

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 28 Jan 53 29/0205Z	2. LOCATION Corona, California
3. SOURCE Airman	10. CONCLUSION UNKNOWN (UNIDENTIFIED) Unidentified
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Five	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 12 Min.	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Five round green ball-like objects, each 25' in diameter traveled at an estimated speed of 150 mph at an altitude of approximately 2,000'.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE Northwest	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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CORONA, CALIF

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[REDACTED] D/DIG 591. FLYCRPT. 1. FIVE UNIDENTIFIED ROUND
ALL-LIKE OBJ EA APRX 23 FT IN DIAM, ILLUMINATED GREEN IN COLOR,
MOVING IN LOOSE V FORMATION, OBSR 5 MI SW CORONA, CALIF, SANTA
ANITA CANYON AREA. NO SOUND FR OBJ. 2. OBSERVATION OCCURRED AT 1835.
ON 20 JAN 53. DURATION OF OBSR APRX 12 MINUTES. 3. OBSR MADE WHILE
DRIVING ON CALIF STATE HWY 18. 4. OBSR STOPPED CAR AND GOT
OUT WHILE THE OBJECTS WERE MOVING AT ABOUT 100 MPH FR SW TO NW
1.5 MI OF ROAD FT. [REDACTED] MOUNTAIN, WEST OUS, SWA
LAKE. ALSO IN SERVICE 2 MAG. JACKETS 2 VIB. ALSO SIG. [REDACTED]
SIGNAL, PLUS 30 CHAT [REDACTED] WITH EIGHT AF. 6. USA OBSERVED AT TIME

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ACE TWO JUPRH 5113

SIGHTING CLEAR. OBSR MADE AFTER DARKNESS. 7. THERE WAS NO ACTY OR
SITUATION WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR SIGHTING AT THAT TIME. 8. NO FRY
EVIDENCE, FRAGMENTS OR PHOTOS. 9. NO INTCP OR IDENTIFYING ACTION BY THIS

[REDACTED]

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COUNTRY UNITED STATES		REPORT NO. IR-2-53	(LEAVE BLANK) UNCLASSIFIED
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT			
SUBJECT EXCERPT			
AREA REPORTED ON Santa Ana Canyon - 5 mi SW Corona, Calif		FROM (Agency) Headquarters Fifteenth Air Force	
DATE OF REPORT 29 January 1953	DATE OF INFORMATION 28 January 1953	EVALUATION F-2	
PREPARED BY (Officer) Bertram R. Cowan, Capt., USAF		SOURCE [REDACTED], T/Sgt USAF, March AFB, Calif	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFL 200-5, JTL 29 APRIL 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.)

- I. T/Sgt [REDACTED], USAF, reported the following observation to the Operational Intelligence Division, Headquarters Fifteenth Air Force, March Air Force Base, California, 1500 hours, 29 January 1953:
 - a. Five unidentified objects were observed, ball-shaped and outlined entirely with a green colored illumination. The objects were observed in loose V formation when first sighted, then changed into an in-line formation when approximately overhead. The two end objects were observed to glow red while the formation was in the process of changing and turned back to the green illumination when the in-line maneuver was completed. The formation was very smooth - not at all ragged. Observer reported no sound at any time during sighting. The objects were estimated to be moving about 150 mph and traveling approximately 2,000 feet above the terrain. Size of each object was estimated to be about 25 feet in diameter.
 - b. The time of observation was 1805 hours, 28 January 1953, and the sighting continued approximately 12 minutes.
 - c. T/Sgt [REDACTED] made the observation while driving from March Air Force Base enroute to Redondo Beach, California, (his home) on California State Highway 18, approximately 5 miles SW of Corona, California. The formation of objects was sighted while the observer's automobile was traveling at 45 mph. Observer stopped to watch the objects - getting out of his car at the time the formation passed approximately overhead - moving from SE to NW across the highway.
 - d. Sgt [REDACTED] stated that he drives on this highway morning and evening and has been doing this for approximately a year. Observer has a background of 2 years aeronautical engineering, aerial gunnery school and flew 32 combat missions with the Eighth Air Force during World War II.
 - e. The atmosphere at time of sighting was very clear although it was dark. The objects were moving against the slight wind that was blowing at time of observation.
 - f. No physical evidence is offered.

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SUBJECT FLYCRPT		
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PREPARED BY (Officer) Bertram R. Cowan, Capt., USAF	SOURCE George T. Beyer, T/Sgt USAF, March AFB, Calif	
REFERENCES (Country number, date, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFL 200-5, dtd 29 APRIL 52		

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25 - 31 JANUARY 1953 SIGHTINGS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>OBSERVER</u>	<u>EVALUATION</u>
25	Pinewood South Carolina	Newton	A/C
26	Sampson AB, New York	Salzberg-Brostoski	A/C
26	Baronette, Wisconsin	Trudell	Astro. (STAR/PLANET)
26	Continental Divide \hookrightarrow , New Mexico	Visual Ground (RADAR)	Astro. (VENUS) WX
26	Alaska	Not Stated	Insufficient Data
27	March AFB, California	Koonce-Wise	Insufficient Data
27	Mather AFB, California	Military Air	Balloon
27	Cottonwood, Arizona	Stotts	A/C
27	Tucson, Arizona	Helmer	Astro (METEOR)
27	Davenport, Iowa	Latter	Astro (VENUS)
28	Stuttgart, Germany	Military Air Sorge	Astro (STAR/PLANET) Astro (STAR/PLANET)
28	Point Mugu, California	Love	UNIDENTIFIED
28	St Georges, Delaware	FSIA	Other (UNRELIABLE RPT)
28	Patrick AFB, Florida	Not Reported	Insufficient Data
28	Corona, California	Beyer	UNIDENTIFIED
28	Albany Georgia Area	Ground Visual Air Visual Ground (RADAR)	Astro (VENUS) Astro (VENUS) UNIDENTIFIED
28	Grand Island, Nebraska	Air Visual	
28	North Platte, Nebraska	Ground Visual	Astro (VENUS)
28	Mitchell AFB, New York	Multiple	Astro (METEOR)
28	Dahlgren, Va-Philadelphia, Pa	Multiple	Astro (METEOR)
29	Patrick AFB, Florida	Not Stated	Other (CLOUD)
29	Eoulton, Maine	Military Air	Astro (VENUS)
29	Malibu Beach, California	Military Air	A/C
29	Conway, South Carolina	Boothe	A/C (Navy Blimp)
31	Bataan, Phillipines	Civilian	Astro (METEOR)
	Albuquerque, New Mexico	Hunsley (PHOTO)	Insufficient Data
	Lexington, Kentucky	Templin	Astro (METEOR)

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