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#### APPENDIX III Benson, Arizona - 3 Arril 1952

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#### I. DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

On 3 April 1952 at 0815 MST, three civilian AP pilot instructors and several other people observed an object from the Benson, Arizons, airport. The object was about the size of a bright star but was prominent enough to be continually observed (i.e. not necessary to seen the sky to find it).

At 082) BST, one of the instructors took a fix.on the object by sitting in a fig. on a fig. on a fixed by the structure of a magnetic health of 255 at the tips. Fixed were taken at interval simility 0914 at which then the object disappeared. The object disappeared is not known as one of the observer's attention was distracted for about 15 seconds and when he object disappeared as not known as one of the observer's attention was distracted for about 15 seconds and when he looked up the object, was gone.

One of the instructors flew a T-6 up to 13,500 ft. in an attempt to better observe the object, however, there was no relative change in the size.

Several cadets flying T-6's in the area also observed the object.

#### II. STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION

The excellent forethought of the instructor to take continual fixes on the object has aliminated the possibility of the object being an aircraft or balloon since no notion was observed. In addition, an investigation was nade and it was determined that there were no balloons in the area.

It is possible that the object was a bright planet, This is doubtful, however, since a planet would appear to move some in 51 minutes.

The spurounate elevation of the fix has been requested. In the original report it was given as "two inches above the energy". This angle will depend on height of the pilot, height of seat, etc. When this information is received, a mearly exact fix can be obtained and known astronomical bottles checked.

#### III. CONCLUSIONS

Pending.

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DATE: 3 Apr 52 TIME (Local'): 0823 LOCATION: Marana AFB, Ariz. LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED: 52 14n. SOUND: Unknown SPEED: Howered ALTITUDE: High HEADEG: Hovered SOURCE: AF Parsonnel ACTION OR COMMENTS: Pending

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT: Several

EXTRACT FROM STATUS REPORT # 7

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## Air Force Men

# Sight Huge Flying Saucer

BENSON, Ariz, April 4 (UF)— Two Air Force pilots said today they watched for an hour as a huge oval-shaped object, possibly ave or six times the size of a B-20 bomber, howered at about 50,000 feet above them.

Chick Logan and C. M. JaSper, both veteran flight commanders from Marana (Aris) Air Force Base, saw the object from the air. Flight Instructor Paul Wilker.

Flight Instructor Paul Wilkerson, Tucson, and Skeet Taylor, owner of a local airport, said they saw it from the ground.

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Wilkerson said it was too large

JOINT MESSAGEFORM UNCLOWMENTED PB MARANA ARIZONA ADMOTE PROM: APOIN-ATTAL-4-4 Reference sighting of unidentified aerial object at your base on & April 1952. Request time of eighting, length of time object observed, and angle through which object traveled during observation. Also request written report. DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS; DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS DOD DIR-5200,10 UNCLASSIFIED LT E. J. RUPPELT/ve ROBERT E. KENNEDT, Major, USAJ

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#### 3307TH TRAINING SQUADRON (CONTRACT FLYING) MARANA AIR BASE Marana, Arizona

319.1 SUBJECT: Report of Unidentified Object

m. Commanding Officer Air Technical Intelligence Center Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio The statements of two (2) witnesses to an unidentified aerial object on 3 Artl 1952 are inclosed herewith, in compliance with

your teletype message of 10 April 1952. FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

2 Incls

1 - Statement of Chauncey P. Logan (trip) 2 - Statement of C. M. Jasper

Info copies furnished:

OJ. FTAF, Waco, Tex CG. ATRC, Scott AFB, Ill Esting & Soulier

### 3307TH TRAINING SQUADRON (CONTRACT FLYING) MARANA AIR BASE MARANA AIR BASE

15 April 1952

SUBJECT: Sighting of Unidentified Aerial Object

TO: . Whom it May Concern

On 3 April 1992, Spuniçon II, Class 2020, was assigned a triangular concentrative statement of the above the statement of the above fields an approximate fall. Names, Assigned the above fields an approximate fall to the statement of the stateme

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Mr. Wilkerson, one of our instructors, spotted an object in the sky and directed our attention to it. It was a bright, silvery object, hanging motionless in the sky at an altitude I would guess to be somewhere above 50,000 ft. It was not exactly round, but rather owal in accessance.

. I watched it for about thirty or forty minutes, and felt it peculiar that it did not move, but rather hovered in that same spot where it had been first observed.

A cadet by the name of Plucinsky flew over and Nr. Jasper directed him to the object, asking if he could see what it was. The cadet came back with, "Sir! It looks like a flying saucer".

At this time I decided to observe the object as closely as possible so I took off and olished to an attitude of 3,500 ft. I did not have drygles. At this altitude the object did not look larger. At was more about five minutes with the canopy observe and abbar. I few moonal for the object was a substituted to the canopy observe the property of the control of the control of the object was a substitute of the object was the queened and larged.

After a little time, Mr. Wilkerson asked if I could see the object. I looked upward, and could not. Then Mr. Japper and Gmick Taylor, the airport manager, looked and it was obvious but the object had disappeared.

It is the opinion of this individual that the above described object could have been a great deal higher than I have expressed in this report. My judgemt ab-to beight is naturally based upon some known size of objects I am familiar with. I know what an aircraft looks like at cortain heights.

This object could have been any height from the earth's surface, all depending on its size. Therefore, my guess as to altitude and size could be incorrect.

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CHAUNCEY P. ALOGN
Plight Instructor

#### 3307TH TRAINING SQUADRON (CONTRACT FLYING) MARANA AIR BASE Marana, Arizona

#### 15 April 1952

SUBJECT: Sighting of Unidentified Aerial Object

TO: Whom it May Concern

On 3 April 1952, I landed T-6D number 406 at the Benson, Arisons, airport at approximately 0745 for the execution of "ground control" for student cross-country flights. I was in the company of Paul Wilkerson, who is also a civilian instructor at Marana Ara Bases"

Shortly after texting into position for the best observation of aircraft witch would be turning over Besson airport and shutting off my engine, we were joined by Mr. "Skeets" Taylor, manager of the airport. The position of my aircraft was in the WW corner of the airport approximately 100 yards east of the hangar and facing a direction of 25 degrees M.

At approximately 0805, Mr. Chauncey Logan, who was assigned the position of patrol, landed his T-6D aircraft and taxied in close proximity to my aircraft and parked facing in the opposite direction.

With my radio on and remaining seated in the front seat of my aircraft I was awaiting radio transmission from the students when Mr. Wilkerson called my attention to a bright object which appeared to be the size of a bright star and was prominent enough so that ones' attention was drawn to it even though attention might be distracted mementarily. In other words, there was no necessity to scan to relocate the object. At the time my attention was called to this object I thought nothing of it but when, approximately six or seven minutes later. Mr. Wilkerson pointed out the fact that it was still there, it impressed me as being rather odd that any airborne object could maintain the same position for this length of time. It occured to me to take a fix on this object in relation to the top of the canopy and take note of the time, which I did. The time Marana) and the object was approximately two and one-half inches above the canopy when I was centered in the seat.

During this time Mr. Logan's and Mr. Taylor's attention in the been drawn to the object. At approximately 0800 Mr. Logan took off to see if he could get a better look; I kept in touch the large drawn of the drawn of the large training the large training the large training to the large training training to the large training training to the large training training

During this time, and until it disappeared, I kept taking sibhs on this object and it never moved the slightest fraction in relation to the canopy of my aircraft, which during this time, had not moved.

At 0914 Mr. Wilkerson, who had been an intent observer of

this object, walked from a position on the right side of the fusinge and took up a position at the right wing tip. This change of position took approximately fifteen seconds. When he reached this new position he remarked that the object had the object had a second to the position of the students had also noticed the object while passing over Benon.

During the time of timed observation, from 0823 to 0914, this object did not change size, position, nor intensity and vanished completely in approximately 15 seconds.

C. M. JacPER Squadron Commander 3307TH TRAINING SQUARRON (CONTRACT FLYING)

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SUBJECT: Unidentified Aprial Object Sighted by C. M. Jasper on April 1952, from Ednson, Arizona Airport

TO: Commanding Officer
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

 Neference message your Headquarters, AFOLN-ATTAA-5-8, 29 April 1952, the following additional information is submitted with reference to unidentified serial object sighted on 3 April 1952.

2. The angle of the object from the horizontal position was from 75 degrees. The magnetic bearing, telem from the aircraft compass, (object was from two and one-half to three inches directly over the center of fixed port of front section of canopy), was 255 degrees.

3. The manner in which the object disappeared is uncertain. As stated in previous report, observation was discontinued for approximately fifteen seconds during which time the object took leave.

4. This office is unable to furnish more detailed information but offers all possible assistance on any further development.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICERS

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