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Roseberry, Maine

Dear [redacted] b7c

Your letter postmarked May 16, 1949, has been received and I want to thank you for sending me information concerning the matter you mentioned. It was indeed very thoughtful of you to report that data to this organization.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Correspondent saw a small object in the sky near the end of the day which took various shapes and through glasses appeared like a double bloom trailing something below it. She believes it might be a flying disk. In view of her nebulous information and as it was very possibly a weather balloon no further action is deemed necessary.

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5-17-49

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND

BATH: 5-17-1;

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS SIGHTED AT RADFORD, VIRGINIA
MAY 12, 1949

There are enclosed clippings concerning what has been described as a flying disc sighted at Radford, Virginia on May 12, 1949. The Bureau may desire to refer this to the Department of the Air Force. This office has no information other than that appearing in the news items which appear to cover the best information available. The matter was not reported directly to this office and, therefore, no investigation or inquiries are being made and none of the individuals who allegedly saw the thing have been interviewed.

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These Flying Discs Are at It Again, Virginians Report

Zounds! Here we go again! Interplanetary space-ship? Visitor from Mars? New Russian rocket ship? Airborne submarine? Just take your choice, young guess is every bit as good as the next one according to reports from various sections of Virginia and Tennessee on last night's strange phenomenon.

What was it? Where it came from and where it was going were questions concerning which even the most skeptical could not offer a satisfactory answer.

Whatever the thing was, it resembled a long cigar giving off a bright red glow and trailing a streak of fire. There seemed to be a red light in the nose of the object. Far back at the tail there was an emerald green streak and a powerful glow in the rear of the object.

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Other reports followed from Kingsport, Tenn., Bristol, Pulaski, Christiansburg and points west of Roanoke. "a snake wiggling on water," William C. Flanik, chief aircraft communicator, said. Flanik, Kingsport airport, said none of the Bristol, Pulaski, Christiansburg tower men had sighted unusual objects in the sky.

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FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS

Did You See It? Well, What Was It?

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BY WELLS SUDELL

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San Luis Obispo, California
May 15, 1949

Walt

New York, New York

Dear Sir:

Under attached cover you will find a sample of our item.

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Agent-In-Charge,

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Sincerely,

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Wichita Falls, Texas

July 5, 1948

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Dear Sir:

On July 25, 1948, I mailed a letter enclosing .35 cents in coin and an airmail self-addressed envelop to your circulation department, asking for tear sheets of the Atlanta Journal containing the stories on a "strange" or "mysterious" aircraft seen near Montgomery, Alabama, July 24, 1948, by two pilots, Cap't C. S. Chiles and John B. Whitted, of the Eastern Air Lines.

These have not arrived. I asked for two copies each of the stories.

Enclosed is an additional .35 cents, and another stamped self-addressed envelop. Will you kindly see that your circulation department complies with this simple request?

I assure you that my interest in the above stories is prompted by interest in the defense of our country, and you are hereby given my fullest permission to turn this letter requesting the copies of the stories over to the FBI, should you wish.

Thanking you very kindly, I am,

Sincerely,

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Atlanta, Georgia

'LIKE BIG FLOOR LAMP FLYING ALONG'

Everybody's Seeing 'Things' Whizzing Through Night Sky

By CHARLES POU

Is that Thing no more than a wayward floor lamp?

Mrs. Noah Atkinson, of Brookhaven, saw it. And what did that Thing look like?

"A great big floor lamp, all lit up. Oh, it was beautiful!"

And C. M. Bowles, an Exposition Mills painter who lives near the Municipal airport, Sunday night saw a "huge, brilliantly lighted object" streaking over Atlanta skies at maybe 30,000 feet. Mr. Bowles thinks the Thing was straight from Moscow.

Two air line pilots first were startled by the newest astronomical "what-is-it" near Montgomery early Saturday. To them, it was "a wingless craft, spurting flame like a Buck Rogers rocket ship." Elsewhere, all over the country, that Thing was variously identified as:

1. An aluminum covered balloon.
2. A ball of fire.
3. An unusually bright light.
4. A red and blue flame that burst in mid-air.
5. A flash of cherry red fire.
6. A meteor.

Mrs. Atkinson kept her Flying Floorlamp secret three weeks. But she knew she wasn't seeing things when she saw the Thing.

She and her husband, who also saw it, kept mum. The story really sounded a little silly until the two air line pilots saw their Thing gamboling and fire-breathing through air-line skies early Saturday morning.

After that, she decided her tale could be told:

"My husband and I were sitting on our front porch the night of July 5, and at a quarter to 9 o'clock we saw this Thing. Our front porch doesn't have a screen, and we were sitting near the edge where we could see good.

"I saw it first. It was not high up—about 200 feet, I guess, but it looked like it was right above the treetops. 'Looka there', I yelled to my husband, and he saw it too.

"It looked like the top part of a floor lamp, and it was the prettiest thing I ever saw. It came and passed so quick—I guess it must have been 500 miles an hour or faster."

And how about the two airline pilots, C. S. Chiles and John B. Whitted, of Atlanta?

Well, they took off today, armed with a camera. And they hope to bring back a picture of that Thing.

Beach Throngs Crane At 'Silver Cylinder'

ASBURY PARK, N. J., July 26. (AP)—Boardwalk throngs at this resort city craned their necks Monday at a "silver cylinder" they reported flying high overhead.

They described it as "way up in the air," and like a blimp "only blunt at both ends."

Officials, recalling "flying saucers," asked Fort Monmouth personnel to see if they could identify it.

ATLANTA JOURNAL, 7/26/48

Whizzing Through

'Flying Floor Lamp' Again Sighted Here

By CHARLES POU .

That "flying floor lamp" is at it again!

An illuminated cantaloupe rolled over the city!

And a newspaperman saw "great balls of fire!

What's more, two Richmond Va., schoolteachers say they saw the same "flame-spurting" sky monster which was spotted by Eastern Air Lines pilots near Montgomery.

Like a Flying Lamp

"I saw Halley's Comet—and it was nothing like what I saw last night," de[illegible] of 814 [illegible] Breathlessly, Miss Delk continued:

"The front end of it looked like a flying floor lamp—a fiery-red floor lamp. Then it turned into little sections.

"Oh, Halley's comet was nothing like it."

And Mrs. Delk was joined by at least 15 other [illegible] Saturday night when a ball of fire banked and rolled in a "red streak" across the sky Monday night between 9 and 9:30 p. m.

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"Bluish Streak of Light"

An attendant at the naval air station thought he was watching a falling star, until it started climbing and banked away from Atlanta. To him, it looked like a "bluish streak of light."

And now about the newspaperman. John Battle, city editor of the Augusta Chronicle, hung up the telephone after a dozen calls about [illegible] goings-on in the Augusta [illegible]

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Copilot John Whitted and Capt. C. S. Chile: right)

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Copilot Whitted and Capt. C. S. Chile: right

Plane Makers Dubious About Alabama 'Thing'

By WILLIAM KEY

What was that Thing that scared the daylights out of two Atlanta Eastern Air Line pilots Saturday morning?

Near fire-breathing monster on the Milky Way? Or just some high-altitude weather learning — that the pilots, Capt. C. S. Chile and Co-Pilot J. B. Whitted, of Hapeville, would like to know. The Army Strategic Air Command would like to know. Big plane manufacturers also are dubious.

Pilots Chile and Whitted told Atlanta Journal Co-Pilot John Whitted said he saw the Thing at 5,006 feet: altitude with fiery comet tail 25 to 56 feet in length. It had a 100-foot fuselage about ion: times the circumter ewe at a B-29's. two rowel 0! brilliantly lighted square windows. Creepiest of all it wa;V a veritable utchman at the Skies. mmm aeenaboard!

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Out at Santa Monica, Calif., the famous Gen. George C. Kenney, chief of the Strategic Air Command, was heard in his usual manner. His eyes twinkle at the mention of his planes.

Boeing Aircraft Co. in Seattle.

United States Air Force

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Flying Saucers Come from Southern Californi

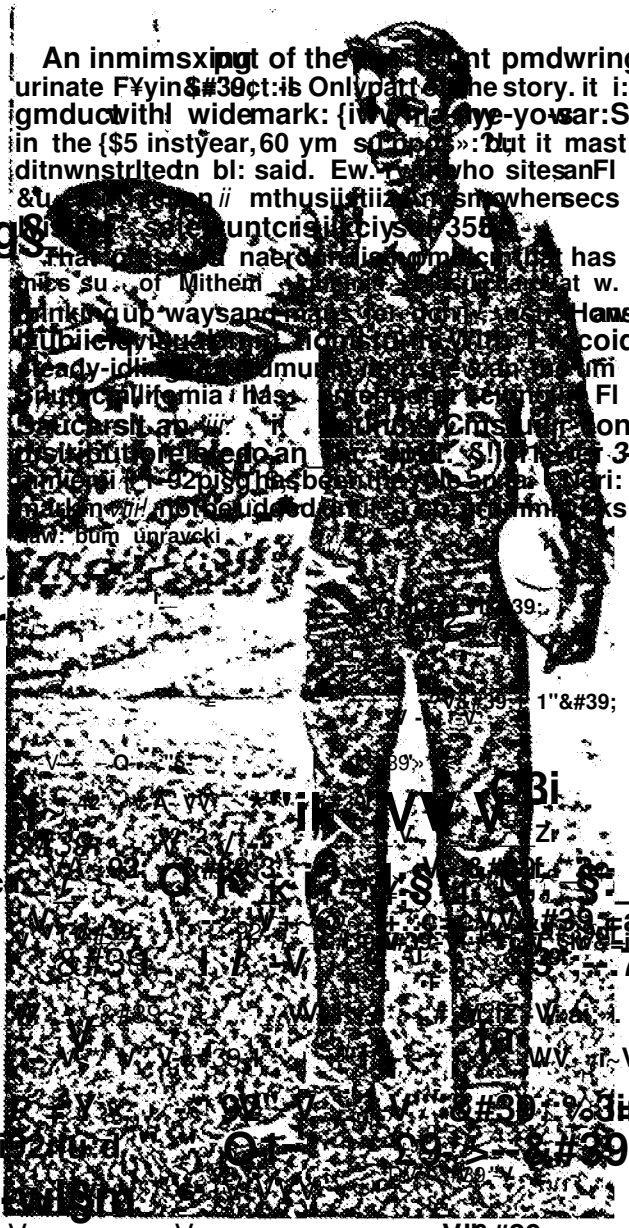
Do YOU HAVE spots before your eyes? Do vari-colored discs flutter and sail in the air in front of you? Do you see flying saucers in the skies?

If you do, don't call the doctor nor jump on the wagon. And don't worry. Other persons are seeing flying saucers too—seeing them fly through the air—and seeing them on the sales counters of the stores. You can even pick

It all started many years ago—long before the recent flurry of flying saucers—when a little boy named Freddie used to play with his mother's pie tins. If he tossed them just the right way, they spun and turned

An interesting part of the story is that producing acetate "Flyin' Saucer" is only part of the story. It i product with a wide market (how many yo-yos were s in the US last year, do you suppose?); but it must demonstrated to be sold. Everyone who sees a Fl Saucer in action is enthusiastic. Anyone who sees lying on a sales counter is likely to pass by.

thinking up ways and means for demonstrations, ac publicity, visual promotional stunts. With a record steady-selling staple consumer items now on the mar Southern California has no intention of letting the Fl Saucers sit on the sales counters. Carefully-contro distribution, related to on-the-spot demonstrations or motional campaigns, has been the rule so far. Natio markets will not be tackled until all the promotional ki have been unraveled.



Reprinted from PACIFIC PLASTICS, August 1948

The Amazing FLYIN-SAUCER

GREAT FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

FLYIN-SAUCER performs in an amazing way as you play catch. You will think of many games

HOW TO FLY

Launch your FLYIN-SAUCER straight ahead with a snap of your wrist making it spin as fast as possible. DON'T THROW TOO HARD. . . . It's the spinning that gives it lift. Begin by flying about 10 feet. When windy, throw across the wind. You will quickly learn how to bank to the left or right.

FLYIN-SAUCER

AERODYNAMICALLY CORRECT

MADE TOUGH TO RESIST ROUGH HANDLING

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[illegible] to fly in a straight line, the SAUCER must lose the landing a level position. To [illegible] UM Smith, it must leave the Ram [illegible] tilted in direction of desired turning—to [illegible] Quayle: for 50% curve—the left side of the SAUCER must be tilted down.

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[illegible] your mistakes and make corrections by tilting or banking SAUCER. The correction must be applied to the SAUCER as it leaves the hand.

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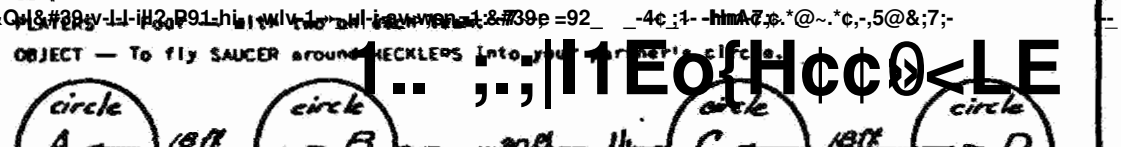
THE GAME OF HECKLE provides a means of utilizing the unique manner in which the FLYIN' SAUCER can be guided. Rules and regulations are provided, forming the basis for skill and competition

PLAYERS — Four with two on each team.

OBJECT — To fly SAUCER around HECKLERS into your partner's circle.



ALL CIRCLES ARE SIXTEEN FEET IN DIAMETER -- CENTER SPACE MAY VARY WITH ABILITY.

To fill SAUCER, players must [illegible] into SAUCER to [illegible].

The game begins with the Flier (A) attempting to sail the SAUCER around the HECKLERS in the circles (B) and (C) so that his partner in the Receiver's circle (D) can catch it.

Flier (A) must remain in his circle when serving the SAUCER.

HECKLER (B) must remain in his circle at all times while his team is defensive. He may attempt to stop the flight of the SAUCER, or distract the Flier in any manner. Should he step or fall out of his circle, his team forfeits 1 point and the offensive team retains serve.

HECKLER (C) remains in his circle until SAUCER is airborne. He may then leave his circle to [illegible] the Receiver (D) in any manner so long as he doesn't interfere with flight of SAUCER [illegible] HECKLERS [illegible] circle.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, New Orleans

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

Director, FBI,

DATE: June 2, 1949

Re SAC letter dated March 25, 1949 entitled as above.

The Bureau is advised that through the Office of Naval Intelligence, New Orleans, Louisiana, this office has been advised that within the past ten days three sightings of flying discs have been reported in the City of New Orleans. The information seems to be that the single discs were in straight flight and traveling in a general direction of North in late afternoon about the size of an observation plane but the shape of a saucer. One have stated that two witnesses have advised that the object was traveling end over end; that weather conditions were good; that sightings were made outdoors by persons who did not wear glasses; that the dates were May 10, 19, and 23, 1949. The Navy states that it was possible these objects were weather balloons, but that these are used from only one airport, released over an hour before the times of sighting and would generally be out of sight in a few minutes.

The above is being furnished the Bureau for future reference since the Navy has informed that all three instances were investigated by the Army Intelligence.

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Memorandum UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

FROM: [redacted]

SUBJECT: MISCELLANEOUS

On the afternoon of May 20, 1949, [redacted] Chicago 25, Illinois, was referred to my office from the Director's Office.

Miss [redacted] stated she happened to be in Washington for a few days and that she was staying at the Ambassador Hotel. She stated that [redacted] Chicago, had some information regarding flying discs. Miss [redacted] said that [redacted] theory was to the effect that when people died their soul entered a space on this earth which is, of course, invisible to human eyes. He said that in this soul world there are good and bad people and that they have become involved in a war. According to Miss [redacted] said that its that [redacted] in the warfare between the good and bad souls.

Miss [redacted] stated that the real purpose of her visit to the Bureau was to get her own name cleared. She said that the FBI has been conducting investigation regarding her and that she wanted to know the results of the investigation. I asked her what kind of an investigation the FBI had been making regarding her and she stated she was under suspicion of espionage activities. I informed her that I could not furnish her with any information which is contained in the Bureau's files inasmuch as our files have been designated as confidential by the Attorney General.

She impressed me as being somewhat mentally unbalanced.

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May 10, 1949

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Dear Mrs. [redacted] b7c

I wish to acknowledge your letter dated April 29, 1949, and to express my appreciation for your thoughtfulness in writing to me.

In view of the contents of your letter, I have taken the liberty of sending a copy to the United States Air Force.

In the future, if you have information which may be of interest to this Bureau, you may find it more convenient to communicate with Mr. H. B. Hood, Special Agent in Charge of our Los Angeles Office, 900 Security Building, Los Angeles 13, California.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc: Los Angeles with copies of incoming.

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Office Memorandum

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FROM

Walter Winchell forwarded to the Director a Western Union telegram he had received from Robert Ripley which stated that he, Ripley, had the only authentic Japanese flying saucer ever recovered in this country. Mr. Winchell noted on the telegram, "To Mr. Edgar Hoover - True?" Mr. Winchell acted on the telegram, "Edgar Hoover - True?"

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Colonel [redacted] who advised on April 27, 1949 that he had interested himself in the flying saucers and related subjects and that in so far as could be determined by him through his sources in the Air Force, which are excellent, there is no authentic information in any arm of the Air Force to the effect that any flying saucers of any kind have been recovered in the United States. Colonel [redacted] advised that there is no information available

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI

FROM: SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: "FLYING DISK" REPORT
CONCERNING

DATE: May 13, 1949

On May 1949 the Sun-Star newspaper, Los Angeles, advised that his paper had been contacted by Lt. Col. STANLEY JACOBS, Intelligence Officer, Castle Air Force Base, Merced, California, relative to any reports that the newspaper might have received concerning "flying disks" in the Merced vicinity. California, advised Special Agent [redacted] Officer [redacted] Force Base, Merced, California, relative to any reports that the newspaper might have received concerning "flying disks" in the Merced vicinity. [redacted] stated a close friend at his one strange object, and as he is in the Air Corps Reserve, he reported same to the Intelligence Officer at Castle Field.

On the same date Mr. GEORGE BREKER, Detachment Commander, Office of Special Investigations, Castle Air Force Base, Merced, California, advised [redacted] that he had heard that an individual had reported seeing a "flying disk" to the Intelligence Office at the Base but that the Intelligence Officer had not furnished the information to him. [redacted] later on the same date contacted SA [redacted] and exhibited a letter written by STANLEY F. JACOBS, Lt. Col., USAF, Assistant (Intelligence Officer) to Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, Wright Field, Ohio. This letter contained a statement given by [redacted] in which he stated: "I had occasion to be on the roof of my home located approximately one mile west of the town of Merced, when I noticed a clicking noise of considerable intensity. I stopped on the sidewalk about 20 feet from the front steps and recognized the source of this clicking to be in the sky in an area about 10 degrees from the surface of the earth in an easterly direction. The sky condition was 2000 thin broken with 12 miles visibility and surface winds were reported as north nine M.P.H. at Castle Air Force weather station. My home is approximately seven miles south of Castle Air Force Base and in an area somewhat sheltered from surface winds and no appreciable surface wind was apparent at the time the aural observation was made. After about ten seconds of looking into the area described previously as being the source of this sound, an object was observed blanking out stars in descending a light path in a west or northwesterly direction. Only one object was apparent, its shape can be described as only a solid mass. Its size can be estimated as four or five feet in diameter in keeping with an estimated altitude of considerably less than 1,000 (one thousand) feet. Color was shown by the reflection of ground lights on only two occasions, and appeared to be

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"This object when first sighted, was moving very slowly in a west or northwesterly direction. I would estimate that I had it in my range of vision for 35 seconds, after having heard it about ten seconds before locating it. It passed on beyond the house and maneuvered through an arc of turn to the left of about ninety degrees. The clicking sound was continuous throughout this turn, however, it became louder as it returned on its new heading of south or southwest. On its return the clicking sound became louder, but I was unable to see it at this time. The clicking stopped when it was at its greatest intensity and appeared to come from a position directly over head. I was unable to see the object after the sound stopped.

"This clicking sound, retained the same pitch and speed throughout the entire course observed, but intensity varied. There was not a trace of fear, but only the clicking noise which might be compared to beaters of a homemixer that were not properly meshed. No lights or flame were observed during the entire course with exception of the previous described reflections twice. No exhaust trail was distinguishable.

"My dog was with me and directed her attention in the general direction of this object's flight throughout its course. She had been romping with me on coming out of the house but without spoken word stopped and directed her attention on to the previously described area. The clicking sound might not have been unusual to the dog, but there is a possibility of sounds on wavelengths discernable only to the dog, being emitted.

It is to be noted that [redacted] is a member of the Active USAF Reserve with rank of Major. He attained rating of pilot in August 1941 and has approximately 2200 hours flying time. During his active duty period in WW2 he stated that he had considerable flight flying experience in connection with his military assignment. The intelligence officer in the above mentioned letter made the following statement, "An attempt to locate other witnesses in the area or through the local newspaper proved unsuccessful".

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' 'recommendation [redacted] concerning [illegible]

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' The foregoing is being advised that a copy of the letter has been forwarded to the United States Air Force.

This letter is being forwarded to you for any action you may deem advisable.

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El Monte Calif.
4-29-49

Edgar J. Hoover
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Dear Sir:-

Take this for what you think its worth, But I keep thinking I may be able to throw a light on the so called, Flying Saucers, I do not know how true this is, but as our own Army says it has nothing to do concerning these Saucers appearing in the Skies, I aim to tell you what a certain woman told me of a supposed secret aircraft hide out and factory that is in or under mountains near Mexico City Mexico. This young woman is married to a Mexican radio musician here, Who seems to be one of a special few who were allowed to visit this place in the mountains. She said that these aircraft was made of some metalic material that could not be recognized in the sky only as an almost invisible form. That the passengers or pilot rather, could see out, but lookers on could not see inside that close up - They (the craft) looks like sort of glass. And that they were preparing them for special reason against the U.S.

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May 3, 1949

[redacted]
Atlanta, Georgia

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Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of April 27, 1949, has been received, and I want to thank you for sending me the newspaper clipping which you enclosed together with your observations concerning the designs you submitted to the federal government in 1942. Although I would like to be of service, checks of the type you desire are not within the scope of this Bureau's activities. It was very thoughtful of you to contact me in that regard.

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John Edgar Hoover
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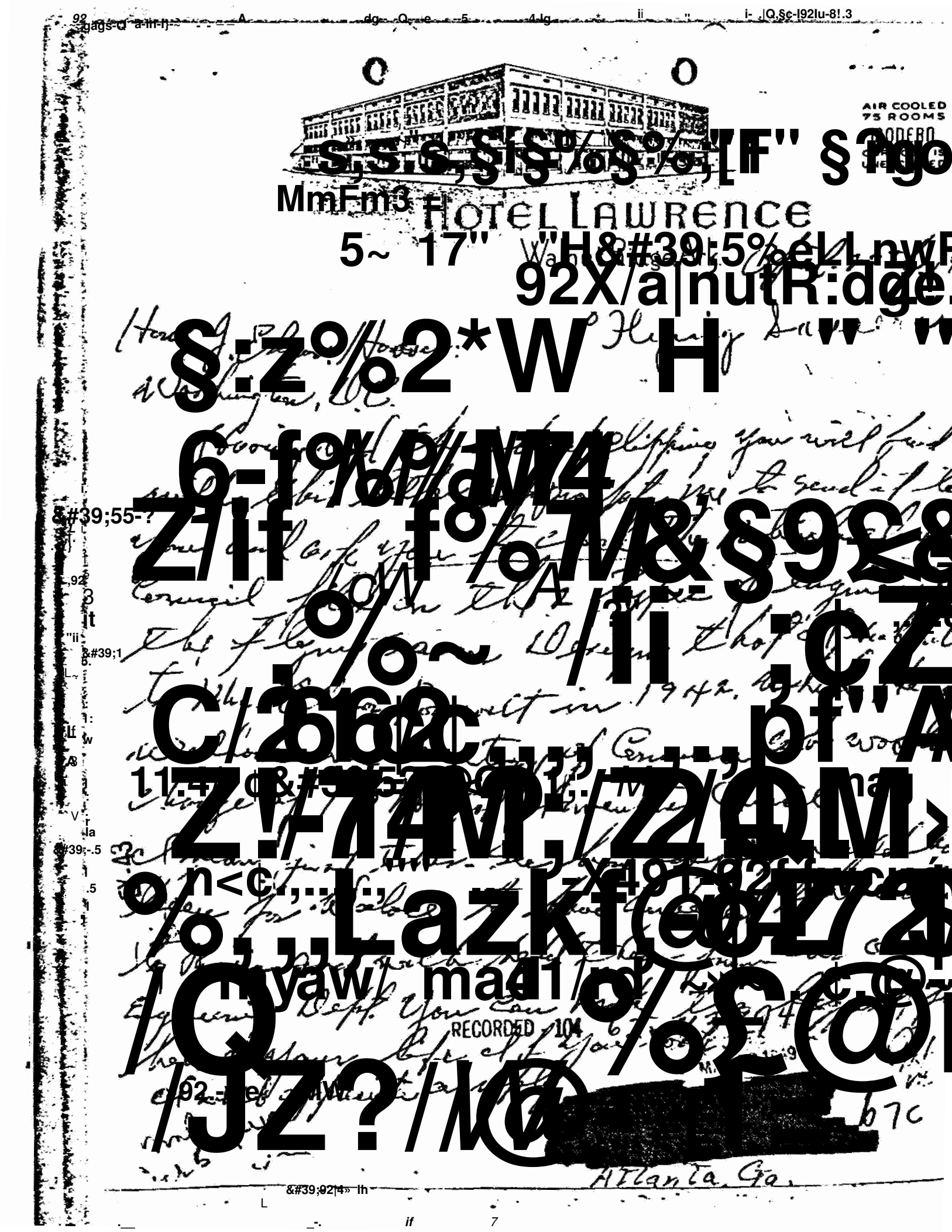
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New Data, Ideas About Saucers

And Death of Pilot Caused One

Dayton, Ohio, April 27.—The Dayton Daily News today said a pilot died before he could describe it, the Dayton newspaper said.

The closing in seemed a good idea, the newspaper quotes him as reporting by radio. "It looks metallic and of tremendous size. It's gaining on me. That's all I can see."

Minutes later the pilot was dead when his plane crashed a few miles from the city.

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The Dayton paper says the rep on which its story is based "evaluation teams" stated:

"We can't prove or disprove existence of some of the remain identified objects as real aircr of unconventional design.

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The Air Force recently said there was no evidence that flying discs were guided missiles fired from some other country, but that

plainable conventionally—leaving 40 per cent unexplained.

ENCLOSURE

SAC - San Antonio

Director - FBI

FLYING DISKS

April 26, 1949

Reference is made to your letter dated April 4, 1949, captioned "Protection of Vital Installations." You are instructed to be in future to refer to this matter as "Flying Disks."

In regard to your request for information that would substantiate or disclose the statements made by Walter Winchell on his broadcast of April 3, 1949, you are directed to SAC Letter No. 38 dated March 25, 1949, captioned "Flying Disks."

For your strictly confidential information, the data contained in SAC Letter No. 38 was obtained in confidence from a colonel in the United States Air Materiel Command, who obtained his information from persons actively engaged in the investigation of this subject.

No interview with Walter Winchell should be made by the Bureau concerning the source of his statements referred to in your referenced letter.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: April 4, 1949

FROM : SAC, San Antonio

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS
(Bureau file 65-48300)

Reference is made to San Antonio letter to the Bureau dated March 22, 1949 which submitted information related by military authorities concerning unconventional aircraft.

The Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, 4th Army, advised that at [illegible] March 31, 1949 an object [illegible] reddish white in color, followed by a fire trail, was observed southwest of Killeen Base, adjacent to Camp Hood, Texas. The observation was made by 1st Lt. FRELEROCK DAVIS who was in charge of a platoon, 54th Armored Infantry Battalion, which is assigned as a part of an alert force (called force [illegible]) [illegible] function is to protect the installation at Killeen Base.

Director, FBI
April 4, 1949
SAC, San Antonio
Re: PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS
Bureau file 65-48300

Lt. DAVIS advised the object was at an altitude estimated at 6,000 ft., was traveling parallel to the ground and passed directly over him at a rapid rate of speed. It was in view 10 to 15 seconds and suddenly disappeared high in the sky without having descended. No sound or odor was detected. The night was clear, visibility 30$. The abject passed almsst directly a-zer the air strip at-Killeen $50.

On April 4, 1949, G-2, 4th Army, contacted this office, inquiring as to whether Lt. DAVIS had attempted to use his headquarters telephone immediately after the sighting, he heard static electrical interference the telephone; line which he started might be possible radio interference.

2 cc - El Paso (100-4562)

G-2 has advised other lights unknown origin were observed March 6, 7, 8 and 11, 1949, by military personnel the alert force stationed approximately 1000 yards east - the f-mous Camp Hood surround Killeen, L255:

The object sighted March 31, 1949 was reported as being a different nature from the lights seen earlier the month.

April 3, 1949, stated that flying disc seen this country definitely emanated from Russia.

April 4, 1949, G-2, 4th Army, advised that the state-

Letter to Director April 4, 1949
SA-100-7545

In view of the interest and concern of 4th Army military authorities who have the duty of protecting the vital installations at Los Alamos, N. M., Sandia Base, N. M. in the El Paso Division, and the Camp Hood area in the San Antonio Division, it is suggested that the Bureau may desire to arrange to have Mr. WINCHELL interviewed concerning the source of his information that "flying discs" emanate from Russia.

It would be appreciated if the Bureau can supply any information that can be transmitted to military authorities which would clarify this matter.

Letter Director April 4, 1949
SA-100-1545

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 4-22-49

FROM : SAC, LITTLE ROCK

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
WADE H. HARRISON - INFORMANT
FLYING DISCS
FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS (4-16-49)

WADE H. HARRISON, residence address Route 1, Box 293, Fort Smith, Arkansas, is employed as a Special Delivery messenger by the Fort Smith Post Office Department.

HARRISON stated that at 5:25 p.m., Saturday, April 16, 1949, while delivering special delivery mail in Fort Smith, he stopped his automobile at a signal light located at the intersection of North Eleventh Street and Grand Avenue. He glanced up at the stop light and observed a brilliant object moving in a southeastern direction. He estimated the object was approximately 2 miles high. He got out of his automobile and pointed up with the suggestion that other automobile drivers, stopped for the signal light, could see the object. He does not know who any of the other people are or what they saw. He was obliged to move on after the light changed and the drivers began honking their horns. He watched the object until it was obscured by the line of trees in that section. He estimated he watched it travel some 3 or 4 miles before he lost sight of it. He stated the weather was clear, visibility was good, and there were no clouds near the object. The object made no noise perceptible to HARRISON. However, he commented that he was stopped at an intersection where traffic was heavy and there was considerable noise. He first thought possibly he had seen some type of airplane, but could not locate or hear a plane anywhere.

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98-0 HARRISON drove to the 1400 Block of Berth "6&#Street, where he observed an Lrnqyofficer, wearing the insignia of a major or lieutenant colonel, standing back of the office:- s automobile. He stopped and eelced the oiiificer Lt he had obeemredi-he n@ objeef-9 The officer then related that the dag previous Friday, April 15, 1949, while the officer was traveling out oj Oklahoma City toward Fort 5mith, his wife observed flying object in the sq very similar to that described by QIRRISON. The officer stated he saw the object too, but furnished no more irnformation.

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LET TO DIRECTOR 4-22-49
FLYING DISCS

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HARRISON described the object as appearing some 3 or 4 inches in diameter from the distance he saw it. It was very bright and reflected a light in a manner similar to a mirror. He reported the incident to the local press at Fort Smith and inquired if anyone had made a similar report. He received a negative reply. In this connection, please find attached an article from the front page of the Southwest-Times Record newspaper published at Fort Smith, Arkansas, Sunday, April 17, 1949.

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The interviewed with HARRISON developed he is 32 years of age, he has had considerable college training and attended the seminary at Westminister, Maryland 2½ years. He stated that his eyesight is very good for a man of his age and that he has worn reading glasses only for the past few years. He was positive he had observed the object as related above. He was unable of course to state just what the object was or furnish any additional information concerning it. No information was available at Fort Smith indicating the object had fallen in that section or that it was observed by others. The Little Rock Office is making no further inquiries concerning the subject matter.

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The offices of OSI and MID have been notified of the information set out above.

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SOUTHWEST - TIMES RECORD
Ft. Smith, Arkansas
APRIL 11, 1949

He Believes Was Flying Saucer

Wade Harrison, Fort Smith post office employee, reported Sat-
urday that he believed what he saw was a "flying saucer."
Harrison said he believes the object was traveling at a rate of speed
there were no other reports of "flying
urday.

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May 4, 1949

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TO: Legal Attache
Mexico City, D.F.

FROM: Director

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

Reference is made to your letter dated April 5, 1949 captioned as above in which you request a copy of the Air Force memorandum mentioned in SAC Letter #37, Series 1949 dated March 25, 1949.

In response thereto there is enclosed herewith the pamphlet captioned, "Unconventional Aircraft" issued by the Department of the Air Force under date of February 15, 1949 which reference was made in the above-mentioned SAC Letter.

Enclosure

FROM: Director, FBI

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

Reference made to your letter dated April 5, 1949 captioned as above in which you request a copy of the Air Force memorandum mentioned in SAC Letter #33, Series 1949 dated March 25, 1949.

In response thereto there is enclosed herewith the pamphlet captioned, "Unconventional Aircraft" issued by the Department of the Air Force under date of

OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHÉ

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

MEXICO CITY

Date: April 5, 1949

To: Director, FBI

From: [redacted] Legal Attache

Subject: FLYING DISCS

Reference is made to SAC Letter J38, Series 1949, dated March 25, 1949, advising that a copy of a memorandum from the Department of the Air Force, dated February 15, 1949, and entitled "Unconventional Aircraft," as furnished to the Bureau, was being forwarded to this office in order that all agents assigned to the Mexico City Office might be informed of the type of information desired by the Air Force in this matter.

This is to advise that the above-mentioned enclosure was not received by this office and it is respectfully requested that a copy of this memorandum be forwarded to Mexico City.

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HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

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FOR: FOLLOWING ACTION(S) AS CHECKED

COORDINATION NECESSARY ACTION	NOTE AND RETURN	INFORMATION
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COMMENTS

==.....@21 per your recent request, 50 copies of Air Intelligence Requirements No 4 are forwarded herewith for transmittal to the F.B.I.

FROM

OFFICE AFCSI-CO	ROOM NO.
INDIVIDUAL	NAME

AF HQ FORM 13 16—35400-1 U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
DIRECTORATE OF INTELLIGENCE

15 February 1949

AIR INTELLIGENCE REQUIREMENTS
MEMORANDUM NUMBER 4

UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT

PURPOSE

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to outline continuing Air Force requirements for information pertaining to sightings of unconventional aircraft and unidentified flying objects, including the so-called "Flying Discs."

2. CANCELLATION

Department of the Air Force Circular Letter January 1948, and letter, CSGID 425.1, dated 25 March 1948, both subject as above, which have been transmitted to Air Force agencies for action, are herewith superseded.

3. REPORTING

a. General

(1) Headquarters United States Air Force. Cables will contain the name of the command originating the report, the date and time of the sighting, the authority for the information reported.

b. Major Air Commands (Overseas) and Air Attaches

(1) Supplementary reports should be forwarded as available by the most expeditious means consistent with the importance of the information reported.

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(2) Supplemental written reports, prepared on AF Form 112, will be forwarded to the Director of Intelligence, Headquarters United States Air Force.

(3) Commanding General, Air Materiel Command is authorized direct contact with major Air Commands (overseas) and organizations under their control in connection with the development of information on this subject.

c. Major Air Commands (CZ)

(1) Reports will be forwarded direct to the Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, Attn: MCIAXO-3 by installations receiving information pertaining to the requirements enunciated in Part II.

(2) Copies of such reports may be supplied the Command Headquarters of the installation concerned.

(3) A copy of all reports sent to Air Materiel Command in accordance with these instructions will be forwarded at the same time to the Director of Intelligence, Headquarters United States Air Force.

(4) Written reports will be submitted on AF Form 112.

(5) Commanding General, Air Materiel Command is authorized direct contact with major Air Commands (CZ) and organizations under their control in connection with the development of information on this subject.

d. Non-Air Force Agencies

(1) Addressees other than those of the United States Air Force are requested to forward reports direct to the Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, Attn: MCIAXO-3.

(2) In order to reduce the time factor involved in transmission of this type of information it is requested that, wherever communications facilities permit, subordinate elements be authorized to communicate reports direct to the Commanding General, Air Materiel Command.

PART II - REQUIREMENTS

1. Date of sighting.

2. Time of sighting (zonal by 24 hr. clock).

3. Where sighted (observer's position):

(1) City, town.

(2) Distance and direction from city or town, road, intersection, etc.

(3) From building (story), yard, etc.

(4) Map coordinates (if feasible) showing latitude and longitude.

b. Air

(1) Type aircraft, speed, altitude, direction of flight.

(2) Distance and direction from city, town or known landmark.

(3) Clock position of object from observer's aircraft.

(4) Latitude and longitude.

c. Sea

(1) Latitude and longitude.

(2) Proximity to land. (Name city, country, etc.)

4. Number of objects.

Formation type (if any), sketch if possible.

5. Observable celestial phenomena or planets that may account for the sighting. (Local facilities or organizations which follow such celestial phenomena should be consulted for such information.)

6. Distance of object from observer.

a. Laterally or horizontally.

b. Angle of elevation from horizon.

c. Altitude.

7. Time in sight.

8. Appearance of object.

a. Color.

b. Shape. (Sketch if possible)

c. Apparent construction. (Of what material or substance)

d. Size.

(1) Estimated size.

(2) Size as it appeared from observer's view. (Compared to known object)

9. Direction of flight.

10. Tactics or maneuvers.

Vertical ascent or descent, horizontal, oscillating, fluttering, evasive, aggressive, erratic, etc.

11. Evidence of exhaust.

a. Color of smoke.

b. Length and width.

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c. Odor (if any).

d. Rate of evaporation.

e. Does trail vary with sound? (spurts)

12. Effect on clouds.

a. Opened path thru clouds.

b. Forced cloud or mists.

c. Reflected on cloud.

d. Showed thru cloud.

13. Lights.

a. Reflected or attached.

b. Luminous

c. Blinked on and off in relation to speed.

14. Support

a. Wings.

b. Aerodynamic list of fuselage.

c. Vertical jet.

d. Rotating cylinder or cone.

e. Aerostatic lift (balloon or dirigible).

15. Propulsion.

a. Propeller or jet.

b. Rotor.

c. Aerodynamic vanes (flapping or oscillating) (Katz Mayer effect).

d. Visible exhaust or jet openings.

16. Control and stability.

a. Fins

b. Stabilizers (horizontal or vertical).

(1) Size.

(2) Shape.

(3) Location.

18. Control and stability.

a. Fins

b. Stabilizers (horizontal or vertical).

(1) Size.

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17. Air ducts.

a. Slots.

b. Duct openings.

18. Speed - M.P.H.

19. Sound.

b Duct openings

a. Continuous whine or buzz.

Speed LI.P.H

b. Roar, whistle, whoosh.

c. Intermittent.

a. Continuous whine or buzz

20. Manner of disappearance.

b. Roar, whistle, whoosh

a. Explode.

c Intermittent

(1) Possibility of fragments.

Manner cl disappearance

(2) Other physical evidence.

b. Faded from view.

! Possibility at fragments

c. Disappeared behind obstacle.

! Other physical evidence

Faded irom view

Relative to the Observer

1. Name of observer.

Disappeared behind obstacle

2. Address.

Relative to the Observer

3. Occupation.

Name of observer

4. Place of business.

a. Employer or employee.

Occupaiion.

5. Pertinent hobbies.

Place of business

a. Is observer amateur astronomer, pilot, engineer, etc.

1 Employer or employee

(experience).

Pertinent hobbies

6. Ability to determine:

a. Is observer amateur astronomer, pilot, engineer, etc

b. Length of time engaged in hobby experience!

Ability to attend time.

7. Reliability of observer.

Speed at moving objects

Source

c Size at distance

Reliability 0! observer

3 Sources

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(1) Neighbors.

(2) Police Dept.

(3) FBI records.

(4) Employer.

8. Notes relative to observer on:

a. Sightings in general.

b. How attention was drawn to object(s).

(1) Sound.

(2) Motion.

(3) Glint of light.

c. Degree of fatigue and duration of flight at time of sighting in cases where observer is airborne.

9. Witnesses.

a. Addressees.

b. Occupation.

c. Reliability.

10. Comments of interrogator regarding the intelligence and character of person interrogated.

Relative to Radar Sightings

1. Re radars operating on ground.

a. Observations of range, speed, altitude and size of target.

b. Did target executive any turns? If so, what angle (180°), etc. and what radius of turn. If radius of turn is not observable, how long did the target stay in the turn and what was its speed?

c. Note particularly any separation of distant target into several targets upon approach. Track all if possible.

2. If airborne when object sighted.

a. Were there any radar inductions or extra noise on radio circuits?

b. Give estimates of size, speed, maneuvers, etc.

c. Degree of fatigue and duration of flight at time of sighting in cases where observer is airborne.

GENERAL

1. Teletype sequences of local weather conditions.

2. Winds aloft report.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

APR 5 1949

FBI SALT LAKE CITY 4-5-49 12-25 PM HTG

DIRECTOR U R G E N T

FLYING DISCS. INFORMATION RECEIVED AT LOGAN, UTAH ELEVEN AM TODAY THAT AT NINE AM A GUARD AT THE ARMY GENERAL SUPPLY DEPOT, OGDEN, UTAH, OBSERVED WHAT APPEARED TO BE AN EXPLOSION IN THE AIR ACCOMPANIED BY A FLASH OF LIGHT. FOLLOWED BY THE FALLING OF SILVER COLORED OBJECT. THIS WAS SEEN AT HIGH ALTITUDE WEST OF OGDEN NEAR THE TOWN OF TAYLOR, UTAH. ABOUT THE SAME TIME LT. [redacted] OF LOGAN, UTAH PD SAW TWO PUFFS OF SMOKE HIGH IN THE AIR WEST OF LOGAN FOLLOWED BY FALLING OF SILVER COLORED OBJECT. ALSO AT ABOUT SAME TIME UTAH HIGHWAY PATROLMAN [redacted] AT MANTUA, UTAH, SAW A SILVER COLORED OBJECT HIGH UP APPROACHING THE MOUNTAINS AT SARDINE CANYON BETWEEN LOGAN AND BRIGHAM CITY, UTAH AND AS OBJECT NEARED THE MOUNTAIN IT APPEARED TO EXPLODE IN A FLASH OF FIRE. SEVERAL RESIDENTS AT TRENTON, UTAH, WHICH IS WEST OF LOGAN, HAVE REPORTED TO SO, LOGAN, SEEING WHAT APPEARED TO BE TWO AERIAL EXPLOSIONS FOLLOWED BY FALLING OBJECT WEST OF TRENTON AT ABOUT NINE TWENTY AM TODAY. ABOVE INFORMATION IMMEDIATELY FURNISHED TO OSI, HILL FIELD, UTAH. ANY FURTHER PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS WILL BE FURNISHED BUREAU FOR INFORMATION. OSI HILL FIELD HAS JUST NOW ADVISED ABOVE PHENOMENA PROBALLY CAUSED BY TWO B TWENTYNINES FROM WENDOVER FIELD WHICH ARE PRACTICE-BOMBING IN THE DESERT WEST OF LOGAN FROM EXTREMELY HIGH ALTITUDES WHICH WOULD CAUSE VAPOR TRAILS. OSI CHECKING FURTHER AND WILL ADVISE THIS OFFICE OF RESULTS.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT s~7@HOUSTON

FILE NO. 105-145

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
LOS ANGELES	3/30/49	12/28,29;1/7/49	[redacted] DPZ

TITLE FLYING DISCS;
[redacted] Complainant
Houston, Texas, December 27, 1948

CHARACTER OF CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY

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DETAILS:

This investigation is predicated upon the receipt of referenced Teletype from the Director, Air Force Office advising that [redacted] had located an object in the desert near Helendale, California, resembling a flying disc. This object, described as a flying disc, was located by [redacted] and approximately one hundred and twenty miles from Lone Pine, California.

Special Agent [redacted] determined that [redacted]

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Special Agent [redacted] determined that [redacted]

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2 - Los Angeles

Special Agent [redacted]

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Mr. [redacted] Avenue, South Pasadena, California, who was with [redacted] at the time the object was discovered, advised Special Agent [redacted] on December 28, 1948, that he was present at the time the object was located on his [redacted] landing field near Hendale, California. [redacted] advised that they had taken some pieces of the object [redacted] to Los Angeles, [redacted] had been built by the [redacted] of Los Angeles. He had learned that the object was actually a model kite [redacted] target which [redacted] had admitted to him having experimented with the object over his airfield. Mr. [redacted] had available three of the parts of the target which he had secured while at the airfield.

The information furnished by Mr. [redacted] was verified by Special Agent [redacted] in an interview with Mr. [redacted] MANUFACTURING COMPANY, [redacted] Los Angeles. The parts made available by Mr. [redacted] were exhibited to Mr. [redacted] and he advised that the model kite had been [redacted] for flight tests by himself and [redacted] Los Angeles 43, California. Mr. [redacted] stated that [redacted] is the inventor of the object and [redacted] had originally agreed to finance him to develop the tow target or kite as a toy. Mr. [redacted] explained that they were primarily interested in developing the contraption as a toy kite to be sold in a much smaller model; however, the inventor, against their wishes, had developed a much larger model which he had hoped to sell as a tow target to be used behind airplanes. Mr. [redacted] stated that since he had gone that far they felt that they should give the project a test and thereupon they took it out to the desert as a precautionary measure. Mr. [redacted] stated that the flight test was a failure; the model crashed soon after it was airborne and was thereafter abandoned on the field.

In the absence of her husband, Mrs. [redacted] was interviewed and exhibited the three parts of the kite made available by Mr. [redacted] She advised that she also accompanied her husband to the desert at the time the tests were made. She explained that the kite had crashed and that the manufacturing company did not want to put any more cash in it so it was abandoned on the desert.

The three parts of the kite were returned to [redacted] on January 7, 1949. The Sub-Inspector, OSAF, Santee Street, Terminal Annex, Los Angeles, California, was apprised of the information contained herein immediately upon its receipt.

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D. C.

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO

PERSONAL ATTENTION
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SAC LETTER NO. 38
Series 1949

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FLETCHER, H. B.

JONES, M. A.
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RE: FLYING DISCS

ROBE

Your attention is directed to Bureau Bulletin #57, Series 1947, dated October 1, 1947, relating to the discontinuance of investigation by this Bureau in matters concerning flying discs.

For your confidential information, a reliable and confidential source has advised the Bureau that flying discs are believed to be man-made missiles rather than natural phenomenon. It has been determined that for approximately the past four years the USSR has been engaged in experimentation on an unknown type of flying disc.

The Department of the Air Force has furnished to the Bureau the attached memorandum classified "restricted" dated February 15, 1949, entitled "Unconventional Aircraft." This memorandum is being furnished to you in order that all agents assigned to your office can be informed of the type of information desired by the Air Force in this matter.

As set forth in Bureau Bulletin #57, referred to above, no investigation should be conducted by your office relative to flying discs, however, the attached memorandum should be referred to in securing data from persons who desire to voluntarily furnish information to your office relating to flying discs.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: March 22, 1949

FROM : SAC, SAN ANTONIO

SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS
BUREAU FILE 65-58300

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Reference is made to the Director dated January 31, 1949, which outlined discussion had at recent weekly Intelligence Conferences of G-2, OHI, OSI and FBI in the Fourth Army Area concerning "Unidentified Aircraft" or "Unidentified Areial Phenomena" otherwise known as "flying discs", "Flying saucers" and "balls of fire". It is repeated that this matter is considered secret by Intelligence Officers of both the Army and the Air Force.

G-2, 4th Army, has now advised that the above matter is now termed "Unconventional Aircraft" and investigations concerning such matters have been given the name "Project Grudge".

G-2, 4th Army, advised on February 16, 1949, a conference was held at Los Alamos, New Mexico, to consider the so-called "Green fire ball phenomena" which began about December 5, 1948. It was brought out this question has been classified "secret" and that investigation is now the primary responsibility of the U.S. Air Force, Air Materiel Command, T-2.

Dr. LINCOLN LA PAZ of the University of New Mexico, discussed one sighting which he himself had made which was termed the "Starvation peak incident" and described the following characteristics which indicated that the phenomenon could not be classified as a normal meteorite fall.

1. There was an initial bright light (no period of intensity increase) and constant intensity during the duration of the phenomenon.

2. Yellow green color about 5290 Angstroms.

3. Essentially horizontal path.

4. Trajectory traversed at constant angular velocity.

5. Duration about two seconds.

6. No accompanying noise.

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2 cc: Dallas
" ", Houston
" " Little Rock
" " Oklahoma City

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DIRECTOR, FBI March 22, 1949

It was brought out that since December 5, 1948 there have been more than ten incidents analagous to the "green fireball" above described and some twenty others with miner deviations from the above. It is also pointed out that the only sitings which had occurred seemed to have been confined to the Los Alamos, Las Vegas, and West Texas triangle.

G-2 also advised that as of November 1, 1948, information had been received from higher Military authorities that the Air Force had advised that such sitings occur periodically and that another period of sitings was than imminent. Further, on February 14, 1949, higher Military authorities advised that it was believed that ultimately it would be found that the phenomena in question have a natural explanation.

It is further noted that about 7:30 p.m., March 6, 1949, what was at first thought to be a flare was seen approximately one-half mile north of Killeen Base in the area of the vital installation at Camp Hood, Texas, and a second flare was noticed at 1:45 a.m., March 7, 1949, approximately three miles from Killeen Base. It has since been concluded that the flares seen near Killeen are probably similar to the phenomena previously noted in the Los Alamos, Sandia Base Area although these are the first sitings of such phenomena near Camp Hood.

There appears to be reason to believe that the above-mentioned phenomena may be connected with secret experiments being conducted by some U.S. Government agency as it is believed that the United States is farther advanced in guided missile development than any foreign power.

Although the primary responsibility for investigating such matters is now with the U.S. Air Material Command, G-2, Ninth Army is still interested in being advised of any further sitings of such phenomena which might be observed.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

FROM : Mr. Fletcher

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

PURPOSE

The approval of the Executives Conference is requested for the attached SAC letter furnishing to the field the type of information desired by the Intelligence Division of the Air Force in connection with the captioned matter.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: January 31, 1949

FROM: S.A.C, SAN ANTONIO

SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS
SAN FRANCISCO FILE # 65-53300

At recent Weekly Intelligence Conferences of G-2, ONI, OSI, and F.B.I., in the Fourth Army Area, Officers of G-2, Fourth Army have discussed the matter of "Unidentified Aerial Phenomena" otherwise known as "Flying Discs", "Flying Saucers", and "Balls of Fire". This matter is considered to be of interest by Intelligence Officers of both the Army and the Air Forces.

It is well known that there have been during the past two years reports from the various parts of the country of the sighting of unidentified aerial objects which have been called in newspaper parlance "Flying Discs" and "Flying Saucers". The first such sightings were reported from Sweden, and it was thought that the objects, the nature of which was unknown, might have originated in Russia.

In July, 1948 an unidentified aircraft was "seen" by an Eastern Airlines pilot and Co-Pilot and one or more passengers of the Eastern Airlines Plane over Montgomery, Alabama. This aircraft was reported to be of an unconventional type without lights and resembled an "Flying Disc" of the type depicted in comic strips. It was reported to have had windows, to have been larger than the Eastern Airlines plane, and to have been traveling at an estimated speed of 2700 miles an hour. It appeared out of a thunder cloud ahead of the Eastern Airlines plane and immediately disappeared in another cloud narrowly missing a collision with the Eastern Airlines plane. No sound or air disturbance was noted in connection with this sighting.

During the past two months various sightings of unidentified phenomena have been reported in the vicinity of the Strategic Installation at Los Alamos, New Mexico, where these phenomena now appear to be concentrated. During December 1948 on the 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 11th, 13, 14th, 20th and 25th sightings of unidentified phenomena were made at Los Alamos by special agents of the Office of Special Investigations, Military Pilots, Military Pilots, Los Alamos Security Inspectors, and private citizens. On January 6, 1949, another similar object was sighted in the same area.

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Up to this time little concrete information has been obtained.

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DIRECTOR, FBI 1/31/49

There have been day time sightings which are tentatively considered to possibly resemble the exhaust of some type of jet propelled object. Night-time sightings have taken the form of lights usually described as brilliant green, similar to a green traffic signal or green neon light. Some reports indicated that the light began and ended with a red or orange flash. Other reports have given the color as red, white, blu-white, and yellowish green. Trailing lights sometimes observed are said to be red. The spectrum analysis of one light indicates that it may be a copper compound of the type known to be used in rocket experiments and which completely disintegrates upon explosion, leaving no debris. It is noted that no debris has ever been known to be located anywhere resulting from the unexplained phenomena.

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[redacted] the subject of a letter from the Atlanta office to the Bureau dated August 10, 1948, entitled, [redacted] EXPLOSION CONCERNING."

[redacted] regarding Atomic Energy. She has generally been considered unreliable and possibly mentally unbalanced. She, however, has submitted to Military authorities the only letter thus far known that has the credibility of being directed toward a specific point. She further theorizes that such radios interfere with the ignition of aircraft and account for various unexplained air crashes. The above is submitted for the confidential information of the Bureau and offices to which copies of this letter are directed so that these offices may evaluate any such reports they may have received or may receive in the future.

It is noted that the Fourth Army has the responsibility of protecting vital installations at Los Alamos, New Mexico, Sandia Base, New Mexico, and Camp Bowie, Texas. Any information developed should be expeditiously transmitted to the Fourth Army. Further noted that G-2 and the O.S.I. are actively engaged in investigating this matter. No investigation is being conducted by this office.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: February 16, 1949

FROM : SAC, Knoxville

SUBJECT: "FLYING SAUCERS" OBSERVED OVER OAK RIDGE AREA
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Reference is made to Knoxville letter to the Director dated February 9, 1949, entitled as above.

There is being forwarded for the Bureau's information a copy of a letter from [redacted] USAF, AMC [redacted] Oak Ridge, Tennessee, to Mr. [redacted] being forwarded for the B[redacted] a copy of a letter from the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge. This letter is self explanatory and reveals the photographs forwarded with reference letter are the result of accident or purposeful hoax and are not actually photographs of a "flying saucer." [redacted] personally advised that the photographs are not real, his statements made concerning the existence of flying saucers and the opinions expressed by him nevertheless stand as previous[redacted]

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EXPA Project, P. O. Box 28
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

10 February 1949

Mr. G. J. Rathman
Chief, Investigation Section
Security Department
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission
P.O. Box E
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Rathman:

This is in response to your letter dated 16 December 1948, subject "Photographs", with inclosures, addressed to Major D. J. Grant, this office, covering photographs taken during the month of July 1947 by Mr. William Presley, of 210 Illinois Avenue, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, of an unidentified object that appeared to be flying over Oak Ridge.

Since receipt of Major Grant's letter and material, this office has taken steps to secure an evaluation of same by the Air Force Office of the Chief, Technical Intelligence Division, Intelligence Department, Air Materiel Command, at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio. As a result, the following information has been revealed:

When the negative containing the sphere, is examined by strong transmitted light, it is noted that the emulsion is ruined at that point above the normal level of the remaining emulsion. This indicates that either a drop of warm water or a drop of developer struck the film at this point and rolled down this negative and the succeeding negative.

To further substantiate this, it will be noted that when the two (2) negatives are placed side by side with the edges of the film aligned, the so-called trail is continuous, that is the two sections match, indicating the drop which formed on the first negative to the last.

Still further proof is shown on the fogged edge of the negative containing only the trail. This is proven by the fact that the trail extends beyond the normal format

Ltr. to Mr. G. J. Rathman, Chief, Investigation Section, U. S. AEC, dated 10 February 1949, Re Photographs

of the negative. In other words, there is a trail of that section of the negative which was not exposed in the camera. This effect shows up in one negative and not in the other because the negative in question is [illegible], therefore, the irregularity was developed.

[illegible] the number of unevenly developed sections of the negative.

In view of the above, it is recommended that this entire matter be declassified and that Mr. Presley be advised of the nature of the images, if and when the negatives are returned to him by your office.

For your information, this office is taking the liberty of furnishing a copy of this communication to Mr. C. C. McSwain, Special Agent, FBI, because of official interest evidenced by his office in the matter.

Your cooperation in furnishing photographs and negatives, together with information contained in your letter of 16 December 1948 to Major Grant, is sincerely appreciated.

Very truly yours,

C. D. GASSER
Colonel, USAF
AEC Engineering Field Officer

3 Incls.
2 Negatives
1 Photostat

cc - Mr. C. C. McSwain

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From: CO Kirtland AFB New Mexico

To: Chief of Staff USAF attn Dir of Special Investigations
Officer of the Inspector General

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Nr: OSI-1-90 31 January 1949

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Reference previous reports, subject; unknown, aerial phenomena, file number 24-8. Sighting of identical object reported at 23552 30 Jan 49 by aprx 30 people. Estimate at least 100 total sightings. AFC, AFSWP, 4th Army, local commanders perturbed by implications of phenomena. Sighting reported from El Paso, Alburquerque, Alamogordo, Roswell, Socorro, and other locations. All appear to be same object at different points in trajectory. Unless instructed to contrary this office will make all out investigation with view to location of impact point if any. Request reply.

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Date KY 1/23/49

Case References FLYING DISCS [redacted], Complainant

Designed to: SAC, HOUSTON

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REGISTERED MAIL

3mm Movie Film,,

parts of supposed flying disc.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Office Memorandum UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

The Director

Date: January 21, 1949

PROM: Ladd

SUBJECT: [redacted]

I thought you might be interested in the following. [redacted] Air Material Command, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, advised that they have received information that a [redacted] in Tennessee.

[redacted] stated that the fact that they are being [redacted] further belief that a great deal of information [redacted] missile [redacted] the matter was being [redacted]

[redacted] continue with his own ideas as to what might be the nature of these discs which ideas he had formulated through review of those known facts and theoretical conjectures of himself and other scientists concerning the nature of flying discs and methods of propulsion for such type of aerial mechanism. According to him, flying discs have long been a theoretical possibility, and, in fact, a [redacted] would indicate one of the best means by which to break through the barriers of the supersonic area. He stated that scientists have, for many years, been attempting to develop this type of aircraft. So far as is known in the United States, but insofar as is known in the United States at the present time, there have never been any practical developments. As a second [redacted] to U. S. scientists at this time, there is no known chemical fuel [redacted] utilized which is in accordance with [redacted] energy.

He stated that this subject [redacted] by the proper military personnel, that they had deemed advisable to advise of all information pertaining to this missile. He continued, however, that in his capacity as representative [redacted] and reading reports submitted to this country by foreign agents, he had gathered [redacted] information which might be of assistance in determining whether or not these so-called discs were authentic, usable or dangerous to the United States.

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He pointed out that knowledge of such a possible aircraft is not by any means new and that it was known as early as four years ago that some type of flying disc was being experimented with by the Russians. In addition he said that more recent reports have been received from representatives of the Central Intelligence

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SAC, Houston January 25, 1949

Director, FBI

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Inferences made to Los Angeles teletype dated 12/29/48 and to Houston teletype dated 12/28/48, and the subsequent transmittal of an 8mm movie film taken by Mr. [redacted] along with several parts of the supposed flying disc to the Air Materiel Command.

Houston teletype dated 12/26/48, and the subsequent transmittal of the above items to the Air Materiel Command.

The supposed flying disc to the Air Materiel Command for examination. The flying disc as a tow target and later a toy kite, no examination was conducted here.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI

FROM: SAC, Houston

SUBJECT: [redacted], Complainant

Attention: Assistant Director D.M. Ladd

Remytel 12/28/48 in the above captioned matter.

For the Bureau's information, on 12/27/48 [redacted] an attorney with offices [redacted] Houston, Texas, telephonically contacted the Houston Office to advise that he had a friend, [redacted] who had some information on an object which might be a flying disc. Mr. [redacted] stated he was calling in response to the suggestion and as a means of determining what authorities would have an interest in this matter. He stated [redacted] employed by the [redacted] Houston, Texas, was notified at [redacted] MID representative, also Houston. As a result of these referrals, arrangements were effected with Mr. [redacted] to bring his film to the Houston Office for a showing immediately upon receipt of the above information. [redacted] and Special Agent [redacted] Field, Texas, was notified as was the MID representative. Arrangements were then made for Mr. [redacted] to again appear at the Houston Office with the film which his information might be educed in writing. This was done with Sgt. [redacted] and the film was observed. Arrangements were made for Mr. [redacted] to rewind the film and leave it with Sgt. [redacted] for further observation. This film relates exclusively to the pictures of the flying disc.

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Director
Re: Flying Disc
HO 12/28/48

While observing the object, Mr. [redacted] noted an aluminum cylinder which had become detached from one of the wing tips and he brought this back with him as a souvenir. This conceivably could act as a rudder, a rocket housing, or fuel tank attachment. Mr. [redacted] initialled the cylinder and surrendered it also.

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There are attached hereto for the Bureau two copies of a signed statement taken from Mr. [redacted] dated Houston, Texas, 12/28/48. Two copies of the statement are attached for the Los Angeles Office and one additional copy is being designated for the Cincinnati Division. The original is being retained in the Houston file. One copy of the statement is attached to the copy of this letter for the FBI Laboratory.

During the interview with Mr. [redacted], Mrs. [redacted], a signed statement for taken from Ellington Field, reported in Houston, Texas, 12/28/48. Two copies of the statement are attached for the Bureau.

Initial information obtained concerning this flying disc was furnished telephonically to Inspector [redacted] at 9 A.M., 12/28/48. Later Mr. [redacted] requested that the Bureau be given a summary of the information by teletype, with interested offices being similarly notified, and that the signed statement of [redacted] be submitted AMSD. He further instructed that he did not want the Bureau "side tracked" in the handling of this matter, but that FBI representatives should assume an active interest in the investigation through cooperating, of course, with O.S.I. representatives.

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Mr. [redacted] was advised that the Bureau would be given a summary of the information by teletype, and that the signed statement of [redacted] would be submitted AMSD. On the morning of 12/28/48 Mr. [redacted] sent a telegram to his District Commander giving the general summary of the original complaint. Mr. [redacted] was unable to advise how the 5th O.S.I. District would handle their inquiry in this matter. He stated this could either be handled by Wright Field dispatching a special plane to California or by having their District Commander, 18D, San Bernardino, California handle it. He stated in any event it would be necessary for his representatives to first confer with Mr. [redacted] named in his statement, as being the individual who initially discovered the flying disc and would know also its present whereabouts.

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[redacted] as indicated, maintains a business a [redacted] Los Angeles, California, telephone [redacted]

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To insure the Bureau's participation in this matter, SAC R.B. Hood, of the Los Angeles Office, was contacted telephonically at approximately 1:30 P.M., CST, 12/28/48 with the suggestion he maintain contact with Mr. [redacted]

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Also in keeping with Bureau instructions, the roll of film received from Mr. [redacted] together with the aluminum portion of the fuselage, is being forwarded separately to the Bureau, attention FBI laboratory.

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See letter #5: 1-1 dated 1/25/2.11

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Houston, Texas
Dec. 28, 1948

I, [redacted], residing [redacted], Houston 17, Texas, make the following statement to Special Agent [redacted] and [redacted], representatives of the Office of Special Investigations, Ellington OSI Detachment, Ellington Field, Texas, and Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] who I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Houston, Texas
Dec. 28, 1948

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Houston 17, Texas, on December 5, 1948, at about 11:30 A.M., I made the following statement to [redacted], Office of Special Investigations, Ellington OSI Detachment, Ellington Field, Texas, and Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] who I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

After dinner we went back to Mr. [redacted] Mr. [redacted] told us about seeing a flying disc and we made an appointment to leave early the next morning by car, with our cameras, to go to the location of the disc. Mr. [redacted] was detained at some private air field so we did not leave until about 2 P.M. and I had dinner at the Old Virginia Inn on Lankershim, Hollywood, California. After dinner we arrived at the scene of the flying disc and took pictures of the disc which was still [redacted] and Mr. [redacted] took five or six shots with a Speed Graphic camera. He noticed that the first three shots were taken in Los Angeles, California.

On December 7, 1948 we went out in Mr. [redacted] car and picked up his wife and left his home in South Pasadena about 11 A.M. We drove out to an airport where his plane was about forty miles from Pasadena where he was having the plane repaired. He wanted to be sure the plane was on a truck before we left for the destination where the disc was. In making this trip, we proceeded out by a race track and passed one of the Kaiser steel works and the Virginia Dare Wine Orchard. I would say we went directly north or northeast from Pasadena, California. We drove through a town called Ratonia (phonetic) and followed a road through some mountains and through a small desert. I would estimate the distance from Pasadena to where the disc was found to be about 150 miles. The terrain in which the disc was found could be described as flat, desert and desolate.

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The disc itself was approximately two feet thick in the center, tapering to a feather edge at the rim. On the outside of the disc, near the rim, there were funnel shaped cups braced on and there were spaced all around on both sides, each cup being approximately twenty inches apart. The openings of these cups were therefore in the shape of a funnel and there were spaced all around the disc itself, the cups being made of aluminum, being approximately twenty inches apart. The cups were braced on the disc itself by means of natural aluminum and were painted with aluminum paint.

The wing was ribbed throughout with aluminum ribs for substantial strength. The wing was a leading edge similar to that of an airplane and tapered to a feather edge on each wing. The wing was ribbed throughout with aluminum ribs for substantial strength. Each wing had a similar rocket cartridge on each wing and tapered to a feather edge. The wing was ribbed throughout with aluminum ribs for substantial strength. Each wing had a similar rocket cartridge on each wing.

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After we finished taking our pictures and discussing the object among ourselves, Mr. [redacted] expressed an intention of obtaining a truck and hauling the object to his shop. I cannot say at this time whether he did this or not or where the object may be at this particular date. We finished

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and two other men whose names I do not recall. All of these men work in the instrument shop with me at [redacted] Company. I also showed the film to my brother-in-law, [redacted] of Pasadena, Texas, at home on the following night.

On Christmas Day I met some friends and one of the girls was with a young man who was interested in photography. I do not know his name but he works at Southern Pacific. I told him I had some pictures at home and the flying disc but I did not show him the pictures but explained the disc. I think this boy is the person who had his friend at the newspaper contact me girls an vim Ayc:-zmgwylm wasinterested in Pl1* ?'4°8ravp I do nan knw hi: namebut he works at SVQ-utVhem.irm. K mid tum trad Mme pieturea at the tlvyiragdim but 1'not showhm thanpicture-s but wxplameé the Mao. I. think tin: my is the pa:-sorrim hm! hi: trivandat en: naulpapep contact me

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I got home about 10:30 A.M. and [redacted] of the City Desk at the "Houston Post" called me and wanted to know about the disc. I told him I could not give him any information on it. He begged me for the story, but I told him I would let him know and that I had friends I had to contact before I could give him any information.

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I then got in touch with Mr. [redacted], my lawyer, the following morning and asked him if he knew anything in the [redacted] and [redacted] personnel by [redacted] were no longer stationed here. I then contacted the FBI and turned the material over to them.

Although I can't describe where this object is located, I believe I could go back to it and I am sure Mr. [redacted] and [redacted] could go back to it.

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For record purposes of the pictures above referred to, I did so using exposure of 16 frames per second at a diaphragm opening of f6.3. I used Fine-Kodak Kodachrome film.

[redacted]

Witnesses:

Representatives OSI, Ellington Field, Texas

FBI, Houston, Texas

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR FBI

DATE: January 17, 1949

FROM : SAC KNOXVILLE

SUBJECT: "FLYING SAUCERS" OBSERVED OVER OAK RIDGE AREA
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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Mr. Clegg
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There are being submitted herewith photographs of reputedly flying saucers which were seen at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, sometime during July or 1947. All of the information contained in this letter was received from [redacted] Atomic Energy Commission, and [redacted], Air Material Command, United States Army, who [redacted] principal army technician at the Nuclear Energy for the Propulsion of Aircraft Research Center at Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

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[redacted] advised that the attached photographs were taken by [redacted] July 1947. He stated that interview with [redacted] revealed that he had been snapping photographs [redacted] Oak Ridge, Tennessee, [redacted] into the sky [redacted] photograph numbered 2. Upon observing the unusual [redacted] he used his last [redacted] in taking photograph #2. [redacted] of the newspaper clipping, which is also being submitted herewith to the Bureau, the paper was very indistinct. The news story did not contain [redacted] generally [redacted] been [redacted] photographs [redacted] Later, [redacted] into the sky and [redacted] photograph [redacted] distributed by [redacted] appeared extremely concerned over the matter and seemed to be quite emphatic that the matter should be given no more publicity than [redacted] necessary. [redacted] also advised that he [redacted] photographs [redacted] have been apparent, [redacted] to an [redacted] and [redacted]

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negatives certainly did not appear to be the case. It was [redacted] observation that had the negative been "doped" with some sort of chemical, it would have removed the emulsion from the face of the film in such a way that the negative would have been thin at the point which is supposedly a ball of fire, whereas, in fact, both the vapor trail and the corona of fire are dark on the negative, indicating that it was an actual exposure. It was the opinion of [redacted] that the photographs were, without doubt, authentic. [redacted] b7c

In accordance with Bureau instructions no active investigation of this matter was made, but it was deemed advisable to interview [redacted] concerning them, other than the fact that they were believed by air force intelligence officials to be man-made missiles, rather than some natural phenomena. [redacted] was his further belief that a great deal of information had been compiled concerning these missiles by air force intelligence, and research on the matter was being extensively done at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. [redacted] also expressed the opinion that information in the possession of the United States Air Force Intelligence had, in all probability, been made available to the Bureau, Washington, D. C. [redacted] then continued with his own ideas as to what might be the nature of these discs, which ideas he had formulated through review of those known facts and theoretical conjectures of himself and other scientists concerning the nature of flying discs and methods of propulsion for such type of aerial mechanism. According to [redacted] discs have long been theoretically possible and, in fact, a possibility which would indicate one of the best means by which to break through the barriers of the supersonic area. Scientists have, for many years, been attempting to develop this type of aircraft. Some experimentation has been done even in the United States, but insofar as is known with the present state of the art, there have never been any practical developments. As a second factor of consideration, [redacted] stated that insofar as is known to U. S. scientists at this time, there is no known chemical fuel which would make possible tremendous range of flight such as is ascribed to the reported "flying saucers." There is also no known propulsion which could be utilized in accordance with present theory and that the case if a normal type of exhaust from a combustion engine was being utilized in the propulsion of these aircraft. [redacted] called attention to the vapor trail and gaseous corona described as a ball of fire, which he states might give some evidence to the fact that a radio-active field is present. He explained that the corona, or exhaust, has what appears to be layers of intensity which are circular rather than elongated and have no tendency to trail at the extremities, as would be the case if a normal type of exhaust from a combustion engine was being utilized in the propulsion of these aircraft. [redacted] He continued that the vapor trail left by the missile appears to be one single line of uniform intensity which is extremely slow in dissipating. It was pointed out by him that in the case of a normal

vapor trail being left by an aircraft moving at extremely high speeds or extremely high altitudes, the vapor trail usually will be from the wing tips and/or the exhaust of the engines, thus presenting several lines. But, in any event, even though only one line were visible, it would be rather quick to dissipate. This indicated to him that the vapor trail represents some atmospheric change along the path of the missile, which would not be the case were it any presently known type of aircraft.

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He continued that information furnished by him should be treated with the utmost confidence, in that he was not speaking officially, but as a personal matter of cooperation. He stated that the matter was being given absolutely no dissemination by the air force or other military personnel, and that they had not deemed it advisable to advise him of all information pertaining to the missile. He continued, however, that in his conversation with representatives at Wright Field and in reading reports returned to this country by foreign agents, he had gathered together certain information which might be of assistance in determining whether or not these so-called missiles were authentic, usable and of danger to the United States. First, he pointed out that knowledge of such a possible aircraft is not by any means new, it having been known as early as four years ago that some type of flying disc was being experimented with by the Russians. In addition thereto, he stated that more recent reports have been received from representatives of the Central Intelligence Agency in Southern Europe and Southern Asia to the effect that the Russians were experimenting with some type of radical aircraft or guided missile which could be dispatched for great distances out over the sea, made to turn in flight and return to the base from which it was launched. This fact was extremely worthy of notice as experiments in this country have so far only developed to the point where we are concerned with delivering a missile to the required point of impact, and no consideration has been given to imparting to that missile the ability to return. Secondly, he stated that it is a known fact that the Russians are attempting to develop some type of nuclear energy, that they received a wealth of information concerning nuclear energy at the time of their occupation in Germany, and that they too have at their disposal the limited supply of the necessary fissionable materials. He stated that insofar as any opinion as to whether or not they have the ability and scientific knowledge to create such a nuclear-propelled missile is strictly a matter of conjecture, and that he would hesitate to make any definite statement. He pointed out, however, that the Russians have some very capable scientists in the field of atomic energy and that, in addition thereto, they took into their custody some of the most advanced and capable scientists of the German Nation.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD

DATE: December 28, 1948

FROM :

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

Reference is made to the teletype of December 28, 1948, from the Houston Office.

At 3:30 p.m., I called SAC Hood of the Los Angeles Office and instructed that he attempt to locate Mr. [redacted] and Mr. and Mrs. [redacted] to secure photographs and film in their possession and also secure from them the location of the described flying disc. I also instructed that Mr. Hood send out sufficient Agents to find the disc and guard it until it could be properly handled by the appropriate Government authority. I also telephoned the Houston Office and told them to send in the photographs [redacted] and he stated that he knew all about this matter, that it was not a flying disc, but an object which had been identified as a tow kite, which has a disc center and wings. This kite is actually made in Los Angeles by the [redacted] Manufacturing Company. A call was made to [redacted] who admitted making a kite along the lines described by [redacted] and they explained that they had tried to fly it and it had failed and they had abandoned it.

Mr. Hood stated he did not have full details at the time of his call, but he did have this report from the Agents. Therefore, I instructed that he call Mr. [redacted] of the Houston Office immediately in order that the film and the part available to the Houston Office will not be forwarded for Laboratory examination.

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[redacted] COMPLAINANT. [redacted]

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THREE PARTS OF SUBJECT DESCRIBED BY [redacted] SECURED FROM [redacted]

FLYING DISK, [redacted] LA AND EXHIBITED TO [redacted]

MANUFACTURING COMPANY [redacted]

[redacted] THESE PARTS AS COMING FROM A

MODEL TOW TARGET CONSTRUCTED BY [redacted]

[redacted] TOW TARGET WAS TESTED BY [redacted]

AIRFIELD NEAR HELENDALE, CALIF. THE TEST WAS A FAILURE, THE

TARGET CRASHED AND WAS ABANDONED AT THE AIRFIELD. NO FURTHER

INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED AND THE THREE ITEMS SECURED FROM

[redacted] WILL BE RETURNED TO WPAFB UNLESS BUREAU ADVISES TO

[redacted]

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

DEC 28 1948

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FBI HOUSTON 12-28-48 1-12 PM CST

DIRECTOR, SACS CINCINNATI AND LOS ANGELES U R G E N T

ATTENTION INSPECTOR [redacted]

FLYING-DISK. [redacted] COMPLAINANT

[redacted] CONTACTED THIS

[redacted] MATTER AND SIGNED

STATEMENT TO THE FOLLOWING. [redacted] EMPLOYED AS A

[redacted] HOUSTON COMMERCIAL

BEGINNING DECEMBER FIFTH LAST ON BUSINESS FOR HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. ON

SUNDAY, DECEMBER SEVENTH, [redacted]

MACHINIST [redacted] FROM HOLLYWOOD IN A DESERT AREA, [redacted]

AIRLINE DESERT [redacted] LA.,

[redacted] ON DECEMBER SEVENTH, [redacted] AND

MR. AND MRS. [redacted] SOUTH

PASADENA, CALIF., DEPARTED BY PRIVATELY OWNED AUTOMOBILE IN SEARCH OF

DISK. SAME LOCATED APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY MILES NORTHEAST

OF PASADENA AND ABOUT TWENTY MILES NORTHEAST OF LONE PINE, CALIF.

[redacted] TOOK PHOTOGRAPHS OF DISK WITH MOVIE AND

SPEEDGRAPHIC CAMERAS. THE [redacted] FILM WAS EIGHT MILLEMETERS IN SIZE

AND CAMERA MADE BY REVERE. DISK LOCATED DESERT AREA NEAR NINE HUNDRED

ACRES OF LAND OWNED BY PERSON AS PRIVATE AIRFIELD. [redacted] HAD HIS FILM

DEVELOPED BY EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY AT UNKNOWN ADDRESS LOS PALMAS ST., LA.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD DATE: December 28, 1948

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

At 10:00 a.m. today, SAC Willis, Houston, called in and stated that [redacted] a business man in Houston, Texas, had furnished certain pictures taken by a friend of his, [redacted] of the [redacted], Houston, Texas, and had related that [redacted] had been flying with a friend in a private plane from California to Houston and that at a point about 30 miles east of Lone Pine, California, some object lying on the ground made a very strong reflection and they made a check to determine what would cause this bright reflection. They finally landed the plane and found an object which could be described as being 8' in diameter with wings about 4' long. The object is about [illegible] thickness and in the center there appears to be some type of gyroscope. The wings apparently are fitted with some type of jet propulsion. An examination was made by [redacted] and his friend and they could find no identifying marks and took photographs of the object they observed.

SAC Willis stated he had informed Lieutenant [redacted] of the Air Force, Ellington Field, and [redacted] the Army representative in Houston, of this object and that [redacted] would be interviewed that morning in the Houston Office with Lieutenant [redacted] being present. Lieutenant [redacted] wanted the statements of [redacted] taken down by a stenographer and he will furnish the stenographer for that purpose.

After talking with you, I phoned SAC Willis back and told him to insure the presence of a Bureau Agent at the time this object was examined by the Army Air Forces and that he should make proper arrangements with the office in California to see that an Agent was present. I also told him to advise me of the developments.

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instructed SAC Willie to mrnish complete details of this matter
by 3.1 mail special delivery including a copy of the photograph. further
instructed that he furnish the same details the proper eld office because
unquestionably the Bureau would want to run this thing out.
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FBI, LOS ANGELES 12-23-48

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ATTENTION INSPECTOR [redacted] LOS ANGELES

FLYING DISK, [redacted] COMPLAINT. RE HOUSTON TELETYPE
DEC. TWENTY EIGHT. MR. [redacted]

[redacted] IN ARIZONA, EXACT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN TO HIS
OFFICE, EXPECTED TO CALL MORNING OF DEC. TWENTY NINE. [redacted]

[redacted] MANUFACTURING COMPANY, SOUTH PASADENA, CALIF. ADVISED HE
AND [redacted] PURCHASED AIRPORT IN MOJAVE DESERT NEAR HELENDALE,
CALIF. STATED THAT IN EARLY PART OF DEC. EXACT DATE UNKNOWN, [redacted]
ADVISED HIM HE HAD FOUND A FLYING DISK ON THEIR AIRPORT. [redacted]
[redacted], AND [redacted] PROCEEDED TO AIRPORT WHERE THEY
LOCATED DISK, TOOK PICTURES OF IT AND REMOVED [redacted] PORTIONS
OF DISK, [redacted] RETAINING SOME PARTS AND [redacted] KEEPING
SOME PORTIONS WHICH ARE STILL IN HIS POSSESSION. [redacted]
THAT DAY AFTER LOCATING THE DISK AN EMPLOYEE OBSERVED PARTS RETAINED
BY [redacted], AND STATED HE [redacted] LA. [redacted]
STATED HE THEN CONTACTED [redacted] AND [redacted] WHO STATED THEY WERE FIN-
ANCING [redacted] IN DEVELOPING A KITE FOR BACKYARD SALE
ON OPEN MARKET AS A TOY. [redacted] STATED HE HAD PREVIOUSLY GIVEN
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THAT THEY HAD FOUND THE OBJECT. CONTACT WILL BE MADE WITH [redacted] b7c

AND [redacted], TO SECURE PHOTOGRAPHS AND SAMPLES. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED

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[redacted] b7c

Valley City, North Dakota

Dear [redacted] b7c

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Your letter dated October 15, 1948, has been received and I do want to thank you for the patriotic motives which prompted you to make available your thoughts concerning the subject mentioned.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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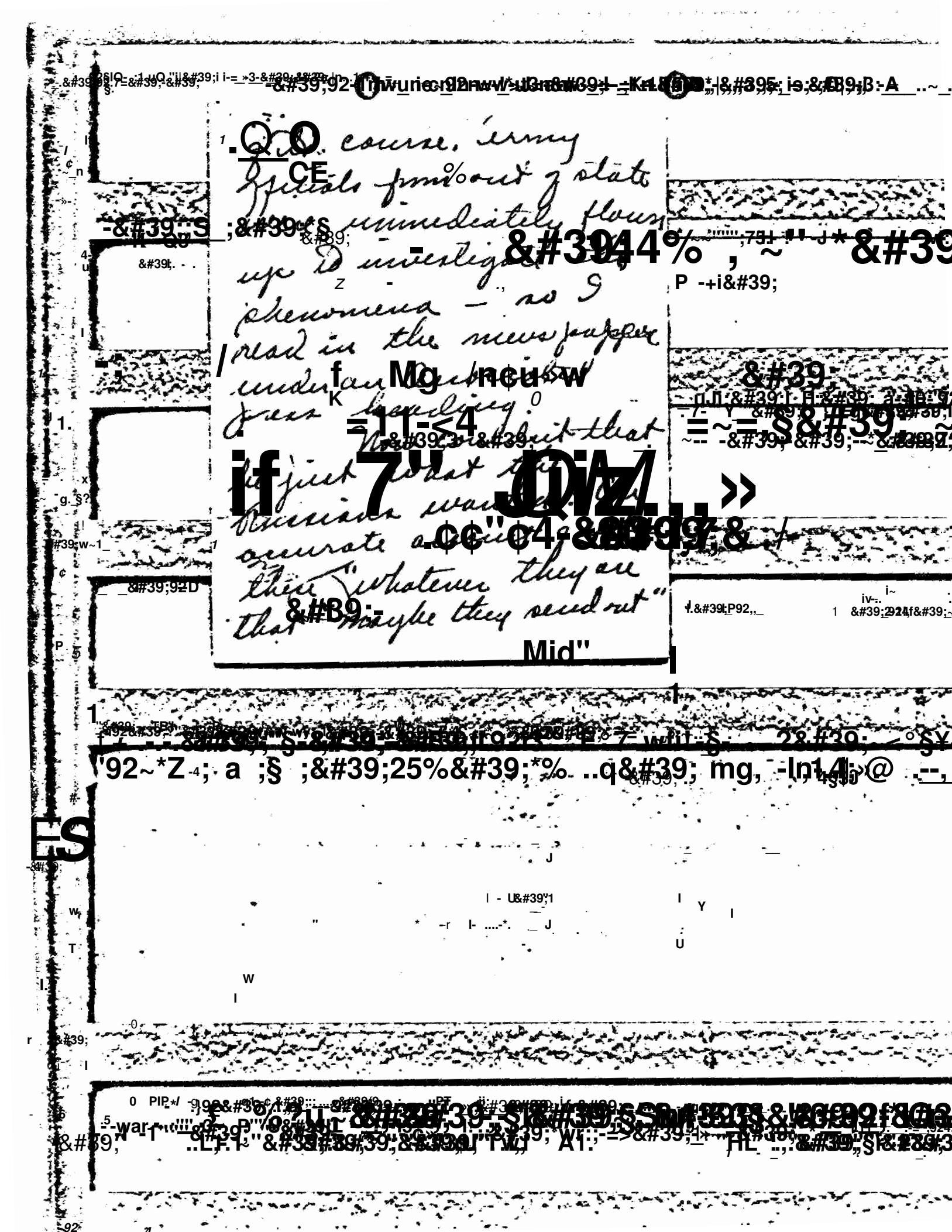

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Consigned to: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Field
Dayton, Ohio

Examination of Soil

Attention: MCIAXO-3

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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To: October 7, 1948

Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson AF Base
Dayton, Ohio

Attention: MCIAIO-3

Re: There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on September 17, 1948.

John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO.
LAB. NO.

Project "SILVER"
Examination of Soil

Reference: Letter dated September 9, 1948

Examination requested: Microscopic (Petrographic-Geologic)

Specimens: Q1 Sample of soil.

Results of Examination:

The sample of soil designated as specimen Q1 consisted of various sized pebbles, sand and dirt. This material was examined for the presence of unusual elements or alloys adhering to the surface of the particles, evidence of intense heat and radioactive substances.

Nothing unusual was noted on the pebbles or in the sand and dirt that would indicate a metallic object had rubbed or scraped against this sample. No abnormality was noted in the structure of the various pebbles and rocks, nor was there any indication of extreme heat or the presence of radioactive substances.

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The specimen designated as specimen Q2 was received in a separate container but and raciiantive substances.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Re: Project "SIGN"
Examination of Soil.

File # 62-83894-146
Lab. # PG-23142 CO

Examination requested by: Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AF Base, Dayton, Ohio Attention: MCIAXO-3

Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AF Base, Dayton, Ohio Attention: MCIAXD-3

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Result of Examination: Examination by:

Specimens submitted for examination

Q1, Sample of soil

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Consists of various sizes of sand & dirt. Most of the larger pieces were examined individually for presence of metal adhering to them. No sample of metal found on the pebbles or in the sand & dirt - structure, normal. No indication of extreme heat. Does not activate Geiger Counter or X-Ray Spectrometer.

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AIR MATERIEL COMMAND
Wright-Patterson AF Base

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IN REPLY ADDRESS BOTH COMMUNICATION AND ENVELOPE TO COMMANDING GENERAL, AIR MATERIEL COMMAND, ATTENTION FOLLOWING OFFICE SYMBOL:

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
ATTN: FBI Laboratory

SUBJECT: Project "SIGN"

Gentlemen:

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Sincerely yours,

Project "SIGN"
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

9 Sept 1948

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Very truly yours,

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Colonel, USAF
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

October 7, 1948

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Submitted by:

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The specimen designated as Q1 will be returned to your office under separate cover by registered mail.

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Re: Project "SIGN"
Examination of Soil.

File # 62-83894-146
Lab. PC-23142 CO

Examination requested by: Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AF Base, Dayton, Ohio Attention: MCIAXO-3

Specimens submitted for examination

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Re: Project "SIGE"
Examination of Soil.

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Examination requested by: Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AIF AF Base, Dayton, Ohio Attention: MCIAXC-3

Date of reference communication: letter 9/9 Date received: 9/17

Examination requested: Microc.(Petrographic-Geologic) IM-osmium

Result of Examination: Examination by:

Specimens submitted for examination

Q1, Sample of soil

Q1, Staph 01

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Justice

Post Office Box 1850
Washington, D. C.

August 10, 1948

Director, FBI

RE: [redacted]

INFORMATION CONCERNING

FLYING DISCS

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the Bureau's information are copies of a letter, together with enclosure, from the above captioned individual. Inasmuch as there is no record in this office concerning captioned person, no reply has been made to instant letter, with the thought the Bureau may desire to acknowledge instant communication or communicate further concerning the matter with the Dallas Office.

For the information of the Bureau and the Dallas and San Antonio Offices, the clippings referred to are transmitted herewith to the Bureau, Dallas and San Antonio Offices, it being noted that Wichita Falls is covered by Dallas and Fort Sam Houston is covered by the San Antonio Office.

Very truly yours,

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cc-Dallas (Enc-3) AMSD
cc-San Antonio (Enc-3) AMSD

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

April 1, 1948

The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you very much for forwarding [redacted] letter to the proper authorities. Your cooperation in this instance was deeply appreciated.

Cordially yours

KENNETH S. WHERRY

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Your letter dated March 14, 1948, to the Honorable Kenneth S. Wherry, United States Senator, has been referred to me for attention. Since the matter you mentioned is not within the scope of authority of this Bureau, I have taken the liberty of furnishing a copy of your communication to the Secretary of the Army, National Defense Building, Washington, D. C., and in the event you have any additional information, it is suggested you may desire to communicate with Mr.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Name of town per Postal Guide

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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March 24, 1948

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Washington, D. C.

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J. Edgar Hoover

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Hon. Wayne L. Morse
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

March 22, 1948

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Attached you will find letter which may or may not be of interest to your office. However, I felt it should be passed on to you for whatever the information is worth.

Kindly return my constituent's letter when you make a copy of it.

Cordially yours,

KENNETH S. WHERRY

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Benkelman, Nebraska
March 14, 1948

Mr. Kenneth Wherry
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Wherry:

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I was first attracted to this sight by a noise of motor or whatever it was. It sound like that of a train rumbling in the distance of from 10 to 12 miles on a still day.

At first glance it looked like this sight might be a vapor trail left by a high flying plane. But the white streak that was in the sky never changed its shape nor did it change in the direction of travel.

It traveled much faster than any plane I have seen traveling in sky high enough to leave a vapor trail.

As near as I can describe this sight was that it might appear to be a stream lined train traveling at a very high altitude at very high rate of speed.

This rocket or whatever it might have been was high enough to disappear from sight while it was yet very far above the horizon.

I am not writing this so that it might seem to be another disc, fan or whatever they might call them. I just saw this and it has been on my mind and I thought if there was anything that I could be of help to solve this thing I would write this to you and you can forward this to the proper Dept. if it is necessary.

Thanking you kindly

Yours Truly

[redacted]

ENCLOSURE

P.S.

This object was traveling from east to west. It looked like it might have traveled over Denver,

Benkelman, Nebraska
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Yours Truly

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd

DATE: February 19, 1948

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
SECURITY MATTER - X

The attached letter from the San Francisco Field Division dated February 12, 1948, raises the question as to whether there has been a change in policy concerning the investigation of flying discs.

RECOMMENDATION:

The attached letter to the San Francisco Field Division February 12, 1948, raises the question as to whether there has been a change in policy concerning the investigation of flying discs.

ACTION:

A letter is attached to San Francisco advising them that there has been no change in Bureau policy.

It is recommended the information contained in the attached letter be discussed by the Liaison Section with the 112 Forces.

ACTION:

A letter is attached to San Francisco advising them that there has been no change in Bureau policy.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

DATE: 3/1/48

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
SECURITY MATTER - X

Reference is made to a memorandum to you from Mr. [redacted] in the above-captioned matter dated February 19, 1948. The memorandum indicated that the San Francisco Field Division had received a letter from the headquarters of the Air Defense Command, Mitchel Air Force Base, New York dated February 4, 1948, entitled, "Investigation and Reporting of 'Flying Disc' Incidents." This communication indicated that investigations should be coordinated with the FBI.

The Agent in Charge of the San Francisco Field Division inquired as to a change in policy regarding the investigation of flying discs. A letter was [illegible] to the Bureau [illegible] flying discs. [illegible] matter has been discussed by Special [redacted] Intelligence Division of the [illegible] Force. Colonel [illegible] that apparently the Air Defense Command at Mitchel Field was not aware of the fact that the Bureau was no longer conducting investigations regarding flying discs. He stated that he would take the necessary action and straighten out flying discs. -

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SAC, San Francisco

February 20, 1948

Director, FBI

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Reference is made to your letter in the captioned matter dated February 12, 1948.

You are advised that Bureau Bulletin No. 57 dated October 1, 1947, still applies with respect to flying discs. The Bureau is conducting no investigations concerning flying discs. The Bureau is conducting no investigations concerning flying discs. Reports received from the Air Forces any information which comes to our attention and will receive any information which the Air Forces volunteer.

You are advised that Bureau Bulletin No. 57 dated October 1, 1947, still applies with respect to flying discs. The Bureau is conducting no investigations concerning flying discs. The Bureau will receive any information which the Air Forces volunteer.

The Headquarters Air Forces should be advised that the Bureau is not in any misunderstanding as to the Bureau position in this matter.

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
San Francisco 2, California

AIR MAIL

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Director, FBI - Attention: Assistant Director

Dear Sir:

Rel FLYING DISCS

I am transmitting herewith for the information of the Bureau copies of an enclosure dated February 4, 1948 received from Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Air Force Base, California. This enclosure is a letter addressed to the Commanding Generals of the First, Second, Fourth, Tenth, Eleventh, and Fourteenth Air Forces, Air Defense Command, Headquarters, Air Defense Command, Mitchel Air Force Base, New York, which indicates that Lieutenant General [redacted] command of the First Air Defense Region is a member of the flying disc committee.

All reports concerning the investigation of flying discs should be referred to the FBI office concerned. Your attention is further called to Paragraph 2-B, which indicates that "investigations will be coordinated with the FBI Office concerned." Your attention is further called to Paragraph Z, which indicates that certain reports concerning the investigation of flying discs will be reported to the FBI Office concerned. Your attention is further called to Paragraph 2-B, which indicates that "investigations will be coordinated with the FBI Office concerned." Your attention is further called to Paragraph 57, Series 1948, dated October 1, 1947, in which it is indicated that all future reports connected with flying discs should be referred to the Air Force and no investigative action taken by Bureau agents, the Bureau is requested to advise this office, as well as other interested Bureau offices, as to whether there has been a change in Bureau policy with reference to the handling of such matters or whether Bureau Bulletin 80, 52 dated October 1, 1947 is still in effect.

Very truly yours,

HARRY M. KIMBALL, SAC

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Headquarters
Air Defense Command
Mitchel Air Force Base, New York

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SUBJECT: Investigation and Reporting of "Flying Disc" Incidents

TO: Commanding Generals, First, Second, Fourth, Tenth, Eleventh, and Fourteenth
Air Forces and Air Defense Commands
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SUBJECT: Investigation and Reporting of Flying Dino Incidents

TO: Commanding Generals, First, Second, Forth, Tenth, Eleventh, and Fourteenth

1. The Air Defense Command and its command are responsible for the prompt investigation and reporting of incidents relating to "flying discs" which occur within their respective areas. Numbered air force A-2s, after evaluating diso incidents, will determine the extent of investigation required for the prompt investigation and reporting of incidents relating to flying discs *which* odour within *their* respective arses. um

background, is compatible with his observations of an occurrence obviously not atmospheric or celestial phenomena, may be transmitted by TWX. Reports will be submitted directly to Headquarters, USAF, ATTN: Directorate of Intelligence, Air Intelligence Requirements Branch, [illegible]

RICHARD W. [illegible]
Captain, USAF
Actg Asst Adj Gen

Act; Asst Adj Gen

February 5, 1948

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Covington, Ohio

Your letter dated January 29, 1948, has been received, and I want to express my appreciation to you for having made known your views concerning the matter you mentioned.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Washington D.C.

Dear Sir.

I have done a lot of thinking since flying back and found a possible way of passing on to you that I am passing on to you. The picture as I saw it. Hand propelled bombs made to hold 8 bombs. Each bomb 30 inches long. Each bomb carries 3000 miles. If a foreign country were to release a lot of such bombs on our cities, they would want the exact range, and the only way they could get it would be to make some tests. I

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2. They [illegible] and if it explode, it would cause a lot of excitement, and if they dropped one that didn't explode and someone found it there would be excitement. So to avoid this, they pick some point in Lake Erie, let their agents over here, know it what place and time to look for it. If the projectile [illegible] in the lake, [illegible] finder would not have any way to tell [illegible] it dropped, so the projectile [illegible] have some sort of tracer. So it a certain distance from [illegible] some sort of tracer [illegible] something like a [illegible] fire cracker. It would [illegible] in the sky a while, to give the range finder a fix on what ever you call it. But in order to remain in the sky it must be in motion. So this tracer is made to fly [illegible] Because it [illegible]

up and off a [illegible] yo, its come
looked like an C ellipse to me: O
The discs were seen in Texas
probably dropped in the gulf.
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no doubt dropped some in
various places. The one that
was seen down Texas way, was

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Respectfully Yours,

[redacted] b7c

Covington, Ohio

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[redacted]

Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin

Dear [redacted]

Your letter of January 6, 1948 has been received and I want to thank you for forwarding information relating to the subject you mentioned. Please rest assured that we do not have any jurisdiction of a federal statute within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. Thought to proapt communication are deed appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Correspondent reports correspondence she has had with the Ziff-Davis Publishing Company in connection with the flying saucers which were observed by her brother. She is of the opinion that this publication may be a serious concern to property related to our Nation's security. Correspondent mentions a threat that also may be a serious injury to person or property.

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January 5, 194

T. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

On January 2nd I received a letter
It is postmarked Cincinnati, Ohio, an
it bears no [illegible]
an exact copy of it. I will keep the origin
if it is needed at a future date.

[redacted] b7c

In as much as all of
you insist on talking and of
telling of what you are
supposed to be seeing, all of
you must be warned. no —
not warned in the true sense
of the word, but these
things are decidedly not
supposed to be seen.
Please to [illegible]
anymore.

Government
Rainbow City
Antarctica

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On the 6 January, 1948 copy of "amazing

letter was printed under the heading of "Fly

Sirs:

I have just finished reading the

flew directly over our house. He said they

noise and were heading

(Rosfield, where my Brother's farm is,

just 16 miles northwest of Milwaukee). But

what is really strange is that same afterno

the discs were seen over Illinois (they mu

was given on June 29th — Sunday — over WGN-

Perhaps the information is valuelen

to you. At any rate please keep this confidenti

Our neighbors think we're slightly "gue

[illegible]

[illegible] and [illegible] to send it.

But I am sure you will find

[illegible] fully ens.

Yours for success [illegible]

Omnium who is found for her

courtly [redacted] b)c

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: November 1, 1947

FROM : SAC, Albany

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

[redacted], INFORMANT

Reurlet dated 9/25/47.

An Agent of this office contacted [redacted] at his residence in South Royalton, Vermont and he stated that all the information he has concerning the flying discs he saw, is set forth in the letter that he sent to the Bureau dated September 17, 1947.

Mr. [redacted] advised that as far as he knows, no one else in South Royalton saw these flying discs, and that he believes he saw them inasmuch as he has unusually good eyesight and that he can see bees, etc. further than anyone else. He stated that possibly these flying discs were out of the range of normal vision. Mr. [redacted] was asked to furnish any additional information that comes to his attention concerning these flying discs directly to the Air Forces since [illegible]

No further action is being taken by this office.

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Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 10/18/47

FROM : SAC, Anchorage

SUBJECT: REPORT OF FLYING DISC

This is to advise that we have been advised that a flyer, [redacted], who is employed by the [redacted] Flying Company in Bethel, Alaska. It had been reported to Military Intelligence that [redacted] and his co-pilot [redacted] had observed some flying object near Bethel, Alaska, in July, 1947. Efforts previously to contact Mr. [redacted] were negative until the above instance.

He related that the occasion of seeing the flying object near Bethel was on a July day when the sky was completely clear of clouds, and he, with Mr. [redacted], was coming into the Bethel Airport. He observed the flying object immediately to his left and stated that it apparently was observed at approximately the same time by Mr. [redacted] and both of them manipulated the controls of the plane making efforts to miss the object inasmuch as they could not tell in which direction it was going. They made a forty-five degree turn in order to get out of the way of the object and then noted that it appeared to be going away from them. He described the object as appearing to be some flying [illegible] He could not see any propellor or any apparatus for propulsion of any kind. He stated that he tried to catch up with the object and in creased his manifold pressure to approximately 42 inches and was traveling at the rate of 170 miles per hour. It was traveling in the direction from Bethel to Nome, which is in a northwesterly direction. He noted no radio interference and is unable to describe the color other than that it appeared dark but of definite shape and clearly observed the object. [illegible]

He called on his radio to the Civil Aeronautics Administration station at Bethel, asking what aircraft was in the vicinity and they had no reports of any aircraft. The object he sighted was some five or ten miles from the airport before his arrival and stated that the path did not go directly across the airport. He, of course, could not tell whether the object was making any noise and stated that it was traveling at a tremendous rate of speed and estimated travel at 200 miles per hour. [illegible]