

DATE OF INFO 30 Dec 1949  
REPORT NO.   COUNTY Langley Field, Va.  
ST. NO.   SOURCE Airmen  
CITY   DATE IN TO AFIC    
TIME OF REPORT   COLOR White  
TIME OF SIGHTING 1210 SPEED    
SHAPE Cone ALTITUDE 5,000  
SIZE 8' Diameter, 20' Long tapering to point LENGTH OF THE CRAFT 5 Minutes  
DIRECTION Southeast TYPE OF CRAFT Ground  
REL. ALT. OF CRAFT 1 MANEUVERING Bottom stationary while top oscillated  
SKETCHES  

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HEADQUARTERS NINTH AIR FORCE  
LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, VIRGINIA  
Office of the Director of Intelligence

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3 January 1950

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Intelligence Report

TO: Commanding General  
Air Materiel Command  
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base,  
Dayton, Ohio  
Attention: TSDIN

Supplementary report of the unidentified flying object sighted on  
30 December 1949 near Langley Air Force Base, Va., is inclosed.

1 Incl  
Rpt of Unidentified Flying  
Object (in dup)

*Edward F. McCleahan*  
EDWARD F. McCLEAHAN  
Lt Col, USAF  
Director of Intelligence

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## AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

## SUBJECT

Intelligence Report

DATA REPORTED ON	FROM (AGENCY)
Unidentified Flying Object	Directorate of Intelligence Hq, Ninth Air Force
DATE OF REPORT	(DATE OF INFORMATION)
3 January 1950	30 December 1949
PREPARED BY (OFFICER)	SOURCE
Lt Col Edward F. McClenahan	T Sgt Ernest C. Hendrix

## REFERENCES (CONTROL NO. DIRECTIVE, PREVIOUS REPORT, ETC. AS APPLICABLE)

Previously reported by TMX, 9AF 013016, to CG, AMC, attn: MCIAWC-3, 30 Dec 1949.

SUMMARY: (ENTER CONCISE SUMMARY OF REPORT. GIVE SIGNIFICANCE IN FINAL ONE-SENTENCE PARAGRAPH. LIST INCLOSURES AT LOWER LEFT. BEGIN TEXT OF REPORT ON AF FORM 112-PART II.)

Technical Sergeant [REDACTED] observed an unidentified flying object at 1210 hours, 30 December 1949 near Langley Air Force Base, Va.

The white, vertical, cone-shaped object appeared to be eight feet in diameter at the base by twenty (20) feet in height. It was estimated to be at 5,000 feet altitude 10,000 feet from the observer and moving slowly in a south-easterly direction. The base of the cone remained steady and the top slowly oscillated.

The report parallels press releases concerning unidentified flying objects recently observed over the Carolinas and, in one case, identified in the Charlotte Observer newspaper by airport officials as being a mass of ice crystals formed in the wake of an Air Force B-36 flying at 40,000 feet altitude.

3 INCLS  
 1 - Observer's Signed statement (2 cys)  
 2 - Witness's " " (2 cys)  
 3 - Drawing of unidentified flying object (2 cys)

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# AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

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1. In compliance with ConAC Letter 200-1, 10 October 1949 and Intelligence Requirements Memorandum Number 4, Department of the Air Force, Headquarters USAF, 15 February 1949, the following report of a sighting of an unidentified flying object is submitted.
2. Statements concerning the object:
  - A. Observed 30 December 1949.
  - B. Time of Sighting: 1210 hours.
  - C. (1) Observation made from the main road one-half mile south of Langley Air Force Base, Va.  
(2) Object's position was approximately two and one-half (2½) miles south-east of Langley Air Force Base.  
(3) The object was first noticed as the observer was riding in an automobile and then was watched from the side of the highway after the car had been stopped.  
(4) Coordinate location of object was 76 degrees 20 minutes West/37 degrees 04 minutes North.
  - D. Only one (1) object observed.
  - E. There is no report of celestial phenomena or planets that may account for the observation.
  - F. (1) The object's altitude was 5,000 feet.  
(2) Distance from observer to object was 10,000 feet.  
(3) The angle of elevation from the horizon was approximately 45 degrees.
  - G. The sighting was of five (5) minutes duration.
  - H. (1) Object was white.  
(2) The object was cone shaped.  
(3) The construction is unknown.  
(4) The dimensions of the object were estimated to be eight (8) feet diameter at the base and twenty (20) feet in height.  
(5) The object's size from the observer's point of view was approximately two (2) feet diameter at its base by four (4) or five (5) feet in height.
  - I. Direction of travel was toward the south-east.
  - J. The position of the object was vertical and it appeared to drift away from the observer while slowly losing altitude. The base remained steady while the top slowly oscillated.
  - K. There was no exhaust.
  - L. The sky was cloudless.
  - M. There were no lights on the object.

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- N. The object had no visible supports.
- O. No means of propulsion was observed.
- P. There were no control surfaces but the top appeared to be oscillating.
- Q. The object had no openings.
- R. The speed could not be estimated but was termed to be slow.
- S. No sounds were heard.
- T. The observers tired of watching the object and drove away while it was still in sight.

## 3. General Information:

- A. The teletype sequence of local weather conditions was: Clear, 15 plus, 379/40/25/N 12/065.
- B. Winds aloft were: 5,000 feet 350 degrees at 20 knots, 10,000 feet 330 degrees at 25 knots, 15,000 feet 320 degrees at 40 knots and 20,000 feet 310 degrees at 35 knots.
- C. Approximately fifteen (15) Air Force aircraft were airborne in the vicinity, plus possible aircraft from the Norfolk Naval Air Station.
- D. No weather balloons had been released by the Langley weather station for several hours prior to the sighting, no aerial experiments or flying was being conducted by the Langley NACA and Langley based units were not conducting tow target missions.
- E. The object did not reach the earth.
- F. No aircraft reported being near the object.
- G. No photographs were taken.
- H. No fragments were obtained.
- I. The object had no visible antenna.

## 4. Information relative to the observer:

- A. Observation was made and reported by Technical Sergeant [REDACTED] of Hq & Hq Sq, Ninth Air Force, Langley Air Force Base, Virginia.
- B. This airman is an [REDACTED] in the Headquarters Ninth Air Force Adjutant General's section.
- C. His color vision is normal and he can make a fair estimate of size and speed at a distance.
- D. He has no hobbies.
- E. The Executive Officer of the Adjutant General's section reported that Technical Sergeant [REDACTED] is completely reliable.
- F. The observer had never observed an object in the air which looked so strange.

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- G. The object was first noted by Sergeant [REDACTED] who called attention to it because of its slow movement and odd shape.
- H. The sighting was witnessed by Sergeant [REDACTED] A, Sergeant [REDACTED] [REDACTED], and Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] [REDACTED] all of Hq & Hq Sq, Ninth Air Force and each considered to be reliable.
- I. The persons interrogated are considered to be of average intelligence and of excellent character.

*Edward F. McClenahan*  
EDWARD F. McCLENAHAN  
Lt Col, USAF  
Director of Intelligence

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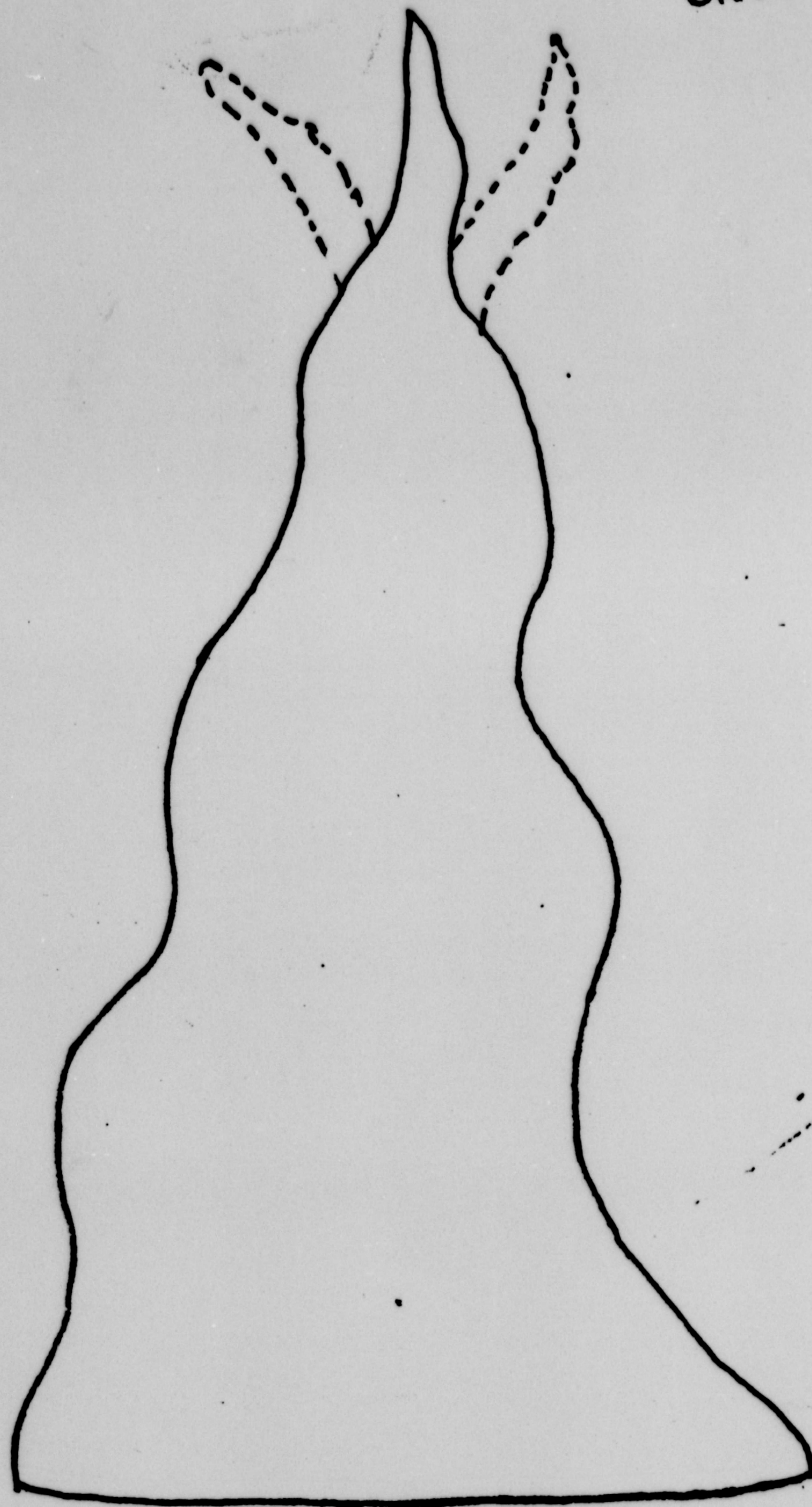
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3 January 1950  
Headquarters Ninth Air Force  
Langley Air Force Base, Virginia

# S T A T E M E N T

The undersigned airman, having read letter, Headquarters Ninth Air Force, dated 3 January 1950, subject: "Unidentified Flying Object" de-  
clairs that the object described in subject letter was observed by him at the time and date indicated and that all statements contained in the aforementioned letter concerning the unidentified flying object were submitted by him and are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

# Technical Sergeant

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3 January 1950  
Headquarters Ninth Air Force  
Langley Air Force Base, Virginia

The undersigned airmen of the Hq & Hq Sq, Ninth Air Force, having read letter, Headquarters, Ninth Air Force, dated 3 January 1950, subject: "Unidentified Flying Object" declair that: They were in the company of Technical Sergeant [REDACTED] at 1210 hours, 30 December 1949, that they observed the unidentified object described in letter, Headquarters Ninth Air Force, Langley Air Force Base, Virginia, dated 3 January 1950 and that all statements contained in subject letter concerning the unidentified flying object are true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

[REDACTED]  
Sgt [REDACTED]

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Sgt [REDACTED]

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Staff 3 [REDACTED]

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1. TEL REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT 24 SEPTEMBER 1948 ACCORDING TO THE AIR INTELLIGENCE BUREAU, NUMBER 4, DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE, HQ USAF, DIRECTORATE OF INTELLIGENCE, WASHINGTON 25, DC. 15 FEBRUARY 1949 AND CONAC LETTER 200-1, 10 OCTOBER 1949. 2. NEW PARAGRAPH. 3. REPORTS A. SIGHTED 30 DEC 1948. B. SIGHTED AT 1210 HOURS. C. SIGHTED FROM GROUND ON THE MAIN ROAD ONE HALF MILE SOUTH OF LANGLEY FIELD, VA. OBJECT APPEARED TO BE ABOUT 2 AND ONE HALF MILES SOUTH EAST OF LANGLEY FIELD, VA. FIRST SIGHTED FROM MOVING AUTOMOBILE AND THEN FROM SIDE OF ROAD AFTER THE AUTOMOBILE WAS HALTED. 76 DEGREES 20 MIN 36 SEC/37 DEGREES 3 MIN 45 SEC. D. 1. OBJECT SIGHTED. 2. NO REPORT OF CELESTIAL PHENOMENA OR PLANETS THAT MAY ACCOUNT FOR THE SIGHTING. E. DISTANCE TO THE OBJECT 10,000 FEET. ANGLE OF ELEVATION FOR THE OBJECT ABOUT 45 DEGREES. ALTITUDE ABOUT 5,000 FEET. F. OBJECT OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY 5 MINUTES. G. COLOR WAS WHITE. OBJECT HAS CONE SHAPE. CONSTRUCTION IS UNKNOWN. OBJECT ESTIMATED TO BE 8 FEET IN DIAMETER AT BOTTOM, 20 FEET LONG, AND TAPERING TO A POINT. FROM OBSERVERS VIEW IT APPEARED TO BE 2 FEET DIAMETER AT BOTTOM, AND 4 FEET LONG. H. OBJECT TRAVELING SOUTHEAST. J. THE OBJECT WAS IN A VERTICAL POSITION LARGE END OF CONE AT THE BOTTOM AND TAPERING TO A POINT AT THE TOP. IT WAS MOVING AWAY FROM THE OBSERVER AND POSSIBLY SLOWLY LOSING ALTITUDE. IN THE BOTTOM APPEARED TO BE A REINFORCEMENT AND THE TOP SLIGHTLY OSCILLATED FROM ONE SIDE TO THE OTHER TILITING IT WAS OF CLOTH OR CANVAS CONSTRUCTION. L. NO LIGHTS OBSERVED. M. THERE WERE NO CLOUDS. N. NO LIGHTS OBSERVED ON THE OBJECT. O. NO SUPPORTS OBSERVED ON THE OBJECT. P. NO EVIDENCE OF PROPULSION. Q. NO CONTROL SURFACES.

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1. HQ AND NO SQ, 9TH AF, LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, VA. C. AIRMAN. D. ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST IN THE ADJUTANT'S SECTION. E. NO MEDALS. F. OBSERVER IS NOT COLOR BLIND, CAN MAKE A FAIR ESTIMATE OF SPEED OF MOVING OBJECTS AND OF SIZE AT A DISTANCE. G. EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF ADJUTANT'S SECTION STATED TECH SGT [REDACTED] IS RELIABLY RELIABLE. H. OBSERVER STATED HE HAD NEVER SEEN AN AIRCRAFT IN THE AIR WHICH LOOKED SO STRANGE. SGT [REDACTED] ALSO RIDING IN THE CAR, FIRST NOTED THE OBJECT AND GAVE APPROXIMATION TO IT BECAUSE OF ITS ODD APPEARANCE AND HIGH MOVEMENT. I. WITNESSES WERE: SGT [REDACTED] HQ AND NO SQ, 9TH AF, LANGLEY AFB, VA. AIRMAN, RELIABILITY GOOD. SGT [REDACTED] CHESTERA [REDACTED] AIRMAN, RELIABILITY GOOD. SGT [REDACTED] HQ AND NO SQ, 9TH AF, LANGLEY AFB, VA. RELIABILITY GOOD. J. THE PERSONS INTERROGATED ARE CONSIDERED TO BE OF AVERAGE INTELLIGENCE AND OF EXCELLENT CHARACTER. NEW PARAGRAPH. GENERAL INFORMATION: A. TELETYPE SEQUENCES OF LOCAL WEATHER CONDITIONS: CLEAR 15 PLUS 379/40/25H12/065. B. WINDS ALMOST 5000 FEET 350 DEG 20 KNOTS, 10,000 FEET 330 DEG 25 KNOTS, 15,000 FEET 320 DEG 40 KNOTS, 20,000 FEET 310 DEG 35 KNOTS. C. THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY 15 AIR FORCE AIRCRAFT FROM THE NORFOLK NAVAL AIR STATION. D. THE LANGLEY BASE WEATHER STATION STATED THAT NO WEATHER BALLOONS HAD BEEN RELEASED FOR SEVERAL HOURS PRIOR TO TIME OF SIGHTING. THE LANGLEY NACA LIAISON OFFICER STATED THAT NO AERIAL EXPERIMENTS OR FLYING ACTIVITY WAS BEING CONDUCTED BY THEM AT THAT TIME. E. THE OBJECT WAS NOT OBSERVED TO REACH THE EARTH. F. NO REPORT OF ITS BEING NEAR AN AIRCRAFT. G. NO PHOTOGRAPHS WERE TAKEN. H. NO FRAGMENTS OBTAINED. I. NO ANTENNA WAS OBSERVED ON THE OBJECT.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

10 January 1950

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SUBJECT: "Flying Saucers"

TO: Commanding General  
Air Materiel Command  
Wright Patterson Air Force Base  
Dayton, Ohio

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AIR FORCE  
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1. Enclosed herewith are two (2) pieces of correspondence reporting observation of "Flying Saucers", which have been received at this Headquarters.

2. It is requested that you take appropriate action.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

D. L. PUTT  
Major General, USAF  
Director, Research & Development, DCS/M

2 Incls.

1 - Ltr [REDACTED]  
29 Dec 49  
2 - Ltr [REDACTED]

1 Jan 50

*Morgan Goodhart*  
MORGAN GOODHART  
Lt. Colonel, USAF

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# UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

1 January 1949

**SUBJECT:** Sighting of unfamiliar object over Andrews Air Base by Cpl. ██████████, 113th Control Squadron, District of Columbia Air National Guard.

**TO :** Headquarters  
Air Material Command  
The Pentagon  
Washington, D. C.

1. On December 31, 1949 I was at Andrews Field observing Colonel Milliken make preparations to take off in a jet plane. I happened to look directly overhead and saw an object floating--it seemed--leisurely in and out among the clouds. When it tilted toward the sun it appeared to be a huge sheet of tinfoil. I kept my eye on it and suddenly realized that it was travelling at a terrific rate of speed in a southeasterly direction. I am certain that had the object been grounded it would have been the size of the National Guard hanger.

2. I have hesitated to divulge this incident. However, I can assure you that it is absolutely true; I have never had hallucinations. I dismissed the incident from my mind at first, thinking that it was probably an object sent up by meteorologists. The more I thought of its size and the height it was from the ground, however, the more significance I attached to it.

Very truly yours,

Cpl. ██████████  
113th Aircraft Control Squadron  
District of Columbia  
Air National Guard

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AIR MATERIEL COMMAND

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COMMAND, ATTENTION FOLLOWING OFFICE SYMBOL:

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WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE  
DAYTON, OHIO

HWS/ed

26 JAN 1950

Cpl [REDACTED]  
113th Aircraft Control Squadron  
District of Columbia  
Air National Guard  
[REDACTED]  
Washington 9, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

Receipt of your letter dated 1 January 1950 is  
hereby acknowledged.

Your letter will be forwarded to the office interested  
in these matters.

If further information is desired you will be contacted.

*mid AM 65376*  
Your action in writing this Command is appreciated.

Yours truly,

*Ryan L. Davis*

RYAN L. DAVIS  
Colonel, USAF  
Air Adjutant General

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SUBJECT: Report of Information Pertaining to Flying Discs

Hq 43 Bomb Group (M), Davis-Monthan AFB, Tucson, Arizona. 6 Jan 50

THRU: Commanding Officer, 43 Bomb Wing (M), Davis-Monthan AFB, Tucson Arizona.

TO: Commanding General, Air Material Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, Wright Field, Ohio. ATTN: MCIAKO.

Forwarded in compliance with par 2 SAC Reg 200-5 dated 13 December 1949.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Joe Maddalena Jr*  
JOE MADDALENA, Jr  
Captain, USAF  
Adjutant

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HQ 43RD BOMBARDMENT WING (M), Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Tucson, Arizona JAN 9 1950

TO: Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Wright Field, Ohio. ATTN: MCIAKO

Forwarded for your information.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Peter L. Winningham*  
PETER L. WINNINGHAM  
Captain USAF  
Asst. Adjutant

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43RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)  
Davis-Monthan Air Force Base  
Tucson, Arizona

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4 January 1950

SUBJECT: Report of Information Pertaining to Flying Discs

TO : Commanding Officer  
43rd Bombardment Group (M)  
Davis-Monthan Air Force Base  
Tucson, Arizona

1. Information given herein is submitted in compliance with SAC Regulation number 200-5, dated 13 December 1948. Distribution of this report has not been made to Air Materiel Command or any other agency.

2. In compliance with par 3 of the above-mentioned regulation the following information is submitted:

a. Location and time of sighting: Observed 10 - 12 miles north of Davis-Monthan Air Force Base by personnel standing on the ramp east of building T-2722. Observed at 1350 Mountain Standard Time (2050 GCT) on 31 December 1949.

b. Weather at the time: Clear over the field with scattered cumulus clouds near the object. Winds aloft:

4000	feet	130°/20	knotts
6000	"	180°/10	"
10000	"	230°/10	"
15000	"	270°/40	"
20000	"	270°/25	"

c. Names, occupations and addresses of witnesses:

1st. Lt. [REDACTED], Pilot (B-29)  
S/Sgt. [REDACTED], Aircraft Maintenance Specialist  
S/Sgt. [REDACTED], Aircraft Maintenance Specialist  
Pvt. [REDACTED], Airplane Electrician

All witnesses are in the 43rd Air Refueling Squadron, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Tucson, Arizona.

d. Photographs: None available

e. Sketches of object's configuration:

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Subj: "Report of Information Pertaining to Flying Discs"

f. Object sighted:

(1) Number: one (1)

(2) Shape: reported both as shaped like a flat piece of tin or paper and as spherical like a weather balloon.

(3) Size: about  $\frac{1}{2}$  the size of the sun ball as it appeared at the time.

(4) Color: silver

(5) Speed: two (2) times the speed of B-29's flying toward it.  
(estimated speed 500 mph)

(6) Heading: hovered for 5 - 10 minutes then departed into north-northeast.

(7) Maneuverability: appeared to circle slowly within a 2 mile radius. Object appeared to be unsteady and "wobbly" while hovering.

(8) Altitude: 4000 - 18000 feet. Most reliable source (ilot) states 15000 feet altitude.

(9) Sound: none heard

(10) Exhaust trail or not: none

3. General Remarks:

a. A summary of the interrogation of witnesses follows: When this object was first seen it appeared to be hovering in the air about 15 nautical miles north of Davis-Monthan Air Force Base. It stayed in this position for approximately 10 minutes. At the approach of a formation of three B-29 aircraft it moved rapidly toward the northeast and disappeared. In moving into the northeast it had an estimated speed of 500 miles per hour. It appeared to be in a dive at an angle of approximately  $10^{\circ}$  to the horizontal. Sunlight glistening off the object led the witnesses to believe it was spinning.

b. Interrogation of the crews of the three B-29's which were seen flying toward the object revealed no indication of any of their crew members having seen the object. Further, a check with the Davis-Monthan Weather Office revealed that no weather balloons had been sent

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BASIC: Ltr, 43rd Air Refueling Squadron (C), D-H AFB, Dtd 4 Jan 50,  
Subj: "Report of Information Pertaining to Flying Discs".

aloft on 31 December 1949 prior to the time the object was  
observed.

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Comment* (circled)  
4. It can reasonably be concluded that some object was actually  
seen by the above witnesses. However, it is considered entirely  
possible that the object observed was a small plane, kite, paper carried  
aloft by the wind, a wandering weather balloon, or other such object.  
Recent newspaper reports concerning "flying saucers" could have played  
upon the imagination of the witnesses resulting in their over estimating  
the speed and nature of the object.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Robert B. Lippman*  
ROBERT B. LIPPMAN  
Captain, USAF  
Adjutant

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[REDACTED]  
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HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
WASHINGTONTHE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF  
18th DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS  
USAF SPECIALIZED DEPOT, BOX 310, MAYWOOD, CALIF.  
FTR/lei  
1 December 1949

**SUBJECT:** Radio in Possession of Mr. [REDACTED] on which  
Allegedly Came From a Flying Disc that had  
Crashed in New Mexico.  
**UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT - SPECIAL INQUIRY**

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

1. On 30 November 1949, this office received a letter from the Los Angeles Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation which reads as follows:

"On November 24, 1949, [REDACTED] motion picture actor, telephonically advised this office that on the previous afternoon he had been playing golf at the Lakeside Country Club with [REDACTED]. CABOT overheard [REDACTED] talking about a magnetic radio the latter had in his possession and which he claimed had come from a flying disc which had crashed in New Mexico. [REDACTED], who claimed to be in the oil business, had the radio with him at the golf course. [REDACTED] described the radio as being about 7x2x2 inches.

[REDACTED] further advised [REDACTED] that he and an unnamed scientist were using the radio as a "doodle-bug" to find oil deposits in the ground. [REDACTED] stated that several of the flying discs had recently crashed in New Mexico, Arizona, and Maine. He also told [REDACTED] that the discs had contained men and that he had bits of cloth at home from the clothing of these men. In addition, [REDACTED] claimed to have pieces of metal from the gears of the disc.

[REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studio is making a "hush-hush" picture which could very well concern the matter of flying discs inasmuch as the whole story would break soon any way.

[REDACTED] states that he has ascertained through a friend at Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer that they are now making a picture called "Project No. [REDACTED]" (the actual number not known). [REDACTED] said he was unable to find out what this picture is about.

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[REDACTED] gave his address as [REDACTED] [REDACTED], telephone [REDACTED]. He explained that he had never met [REDACTED] until their golfing engagement and further pointed out that [REDACTED] was sober at the time the above allegations were made."

2. This matter has been assigned to an Agent of this office and a report will be submitted to your Headquarters within the near future.

cc: Hq OSI

*for Paul M. Mold, Major*  
O'KEEFE O'KEEFE  
Lt Colonel, USAF  
District Commander

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## JANUARY 1950 SIGHTINGS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>OBSERVER</u>	<u>EVALUATION</u>
2	Brooklyn, New York	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
6	Howard, Kansas	[REDACTED]	A/C
6	Kansas City, Kansas	[REDACTED]	Astro (VENUS)
6	Holloman AFB, New Mexico	[REDACTED]	Astro (CANOPUS)
7	Gashland, Missouri	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
7	Corona, New Mexico	[REDACTED]	Astro (Meteor)
9	Los Alamos, New Mexico	[REDACTED]	Astro (Meteor)
12	Holloman AFB, New Mexico	[REDACTED]	Astro (VENUS)
12	24.00N 85.20W (Gulf of Mexico)	Air RADAR	Other (Radar Malfunction)
13	Holloman AFB, New Mexico	[REDACTED]	Astro (CAPELLA)
14 (DR)	Dalton, Georgia	[REDACTED]	A/C
18	Denver, Colorado	[REDACTED]	Astro (Meteor)
24	Boling Field, D.C. Pope AFB, N.C.	Military Air	Balloon
27	Scullville, New Jersey	[REDACTED]	Other (Contrail)
31	53N 171W (Alaska)	[REDACTED]	Other (Flare)
	Kansas City, Kansas	[REDACTED]	(No Cond)

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5	Teaticket, Massachusetts	[REDACTED]	UNIDENTIFIED
7	Alameda, California	[REDACTED]	A/C w/Contrail or Target
	San Jose, California	[REDACTED]	" " "
	San Francisco, California	[REDACTED]	" " "
	Piedmont, California	[REDACTED]	" " "
	Berkley, California	[REDACTED]	" " "
7	Kirtland AFB, New Mexico	Military Ground	Astro (Meteor)
	Otto, New Mexico	Military Air	" " "
8	Tampa, Florida	Military Air	Astro (Meteor)
15	Sandia Base, New Mexico	Eastern Airlines	Astro (Meteor)
18	Holloman AFB, New Mexico	Royal [REDACTED]	Astro (VEGA)
20	Tularosa, New Mexico	Military	Astro (ALTAIR)
24	Albuquerque, New Mexico	[REDACTED]	UNIDENTIFIED
24	Jackson, Mississippi	[REDACTED]	A/C
24	Datil, New Mexico	[REDACTED] (PHOTO)	Astro (COMET)
25	Los Alamos, New Mexico	AESS Personnel	UNIDENTIFIED
25	Albuquerque, New Mexico	[REDACTED]	Astro (Meteor)
26	Decatur, Illinois	[REDACTED]	Other (Reflection)