

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 1 Jan 53 2/0215Z	2. LOCATION Brookley AFB, Alabama
3. SOURCE AF Pilot	10. CONCLUSION PROBABLY AIRCRAFT Evaluation possibly a/c.
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 30 Sec.	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Bluish light similar to jet exhaust at 2-3000' altitude approx 1 mile away traveled at a speed of 250-300 knots. Object appeared to be 1-2' in diameter followed by a small exhaust trail. Object traveled in a straight & level flight, followed by what appeared to be a climbing turn, then suddenly disappeared. (1. Seen from a drive-in movie.) (2. Source states that object looked like F-94 with after-burner).
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE North	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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/ [REDACTED] NOIP 1-1 E FOR ATIAA-2C FLYCERPT AT APPROX

2313-2337 [REDACTED] OBSERVER LOCATED AT 33 DEGREES 07 MIN WEST

CMA 33 DEGREES 33 MIN NORTH CMA VISUALLY OBSERVED CMA FOR APPROX 33

SECONDS CMA ONE BLuish LIGHT SIMILAR TO JET EXHAUST CMA AT 2333-3333

FT. ALTITUDE CMA APPROX 1 MILE AWAY CMA TRAVELING AT SPEED OF 295-300

KNOTS CMA APPROXIMATELY DUE NORTH. OBJECT APPEARED TO BE 1-2 FT. IN

DIAMETER WITH A SMALL EXHAUST TRAIL. NO SOUND HEARD. NO JET ACTIVITY

OR UNUSUAL CONDITIONS AT TIME OF SIGHTING. LIGHT WAS IN STRAIGHT AND

LEVEL FLIGHT CMA FOLLOWED BY WHAT APPEARED TO BE A CLIMBING TURN CMA

AND SUDDENLY DISAPPEARED AS IF A LIGHT SWITCH HAD BEEN TURNED OFF.

WEATHER AT 2333HRS CMA CLEAR CMA VIS 9 CMA TEMP 53 DEGREES CMA DEW

POINT 46 CMA WIND 12 AT 3 KNOTS CMA PRESSURE 30.75. OBSERVER IS A

ATTC

3:00

SENIOR PILOT CMA EVALUATED AS RELIABLE CMA AND DOES NOT BELIEVE LIGHT
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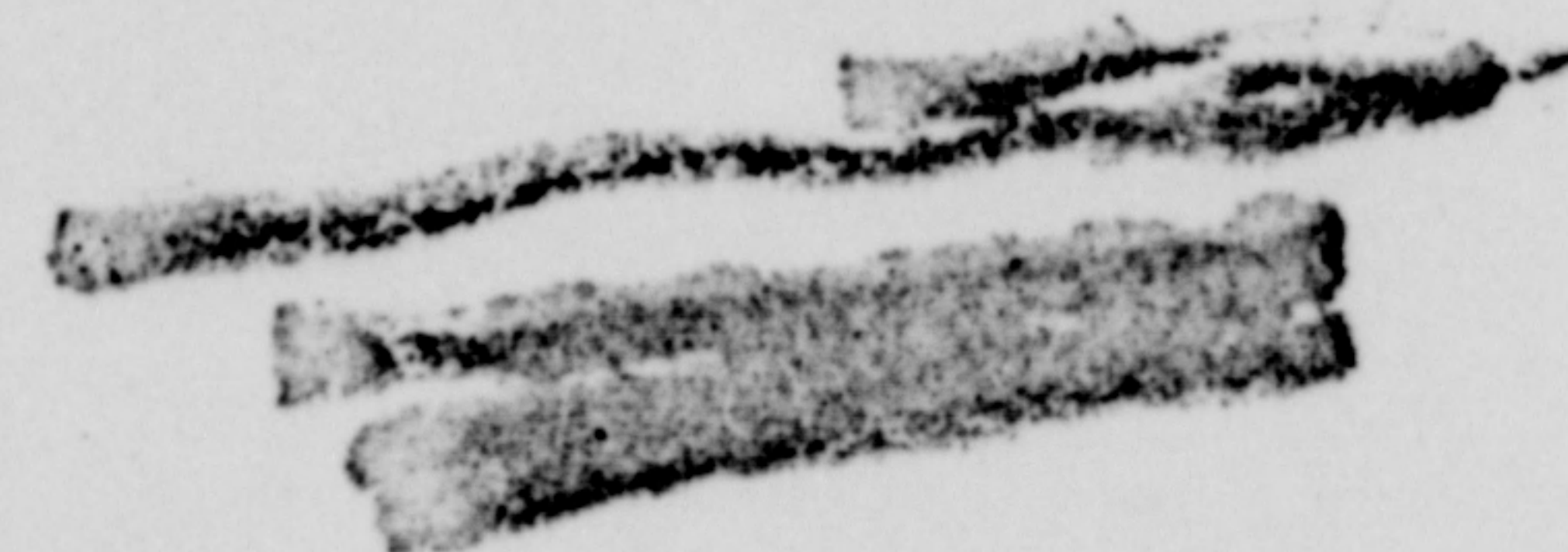
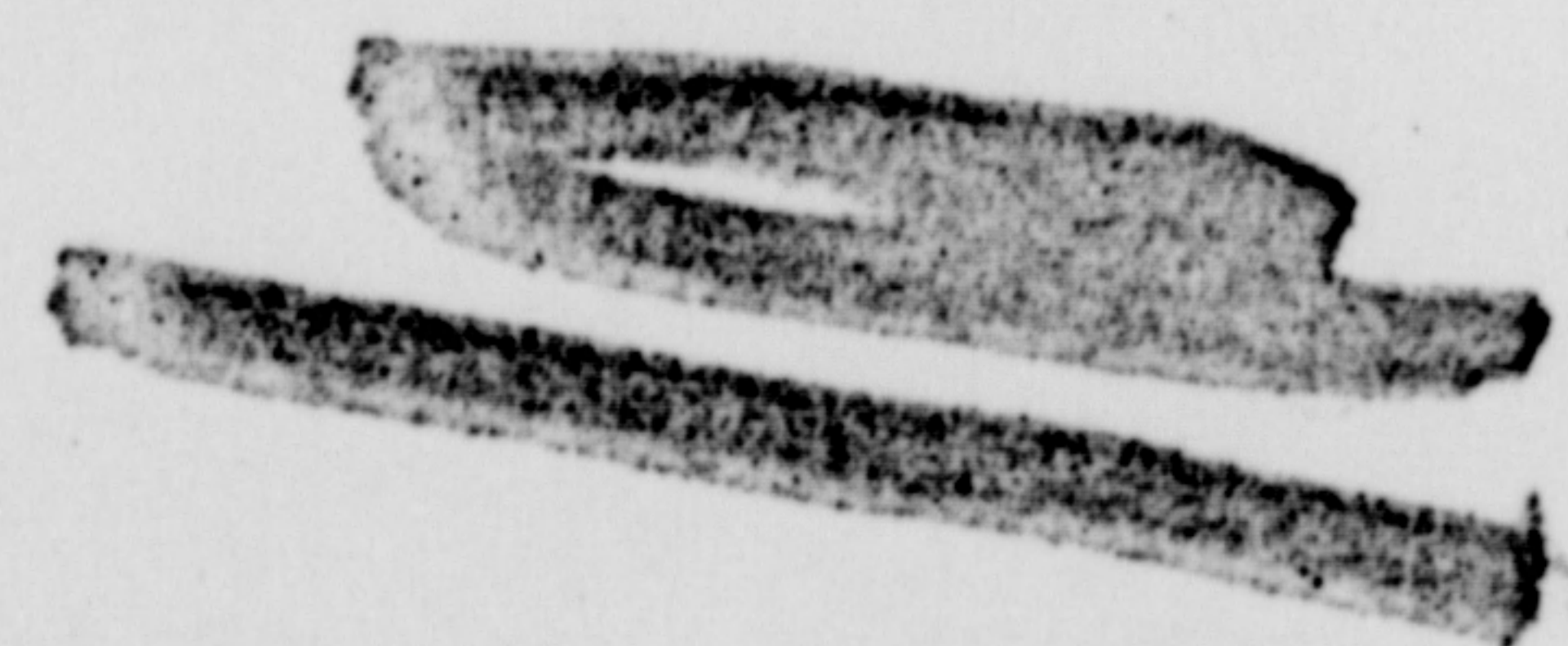
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Jet exhaust



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Brookley AFB ALA
5 January 1953

SUBJECT: Transmittal of AF Form 112

THRU: Commanding General
ATTENTION: Chief, Air Technical Intelligence
Center, ATIA A-2c
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

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

Transmitted herewith are two complete copies of AF Form 112 (Part I and II) of a report of unusual flying object seen near Brookley Air Force Base on the night of 1 January 1953.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

Frank B. Elliott

1 Incl:
AF Form 112 w/3 Incls:
(Part I and II)

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2d Lt., USAF
Asst. Intelligence Officer

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COUNTRY	United States of America	REPORT NO.	(LEAVE BLANK)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT			
SUBJECT Unidentified Aerial Object (AF Ltr 200-5)			
AREA REPORTED ON Brookley Air Force Base, Mobile, Alabama		FROM (Agency) Intelligence Office, Brookley AFB, Alabama	
DATE OF REPORT 2 January 1953	DATE OF INFORMATION 1 January 1953	EVALUATION B-2	
PREPARED BY (Officer) Frank B. Elliott, 2nd Lt., USAF		SOURCE	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)			
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.)			
A bluish white light was observed by Captain [REDACTED] Area Maintenance Group, Brookley Air Force Base, Alabama near Mobile, Alabama, 1 January 1953 between 2015 and 2030 hours, Central Standard Time. Statement of witness, map of Mobile and weather report are inclosed. <i>Frank B. Elliott</i> FRANK B. ELLIOTT 2nd Lt., USAF Asst. Intelligence Officer			
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3 INCL. 1. Statement, Capt. [REDACTED] 2. Weather Report 3. Map, Mobile Area			
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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

FROM (Agency)	REPORT NO.	PAGE	OF	PAGES
Intelligence Officer Brookley Air Force Base, Alabama				

Details: At approximately 0900 hours, 2 January 1953, Captain [REDACTED] came to the Base Intelligence Office, Brookley Air Force Base, Alabama, and reported seeing, at 2015-2030 hours, 1 January 1953, a bluish white light similar to a jet aircraft exhaust. He stated that the light disappeared after about 30 seconds. He saw no other lights which would identify an aircraft. Since the weather was clear, he did not think the light disappeared behind a cloud.

Base Operations, and nearby Bates Field (Commercial) were contacted by telephone and could report no flying activity involving jet aircraft. At 2100 hours an F-51 landed at Brookley Air Force Base, and no other fields in the immediate vicinity have facilities for jet aircraft. The weather station at Bates Field reported releasing a weather balloon (pyball) at 2100 hours, but this was after the reported observation. (X)

When the light was sighted, the observer was facing West at latitude 30 degrees, thirty-eight minutes North, 88 degrees, seven minutes West, and stated that the light was traveling North approximately one mile away at an altitude of 2000-3000 feet, and a speed of 250-300 knots. The light appeared to be one to two feet in diameter, with a small exhaust trail. No sound was heard.

The reliability of the observer is evaluated as excellent. Captain [REDACTED] is a Senior Pilot, with ten years flying experience, and is familiar with meteorology, and navigation.

Since the report was not received until twelve hours after observation, interception was not attempted.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

3 Incls
1. Statement of [REDACTED]
2. Weather Report
3. Map, Mobile, Sectional

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Asst. Intelligence Officer

⑧ Pyball released 1 hr. before scheduled
0200Z rather than 0300Z

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AIR PROVOST MARSHAL'S OFFICE
Brookley Air Force Base, Alabama

2 January 1953

STATEMENT OF: Captain Douglas C. [REDACTED]

I certify that the following was observed by me while attending a drive-in movie, between 2015 and 2030 on the night of 1 January 1953.

I saw this light when it was approximately 90° to my left. It was traveling at a constant altitude of 2000-3000 feet on a bearing of north. The object appeared to be 1 to 2 feet in diameter of bluish white in color with a small exhaust trail. The speed of the object was estimated at 250-300 knots. It traveled through approximately 80° of an arc in 30 seconds and appeared to start a climbing turn and disappeared, just as though someone had turned off a light switch.

The object was approximately 1 mile away and it looked like the exhaust of a F-94 with afterburner going. I did not hear any noise at all, the windows of the car were up and the loudspeaker was on. I could not see anything at all to identify it as an aircraft, as there were no lights on the object. Weather at the time was clear with unrestricted visibility.

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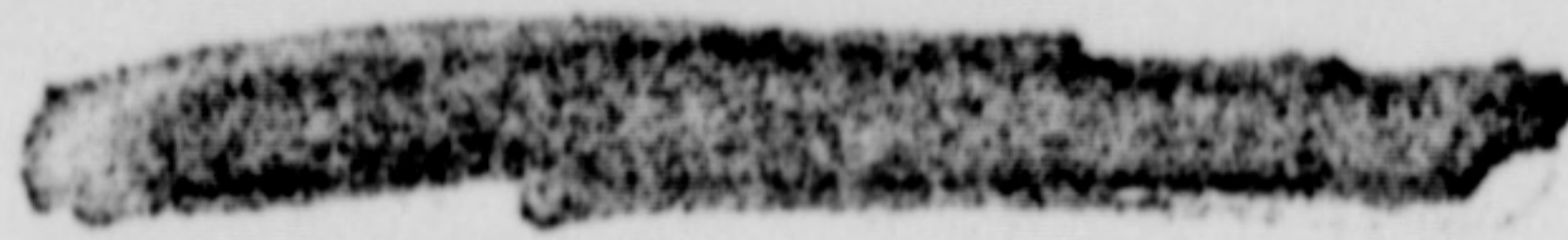
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Captain, USAF

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2916th Area Maint. Group


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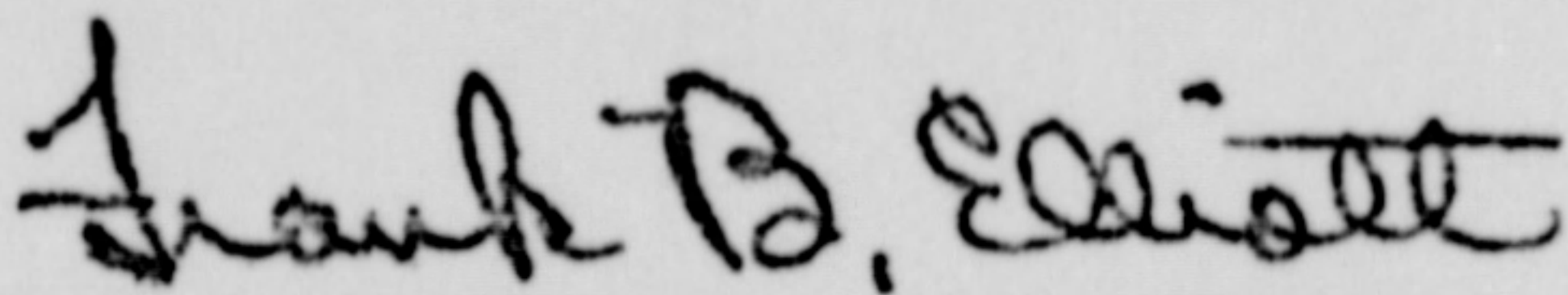
2 January 1953

SUBJECT: Weather Report

TO: Whom It May Concern

1. The following is a report on weather on 1 January, 1953
 - a. 2000 hrs - clear, visibility-9miles, temperature- 53 degrees, dew point- 46, winds SE @ 8 knots.
 - b. 2100 hrs - scattered clouds at 3000 feet, visibility 9 miles, winds SE at 12 knots.

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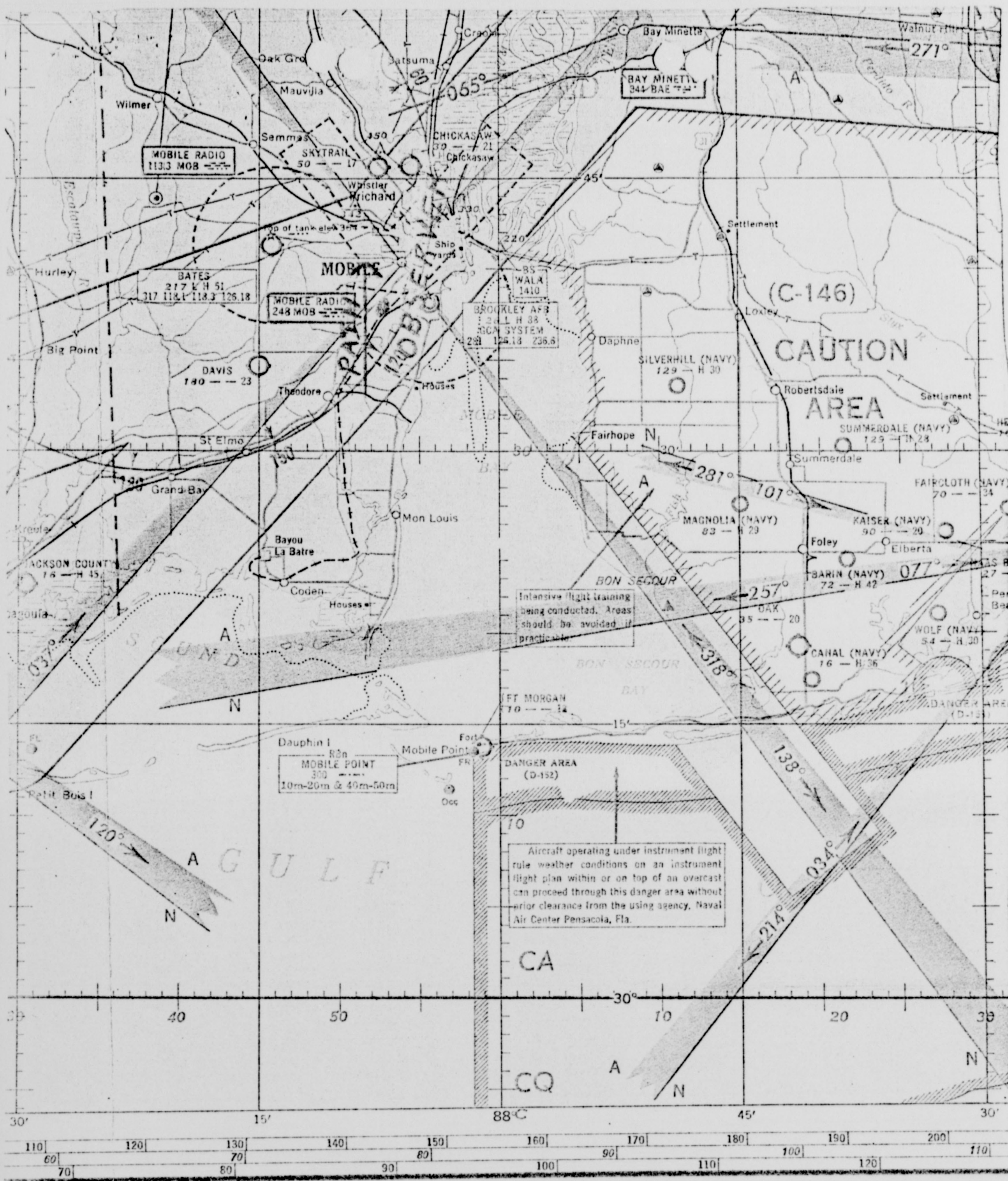


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