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| COUNTRY<br>United States of America  | 4708 DW-5-52  | (LEAVE BLANK)     |
| <b>AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT</b>   |   |                   |
| SUBJECT<br>FLYORPT   |   |                   |
| AREA REPORTED ON<br>O'HARE FIELD, CHICAGO, ILL   | FROM (1400Z)<br>HQ 4708 DEFENSE WING                    |                   |
| DATE OF REPORT<br>16 July 52   | DATE OF INFORMATION<br>29 Jun 52                        | EVALUATION<br>B-2 |
| PREPARED BY (Officer)<br>Edgar C. Hanford, 1st Lt., USAF   | SOURCE<br>Three Air Police on duty at O'Hare Int. Aprt. |                   |
| REFERENCES (Central number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)<br>MSG INTEL 10078 FLYORPT DE JEDPK 045 03/1936Z Jul 52 |   |                   |

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclusions at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112-Part II.)

One oval object, described as being very bright, smooth, highly polished silver in color with a definite blue haze surrounding it for the first 25 - 30 minutes of sighting was observed from O'Hare Int'l Airport. Size estimated at 30 feet at 7 miles distance. Object moved at a very high rate of speed and disappeared "like shutting off a light".

Two scientists consulted at Adler Planetarium, Chicago stated that object could not have been caused by temperature inversion.

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1. One bright, smooth appearing, highly polished silver oval with an estimated diameter of 30 feet was observed at estimated altitude of from 500 to 1000 feet and first appeared between two radio towers (WGN and WBBM) seven miles from observers. At first sighting the object appeared stationary and appeared to be over the towers. During the next 45 minutes the object travelled to the southwest and then back north to approximately its original position. It also moved to some extent in the vertical plane. Its acceleration during these movements was practically instantaneous to a speed which appeared to be much faster than any jet fighter. At times the object moved slowly and during the time it hovered it appeared to rock on its longitudinal axis. When the object rocked or turned into a vertical plane its shape was easily discernible as oval and when in a horizontal plane it appeared to be flat or thin and was difficult to see at this time. At all times during the first 25 to 30 minutes of the observation the object was encircled by a blue circle of light haze. The object was not accompanied by this blue circle of haze for the last 15 - 20 minutes of the observation. The object left no trail or exhaust and made no noise. Its disappearance was described as "like shutting off a light." (See inclosure 1 for diagram of flight path).

2. Time of sighting: 1745 to 1830 CDST 29 Jun 45. Length of sighting: forty five (45) minutes.

3. Observers were on the flight line at O'Hare Intl. Aprt, Park Ridge, Ill. and observation was made visually without any optical aids.

4. O'Hare Int'l Airport, Park Ridge Ill. Object appeared to be directly over and between two radio towers seven (7) miles west of the field.

5. Observers were: SSG Lopez  
A/1c Weber  
A/3c Korkowski (made first sighting)

Assigned to:  
83rd Air Base Squadron (Air Police Det)  
O'Hare Intl. Airport, Park Ridge, Ill.

Above airmen are familiar with jet aircraft and state definitely that this object sighted was not of a type known to them.

6. Weather in direction of the sighting was clear. A slight temperature inversion at the surface was reported at JOLIET beginning at 1900 CDST. Winds Aloft:

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| 5000 ft. | 290 Deg | 25 Knots |
| 10000    | 280     | 30       |
| 18000    | 280     | 52       |

7. No known activity or condition could account for the sighting. Scientists at the Adler Planetarium in Chicago who were consulted stated that object could not have been caused by temperature inversion or light refraction and could offer no explanation.

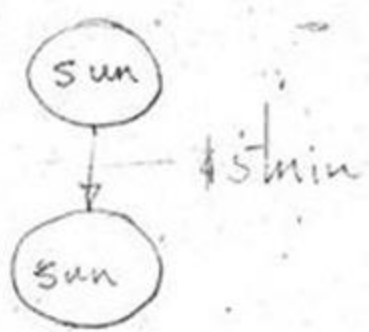
8. Negative known photos taken.

9. Negative interception or aerial identification was taken.

10. One F-80 was airborne at time of sighting but was not in vicinity.

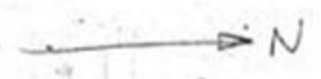
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WBBM

WGN



RA192  
WPB132  
YMX129  
YYB052  
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ACTION

ACTIVE

RR JEPHQ JEDWP JEDEN JEPNB 444

DE JEDPK 045

R 031605Z ZNJ

1. ATIAA  
2. ATIAA  
3. [unclear]  
EF

FM HQ 4706TH DEF WG OHARE INT L APRT PARK RIDGE ILL  
TO JEPHQ/DIR OF INTEL HQ USAF WASHDC  
JEDWP/ATIC WRIGHT PAT AFB DAYTON OHIO  
JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLO SPRINGS COLO  
JEDEN/CG ADC ENT AFB COLO SPRINGS COLO  
INFO JEPNB/CG EADF STEWART AFB NEWBURGH NY

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10078 PD SUBJ CLN FLYOBRPT PD ATIC CLN FOR ATIAA-2C PD CGADC AND  
CGEADF CLN FOR DIR OF INTEL PD FOL SBM IAW PAR 7C CMA AFL 200-5 CMA  
29 APR 52 PD PAREN ONE PAREN SHAPE CLN OVAL PD SIZE CLN TWO TO THREE  
FT PD COLOR CLN VERY BRIGHT SILVER SMCLN BLUE HAZE AROUND IT FIRST  
25-30 MIN PD NO CLN ONE PD FORMATION CLN N/A PD AERODYNAMIC FEATURES  
CLN UNK PD TRAIL OR EXHAUST CLN NONE PD PROPULSION SYS CLN UNK PD  
SPEED CLN VERY FAST PAREN FASTER THAN JETS PAREN PD SOUND CLN NONE PD  
MANEUVERS CLN ABRUPT HORIZ AND VERT MV CMA VERY FAST CMA ALSO TVL  
SLOWLY SMCLN HORIZ MV DIFFICULT TO SEE CMA VERT MV EASY TO SEE PD MANNER  
OF DISAPPEARING CLN LIKE SHUTTING OFF A LIGHT PD

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PAREN TWO PAREN 1745 TO 1830 HRS CDST 29 JUN 52 PD 45 MINUTES PD

PAREN THREE PAREN VISUAL FR SURFACE PD

PAREN FOUR PAREN OHARE FLD PD OBJ SIGHTED TWO TO THREE MILES WSW OF  
OHARE FLD AT ALT 500-1000 FT PD

PAREN FIVE PAREN THREE AIR POLICEMEN WHO WERE ON DY AT TIME OF SIGHTING  
PD RELIABILITY GOOD CMA EXPERIENCE UNK PD

PAREN SIX PAREN FOUR THOUSAND SCATTERED CMA FOURTEEN THOUSAND  
SCATTERED CMA FIFTEEN MI VISIBILITY CMA TEMP NINETY CMA DEW PT SIXTY-  
FIVE CMA WIND NW AT ONE THREE CMA ALTIMETER SETTING AT PT NINE NINE  
THREE PD

PAREN SEVEN PAREN SUN TO RIGHT SMCLN OBJ WAS BELOW SUN PD

PAREN EIGHT PAREN NONE PD

PAREN NINE PAREN NONE PD

PAREN ONE ZERO PAREN ONE FOXTROT EIGHT ZERO ON LOCAL CLEARANCE PD END

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