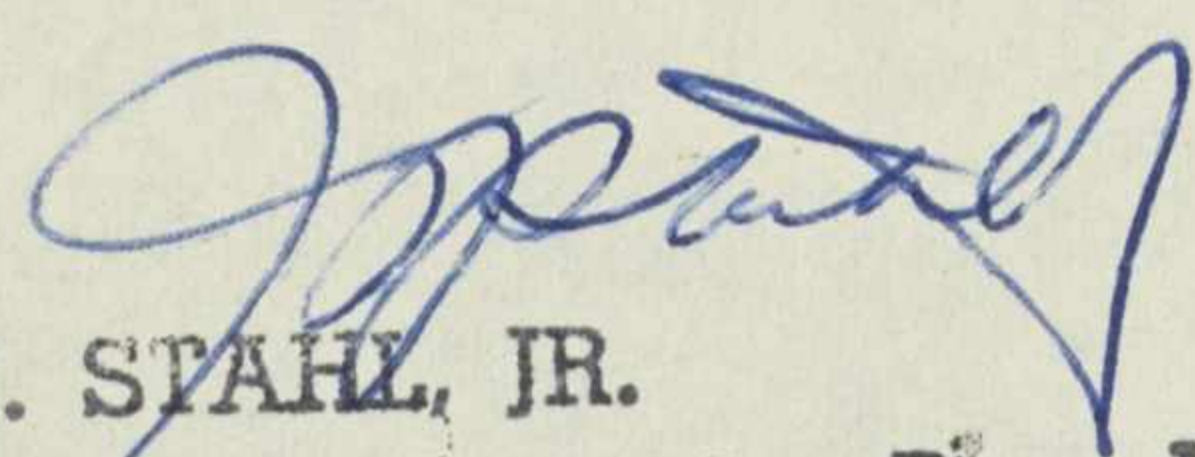


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FROM: Hq USAF (AFISIIC) Washington, D. C. 20333					
REFERENCE					
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INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN INITIATED AND REPORTS WILL BE FORWARDED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.					
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REPORT OF PRIOR INVESTIGATION/SUMMARY ATTACHED.					
NOTE RESTRICTIVE LEGENDS ON FRONT OF THE ATTACHMENT(S).					
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<p>1. Attached letter is for your information and any action deemed appropriate. Investigation of this matter is not contemplated by this headquarters.</p> <p>2. A copy of the attached letter is being furnished to SAF-OI. Headquarters, OSI files do not reveal any record of Subject.</p>					
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Dan Duggleby
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(SEE REMARKS.)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

Date August 26, 1966

The enclosed is referred to your office for such action as may be necessary.

The writer has been notified of this reference.

Remarks:

Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

August 20, 1966

Box 172, Route 2

Bozeman, Montana

Dear Sirs,

I had
Lately ~~through~~ an experience which I still remember with almost
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unbelievable clarity and probably will remember all of my life. First
I would like to make a couple of things clear. I am not really braver
than other people but I find that I am not afraid of as many things as
other people. I am writing this letter to you ~~###~~ because I think that
the information I am able to supply may, or may not whichever the case
might be, help you. I know that there is at least one project is going on
to find out what UFO's are. I will start my story with the fact that I often
go up in the hills around hills around our place. My story begins on a
foggy day. I got very mad at my brother and went up in the hills with my
.22 rifle. I had gone up on top of the hill that is closest to our house.
I was standing still listening for a magpie. I didn't hear a magpie but
instead I heard a whooshing noise that I couldn't identify. I was just
realizing that I had made a mistake trying to hunt magpies on a foggy day
anyway. I looked up expecting to see a low flying airplane. (I had forgotten
that airplanes make noise.) About 50 feet up I saw a great big rocket shaped
object. I have heard a lot about "flying saucers". I know that they are real
because I have seen them on 18 different occasions. I know that they are not nearly
as rare as the government states. I realize that "covering up" on UFO's is
necessary a lot of the time because a lot of the public cannot take a lot
of incidents that do occur. I know of plenty of air sightings. I know of #
NICAP (National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena). I know of
ATIC (Air Technical Intelligence Center) I have read a book by Maj. Donald
E. Keyhoe on UFO's. I am fairly certain that several reports have never been
released to the public. For instance what of the Killian case? What of the
color movies of UFO's that were never released to the public? The only thing
I thought of as I looked at the object was that I had always seen discs before
and this was the first different shape I had yet seen. It wasn't going very fast

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as UFO speeds go ,and I didnt realize what was happening until it had already landed.It was ,as nearly as I can judge , about 20 yards in diameter and about 100 yards high.An opening in it's side appeared about 10 feet above the ground and a ramp slid out. Down this ramp came 5 metal "boxes" with small wheels on the bottom and 4 "arms"on the sides. One took ground samples.The others each took air,grass,flower,sampleswhile one just stood there. When they had finished they rolled up they# ramp, the ramp slid in,and the ship took off straight upand vanished in the fog.Beyond 200yards or so I couldnt hear the soft whooshing noise. Since then I have not told anyone about what happened. I am also very much interested in UFO's. I would appreciate it if you would send me all the information you possibly could on UFO's. I realize that I should not be sending this letter to you but I do not know where else to send it. Please do not make this letter public as I do not like publicity very much.

Sincerely yours,

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Dan Duggleby

P.S. I do know how to keep my mouth shut.

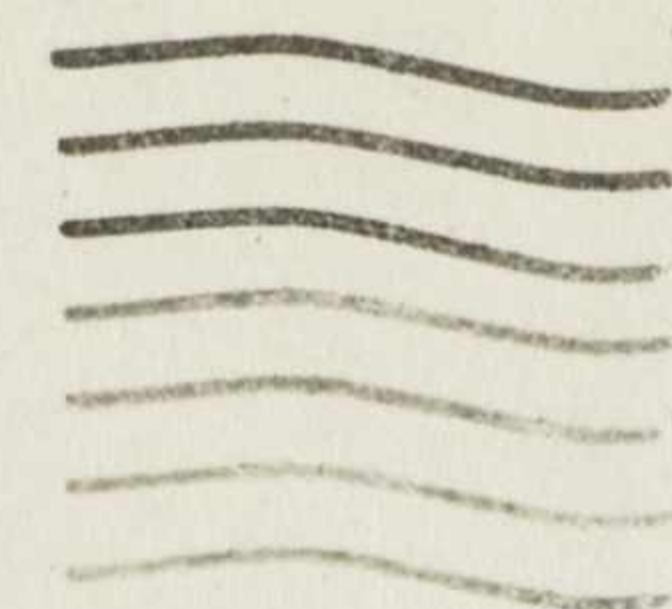
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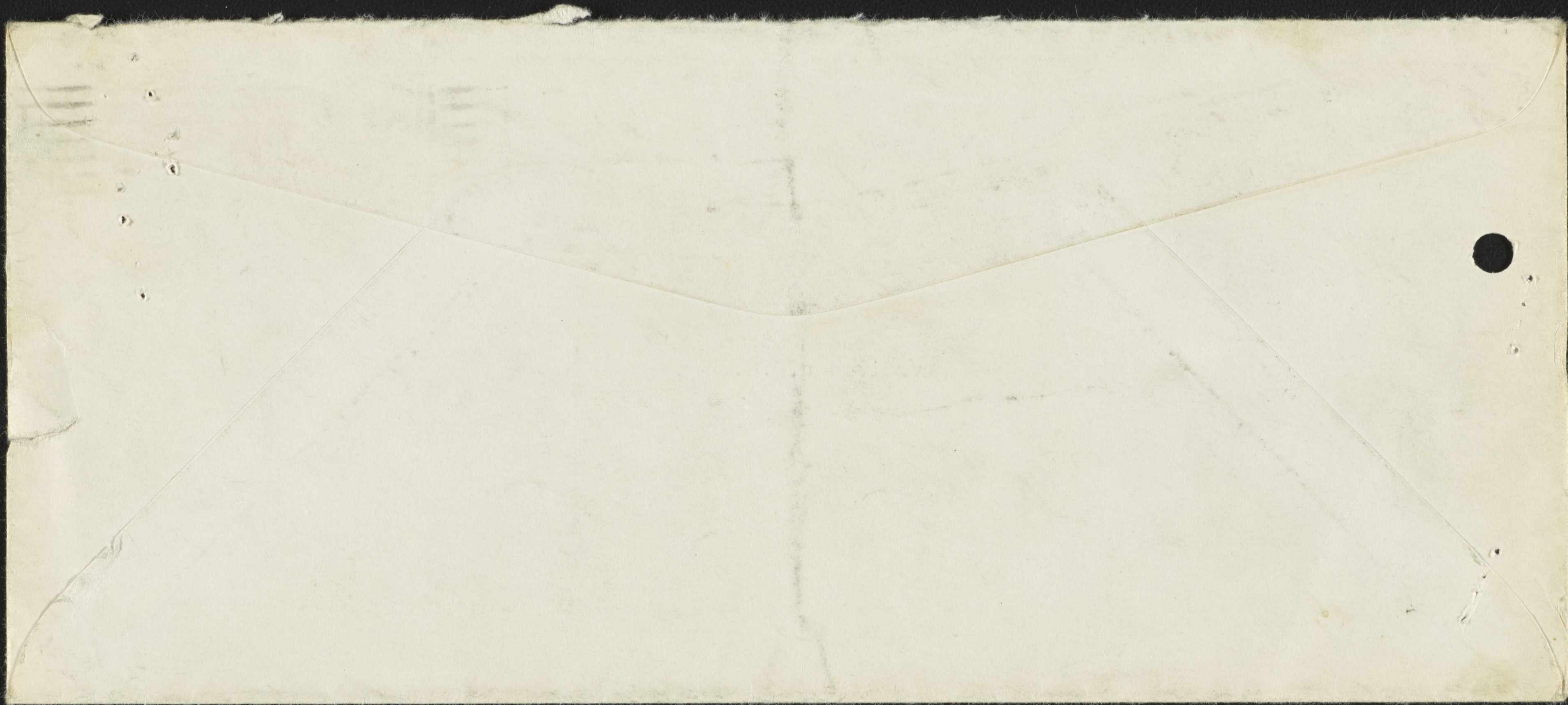
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BY KURT K. KUNZE, Capt, USAF
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Malmstrom -----

14 MAY 1957

SUBJECT: (Confidential) Unidentified Flying Object Reported
Between ~~Kalispell and Polson, Montana~~, 5 May 1957.
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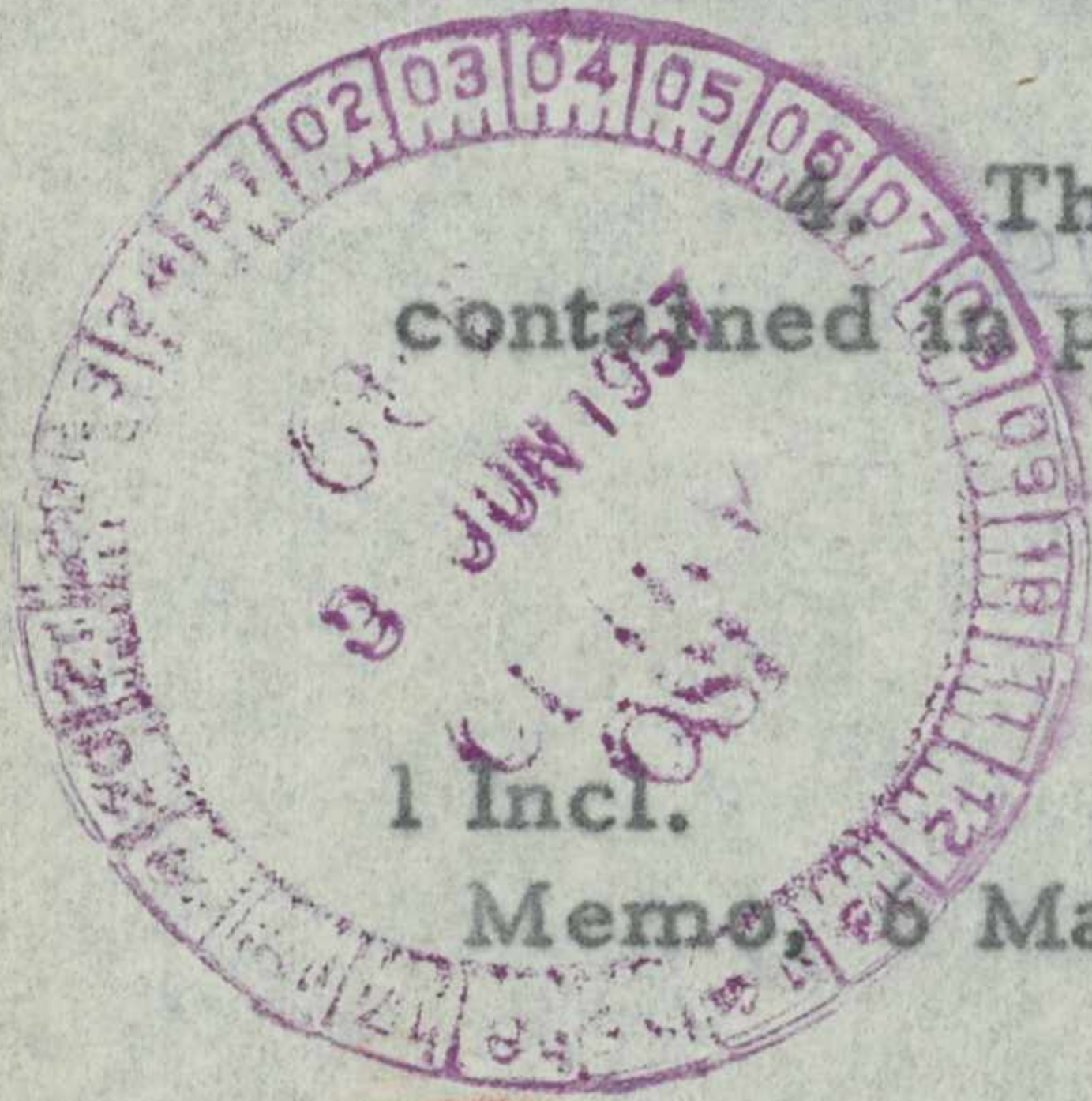
TO: Commander
407th Air Base Group
ATTN: Wing Intelligence Officer
Malmstrom AFB, Montana.

1. A reliable federal agency advised this Office on 13 May 1957, that they had received a report from Mr. JIM MANSFIELD, Route #2, Kalispell, Montana, to the effect that while driving from Kalispell to Polson, Montana, at 0430 Hrs., 5 May 1957, he noticed an object to the east which appeared to be a brilliant light with an airplane-like form immediately above it. At first, Mr. MANSFIELD thought the object was an airplane, however, it remained stationary in the sky. He watched it for several minutes and then drove on to Polson. The object made no noise and was "brighter than a star".

2. The agency concerned has advised that Mr. MANSFIELD is a sincere individual. MANSFIELD reiterated that he desires no publicity be given to the information he provided. The agency concerned directed the information to this Office for routing through appropriate Air Force channels.

3. The preceding is hereby transmitted for information and such action as may be deemed appropriate by Command in accordance with AFR 200-2, 12 August 1954. No action has been taken by this Office to interview Mr. MANSFIELD, in view of the fact that he did not contact this Office personally.

This letter is classified CONFIDENTIAL pursuant to authority contained in par. 30 c (2)(a), AFR 205-1.



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JAMES E. DONNELLY, Jr.
Major, USAF
District Commander

cc, Dir, OSI, Wash 25, D. C.

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KURT K. KUNZE, Capt, USAF
Historian
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100-441-1000

SUBJECT: (Confidential) Unidentified flying object reported
between Dallas and Houston, Texas, 5 May 1957.

Commander
ATTN: Wing Intelligence Officer
Houston, Texas

1. A reliable federal agency advised that on 13 May 1957, that they had received a report from Mr. JIM HANSEN, 1001 E. Main Street, Houston, Texas, to the effect that while driving from Houston to Dallas, Houston, at 0430 Hrs., 5 May 1957, he noticed an object in the sky which appeared to be a triangular light with an airplane-like form immediately above it. At that time, Mr. Hansen thought the object was an airplane. However, it remained stationary in the sky. He watched it for several minutes and then drove on to Dallas. The object made no noise and was brighter than a star.

2. The agency contacted and advised that Mr. HANSEN is a sincere individual. HANSEN is retired and he has no publicity given to the information he provided. The agency contacted the information to the Dallas office for further investigation.

3. The preceding is hereby recommended for information and such action as may be deemed appropriate by your office in accordance with A-500-2, 12 August 1956. No action has been taken by this office to interview Mr. HANSEN in view of the fact that he is not contactable through the Dallas office.

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26 September 1950

SUBJECT: UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT

TO: District Commander
15th OSI District (IG)
Great Falls Air Force Base
Great Falls, Montana

1. The Technical Analysis Division, Intelligence Department of Headquarters Air Materiel Command has requested the undersigned to assist them in obtaining films in the possession of one NICK MARIANA, 2919 First Avenue, North, Great Falls, Montana, as set out in Inclosure No. 1 attached hereto which is self-explanatory.

2. Your attention is invited to the provisions of AFCSI Letter No. 85, dated 8 February 1950. In the present instance this is a specific request from AMC.

3. In approaching Mr. MARIANA for the films, you are requested to exercise every caution so as not to unduly excite his curiosity or interest or in anywise have him conclude that the Air Force may have reversed its policy from that previously announced with regard to the existence or non-existence of such unconventional objects. In this connection, you should avoid any detailed discussion, advising simply that the Air Force is always interested in any item that will contribute to the fund of technical intelligence. It is requested that the films be obtained and transmitted to this District for forwarding to the Intelligence Department at Air Materiel Command.

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JAMES F. X. O'CONNELL
Lt Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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Commanding General,
Air Materiel Command,
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base,
Dayton, O.

ATTENTION --- MCIA XO-3

AXA

Nick Mariana, general manager of our local ball club, several days ago saw two silvery disk objects skittering about the sky over the ball park.

Nick doubted his eyes and called his secretary, who saw the same objects.

Nick ran to his car and got his motion picture camera out of the glove compartment, after unlocking the car.

He took color pictures of the two silver disks flying against a deep blue Montana sky. The films, since developed, have caused some comment in Great Falls.

Our ball park lies between the ACM zinc plant, largest producer in the world, and the Great Falls air force base.

Mariana, whose address is 2919 First avenue north, says he will gladly give the films to any government agency, which may be interested.

Sincerely,

C. T. Sullivan

C. T. Sullivan
Great Falls Leader
Great Falls, Mont.

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C.T. Sullivan
Great Falls Leader
Great Falls, Montana



Commanding General,
Air Materiel Command,
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base,
Attention - MCIAXO-3
Dayton, O.

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS REPORT OF INVESTIGATION		FILE NO. 24-12	DATE 6 July 1950
TITLE COSMIC RAY RESEARCH BALLOON Dell, Montana 4 July 1950		REPORT MADE BY BERTRAM RASKIN	
		REPORT MADE AT DO #15, Great Falls AFB, Montana	
		PERIOD 5 July 1950	
		OFFICE OF ORIGIN DO #15, Great Falls AFB, Montana	
		STATUS CLOSED	
CHARACTER SPECIAL INQUIRY (UNCONVENTIONAL METEOROLOGICAL BALLOON)			
REFERENCE None, this is an initial report.			
SYNOPSIS <p>Investigation predicated upon referral from FBI, Butte, Montana, 4 July 1950, indicating an unconventional balloon, lighter than air, with nylon parachute attached and black cardboard box containing eight-day clock, electrical switches, cables and 6-volt battery suspended from parachute had been recovered by Sheriff TEMPLE, Dillon, Montana, on even date, and was being held by Sheriff's Office for safekeeping pending further investigation by Air Force. Sheriff TEMPLE, on 5 July 1950, at 1300 hours, telephonically communicated with General Mills Research Laboratory, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and the balloon positively identified by Serial No. 138 as one released by that laboratory. Sheriff TEMPLE requested by laboratory to return all properties less the plastic balloon to General Mills Research Laboratory, c/o Charles B. Moore.</p>			
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APPROVED JOHN P. BRYNILDSEN Captain, USAF District Commander		FILE STAMP 	

DETAILS:

1. This investigation was predicated upon a referral of information from the FBI, Butte, Montana, on 4 July 1950, at approximately 1700 hours, which indicated that an unconventional type balloon had been recovered by the Sheriff of Beaverhead County, Dillon, Montana, on 4 July 1950, and was being held by the Sheriff's Office for safekeeping pending further investigation.

AT DILLON, MONTANA

2. This is a joint investigation of Special Agent ROBERT P. SPALDING and the writer.

3. Sheriff PAUL H. TEMPLE, Dillon, Beaverhead County, Montana, was interviewed on 5 July 1950 and furnished the following information: that Mr. FLOYD KENNISON, Dell, Montana, on 4 July 1950, at approximately 0500 hours, noticed a large elongated type balloon, at low altitude, drifting from the north to the south across Dell, Montana. This balloon was apparently losing its buoyancy and it touched ground at about 0600 hours in a grain field, property of a Mr. Lockyear, located approximately two miles southwest of Dell, Montana. Although the lower portion of the balloon became snarled in the flora growth, the upper extremity retained its buoyancy and remained bobbing in the breezes. KENNISON notified Sheriff TEMPLE of the incident and the Sheriff arrived at the scene on 4 July 1950, at about 1100 hours. At this time, the balloon was approximately three-quarters deflated and with the exception of about fifteen feet of free floating balloon, was spread on the ground. Sheriff TEMPLE described the balloon as approximately one hundred feet long by fifty feet wide, weighing approximately two hundred fifty pounds, totally deflated, constructed of semi-transparent white plastic, having a metallic hoop at the bottom and attached to this hoop was a twenty-four foot nylon parachute from which was suspended a black waxed cardboard box containing one eight-day alarm clock (mechanical), electrical switches, cables and a 6-volt Burgess Battery. Sheriff TEMPLE notified the FBI, Butte, Montana, on 4 July 1950, and was instructed to retain custody of the balloon for purposes of safekeeping, pending further investigation of the matter which would be referred to the Air Force. Sheriff TEMPLE further stated that Mr. E. A. TOWNSEND, associated with the Dillon Tribune, Dillon, Montana, viewed the balloon and was of the belief that it is of a type used for sub-stratosphere research. TOWNSEND communicated with the Minneapolis Tribune and received the following Western Union Telegram which the Sheriff retained:

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E. S. TOWNSEND

Dillon Tribune, Dillon, Montana

"CHARLES B. MOORE, Jr., Project Engineer, Aeronautical Research Laboratory, General Mills, believes parachute and balloon found there

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sent up from Minneapolis but can't say for sure from data you supply. His project trying to trace balloon last sighted last week near Minot, N. D. and one your report may be it. Positive identification supplied by numbers taped to 42 inch ring of half inch aluminum tubing at bottom of balloon. Laboratory has standing reward posted for return of balloons and Sheriff's Office probably can qualify by telephone MOORE. He will accept collect call from Sheriff. His telephone Geneva 0371. Please service AP with any story you use.

UPHAM Minneapolis Tribune"

"Sheriff TEMPLE revealed that at approximately 1300 hours, 5 July 1950, he (TEMPLE) had phoned MOORE, and although MOORE had not been available, TEMPLE had been successful in speaking with a General Mills Research Laboratory official (name not remembered by TEMPLE) who when furnished the general description of the balloon, plus the number 138 which appeared taped at regular intervals to the aluminum tubing at the base of the balloon, positively identified the balloon as one released by the General Mills Research Laboratory. Sheriff TEMPLE was instructed to ship the aluminum base tubing with taped numbers intact, the nylon parachute and the black box with its contents to General Mills Research Laboratory, c/o CHARLES B. MOORE, Jr., Minneapolis, Minnesota, and to dispose of the plastic balloon as he sees fit.

4. At the time this writer interviewed Sheriff TEMPLE, the nylon parachute had already been packed for shipment to the General Mills Research Laboratory, however, Sheriff TEMPLE had made a copy of the inked stamping on this white parachute which reads as follows:

G. T. M.
24 ft.
Model 428
Lot 101
Patented
Made in USA

Appearing to the left of this inked stamping was still another inked stamping of a baseball with baseball printed in its center.

5. This writer inspected the aluminum tubing which formed the base of the plastic balloon and noted that the number 138 was stamped on tapes which are fastened to the tubing at regular intervals.

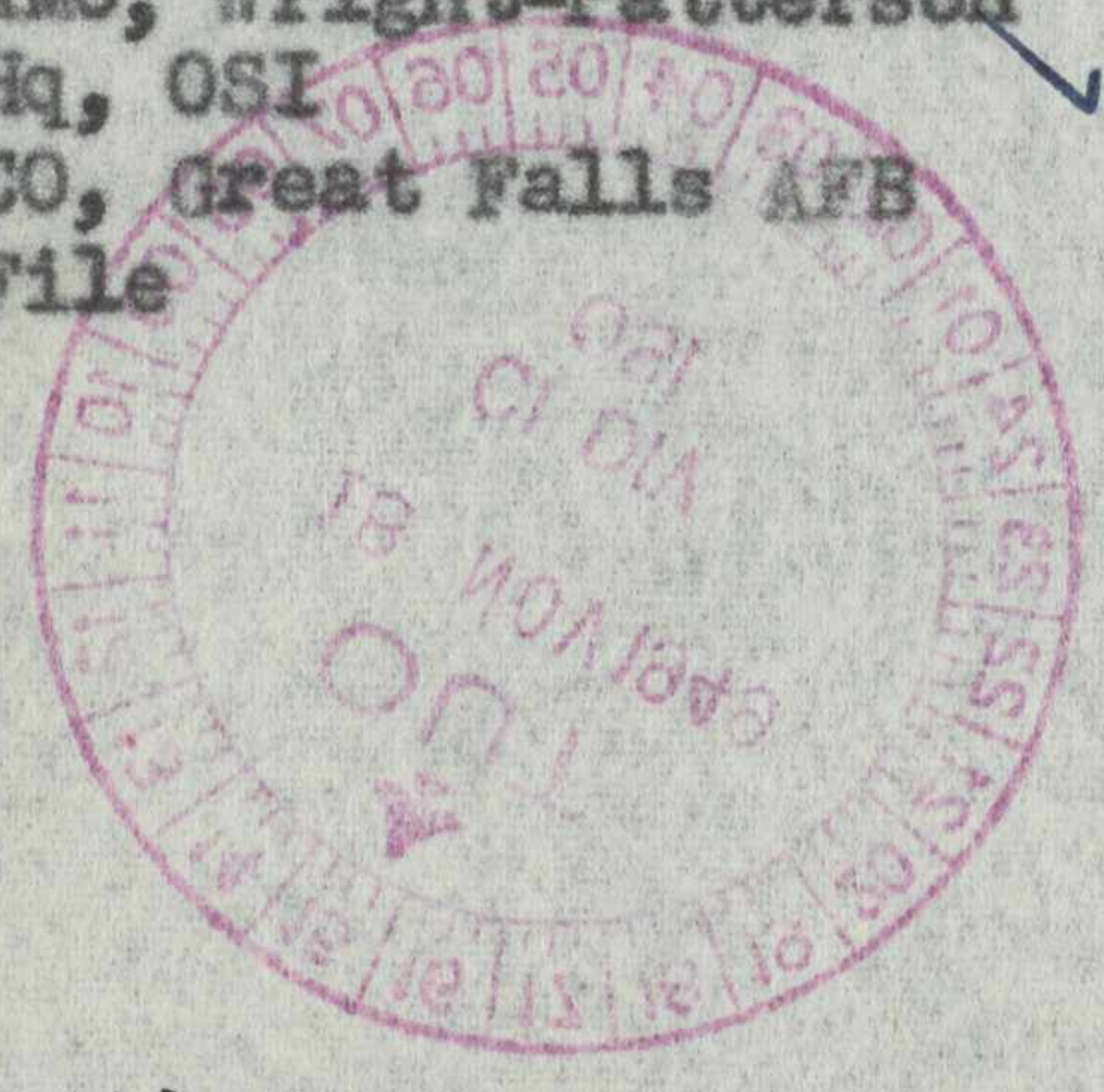
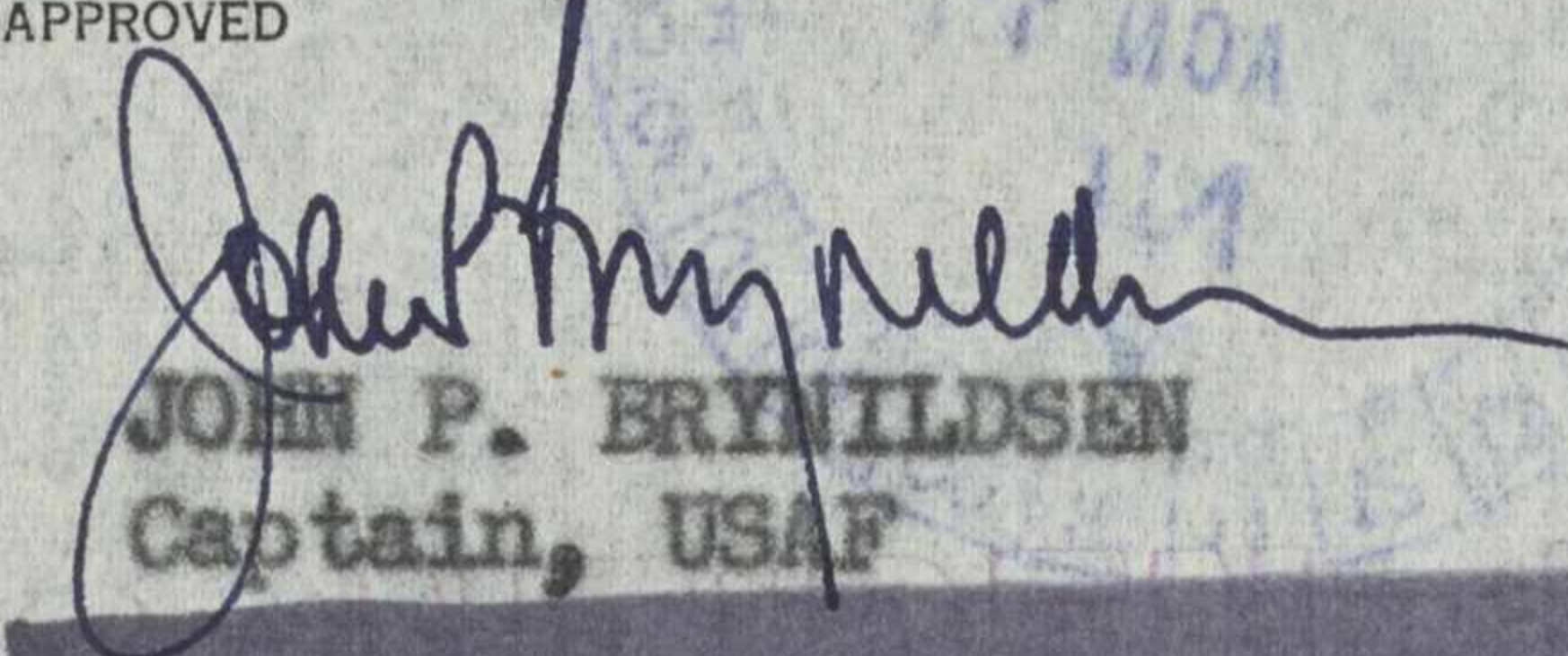
6. The black cardboard box containing the mechanical 8-day clock, electrical wiring and switches and the 6-volt Burgess battery had already been sealed for shipment when this writer interviewed Sheriff TEMPLE, however, a label affixed to the box read as follows:

2-24 hr clocks
micro switches
cleaned & oiled
3/1/50
Rechecked 5/17/50

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7. When questioned as to whether the black cardboard box had actually contained one or two 8-day clocks, Sheriff TEMPLE stated it had contained only one and that he (TEMPLE) had verified this when he spoke with the General Mills Research Laboratory official. Sheriff TEMPLE further stated the clock which had been operating when the balloon was found stopped at 0200 hours, 5 July 1950.

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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS REPORT OF INVESTIGATION		FILE NO. 24-185	DATE 2 November 1949
TITLE SIGHT OF FLYING DISCS ON 9 AUGUST 1949 AT HEBGEN LAKE, WEST YELLOWSTONE, MONTANA		REPORT MADE BY SA R. P. SPALDING	REPORT MADE AT DO #15, Great Falls AFB, Montana
		PERIOD 28 October 1949	OFFICE OF ORIGIN DO #15, Great Falls AFB, Montana
		STATUS CLOSED	
CHARACTER SPECIAL INQUIRY - UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT			
REFERENCE Report of Investigation of SA J. P. BRYNILDSEN, this office, subject as above, dated 31 Aug 49.			
SYNOPSIS <p>Referenced case is being re-opened as it is believed that the "unusual object" recovered by Mr. JACK GORMAN, West Yellowstone, Montana, is identical with the object sighted by Mr. ROBERT EMERSON on 9 August 1949, at Hebgen Lake, Montana. The object was recovered by GORMAN on Danny Creek Ridge in the approximate location that EMERSON saw alleged flying disc crash in a wooded area on the southwest shore of Hebgen Lake. Object was determined to be an astradome from a C-47 type aircraft.</p>			
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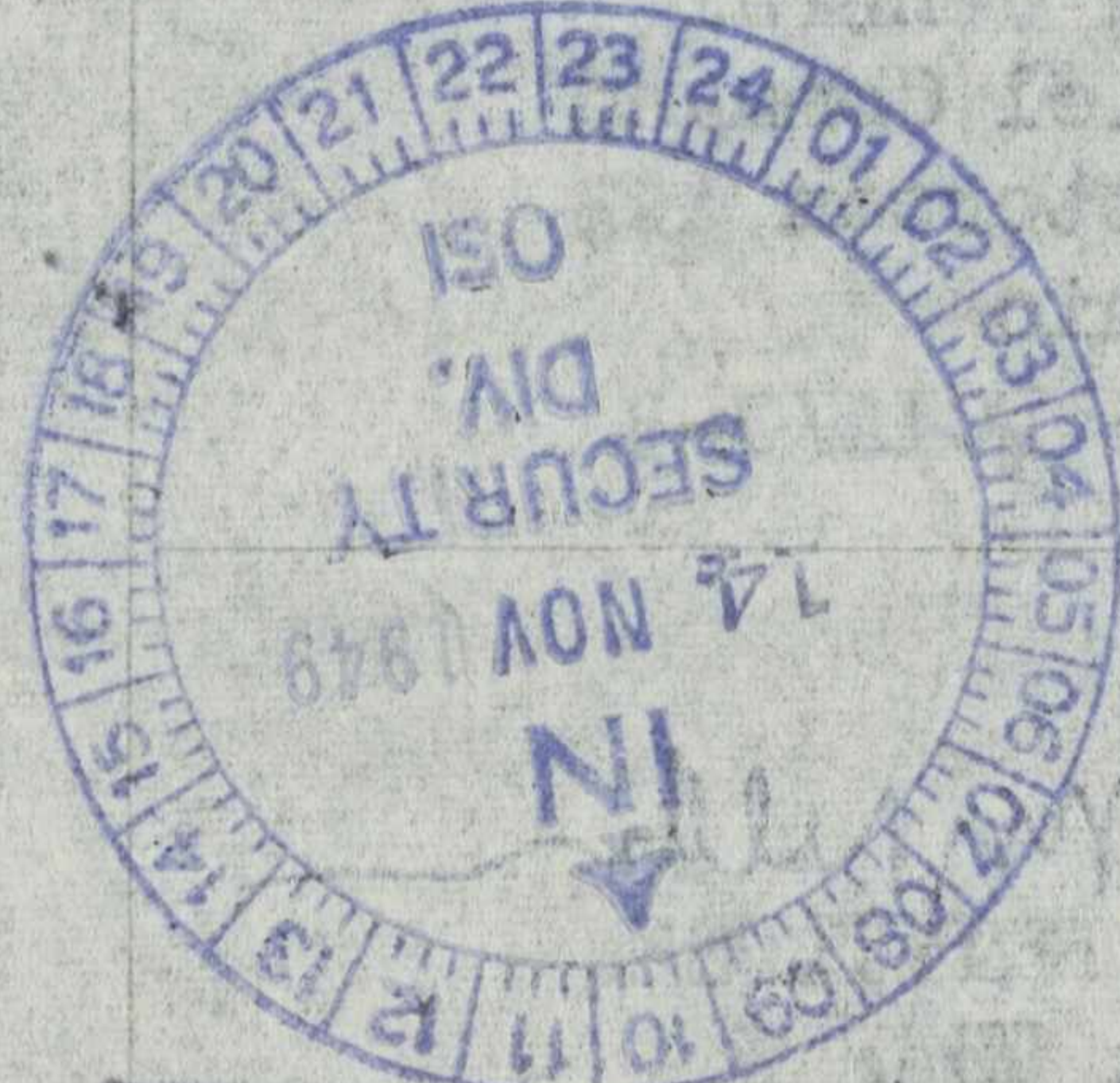
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SYNOPSIS

Investigation of the activities of the [redacted] in the [redacted] area. The investigation was conducted by the [redacted] and the results are as follows: [redacted]

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DETAILS:

1. This case is being re-opened on information supplied by SA Geno Fopp, Butte, Montana Office, F.B.I., Great Falls, Montana, resident agency, on 28 October 1949, to the effect that Mr. CHARLEY RICE, Sheriff, Gallatin County, Bozeman, Montana, had in his possession a "plastic disc-like affair" which had been found on a mountain side near Hebgen Lake, West Yellowstone, Montana.

AT GREAT FALLS AIR FORCE BASE, MONTANA

2. On 28 October 1949, Mr. CHARLES RICE, Sheriff, Gallatin County, Bozeman, Montana, was contacted by telephone and he advised that the description of the "unusual object" in his possession was as follows:

General shape:	Saucer
Material:	Plastic or plexiglass
Diameter	20"
Depth	8"

At the extreme point of convexity, there was a metal disc about three inches in diameter which was held in place by a nut. There was no indication of motivating power and it did not appear as if there had ever been any. Sheriff RICE further stated that the "object" had been found by a Mr. JACK CORMAN, West Yellowstone, Montana, on Danny Creek Ridge, which is on the southwest shore of Hebgen Lake, Montana, while hunting. The Sheriff had received the "object" on 18 October 1949 but did not know the exact date which CORMAN had discovered same.

Further conversation with Mr. HAROLD R. HOGG, undersheriff, revealed that at some time or other, the object had been subject to high temperatures due to the condition of the lip of the object. HOGG stated he had been around the Air Force and airplanes considerably and had never seen anything of a nature resembling the object.

AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

3. Investigation at Bozeman, Montana, is a joint investigation of Special Agent HENRY C. DEEVERS and the writer.

4. On 28 October 1949, Sheriff RICE was interviewed at the Gallatin County Sheriff's Office, Bozeman, Montana, and no further facts concerning date, time and circumstances surrounding the finding of the object on Danny Creek Ridge were obtained.

5. The "unusual object" produced by RICE, consisting of ten pieces of plexiglass of varying sizes, when pieced together, resembled an astradome or

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scanning blister from an airplane.

6. On 31 October 1949, the writer observed the astradome in a C-47 type aircraft and it was determined that the object received from RICE was identical with aforementioned astradome.

7. On 31 October 1949, Capt EDWIN W. SAAR, AO 869 575, Supervisor of Aircraft Maintenance, Hq Squadron, 1701st Maintenance Group, Great Falls Air Force Base, was contacted and requested to furnish instructions for disposition of the remains of the C-47 astradome. Capt SAAR advised that it should be destroyed as he had no further use for it nor would any other Air Force agency have need of it.

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