

AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE
OHIO

In reply refer to
AFOIN-ATTIAE-5

5 MAR 1953

SUBJECT: (Uncl) Utilization of 4602nd AISS Personnel in Project
Blue Book Field Investigations

TO: Commanding General
Air Defense Command
ATTN: Director of Intelligence
Ent Air Force Base
Colorado Springs, Colorado

1. During a recent conference attended by personnel of the 4602nd AISS and Project Blue Book the possibility of utilizing 4602nd AISS field units to obtain additional data on reports of Unidentified Flying Objects was discussed. It is believed by this Center that such a program would materially aid ATIC and give 4602nd AISS personnel valuable experience in field interrogations. It would also give them an opportunity to establish further liaison with other governmental agencies, such as CAA, other military units, etc., in their areas.

2. To utilize these people the following plan is proposed:

a. When ATIC receives a report of an Unidentified Flying Object that it deems advisable to further investigate, the Commanding Officer, 4602nd AISS, will be notified by wire or phone. He will be given the details of the report and suggestions for follow-up questioning that Project Blue Book personnel may believe pertinent. He will then assign one of his units to the investigation.

b. If the investigation cannot be completed within three calendar days of its request by ATIC, ATIC will be notified by wire. This notification will briefly state the status of the investigation and when it is expected to be completed. This wire will come directly to the Commanding General, Air Technical Intelligence Center, Attn: ATTIAE-5, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, with an information copy to whomever the Commanding Officer, 4602nd AISS deems necessary.

c. Upon completion of the investigation, or if the reported object is identified during the investigation, ATIC will be notified as to the pertinent facts by wire, the same as mentioned in paragraph 2b. This wire will briefly state what courses of investigation were followed, such as checking the locations of balloons and aircraft, the possibility of meteors being observed, possible radar contacts, etc. The wire will be followed by a complete written report.

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3. Project Blue Book is acquainted with the physical location of all 4602nd AISS units and will use discretion in requesting investigations where long distance travel is required.

4. If this proposed plan is concurred with, Project Blue Book will provide 4602nd AISS personnel with guidance material for investigations reports of Unidentified Flying Objects.

5. Concurrence and/or comments on the plan proposed in paragraph 2 are requested.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL

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TO: Commanding General, Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio

This headquarters concurs with plan as proposed in paragraph 2 of basic letter.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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