

STATEMENT

On 29 July 1952, the undersigned was on a routine night training flight. The flight consisted of two F-94B aircraft which were working intercepts on a B-28 aircraft at approximately 9,000 to 9,500 feet in altitude. After completing six intercepts on the B-28, the number two man was called and told to complete the intercept and follow the lead ship to a higher altitude. While climbing out on a heading of 270 degrees at an altitude of 20,000 feet, Avenger, the GCI station called and asked if I could see a target at three o'clock low. I searched the area and found nothing. I informed Avenger of this, and was asked to search at three o'clock high. I started a starboard turn and my radar observer, Lt Helfenbein, called and said he had a target at 2:30 level, four miles out. I informed Avenger of this, and was instructed to intercept the target. I observed lights on the target, and at first thought it was a jet aircraft. The time was approximately 2:40 (local). I turned to a heading of 360 degrees, and attempted to close on the target. After completing my turn, the radar observer informed me that he had lost radar contact, so the intercept was attempted visually. After following the target at 21,000 feet for approximately twenty minutes at an airspeed as high as 350 knots (IAS), the chase was abandoned as fuel was getting low, and no gain could be made on the target. Throughout the chase, the object appeared to be giving off a changing light which had a definite sequence of white, red, and bluish-green. No other means of identification could be made. During the attempted interception, GCI called and said that at times they had the target on their screen, and it appeared to keep from six to ten miles ahead of my aircraft.

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