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1. Date of Observation: 24 January 1949 Date of Interview: 11 April 1949
2. Exact time of observation: 2000 to 2124
3. Place of Observation: Unknown
4. Position of Observer: Air; B-29 (Stood between Pilot and Co-Pilot)
5. What attracted attention to object: By a red glow on horizon
6. Number of objects: One
7. Apparent size: 15 to 30 miles in circumference
8. Color of object: Blue-white base surrounded by dark red glow fading into light red or pink at altitude.
9. Shape: On approach light mass appeared to build up like cumulus cloud or smoke. As A/C approached light mass it seemed to spread in arc that resembled a mushroom. A/C approaching mass might have caused what appeared to be building-up process.
10. Altitude: Based on water, top 4000 to 6000 ft.
11. Direction from observer: 1000 on sighting, 0900 during observation
12. Distance from observer: No closer than 10 to 15 miles of main mass.
13. Direction of flight of object: Unknown
14. Time in sight: From 2000 to 2145 hours
15. Speed: Unknown
16. Sound and odor: Unknown

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17. Trail:
None

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18. Luminosity:
Red glow resembled a red railroad flare (fuzee) with blue-white base and pillar like beams of varying intensity going up into red mass. Red mass was transparent could see stars through it. Stars not visible through white light. Mass appeared to generate its own light, gave off enough light to illuminate water surface and clouds.

19. Projections:
None

20. Maneuvers:
None observed

21. Manner of disappearance:
A/C departed area

22. Effect on clouds:
Silhouetted clouds on approach

23. Additional information concerning object:
Light appeared to be coming from water. S/Sgt Marx had just returned from 90 days TDY in Alaska and Northern Lights viewed there did not resemble this in any manner.

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:
Weather good, dark, no moon, few clouds

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Occupation and hobbies:
Engineer, B-29
No particular hobbies

Comments of Interrogator:
Observer is of above average intelligence, calm and not easily excitable. Character, as observed at this headquarters, is excellent.