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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
8TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, ALABAMA

24-109

SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects

TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters, U. S. Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.

1. SYNOPSIS: On 5 November 1950 at 1155 ho[redacted], Tennessee, sighted an unidentified flying object over the northwest corner of Oak Ridge area.

2. DETAILS:

a. Description - The object observed by [redacted] changed shapes rapidly from pear shape to bean shape and to other shapes as noted on inclosed drawing. The object was light gray in color with a core that was a much darker gray. The object appeared to be translucent. The mass of the object was constant and had sharply outlined edges and the core also had definite lines. Speed could not be estimated but was described as "rapid and darting". The object maneuvered within an area of a circle as illustrated on the inclosure. [redacted] further described the core as assuming the shape of the whole object, that is, when the object elongated the core would be elongate also. The object disappeared while [redacted] was attempting to locate a witness to the phenomena. No sound could be heard nor could the means of propulsion be determined. [redacted] made on-the-spot notes of his observation. Pertinent of these are as follows: "rapidly changing shape. Constant mass. Sharply outlined edges. Gray color, cool in contrast with warm, pinkish gray of clouds. No spectral reflection of light, no bright highlights. Definite suggestion of form. Movements rapid, darting in all directions within small area. Seemed to be moving in and out of cloud (this may have been because of semi-transparent characteristics). Must be some phenomena of light on clouds. Very weird. Movements did not seem to be result of wind. First impression - balloon, too rapid and random in movements. Too rapid and extreme in changes of shape."

b. Time Sighted - For five (5) to ten (10) minutes on 5 November 1950 at 1155 hours.

c. Manner of observation - Visual

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d. Location of observer - At the corner of Outer Drive and West Outer Drive, Oak Ridge, Tennessee. The object appeared to be near a mountain ridge about six (6) miles distant. The object was on a compass bearing of 305 degrees. The altitude of the object remained within a short distance above or below the ridge of the mountain. (Note: [redacted] stated that for the object to be as large as he described and to be six (6) miles distant its size would be comparable to a three (3) story building a half a block long).

e. Information on Subject - [redacted] has been employed as an [redacted] at the NEPA Division, Fairchild Engine & Airplane Corporation, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, since 25 October 1949. He has a "Q", "M" and "Secret" clearance. PATRICK is married and is twenty-six (26) years of age. He has been an efficient, reliable employee and is highly regarded and recommended by the security officials at NEPA.

f. Weather and wind conditions - According to the Weather Bureau at Oak Ridge the temperature was 51 degrees and there was a nine (9) to twelve (12) mile an hour West wind. Visibility was unlimited.

g. Activity or condition which might account for the sighting - Unknown.

h. Physical Evidence - None

i. Interception or identification action taken - None

3. ACTION: No investigation being made at this time.

PATRICK W. HAYES
Lt. Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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Sketch of objects (3)

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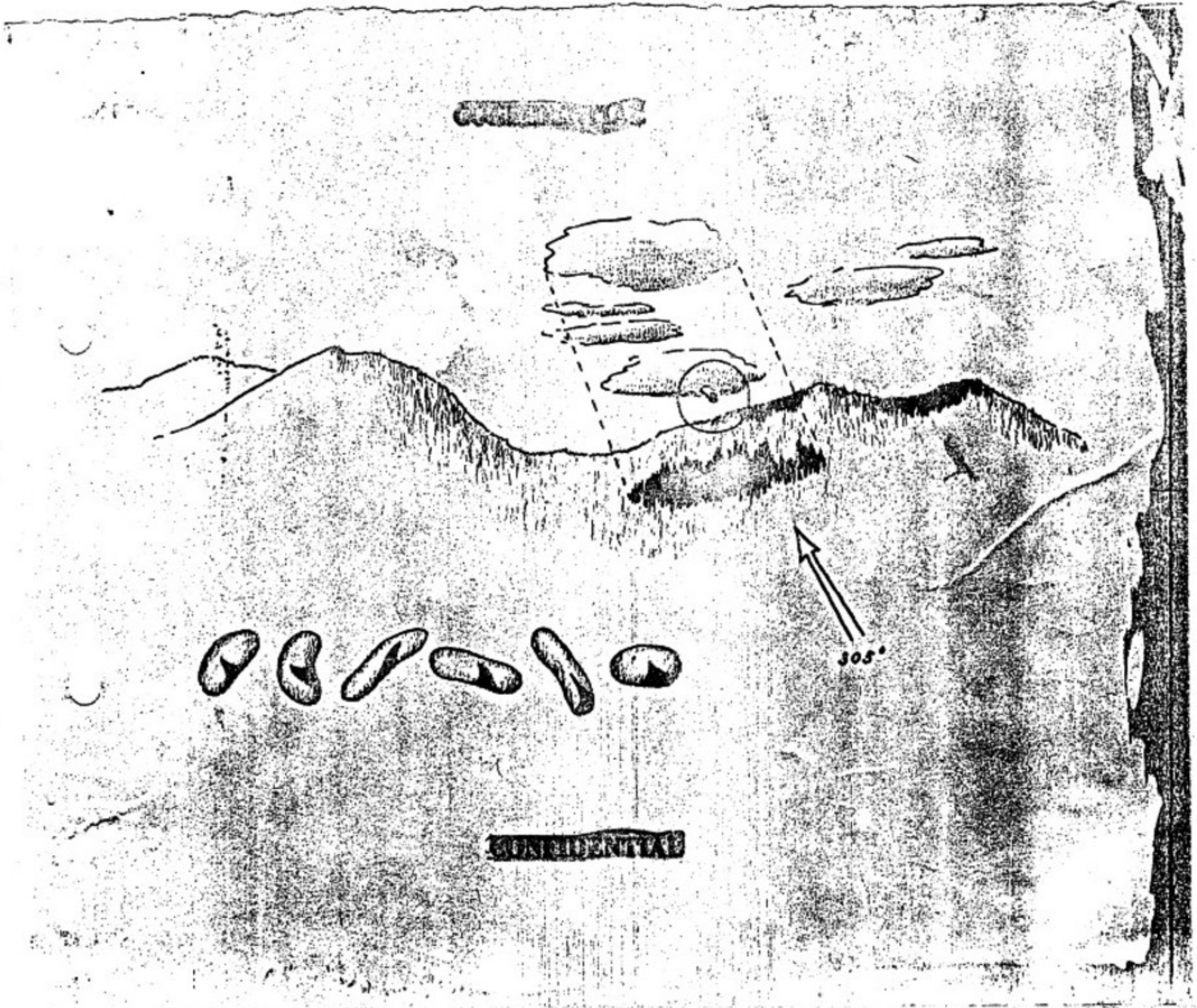

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