

L.	To whom reported (Police, military, press etc)	One other person an American ufologist
M.	Name & Address of Informant	Section 40
N.	Background of Informant that may be volunteered	no interest in UFOs Medically retired from RAF Regiments
O.	Other witnesses	none
P.	Date, Time of Receipt	2/5/91 14.15 pm
Q.	Any Unusual Meteorological Conditions	none
R.	Remarks	Ex RAF Regt Section 40 SAC Section 40 Section 40

Date... 2/5/91.....

Section 40

Sec (A) Lt
Squadron Leader
Duty Operations Officer
AF Ops

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Sec. (AS) 2
-3 MAY 1991
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CWD111 03/0748 123C0873

FOR CAB

ROUTINE 030630Z MAY 91

FROM RAF WEST DRAYTON
TO MODUK AIR

U N C L A S S I F I E D

SIC Z6F

SUBJECT: AERIAL PHENOMENA

- A. 022215 LOCAL MAY 91 FOR 2 MINUTES
- B. ONE OBJECT SHAPED LIKE A ROUND GLOBE ORANGE IN COLOUR AND QUITE BRIGHT WITH NO SOUND OR SMELL NOTED
- C. THE OBSERVER WAS STANDING STATIONARY OUTDOORS IN MAEROY
- D. OBSERVED WITH THE NAKED EYE
- E. IT CAME FROM THE SOUTH UP THE VALLEY
- F. LOW IN THE SKY
- G. NIL
- H. THE MOVEMENT WAS CHANGING AND SHOT VERTICALLY ABOVE PLANE
- J. THE WEATHER WAS FINE WITH CLEAR SKIES
- K. NIL
- L. REPORTED TO THE POLICE
- M. **Section 40** MAECOY, RHONDA, SOUTH WALES **Section 40**

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- N. LADY LATE **Section 40**
- O. HER TWO NEIGHBOURS CONCOUR AND LADYS NEICE
- P. 022230Z MAY 91
- BT

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- 9 MAY 1991
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FOR CAB

ROUTINE 081530Z MAY 91

FROM RAF WEST DRAYTON
TO MODUK AIR

U N C L A S S I F I E D
SIC Z6F

SUBJECT: AERIAL PHENOMENA

- A. 070800Z MAY 91. 2-3 MINUTES
- B. TWO ROUND OBJECTS SILVER AND WHITE. NO SOUND, SMELL OR SIZE
- C. THE OBSERVER WAS STANDING INDOORS
- D. NAKED EYE
- E. LEFT OF RIDGEWELL CHURCH
- F. ACCROSS THE SKY
- G. NIL
- H. STEADY, AT AIRCRAFT SPEED TO THE EAST
- J. LOTS OF CLOUD
- K. RIDGEWELL CHURCH
- L. ATC STANSTEAD AIRPORT.
- M. Section 40 [REDACTED] RIDGEWELL, HILSTEAD, ESSEX.
Section 40 [REDACTED]

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- N. NIL
- O. HUSBAND AND SON
- P. 081530Z MAY 91
- BT

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CAB	1	SEC(AS)	ACTION	(CXJ	1	AFDD)
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Section 40



6 May 1991.

Dear Sir/Madam,

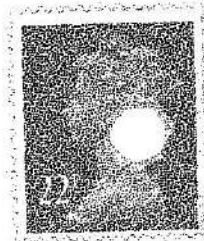
I am writing to you with the hope that you may be able to help me. I have seen various press reports (Daily Telegraph, Guardian, Daily Star) which refer to the sighting of an object described as being 3 metres in length and cylindrical. This object was apparently observed at approximately 22000 feet on April 21 around 9pm by Captain Section 40 who was flying en route from Milan to Heathrow. The sighting apparently occurred over Kent. My reason for writing is to enquire if you can help on several points.

1. Has there been an official MOD investigation of this case, or has the MOD assisted in an official Civilian Aviation Authority investigation?
2. Can you confirm that the MOD does not have an air-to-surface missile which could go to 22000 feet?
3. Is the Rapiers missile only launched from Aberporth, Wales and Tain in Scotland, and is its limit around 10000 feet ?
4. Could the sighting be connected with the firing range at Lydd ?
5. Is it possible to obtain copies of any records relating to this case which may have been forwarded to the MOD? As I understand it a tracking was made at West Drayton. Is it possible to obtain copies of any final reports pertaining to this case?

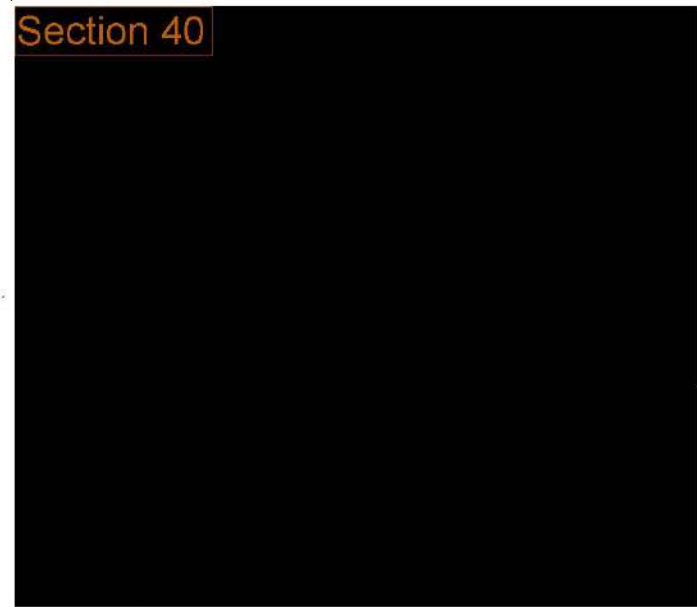
Should you be able to help in any way it would be very much appreciated as this is just for my own interest. Thankyou for taking the time to read my letter. I have enclosed a SAE.

Yours Faithfully,

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CAA | NEW OPEN OCCURRENCE REPORT | OCCURRENCE NUMBER
91/01151E

AIRCRAFT TYPE
MISSILE / MD80

BRIEF TITLE : ATC OCC - PILOT REPORTED SEEING
MISSILE TYPE OBJECT PASSING OPPOSITE DIRECTION | OPERATOR
UNKNOWN / ITALIA

SDAU COORDINATOR
OFS3 EXT [Redacted] Section 40

EXECUTOR
OFS3

LOCN - AVIATION HOUSE

INFORMEE LOCATION

ATTN: Section 40 [Redacted] — AAIB - FARNBOROUGH

ATCI AVIATION HOUSE

RS3 MATO HILLINGTON HOUSE

CAP6 (DC/AP) CAA HOUSE
Section 40 [Redacted] MSU

CAA HOUSE
CAP 4 B CAA HSE
ATF 2 MOD MAN BUD

SIGNATURE [Redacted] P.P. NAME [Redacted] DEPT/SECTION DATE
Safety Data & Analysis Unit 25th April, 1991

GTS25N
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DATE OF ADMIN ACTION
29/4/91 Section 40

Civil Aviation Authority

ATC OCCURRENCE REPORT



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 Local management copy — yellow
 Reporter's copy — blue

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NOTES: (i) See Instructions and Explanatory Notes on reverse.
 (ii) When completed, please send white copy only to:
 Safety Data Analysis Unit
 2W, Aviation House, Gatwick Airport, South Area, Gatwick, West Sussex RH6 0YR.

CAA Occurrence Number
 910151 E

1 ACCIDENT AIRMISS APHAZ INCIDENT ABANL INFRINGEMENT

Circle or fill in boxes 1-51 as required. Please use black ball-point pen.

2 Occurrence Position: UA20 - BETWEEN CLIFF AND LYD VOR.
 3 FL/Alt/Ht: APPROX FL220
 4 Date: 21st APRIL 91
 5 Time: 1958
 6 Day/Night: Night

OPERATOR	CALLSIGN/REGN	TYPE	FROM	TO	SSR CODE	MODE C DISPLAYED	IFR/VFR SVFR
7 <u>ALITALIA</u>	8 <u>Section 40</u>	9 <u>MD80</u>	10 <u>LIMZ</u>	11 <u>EGLL</u>	12 <u>5724</u>	13 <u>YES/NO</u>	14 <u>IFR</u>
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 <u>YES/NO</u>	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 <u>YES/NO</u>	30

31 RTF Frequencies: 128.4
 32 Radar Equipment: PCASE
 33 Equipment Unserviceabilities: NONE
 34 Runway in use:

35 TYPE OF AIRSPACE: RULE 21/CTR/TMA/ AWY/JAR/ADR/SRA/SRZ/ ATZ/UIR/FIR/PURPLE/OTHER
 36 TYPE OF ATC SERVICE: CONTROL/ADVISORY — PROCEDURAL/RADAR ADC/GMC/APPROACH/AREA RAS/RIS/FIS/ALR
 37 SID/STAR/ROUTE:

38 WAS PRESCRIBED SEPARATION LOST: NO
 39 TRAFFIC INFO GIVEN BY ATC: YES/NO
 40 AVOIDING ACTION GIVEN BY ATC: YES/NO
 41 MIN SEPN HORIZ/VERT: NOT KNOWN

42 NARRATIVE — use a diagram if necessary (Aerodromes submit weather report)

Section 40 REPORTED SEEING A MISSILE CROSS ABOVE THEIR POSITION WHILE DESCENDING THROUGH FL 220. PRIMARY TARGET OBSERVED IN REPORTED POSITION. SUPERVISOR ADVISED IN ORDER TO INITIATE INVESTIGATIVE ACTION.

Section 40

continue on a separate sheet if necessary

43 Name: Section 40
 44 On duty as: CCF S.E. RADAR CONTROLLER
 45 Location: C.C.F.
 46 Time since last Break: 30 MIN
 47 Start time of Shift: 1330

48 CA 939 ACTION: YES/NO
 49 Other Agencies Advised: Section 40
 51 Address/Telephone: 21/4/1991

Civil Aviation Authority

ATC OCCURRENCE REPORT M40/91

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CAA Occurrence Number
91/01151 E

1	ACCIDENT	AIRMISS	APHAZ	INCIDENT	ABANL	INFRINGEMENT	
Circle or fill in boxes 1-51 as required. Please use black ball-point pen.							
2	Occurrence Position ABM CLIFF	3 FL/Alt/Ht FL 230/220	4 Date 21-4-91	5 Time 2000	6 Day/Night Night		
7	OPERATOR AITALIA	8 CALLSIGN/REGN Section 40	9 TYPE MD80	10 FROM LIML	11 TO EGLL	12 SSR CODE S724	
13	MODE C DISPLAYED YES/NO		14	IFR/VFR SVFR IFR			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 YES/NO	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 YES/NO	
31	RTF Frequencies 128.4	32	Radar Equipment PEASE	33	Equipment Unserviceabilities None	34	Runway in use
35	TYPE OF AIRSPACE RULE 21 CTR/TMA/ AWY/UAR/ADR/SRA/SRZ/ ATZ/UIR/FIR/PURPLE/OTHER		36	TYPE OF ATC SERVICE CONTROL/ADVISORY — PROCEDURAL/RADAR ADC/GMC/APPROACH/AREA RAS/RIS/FIS/ALR		37	SID/STAR/ROUTE
38	WAS PRESCRIBED SEPARATION LOST YES/NO	39	TRAFFIC INFO GIVEN BY ATC YES/NO	40	AVOIDING ACTION GIVEN BY ATC YES/NO	41	MIN SEPN HORIZ/VERT NOT KNOWN
42 NARRATIVE — use a diagram if necessary (Aerodromes submit weather report)							
<p>At approx 2000 the Big controller advised that Section 40 reported sighting a missile at FL 230 220 about 6 miles west of LYD. In conjunction with Elok the following people were contacted to see if anyone had any information: — DOD, MAS, Elok Dover Coast guards, Police, and via DOD the Army helicopters which were operating between LYD — DVR. At the time of the incident a primary response was observed behind the Section 40 tracking NE but no positive information was available from any source. I spoke to the crew via AZA ops and captain Section 40 said the missile which was about 5 metres long and brown in colour was at FL 230 and passed him in an opposite direction and he had visual contact for about 5 seconds. A replay of the radar was enlarged thru DOD at 2130 Z</p> <p style="text-align: right;">continue on a separate sheet if necessary</p>							
43	Name Section 40	44	On duty as Capt Sub.	45	Location C.C.F	46	Time since last Break
47	Start time of Shift 1330						
48	CA 939 ACTION YES/NO	49	Other Agencies Advised SEE ABOVE	50	Sign/Date Section 40 22.4.91	51	Address/Telephone Section 40 25/4

SAFETY DATA & ANALYSIS UNIT		OCCURRENCE NUMBER
DATE	OCCURRENCE REPORT MINUTE SHEET	
30/4/91	Spoke to LATCC IAT who will send photos of this incident.	
1/5/91	NO/A Spoke SL Section 40 (ATF 2 room) Section 40 re. incident and faxed details to L. Section 40	
1/5/91	Phone call from LATCC Information & Investigation section who info'd us that an ATCO had noted that Southern TV had run a short news article about a ^{14 yr old} boy who had witnessed seeing a missile on the same evening (28 Apr) flying at low level before climbing up through cloud and disappearing out of sight. Radar photos of the incident reported by Alitalia due to arrive today. Section 40	

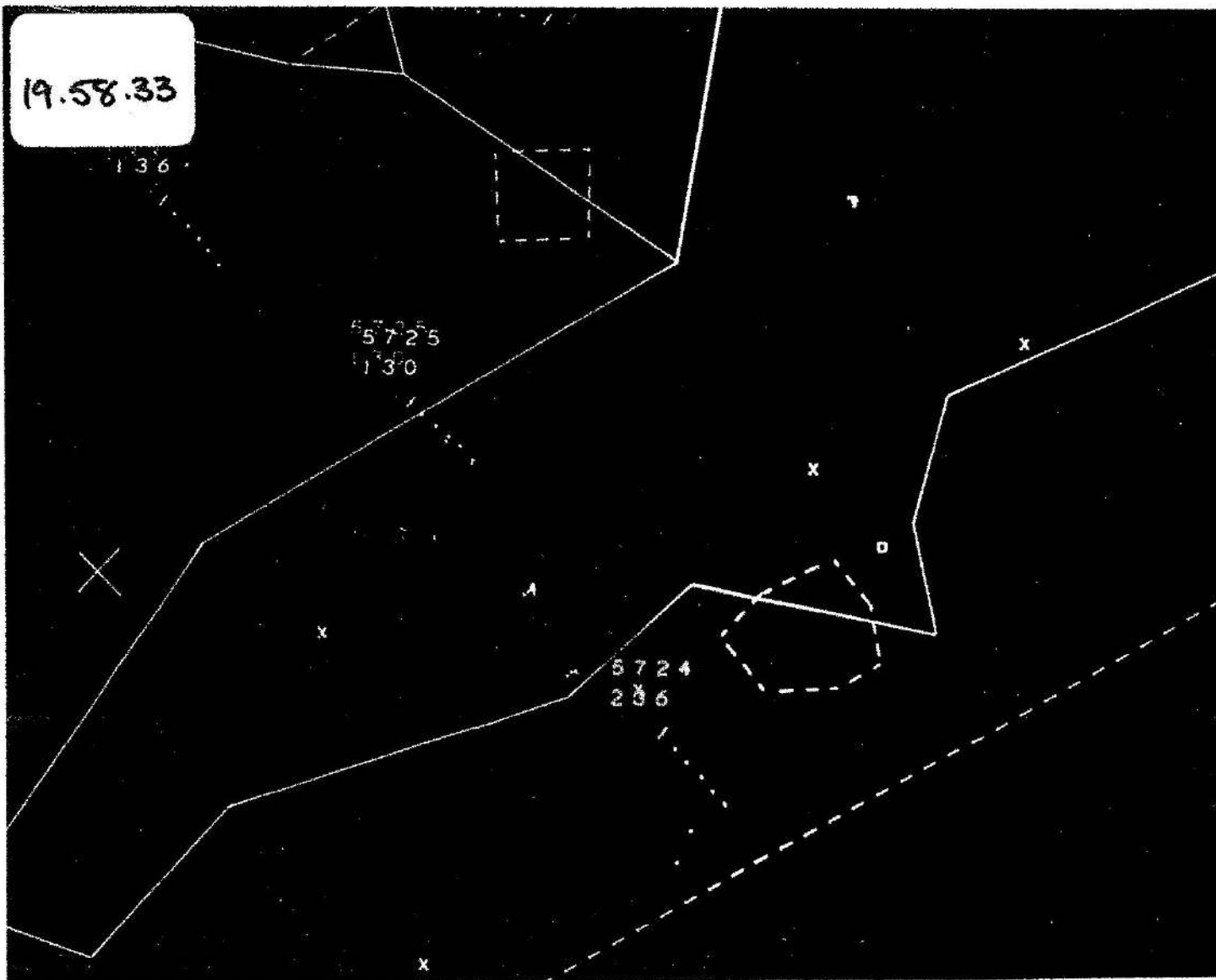
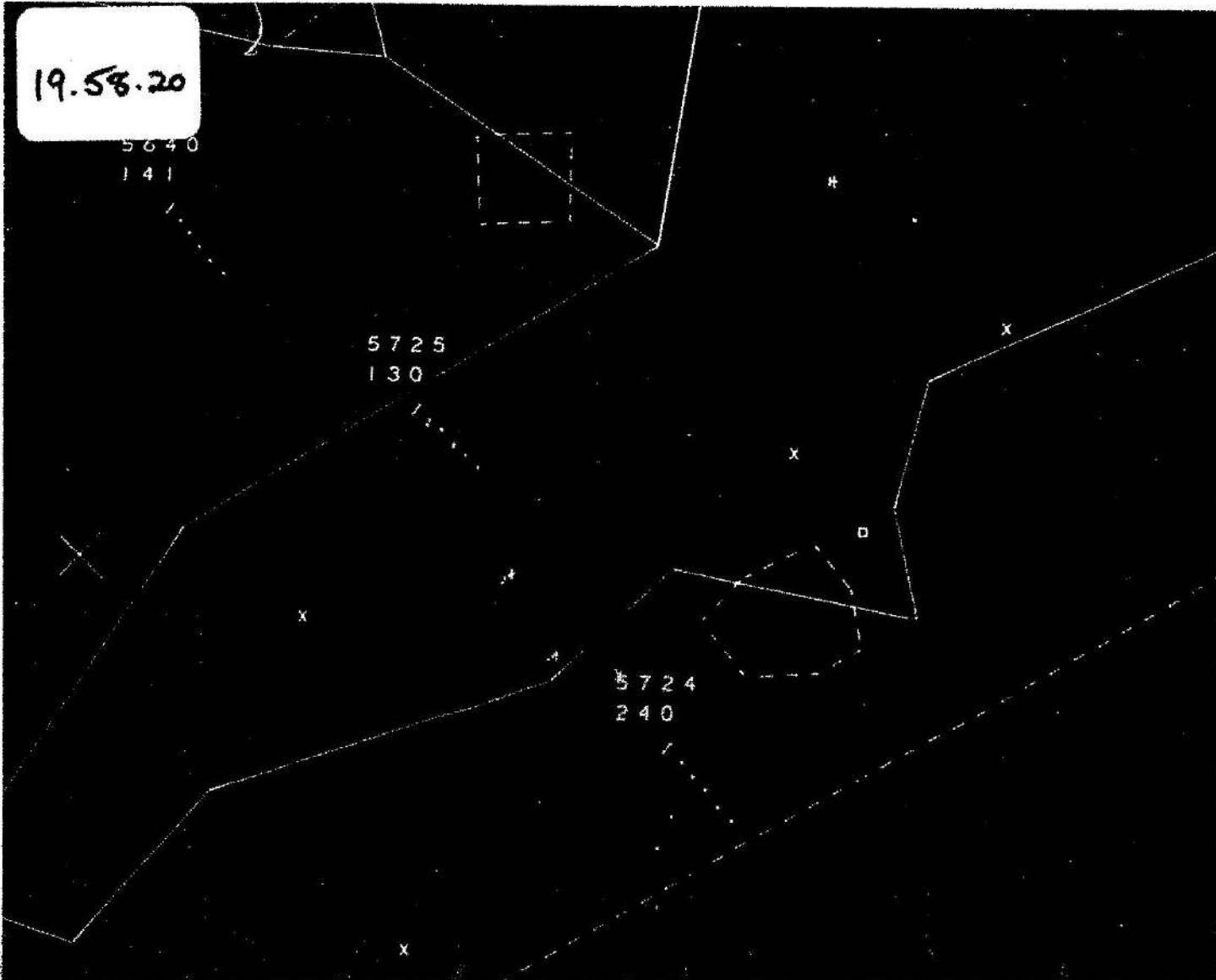
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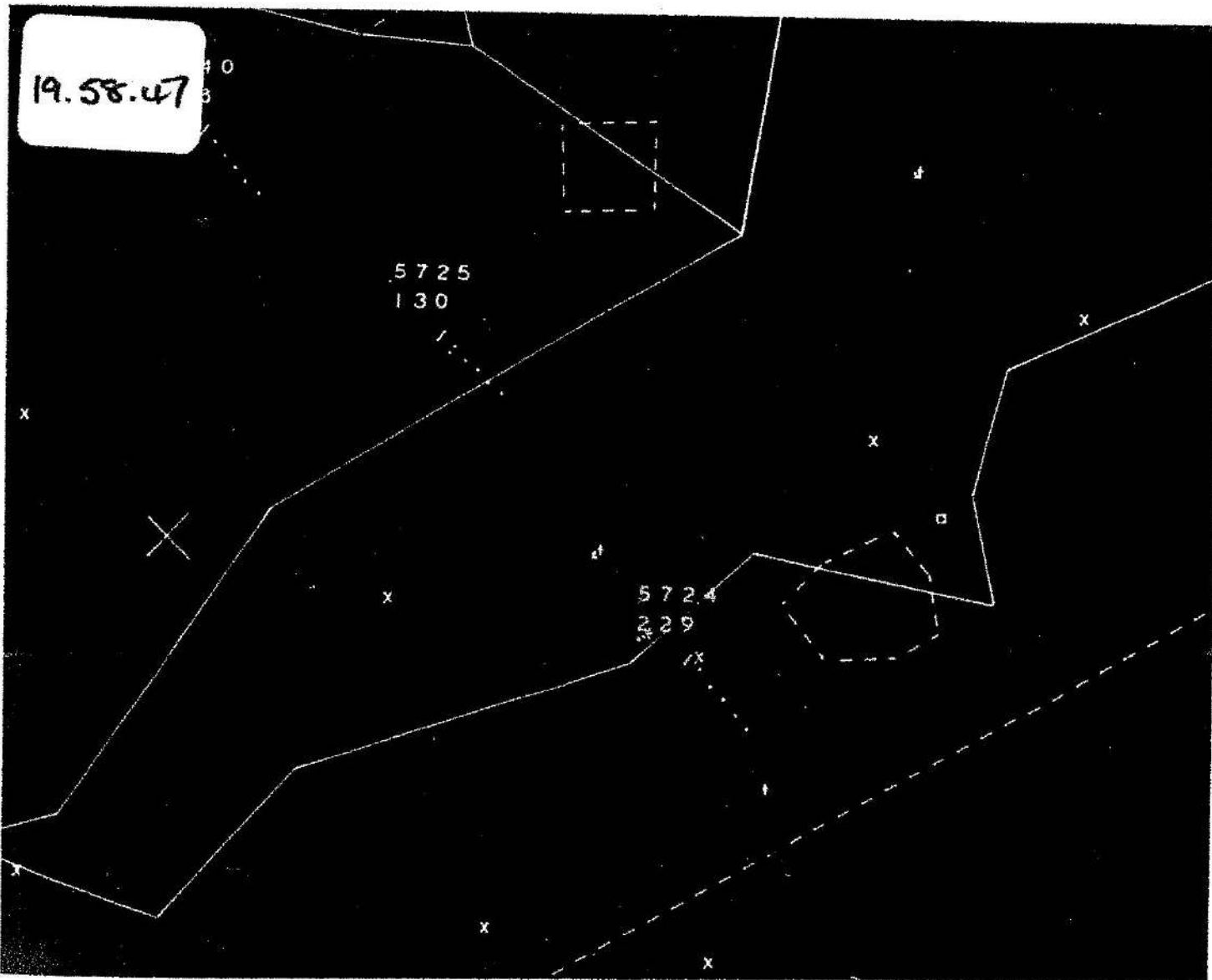
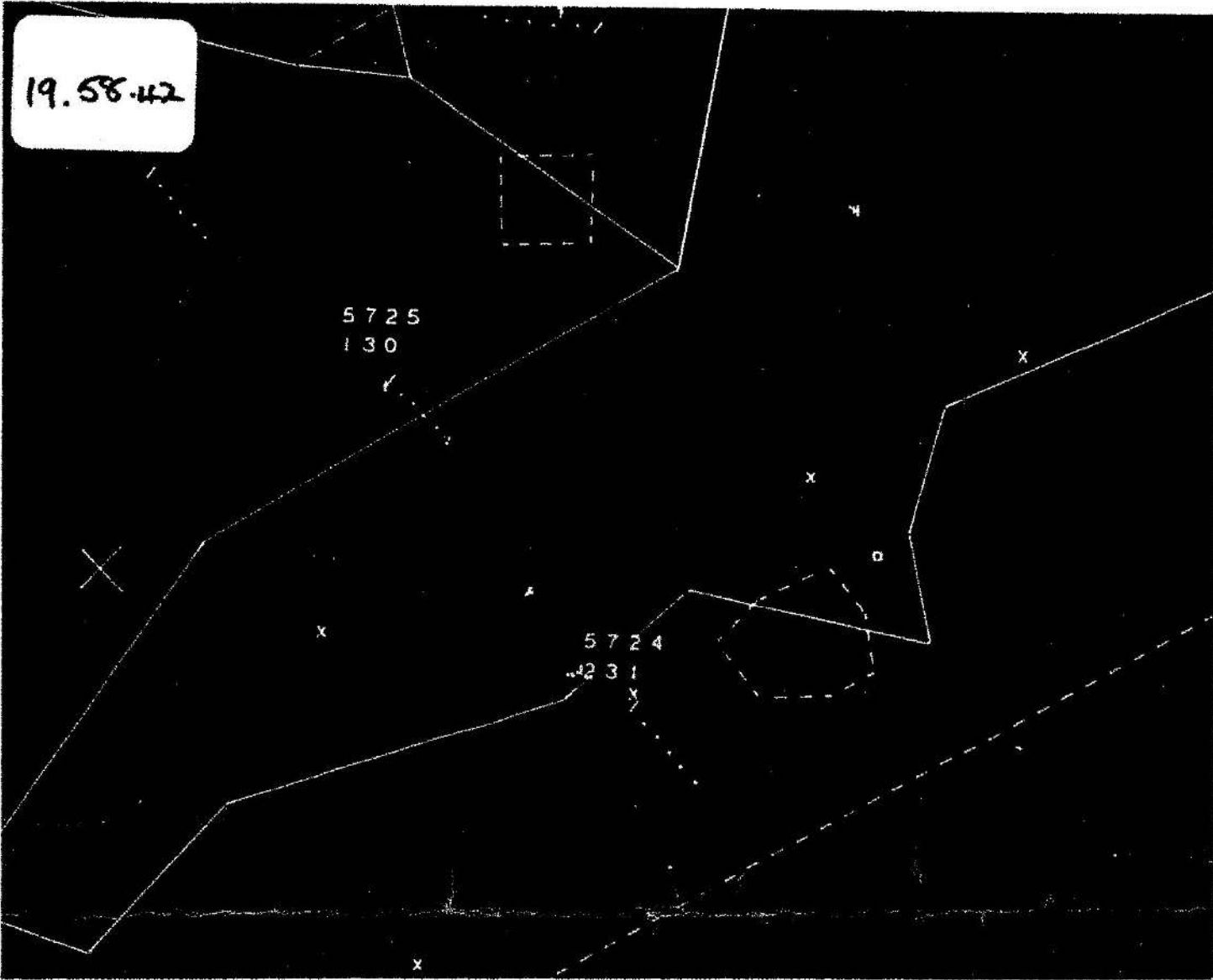
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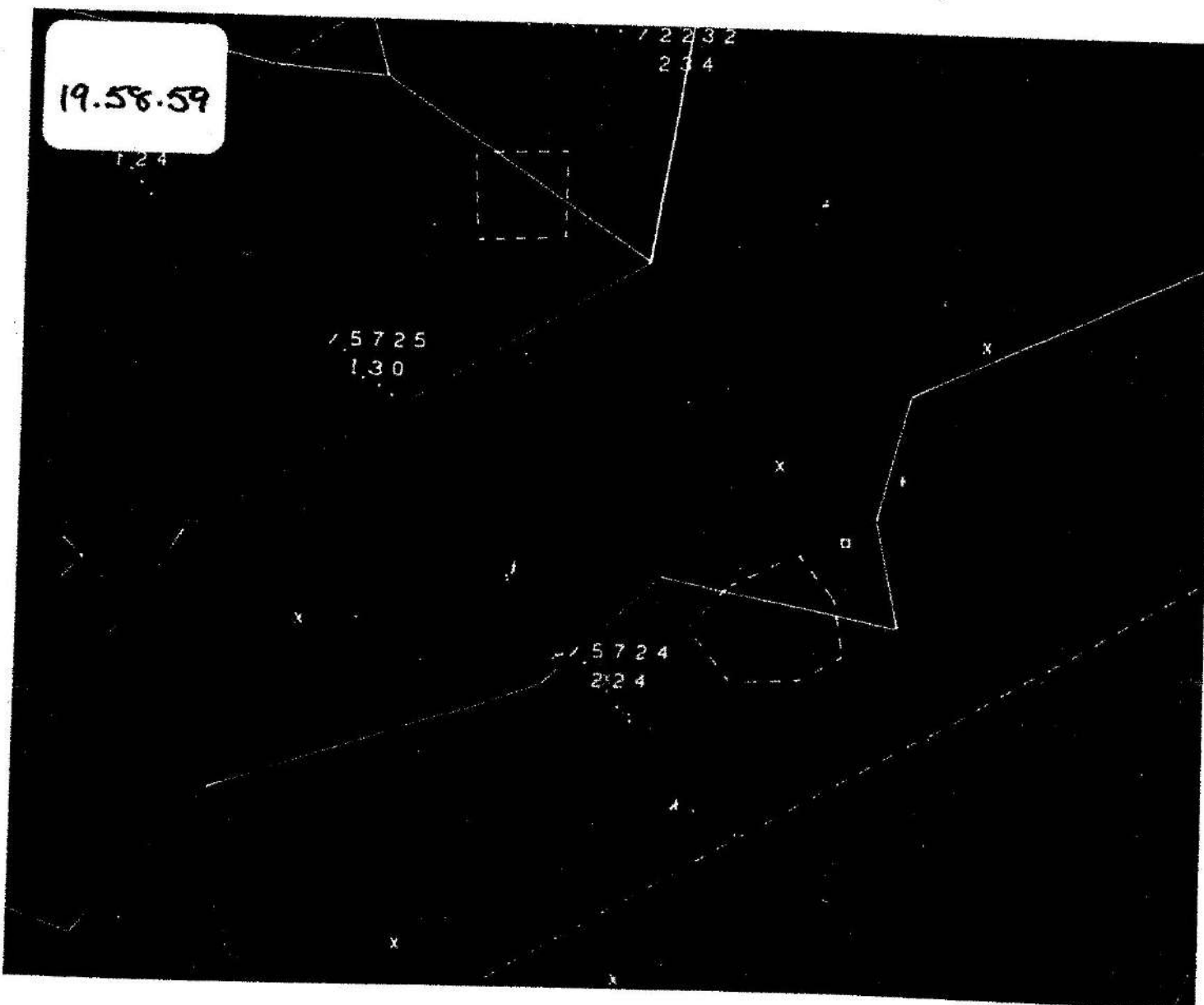
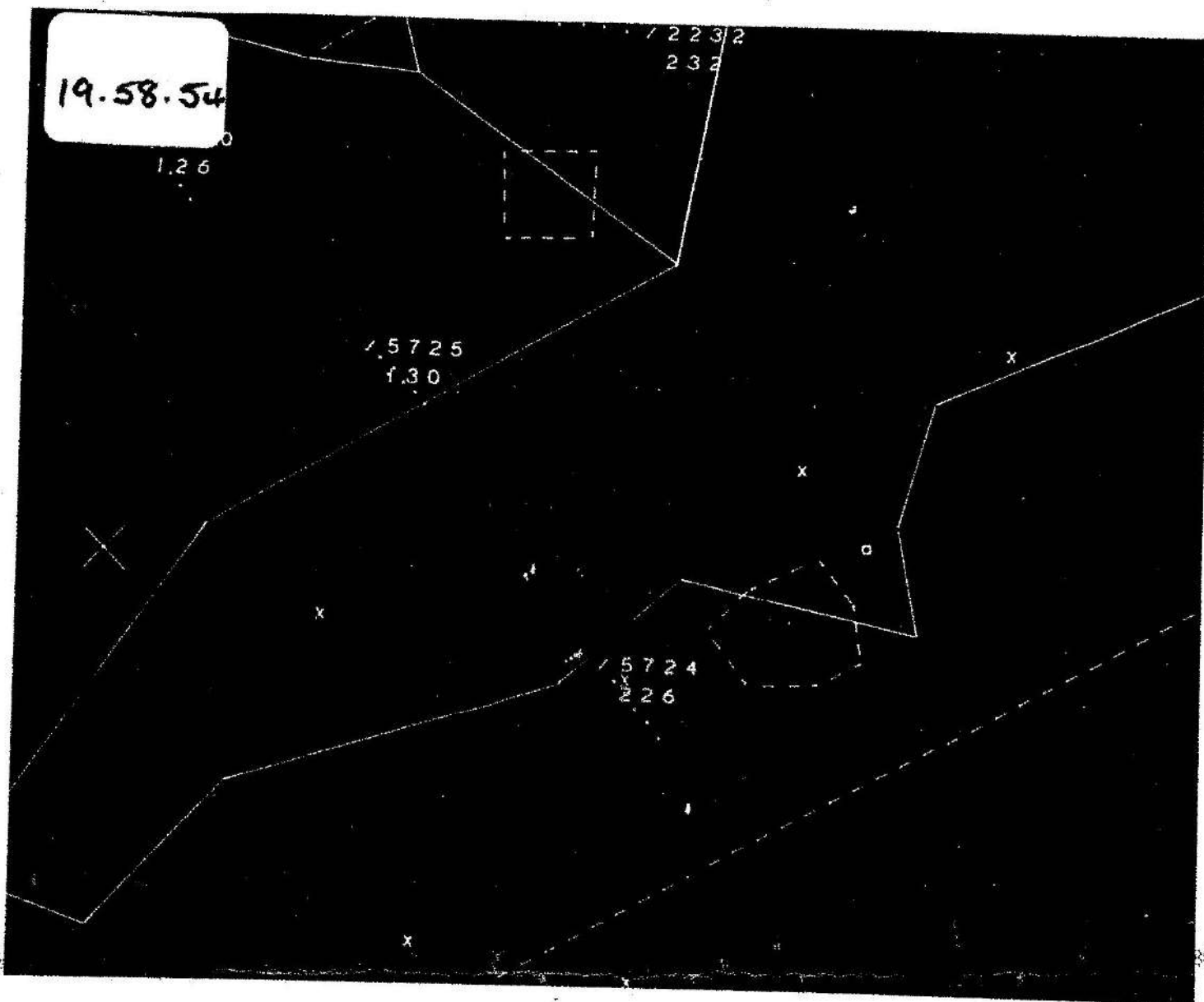
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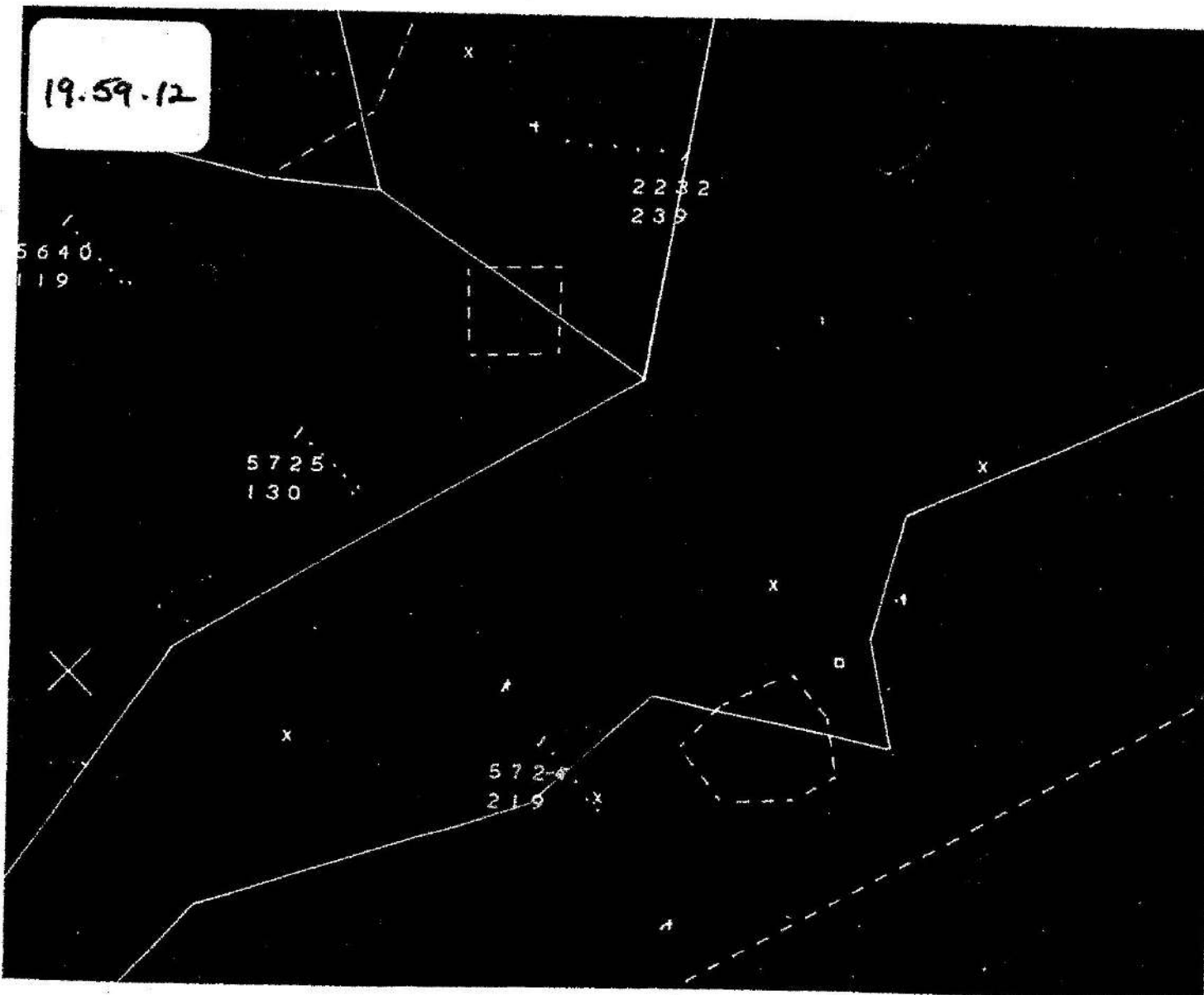
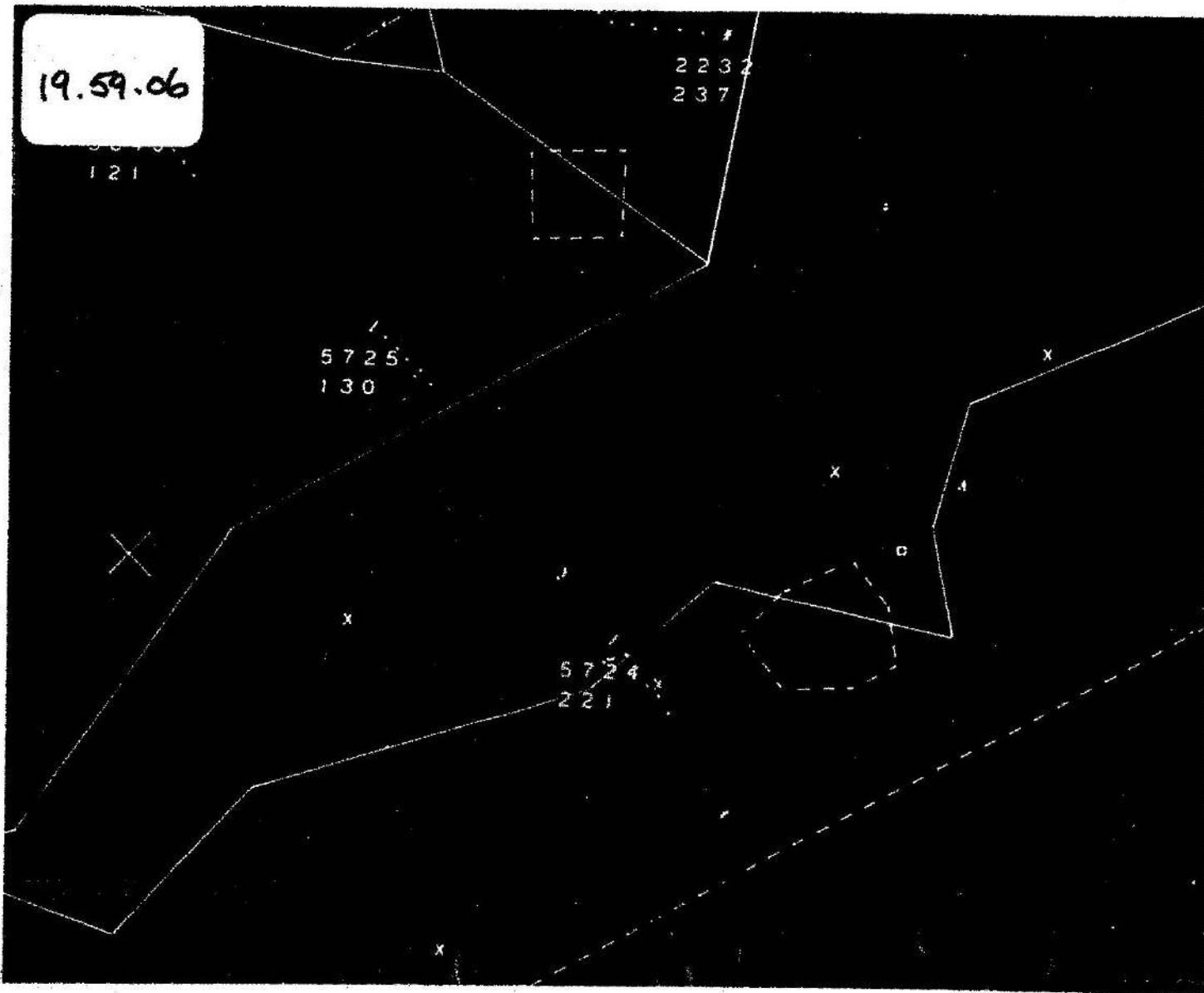
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Inquiry into pilot's sighting of missile

THE CIVIL Aviation Authority has launched an investigation into a reported near-collision between a passenger airliner and a missile in civilian airspace over Kent.

But the Ministry of Defence said it could not have been a British missile. The CAA says that there were no other aircraft under its control there and that it has still failed to explain the sighting.

Captain Achille Zaghetti, pilot of the McDonnell Douglas MD80, operated by the Italian airline Alitalia, was flying from Milan to Heathrow at 22,200ft, with 57 people on board, on 21 April when he reported to British Air Traffic Control that a missile had flown less than 1,000 feet above him in the opposite direction.

It was 9pm, still light in the air, and the local air traffic controllers at Lydd airport said the visibility was exceptionally good.

Capt Zaghetti said the missile was light brown and about 3 metres long. His co-pilot confirmed the sighting. Their descriptions are consistent with a target missile used for artillery or air defence practice, but the Ministry of Defence insisted yesterday that none were in use on 21 April.

Although it has taken the report of an experienced pilot at face value, in a public statement yesterday the CAA attempted to imply that he had seen a drifting object, perhaps a stray balloon.

By Stephen Ward

The statement said: "The pilot said the object was light brown, round, 3 metres long, and did not describe any means of propulsion. The aircraft was under the control of the London air traffic control centre who had no other aircraft in the vicinity but consistent with the pilot report, a faint radar trace was observed 10 nautical miles behind the Alitalia aircraft.

"The air traffic controller submitted an occurrence report and investigatory action began immediately. Extensive inquiries have failed to provide any indication of what the sighting may have been."

A Ministry of Defence spokesman said yesterday: "Whatever he might have seen might have been something that was flying, but was certainly not anything that was fired. It was a Sunday. The only ranges we have in the Kent area are Lydd and Hythe, and they are concerned with small arms only."

Asked if target missiles were used, he said: "It's absolutely in the middle of the busiest air traffic area. People just don't fire missiles there, but of course, we do have quite a few UFO reports and often people who see these things describe them as missile or cigar-shaped, or else round, and sometimes they do appear to be travelling with no means of propulsion."

'The Independent' 6 May 1991

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NEAR COLLISION - AIR TRAFFIC INCIDENT REPORT FORM

NOTE: 1*) To be filled in printed characters and in English language.
 2*) Shaded boxes contain items to be included in an initial report by radio.
 3*) Items marked this * must be deleted as appropriate.

SECTION 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

TYPE OF INCIDENT	A	INCIDENT (NEAR COLLISION) PROCEDURAL/FACILITY*
NAME OF PILOT-IN-COMMAND	B	Section 40
OPERATOR	C	ALITALIA
IDENTIFICATION MARKINGS OF AIRCRAFT	D	1-DAWC
AIRCRAFT TYPE	E	MD 80
RADIO CALL SIGN IN COMMUNICATION WITH - FREQUENCY AT TIME OF INCIDENT	F	Section 40 - LON 127.1 - AT ~ 2000/2
AERODROME OF DEPARTURE	G	MILAN - LINATE
AERODROME OF FIRST INTENDED LANDING AND DESTINATION, IF DIFFERENT	H	LONDON - HEATHROW
TYPE OF FLIGHT PLAN	I	IFR
POSITION AT TIME OF INCIDENT - HEADING OR ROUTE - TRUE AIRSPEED	J	~ 30NM SOUTH BIGGIN VOR - HEADING 320° - TAS 380
FL, ALTITUDE OR HEIGHT - ALTITUDE SETTING - ATTITUDE	K	LEVEL FLIGHT / CLIMBING / DESCENDING / TURNING* FL 222 - ALT 1013 - RATE 2000/2 Section 40
FLIGHT WEATHER CONDITIONS AT TIME OF INCIDENT	L	IMC/VMC Distance above/below cloud/fog/haze VMC 30 Km/NM*
	L	Distance horizontally from cloud Between cloud layers In cloud/rain/snow/sleet/fog/haze Flying into/out of sun Reported/estimated flight visibility 30 Km/NM*
DATE AND TIME OF INCIDENT IN GMT	M	REPORTED BY RADIO TO LON 127.1 AFIS/TWR/APP (ACC) FIC* AT 04/21/91 ~ 2000/2 date/time

SECTION 2 - DETAILED INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION OF OTHER AIRCRAFT, IF RELEVANT: Type, high/low wing, N. of engines Radio call sign, registration Markings, colour, lighting Other available details	N	OBJECT SIMILAR MISSILE - WITHOUT EXHAUST FLAME - UNKNOWN LIGHT BROWN - SIMILAR DESERT COLOUR ABOUT 3 METERS LENGTH - ROUND SHAPE
DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT: If desired add comment or suggestion, including your opinion on the probable cause of the incident. (In case of near-collision give information on respective flight paths, estimated vertical and horizontal sighting and miss distances between aircraft and avoiding action taken by either aircraft)	O	DURING DESCENT, AT FL 222 I SAW FOR ABOUT 3-4 SECONDS A FLYING OBJECT, VERY SIMILAR TO A MISSILE, LIGHT BROWN COLOURED, WITH A TRACK OPPOSITE THEN MINE WHICH WAS 320° - IT WAS HIGHER THAN US ABOUT 1000 ft.
AT ONCE I SAID "LOOK OUT - LOOK OUT" TO MY COPILOT WHO LOOKED OUT AND SAW WHAT I HAD SEEN - AS SOON AS THE OBJECT CROSSED US I ASKED TO THE ACC/OPERATOR IF HE SAW SOMETHING ON HIS SCREEN AND HE ANSWERED "I SEE AN UNKNOWN TARGET 10 N.M. BEHIND YOU"		

DATE 04/22/91 TIME 8 P.M.	FUNCTION AND SIGNATURE OF PERSON REPORTING CPT Section 40	FUNCTION AND SIGNATURE OF PERSON RECEIVING REPORT
PLACE LONDON		
OF COMPLETION OF FORM		

SECTION 3 - SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

by ATS unit concerned (not for pilot's use)

HOW REPORT RECEIVED	P	RADIO/TELEPHONE/TELEPRINTER* AT ARO/AFIS/TWR/APP/ACC/FIC*
DETAILS OF ATS ACTION: Clearance, incident observed on radar, warning given, result of local enquiry, etc.	Q	

* Delete as appropriate

SIGNATURE OF ATS OFFICER _____ DATE/TIME GMT _____

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CAR:	* OPEN / CLOSED OCCURRENCE SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT	OCCURRENCE NUMBER 91/0115, 3911
BRIEF TITLE: <u>Air occ - Pilot Reported seeing</u> A <u>MISSILE TYPE OBJECT PASSING OPPOSITE DIRECTION</u>		AIRCRAFT TYPE MISSILE? / MD80
COMMENTS		OPERATOR UNKNOWN / ALITALIA
<p>Please find attached the Alitalia pilot's original report (3A) which was sent to LATCC. Note that although near-collision was ringed (ie Airmiss) the airline agreed it was not strictly speaking an Airmiss but also it was more than just a routine incident. (3B) is a request from CAA Rome to be kept informed on the results of any investigation.</p>		SDAU COORDINATOR OFS 3 EX [redacted]
		EXECUTOR OFS 3
		LOCN - AN House
		INFORMEE LOCATION AAB - FARNBORO [redacted] Section 40
		ATCLT AN HSE
		RS3 MATO HILL HSE
		C(PI)6 [redacted] CAM HSE
		[redacted] Section 40 MSU CAA HSE
		CABLES - CAM HSE
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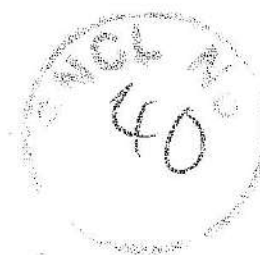
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SIGNATURE [redacted] Section 40	NAME [redacted] Section 40	DEPT/SECTION OFS 3	DATE 7/5/91
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YES	DATE OF ADMIN ACTION
NO	

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LOOSE MINUTE

D/Sec(AS)12/2

9 May 1991

GE3(RAF)
Sec(AS)1a

Copy to:

DI55
DDPR(RAF)

CAA REPORT OF AIR INCIDENT NEAR LYDD ON 21 APRIL 1991

References: A) Letter from **Section 40** dated 6 May 1991
B) Article from 'The Independent' newspaper dated 6 May 1991
C) CAA Incident Report dated 25 April 1991

1. Please find attached a copy of the CAA report of an air incident reported by an AlItalia MD80 aircraft on 21 April near Lydd in Kent (Reference C). I also attach copies of References A and B.

2. Given the MoD spokesman's published denial of any UK military involvement, I believe that the radar evidence attached to the report which shows an object in the vicinity of the AlItalia aircraft should be examined (in the first instance) in the context of an air defence/air safety matter rather than as a UFO report.

3. I would be appreciative if GE3(RAF) (consulting with DI55 as appropriate) could provide the CAA with the assistance they have requested in their covering note to the report. I also believe that it would be more appropriate, in this case, for Sec(AS)1a to undertake to answer **Section 40** letter as the questions he has posed are not strictly UFO-related.

4. I would be grateful for sight of any conclusions which GE3(RAF) may draw from his enquiries, as if no firm conclusions can be drawn, it will be necessary to reappraise our approach to this sighting.

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STANSTED AIRPORT

REF: MATS PART 1

REPORT OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

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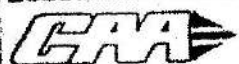
- A DATE, TIME AND DURATION OF SIGHTING *7 May 0800 2-3 mins*
(Local times to be quoted)
- B DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT *Round Shape Silver, White, 2*
(Number of objects, size, shape, colours, brightness, sound, smell, etc) *travelling to East*
- C EXACT POSITION OF OBSERVER *inside*
(Geographical location, indoors or outdoors, stationery or moving)
- D HOW OBSERVED *Naked eye*
(Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or movie camera)
- E DIRECTION IN WHICH OBJECT WAS FIRST SEEN *Ridgewell Church*
(A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing) *to the left*
- F ANGULAR ELEVATION OF OBJECT *Across the Sky*
(Estimated heights are unreliable)
- G DISTANCE OF OBJECT FROM OBSERVER
(By reference to a known landmark wherever possible)
- H MOVEMENTS OF OBJECT *Flying Steadily abouts Speed of Aircraft*
(Changes in E, F and G may be of more use than estimates of course and speed) *course to east*
- J METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS DURING OBSERVATIONS *cloudy*
(Moving clouds, haze, mist, etc) *bit of clear*
- K NEARBY OBJECTS *lights from Wetherfield Airfield*
(Telephone or high-voltage lines; reservoir, lake or dam; swamp or marsh; river; high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, spires, TV or radio masts; airfields, generating plant; factories; pits or other sites with floodlights or other lighting)
- L TO WHOM REPORTED *Airport Authority + School Teacher*
(Police, military organisations, the press, etc)
- M NAME AND ADDRESS OF INFORMANT *Section 40*
Section 40, *Kidderwell Halstead*
Essex
- N ANY BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE INFORMANT *Section 40*
THAT MAY BE VOLUNTEERED
- O OTHER WITNESSES *Son + Husband also saw it*
- P DATE AND TIME OF RECEIPT OF REPORT *8 May 9 1515*

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
SEC. (AS) 2
MAY 1951

Details are to be telephoned immediately to AIS (Military), LATCC Extn *Section 40*
Completed report is to be sent to the Ministry of Defence (AFOR) - RAF Main Bldg
Whitehall, London SW1

Copy to
SEC (AS) 2
AFW/GE
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AFORS/2/5/1

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
10 MAY 1951
AIR FORCE OPERATIONS



EXECUTOR TRANSFER ON AN

OPEN OCCURRENCE REPORT

OCCURRENCE NUMBER

91/01151

AIRCRAFT TYPE

MISSILE?

MD80

SDAU COORDINATOR

0183

EXT

Section 40

EXECUTOR

RS3 MATO

LOCN-

HILLINGDON

INFORMEE

LOCATION

AAIB AIRPORTS/AVIA

ATTN

Section 40

ATCI AIR HOUSE

CLAP/6 (DC/AD)

Section 40

MS.U

CAA HOUSE

CAD 4B CAA HOUSE

MOD BAF (ATF2)

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Section 40

OLD

EXECUTOR

0183

LOCN- SDAU

NEW

BRIEF TITLE :

AIR OCC - PILOT REPORTED A MISSILE TYPE OBJECT PASSING OPPOSITE DIRECTION

Executor responsibilities for this occurrence have been transferred as indicated above.

Section 40

PLEASE AMEND YOUR RECORDS.

SDAU COMMENTS

OCCURRENCE TRANSFERRED WEF 10/5/91

SIGNATURE

Section 40

NAME

Section 40

DEPT/SECTION

S . D . A . U .

DATE

10/5/91

DATE OF ADMIN ACTION

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440654/DS1/91 SUBJECT AIR INCIDENTE REPORT CONCERNING FLIGHT **Section 40**

ON DATE 21 APRIL 1991 DEAR SIRs YOU ARE KINDLY REQUESTED TO SEND US

COPY OF THE RESULTS OF YOUR INVESTIGATION ON THE ABOVE MENTIONED

INCIDENT

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MEMORANDUM

To GE3(RAF)
Sec(AS)1a
DESS
DDPR(RAF)
Date 13 May 1991
Your ref.

From Sec(AS)2a
Room Section 40 43
Main Building
Tel. MB Section 40
Our ref. D/Sec(AS)12/2

Subject CAA REPORT OF AIR INCIDENT NEAR LYDD

Reference: D/Sec(AS)12/2 dated 9 May 1991

1. Further to my loose minute at Reference in which I asked GE3(RAF) to examine the CAA report on the Air Incident reported by the Alitalia MD80 aircraft, I attach for your information a copy of the pilots report of the incident.

Rank/ Appointment Eo

Name in Block Letters Section 40

Signature Section 40

Send U/R [Section 40] RAB
MP2 NAD.

[Section 40]

[Section 40] + I spoke re this one

and we enclose all the known info on it to date. So far the Alitalia report has remained in house & we've not attempted to corroborate or link this with the 2nd hand info reported by Southern TV.



[Section 40]

We'd appreciate any future info you obtain & hopefully one day be able to close the file?
Yours truly

With Compliments

[Section 40]

SAFETY REGULATION GROUP
Civil Aviation Authority
Aviation House, South Area, Gatwick Airport, Gatwick, West Sussex RH6 0YR
Telephone [Section 40]

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FOR CXJ

ROUTINE 141700Z MAY 91

FROM SOC SOUTH NEATISHEAD
TO MODUK AIR

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
12 MAY 1991
AIR FORCE OPERATIONS

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MODUK AIR FOR GE3.
SUBJ: ALITALIA/BROWN MISSILE INCIDENT 21 APR 91. REGERT UNABLE TO
PROVIDE ASSISTANCE IN SUBJECT INCIDENT. VINTON RADAR RECORDING CAMERA
WAS UNSERVICEABLE ON DATE OF INCIDENT. SQN LDR OPS SENDS EXT **Section 40**
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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
15 MAY 1991
DIRECTORATE OF AIR DEFENCE (RAF)

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LOOSE MINUTE

D/Sec(AS)8/1

21 May 1991

GS Sec 1d

Sec(NS)b

Company Secretary DRA

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Copy to:
Sec(AS)2a

CAA REPORT OF AIR INCIDENT NEAR LYDD ON 21 APRIL 1991

1. Please find attached a letter we have received from a member of the public about the above incident. I would be grateful for your advice on questions 2, 3 and 4.
2. Could GS Sec 1d and Sec(NS)b comment on question 2, assuming that the question actually relates to surface-to-air missiles.
3. Could GS Sec 1d and Company Secretary DRA comment on question 3. I understand that the main area for the launching of Rapier missiles is actually the RA Range Hebrides, although the Aberporth range is also used.
4. Could GS Sec 1d comment on question 4, and give a bit of background information on what activity takes place at Lydd.
5. Whilst the Air Force department is already looking into this incident, any information or suggestions that addresses are able to provide would be most welcome!
6. I would be grateful for responses by cop Wednesday 12 June.

Section 40
[Redacted]

Sec(AS)1a

Section 40
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Section 40


6 May 1991.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you with the hope that you may be able to help me. I have seen various press reports (Daily Telegraph, Guardian, Daily Star) which refer to the sighting of an object described as being 3 metres in length and cylindrical. This object was apparently observed at approximately 22000 feet on April 21 around 9pm by Captain **Section 40** who was flying en route from Milan to Heathrow. The sighting apparently occurred over Kent. My reason for writing is to enquire if you can help on several points.

1. Has there been an official MOD investigation of this case, or has the MOD assisted in an official Civilian Aviation Authority investigation?
2. Can you confirm that the MOD does not have an air-to-surface missile which could go to 22000 feet?
3. Is the Rapier missile only launched from Aberporth, Wales and Tain in Scotland, and is its limit around 10000 feet ?
4. Could the sighting be connected with the firing range at Lydd ?
5. Is it possible to obtain copies of any records relating to this case which may have been forwarded to the MOD? As I understand it a tracking was made at West Drayton. Is it possible to obtain copies of any final reports pertaining to this case?

Should you be able to help in any way it would be very much appreciated as this is just for my own interest. Thankyou for taking the time to read my letter. I have enclosed a SAE.

Yours Faithfully,

Section 40


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HEADQUARTERS MILITARY AIR TRAFFIC OPERATIONS

Hillingdon House Uxbridge Middlesex UB10 0RZ

 DDI:
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Section 40



Please reply to The Air Officer Commanding

Your Reference

Our Reference MATO/13/4/8/RS3A

See Distribution

Date 21 May 91

ATC OCCURRENCE REPORT - MISSILE? - 21 APR 91

1. Executive responsibility for the military investigation into the title Occurrence Report has recently been transferred to this Headquarters by the Civil Aviation Authority Safety Data Analysis Unit (SDAU). Copies of both the Alitalia MD 80 captain's report and the LATCC controllers' reports on the incident, which occurred at approximately 2000 hrs on Sunday 21 Apr 91, are enclosed.

2. We understand that you have already undertaken detailed inquiries on behalf of the Ministry of Defence and we would be grateful if, in due course, you could forward your findings to this Headquarters so that we can respond to the SDAU.

Section 40

 Sqn Ldr
 for AOC
Enclosures:

1. Copy of the MD 80 Captain's Report.
2. Copy of the LATCC Supervisor and Controller's Reports.

Distribution:**External:****Action:**

Section 40

MOD Sec (AS) 2A, Room [redacted] Main Building

Information: (Less Enclosures)MOD DDAT/AAR, Room [redacted] Main Building
SDAU

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Civil Aviation Authority

ATC OCCURRENCE REPORT

SDAU copy — white
 Local management copy — yellow
 Reporter's copy — blue

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- (i) See Instructions and Explanatory Notes on reverse
- (ii) When completed, please send white copy only to:
 Safety Data Analysis Unit
 2W, Aviation House, Gatwick Airport, South Area, Gatwick, West Sussex RH6 0YR.

CAA Occurrence Number
 9101151 E

1 ACCIDENT AIRMISS APhAZ INCIDENT ABANL INFRINGEMENT

Circle or fill in boxes 1-51 as required. Please use black ball-point pen.

2 Occurrence Position
 JAZO - BETWEEN CLIFF AND LYD VOR.

3 FL/Alt/Ht
 APPROX FL220

4 Date
 21ST APRIL 91

5 Time
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6 Day/Night
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OPERATOR	CALLSIGN/REGN	TYPE	FROM	TO	SSR CODE	MODE C DISPLAYED	IFR/VFR SVFR
7 ALITALIA.	8 Section 40	9 MD80	10 LHMZ	11 EGLL	12 S724	13 <u>YES/NO</u>	14 IFR
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 YES/NO	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 YES/NO	30

31 RTF Frequencies
 128.4

32 Radar Equipment
 PEASE

33 Equipment Unserviceabilities
 NON.

34 Runway in use

35 TYPE OF AIRSPACE
 RULE 21/CTR/TMA/
 AWY/UAR/ADR/SRA/SRZ/
 ATZ/UIR/FIR/PURPLE/OTHER

36 TYPE OF ATC SERVICE
 CONTROL/ADVISORY — PROCEDURAL/RADAR
 ADC/GMC/APPROACH/AREA
 RAS/RIS/FIS/ALR

37 SID/STAR/ROUTE

38 WAS PRESCRIBED SEPARATION LOST
NO

39 TRAFFIC INFO GIVEN BY ATC
YES/NO

40 AVOIDING ACTION GIVEN BY ATC
YES/NO

41 MIN SEPN HORIZ/VERT
 NOT KNOWN.

42 NARRATIVE — use a diagram if necessary (Aerodromes submit weather report)

Section 40 REPORTED SEEING A MISSILE CROSS ABOVE THEIR POSITION WHILE DESCENDING THROUGH FL 220. PRIMARY TARGET OBSERVED IN REPORTED POSITION. SUPERVISOR ADVISED IN ORDER TO INITIATE INVESTIGATIVE ACTION.

continue on a separate sheet if necessary

43 Name
Section 40

44 On duty as
 CCF S.E. RADAR CONTROLLER

45 Location
 C.C.F.

46 Time since last Break
 30 MIN

47 Start time of Shift
 1330.

48 CA 939 ACTION
YES/NO

49 Other Agencies Advised

50 **Section 40**

51 Address/Telephone
 21/4/1991

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2 Occurrence Position ABM CLIFF	3 FL/Alt/Ht FL 230/220	4 Date 21-4-91	5 Time 2000	6 Day/Night Night
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OPERATOR	CALLSIGN/REGN	TYPE	FROM	TO	SSR CODE	MODE C DISPLAYED	IFR/VFR SVFR
7 ITALIA	8 Section 40	9 MD80	10 LML	11 EGLL	12 5724	13 YES/NO	14 IFR
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 YES/NO	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 YES/NO	30

31 RTF Frequencies 128.4	32 Radar Equipment PERSE	33 Equipment Unserviceabilities non	34 Runway in use
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35 TYPE OF AIRSPACE RULE 21 CTR/TMA/ AWY/UAR/ADR/SRA/SRZ/ ATZ/UIR/FIR/PURPLE/OTHER	36 TYPE OF ATC SERVICE CONTROL/ADVISORY — PROCEDURAL/RADAR ADC/GMC/APPROACH/AREA RAS/RIS/FIS/ALR	37 SID/STAR/ROUTE
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38 WAS PRESCRIBED SEPARATION LOST YES/NO	39 TRAFFIC INFO GIVEN BY ATC YES/NO	40 AVOIDING ACTION GIVEN BY ATC YES/NO	41 MIN SEPN HORIZ/VERT NOT KNOWN
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42 **NARRATIVE** — use a diagram if necessary (Aerodromes submit weather report)

At approx 2000 the Big controller advised the **Section 40** reported sighting a missile at FL ~~230~~ 220 about 6 miles west of LYD. In conjunction with Elok the following people were contacted to see if anyone had any information: — D+D, MAS, Elok Dover Coast guards, Police, and via D+D the Army helicopters which were operating between LYD & DVR. At the time of the incident a primary response was observed behind the **Section 40** tracking NE but no positive information was available from any source. I spoke to the crew via ATC ops and captain **Section 40** said the missile which was about 5 metres long and brown in colour was at FL 230 and passed him in an opposite direction and he had visual contact for about 5 seconds. A replay of the radar was arranged thru D+D at 2130 £

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43 Name Section 40	44 On duty as Genl Spt.	45 Location C.C.F	46 Time since last Break	47 Start time of Shift 1330
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48 CA 939 ACTION YES/NO	49 Other Agencies Advised SEE ABOVE	50 Sign/Date Section 40 22.4.91	51 Address/Telephone Section 40 23/4
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NEAR COLLISION - AIR TRAFFIC INCIDENT REPORT FORM

NOTE: 1) To be filled in printed characters and in English language.
 2) Shaded boxes contain items to be included in an initial report by radio.
 3) Items marked this * must be deleted as appropriate.

SECTION 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

TYPE OF INCIDENT	A	INCIDENT (NEAR COLLISION) PROCEDURAL/FACILITY*
NAME OF PILOT-IN-COMMAND	B	Section 40
OPERATOR	C	ALITALIA
IDENTIFICATION MARKINGS OF AIRCRAFT	D	1-DAWC
AIRCRAFT TYPE	E	MD 80
RADIO CALL SIGN - IN COMMUNICATION WITH - FREQUENCY AT TIME OF INCIDENT	F	Section 40 - LON 124.1 - AT ~ 2000/2
AERODROME OF DEPARTURE	G	MILAN - Linate
AERODROME OF FIRST INTENDED LANDING AND DESTINATION, IF DIFFERENT	H	LONDON - HEATHROW
TYPE OF FLIGHT PLAN	J	IFR
POSITION AT TIME OF INCIDENT - HEADING OR ROUTE - TRUE AIRSPEED	J	~ 30NM SOUTH BIGGIN VOR - HEADING 320° - TAS 380
FL, ALTITUDE OR HEIGHT - ALTITUDE SETTING - ATTITUDE	K	LEVEL FLIGHT / CLIMBING / DESCENDING / TURNING* FL 222 - ALT 103 - RATE 2000 ft/min
FLIGHT WEATHER CONDITIONS AT TIME OF INCIDENT	L	IMC / VMC Distance above / below cloud / fog / haze VMC 30 Km / NM
	L	Distance horizontally from cloud Between cloud layers In cloud / rain / snow / sleet / fog / haze Flying into / out of sun Reported / estimated flight visibility 30 Km / NM
DATE AND TIME OF INCIDENT IN GMT	M	REPORTED BY RADIO TO LON 124.1 AFIS TWR APP ACC FIC * AT 04/21/91 ~ 2000/2

SECTION 2 - DETAILED INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION OF OTHER AIRCRAFT, IF RELEVANT Type, high/low wing, N. of engines Radio call sign, registration Markings, colour, lighting Other available details	N	OBJECT SIMILAR MISSILE - WITHOUT EXHAUST FLAME - UNKNOWN LIGHT BROWN - SIMILAR DESERT COLOUR ABOUT 3 METERS LENGTH - ROUND SHAPE -
DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT: If desired add comment or suggestion, including your opinion on the probable cause of the incident. (In case of near-collision give information on respective flight paths, estimated vertical and horizontal sighting and miss distances between aircraft and avoiding action taken by either a/c)	O	DURING DESCENT, AT FL 222 I SAW FOR ABOUT 3-4 SECONDS A FLYING OBJECT, VERY SIMILAR TO A MISSILE, LIGHT BROWN COLOUR, WITH A TRACK OPPOSITE THEN MINE WHICH WAS 320° - IT WAS HIGHER THAN US ABOUT 1000 ft. AT ONCE I SAID "LOOK OUT - LOOK OUT" TO MY COPILOT WHO LOOKED OUT AND SAW WHAT I HAD SEEN - AS SOON AS THE OBJECT CROSSED US I ASKED TO THE ACC/OPERATOR IF HE SAW SOMETHING ON HIS SCREEN AND HE ANSWERED "I SEE AN UNKNOWN TARGET 10 N.M. BEHIND YOU -"

DATE 04/22/91 TIME 8 P.M.	FUNCTION AND SIGNATURE OF PERSON REPORTING CPT Section 40	FUNCTION AND SIGNATURE OF PERSON RECEIVING REPORT
PLACE LONDON		
OF COMPLETION OF FORM		

SECTION 3 - SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

by ATS unit concerned (not for pilot's use)

HOW REPORT RECEIVED	P	RADIO/ TELEPHONE/ TELEPRINTER* AT ARO/ AFIS/ TWR/ APP/ ACC/ FIC*
DETAILS OF ATS ACTION: Clearance, incident observed on radar, warning given, result of local enquiry, etc.	Q	

* Delete as appropriate

SIGNATURE OF ATS OFFICER

DATE/ TIME GMT

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U N C L A S S I F I E D

23 MAY 1991
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FOR CAB

ROUTINE 221600Z MAY 91

FROM RAF WITTERING
TO MODUK AIR

U N C L A S S I F I E D

SIC LGZ/Z6F

(SIC Z6F INSERTED BY DCC)
FOR S4F(AIR) SUBJECT UFO REPORT

- A 220935Z MAY 91 WITNESSED FOR 4-5 MINUTES
- B THREE CRAFT, ONE RUGBYBALL SHAPE, TWO FLAT AND DISH-SHAPED COMPARABLE TO AIRLINER IN SIZE, METALLIC IN COLOUR
- C NORTH END OF VILLAGE OF ISLIP IN PORTAKABIN VIEWED THROUGH OPEN WINDOW
- D NAKED EYE
- E OVER VILLAGE OF WOODFORD MOVED TOWARDS RAUNDS
- F ESTIMATED TO BE AT 2-3000 FEET
- G ABOUT TWO MILES DISTANT OVER WOODFORD
- H CRAFT APPEARED TO BE PLAYING CHASE, ALMOST DANCING IN THE AIR GIVING THE APPEARANCE OF SPINNING AS THE SUN WAS REFLECTED OFF THE OUTER SURFACES
- I CLEAR BLUE SKY

PAGE 2 RBDOXV 0045 UNCLAS
K VIEWED OVER OPEN-COUNTRY
L RAF WITTERING OPERATIONS STAFF

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M ADMITTED TO HAVING SERVED IN PARACHUTE REGIMENT
N CALLED FOR WITNESSES BUT OBJECTS HAD GONE FROM VISION
O 220945Z MAY 91

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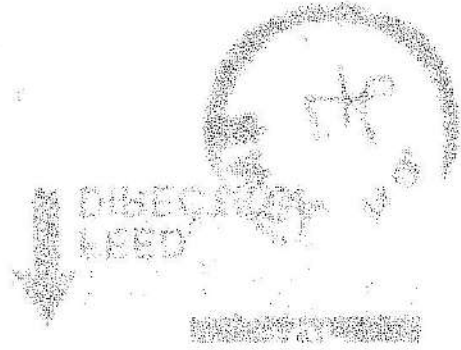
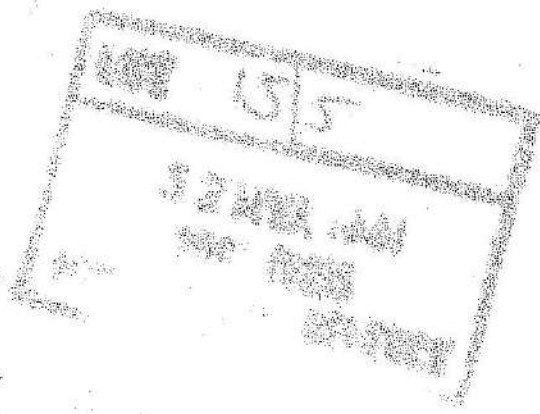
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ANNEX A TO
SOP 502REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

A. Date, Time & Duration of Sighting	22 May 23-45 1 minute.
B. Description of Object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness)	2 sets dull Orange lights one behind other in row. No noise. 120 Ft across.
C. Exact Position of Observer Location, indoor/outdoor, stationary/moving	outdoors. Section 40 [redacted] Belper Derbyshire.
D. How Observed (naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or movie)	Naked eye
E. Direction in which object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing)	
F. Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable)	45° Below level of moon.
G. Distance (By reference to a known landmark)	1000 ft at speed of light a/c
H. Movements (Changes in E, F & G may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	
J. Met Conditions during Observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc)	Clear sky bright moon.
K. Nearby Objects (Telephone lines, high voltage lines, reservoir, lake or dam, swamp or marsh, river, high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, spires, TV or radio masts, airfields, generating plant, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lighting)	

L.	To whom reported (Police, military, press etc)	Derbyshire Constabulary.
M.	Name & Address of Informant	Section 40
N.	Background of Informant that may be volunteered	
O.	Other Witnesses	
P.	Date, Time of Receipt	23rd May 0955
Q.	Any Unusual Meteorological Conditions	
R.	<u>Remarks</u>	Also aircraft in area - engine noise heard earlier.

Date 23.5.91.....

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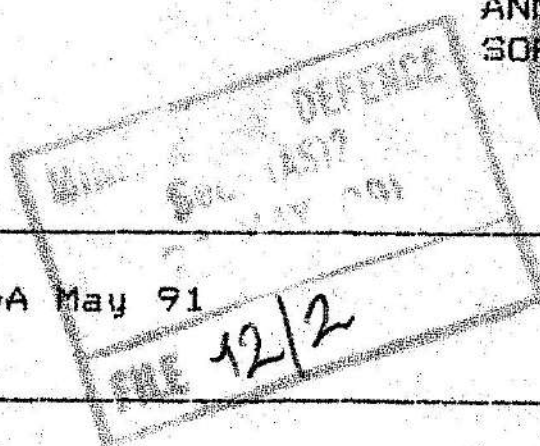
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REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

ANNEX A TO
SOP 502

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- A. Date, Time & Duration of Sighting 222345A May 91
- B. Description of Object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness) Two objects, 3 white lights (one at front two at rear) on each.
- C. Location, indoor/outdoor, stationary/moving Outdoors.
- D. How Observed (naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or movie) Naked eye.
- E. Direction in which object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing) Above Burton Rd Hospital, Dudley W Midlands
- F. Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable) 45 degrees.
- G. Distance (By reference to a known landmark) Above hospital at 1000 feet.
- H. Movements (Changes in E, F & G may be of more use than estimates of course and speed) Moving South. Rotated 90 degrees. No sound.
- J. Met Conditions during Observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc) Clear.
(Moving clouds, haze, mist etc)
- K. Nearby Objects (Telephone lines, high voltage lines, reservoir, lake etc or dam, swamp or marsh, river, high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, spires, TV or radio masts, airfields, generating plant, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lighting) NIL.

L. To whom reported (Police, military, press etc) Reported by Police.

M. Name & Address of Informant PC Section 40
Dudley Police Station
New Street
Dudley
W Midlands

N. Background of Informant that may be volunteered

O. Other Witnesses Special Constable Section 40

P. Date, Time of Receipt (in AFOR) 222330Z May 91.

Q. Any Unusual Meteorological Conditions NIL.

R. Remarks: NIL.

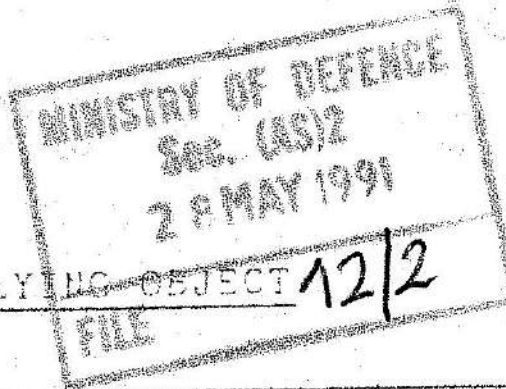
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Duty Ops Officer
AF Ops

Date: 23 May 91

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DI 55, Rm Metropole Bldg
File AF Ops/2/5/1



ANNEX A TO
SOP 502



REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT 12/2

A.	Date, Time & Duration of Sighting	22 May 91 2345 1 min
B.	Description of Object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness)	2 sets of dull orange lights, one behind the other approx 120ft across
C.	Exact Position of Observer Location, indoor/outdoor, stationary/moving	outside of street
D.	How Observed (naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or movie)	Naked Eye
E.	Direction in which object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing)	E-W
F.	Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable)	45°
G.	Distance (By reference to a known landmark)	1000ft
H.	Movements (Changes in E, F & G may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	-
J.	Met Conditions during Observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc)	clear sky Bright moon
K.	Nearby Objects (Telephone lines, high voltage lines, reservoir, lake or dam, swamp or marsh, river, high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, spires, TV or radio masts, airfields, generating plant, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lighting)	

L.	To whom reported (Police, military, press etc)	Sgt Section 40 Police Station Doboyshire
M.	Name & Address of Informant	Section 40 Doboy Section 40
N.	Background of Informant that may be volunteered	-
O.	Other Witnesses	Neighbour
P.	Date, Time of Receipt	22 May 91
Q.	Any Unusual Meteorological Conditions	-
R.	<u>Remarks</u>	

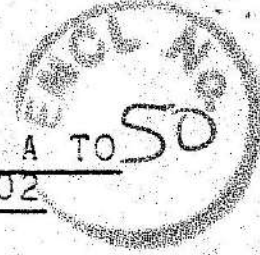
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Duty Operations Officer
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ANNEX A TO
SOP 502REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

A. Date, Time & Duration of Sighting	22nd 23:40 4-5 mins.
B. Description of Object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness)	2x Cross shaped orange lights. Sound like a Propellor engine a/c. Seemed vertical separation.
C. Exact Position of Observer Location, indoor/outdoor, stationary/moving	Calverton, Notts. Outdoors. Moving.
D. How Observed (naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or movie)	Naked.
E. Direction in which object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing)	
F. Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable)	45° - overhead.
G. Distance (By reference to a known landmark)	3 miles away.
H. Movements (Changes in E, F & G may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	E-W Moved across sky to north Hucknall
J. Met Conditions during Observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc)	Clear sky.
K. Nearby Objects (Telephone lines, high voltage lines, reservoir, lake or dam, swamp or marsh, river, high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, spires, TV or radio masts, airfields, generating plant, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lighting)	

L. To whom reported (Police, military, press etc)	Derbyshire Constabulary Section 40
M. Name & Address of Informant	[Redacted]
N. Background of Informant that may be volunteered	
O. Other witnesses	Husband.
P. Date, Time of Receipt	23rd may 16.40
Q. Any Unusual Meteorological Conditions	
R. <u>Remarks</u>	Report phoned in by Derbyshire Constabulary

Section 40
[Redacted]

Date 23-5-91

Squadron Leader
Duty Operations Officer
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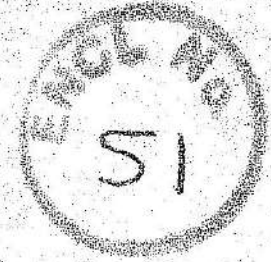
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23 May 1991

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GS Sec 1d
Company Secretary DRA
Sec(AS)2a



CAA REPORT OF AIR INCIDENT NEAR LYDD ON 21 APRIL 1991

Reference: D/Sec(AS)8/1 dated 21 May 1991

1. The Reference sought advice on a letter from a **Section 40** **Section 40** about a UFO sighting over Kent on 21 April.
2. The only RN surface to air missile capable of reaching 22000ft is the Sea Dart. However, as there were no test firings on the day concerned, I can confirm that one of these could not have been the cause of this incident.

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P.O. BOX NO. 2, HEADQUARTERS,
SPRINGFIELD, CHELMSFORD,
ESSEX
CM2 6DA

Telephone: Chelmsford Section 40
Facsimile: Section 40

Our ref. PAG/173/MP/Section 40
Your ref.

28 May 1991

Dear Section 40

Unidentified Flying Object Sighted 21.5.1991

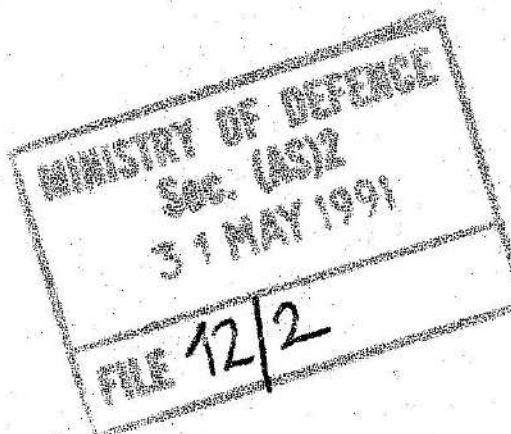
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I forward for your information a copy of a report submitted by SOA Section 40 regarding the sighting of an Unidentified Flying Object at 2225hrs on Tuesday 21 May 1991.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

Inspector
Executive Support



Section 40

Secretariat (Air Staff) 2A,
Main Building (Room Section 40)
Whitehall,
London SW1A 2HB.

Station: Brentwood

Officer: SOA **Section 40**

Subject: SIGHTING OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

Date: 21 MAY 91 Ref: FORCE ORDER 'A' 123/89

FOR ACC 'A' VIA DIVISIONAL COMMANDER.

Sir, I have to report that at 2225 hours on Tuesday 21st May 1991 I was on duty at Brentwood Police Station when I accepted a telephone call concerning a sighting of an unidentified flying object. The informant was unable to attend the Police Station, details were taken.

I now forward this duty report for your information.

- A) 21 MAY 91, 2115 hrs local, Duration of sighting 1 to 2 minutes.
- B) One object, oval shaped, described as a slightly elongated egg shape. Longitudinal axis parallel to ground blunt end at the front - took direction of travel. Very dark colored or black. No visible markings, indentations or protuberances. Silent, no engine noise audible. Size similar to that of the main fuselage of a light helicopter. No lights seen anywhere on the object.
- C) Front garden of Informant's home address (left not sure of compass point) outdoors, witness was stationary.
- D) Naked eyes, no optical aid used. Witness states he has good unaided eyesight.
- E) Object approached from western horizon, no landmark seen. Travelled west to East on a course paralleling the A127 Arterial road.
- F) Witness states that when seen against local electricity pylons, angle of sight was "half as much again as the height of the pylons".
- G) Unable to clarify distance, no prominent landmarks.
- H) Speed was stated as comparable with that of a light aircraft. Course of object in a straight line but witness states it appeared to descend slightly having passed overhead, then appeared to turn slightly left. Disappeared over horizon (nearly trees) in the direction of Bishopdon Wood.

J) Witness stated clear sky, daylight, sunny. Local lighting up times show sunset at 2054 hours.

K) Witness mentioned a line of high voltage pylons nearby. No nearby lakes or river. No steeples, tall chimneys, antennae. No nearby floodlights.

L) Witness states he had previously made enquiries with the Metropolitan Police at Romford (2140 hrs) and Essex Police Basildon (2145 hrs)

M) [Redacted] [Redacted] Cranham, Essex.
[Redacted]
[Redacted]

N) Informant confirmed an enquiry at the above address (votes register). Enquiries made with local Police, Nothing known to his detriment. He stated he had never previously seen or reported such an object and had treated such reports with scepticism.

O) Brother in law of Informant: [Redacted]
[Redacted]

P) 21 MAY 1991, 2225 hours. via telephone to Essex Police Brentwood.

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ESSEX POLICE
23 MAY 1991
C.A.O's Secretary
H.Q. CHELMSFORD

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FOR CAB

ROUTINE/ROUTINE 030040Z JUN 91

FROM RAF LEUCHARS
TO MODUK AIR
INFO HQSTC
BROAD SHIELD

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
JUN 1991
FILE 12/2

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MODUK FOR ATTN OF AFOR (RAF)

A 2 JUN 91 2215Z APPROX 1 HOUR

B TWO OBJECTS LARGE SQUARE SHAPED LINKED BY TUBES QUOTE JUST HOW YOU WOULD EXPECT A SPACE STATION TO LOOK LIKE UNQUOTE ONE BRIGHTER THAN OTHER NO SOUND

C GRID SQUARE NO 1224 ELEVATED ABOVE TOWN FROM BACK DOOR

D NAKED EYE AND BINOCULARS. NO LIGHT POLLUTION

E WEST SOUTH WEST

F LOOKING UP AT 45 DEGREES

G COULD NOT JUDGE

H CONSISTANT MOVEMENT FAIRLY SLOWLY NORTH BOUND

J GOOD VERY LITTLE CLOUD VISIBILITY GOOD

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K NONE

L CBI Section 40

M Section 40

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N INFORMANT FELT FOOLISH TO START WITH BUT SOUNDED CALM SERIOUS AND NOT IN AN EXCITED STATE

O Section 40

P 2 JUN 91 2220Z THRU TO 2243Z THEN AGAIN AT 2301Z TO OFFER MORE INFORMATION

Q YES

R ADDITIONAL INFO. INFORMANT SAID OBJECTS APPEARED TO BE MOVING IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION. AT ONE POINT TIMED AT 2304Z THEY WERE FLASHING LIKE A STAR WITH RED AND ORANGE LIGHTS. I SPOKE TO D AND D SCATCC WHO REPORTED SPURIOUS PRIMARY CONTACTS IN AREA. SOC Section 40 REPORTED NOTHING. MET OFFICE SHANWELL RELEASED A RADIO SONDE AT 2315Z
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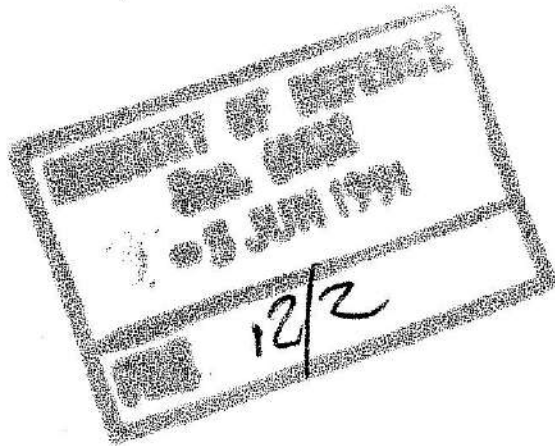
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FOR CAB

ROUTINE 050700Z JUN 91

FROM RAE WEST DRAYTON
TO MODUK AIR



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SUBJECT: AERIAL PHENOMENA

A. 021530L JUN 91. TWO MINUTES

B. ONE OBJECT OVAL IN SHAPE WITH BLACK MAT TENTICLES UNDERNEATH ?

C. OUTDOORS

D. NAKED EYE

E. SOUTH TO NORTH

F. NIL

G. NIL

H. FLOUTING ACCROSS THE SKY

J. CLOUDY

K. NIL

L. THE PRESS

M. Section 40

WYCKAM BISHOP

Section 40

N. NIL

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O. ALL OF BOYFRIENDS FAMILY

P. 041400Z JUN 91

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ANNEX A TO
SOP 502

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REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

A.	Date, Time & Duration of Sighting	180451A Jun 91
B.	Description of Object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness)	One object, Glowing, very weird.
C.	Location, indoor/outdoor, stationary/moving	Outdoors
D.	How Observed (naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or movie)	Naked eye.
E.	Direction in which object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing)	N/A
F.	Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable)	N/A
G.	Distance (By reference to a known landmark)	N/A
H.	Movements (Changes in E, F & G may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	From Coventry towards Birmingham.
J.	Met Conditions during Observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc) (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc)	Clear.
K.	Nearby Objects (Telephone lines, high voltage lines, reservoir, lake etc or dam, swamp or marsh, river, high buildings, tall chimneys, steeple, spires, TV or radio masts, airfields, generating plant, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lighting)	N/A

