS TODAY. ATLANTA INDICES NEGATIVE ON [REDACTED] ABOVE FURNISHED IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE PUBLICITY THIS DATE. NO INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED THIS OFFICE UCAB. MATTER REFERRED TO OSI OFFICE NIN AM EST TODAY.

CARSON

END AND ACK

LINE X SIX SHUD LAST THREE WORDS BE WHXX THERE WAS BLOOD  
YES THANKS ALSO LINE 10 SHUD IT BE THEY WERE UNABLE.

YES OK TU

12-11 PM OK FBI WA RD

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DATE 01-11-01 BY 60322 UCBAW



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. LADD

FROM : E. G. FITCH

SUBJECT: INSTRUMENT FOUND ON FARM NEAR  
DANFORTH, ILLINOIS

DATE: SEPTEMBER 23, 1947

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
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Miss Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Reference is made to a memorandum to Mr. Harbo from Mr. Baughman on the above-captioned matter, dated September 3, 1947. The reference memorandum indicates that the instrument has been examined by the Laboratory and the Laboratory had contacted a Mrs. Whedon of the Army Engineers and she indicated that the instrument had been used by the Air Forces on tests which were classified as "Top Secret."

The memorandum indicates that Special Agent S. W. Reynolds of the Liaison Section contacted the Intelligence Division of the Air Forces and was advised that Mrs. Whedon alluded that the instrument was used in "Operation Mogul." The instrument was loaned to the Intelligence Division of the Air Forces who in turn forwarded it to Wright Field. The report was received from Wright Field indicating the instrument had no connection with "Operation Mogul" or any other operation at Wright Field. It was classified as a hoax in view of the apparent discrepancy between information developed from Mrs. Whedon and information received from Intelligence Division of the Air Forces that the Bureau might wish to pursue this matter further.

Mr. Zimmers of the Technical Laboratory advised Mr. Reynolds of the Liaison Section that Mrs. Whedon had told him that a Major Hopkins handled the Liaison in Washington for the tests in which this instrument was used. Lieutenant Colonel George Garrett of the Intelligence Division of the Air Forces advised Special Agent Reynolds that he contacted Major Hopkins. He advised that Major Hopkins has had a great deal of experience in radio and along technical lines. Major Hopkins advised Colonel Garrett that the instrument could not have been used in the "Operation Mogul." Hopkins indicated that from the pictures and particles recovered, it appeared to him to be a part or portions of an old-type radio loud speaker.

In view of the information received from Major Hopkins, Colonel Garrett stated that he was at a loss as to how to explain the actions of Mrs. Whedon other than to say that she perhaps gave a false impression as to her knowledge of the instrument and the "Operation Mogul." Garrett pointed out that in view of the report received from Wright Field, together with the statement made by Major Hopkins, he felt that there was sufficient evidence that this instrument was not used in any War Department classified project and that in all probability it was just a hoax.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that this memorandum be forwarded to the Technical Laboratory for their information.

SWR:hmm



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October 19, 1981

Mr. Lee M. Graham  
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Dear Mr. Graham:

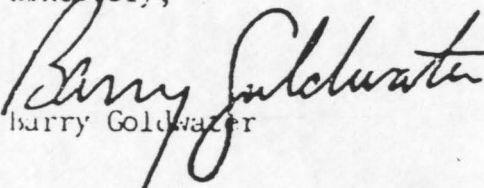
First, let me tell you that I have long ago given up acquiring access to the so-called blue room at Wright-Patterson, as I have had one long string of denials from chief after chief, so I have given up.

In answer to your questions, one is essentially correct. I don't know of anyone who has access to the blue room, nor am I aware of its contents and I am not aware of anything having been relocated. I can't answer your question six, in fact, I can't find anyone who would answer it.

To tell you the truth, Mr. Graham, this thing has gotten so highly classified, even though I will admit there is a lot of it that has been released, it is just impossible to get anything on it.

I am returning your papers because I know they are of value to you.

Sincerely,

  
Barry Goldwater

E. J. (JAKE) GARN  
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June 13, 1983

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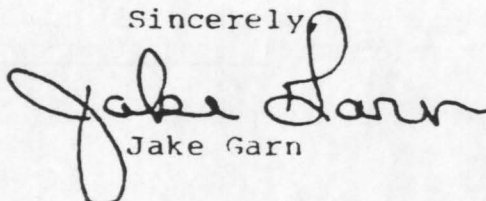
Dear Mr. Graham:

Thank you for your letter concerning rumors involving objects of an extra terrestrial nature that may be kept in the "Blue Room" at Wright-Patterson A.F.B.

Quite frankly, with respect to this subject, about which I am not personally familiar, I must defer to the position of Senator Goldwater, Chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, when he writes that "this thing has gotten so highly classified...it is just impossible to get anything on it."

Thank you again for your interest.

Sincerely,

  
Jake Garn

JG/jmf

BARRY GOLDWATER  
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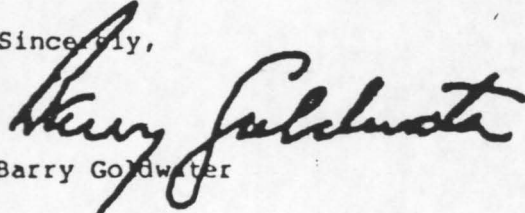
Mr. [REDACTED]  
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Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

To answer your questions, I have never gained access to the so-called Blue Room at Wright Patterson, so I have no idea what is in it. I have no idea of who controls the flow of need-to-know because, frankly, I was told in such an emphatic way that it was none of my business that I've never tried to make it my business since.

I wish you luck on your investigation. I'm one of those people who believe that with some two billion planets scattered around our universe, there has to be a couple of more that can support life on it.

Sincerely,

  
Barry Goldwater



United States Senate

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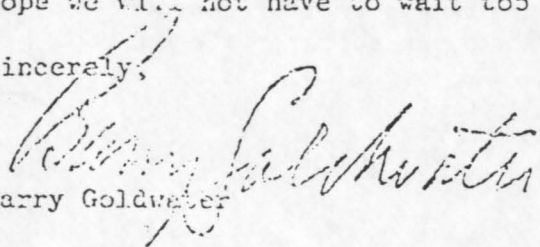
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Mr. Shlomo Arnon  
U.C.L.A. Experimental College  
308 Westwood Plaza  
Los Angeles, California 90024

Dear Mr. Arnon:

The subject of UFOs is one that has interested me for some long time. About ten or twelve years ago I made an effort to find out what was in the building at Wright Patterson Air Force Base where the information is stored that has been collected by the Air Force, and I was understandably denied this request. It is still classified above Top Secret. I have, however, heard that there is a plan under way to release some, if not all, of this material in the near future. I'm just as anxious to see this material as you are, and I hope we will not have to wait too much longer.

Sincerely,

  
Barry Goldwater

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FBI, DENVER

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DIRECTOR, FBI

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FLYING SAUCERS. TWO SOURCES ADVISED TODAY THAT UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUAL HAS GIVEN AT LEAST ONE AND POSSIBLY MORE LECTURES BEFORE CLASSES AT DENVER UNIVERSITY YESTERDAY OR TODAY IN WHICH HE DISCUSSED FLYING SAUCERS WHICH HE ALLEGEDLY PERSONALLY OBSERVED. THIS PERSON CLAIMS TO HAVE SEEN SEVERAL SUCH OBJECTS, ONE OF WHICH ALLEGEDLY LANDED IN NEW MEXICO. HE ALSO CLAIMS TO HAVE OBSERVED OCCUPANTS OF SAUCERS DESCRIBED BY HIM AS OF HUMAN FORM, BUT ABOUT THREE FEET TALL. THESE OCCUPANTS OF SAUCERS ALLEGEDLY DEAD AT TIME HE OBSERVED THEM. THIS LECTURER REFUSED TO REVEAL IDENTITY, BUT IS KNOWN TO [REDACTED] WHO IS [REDACTED] CONNECTED WITH [REDACTED] DENVER. [REDACTED] REPORT TO HAVE MADE SOME PREVIOUS CLAIMS HIMSELF WITH RESPECT TO OBSERVING FLYING SAUCERS. LOCAL PRESS AND ALSO WIRE SERVICES CARRYING STORIES CONCERNING THESE LECTURES AT DENVER UNIVERSITY. OSI, DENVER, HAS NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION EXCEPT THAT [REDACTED] IN JANUARY THIS YEAR REPORTED TO HAVE MADE SIMILAR CLAIMS AND UPON INVESTIGATION WAS UNABLE TO PRODUCE ANY VERIFIABLE INFORMATION. OSI CONSIDERS [REDACTED] A PROBABLE MENTAL CASE. BUREAU ADVISE WHAT, IF ANY, ACTION DESIRED AT DENVER.

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DIRECTOR, FBI

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FLYING SAUCERS. INFO CONCERNING. [REDACTED] STUDENT, UNIVERSITY OF  
NEW MEXICO AND REPORTER FOR SCHOOL PAPER FURNISHED THIS OFFICE WITH  
TRICK PHOTOGRAPH OF MOUNTAIN SIDE SHOWING A FLYING SAUCER CRASHED AND  
BURNING ON THE SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN, LITTLE MEN WALKING AWAY AND  
FOUR FLYING SAUCERS HOVERING AROUND THE CRASHED ONE, [REDACTED], WHO HAS  
VOLUNTARILY FURNISHED INFORMATION TO THIS OFFICE PREVIOUSLY STATED HE  
IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING THE TRICK PHOTOGRAPH. HE FIRST TOOK A  
PHOTOGRAPH OF A HILLSIDE NEAR ALBUQUERQUE, HAD THE FLYING SAUCERS,  
CRASHED SAUCER, SMOKE AND LITTLE MEN DRAWN IN AND THEN MADE THE FINAL  
PHOTOGRAPH. [REDACTED] STATED THIS PHOTOGRAPH AND A RIDICULOUS STORY WILL  
BE PRINTED IN THE UNIV. OF N.M. SCHOOL PAPER THIRTY FIRST INSTANT AND  
MAY BE CARRIED OVER ASSOCIATED PRESS LINES. [REDACTED] WAS ADVISED THAT THIS  
OFFICE GAVE NO SANCTION OR CLEARANCE TO HIS IDEA. THIS FOR BUREAU-S  
INFORMATION. LOCAL INTELLIGENCE REPRESENTATIVES ADVISED [REDACTED]

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS  
SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

DATE: March 31, 1950

Special Agent [redacted], of the New Orleans Division, has a brother, [redacted], of the [redacted], advertising agency, [redacted], Denver, Colorado. [redacted] has advised Special Agent [redacted] that an employee of the [redacted], [redacted], has been contacted by one [redacted], [redacted] street, telephone [redacted] Denver, Colorado, regarding Flying Discs.

[redacted] is alleged to have told [redacted] in January, 1950, that he [redacted], knows a prominent Denver oilman named [redacted], also known as a "Mysterious Mr. X", and an official of the [redacted], [redacted] Denver, Colorado. [redacted] is claiming that he leased land in the Mojave Desert in California and that on this land a flying disc had been found intact, with eighteen three-foot tall human-like occupants, all dead on it but not burned. Further, that the disc was alleged to be of very hard metal and near indestructible. [redacted] is said to have exhibited a radio set to [redacted] purported to be a souvenir of the space disc.

According to [redacted] has been telling of this story off and on for the three month period prior to January, 1950, and is said to have notified [redacted] of it weeks prior to the publication of a flying disc article published in the True Magazine, and one by FRANK SCULLY published in the Variety Magazine in January, 1950. [redacted] claimed to have been visited by DONALD KEOH, author of the article in the True Magazine.

Further data was furnished that [redacted] had been telling the tale so prolifically in Denver that he claimed to have had telephone calls from Washington, D. C. and from the Federal Bureau of Investigation in which he was requested to keep the information to himself and that, thereafter, he became mysterious about the entire matter.

It is noted that considerable publicity regarding these discs has been found in Denver and other papers.

This information is being furnished the Bureau and the designated offices for informational purposes.

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cc: Denver  
Los Angeles

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April 25, 1951.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau  
of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Re Silas M. Newton - No. 835861

The subject named above is cited as authority for a highly fanciful book entitled "Behind the Flying Saucers", written by one Frank Scully and published by Holt in 1950. The gist of the book is that the so-called "flying saucers" are really manifestations of secret and sinister scientific research by the government.

Newton's arrest record, as shown by your files, is familiar to us. He is the owner of the Newton Oil Company, a small but active oil producing organization with offices at 315 Franklin Street, Denver, Colorado. He describes himself as a graduate of Yale, which appears to be true and as a geophysicist engaged in secret governmental research.

He is apparently wealthy, or at least possessed of sufficient temporary means to live in luxury and dress expensively. His home is at 1929 Whitley Street, Hollywood, but all messages to him, or appointments with him, must be made through the Hollywood Knickerbocker Hotel.

We are writing you because [redacted] stated that a complete investigation of Newton has been made by your Bureau. Presumably this investigation has confirmed his cryptic allusions to his being engaged in governmental research of a secret nature.

Other circumstances coming to our attention in the light of his criminal record indicate to us that Newton is engaged in the perpetration of a hoax or swindle of large

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proportions. If you have any information concerning this man, other than his arrest record, we would greatly appreciate receiving it.

Very truly yours,

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SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FALLING OBJECT IN SOUTH CENTRAL MALI

REF: A) BANGKOK 4750, B) US SPACE COMMAND DTG 06/1003Z JULY 89 (NOTAL)

1. REF A REPORTED UNIDENTIFIED FRAGMENTS OF METAL FOUND NEAR KORDO, SOUTH CENTRAL MALI AND ASKED DEPARTMENT FOR ANY INSIGHT WE COULD SHED ON THE MATTER.

2. ON 8 JULY, US SPACE COMMAND REPORTED THE REENTRY INTO THE EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE OF AN OBJECT LAUNCHED INTO ORBIT ON 25 MAY, 1968 (REF B). THIS OBJECT WAS A PIECE OF DEBRIS RESULTING FROM PLACEMENT OF A PAYLOAD INTO ORBIT ON THAT DAY. THE DEBRIS WAS REPORTED TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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HAVE REENTERED THE ATMOSPHERE AT 12 DEGREES NORTH LATITUDE, 6.2 DEGREES WEST LONGITUDE AT 0613 ZULU ON 8 JULY. THIS PLACES THE REENTRY AT THE APPROXIMATE LOCATION AND TIME REPORTED IN REF A. ALTHOUGH IT IS DIFFICULT TO GIVE WITH CERTAINTY, AND WE CANNOT CONFIRM IT, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE REENTRY DESCRIBED IN REF A CORRESPONDS TO THIS REENTRY.

3. THIS IS AT TIMES VERY UNUSUAL, AS OBJECTS REGULARLY DECAY FROM ORBIT. USUALLY, HOWEVER, THE OBJECTS BURN UP AND DO NOT SURVIVE TO REACH THE EARTH'S SURFACE.

4. FYI ONLY: IF THE OBJECTS FOUND CAN BE IDENTIFIED AS US-ORIGIN AND DO EQUATE TO THE REENTRY DESCRIBED ABOVE, THE US COULD BE LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES CAUSED BY THE OBJECT UNDER THE UN CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE CAUSED BY SPACE OBJECTS. REQUEST POST ADVISE WHETHER ANY ADDITIONAL OBJECTS HAVE BEEN FOUND AND IF ANY DAMAGE HAS BEEN REPORTED. END FYI.

5. IF ASKED, POST MAY USE CONTENTS OF PARAS 1-3 ABOVE

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CINCEUR FOR KORD

E.O. 12356: 1/4

TAGS: TSRA, FAL, PL

SUBJECT: UNCLASSIFIED FALLING OBJECT IN SOUTH CENTRAL MALI

1. ACCORDING TO A SOURCE OF AN UNIDENTIFIED DEVELOPMENT WORKER IN KORD, SOUTH CENTRAL MALI, VILLAGERS OVER AN AREA ABOUT FIFTY KILOMETERS BY FIFTY KILOMETERS IN SIZE, HEARD A LOUD REPORT ON SATURDAY MORNING JULY 8 AT 0600 LOCAL TIME (0600 ZULU). THE WEATHER WAS CLEAR AT THE TIME. SUBSEQUENTLY, OUR SOURCE WAS SHOWN A PIECE OF METAL WHICH HE DESCRIBES AS "L SHAPED IN CROSS SECTION AND ABOUT TWENTY-FOUR INCHES LONG, WITH HOLES SPACED ABOUT ONE AND ONE HALF TO TWO INCHES APART." HE WAS TOLD THAT THIS FRAGMENT HAD FALLEN TO EARTH NEAR MADJUGU, 41 KILOMETERS NORTH OF KORD. THE METAL "HAD CLEAR SIGNS OF HAVING BEEN EXPOSED TO VERY HIGH TEMPERATURES (I.E., BURNED)." ANOTHER FRAGMENT WHICH

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HE HAS NOT YET REPORTEDLY FELL IN ANOTHER VILLAGE JUST EAST OF KORD.

2. THE LOCAL VILLAGERS HAVE INFORMED THE REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS IN KORD AND ALL FRAGMENTS RECOVERED ARE BEING SENT THERE. WHILE THE SEARCH FOR MORE FRAGMENTS IS CHURNING AWAY AT THIS TIME.

3. THE EMBASSY PLANS TO CONTACT LOCAL SECURITY AUTHORITIES THROUGH LIAISON CHANNELS, NOTE THAT WE HAVE HEARD STORIES ABOUT THIS INCIDENT, AND OFFER TO SEEK EXPERT ADVICE ON THE CAUSE OF THE INCIDENT IF THE GRM IS WILLING TO SHOW US THE FRAGMENTS.

4. WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IF WASHINGTON AGENCIES HAVE RECEIVED ANY REPORTS OF SATELLITE DISINTEGRATION OR OTHER EVENT WHICH COULD SHED SOME LIGHT ON THIS INCIDENT.

5. FOR DUAG: KORD IS, AS YOU KNOW, A VERY SHORT

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STORIES ABOUT THIS EVENT. PRINGLE  
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June 28, 1967

Effective Date

JOHN F. KENNEDY SPACE CENTER, NASA  
MANAGEMENT INSTRUCTION

SUBJECT : PROCESSING REPORTS OF SIGHTINGS OF SPACE  
VEHICLE FRAGMENTS

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Instruction is to establish procedures for handling reports of sightings of objects such as fragments or component parts of space vehicles known or alleged by an observer to have impacted upon the earth's surface as a result of safety destruct action, failure in flight, or reentry into the earth's atmosphere. Included are reports of sightings of objects not related to space vehicles.

2. APPLICABILITY

This Instruction is applicable to all organizational elements of the John F. Kennedy Space Center, NASA (KSC) and to NASA/KSC contractors as expressed in the terms of their contracts.

3. POLICY

It is KSC policy to respond to reported sightings of space vehicle fragments and unidentified flying objects as promptly as possible. All KSC personnel and activities will cooperate to ensure that pertinent information relative to such sightings is received and processed as set forth in this Instruction.

4. DEFINITIONS

- a. Space Vehicle Fragment: A fragment or component part of a space vehicle that has impacted upon the surface of the earth or washed up on a beach conceivably as a result of safety destruct actions, failure in flight, or reentry into the earth's atmosphere.

- b. Unidentified Flying Object: An unidentified object observed in the atmosphere.

PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING REPORTS OF SIGHTINGS

- a. KSC telephone operators will refer all telephone calls coming into the KSC switchboard from persons reporting sightings, as defined herein, to the KSC Scheduling Branch, Test Support Management Office, telephone 857-3013.

- b. Persons other than telephone operators receiving initial reports of sightings will, if possible, transfer the call to the KSC Scheduling Branch. If the call cannot be transferred, the following information should be obtained from the caller and immediately transmitted to the KSC Scheduling Branch:

- > (1) Name, address, and telephone number of the observer and any other information needed to establish the identity of the observer for possible immediate follow-up contact.
- > (2) Description of the object sighted, i. e., shape, size, color, etc.
- > (3) Location of the object: state, city, etc.

- > NOTE: Under no circumstances will the origin of the object be discussed with the observer or person making the call.

- c. The KSC Scheduling Branch, in response to a report of a sighting, will:

- > (1) Contact military bases nearest the sighting to enlist their aid in determining the validity of the sighting.
- > (2) Contact the KSC Security Office who will in turn contact municipal and State police nearest the sighting to enlist their aid in determining the validity of the sighting.
- > (3) Consult with the Public Information Branch, Public Affairs Office, on reported sightings that may be of public interest.

>(4) Refer all inquiries from news media to the Public Information Branch.

>(5) Consult with the Senior Scientist, KSC, on all sightings reported.

☆ >(6) Call in unidentified flying object reports to the Patrick Air Force Base Command Post, telephone 494-7001.

d. All written communications received from persons or activities reporting a sighting will be immediately transmitted to the Senior Scientist, KSC.

## 6. RESPONSIBILITIES

a. Test Support Management Office will be responsible for:

>(1) Developing and maintaining a capability for receiving, screening, and processing reports of sightings, as defined in paragraph 4, on a 24-hour-day, 7-day-week basis.

>(2) Ensuring close liaison with the Senior Scientist, KSC, and the Public Affairs Office on matters pertaining to this Instruction.

>(3) Coordinating with the Senior Scientist, KSC, as soon as possible after a reported sighting to determine the action to be taken.

b. The KSC Scheduling Branch, Test Support Management Office, will be responsible for maintaining a 24-hour-day, 7-day-week capability for receiving, screening, and processing reports of sightings, in accordance with paragraph 5c.

c. The Senior Scientist, KSC, will be responsible for:

(1) The overall monitoring of the space vehicle fragment sighting program at KSC.




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- (2) Evaluating the screening procedures performed by the KSC Scheduling Branch.
- (3) Conducting or initiating and monitoring the scientific investigation of recovered items.
- (4) Coordinating sightings of space vehicle fragments with launch operations elements who may be interested in fragments of their vehicles for analysis.

d. The Communications and Timing Division, Director of Support Operations will be responsible for:

- (1) Ensuring that KSC telephone operators are properly briefed with regard to their responsibilities as set forth in paragraph 5a.
- (2) Maintaining a log of reports of sightings.



Kurt H. Debus  
Director

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FLYING DISC, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

HEADQUARTERS

EIGHTH AIR FORCE, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THIS OFFICE THAT AN OBJECT PURPORTING TO BE A FLYING DISC WAS RECOVERED NEAR ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO, THIS DATE. THE DISC IS HEXAGONAL IN SHAPE AND WAS SUSPENDED FROM A BALLOON BY CABLE, WHICH BALLOON WAS APPROXIMATELY TWENTY FEET IN DIAMETER. [REDACTED] FURTHER ADVISED THAT THE OBJECT FOUND RESEMBLES A HIGH ALTITUDE WEATHER BALLOON WITH A RADAR REFLECTOR, BUT THAT TELEPHONIC CONVERSATION BETWEEN THEIR OFFICE AND WRIGHT FIELD HAD NOT BORNE OUT THIS BELIEF. DISC AND BALLOON BEING TRANSPORTED TO WRIGHT FIELD BY SPECIAL PLANE FOR EXAMINATION. INFORMATION PROVIDED THIS OFFICE BECAUSE OF NATIONAL INTEREST IN CASE. [REDACTED] AND FACT THAT NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY, ASSOCIATED PRESS, AND OTHERS ATTEMPTING TO BREAK STORY OF LOCATION OF DISC TODAY. [REDACTED] ADVISED WOULD REQUEST WRIGHT FIELD TO ADVISE CINCINNATI OFFICE RESULTS OF EXAMINATION. NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. LADD

FROM : E. C. Fitch

SUBJECT: FLYING DISKS

DATE: 7/10/47

At request of [redacted] General George F. Schulgen, Chief of the Requirements Intelligence Branch of Army Air Corps Intelligence, Special Agent [redacted] discussed the above captioned matter with him on July 9, 1947. General Schulgen indicated to [redacted] that the Air Corps has taken the attitude that every effort must be undertaken in order to run down and ascertain whether or not the flying disks are a fact and, if so, to learn all about them. According to General Schulgen, the Air Corps Intelligence are utilizing all of their scientists in order to ascertain whether or not such a phenomenon could in fact occur. He stated that this research is being conducted with the thought that the flying objects might be a celestial phenomenon and with the view that they might be a foreign body mechanically devised and controlled. b7c

General Schulgen also indicated to [redacted] that all Air Corps installations have been alerted to run out each reported sighting to obtain all possible data to assist in this research project. In passing, General Schulgen stated that an Air Corps pilot who believed that he saw one of these objects was thoroughly interrogated by General Schulgen and scientists, as well as a psychologist, and the pilot was adamant in his claim that he saw a flying disk. b7c

General Schulgen advised [redacted] that the possibility exists that the first reported sightings of the so-called flying disks were fallacious and prompted by individuals seeking personal publicity, or were reported for political reasons. He stated that if this was so, subsequent sightings might be the result of a mass hysteria. He pointed out that the thought exists that the first reported sightings might have been by individuals of Communist sympathies with the view to causing hysteria and fear of a secret Russian weapon. b7c

General Schulgen indicated to [redacted] that he is desirous of having all the angles covered in this matter. He stated that reports of his scientists and findings of the various Air Corps installations will be available in his office. He advised that to complete the picture he desired the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in locating and questioning the individuals who first sighted the so-called flying disks in order to ascertain whether or not they are sincere in their statements that they saw these disks, or whether their statements were prompted by personal desire for publicity or political reasons. b7c

General Schulgen assured [redacted] that there are no War Department or Navy Department research projects presently being conducted which could in any way be tied up with the flying disks. General Schulgen indicated to [redacted] that if the Bureau would cooperate with him in this matter, he would offer all the facilities of his office as to results obtained in the effort to identify and run down this matter.

[redacted] advised General Schulgen that his request would be made known to the Bureau and an answer made available to him as soon as possible. b7c



Memorandum for Mr. Ladd

[redacted] also discussed this matter with [redacted] of [redacted] indicated that it was his attitude that inasmuch as it has been established that the flying disks are not the result of any Army or Navy experiments, the matter is of interest to the FBI. He stated that he was of the opinion that the Bureau, if at all possible, should accede to General Schulgen's request. 67c

SWR:AJB

ADDENDUM

I would recommend that we advise the Army that the Bureau does not believe it should go into these investigations, it being noted that a great bulk of those alleged discs reported found have been pranks. It is not believed that the Bureau would accomplish anything by going into these investigations.

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I think we should do this  
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I would do it but before agreeing to it we must insist upon full access to discs recovered. For instance in the En. case the Army grabbed it & would not let us have it for cursory examination

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STATE MESSAGE DIVISION  
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FROM: 13 OSI DIST OFFUTT AFB, OMAHA NEBRASKA, SGD THOMPSON

TO : CSAT, WASHINGTON 25, D.C.  
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DIST COLDR 17TH OSI DIST KIRTLAND AFB ALBUQUERQUE,  
NEW MEXICO

NR : OSI 11.

17 January 1950

This refers to TWX from 13th OSI District, Offutt AFB, Omaha, Nebraska, dated 15 January and spot intelligence report dated 16 January, subject: "Flying Saucers From Venus Come To Earth." For your information both TWX and spot report are downgraded to Confidential.

NOTE: Reference TWX is CAF-IL-7130, 17 Jan 50 (OSI).

ACTION: CSI.

INFO : ODS, CIM, CPO, OOP, OPY, CAG-30.

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*Flying Discs*

FROM: HQ 13TH OSI DST OFFUTT AFB, OMAHA, NEBRASKA

TO : DIR OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS HQ USAF, WASH., D.C.

INFO: DIST COMDR 14 CSI DIST LOWEY AFB, COLO. (ZEE)  
DIST COMDR 17 CSI DIST KIRTLAND AFB, NEW MEXICO (ZEE)

NR : OSI 8

16 January 1950

(THIS IS PERAS OSI 8 DTD 14 JAN 50. CATEGORY BAKER MESSAGE).

*Flying Discs*  
Budy Fick says Flying saucers from Venus came to earth by accident. Budy Fick, well known Kansas City auto dealer stopped in Denver 3 weeks ago while returning from Ogden, Utah. At that time he called on the manager of Ford Agency. Their conversation was interrupted by some engineers arriving for a meeting; one of whom was a man named Coulter. Coulter revealed some startling information. He (Coulter) stated he "Crashed the Gate" at a radar station near New Mexico and Arizona borders, and while there he saw 2 of the highly secret "Flying Saucers." Spot report details—the information contained herein was furnished from article which appeared in the Wyandotte Echo newspaper, Kansas City, Kansas, 6 January 1950. Of the two Flying saucers one was badly damaged and the other almost perfectly intact. They consisted of 2 parts, a cockpit or cabin about 6 feet in diameter. A ring 13 feet across and 2 feet thick surrounded the cabin. The cabin was constructed of metal resembling aluminum, but the actual make of the metal has defied analysis. Coulter had a piece of the metal in his possession and gave it to the Ford man to send to the Dearborne plant for analysis. This man (Coulter) showed the group, including Fick, a clock or automatic calendar which was taken from one of the Flying Saucers. This clock or automatic calendar consisted of 2 pieces of metal together with some unusual type of metal. On the face of 1 or 2 pieces of this metal there appeared an indentation which rotated around the disk completing a cycle each 28 days. According to the information given Coulter around 50 of these flying saucers have been found in the United States in a period of 2 years. Of these, 40 are in the 7 US Research Bureau in Los Angeles. Each of the craft had a crew of 2. The bodies in the damaged ship were charred, but the other ship's occupants were in a perfect state of preservation, although dead.

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All were uniform height of 3 feet; blond, beardless and their teeth were completely free of fillings or cavities. They wore no under garments, but had their bodies taped and were dressed in a sort of wire. A quantity of food in tablet form was found in ship. 11. Pick assumed that the reason behind the apparent lack of security was that the Government wanted the information spread from unofficial sources until people are more or less familiar with the facts. Mr. Pick feels that the security department of the military fear that the sudden shock of a surprise announcement that interplanetary travel is possible might cause mass hysteria. Pick is well known locally and has a number of friends at the Kansas City Star. OSI District 13 will interview Pick and will make additional inquiries at the Kansas City Star. Coulter not otherwise identified, but can be reached through Ford agency in Denver. Action: Information copies furnished CSI Districts 14 and 17 for action. The editor of the Kansas City Star stated that while they were aware of this story they did not dare publish it in the paper because it is too fantastic.

ACTION: DIRECTOR, SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS

INFO : DCS/O DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE  
 DCS/O DIRECTOR OF PLANS & OPERATIONS  
 DCS/C POLICY DIVISION  
 CHIEF OF STAFF'S LOG, USAF

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September 25, 1947

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Respectfully yours,  
D.S. MARSHALL

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SIGHTINGS OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

ADDITIONAL WITNESSES TO PREVIOUS SIGHTINGS IN SWEDEN -- Stockholm, Svenska Dagbladet, 18 May 54

Luleaa -- A snowstorm on 17 May made it impossible for the Gaellivare police to investigate the celestial objects which were recently seen in various places in northern Norrbotten Province. The police do not think that the objects were meteorological balloons but do not have any theories to account for the sightings. The latest eyewitness account was given by Valdemar Ylinentalo from Kuusijaervi, who declared that he saw a silvery football-shaped object coming from the Finnish side of the boundary; it had a fiery tail 70-80 meters long and appeared to descend to earth about half a kilometer from where he was. Jenny Karlsson, another eyewitness, stated that she saw a sphere-shaped object attached to a meter-long rod pass her at a distance of 4-5 meters [sic] and come to earth in the forest, a short distance from her. No traces of this object have been found.

CELESTIAL OBJECT TO BE DUG UP IN DENMARK -- Stockholm, Svenska Dagbladet, 24 May 54

In the near future, an investigation will be made to determine whether a flying object which landed in a field near Spjellerup about 6 months ago is a meteor, a shell, or some part of a "flying saucer." The object made a hole in the field about 3.5 meters deep and 25 centimeters in diameter and passed through a thick stratum of flint. The owner of the land pushed a long iron rod into the hole and determined that the object at the bottom is metallic. It is said that at the time the object descended to earth, there were quite a number of unidentified flying objects over the area. Excavation of the object will be performed with assistance from the military.

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16. SUMMARY: THE FOLLOWING NEWSPAPER ARTICLE IS QUOTED IN FULL IN ORDER TO PROVIDE AS MUCH DETAIL AS POSSIBLE TO INVESTIGATORS AT THE NAVAL RESEARCH LABORATORY COLLECTING DATA ON THIS TYPE OF PHENOMENON:

"ST. JOHN'S--BELL ISLANDERS ARE STILL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT HIT THEIR COMMUNITY OFF THE EAST COAST OF NEWFOUNDLAND YESTERDAY, TEARING APART HOUSES, CUTTING OFF POWER, POPPING LIGHT SWITCHES AND LEAVING THREE MYSTERIOUS HOLES BURNED IN THE GROUND.

"IT WAS FIRST DESCRIBED AS AN UNIDENTIFIED ATMOSPHERIC EXPLOSION AND SOUNDED SIMILAR TO THE SONIC BOOMS THAT HAVE BEEN HEARD IN RECENT MONTHS ALONG THE COAST OF NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW ENGLAND.

"AS IN THOSE INCIDENTS, THE SUPERSONIC CONCORDE AIRLINE WAS FIRST SUGGESTED AS AN EXPLANATION. THAT THEORY HAS BEEN QUICKLY DISMISSED.

"THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE NEWFOUNDLAND PHENOMENON AND THE NOVA SCOTIA BOOMS IS THAT YESTERDAY'S BLAST WAS CENTRED OVER A POPULATED AREA. LANCE COVE, A SMALL COMMUNITY ON BELL ISLAND IN CONCEPTION BAY, WAS THE CENTRE OF THE ENERGY FIRST AND WITH THIS INCIDENT THE SOUND WAS THE LEAST SPECTACULAR OF THE EFFECTS.

"A HOUSE WAS TORN UP AS IF IT HAD BEEN HIT BY LIGHTNING, BUT THERE WERE NO BURN MARKS ANYWHERE. A TELEVISION SET EXPLODED, OUTLETS EXPLODED IN THE WALL.

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"I CAN'T TELL YOU WHAT HAPPENED," MR. BECKFORD SAID. "I HEARD A RACKET, THAT'S ALL I CAN CALL IT, A RACKET. THIS THING BROKE OVER THE HOUSE. I'VE WORKED IN THE MINES AND WE HAVE SHOT 300 PLUGS OF POWDER AT ONE TIME, AND THERE WAS NEVER A RACKET LIKE THAT."

"HIS DAUGHTER CYNTHIA SAID LIGHT SWITCHES BLEW OUT OF THE WALL AND "WHATEVER IT WAS PASSED RIGHT THROUGH THE HOUSE AND DOWN TO THE BARN. THE SKY LIT RIGHT UP. AND YOU COULD SEE SMOKE IN THE WOODS."

"IN THE WOODS BEHIND MR. BECKFORD'S BARN THERE ARE THREE HOLES IN THE SNOW. THEY'RE CIRCULAR HOLES ABOUT ONE AND ONE-HALF FEET DEEP AND THEY FORM A TRIANGLE. "THEY WEREN'T THERE BEFORE. THAT THING MADE THEM," HE SAID.

"CAROL O'BRIEN SAID SHE HAS SEEN "SOME BEAUTIFUL SUNSETS BUT NOTHING LIKE THAT LIGHT." MISS O'BRIEN SAID SHE HEARD THREE BLASTS AND THAT THE GROUND SHOOK WITH EACH BLAST. AS IN ALL THE OTHER HOUSES ON BELL ISLAND THE POWER IN HER HOUSE WENT OUT JUST BEFORE THE FIRST EXPLOSION.

"THE YOUNG FELLOW HAD THE PHONE IN HIS HAND AND THE RECEIVER JUST DROPPED OUT OF HIS HAND," SHE SAID. "SPARKS CAME OUT OF THE OVEN. IT CAME RIGHT THROUGH THE GLASS." AS WITH MOST PEOPLE SHE INSISTS THE NOISE WAS NOT ORDINARY THUNDER.

"THE RCMP SAID PEOPLE ON THE MAINLAND SHORE OF CONCEPTION BAY REPORTED SEEING FIREBALLS COMING DOWN OUT OF THE SKY AND HITTING BELL ISLAND. BARBARA MCKIN OF CHAMBERLAINS, BY

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FOUR MILES FROM BELL ISLAND ACROSS OPEN WATER, 3

WERE "STREAKS OF SUPER BRIGHT SILVERY WHITE LIGHT,

"THE AUTHORITIES ARE ATTEMPTING TO PLAY DOWN THE INCIDENT. THEIR OFFICIAL VERSION OF WHAT HAPPENED IS THAT LIGHTNING HIT A TRANSFORMER ON BELL ISLAND, BLEW UP AND THE ENERGY THEN FOLLOWED THE WIRES TO NEIGHBORING HOUSES.

"BUT THE EXPLOSION WAS HEARD FROM WESTERN BAY, ON THE NORTH SHORE OF CONCEPTION BAY, SOUTH AS FAR AS CAPE BROYLE, A DISTANCE OF MORE THAN 100 KILOMETRES."

COMMENT: THIS IS THE SECOND EVENT OF BOOMS OFF THE EAST

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COAST IN THE PAST TWO MONTHS. ABOUT SIX WEEKS AGO, A BOOM WAS REPORTED OCCURRING OVER THE VICINITY OF BARRINGTON, NOVA SCOTIA. A CORRELATION OF THIS EVENT TO THE FLIGHT SCHEDULE OF THE CONCORDE, WHICH FLIES IN ITS NORMAL TRANSIT JUST OFF THE SOUTHERN TIP OF NOVA SCOTIA, WAS MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION (NOT). THERE WAS SOME CORRELATION AS TO TIME, BUT THE RESULTS WERE NOT CONCLUSIVE. NOT IS CONTINUING THEIR INVESTIGATION. THE ATMOSPHERIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE IS SEEKING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE BELLE ISLE EVENT, INCLUDING MORE DETAILED WEATHER INFORMATION. IT HAS BEEN CONFIRMED THAT THERE WAS NO THUNDERSTORM ACTIVITY IN THAT AREA AT THE TIME BUT THAT IT WAS SNOWING. THE IMPRESSIONS OR HOLES IN THE GROUND HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED TO BE TWO FEET IN DIAMETER AND ABOUT TWO FEET DEEP. SOME TREES WERE SCORCHED IN THIS VICINITY. THERE IS SOME THOUGHT BEING GIVEN TO THE POSSIBILITY OF A METEORITE ENTRY. ONE SOURCE EXPLAINS "THAT THESE EXPLOSIONS ARE CAUSED BY THE VOLATILITY OF THE AIR ITSELF WITH WHICH THERE IS ASSOCIATED AN ELECTRICAL PHENOMENON. IT IS NOT PRECIPITATED BY ATOMIC EXPLOSIONS OR FLYING SAUCERS BUT MAY BE CATALYZED BY HIGH PERFORMANCE AIRCRAFT."

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SUBJ: (U) SRI LANKAN UNIDENTIFIED SPACE OBJECT

REF: COLOMBO 0400 (NOTAL)

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT.

2. ACCORDING TO A MPA CONTACT, THE PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF THE RESIDUE OF THE UNKNOWN OBJECT THAT STRUCK THE BOAT IN THE KURUNZALA AREA OF SRI LANKA ON 22 JANUARY REVEALS THE PRESENCE OF THE FOLLOWING SUBSTANCES: 1.3 PERCENT ALUMINUM, 3.0 PERCENT IPON, 10 TO 15 PERCENT BARIUM, AND SMALL TRACES OF SULFUR, MAGNESIUM, AND TITANIUM. THE RESIDUE HAS BEEN SENT TO A GOVERNMENT ANALYST WHOSE REPORT IS EXPECTED IN 2 OR 3 DAYS.

3. THE USL HAS NOT YET NOT DETERMINED WHETHER THE OBJECT

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WAS PART OF COSMOS 1402. WHILE THE USL HAS INFORMATION ABOUT THE NORMAL COMPOSITION OF US SATELLITES, IT DOES NOT HAVE COMPARABLE INFORMATION ABOUT SOVIET ONES AND DOES NOT EXPECT TO RECEIVE ANY FROM THE SOVIETS. BASED ON RESULTS OF THE PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS, THE USL DOES NOT THINK THAT THE OBJECT WAS A METEORITE. THE USL HAS ALSO NOT DISCOUNTED

THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE INCIDENT WAS A BOAT OR THAT THE OBJECT MIGHT HAVE BEEN A FIREWORK. THERE IS GROWING PUBLIC SPECULATION THAT IT WAS, IN FACT, A PIECE OF COSMOS 1402.

4. HOWEVER, SRI LANKAN RESIDENT ARTHUR C. CLARKE, WHO HAS BEEN ASSISTING THE INVESTIG, BELIEVES THE OBJECT WAS NOT A METEORITE AND THAT THERE IS NO CONFIRMING EVIDENCE THAT IT CAME FROM OUTER SPACE.

5. THE INCIDENT CONTINUES TO RECEIVE EXTENSIVE COVERAGE IN SRI LANKAN MEDIA.

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3. ACCORDING TO A MPA CONTACT, THE PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF  
RESIDUE OF THE UNKNOWN OBJECT THAT STRUCK THE AIRCRAFT IN  
THE CUBANZALA AREA OF SRI LANKA ON 20 JANUARY REVEALS THE  
EXISTENCE OF THE FOLLOWING SUBSTANCES: 1.3 PERCENT ALUMINUM,  
3.0 PERCENT IRON, 18 TO 19 PERCENT BARIUM, AND SMALL TRACES  
OF SULFUR, MAGNESIUM, AND TITANIUM. THE RESIDUE HAS BEEN  
SENT TO A GOVERNMENT ANALYST WHOSE REPORT IS EXPECTED IN  
2 OR 3 DAYS.

4. THE USL HAS NOT YET DETERMINED WHETHER THE OBJECT

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WAS PART OF COSMOS 1482. WHILE THE USL HAS INFORMATION ABOUT  
THE NORMAL COMPOSITION OF USS BATTERIES, IT DOES NOT HAVE  
COMPARABLE INFORMATION ABOUT SOVIET ONES AND DOES NOT  
EXPECT TO RECEIVE ANY FROM THE SOVIETS. BASED ON RESULTS  
OF THE PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS, THE USL DOES NOT THINK THAT  
THE OBJECT WAS A METEORITE. THE USL HAS ALSO NOT DISCOUNTED

THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE INCIDENT WAS A HOAX OR THAT THE  
OBJECT MIGHT HAVE BEEN A FIREWORK. THERE IS ESCALATING PUBLIC  
SPECULATION THAT IT WAS, IN FACT, A PIECE OF COSMOS 1482.  
HOWEVER, SRI LANKAN RESIDENTS ARE NOT CLARIFIED WHO  
HAS BEEN ASSESSING THE INVESTIGATION. BELIEVES THE OBJECT  
WAS NOT A METEORITE AND THAT THERE IS NO CONFIRMING  
EVIDENCE THAT IT CAME FROM OUTER SPACE.  
THE INCIDENT CONTINUES TO RECEIVE EXTENSIVE COVERAGE IN  
SRI LANKAN MEDIA.

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ACCORDING TO A REPORT IN THE 31 JANUARY "EVENING OBSERVER"  
CHAIRMAN OF THE SRI LANKAN ATOMIC ENERGY AUTHORITY, 30ANVILLE  
SHARMAVARDENE, HAS SAID THAT THE FLAMING OBJECT WHICH FELL IN THE  
KURUNTOALA AREA ON 22 JANUARY WAS A METEORITE. HE CATEGORICALLY  
DENIED THAT IT WAS RADIOACTIVE OR A PIECE OF COSMOS 1602.

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SUBJECT: SSL REPORTS EVIDENCE THAT "SOMETHING HAS FALLEN" FROM  
SPACE IN KURUNEGALA

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1. CONFIRMING EARLIER TELECOMS TO OPCENTER, FOREIGN SECRETARY  
W.T. JAYESINGHE TELEPHONE EMBASSY LATE SATUR-  
DAY AFTERNOON 22 JANUARY AND SPOKE WITH EMBASSY MALINOWSKI WHO  
HAPPENED TO BE IN THE OFFICE. FONSEC REPORTED THAT SOMETHING HAS  
BEEN REPORTED TO HAVE HIT THE GROUND IN THE KURUNEGALA AREA (42  
MILES NORTH AND EAST OF COLOMBO) AND THAT A SSL SCIENTIFIC TEAM  
HEADED BY DR. GRANVILLE DHARMASWARDENA, CHAIRMAN OF THE ATOMIC  
ENERGY AUTHORITY, HAD BEEN DISPATCHED TO THE AREA WITH A GEIGER

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COUNTER TO CHECK THE AREA OF THE REPORTED IMPACT FOR SIGNS OF  
RADIATION AND ANY FRAGMENTS.

2. SRI LANKAN RADIO REPORTED SHORTLY AFTERWARDS THAT SOMETHING FROM

OUTER SPACE HAD STRUCK IN THE KURUNEGALA AREA AND QUOTED ARTHUR  
C. CLARKE, AUTHOR OF 2801 AND 2810 WHO IS RESIDENT IN SRI LANKA,  
AS SUGGESTING LONG ODDS ON METEORITE.

3. EMBASSY TELEPHONED OPCENTER IN DEPARTMENT TO RELAY REPORT AND  
WAS TOLD THERE IS NO EVIDENCE YET THAT COSMOS 1402 SATELLITE REPORTED  
TO BE DECAYING HAS MADE ITS FINAL PLUNGE TO EARTH. EMBASSY REPORTED  
THIS TO FONSEC BY PHONE, AND FONSEC SAID HE WOULD AWAIT REPORT OF  
SCIENTIST BEFORE RENDERING ANY FURTHER JUDGMENTS.

4. AT ABOUT 2200 LOCAL TIME, FONSEC TELEPHONED DCM AT HOME TO  
REPORT ON CONVERSATION, PRESUMABLY ALSO BY PHONE, WITH SCIENTISTS  
INVESTIGATING THE INCIDENT. INITIAL REPORT, HE SAID HAD BEEN MADE BY  
TWO BOYS WHO REPORTED TO POLICE HAVING SEEN SOMETHING LIKE A  
FLAMING TENNIS BALL DESCENDING AND HITTING THE GROUND. POLICE

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RELATED REPORT TO COLOMBO RESULTING IN DESPATCH OF SCIENTIST

PRECISE TIME OF SIGHTING IS NOT KNOWN.

1. SCIENTIST REPORTED TO PONSFC THAT WHEN HE ARRIVED AT THE SCENE THERE WAS SOME EVIDENCE OF SOME SORT OF IMPACT, BUT THERE WAS NO OBJECT IN EVIDENCE. SCIENTIST CONCLUDED THAT SOMETHING HAS FALLEN, BUT THAT WHATEVER IT WAS DISINTEGRATED ON IMPACT. A CURVE OF THE AREA WITH THE GEIGER COUNTER REVEALED THAT IN A ZONE ABOUT 2 SQUARE YARDS AROUND THE IMPACT SITE THERE WAS A EVIDENCE OF VERY MILD RADIOACTIVITY BUT AT A VERY LOW LEVEL, I.E. NOT HARMFUL TO LIVING MATTER. THE SCIENTIFIC TEAM LOOKED OVER THE AREA CAREFULLY AND THEN SCOOPED UP SOME OF THE RADIO-ACTIVE SOIL IN A CONTAINER FOR SHIPMENT TO COLOMBO, WHERE IT WILL BE EXAMINED IN GREATER DETAIL

IN THE MORNING (I.E. 23 JANUARY).

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1. DCM ASKED PONSFC IF HE HAD REPORTED ALL OF THIS TO THE SOVIET EMBASSY. PONSFC SAID YES AND THAT SOVIETS DENY IT IS THEIRS. DCM ASKED IF GEL WAS REPORTING ANYTHING OF THE USS AT THIS POINT. PONSFC SAID NO. HIS PURPOSE, HE SAID, WAS TO INFORM US OF THE DEVELOPMENT FOR OUR INFORMATION. HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR OUR REGULAR REPORTS TO THE GEL ON THE COSMOS MATTER AND SAID HE EXPECTED NO FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS ON THIS INCIDENT UNTIL MORNING WHEN THE SCIENTISTS HAVE ANOTHER LOOK AT THE SOIL SAMPLE IN COLOMBO. FOR HIMSELF, HE SAID, HE WAS GOING HOME TO HAVE HIS DINNER.

1. DCM REPLAYED INFO IN PARAGRAPHS 4-6 TO OPOCENTER BY PHONE AT 1440 LOCAL TIME, AND HE PROMISED FURTHER WRAP-UP--IF ANY ADDITIONAL DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE--IN MORNING.

1. ON MORNING OF 23 JANUARY, DR. DHARMAVARDENE, WHO HAD RETURNED TO COLOMBO FROM KURUNTSALA WITH SOIL SAMPLES FROM THE IMPACT AREA, INFORMED DATT AND INFOFF THAT AN UNKNOWN OBJECT HAD LANDED IN THE VICINITY OF THE TOWN OF MAVATASAMA IN THE KURUNTSALA DISTRICT (97-26N/800-26E) AT 1230 HOURS 23 JANUARY (237700Z JAN 83). HE DESCRIBED THE IMPACT AREA AS BEING A BURNED AND INDENTED PATCH ABOUT 2 AND ONE HALF INCHES IN RADIUS. DHARMAVARDENE HAS BROUGHT ABOUT TEN KILOS OF SOIL, REPRESENTING ABOUT TWO SQUARE YARDS OF THE IMPACT AREA, BACK TO COLOMBO FOR ANALYSIS. HE RECONFIRMED THAT THE SITE AREA WAS SLIGHTLY RADIOACTIVE. HE ALSO INDICATED THAT NO METALLIC DEBRIS WAS FOUND AT THE SITE AREA AND THAT HE DID NOT BELIEVE THAT THE OBJECT WAS ASSOCIATED WITH COSMOS 1602.

1. DR. DHARMAVARDENE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION USS CAN PROVIDE ON OBJECT THAT FELL IN KURUNTSALA. REED

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1. REPORTS IN 1 FEBRUARY SRI LANKAN PRESS INDICATE THAT THE ARTICLE UPON WHICH WE BASED REFTTEL WAS INACCURATE. SRI LANKAN ATOMIC ENERGY AUTHORITY INVESTIGATING TEAM HAS NOW DETERMINED THAT THE OBJECT WAS A "FLARE," OR POSSIBLY FIREWORKS.

2. ACCORDING TO THE REPORT, INVESTIGATING TEAM BASED ITS FINAL CONCLUSIONS ON FOUR GROUNDS. BECAUSE THERE WAS NO DENT ON THE GROUND WHERE THE OBJECT FELL, TEAM DOUBTED WHETHER IT WAS A FAST MOVING, HEAVY OBJECT SUCH AS PART OF A SATELLITE OR A METEORITE. IT HAD BEEN CONCLUSIVELY PROVED, HOWEVER, THAT WHAT FELL WAS A HOT OBJECT WHICH BURNT ITSELF OUT. PRESENCE OF RADIOACTIVITY AT THE LANDING POINT WAS EVENTUALLY DISCOUNTED, SINCE IT WAS ONLY MILDLY ABOVE BACKGROUND LEVEL IN THE AREA. FINALLY, WHITE LUMPS FOUND AT THE LANDING POINT SHOWED THE PRESENCE OF SMALL QUANTITIES OF UNCLASSIFIED

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MAGNESIUM, ALUMINUM, AND IRON, WITH HIGH PERCENTAGES OF BARIUM, AND TRACE ELEMENTS OF MANGANESE, TITANIUM, ZIRCONIUM, YTTRIUM.

TEAM ALSO FOUND POTASSIUM NITRATE AND CHLORIDE, RESIDUES OF EXPLODED DEVICES USED IN FIREWORKS.

3. WE CONSIDER THE U.S.O. INCIDENT CLOSED.

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