

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 20 March 53 1500Z 2000Z		2. LOCATION Old Baldy & Pork Chop Hill, Korea	
3. SOURCE Military		10. CONCLUSION INSUFFICIENT DATA FOR EVALUATION	
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One			
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Not Reported		11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Short TTX from AFOIN-2A2. Luminous objects travelling at supersonic speed of 800 mph had been observed in area and tracked on radar within the past few days. Lake superior reportx indicates that speeds were in excess of 1800 mph.	
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Radar			
7. COURSE Not Reported			
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No			
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No			

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TO ATIC CMA THE ORGANIZATION HAVING PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR UFO
PROGRAM. NO ADDITIONAL INFO AVAILABLE THIS HQ. MESSAGE READS
CMA NUMBER COC 86 DTG 20053Z. OUR AP RADIO NEWS SERVICE MSG
AP 182 5TH 15 MIN SUMMARY CMA TENTH ITEM CMA SLUGGED /DISC/
STATES THAT LUMINOUS OBJECTS TRAVELING AT SPEEDS FASTER THAN SOUND
HAVE BEEN OBSERVED AND TRACKED ON RADAR WITHIN PAST FEW DAYS IN
PORK CHOP AND OLD BALDY HILLS AREA WESTERN KOREAN FRONT.
/5TH 15 MIN SUMMARY SIGNED BY 1028 PES 19/. IN VIEW OF RADAR
SIGHTING OF POSSIBLY SIMILAR SUPERSONIC OBJECTS LAKE SUPERIOR
AREA 20/0135 TO 20/0200Z APR FURTHER INFO OR EVALUATION OF THIS
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/C [REDACTED] 2/FROM: AFOIN-2A2 54269

REF, ADC ENT AFB, MAG, DTG 200535Z APR 53. REGARDING AP RADIO
NEWS SERVICE MSG AP 182, 5 TH 15 MIN SUMMARY, NOT HELD THIS HQ.
ONLY INFO THIS HQ CONCERNS AP REPORT BY UNIDENTIFIED OFFICER OF FRONT
LINE DIVISION "THAT OTHER LUMINOUS OBJECTS TRAVELING AT SUPER-
SONIC SPEEDS OF 800 MPH HAD BEEN OBSERVED IN THE BALDY-PORKCHOP
AREA AND TRACKED ON RADAR ALSO WITHIN THE LAST FEW DAYS."

IN VIEW OF GREAT SPEED DIFFERENTIAL BETWEEN KOREAN REPORT AND
THE 1800 MPH LAKE SUPERIOR REPORT, ESTIMATES DUTY OFFICER FEELS
DISSIMILAR OBJECTS ARE INVOLVED. FURTHER EVALUATION WILL FOLLOW
WHEN INFO BECOMES AVAILABLE.

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FROM: ATIAE-5

DATE: 29 April 1953

SUBJECT: (Conf) High Speed Korean Radar Tracks

1. PERTINENT BACKGROUND INFORMATION: (Confidential)

Information from Hq USAF to Project Blue Book (unidentified flying objects) states that "A.P. radio news service summary of 5 April 53 indicates that luminous objects traveling at supersonic speeds have been observed and tracked on radar within the past few days in Pork Chop and Old Baldy Hills area, Western Korean Front".

2. SPECIFIC REQUEST: (Confidential)

1. It is requested that the above be verified and, if true, the following information be obtained:

a. The specific dates and times of both visual and electronic observations to determine if the objects seen and tracked were in reality one and the same.

b. Estimated speeds by radar, by visual observation, the heading and altitude estimates, how long observed in both cases, and the size of blips on the radar screen.

c. The location (coordinates) of the visual and electronic observations.

d. A complete description of the objects' appearance investigating the possibility that such "luminous" objects could not be high speed jet aircraft such as the P-86 or MIG-15.

3. REMARKS:

a. Project 10073

b. This is a routine request, but information should be obtained as soon as possible.

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Reurag ARIN 54365 Project Blue Book has no information on either the subject
 super sonic sightings made by radar over Korea or the Lake Superior sightings.
 In reply cite Project Blue Book.

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TO: Commanding General Far East Air Forces APO 925 c/o Post Master San Francisco, California		FROM: Headquarters USAF Directorate of Intelligence Washington 25, D. C.		
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20 Apr 53

Our AP Radio News Service Msg AP 182 5th 15 min summary, Tenth Item, slugged (Disc) states that luminous objects traveling at speeds faster than sound have been observed and tracked on radar within past few days in Pork Chop and Old Baldy Hills area Western Korean Front. (5th 15 Min Summary signed DY 1028 PES 19). In view of radar sightings of possibly similar supersonic objects Lake Superior area 20/0135 to 20/0200Z Apr further info or evaluation of this AP report is requested.

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Reference SRI No. ATIC-4979, Subject: High Speed Radar Tracks.

Report received from D/I, if AF indicates that an investigation at 7th Infantry Division G-2, 7th Artillery S-2, and the 502nd Tactical Control Group, 5th Air Force fail to reveal any record of luminous objects traveling at supersonic speeds the intract on radar and the "Pork Chop" or Old Baldy Hill area.