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1. The attached letter from Mrs Anna Orth, 505 W. Thompson, Box 154, Kahoka, Missouri, dated 10 October 1964, referred to OSI by the FBI, is forwarded in accordance with AFR 200-2.

2. The letter writer has not come to our attention previously.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

Date October 14, 1964

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

The writer has been notified of this reference.

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
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Kahoka, Missouri
October 10, 1964

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

On the night of October 7, at 9 p.m. CST, I walked out on my porch facing the east, and happened to glance up at what I thought was the moon, which was east and slightly northeast. I blinked and glanced again, then opened the screen door, looked, took off my glasses, and still the thing I saw persisted. It looked like an electric light pole (reflecting light) reaching from the earth to the moon. For fear I was imagining things, I ran to the neighbor, and a teen-ager came out to look, and she was just as amazed as I was. At 9:30 p.m. I went to look again, and it was gone, no moon, and the sky was black as ink.

The next day I went to our newspaper office, the Gazette-Herald, and the girl said, folks calling in had flooded the switchboard, and all of their employees had been remarking about it. One man in town said some surveyors working east of Kahoka were doing that, another said it was from a barge on the river. Now I think I did not see the moon, that it was the reflection centered up in the clouds, as I saw bear shaped clouds flouting around the centered light up there, and once the cloud looked funnel-shaped.

It seems as though there should be some logical explanation, but if there are beams powerful enough to cast a beam to the clouds, could they be harmful to our eyesight? If there is no reason for such a performance, it should be stopped. I may be bothering you for nothing, but I would like an explanation. People in general are talking about it, but if anyone is trying to find out about it, I am not aware of it. I hope I have not bothered you for nothing, but in these kind of times, we cannot be sure of anything of a worldly nature.

Yours truly,
Anna Orth
(Mrs.) Anna Orth
505 W. Thompson
Box 154
Kahoka, Mo. # 63445

P.S. Perhaps a year or two ago I saw in the paper where a quantity of Lasar Ray guns were perfected in this country: that they dangerous in that they could blind at quite a distance if pointed at anyone. I hope these will be stored and guarded like the atomic bomb, as they could be catastrophic in the wrong hands.

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
12TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
CHANUTE AIR FORCE BASE, ILLINOIS

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: 12D 24C-0

13 Dec 1962

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects

TO: MATS
ATTN: MAISL
Scott AFB, Ill.

1. Reference letter, your Headquarters, Subject: Request for Interview of Mrs. HARRISON JAMISON, dated 23 November 1962.

2. In accordance with referenced letter and paragraph 15 of AFR 200-2, dated 14 September 1959, the following information is submitted:

On 26 November 1962, Mr. W. H. LEA, Postmaster, Steeleville, Missouri, was interviewed by Special Agent HENRY D. BROOKS, OSI Detachment 1203, Scott AFB, Illinois. LEA stated that he has been acquainted with Mr. and Mrs. HARRISON JAMISON, Box 43, Steeleville, Missouri, for many years and that Mr. JAMISON was an alcoholic until about one year ago, when he was involved in a serious automobile accident and seriously injured. LEA stated that, in his opinion, Mrs. JAMISON's mental capability has been impaired, possibly as a result of her husband's excessive consumption of alcoholic beverages; however, to the best of his knowledge, she has not received treatment for any mental or nervous disorder. LEA said he was not aware of any other persons who have sighted or reported Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO's) and, to his knowledge, such incidents have never become a topic of conversation. As Steeleville has a population of approximately 1200 persons, he felt that if such reports had been made, it would have come to his attention.

On 26 November 1962, Mr. HOMER PERKINS, co-owner, Gibson Lumber Company, residing at 601 First Street, Steeleville, Missouri, was interviewed by Special Agent BROOKS. PERKINS stated that he has resided next door to Mr. and Mrs. HARRISON JAMISON for many years. PERKINS advised that approximately one year ago Mrs. JAMISON started reporting to him and his family the sighting of numerous UFO's, described as big green balls, flying at tree-top level and, on numerous occasions, he and his family have left their residence late at night, at Mrs. JAMISON's insistence, to observe the objects; however, at no time did he or any member of his family observe any objects, although Mrs. JAMISON would point and insist that the objects were present. PERKINS said that Mrs. JAMISON was convinced that something terrible was going to happen to the world, and

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that Mr. JAMISON seemed to agree with her ideas,with an appeasement attitude. PERKINS said it would be his opinion that Mrs. JAMISON's mental capacity has been reduced in recent years, possibly as a result of her husband's condition, and her sighting of UFO's to be a figment of her imagination.

3. In view of the above information, Mrs. JAMISON was not interviewed relative to her claimed sighting of UFO's.

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for FRANK P. DUNNINGTON, JR
Colonel, USAF
Commander

Copy to:
Dir OSI (AFISI-6C)(w/2 atchs)
1. Cy of ltr fr Hq, Foreign Tech Div, W-P AFB, Ohio, 23 Oct 62
2. Cy of Req for Interview of Mrs. JAMISON, 23 Nov 62

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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO

TD-E/Col Wynn

23 October 1962

UFO Sighting, Steelville, Missouri

MATS
Scott AFB Ill

1. Mrs. Harrison Jamison of Steelville, Missouri, has written to the President of the United States reporting the occurrence of numerous unidentified flying objects in the vicinity of her home. Mrs. Jamison reports that these objects appear as big green balls at tree-top level and on occasion appear to land in the woods. The witness reports that her television and radio have more static than normal when the UFO's are in the area. It was reported that there were others in the area who have witnessed the objects.

2. It is suggested that you investigate this UFO sighting in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 3b of A.F.R. 200-2, Unidentified Flying Objects, dated 20 July 1962. Though the witness's description of the objects is limited, it appears to us that misidentification of ball lightning was the cause of this sighting. This information is provided as possible assistance to you during your investigation.

3. The complete address of the witness is as follows:

Mrs. Harrison Jamison
Box #43
Steelville, Missouri

FOR THE COMMANDER

EDWARD H. WYNN
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Science
and Components

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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
Scott Air Force Base, Illinois

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Request for Interview of Mrs. Harrison Jamison 23 Nov 62

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2. It is not economically feasible to dispatch an investigator from Headquarters MATS to Steelville, Missouri and it is requested that on one of your forthcoming visits to that area that Mrs. Jamison be interviewed and information required by paragraph 15, AFR 200-2 be solicited.

FOR THE COMMANDER

JOHN F. AUSTIN, Lt Col, USAF
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(U) UFO(S), Observed at 1715 Hours, 22 Oct 60, Rte 20, between Michigan City and Gary, Indiana, by ROBERT A. HOGEN, Civilian, 3915 N. Pinegrove Ave., Chicago 13, Ill.

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Comdr, CTTC (Center Operations Officer)

1. The following information received from OSI District Office 24, Chicago, Illinois, is furnished in accordance with the provisions of AFR 200-2, dated 14 September 1959.

2. On 23 December 1960, Mr. ROBERT A. HOGEN, Civilian, telephonically advised District Office 24 of an observation, on 22 October 1960, of what he believed to be an unusual group of lights. He explained that a recent radio program concerning Air Force interest in UFO's, prompted him to report this information despite the time lapse since the observation occurred.

3. The following information received from Mr. HOGEN is set forth in the format prescribed in paragraph 15, AFR 200-2, dated 14 September 1959.

a. Description of the Object(s):

1. A group of white spots of light.
2. Appeared to be size of large light bulbs as seen from approximately 1/2 mile distance, or the size of a common 1/2 mile distance, or the size of a common nailhead at arms length.
3. White in color, incandescent, rather than fluorescent light.
4. Approximately 10-15 lights.
5. No systematic formation or spacing except that lights appeared fairly close together and formed an overall eliptical shape similar to a football.
6. No discernible details other than their appearance as spots of lights. Best described as large light bulbs.
7. No tail, trail, or exhaust observed.
8. No sound heard.
9. Lights appeared to be at 3/4 to 1 mile in distance from the observer.

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b. Description of Course of Object(s): (6)

1. Observer was driving automobile and observed the lights through the windshield of the automobile. He recalls nothing unusual about his ~~first~~ noticing the lights, but only that he became aware of their presence naturally.

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2. Lights appeared to be at a 45-degree angle of elevation from point of the observer. Observer's automobile was traveling almost directly west and lights appeared at a 45-degree angle from the line of travel, or in a north-west position.
3. Lights appeared to be stationary and remained in same relative position until observation ceased.
4. No movement or direction of travel of lights was discernible.
5. Visual contact with lights was broken when observer's automobile entered a heavily wooded area and the tall trees came between lights and the observer.
6. From first notice until lights were obscured by trees the lights were observed for a period of 15-20 seconds.

c. Manner of Observation:

1. Ground-visual from observer's automobile which was in motion.
2. No optical aids were used, except that observation was made through glass windshield of automobile.
3. Observation was made from automobile traveling in almost directly West direction at a speed of 55-60 MPH.

d. Time and Date of Sighting:

1. Time of observation: 2245 Zulu, 22 October 1960.
   Local daylight Central time: 1745 hours, 22 October 1960.
2. Observer described light conditions as being Night.

e. Location of Observer(s):

Observer could not establish his exact location at time of sighting, except that he was approximately half way between Michigan City and Gary, Indiana, traveling toward Gary, Indiana. Observer departed Michigan City, Indiana, at approximately 1700 to 1715 hours, local time and traveled at average speed of 55-60 MPH until time of observation at approximately 1745 hours local time. Travel occurred on Route 20 or 12, but most probably Route 20.

f. Identifying Information on Observer:

(a) ROBERT A. HOGEN, age 39, 3915 North Pinegrove Avenue, Chicago 13, Illinois. Home Phone: DIversey 8-9508. Management Consultant on leave from Willmark Service System, 14 E. Jackson Street, Chicago, Illinois.

(b) Miss HORN, occupant of automobile, current employee of Willmark Service System, 14 E. Jackson, Chicago, Illinois.

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g. Weather and Winds - Aloft Conditions at Time and Place of Sightings:

1. Observer could not ascertain conditions as to cloud cover, ceiling, or temperature at time of sighting, but described the night as dry and good visibility. He recalled that the sky had been clear during daylight hours.

2. Because of time lapse since reported sighting, no additional weather conditions were determined from official sources by this office.

h. Information received by Special Agent JAMES P. STODDARD III, District Office Nr 24, Chicago, Illinois.

ERNEST J. BOUCHER
Lt Colonel, USAF
Commander

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
12TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
CHANUTE AIR FORCE BASE, ILLINOIS

REPLY TO ATTN OF: 12D 24-0-332

5 APR 1960

SUBJECT: REPORT OF UFO SIGHTING (Four Miles North of Kankakee, Illinois, 0600, 1 April 1960)

TO: Dir, Spec Inves, Hq USAF, Wash 25, D. C.

1. On 1 April 1960, at 2230 hours, Captain ARNOLD W. SCHUTT, AO-556121, Chanute Air Force Base Airdrome Officer, advised Special Agent DONALD E. BRUER, OSI Duty Agent, of the following:

> JOHN BETOURNE, RR #1, Bourbonnais, Illinois, called Captain SCHUTT at 2145 hours, 1 April 1960, and reported the sighting of an unidentified flying object at 0600 hours, 1 April, 1960, which he described as a ball, blue in color, with a long trail coming from an easterly direction. He sighted the object about four (4) miles north of Kankakee, Illinois, and took a picture of it. Captain SCHUTT requested BETOURNE to send the picture to Chanute Air Force Base Operations.

2. Special Agent BRUER contacted Major GORDON W. CROZIER, Chanute Air Force Base Operations, who after being informed of action required by AFR 200-2, stated that, in the absence of an assigned Intelligence Officer, he would take the information and initiate action required by that regulation.

3. The above is furnished for your information, although it was not received directly from the person sighting the UFO. (Ref. Paragraph 904, OSIB Nr 51)

WILLIAM COOK
Lt Colonel, USAF
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CHANUTE AIR FORCE BASE, ILLINOIS

REPLY TO ATTN OF: 12D 24-0-330

12 APR 1960

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SUBJECT: Report of Observation of UFO by Police Sergeant BRYON CHRISMER (N)

TO: Dir, Spec Inves, Hq USAF, Wash 25, D. C.

1. Reference is made to letter, subject as above, dated 25 March 1960, by our St Louis Detachment to Hq, Military Air Transport Service, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois, a copy of which was furnished your Directorate.

2. Military Air Transport Service forwarded the following information by TWX in accordance with AFR 200-2, Paragraph 15:

"UFO: a. (1) ROUND (2) SIZE OF TIRE ON HEAVY EARTH MOVING VEHICLE, APPROXIMATELY NINE FEET IN DIAMETER (3) WHITE (4) THREE OBJECTS (5) "VEE" THREE SHIP ELEMENT (6) OBJECTS FLEW OVER CITY POLICE CAR AND ONLY BOTTOMS WERE OBSERVED, ROUND AND APPEARED FLAT AS SAUCERS. (7) NONE (8) NONE (9) NONE. b. (1) BRIGHT LIGHT APPEARED OVER WHOLE AREA OF LAMBERT FIELD, MISSOURI, LASTING ABOUT TWO SECONDS BEFORE THE THREE OBJECTS WERE SIGHTED. (2) DIRECTLY OVERHEAD AT ABOUT 5 - 10,000 FEET (3) 5-10,000 FEET SW TRAVELING TO NE VISIBLE FOR ABOUT 6 SECONDS. (4) DIRECT NE LEVEL FLIGHT (5) INSTANTANEOUSLY BELOW OVERCAST (6) SIX SECONDS c. (1) GROUND VISUAL (2) A CHECK WITH OPERATIONS OFFICER, CAPT ROBERT S. BROMAN, AO 929931, DET 6, RADAR BOMB SQ AT 4300 GOODFELLOW, ST. LOUIS, MO, REPORTED NEGATIVE SIGHTING. A CHECK OF LOGS BY MR. CLARK TUCKER, RADAR WATCH SUPERVISOR FAA, LAMBERT FIELD, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, REVEALED NEGATIVE REPORT. (3) NOT APPLICABLE d. (1) 0800/24 ZULU (2) NIGHT. e.(1) ONE OBSERVER WAS PARKED IN CAR. GARFIELD AVENUE BETWEEN AIR PORT ROAD AND 1ST STREET (BERKELEY) ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI (SOUTH SIDE OF LAMBERT FIELD) (2) SECOND OBSERVER WAS PARKED IN CAR ON NORTH SIDE OF LAMBERT FIELD AT BROWN AND COUNTY DAY ROAD (BERKELEY) ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. f. (1) S/SGT BRYAN CHRISNER, 34 YEARS OLD, 6628 THURSTON, BERKELEY, MISSOURI, A MEMBER OF THE BERKELEY POLICE FORCE, FORMER NAVY AIR FORCE PILOT AND HAD EXPERIENCE IN REPORTING UFO'S DURING MILITARY SERVICE. (2) OFFICER BOBBY EADES, ALSO MEMBER OF BERKELEY POLICE DEPT. BOTH OFFICERS WERE ON DUTY AT TIME OF SIGHTING. CHRISNER CONTACTED EADES ON CAR RADIO AND ASKED HIM IF HE HAD NOTICED ANYTHING UNUSUAL. EADES ANSWERED "YOU MEAN THE SKY LIGHTING UP AND

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THE THREE OBJECTS GOING NORTHEAST". g. (1) RELATIVELY CLEAR. (2) WINDS - SURFACE, 311 DEGREES, 8 KNOTS, 6000 FEET, 330 DEGREES, 24 KNOTS, 9000 FEET, 310 DEGREES, 49 KNOTS. (3) CEILING AT 0155, 10,000 SCATTERED AND HIGH BROKEN. (4) VISIBILITY 10 MILES, NINE TENTHS CLOUD COVER. (5) SAME AS FOUR (4). (6) NONE. (7) THIRTY ONE DEGREES. h. NONE. i. CONTROL TOWER AT LAMBERT FIELD, REPORTED NO AIRCRAFT IN AREA AT TIME. MC DONNELL AIRCRAFT, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, REPORTED NO AIRCRAFT IN AREA AT TIME. j. NONE. k. LT COL JOHN E. RHODE, CHIEF INTELLIGENCE, DCS/PLANS, HQ MATS, SCOTT AFB, ILLINOIS. THE IDENTITY OF THE OBJECTS CAN NOT BE DETERMINED BY THIS HQ, BUT IT IS BELIEVED THAT IT MIGHT BE SOME FORM OF UNUSUAL WEATHER PHENOMENA."

3. The above is furnished for your information.

Robert W Stewart
Lt Col

WILLIAM COOK
Lt Colonel, USAF
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ST. LOUIS DETACHMENT
12th OSI District (IG) USAF
9700 Page Boulevard
St. Louis, Missouri

25 March 1960

SUBJECT: Report of Observation of UFO by Police Sergeant Bryon Chrismer

TO: Chief, Intelligence Division
DCS/Plans
Headquarters, MATS
Scott Air Force Base, Illinois

1. This is to confirm the verbal briefing in compliance with AFR 200-2 received by your office from Major Jack Roberts, Detachment Commander, Scott OSI Detachment, concerning the siting of unidentified flying objects over St. Louis, Missouri, by Police Sergeant Bryon Chrismer and Police Patrolman Bobby Eades, Berkeley, Missouri Police Department at 0202 hours on 24 March 1960.

RUSSELL O. WOMACK, JR.
Special Agent, OSI
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SUBJECT: ~~X~~ NR Unidentified Flying Object

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TO: Hq, MATS
Scott AFB, Ill.

1. The following information was received from Mr. RICHARD ROSE, 9927 Duke Drive, Moline Acres, St. Louis County, Missouri by Special Agent RUDOLPH M. SCHELLHAMMER, Detachment Commander, St. Louis OSI Detachment. This information is furnished in accordance with paragraph 15, AFR 200-2.

a. Description of the OBJECT:

(1) Described as having the appearance of a star in motion.

(2) Size stated to be about that of a pea held in the hand at about arms length.

(3) Reddish in color.

(4) Only one (1) observed.

(5) N/A

(6) No discernible features or details.

(7) It appeared to have a tail.

(8) Made sound like large jet.

d. Description of course of OBJECT:

(1) Observed while scanning the sky. Attracted to his attention because of motion noted.

(2) Was traveling level in a north northwesterly direction when first observed.

(3) Upon disappearance still level traveling south.

(4) Flight path was a wide circular pattern from initial direction of north northwest to south.

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(5) The OBJECT disappeared gradually to the south as though traveling and then gradually diminishing in size.

(6) Was observed for between two (2) and three (3) minutes.

c. Manner of observation:

(1) Ground visual.

(2) N/A

(3) N/A

d. Time and Date of Sighting:

(1) 1047 P.M., Central Daylight Time, 20 July 1959 (0347A, 21 July 1959).

(2) Bright moon, clear night and intermittent clouds

e. Location of Observer:

(1) Observer was at his residence, reflected below.

f. Identifying information on Observer:

(1) RICHARD ROSE, age 27 years, 9927 Duke Drive, Moline Acres, St. Louis County, Missouri, salesman for business machines. Reliability unknown.

f thru l. No information available.

WILLIAM COOK
Lt Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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18 SEP 1957

12D 24-0-258

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
St. Louis, Missouri, 17 September 1957

TO: Commander
Air Defense Command
Ent Air Force Base
Colorado Springs, Colorado

1. At 1410 hours, Special Agent CHARLES F. CRUTCHFIELD, St. Louis Detachment OSI(IG), received a telephone call from a Mr. ROBERT WAYNE OHLINE reporting that he sighted an unidentified flying object at approximately 1100 hours, Central Standard Time.

2. In accordance with the provisions of paragraph 7, AFR 200-2, the following report is submitted:

(1) Description of the object:

(a) Disc-shaped
(b) Estimated 100 yards in diameter
(c) Color was a metallic gray
(d) One
(e) Not applicable
(f) Negative except that object did not have the design of any conventional aircraft
(g) No vapor trail or exhaust visable
(h) Observer estimated sound to be that of a 100-cylinder diesel engine at a great distance
(i) Not applicable

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(2) Description of the course of object:

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(a) Sound first called observer's attention to object
(b) Ten (10) degrees from the zenith and about seventy (70) degrees from the horizon.
(c) Twenty (20) degrees from the horizon
(d) Object travelled nearly parallel to the horizon for about seven (7) seconds. Object made a circle and a slight angle toward the south and disappeared.

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cc: Wlin. OSI

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(e) Disappeared in the distance
(f) Approximately ten (10) seconds

(3) Manner of observation:

(a) Ground-visual
(b) No field glasses or other optical aid. Observer claimed 20-20 vision and was wearing polaroid-type sun glasses
(c) Not applicable

(4) Time and date of sighting:

(a) 171700 Z
(b) Day

(5) Location of observer: Standing on a ladder at west end of house approximately 20 feet from the ground and looking toward the northwest.

(6) Identifying information of observer:

(a) Civilian - ROBERT WAYNE OHLINE, 23 years; residing at 5466 Neosho St., St. Louis, Missouri. Graduate student in Chemistry at Northwestern University.

(7) Weather and winds-aloft:

(a) Clear
(b) Wind - southeast at 8 knots. Wind velocity at 80 degrees at 6,000 feet was 15 knots, 90 degrees at 10,000 feet was 20 knots, 220 degrees at 16,000 feet was 12 knots
(c) Ceiling - unlimited
(d) Visability - 10 miles
(e) No clouds
(f) Negative

(8) No other unusual activity or conditions, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise.

(9) Observer claimed he saw no other air traffic prior to or after sighting object.

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(10) Negative

(11) No physical evidence such as materials and photographs.

3. In addition to weather conditions sighted in the preceding paragraphs, Mr. WEBSTER LACEY, Observer-Briefer Meteorologist, St. Louis Weather Bureau stated a weather balloon was released from the Lambert Field Weather Station at 1100 hours Central Standard time and that with the prevailing wind conditions, it would have drifted eastward toward the city of St. Louis, and that there was a possibility that this was the object the observer had seen.

cc: Dir OSI
Comdr, 3310th TTW,
Scott AFB, Ill.

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
12TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
CHANUTE AIR FORCE BASE, ILLINOIS

12D 24-0-258

18 SEP 1957

SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object
St. Louis, Missouri, 17 September 1957

TO: Director, Special Investigations
Headquarters, United States Air Force
Washington 25, D. C. ATTN: Chief, C I Division

1. Synopsis: Unidentified flying object sighted by civilian observer, ROBERT WAYNE OHLINE, at St. Louis, Missouri at 1100 hours, Central Standard time, 17 September 1957. (OSI, F-6)

2. Details: a. At approximately 1545 hours, 17 September 1957, this District Headquarters was advised telephonically by Special Agent CHARLES F. CRUTCHFIELD, St. Louis Detachment, that at 1100 hours, Central Standard time, an unidentified flying object had been observed in the St. Louis area. OHLINE, 23 years old, civilian, a chemistry graduate student at Northwestern University, residing at 5466 Neosho, Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

b. OHLINE stated that object was a round disc, metallic gray in color, and estimated it to be approximately 100 yards in diameter. When first observed the object was 10 degrees from the Zenith and 70 degrees from the Horizon, travelling nearly parallel to the horizon. Object made a circle and a slight angle toward the south before disappearing at about 20 degrees from the horizon. OHLINE estimated the sound to be that of a 100 - cylinder diesel engine at a great distance. Observer further stated he was wearing polaroid-type sun glasses at the time and did not use field glasses or other optical aids. Total time of observation approximately 10 seconds.

c. Weather was clear; visibility 10 miles, no clouds, ceiling-unlimited.

d. WEBSTER LACEY, Observer-Briefer Meteorologist, St. Louis, Missouri Weather Bureau advised that at 1100 hours, Central Standard time, a weather balloon was released from the Lambert Field Weather Station and with the prevailing winds would have drifted eastward toward

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3. Action: Commander, Air Defense Command, Ent Air Force Base, Colorado notified by letter in accordance with provisions of AFR 200-2, with copies for Director, Special Investigations, Headquarters, United States Air Force, Washington 25, D. C. and Commander, 3310th Technical Training Wing, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois.

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12 JUN 1953

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object
Observed Florissant, Missouri
2200 hours, 30 May 53 (FLYOBRPT)

TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters, USAF
Washington 25, D.C.

1. This District Office is in receipt of correspondence from the St. Louis Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, dated 9 June 1953, regarding subject matter, as follows:

"For your information and for whatever action you may deem appropriate, on June 2, 1953, OWEN GEORGE McNAMARA, 1230 St. Joan Drive, Florissant, Missouri, telephone TEmple 7-3770, telephonically advised that at 10:00 P.M. on May 30, 1953, his wife and himself observed an unidentified object moving in an eastwardly direction from the west through the sky in a direct line flight from the porch of their residence.

Mr. McNAMARA stated that this object, the speed or height of which he was unable to estimate, appeared to be white in color and about the size of a star. He stated that sufficient time elapsed during his observance to permit his wife to bring his eight power glasses through which he observed the object. He related that it appeared to move in a series of about eight surges or spurts with one second intervals between each. He advised that finally it appeared to come to rest for about two seconds and as its flight continued it vanished from his sight as it blended into the sky and stars.

He advised that he had difficulty in distinguishing it from a star, but was of the opinion that it was not a plane or a star. He further related that the glasses did not seem to bring the object any nearer. "

2. This information has been obtained from other than USAF sources and may not be disseminated outside the Air Force establishment.

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3. The preceeding is submitted for your information and no action is contemplated by this Office.

for and in the absence
of District Commander

George A. McCaffrey
Major, USAF

JOE D. DENSON
Major, USAF
District Commander

cc: Chief, ATIC,
W-P AFB, Ohio

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29 July 1952

SUBJECT: Unconventional Aircraft Sighting

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TO: Director
Office of Special Investigations
Washington, D.C.

Inclosed herewith as a matter of interest to your office is a newspaper clipping from the Indianapolis Times of 28 July 1952, pertaining to a recent "Flying Saucer" report.

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Lt.Col.,USAF
District Commander

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OBSERVERS AGREE ON DESCRIPTION

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REPORTS IN LINE WITH CAPITAL'S

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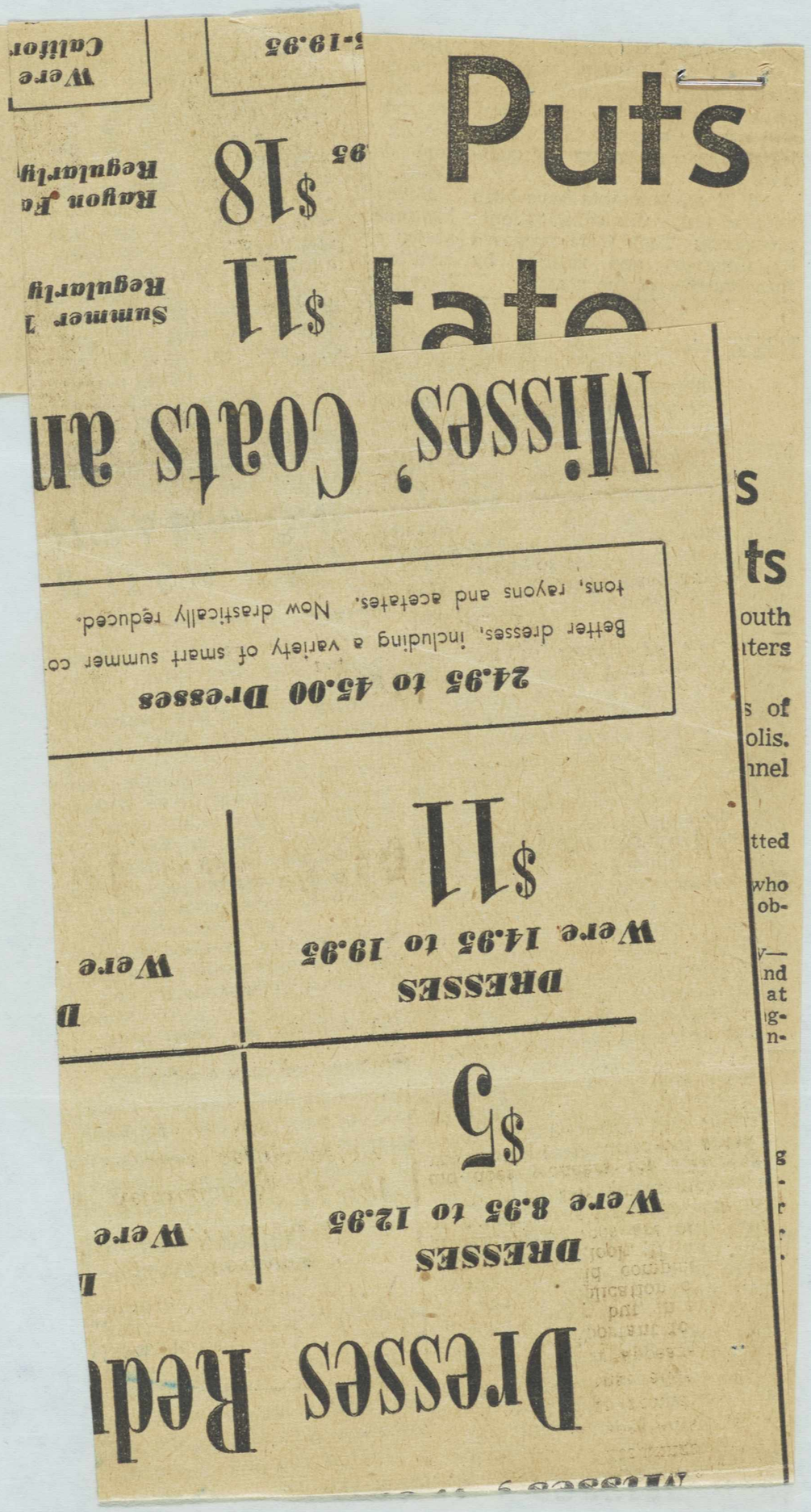
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12TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
CHANUTE AIR FORCE BASE, ILLINOIS

12D 49-0-5

13 JUN 1952

SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: Sighting of Unconventional Aircraft

TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters United States Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.

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1. SYNOPSIS: Mr. GRAY W. MILLER, 716 Summit Avenue, Webster Groves, Missouri, reported sighting two (2) objects in the sky at approximately 1700 hours 29 May 1952 off the coast of the Florida Keys while aboard the U.S.S. Oriskany CV-34. MILLER related that he was standing beside the ship's telescope on the starboard side of the navigation deck and observed the two (2) objects through the telescope upon being informed by the Radar Officer, name unknown, that there were two (2) saucers in the sky. Evaluation of information cannot be determined.

2. DETAILS: On 10 June 1952, Mr. GRAY W. MILLER, 716 Summit Avenue, Webster Groves, Missouri, was interviewed by Special Agent KENNETH L. THOMPSON at his (MILLER's) home, upon his own request. Mr. MILLER stated that he is a Field Representative Engineer for Vickers Electric Division, Vickers, Incorporated, 1815 Olive Street, St. Louis, Missouri. MILLER stated that on 29 May 1952 he was aboard the U.S. Aircraft Carrier Oriskany, CV-34, Commanded by Captain J. O. LAMBRECHT, U.S. Navy, enroute from Norfolk, Virginia to Guantanamo, Cuba. At approximately 1700 to 1730 hours, 29 May 1952, the Radar Officer, name unknown, ran from the Radar Room and said that there were two (2) saucers in the sky. MILLER advised that he (MILLER) was standing beside the ship's telescope, located on the starboard side of the navigation deck, and immediately looked at the objects in the sky through the telescope. MILLER stated that there were two (2) objects in the sky, at an estimated altitude of 10,000 to 15,000 feet, flying in a "front" formation. Each object was leaving a white vapor trail.

MILLER described the objects and conditions under which they were observed as follows: Eliptical in shape, with what appeared to be a bubble on the top. The size was estimated to be larger than a jet fighter type aircraft or possibly the size of a flying wing.

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There was no apparent color as the view was a silhouette. There were two (2) objects, each leaving a white vapor trail. No apparent propulsion system could be observed. The speed was estimated above the sonic range as the objects were in view only fifteen (15) to twenty (20) seconds when they disappeared from sight. There was no sound audible due to aircraft in operation on the flight deck. The objects were viewed by means of a telescope, and the Radar Officer viewed the objects on the radar scope. The power of the telescope is unknown. The location of the aircraft carrier at the time of the sighting was approximately off the Florida Keys, as the carrier passed Santo Domingo Island sometime between 2100 hours and 2200 hours on 29 May 1952. The objects were observed in the western sky off the starboard side of the carrier at an approximate angle of thirty (30) to forty (40) degrees above the horizon at an altitude of 10,000 to 15,000 feet. The carrier was headed in a southerly direction. The objects' course paralleled that of the carrier. The weather conditions were described as being high cumulus clouds and calm sea. Weather sequences were not checked by the observer. The observer could not recall any activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting. The observer did not have any photographs or physical evidence. No interception or identification action was taken.

MILLER stated that he has flown a great deal and considered his estimate of the altitude carefully. He gave the appearance of a calm person, not readily excited, and considered his answers very carefully before answering any questions. MILLER advised he did not report this incident to the security officer nor to the intelligence officer upon arrival at port. He could not state as to what action the Radar Officer, who first sighted the objects, took in reporting the incident. MILLER stated that it was at the suggestion of his employer, Vickers, Incorporated, that the matter be reported to the USAF that he contacted the OSI Office, St. Louis Detachment, by telephone and requested that an agent receive the information in person.

3. ACTION: The Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, is being notified by copies of this report. No further action is contemplated by this District.

cc: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson AFB
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MCIS
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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT
Unidentified Aerial Object Sighted over
Holman Municipal Airport, Terre Haute,
Indiana, 9 October 1951

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TO: District Commander
2nd OSI District (IG)
67 Broad Street
New York, N. Y.

1. Reference is made to letter, your district, file 24-0-113, dated 30 October 1951, regarding captioned subject.

2. Transmitted herewith for your information is one (1) copy of Counter-Intelligence Spot Report prepared regarding subject incident.

3. In the absence of a specific request by competent authority as defined in AFSI Letter 57, dated 23 October 1950, additional action is not being taken by this District Office.

LeROY BITCON
Lt Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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25 October 1951

SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

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12D 1-11-100

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT
Unidentified Aerial Object Sighted Over
Hulman Municipal Airport, Terre Haute,
Indiana, 9 October 1951

TO: Director
Office of Special Investigations
Headquarters United States Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.

1. SYNOPSIS: Chief Aircraft Communicator, CAA, Hulman Municipal Airport, Terre Haute, Indiana, reported to the Office of Special Investigations agent that on 9 October 1951 at 1342 hours he observed an unknown unidentified aerial object directly overhead at Hulman Municipal Airport. The object was approximately the size of a half-dollar coin held at arm's length and was flying in a southeasterly direction. The day was clear and informant's vision was unobstructed. Exact size and altitude of the object unknown. Informant advised that a pilot, one Charles Warrem, sighted a similar object on the same date at approximately 1345 hours just east of Paris, Illinois at approximately 5,000 feet. Object was last seen traveling in a northeasterly direction, south of the Atomic Energy Plant at Newport, Indiana.

2. DETAILS: Mr. Claude W. Sonner, 1833 North Eighth Street, Terre Haute, Indiana, Chief Aircraft Communicator, Civil Aeronautics Authority, Hulman Municipal Airport, Terre Haute, Indiana, was interviewed on 12 October 1951 by Special Agent Elbert W. Farris, and stated that he had observed an unknown unidentified aerial object at 1342 hours, Tuesday, 9 October 1951. The object was sighted directly overhead at Hulman Municipal Airport which is located approximately five (5) miles east of Terre Haute, Indiana, on Indiana State Road No. 42. According to Mr. Sonner the object was approximately the size of a one-half dollar held at arms length; was silver in color and flew in a southeasterly direction. Mr. Sonner stated that the object pursued a straight path of flight; that he

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observed no vapor trails; heard no noise and observed no protruding fins or other protrusions on this aerial object. Mr. Sonner stated he observed the object pass from directly over his head to the horizon in approximately fifteen seconds which he considered to be a conservative estimate of time. The day was clear, a bright sun, no clouds or haze, vision was not obstructed by trees or other foliage or buildings and the object traveled over flat terrain; shape and general form of object could still be observed at the time it disappeared over the horizon. Mr. Sonner stated that he could not estimate the object's size or altitude. According to Mr. Sonner, if this object was 200 feet high, it would have been traveling approximately 2,880 miles per hour and that the speed in miles per hour would increase in proportion to the object's height. Mr. Sonner further stated that either this object or another was sighted by Charles Warrem, South Seventh Street, Terre Haute, Indiana, at approximately 1345 hours, Tuesday, 9 October 1951, just east of Paris, Illinois. Warrem was flying a private plane at an altitude of 5,000 feet from Greencastle, Indiana, to Paris, Illinois, and sighted this silver object just east of Paris, Illinois at 5,000 feet. The object appeared to be stationary at 5,000 feet, inasmuch as it did not increase or diminish in size with the approach of the plane. The object then reversed its direction and was last seen traveling in a northeasterly direction south of the Atomic Energy Plant at Newport, Indiana.

3. ACTION: Commanding General, Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, notified by two (2) information copies of this report.

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SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, ILLINOIS

18 April 1950

SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: Unconventional Aircraft

TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters United States Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.

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1. SYNOPSIS: EARL F. BAKER, Kokomo, Indiana, reportedly observed what he described as a flying saucer. BAKER revealed that the object was a grayish metal disc perhaps 50 feet or more in diameter hovering approximately 200 feet in the air and rotating slowly. The top side appeared to have a conning tower on it. There was a bluish light coming from three port hole windows in the outer rim of the disc. A noise described like the moaning of the wind was heard. (Newspaper article 13 April 1950 edition Indianapolis Star) F-6

2. DETAILS: On 13 April 1950 EARL F. BAKER of Kokomo, Indiana, reported that he saw a flying saucer which he described as a grayish metal disc perhaps 50 feet or more in diameter hovering over the back yard of his home about 200 feet in the air and slowly rotating. BAKER stated: "Ever so often one side would tilt downward and I could see on top what looked to be kind of like a little conning tower. There was a bluish light coming from 3 port hole windows in the outer rim of the disc". BAKER reported that the only noise he heard "was like the wind moaning". BAKER further stated: "I watched it for two or three minutes, finally it began to rise upwards. Then it went higher and higher, began moving northward and finally disappeared". BAKER stated that he observed this disc on Saturday morning (8 April 1950) but did not report it until 13 April 1950 because "he didn't want to be laughed at". BAKER is married and the father of three sons. He resides in a quiet residential section in Kokomo. It is reported that he has a reputation for being forthright and truthful which might add weight to his statement concerning a flying disc.

3. ACTION: Any further reports concerning this object will be furnished immediately. Commanding Officer, Atterbury AFB, Columbus, Indiana, Commanding Officer, Benjamin Harrison AFB, Indianapolis, Indiana, Commanding General, Continental Air Command, Mitchel AFB, New York, and Commanding General, Air Training Command, Scott AFB, Illinois, notified with a copy of this report.

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16 March 1950

SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: Unconventional Aircraft, D.O. #12

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TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

1. SYNOPSIS: RICHARD LEMMON, DuQuoin, Illinois, reported sighting an unconventional aircraft described as shaped like a discus approximately 60 feet in diameter, 10 feet thick in the middle and thin at the edges. LEMMON sighted the object at approximately 0700 hours, 27 February 1950, near Coulterville, Illinois. LEMMON had object in view for approximately 15 minutes, noticed no vapor trails, flames or smoke. Object highly maneuverable. Object finally disappeared heading directly south from DuQuoin, Illinois, in the direction of Carbondale, Illinois, at a speed of better than 150 miles per hour. At the time of sighting of object LEMMON was flying a PT-19 and was accompanied by his wife. (Interview with RICHARD LEMMON, DuQuoin, Illinois on 15 March 1950) (F-6)

2. DETAILS: At approximately 0700 hours, 27 February 1950, Mr. RICHARD LEMMON, 411 Cedar Street, DuQuoin, Illinois, was returning to DuQuoin, Illinois from Woodriver, Illinois in a PT-19 aircraft accompanied by his wife when he noticed an object near Coulterville, Illinois, which appeared to be an aircraft. LEMMON gained altitude to 5,000 feet where he appeared to be at the same level with the object. LEMMON described this object as being in the shape of a discus approximately 60 feet in diameter, 10 feet thick in the middle and thin at the edges. It had a high metallic shine and he could not distinguish any markings nor breaks in the metal for windows or rotors, etc. He did not notice any flames or smoke and could see no vapor trails. It appeared to be highly maneuverable and made several turns both to right and left and also moved up and down. LEMMON had this object in view for approximately 15 minutes and was as close as one-half mile away from it. LEMMON stated that he flew above, below and to either side of the object to be certain that he was not experiencing an illusion or viewing a reflection. He stated that the sky was clear which eliminated the possibility of cloud reflection. The air was smooth and he believed that the object moved up and down under its own power and not as a result of air current. The object appeared to tilt in the direction which it intended to move but LEMMON could not distinguish any front or rear of the object. There was no visible indication of how it was powered. LEMMON

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stated that he has retained in his mind the idea that the object appeared to be cut in sections wide at the edge to narrow in the middle resembling the cuts of a piece of a pie. LEMMON stated that he was flying at approximately 140 to 150 miles per hour when the object picked up speed and disappeared.

LEMMON gave as a reason for not previously reporting this incident the fact that he thought he would be ridiculed if he claimed to have sighted a flying disk.

No further reports concerning this object have been received from persons residing in the area in which LEMMON reported he sighted it. There have been no newspaper articles concerning anyone else in this area having sighted such an object.

3. ACTION: Any further reports concerning this object or any incidents of the same type will be furnished immediately. The Commanding General, Continental Air Command, Mitchell AFB, Commanding General, Air Training Command, Commanding General, Scott AFB and Commanding General, Chanute AFB have been notified with a copy of this report.

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10 March 1950

SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: Unconventional Aircraft

TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters United States Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.

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1. SYNOPSIS: JOHN GORMAN, Evansville, Indiana, reported sighting what appeared to be a rocket near Newburg, Indiana, at approximately 2100 hours, 4 March 1950. Rocket appeared to be 10 or 12 inches in diameter travelling at rate of speed of an aircraft approximately 15 feet above and parallel to the ground. No flames observed, no noise heard. GORMAN driving automobile 50 miles per hour drove into smoke emitted from the object. (Telephonic report FBI, Indianapolis, Ind.--(F-6)

2. DETAILS: At approximately 2200 hours, 4 March 1950, Mr. KIRBY SCHERER, Identification Officer, of the Police Department, Evansville, Indiana, advised the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Field Office, Indianapolis, that a friend, Mr. JOHN GORMAN, employed in the blue print division, Ridgeway Optical Company, 313 Main Street, Evansville, Indiana, advised that at approximately 2100 hours, 4 March 1950, he was driving east approximately two miles east of the Junction of Indiana State Highway 66 and 261 north of Newburg, Indiana, when he observed an object which he believed to be a rocket at a distance of approximately 50 or 75 yards in front of his automobile. This object was flying across the highway in a northerly direction. GORMAN did not see any flames but he did see smoke being emitted from the object. This object appeared to be a cylinder 10 or 12 inches in diameter and appeared to be travelling at a rate of speed of an aircraft, approximately 15 feet above the ground flying parallel to the ground. He saw no flames and heard no noise. GORMAN was travelling approximately 50 miles per hour and drove into the smoke emitted from said object. GORMAN'S wife who was also in the automobile saw the smoke from the object.

3. ACTION: Any further reports concerning this object will be furnished immediately. Any written report from the FBI confirming this report will be submitted. Commanding Officer, Atterbury AFB, Columbus, Indiana, Commanding Officer, Benjamin Harrison AFB, Indianapolis, Indiana, and Commanding General, Air Training Command, Scott AFB, Illinois, notified with a copy of this report.

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Investigation failed to reveal any other persons who on 23 July 1949 observed aerial phenomena at Delphi, Indiana.

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DETAILS:

AT DELPHI, INDIANA

1. Investigation in the vicinity of Delphi, Indiana, and immediate locale by Special Agent DONALD E. GREENWOOD and Special Agent DENZIL F. WILDMAN during the months of September and October 1949 failed to reveal any other persons who on the night of 23 July 1949 observed aerial phenomena in the vicinity of Delphi, Indiana.

AT LAFAYETTE, INDIANA

2. Checks with the Weather Bureaus in the vicinityof lafayette, Indiana, on 20 September 1949 by Special Agent DENZIL F. WILDMAN, and at Delphi, Indiana, during the month of October 1949 by Special Agent DONALD E. GREENWOOD, met with negative results.

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SYNOPSIS

Unidentified aerial phenomena observed by two informants for a period of approximately four hours on 23 July 1949.

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DETAILS:

1. Investigation was requested by Headquarters, United States Air Force, The Inspector General, Office of Special Investigations, Washington 25, D.C., pursuant to a letter from the 12th OSI District (IG), dated 28 July 1949, concerning the sighting of flying objects by Mr. GAYNME MOSSER of Lafayette, Indiana, on 23 July 1949.

2. This investigation was conducted by Special Agent DENZIL F. WILDMAN.

AT LAFAYETTE, INDIANA

3. On 20 September 1949 Mr. HORACE GAYNME MOSSER, age 50, Clerk in the Accounting Department of Manon Route Railroad, 719 South 30th Street, and FRANK M. ROBERTSON, age 23, clerk , Manon Route Railroad, 285 Walnut Street, were interviewed by Special Agent DENZIL F. WILDMAN and furnished him with the following information concerning air phenomena at Delphi, Indiana, at approximately 2300 hours (CST) on Saturday, 23 July 1949: MOSSER and ROBERTSON were fishing in an old stone quary at the northeast edge of Delphi, Indiana, when ROBERTSON happened to look in the sky and saw two dimly illuminated objects and called MOSSER'S attention to them. MOSSER and ROBERTSON described the objects as being approximately fifty feet in diameter, disk shaped and silver in color. MOSSER and ROBERTSON advised that the objects were highly maneuverable. One disk was spinning in a clock wise direction in its own axis and the second disk was spinning counter clock wise in its own axis and did various loops, turns and dives. Both MOSSER and ROBERTSON advised that the disks stayed within a close proximity and in their opinion were connected together, and appeared to be between 1500 and 2000 feet in altitude. The objects appeared to be at a 45° angle with the horizon and at 1:00 o'clock direction when first observed. The objects made no sound nor produced no oder. The objects were observed for approximately four hours. They changed their positions from 1:00 o'clock to 11:00 o'clock then to 12:00 o'clock and gradually grew dimmer and disappeared. MOSSER and ROBERTSON stated that there were no clouds, no moon and that the night was very dark.

4. In accordance with AFCSI Letter 85, dated 12 August 1949, the following information was supplied by MOSSER and ROBERTSON.

A. Date of sighting - Saturday, 23 July 1949.
B. Time of sighting - 2300 hours, CST.
C. Where sighted - At the Delphi, Indiana, Stone Quarry, approximately five blocks northeast of Delphi, Indiana. The observer was on the ground and the objects were sighted in the sky.
D. Number of objects - Two.
E. Observable celestial phenomena or planets that may account for the sighting - None.
F. Distance of objects from observer - In the opinion of the observers, objects appeared to be at an approximate altitude of 1500 to 2000 feet and at 45° angle of elevation from horizon.
G. Time in sight - approximately four hours.

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H. Appearance of objects:
(a) Color - Silver
(b) Shape - Disk like and flat
(c) Apparent construction - unknown
(d) Size - Approximately 50 feet in diameter.

I. Tactics or maneuvers - Objects were revolving in a tremendous speed in their own axis; however, traversing speed was slow. Objects did loops, dives and definite gyrations.

J. Direction of Flight - Objects were first sighted in a one o'clock position. From the one o'clock position, objects moved to a 11 o'clock position, then to a 12 o'clock position, from where they disappeared.

K. Evidence of exhaust or odor - None.

L. Effect on clouds - There were no clouds visible.

M. Lights - Object appeared luminous entirely.

N. Support - No evidence of support could be noted.

O. Propulsion - Objects appeared to be spinning with a tremendous speed.

P. Control or Stability - None visible.

Q. Air ducts, etc. - None visible.

R. Speed MPH - The speed of objects could not be determined insofar as traversing speed was very slow. It took objects over an hour to move from one o'clock position to 11:00 o'clock position.

S. Sound - None.

T. Manner of Disappearance - Faded from view.

U. Direction of Rotation - One object rotated in a clockwise direction and the other in a counter clockwise direction.

5. Informants stated that objects did not vary in distance from each other and were always in same position relative to each other. Objects disappeared from sight when in a flat position in relation to observers eyes.

6. A check of nearby weather stations by Special Agent DENZIL F. WILDMAN revealed no information pertinent to this investigation.

7. A neighborhood check at Delphi, Indiana, conducted 20 September 1949 resulted in no additional information regarding these objects.

8. A check at the Delphi, Indiana, Police Station on 20 September 1949 was negative. No flying objects had been reported on date in question.

9. RICHARD RAINBOLT, Editor, Delphi Journal, Delphi, Indiana, when interviewed on 20 September 1949, stated that no reports were made to the paper concerning flying objects.

10. MOSSER further indicated that he saw what appeared to be a spot light of a car trying to pick up the objects; however, the beam did not reach the objects. Also, search lights were observed at a distance of about five miles in a Northeastern and Northwestern direction of the observers. (NOTE: The search lights were seen in the same direction as the objects; however, search lights were observed only part of the time.)

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