

4602D AISS UFOB LOG

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| REPORT NUMBER<br><b>AISS-UFOB-202-56</b>                                      | DATE/TIME OF SIGHTING<br><b>21/1300Z Jul 56</b> | RECD AISCP<br><b>25 Jul 56</b>     |
| LOCATION OF SIGHTING<br><b>Near Auburn, California</b>                        | LOGGED BY<br><b>S/Sgt DeRudder</b>              |                                    |
| MEANS RECD<br><b>TT Mag</b>   | ACTION TAKEN<br><b>Investigation authorized</b> |                                    |
| INVES UNIT<br><b>Det 1</b>  | DATE INVES ASSIGNED<br><b>26 Jul 56</b>         | ASSIGNED BY<br><b>Capt McEntee</b> |
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| COMMENTS<br><b>Investigation by Det 1, 4602d AISS revealed the following:</b> |   |                                    |
| CONCLUSIONS   |   |                                    |

July 24  
Part 4

C/S

Kelseyville, California.

July 24, 1956.

Racial Intelligence Service,  
Hamilton Air Base,  
California

Dear Sirs,

I have been asked by Mrs. [REDACTED] to write to you concerning a strange object or light which she saw from the

morning of July 22nd, approximately 5:45 A.M. above the mountains at Clear Lake, a few miles from Kelseyville, California.

When she saw the object she called me and I turned in time to see through the door an incandescent, radiant light which showed vividly in the dawn. However, I did not see the complete object as Mrs. [REDACTED] did, as it had disappeared and a large tree obstructed the view.

I am a Canadian visiting Mrs. [REDACTED] at the above address and shall be here until July 27th or 28th. However any correspondence would be forwarded to me to my home address in Alberta.

Yours truly,

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COLO (MAIL)  
  
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AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER  
WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO (MAIL)DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE  
HEADQUARTERS USAF  
WASHINGTON 25, D.C. (MAIL)COMMANDER  
4602ND AIR INTELLIGENCE SERVICE SQUADRON  
HAMILTON AFB CALIF (COURIER) *5554*(UNCLASSIFIED) 2801D *5554* UFCB PD (1)(a) ROUND PD (1)(b) DIME PD

(1)(c) RED AND GREEN PD (1)(d) ONE PD (1)(e) N/A PD (1)(f) NONE PD (1)(g)

(1)(h) NONE PD (1)(i) NONE PD (2)(a) LOCKED AT SKY PD (2)(b) 45

DEGREES FROM 2,000 FT PD (2)(c) UNKNOWN PD (2)(d) SLOWLY AND TWISTING PD (2)(e)

BEHIND A HILL PD (2)(f) 25 MINUTES PD (3)(a) GROUND VISUAL PD (3)(b) FIELD

GLASSES CMA SEVEN POWER PD (3)(c) N/A PD (4)(a) 220805Z JUL 56 PD (4)(b)

NIGHT PD (5) CHALLANGE CMA CALIF PD THIRTY FIVE MILES NORTH EAST OF MARYSVILLE CMA

CALIF PD (6)(a) MRS *[REDACTED]* CMA 24 CMA *[REDACTED]* CMA BROWNSVILLE CMA CALIF PD

OCCUPATION UNKNOWN PD (6)(b) N/A PD (7)(a) CLEAR CMA VISIBILITY GOOD PD (7)(b)

5,000 - 320/05; 10,000 - 010/05; 15,000 - 260/05; 20,000 - 230/05; 30,000 -

230/20; 50,000 - 070/05 PD (7)(c) UNKNOWN PD (7)(d) TEN MILES PD (7)(e)

NONE PD (7)(f) NONE PD (8) UNKNOWN PD (9) NONE PD (10) NONE PD (11) DIRECTOR

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OF INTELLIGENCE CMA 28TH AIR DIV DEF PD POSSIBLE CAUSE OF SIGHTING UNKNOWN PD

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GEORGE L ABEL, COLONEL, USAF

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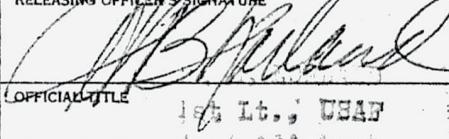
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WASHINGTON 25, D.C. (MAIL)

REFERS TO MESSAGE:

COMMANDER  
4602ND AIR INTELLIGENCE SERVICE SQUADRON  
HAMILTON AFB CALIF (COURIER)

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(UNCLASSIFIED) 280ID 05557. UFOR. (1)(a) UNKNOWN PD (1)(b) UNKNOWN PD (1)(c) GREEN PD (1)(d) ONE PD (1)(e) N/A PD (1)(f) UNKNOWN PD (1)(g) UNKNOWN PD (1)(h) NONE PD (1)(i) UNKNOWN PD (2)(a) NOTICED BRIGHT LIGHT PD (2)(b) AT 221243Z JUL 56 PAN AMERICAN ACFT PILOT SIGHTED BRIGHT OBJECT 75 DEGREE BEARING FROM HIS ACFT AND 10 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON PD (2)(c) SAME AS WHEN FIRST NOTICED PD (2)(d) PAN AMERICAN ACFT AT ALTITUDE OF 21,000 FT AT 3656 NORTH 12917 WEST AT 221244Z JUL 56 PD FLIGHT PATH LEFT TO RIGHT CMA GENERALLY SOUTH PD SPEED UNKNOWN BUT SLOW COMPARED TO A FALLING STAR PD (2)(e) BROKE INTO THREE LIGHTS AND FADED FROM VIEW PD (2)(f) THREE TO FOUR SECONDS PD (3)(a) AIR VISUAL PD (3)(b) NONE PD (3)(c) UNKNOWN PD REFER TO OAKLAND CALIF CAA PD (4)(a) 221243Z JUL 56 PD (4)(b) NIGHT CMA FULL MOON PD (5) 3656 NORTH 12917 WEST PD FG4356 PD FOUR HUNDRED MILES WEST OF MONTEREY CALIF PD (6)(a)

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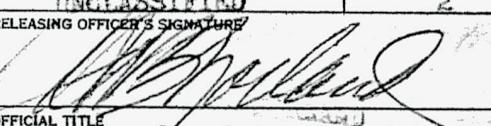
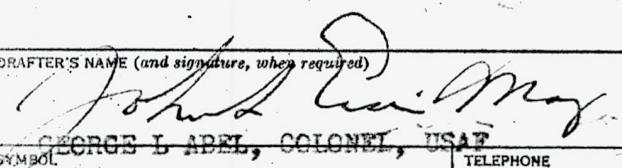
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## AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

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| AREA REPORTED ON<br>AUBURN, BOWMAN & FORESTHILL, CALIF, USA | FROM (Agency)<br>Det 1, 4602d AISS |
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| DATE OF REPORT<br>20 July 1956 | DATE OF INFORMATION<br>22 July 1956 | EVALUATION |
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| PREPARED BY (Officer)<br>ARAM J. NAHABEDIAN, Captain, USAF | SOURCE<br>[REDACTED] and others. |
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REFERENCES (Control number, direction, previous report, etc., as applicable)  
TT Comdr SAMA, McClellan AFB, Calif, 242230Z Jul 56

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List enclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II).

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PART ONE: Description of sighting by [REDACTED], Bowman, California (DJPJ 5656).

PART TWO: Description of sighting by [REDACTED], Auburn, California (DJPJ 5654).

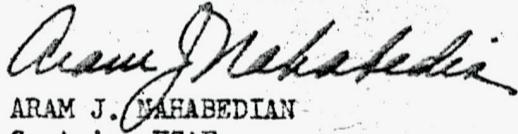
PART THREE: Description of sighting by [REDACTED], Foresthill, California (DJQK 1101).

PART FOUR: Supplementary Investigative Efforts

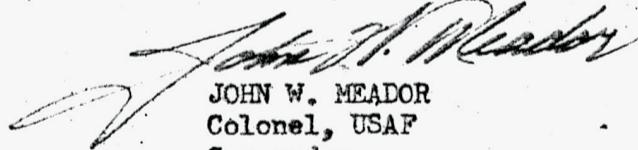
PART FIVE: Comments of Preparing Officer

II. SUMMARY: An unidentified flying object was reported near AUBURN, CALIFORNIA (DJPJ 5654), at 221300Z July 1956. Information contained in this report was obtained from three (3) of the persons who actually witnessed the object and through supplementary information from various agencies (Part Four).

III. INVESTIGATOR: S/SGT ERNEST L. MUNN, AF 25185023

  
 ARAM J. NAHABEDIAN  
 Captain, USAF  
 Officer In Charge

APPROVED:

  
 JOHN W. MEADOR  
 Colonel, USAF  
 Commander

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## I. SOURCE

Address: [REDACTED] Bowman, California, Phone: [REDACTED] 7056)

Age: 40

Occupation: Truck Driver

Education: Two years High School

Qualifications: No specific qualifications

II. RELIABILITY: SOURCE, Mr. [REDACTED] was very coherent with his answers and was never contradictory in his answers. SOURCE's occupation does not involve any observation reporting or technical knowledge. SOURCE is only forty (40) years old and appeared to be in good physical condition.

III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING: On 221300Z July 1956 SOURCE was riding in an open jeep with Mr. [REDACTED] (See Part Two) headed south toward the AMERICAN RIVER (DJPJ 5652). SOURCE was moving approximately five (5) MPH in open countryside and looking east when the object was first sighted. He was looking south when the object was last seen after observing it for one (1) minute. Object was first sighted approximately two (2) miles S of AUBURN, CALIF (DJPJ 5654).

SOURCE stated that it was dull daylight and doesn't remember whether or not any stars were out. The object appeared brighter than the background of the sky and moved at a constant rate of speed estimated at six-hundred (600) MPH. The object did not change its shape or color, did not make any noise, and did not explode or break into parts. It looked like a ball of fire. SOURCE stated that he was only two-hundred (200) feet from the object and it looked eight (8) feet long and was solid. SOURCE stated that the object was flying at an altitude of two-hundred (200) feet and was flying directly over the AMERICAN RIVER and following the path of the river. The object followed the path of the river around a hillside and disappeared from view. Total time of observation was one (1) minute.

SOURCE does not wear glasses and did not use any means through which to observe the object. SOURCE stated that he observed the object from a small hillside and the object was approximately 35 or 40 degrees above him. This was the first time SOURCE had ever observed such an object.

1 Incl:

Newspaper clipping (26 July 56)

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## I. SOURCE:

Address: [REDACTED] Auburn, California (DJPJ 5654)  
Telephone: [REDACTED]

Age: 49

Occupation: Florist

Education: High School

Qualifications: No specific qualifications

II. RELIABILITY: SOURCE, Mr. [REDACTED], is an outstanding citizen in his community and related the same story that was given in the preliminary report and the newspaper clipping (Incl #1, Part One). SOURCE was never contradictory in his answers although his description of the object and his time of sighting isn't the same as that of Mr. [REDACTED] (See Part One) who was with him at the time of sighting. SOURCE'S occupation does not involve any observation reporting or technical knowledge.

III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING: On 221300Z July 1956 SOURCE was driving his open jeep in open countryside headed south toward the AMERICAN RIVER (DJPJ 5652). SOURCE was driving approximately seven (7) or eight (8) MPH when Mr. [REDACTED] (See Part One), SOURCE'S companion, called his attention to the object. Object was sighted approximately two (2) miles S of AUBURN, CALIF (DJPJ 5654) and was observed for two (2) or three (3) minutes. The sky was a bright daylight and the sun was located in front of him, but there were no stars out.

SOURCE stated the object was brighter than the background of the sky and seemed to change brightness and appeared solid. SOURCE wears eyeglasses. The object had no sound, was of an orange and blue color and shaped like a rocket or cigar. The object was emitting chunks of flame from the tail and these chunks would last approximately thirty (30) seconds. The object had two (2) circles of orange and green flame encircling it, although the edges of the object were sharply outlined. SOURCE estimated the object's length as six (6) feet long and said it was shaped like a rocket used for the 4th of July only much larger. SOURCE estimates speed at seventy-five (75) to one-hundred (100) MPH and stated he was four-hundred (400) feet away.

SOURCE observed the object from a small hillside. The object moved from left to right at a angle approximately 30 degrees from the ground. The object was at an altitude of approximately two-hundred (200) feet above the AMERICAN RIVER and was following the path of the river when it disappeared behind a hill. SOURCE stated that he feared the object would crash into a hillside so he followed it around a bend in the river to see if a crash did occur. The object was already out of sight and was never sighted again. SOURCE estimated the object was traveling from seventy-five (75) to one-hundred (100) MPH. This was the first time SOURCE had ever observed such an object.

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## I. SOURCE

Address: [REDACTED] Foresthill, Calif (DJQK 1101), Phone [REDACTED]

Age: 47

Occupation: Notary Public, P.O. Clerk &amp; Housewife

Education: High School, 1 yr Law School, Business College Graduate

Qualifications: No specific qualifications

II. RELIABILITY: SOURCE, Mrs. [REDACTED] only observed the objects two (2) or three (3) seconds. SOURCE had only been awake fifteen (15) minutes and her occupation does not involve any observation reporting or technical knowledge, although, she was quite certain of small details and colors.

III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING: SOURCE, Mrs. [REDACTED] got out of bed at 221230Z July 1956 and was sitting on the side of her bed at 221245Z July 1956 when she first observed the objects through an open window. The objects were two thousand (2000) or three thousand (3000) feet away at an altitude of 30 degrees above the horizon. There was no sound but the objects were of an equal fine gold color and flying in formation. A total of five (5) objects; first came three (3) objects in a straight line formation followed by two (2) in line formation. Edges of the objects were fuzzy. SOURCE was located inside her house in FORESTHILL, CALIF (DJQK 1101) in the residential section of town and looking south when she spotted the objects. The objects were flying over the AMERICAN RIVER canyon headed west. Objects flew in a straight line without variation until out of sight and did not break up into parts or explode or give off smoke. SOURCE stated the objects appeared solid although the edges were fuzzy and that they were brighter than the background of the sky. SOURCE'S house is at an elevation of three-thousand (3000) feet and the AMERICAN RIVER canyon is directly behind the house dropping off sharply to approximately twelve-hundred (1200) feet.

SOURCE stated the objects flew faster than any jets she had seen and resembled barrage balloons of a red-gold color. SOURCE further stated the objects would have to be made of metal for air resistance at such high speed. SOURCE is of the opinion that because of the speed and stillness they might have been atomic powered experimental aircraft but could not estimate their speed. Total time of observation was two (2) or three (3) seconds. This was the first time SOURCE had ever observed such an object.

1 Incl:

SOURCE'S Statement [REDACTED]

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Inclosure #1 to Part Three  
SOURCE'S StatementForesthill, California  
26 July 1956

"In the pre-dawn stillness before sunrise I had been awake about 15 minutes and sitting on the edge of my bed facing the open window and 5 fire-red objects faster than jets streaked across the sky above the American River Canyon. The window was only 5 feet away from the bed but as fast as I got to the window they were out of sight."

/s/

Foresthill, California

TRUE COPY:


ARAM J. NAHABEDIAN  
Captain, USAF  
AO 822062

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## SUPPLEMENTARY INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS:

1. A check with the Hamilton Flight Service Center was made for aircraft in the area at the time of sighting. Negative results.
2. A check with the 668th AC & W Sq, Mather AF Base, California (DJPJ 4234), was made but they had no record of any aircraft in this area at the time of sighting. No trackings whatsoever were made in the area of sighting. Negative results.
3. The Lick Observatory was contacted by telephone. Mr. [REDACTED] Astronomer, and he stated that there was little or no doubt but that this phenomenon was a meteor. Mr. [REDACTED] stated that it quite possibly was a metal meteorite and would change colors due to the emission of magnesium and because of the altitude. He stated that if there was a break-up, it usually would occur right at the end and then not go more than fifty (50) or seventy-five (75) miles beyond the break-up point. Once they break-up the parts are smaller and tend to burn up more quickly. Mr. [REDACTED] said there have been cases where whole flights of these things have gone over the whole western half of the United States, but that he has never observed them.
4. Mr. [REDACTED] stated that no one at the Observatory saw this object because they usually work until five (5) A. M. and then go home and that chances of anyone being up at the observatory are very slim.
5. The Mt. Wilson and Mt. Palomar Observatories were contacted by Flight 1-C, 4602d AISS. Negative sighting by either observatory.
6. (See Incl #1, Part Four) This letter forwarded to Det 1, 4602d AISS by the local Office of Special Investigation on 251730Z July 1956. The time and date of sighting is the same as the other sightings and may be of use. Kelseyville, California is located DJNJ 1059 and Clear Lake, California is located at DJNK 1005. Contact was not made with Dorothy D. Callan due to the late receipt of the letter.
7. (See Incl #2, Part Four) TT msg number 2801D 05554 received from COMAIRDIVDEF 28 Hamilton AFB, Calif 27 July 1956. The time of sighting in this TT msg does not coincide with other sightings, but other information is similar.

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## SUPPLEMENTARY INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS (CONTINUED):

8. (See Incl #3, Part 4) TT msg 280ID 05557, from COMAIRDIVDEF 28 HAFB, California received 27 July 1956. This report turned in by a Pan American Acft Pilot and coincides with information given by observers in Parts One, Two and Three of this report. Observer's location (DJFG 4356) is the only really big difference in information.

9. A check with the Hamilton AFB Weather Station was made for any unusual weather phenomena that might account for the sighting. Negative results. Negative balloons launched.

## 3 Incls:

1. Ltr dtd 24 Jul 56 (Dorothy D. Callan)
2. TT msg no 280ID 05554 (231845Z Jul 56)
3. TT msg no 280ID 05557 (241700Z Jul 56)

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## COMMENTS OF PREPARING OFFICER:

1. In the opinion of the Preparing Officer, this sighting was probably caused by a metal meteorite. The change of colors was due to the emission of magnesium. The following reasons for this conclusion are given:

- a. No other identification criteria meet the reported facts of this sighting.
- b. Although the SOURCES claimed the object (s) descended, leveled off and followed the course of the AMERICAN RIVER, it is believed that an optical illusion was caused by the object's direction of flight.
- c. SOURCES in Parts One and Two of this report saw only one object whereas the other observer, Part Three, saw five (5) objects. This could have been caused by a break-up of the meteor.



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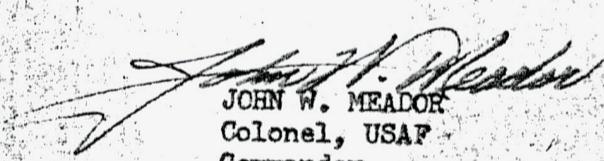
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## COMMENTS OF APPROVING OFFICER:

1. It should be noted that the Preparing Officer has attempted to relate the sightings described in Parts 3 and 4 (paragraph 5 and inclosures 1, 2, and 3) to the main sighting (Parts 1 and 2). Judging from their descriptions, it appears that these sightings cannot be related to the main sighting and therefore have no bearing on its evaluation.
2. Opinion is that important details of the sighting do not conform to criteria for a meteor hypothesis. They are as follows:
  - a. Duration of sighting—one (1) to three (3) minutes. (This duration is much too long for a meteor.)
  - b. Speed of object—anywhere from seventy-five (75) MPH to six hundred (600) MPH. (A meteor would appear to travel at a much greater rate of speed.)
  - c. Altitude of object—two hundred (200) feet. (It is highly unlikely that a large meteor would be observed at this low an altitude.)
  - d. Distance of object from the observers—two hundred (200) to four hundred (400) feet. (It is highly doubtful that an observer could get into such extremely close proximity to a meteor.)
  - e. Course of object—followed the course of the American River around a hillside and disappeared from view. (This also is not characteristic of a meteor.)
3. In light of the above statements, this sighting is being evaluated as "unknown."

  
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Inclosure 1 to Part One

FAIR OAKS, CALIF.

# Balls of Fire- or are they FLYING TORPEDOES?

Balls of fire—and flying torpedoes?—does not fit in with the explanation of the Foresthill Ground Observation Corps post that about 5:45 a.m. Sunday morning a watcher saw "five small objects that looked like balls of fire streak across the sky."

It may, or may not have been, an invasion from Mars, or, as The Herald she would like to remain anonymous. But her story chief at McClellan Air Force Base, was reportedly verified by an employee of Stockton Box and Lumber Company who saw the same or similar objects, at about the same time in the Mosquito Ridge area.

Whatever it was, it has a great many people speculating. First came the report from the

sportsman Lauren Bryan, who, with Richard Marty of Bowman, went fishing on the American River at Oregon Bar near sunup Sunday. As Bryan relates:

There appeared about 200 feet above the river, traveling at a good rate of speed, and keeping level, a torpedo-like object from which little balls of fire were coming from the rear. It was just at sunset.

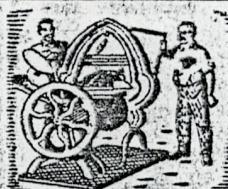
About six or seven feet long, orange and green in color, and no

saw it, we ran to the river bank, but it had disappeared though not crashing into the side of the steep bank on the other side, which we thought it would."

The McClellan Air Force spokesman told The Herald that it was possible that what Bryan and Marty saw was a drone, but "the nearest air base that uses drones is Edwards Field in the South. We have nothing like that here."

"We'll report," he said, "and it will be investigated."

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