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Date of Observation 4 Jan. 49 Date of Interview 14 Mar 49

Exact Time of Observation (local) 1407 (local)

Place of Observation: Long 157 degrees - 57 minutes - 28.41 seconds West
(Geo. Coordinates) Lat 21 degrees - 20 minutes - 21.88 seconds North

Position of Observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):

Standing outside Pacific Air Command Headquarters building.

What attracted attention to object: Observer was watching an aircraft in the air at the time.

Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:

One object - No sketch of formation as none existed.

Approximate (compare to known object, i. e., sup. bomb, truck or flat at same length):

Appeared to approximate the size of an AT-6 type aircraft at an altitude of 3,000 feet, travelling at approximately 85 miles per hour at a distance of approximately 6 miles from the observer.

Color of object: Flat, white.

Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):

Flat elliptical in appearance.

Altitude (20-40 degrees above horizon - 0° at horizon, 90° overhead):

3,000 feet - Varied in circling area; never closer than 40 degrees above horizon.

Direction from observer (mag. clockwise from North):

Almost due East.

Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):

Approx. 25 miles at first sighting, and closest object ever came was approximately 6 miles.

Direction of flight of object (if):

Circling until departure.

Time in sight:

Approximately 15 minutes.

Speed (give to cover given angular distance):

Approximately 85 miles per hour while circling; speed increased during departure; departing on a course of 25 degrees magnetic.

Sound and odor:

None detected.

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Guide to Investigation

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)
None detected.
18. Luminosity (visible, by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliancy):
Appeared to be luminous white and extremely brilliant in pure whiteness.
19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennas, cones, etc.):
None detected.
20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - nature of flight path):
Rhythmical undulation executing definite maneuvers completing cycle approx. every second.
21. Manner of disappearance:
Departed climbing at accelerated speed out of sight - visible to approx. 50 miles.
Effect on clouds:
None.
22. Additional information concerning object:
Object seemed to maneuver under control at all times - completing 360 degree turns and 90 degree turns.
23. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:
Scattered clouds. Base 3,500 feet. Visibility 20 miles +; light excellent.
24. Name and address of observer: Capt. Paul R. Stoney, AO 36278, Hq 1810th AACS Group, APO 953, c/o FM, San Francisco, Calif.
25. Occupation and hobbies:
Occupation: Air Force pilot (Twin Engine), (3500 hrs) and Communications Officer.
Hobbies: Amateur radio; photography.
26. Character of observer: Intelligence and character of observer (C. of intelligence: military, FBI records, employer, etc.):
Observer is a Regular Air Force Officer who holds a cryptographic clearance. Observer is above average in intelligence and is known to be extremely trustworthy, mentally alert, morally above average and is of unquestionable integrity. Interrogator has known observer for two years; has been closely associated with him both officially and socially.

27. Observer was given opportunity to identify object at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material?
No glasses were worn; object was viewed from outside of building in an open clearing.

Form 3
Date: Investigator



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Relative to Radar Observation (Not applicable)

Do radars now operating on ground

a. Observations of direction, range, speed, altitude and size of target:

1. Did target make any turns? If so, what angle (in degrees), to what radius of turn. If radius of turn was not available, what was the target at in the turn and what was the radius:

2. Did target make any other observations of distance, height, speed or other characteristics:

3. Do radar observations reported well defined and consistent with size of object? If not explain, including at radar range:

4. Did radar observations indicate any other characteristics or conditions?

5. If airframe, was it of any type?

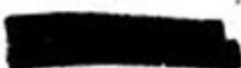
6. Was there any radar indication of any type of maneuvering or other activity:

7. Did radar observations indicate any other characteristics or conditions:

NOTES

1. Did target make any other observations of distance, height, speed or other characteristics: (Not available)

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4. Local flight schedules of commercial, private and military aircraft flying in vicinity of the time:
 (Check Canadian activity if close to border)
 Two (2) R5D's in area; naval designation for C-54 type aircraft. A check of military airfields in area disclosed no aircraft in that specific vicinity at time. Places not checked: John Rogers Commercial airport; Kaneche Air Base (NAF) and Barbere Point.

5. Possible releases of floating devices in vicinity west coast of Okinawa, Japan, Air Force, Navy, Water Unit, and other Organizations or agencies:

Unknown.

6. If subject contacted during observation, state details of contact and whether or not subject was identified for purpose of making comparison of prints.

Never contacted earth during observance.

7. Data in reports (or original negatives) were available: (if not, describe in detail):

- a. Data (See verbal description)
- b. Surrounding terrain when subject was observed
- c. Photo was taken of subject; prints (if this applies)
- d. Drawings
- e. Formulas (if any taken)

8. Secure digital instruments.

9. Other forms and/or physical evidence were available. None.

I certify that the foregoing statements are true and precise to the best of my knowledge.

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Interrogated by:

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 Captain, USAF
 Security & Intelligence Officer
 1810th AACS Group

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