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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

Headquarters, FEAF, APO 925 IR-493-49 2 5

In accordance with Air Intelligence Requirements Memorandum, Number 4, dated 15 February 1949, the following information is submitted:

GENERAL

1. Sighted 21 November 1949.

2. The sighting was at 11:00 Item.

3. B. (1). Object appeared to be traveling at high speed on a heading between 10 and 30 degrees, at an altitude between 31,000 and 32,000 feet.

(2). Observer over Akita, Honshu Japan, 39°43'N - 140°08'E.

(3). One O'clock

4. One. (See paragraph 8 b)

5. A check with the 20 20th Air Weather Service Detachment revealed no clues that may have accounted for this sighting.

6. a. Object when first sighted approximate distance 1,500 yards. 3/4 mile

b. Approximately 30 degrees.

c. Estimated between 31,000 and 32,000 feet.

7. 11:00 Item

8. A. Grayish-white.

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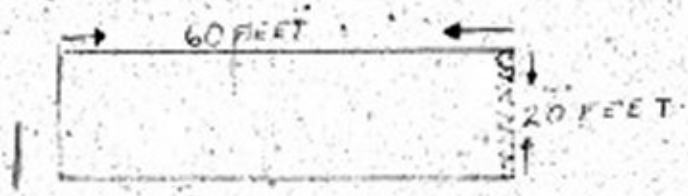

c. Had appearance of tow target.

d. (1). Estimated 20 feet by 60 feet.

(2). Appeared at least twice the size of normal towed target.

9. Heading was 220 degrees.

10. Only unusual characteristic appearance was the flutter in trailing edge. Object appeared to be traveling in level flight.

11. Nothing observed.

12. There was no ceiling and visibility was unrestricted.

13. None observed.

14. Nothing observed.

15. Nothing observed.

16. None observed.

17. None observed.

18. Estimated between 400 and 600 MPH.

19. No sound observed.

20. b. Faded from view.

INFORMATION AS TO OBSERVER

1. First Lieutenant John J. Jackson, Jr., AO-697560.

2. Misawa Air Base, APO 919.

3. Jet Fighter Pilot, 8th Fighter Squadron, 49th Fighter Group.

4. USAF, Misawa Air Base, APO 919.

5. a. Observer is not an amateur astronomer or engineer. Observer is a pilot.

b. Builder of model ships and occasionally shoots skeet. Very interested in sports. Has been interested in model ship building for approximately 15 years.

6. a. Is not color blind.

7. b. Subject observer has been flying Fighters about six years and has been reasonably accurate in observing speeds. Total Fighter aircraft time is about 575 hours.

c. Judgement of subject considered to be adequate.

7. Consensus of opinion as expressed by his Commanding Officer and close associates is that the observer is extremely reliable, truthful, and not given to exaggerations in any of his expressions. Observer has never been described as being extroverted or a seeker of publicity in any manner.

8. a. Subject has never reported sighting before.

b. (1). No sound.

(2). Apparent movement of object.

(3). None observed.

c. Subject had been in flight approximately 30 minutes. After the sighting, he checked oxygen supply to determine if suffering from anoxia. Supply was good.

9. No witnesses.

10. The undersigned interviewed Subject and is of the same opinion as indicated in paragraph 7 above.

RELATIVE TO RADAR

1. Not applicable.

2. a. Object was not observed to have caused radar inductions or extra noise on radio circuits.

GENERAL

1. AWJA-1 WUQT 210200 Z 58002. 25-362/46/33C/058/FEW SC.

a. No ceiling.

b. Visibility - 25 miles.

c. Temperature - 46 degrees.

d. Dew point 33.

e. Wind velocity - Calm.

f. Altimeter - 058.

2. Winds aloft:

a. 20,000: 270 degrees at 44 K.

b. 25,000: 260 degrees at 61 K.

c. 30,000: Unknown.

C E R T I F I C A T E

On 21 November 1949, at 11:00 hours, the undersigned saw the following unidentified object: While flying at 30,000 feet in an F-80C, on a heading of 220 degrees, at an IAS of 230 MPH, an object which appeared to be an aerial tow target was observed at an estimated altitude of 31,000 to 32,000 feet, traveling at an estimated speed of 400 to 600 MPH, on a heading of 10 to 30 degrees.

The objects color was grayish white, was rectangular in shape, and the approximate dimensions were 60 feet long and 20 feet wide. The only indication of movement within the object itself was the apparent flutter of it's trailing edge.

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I certify that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

s/ JOHN J. JACKSON
1st Lt., USAF
AO-697560

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1 - 30 NOVEMBER SIGHTINGS 1949

DATE	LOCATION	OBSERVER	EVALUATION
2	Unity, New Hampshire	Pierce	Astro (STARS/PLANETS)
16	Oxford, Mississippi (NO CARDS)	Coffey, Boits, Silver	
17	Augusta, Georgia (NO CARDS)	Haynes, Webb	
18	Raceland, Louisana	Folse	
18	Biloxi, Mississippi	Rice, St John, Stevens	
21	Chattanooga, Tennessee (NO CARDS)	Webb	
21	Akita, Honshu, Japan (NO CARDS)	Military	
22	Dover, Delware (NO CARDS)	Love, Edor	
23	Santa Rosa Island, Florida	Deverall	Astro (VENUS)
24	New Mexico (NO CARDS)	Newton	
25	Mt. Palomar, California	Focke (GROUND RADAR)	Other (EQUIPMENT MALFUNCTION)
27	McIntosh, New Mexico (NO CARDS)	Vlasic	Probable Astro (GREEN FIREBALLS
27	Kirtland, New Mexico	Military	

1 - 31 DECEMBER SIGHTINGS

DATE	LOCATION	OBSERVER	EVALUATION
3	Holloman, New Mexico	Bagley	
4	Albuquerque, New Mexico	Mcadam	Astro (GREEN FIREBALLS)
4	Campo, Colorado (NO CARDS)		
4	Cimarron County, Oklahoma (NO CARDS)	Military	
4	Between Covington & Hammond, La (NO CARDS)	Military	Possible Astro (STARS/PLANETS)
5	Holloman AFB, New Mexico (NO CARDS)	Flores	
13	Holloman AFB, New Mexico (NO CARDS)	Johns	
16	Farmington, New Mexico (NO CARDS)	Stracke	
20	118.45W - 49.30N (Carmi Radio Range Station, Canada)	Military	
26	500 Mi. SE of Newfoundland (NO CARDS)	Military	
27	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Civilians	
28	Ithaca, New York	Murray	Probable (AIRCRAFT)
28	Hamlet, North Carolina (NO CARDS)	James	
30	Langley Field, Virginia	Military	
31	Andrews AFB, Washington (NO CARDS)	Military	
31	Davis-Monthan AFB, Arizona (NO CARDS)	Military	

ADDITIONAL REPORTED SIGHTINGS (NOT CASES)

DATE	LOCATION	SOURCES	OBSERVER
NOV	HOLLYWOOD CA (INFO	CABOT	