

AP NO. ---
CITY NO. ---
DATE OF REPORT 17 Jan 1950
TIME OF DAY 1005
SHAPE Circular
SIZE 1 1/2 Average Street Light at 6 Miles
DIRECTION Down and to Right
NO. IN A LINE 1
DURATION ---
SKETCHES ---
APIC FORM 329
(Rev. 52)

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DETAILS:

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1. This investigation predicated upon a directive (AFCSI Letter No. 85) dated 12 August 1949, to report all sightings of unidentified flying objects.

AT ALAMOGORDO, NEW MEXICO

2. The following information was obtained on a sighting of an unidentified object by the writer on 13 December 1949:

- a. Date of sighting: 13 December 1949.
- b. Time of sighting: From 2008 to 2017 hours.
- c. Where sighted: From ground, traveling in automobile, in a southwesterly direction from Alamogordo, New Mexico, to Holloman AFB, on US Highway No. 70.
Position when first sighted: $32^{\circ} 52' \text{ North}$
 $105^{\circ} 58' \text{ West.}$
Position when object faded from view: $32^{\circ} 51' \text{ North}$, $106^{\circ} 2' \text{ West.}$
- d. Number of objects: One
- e. Observable celestial phenomena or planets that may account for the sighting: None
- f. Distance of object from observer:
 - (1) Laterally or horizontally: Estimated maximum of 75 miles.
 - (2) Angle of elevation from horizon: 15°
 - (3) Altitude: Estimated maximum of 5000 ft above ground.
- g. Time in sight: Approximately 9 minutes.
- h. Appearance of object:
 - (1) Color: Object changed color from white to amber, to red, and to green; however not in the order as listed. During entire sighting a flame appeared to shoot out from various positions of object. When object disappeared from view, it faded out in a bright green color.
 - (2) Shape: Circular; e.g. Street light.
 - (3) Apparent construction: Undeterminable.
 - (4) Size: One and one-half times the size of the average street light at a distance of 8 miles.
- i. Direction of flight: During first five (5) minutes, the object did not appear to be moving. Then it began to slowly move downward and to the right.
- j. Tactics or maneuvers: The last estimated $3/4$ second in view the object definitely suddenly picked up great speed while taking on this bright green color.

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k. Evidence of exhaust: None

l. Effect on clouds: No clouds

m. Lights: The hour preceding this sighting, while in the drive-in theater at Alamogordo, New Mexico, the writer and his sister-in-law, [REDACTED], and Mrs. [REDACTED], sighted several (approximately 6) brilliant shooting stars, some appeared to be a light green color and some appeared to travel much slower than others. Approximately 10 seconds before the Subject Object faded from view, another "shooting star" came from behind the automobile in which the writer and his companions were traveling, moving in the direction where the Object faded from view. This "shooting star" was of a slightly green color also, however, very bright, and traveled almost parallel to U.S. Highway 70, in a southwesterly direction. This "shooting star" appeared to fade from view before reaching the Subject Object.

n. Support: None visible.

o. Propulsion: Undeterminable.

p. Control and stability: Very good.

q. Air ducts: None visible.

r. Speed: There was no definite movement the first five minutes in view. Object then began to move downward, which might have been forward movement away from the writer, giving the appearance of downward movement. However, this movement was very slow. The descent was at a rate of approximately 1° per minute. As mentioned before, object picked up speed within the last $3/4$ of second in view. The writer cannot estimate speed at that time.

s. Sound: No sound audible.

t. Manner of disappearance: Object took on brilliant green color, picked up speed, and faded from view. Reason for disappearance in this case was definitely not due to the object traveling behind a mountain range, building, or any other obstacle.,

u. Notes relative to observer:

(1) Name: S/A [REDACTED]

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(2) Address: Holloman AFB Detachment, Alamogordo, N.M.
(3) Occupation: Special Agent, OSI.
(4) Place of business: Holloman AFB
(5) Pertinent hobbies: None
(6) Ability to determine: Average
(7) Reliability of observer: Reliable
(8) Former sightings: The writer has observed several "shooting stars" of a green color within the past year, and at this time was acutely conscious of obtaining correct information during the Subject sighting.
(9) Witnesses:
Miss ██████████, Alamogordo, N.M.
Mrs. ██████████, Alamogordo, New Mexico (wife of ██████████).

3. Check of the Electronics and Atmosphere Branch, Holloman AFB, revealed that no information was obtained by them during the period the object was in view. Further check with the Base Weather Station, Holloman AFB, revealed that there were no unusual weather conditions at the time of the sighting nor had they any balloons or other free flying objects in the sky at that time. Check with the Operations & Projects Division, Holloman AFB, and the Research Section of White Sands Proving Ground, revealed that no testing devices had been sent aloft in this vicinity at the time of the sighting. Further inquiries of personnel of Holloman AFB revealed no other witnesses.

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
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FILE NO.

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DATE

17 January 1950

REPORT MADE BY
S/A [REDACTED]

REPORT MADE AT

17th DO, Kirtland AFB, New Mexico

PERIOD

13 December 1949

OFFICE OF ORIGIN

17th DO, Kirtland AFB, New Mexico

STATUS

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TITLE

UNKNOWN AERIAL PHENOMENON

Sighted by S/A [REDACTED]

Holloman AFB, 2005 hours, 13 December
1949.

CHARACTER

SPECIAL INQUIRY - Unconventional Aircraft

REFERENCE

AFCSI Letter No. 85; Headquarters OSI file 24-185

SYNOPSIS

This investigation is submitted in compliance with AFCSI Letter No. 85, dated 12 August 1949, to report all sightings of unidentified flying objects. The writer observed an unusual aerial phenomenon at 2005 hours, 13 December 1949.

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
17TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO

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26 January 1950

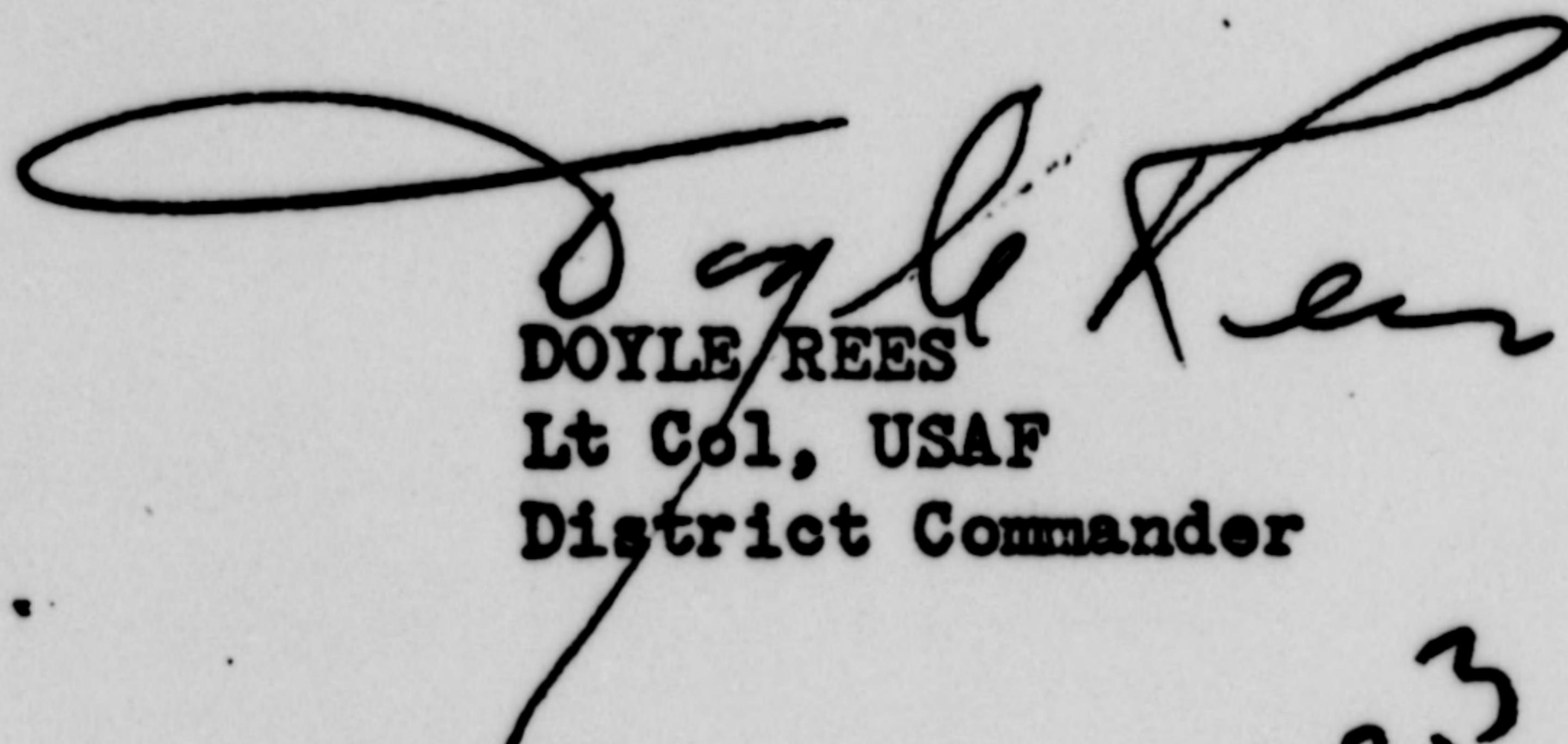
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Holloman AFB, 2005 hours, 13 December 1949
SPECIAL INQUIRY - Unconventional Aircraft

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Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MCIA X0-3

1. Reference is made to previous Reports of Investigation from this district concerning the sighting of unidentified aerial objects.

2. Attached is one copy of a Report of Investigation by Special Agent Robert R. Johns of this office, dated 17 January 1950, subject as above.

3. Copies of all future reports of sightings of this nature will be forwarded to your headquarters.


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**THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
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KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO**

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File No. (24-8) - 12

13 February 1950

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT

Sighted by Rev. [REDACTED]
Farmington, New Mexico, 1330 hours, 16 Decem-
ber 1949

SPECIAL INQUIRY

**TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MC IAXO-3**

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16 December 1949
Farmington, P.M.

1. Reference is made to previous reports from this District concerning sightings of unidentified aerial objects.
2. Attached is one copy of a Report of Investigation by Special Agent Rodney A. Ludeman of this office, dated 8 February 1950, subject as above.
3. Investigation of unidentified aerial objects is continuing in this District and copies of all future reports will be forwarded to your headquarters.

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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NO.	DATE
24-8 (12)	8 February 1950
REPORT MADE BY	
S/A RODNEY A. LUDDELL	
REPORT MADE AT	
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TITLE
UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT
Sighted by Rev. [REDACTED] KE
Farmington, New Mexico
1330 hours, 16 December 1949

CHARACTER
SPECIAL INQUIRY

REFERENCE
None. This is an initial report.

SYNOPSIS
DETAILS:

This investigation is predicated on a letter from the Reverend [REDACTED] Farmington, New Mexico, dated 9 December 1949, in which [REDACTED] stated that at 1330 hours, 6 December 1949, he sighted an object at approximately 500 feet altitude and approximately 5 miles distant which appeared to be a charred parachute or cargo net dropping rapidly, such as a partially deflated parachute would. Due to shortage of Agent personnel, large work load, distance and expense of travel involved, indicated lead will not be developed by this office.

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TFADC 0037. THE FOL IS A RPT OF UNUSUAL SIGHTING UNDER PROJ SIGN:
 A. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING: 0015Z 20 DEC 49. B. LOCATION OF FIRST
 SIGHTING: 118.45 DEG WEST 49.30 DEG NORTH, 25 MI EAST OF CARMI RADIO
RANGE STA, CANADA. C. TOTAL TIME OF OBSERVATION: 1415 MIN. D.
 ALTITUDE 15 000 FT AZIMUTH 116 DEG FROM CARMI AT INITIAL OBSERVATION.
 E. OBJECT PAST FROM EAST OF CARMI TO 20 MI SOUTH 3 MI WEST AT VARYING
 SPEEDS, REPORTED AS QTE STANDING STILL, SLOW AND FAST UNQUOTE. F.
 1 OBJECT WAS REPORTED. G. OBJECT WAS REPORTED LARGER THAN ANY ACFT.
 H. NO MANEUVERS WERE REPORTED. OBJECT WAS NOT PICKED UP BY RADAR. I.
 1730 PST WEATHER WAS CLEAR WITH UNRESTRICTED VISABILITY. J. COLOR
 WAS BRIGHT. K. NO SKETCHES AVAL. L. NO PHOTOGRAPHS AVAL. M. NO SOUND
 REPORTED. N. NO EXHAUST TRAILS REPORTED. O. WITNES'S NAME WAS GLORY WEATHER STA, CARMI CANADA. INFO WAS FWD TO
 25 AIR DIV BY VANCOUVER AIR ROUTE TRAF CONTL CEN. P. THE OBJECT WAS
 SIGHTED BY MR MICHAEL DOLAN AT CARMI RADIO (CAA) CANADA. HE OBSERVED
 THE OBJECT THROUGH A THEODOLITE AT THE WEATHER STA. THE OBJECT APP-
 EARED TO BE A LARGE CELESTIAL BODY 20 TIMES LARGER THAN ANY THE WITNESS
 HAD EVER SEEN. A FTR (F82) WAS IMMEDIATELY VECTORED TO THE AREA, BUT REPORT-
 ED NO INTERCEPT OR UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS. THE WITNESS SAID THE OBJECT
 FADED AS THE SUN WENT DOWN. NO RADAR CONTACT WAS MADE. IN THE COLD,
 CRISP AIR THE EVENING STAR APPEARED EXCEPTIONALLY BRIGHT.

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