COAST GUARD
MILITARY AIR MULTIPLE SIGHTING PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	12. CONCLUSIONS
24 Oct 60	Ramey AFB, Puerto Rico Scrub Island	☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 24/2325Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No	6. SOURCE Military and Civilian	☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION up to 4 min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE SE ascending
		☒ Other Prob Missile ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Round, size of pea to slightly smaller than baseball, white, intermittent tail, 4 or 5 times the size of the object.

11. COMMENTS

Probably a Titan missile that was launched from Cape Canaveral a few moments earlier.

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UFO ANALYSIS SHEET

Location Puerto Rico - Scrub Island - 80 mi SW of Guadelupe Isl.

Date 24 Oct 1960 Hour (Z) Approx 2325Z

WX Scattered clouds, vis 15 mi, winds SW & SE at 10 to 20 knots

Description Round, Size of pea to slightly smaller than baseball, white, intermitent tail seen from Ramey, 4-5 times size of object, first seen at 10 deg elev at 315 deg from Ramey - 45 deg elev 335 deg from Scrub Isl - munis 10 deg elev at 320 deg from acft, (over)

Direction of Motion Southeast ascending

Satellite: (AFCIN-4F3, Phone 69219) Ruled out

Astronomical Phenomena (Meteor, Comet, Planet, etc) Ruled out

Radar Analysis (AFCIN-4E1) None

Natural Phemomena (Ball Lightning, etc) - - - --

Aircraft, Balloons, Airships, etc. Ruled out

Other Prob missile

Evaluation of Source Reliability Prob reliable

Analysis and Conclusions: All witness gave an estimated time of sighting. Therefore it is possible that they saw the missile that was launched from Cape Canaveral xx several minutes earlier. The trajectory taken by the object is very close to that taken by missiles fired toward the Ascension Islands. The duration of the sighting reported by some of the witnesses is in excess of the burning time of the missiles. However, the times was probably estimated, therefore are very likely in error. Missiles do burn up to about 3 minutes duration.

Description cont:

Last seen at 60 deg elev at 75 deg from Ramey,- 80 deg elev at 165 deg from Scrub Isl 80 deg elev at 020 deg from acft, Ramey obs reported straight flight path then a leveling off and then a decrease in altitude. Other obs reported nearly vertical flight path. Duration of sighting : Ramey 4 min - Scrub Isl 25-30 seconds - acft 1-2 minutes. The acft was on a heading of 320 deg, saw cloud about 10 miles distant and changed course to 260 to avoid cloud, then resumed course of 320 deg, and could see clout to their right and behind the acft.

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I N C O M I N G

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ACTION: CIN-14

INFO : OOP-3, SAFS-3 (21)

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RJEZHQ/SEC OF THE AF WASH DC

INFO RJEXDHB/8AF WESTOVER AFB MASS

RJWXBR/SAC OFFUTT AFB NEBR

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UNCLAS/DCOI 5855. UFO REPTRT.

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INFORMATION IS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2, 14 SEP 1959. PART A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT. (1) OBJECT WAS BALL-SHAPED. (2) SIZE OF PEA BY COAST GUARD OBSERVER, A HALF DOLLAR BY SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVER TO SLIGHTLY SMALLER THAN BASE BALL BY RAMEY OBSERVER. (3) ALL REPORTS INDICATE OBJECT WAS WHITE IN COLOR. (4) ONE OBJECT WAS SIGHTED. (5) NOT APPLICABLE. (6) NO DISCERNIBLE FEATURE OR DETAILS WERE REPORTED. (7) OBSERVERS AT RAMEY AFB REPORTED INTERMITTENT BLINKING TAIL, 4 OR 5 TIMES THE SIZE OF THE OBJECT. OTHER OBSERVERS

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DID NOT OBSERVE TAIL, TRAIL OR EXHAUST. (8) NO SOUND WAS REPORTED. (9) ALL OBSERVERS EXCEPT THOSE AT RAMEY REPORTED OBJECTCAME FROM A CLOUD ON THE HORIZON. PART B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT. (1) OBSERVERS IN AIRCRAFT AND SCRUB ISLAND FIRST NOTICED WHITE CLOUD. COAST GUARD OBSERVERS REPORTED THAT CLOUD FORMED VERY QUICKLY AT GROUND LEVEL AND WAS VERTICAL IN SHAPE. SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVER FIRST NOTICED CLOUD AT 30 DEGREES ELEVATION, NO PARTICULAR SHAPE. RAMEY OBSERVERS JUST HAPPENED TO BE LOOKING IN DIRECTION WHERE OBJECT APPEARED. (2) ANGLE OF ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH WHEN FIRST OBSERVED WAS REPORTED AS FOLLOWS: (A) RAMEY OBSERVERS: 10 DEGREES ELEVATION, 315 DEGREE AZIMUTH. (B) SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVER: 45 DEGREE ELEVATION, AZIMUTH OF 335 DEGREES. (C) COAST GUARD OBSERVERS: MINUS 10 DEGREES BELOW LEVEL OF AIRCRAFT IN ELEVATION ON AZIMUTH OF 320 DEGREES. (3) ANGLE OF ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF OBJECT UPON DISAPPEARANCE WAS REPORTED AS FOLLOWS: (A) RAMEY OBSERVER: 60 EEGREES ELEVATION AND 75 DEGREE AZIMUTH. (B) SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVER: 80 DEGREE ELEVATION 165 DEGREES AZIMUTH. (C) COAST GUARD OBSERVER: 80 DEGREE ELEVATION 020 DEGREES IN AZIMUTH. (4) RAMEY OBSERVERS REPORTED STRAIGHT FLIGHT PATH THEN A LEVELING OFF AND THEN A DECREASE IN ALTITUDE. OTHER OBSERVERS REPORTED A NEARLY VERTICAL FLIGHT PATH. (5) ALL

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OBSERVERS STATED THAT OBJECT DISAPPEARED FRM SIGHT IN THE SKY. (6) OBJECT WAS REPORTED AS VISIBLE AS INDICATED: (A) RAMEY OBSERVER: 4 MINUTES. (B) SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVER: 25 TO 30 SECONDS. (C) COAST GUARD OBSERVERS: 1 TO 2 MINUTES. PART C. MANNERS OF OBSERVATION. (1) GROUND-VISUAL FOR RAMEY AND SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVERS, AND AIR-VISUAL FOR COAST GUARD OBSERVERS. (2) NO OPTICAL AIDS WERE USED. (3) COAST GUARD OBSERVERS WERE IN A COAST GUARD UF2G (USAF SA-16) NUMBER 1313 AT AN ALTITUDE OF 6,500 FEET ON A HEADING OF 320 DEGREES AND SPEED OF 160 KNOTS TAS. HOME STATION IS COAST GUARD AIR DETACHMENT, SAN JUAN PUERTO RICO, NAVAL AIR STATION. PART D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING. (1) ALL OBSERVERS ESTIMATE TIME AS

PPROXIMATELY

24/2325Z. (2) LIGHT CONDITION WAS NIGHT. PART E. LOCATION OF OBSERVERS. (A) RAMEY OBSERVERS: RAMEY AIR FORCE BASE, PUERTO RICO 1830N, 6708W. (B) SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVER: SCRUB ISLAND, 1817N, 6257W (C) COAST GUARD OBSERVERS: 1551N, 6304W 80 MILES SOUTH WEST OF GUADELOUPE ISLAND. PART F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVERS: (1) CIVILIAN: RAMEY OBSERVERS: MRS [redacted] N.Y., N.Y., HOUSEWIFE, ESTIMATED AS BEING OF [redacted] MRS [redacted] DRIVE [redacted], N. Y., N.Y., HOUSEWIFE, [redacted]

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[redacted] SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVER: MR [redacted]
TALLATCHIE, LST 1154 O/O FPO N.Y., N.Y., ESTIMATED AS BEING [redacted]
[redacted] (2) MILITARY, COAST GUARD OBSERVERS, PHILIP A. HOGUE, LT.
COMDR, COAST GUARD AIR DETACHMENT SAN JUAN NAVAL STATION. ESWMATED
AS BEING A RELIABLE OBSERVER. WILLIAM T. WHITE, LT., COAST GUARD
AIR DETACHMENT, SAN JUAN NAVAN STATION. ESTIMATED AS BEING A RELIABLE
OBSERVER. PART G. WEATHER AND WINDS. (1) COAST GUARD AND SCRUB ISLAND
OBSERVERS REPORTED UNLIMITED CEILING. RAMEY OBSERVERS REPORTED SOME
CLOUDS. (2) WEATHER REPORTED FROM SAN JUAN WEATHER BUREAU. SURFACE
CALM 6000 FT 120/10, 10,000 FT 220/10, 16000 F 2
0/15, 20,000 FT
250/10, 30,000 FT 280/20. NO OTHER LEVELS AVAILABLE. (3) 2700 FT
(4)~15 MILES. (5) 5/8 (6) NO THUNDERSTORMS. (7) 2 DEGREES CENTIGRADE/
1000 FT. PART H. NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY REPORTED THAT COULD ACCOUNT
FOR SIGHTING. PART I. NO INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION
TAKEN. PART J. A TITAN MISSILE WAS LAUNCHED FROM CAPE CANAVERAL AT
APPROXIMATE TIME OF THESE SIGHTINGS. PART K. PREPARING OFFICER IS
CAPTAIN DONALD K. MANGELS, CHIEF, COMBAT INTELLIGENCE BRANCH, HQ
72D BOMBARDMENT WING. PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF SCRUB ISLAND AND
RAMEY OBSERVERS INDICATED THAT SIGHTINGS WERE CONNECTED WITH FIRING
OF TITAN MISSILE MENTIONED IN PART J. ABOVE. HOWEVER COAST GUARD

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OBSERVERS ON HEADING 320 DEGREES NOTICED A CLOUD DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF THEM AT AN ESTIMATED DISTANCE OF 10 MILES. THEY THEN ASSUMED HEADING OF 260 DEGREES TO AVOID THE CLOUD. THEY THEN RESUMED HEADING OF 320 DEGREES AND COULD SEE CLOUD TO THEIR RIGHT AND BEHIND THE AIRCRAFT WHICH WOULD INDICATE A CLOUD IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA OF THEIR POSITION. NO PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS CAN BE MADE ON THE REPORTED SIGHTING OF THE COAST GUARD OFFICERS THOUGH TIME IS CONINCIDENTAL WITH OTHER REPORTED SIGHTINGS. PART L. NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE AVAILABLE.

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21 Feb 61

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SAFOI (L/C Tecker)

1. References:

a. Letter dated 1 January 1961 addressed to the U. S. Navy Department from Miss [redacted] discussing the sighting of an unidentified flying object by Miss [redacted] and Mr [redacted]

b. Letter dated 1 January 1961 addressed to the Honorable Lindley Beckworth, House of Representatives from Miss [redacted] discussing the UFO sighting.

c. Letter dated 25 January 1961 addressed to the Honorable Lindley Beckworth, House of Representatives from T. J. Rudden, Jr., Captain, U. S. Navy, discussing the possible cause of Miss [redacted] UFO sighting.

d. Letter dated 10 February 1961 addressed to the Honorable Lindley Beckworth, House of Representatives, from R. E. Vollendorff, L/C, U. S. Army, discussing the possible cause of the UFO sighting by Miss [redacted]

e. Memorandum for SAFOI, Subject: [redacted] Miss,' dated 14 February 1961, requesting preparation of a draft of a proposed reply for Congressman Beckworth concerning the UFO sighting by Miss Carmichael.

2. It is the opinion of ATIC that Miss [redacted] all observed the firing of a Titan Missile which was launched from Cape Canaveral at 2316Z, 24 October 1960.

3. The following facts tend to substantiate this conclusion:

a. The bearing from the location of the witnesses to Cape Canaveral is 313° magnetic. This coincides with the bearings to the object given by [redacted]. Miss [redacted] indicates that the missile disappeared in the vicinity of the constellation Camelopardalis and that the object was approximately 30° above the horizon at that time. At the time of the sighting this constellation was actually approximately

16° above the horizon and at an azimuth of approximately 10°. The color associated with the rocket engine of a Titan would be orange with some red which could easily have been the colors seen by the witnesses and described as yellow-red.

b. The general path of missiles fired from Cape Canaveral would carry them to the north of the location of the witnesses, a fact which is evident in this sighting.

c. The Titan firing from Cape Canaveral occurred at 2316Z, and the sighting by the witnesses was reported to have occurred at 1933 hours Atlantic time (2332Z). The burning time of the Titan engine is sufficient to have accounted for this small lapse in time.

4. Due to the availability of reliable data, it is believed that the conclusion in this case is 100% accurate.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

PHILIP G. EVANS
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Science and Components

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1. Ltr dtd 1 Jan 61 to U. S. Navy fr [redacted]
2. Ltr dtd 1 Jan 61 to Hon [redacted]
3. Ltr dtd 25 Jan 61 to Hon [redacted]
4. Ltr dtd 10 Feb 61 to Hon [redacted]
5. Memo For SAFOI, 14 Feb 61

COORDINATION:

AFCIN-4E2x Robert C. Friend Date 23 Feb 61

AFCIN-4E2 Richard R Thorpe Date 23 Feb 61

[redacted]

January 1, 1961

United States Navy Dept.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

The following is an account of an object sighted at 1730 (Atlantic Time), Monday 24, October 1960.

The point of observation was [redacted], Trellis Bay, Beef Island, B. V. I. at 18° 27' 06" N and 64° 21' 55" W. The observation point was 10' high. The chart used for calculations was 27-3. A 6-63 A 907. The object was observed by five individuals.

"A tremendous light appeared on the horizon between Guana Island and Tortola at a bearing of 302° (magnetic). It's look lasted about one minute before the object itself came over the horizon. The object could be called a 'fireball' in that it was quite a large yellow-red light that pushed a glow well ahead of its path. It had a strong broad tail and a startling aura of luminosity.
It took the object about three minutes from its appearance on the horizon until it disappeared into the neighborhood of the constellation Canelopardalis. Its path did not describe an arc but a straight line from the horizon to Canelopardalis at a recollected angle of 30°."

Observations by the following is essentially the same with the exceptions:

[redacted] describes the bearing of 317° (mag) from our position on Bellamy Cay and the duration as four minutes.

Mr. [redacted] recalls the bearing as approximately 319° (mag).

We all five agreed that the object was certainly flown from a point south of which the U.S. Navy lives about. However, if this account bears any interest any one of us will be glad to furnish further information.

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

Jan. 1, 1961

Hon. Lindley Beckworth
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Lindley,

Will you see that the enclosed reaches proper authorities? I've never had occasion to write such a note but then I've never seen such a phenomena.

We were at the Club in Trollia Memphis "things" appeared. The kitchen help also saw it and could hardly finish preparing supper.

We all decided, because of its angle, that it must have been fired from a sub. Since my return home I have not heard of any U.S. launching on this date. Subsequently I met a [redacted] Huntsville, Ala.) who thought the Navy might be interested in our little experience.

So for what it is worth, please send it on.

Give [redacted] my regards and have a good 1961.

As Ever,

[redacted]

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
SPECIAL PROJECTS OFFICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO

25 January 1961

Honorable Lindley Beckworth
House of Representatives
Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Mr. Beckworth:

I have been requested to reply to your letter of the 6th of January which inquired about a sighting made by Mr. [redacted] from [redacted] on 24 October 1960. We have reviewed all missile launchings from submarines that the U. S. Navy has conducted and I can report that no launching was made at that time. The closest launching in time that we conducted was several days before October 24th and at a different time of day. I am therefore certain that the sighting reported was not from a U. S. submarine. May I suggest that perhaps the U. S. Air Force or U. S. Army might have had some missile activity at that time which might have been what [redacted] sighted?

While we are not able to give any confirmation to the sighting reported by Mr. [redacted] there is one observation I would like to make about his letter. Seldom if ever have I seen such an explicitly spelled out, well documented report of a sighting. It was a masterful job and if we were fortunate enough to have all sightings at sea of various phenomena made in such a fashion, it would be most helpful.

With the highest esteem,

Sincerely,

T. J. RUDDEN, JR.
Captain, U. S. Navy
Deputy Director, Special Projects

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HEADQUARTERS
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

25 February 1963

Honorable Lindley Beckworth

House of Representatives

Dear Mr. [redacted]

The Secretary of the Army has asked me to reply to your inquiry in behalf of Mag[redacted], Texas, concerning an observation from Deer Island, B. V. I. on 24 October 1960.

The Department of the Army has reviewed its missile and space activities on the date of the sighting and found no launching activities occurring near the area in question. Informal information, however, indicates that a TITAN Missile was fired from Cape Canaveral approximately five minutes prior to the reported time of sighting. It is quite possible that this firing could have caused the phenomenon observed from Deer Island.

Your interest in this matter is appreciated. The inclosures are returned in the event you desire to forward other queries in this regard.

Sincerely,

Inclosures

H. P. VOLLENDORF
Lt Colonel, GS
Chief, Legislative Liaison Br
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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
Washington

Office of the Secretary

BECKWORTH
Congressional Interest

MEMORANDUM FOR: [redacted]SAFOI

SAFLL: L.8109

SUBJECT: [redacted]

DATE: 14 Feb 61

1. The appropriate boxes have been marked to indicate action required on the subject correspondence.

2. The first addressee of this memorandum has action responsibility for the Air Staff, including all necessary coordination with other Air Staff agencies. Information copies of subject correspondence have been forwarded to other addressees.

[ ] PREPARATION OF A REPLY IN FINAL FORM FOR SIGNATURE IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE

[X] PREPARATION OF A DRAFT OF A PROPOSED REPLY

[ ] INFORMATION UPON WHICH TO BASE A REPLY

[ ] COMMENT ON OR CONCURRENCE WITH ATTACHED_____

[ ] DIRECT REPLY, PLEASE PROVIDE SAFLL WITH COPY OF REPLY.

SAFLL ACTION OFFICER: MAJ HARTMAN EXTENSION: 57361

SUSPENSE: 21 Feb 61 (Paragraph 1, HOI 10-20). In the event this suspense is not met, please provide the reason so that SAFLL may explain the delay to the Congressional Interest.

COORDINATION SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH HOI 11-2 and Paragraph 5, HOI 10-20. The Air Staff office having primary interest is responsible for securing full coordination (with the exception of the Chief of Staff) before submitting information to the Office of Legislative Liaison to serve as a basis for a reply. A statement as to the degree of coordination obtained should be included in all correspondence directed to SAFLL in response to a Congressional Inquiry.

ENCLOSURES: (Please return)
Ltr [redacted] Ltr [redacted]
Ltr [redacted]
Ltr [redacted]

REMARKS: Please state name and extension of Action Officer on return memo.

Gordon B Knight

GORDON B. KNIGHT
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Congressional
Inquiry Division
Office of Legislative Liaison

RETURN THIS MEMORANDUM

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ACTION: CIN-14

INFO : ARMY-30, NAVY-50, JCS-28, OSD-15, NSA-7, CIA-11, CMC-6, OOP-3, OOP-CP-1, SAFS-3

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TO COMCARIBSEAFRON

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UNCLAS X UF2G CGNR 1313 REPORTS UNUSUAL PHENOMNA CROSSING TRACK AT 2325Z X POSIT 15-48N 62-51W X MOVING FROM SURFACE TO SKY X PILOT REPORTS THIN MUSHROOM OR CANOPY SHAPED CLOUD OF MIST AND WATR FROM SURFACE TO ABOVE 6500 FT WITH BRILLIANT WHITE LIGHT MOVING UP THRU CLOUD TO ABOUT 20000 FT AND DISAPPEARING ON COURSE 020 X CLOUD DISSIPATED SHORTLY AFTER LIGHT PASSED THRU

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UNCLAS XMERINT X SS SANTA BARBARA/KOWR REPORTS QUOTE ONE OBJECT

DARTINE UNABLE TO DETERMINE POSSIBLE JET OR SLOW MISSILE 28.06N

71.00W 242320Z HIGH HEADED 100 DEGREES SPEED APPROXIMATELY A JET AIRCRAFT

TAIL OF OBJECT DIFFUSED STOP A BAND OF LIGHT 5 DEGREES WIDE GAS

TRAIL EXTENDED TO WESTERN HORIZON FINE AND CLEAR SMALL WESTERLY SEA

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MERINT COMMANDER EASTERN SEA FRONTIER WASHINGTONDC;

AT 2322 GMT IN LAT 31.50N LONG 69;07W COURSE 135 DEGREES SPEED 12 KNOTS UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT BEARING 240 DEGREES ALTITUDE 10 DEGREES SHAPED WHITE IN COLOUR . ILLUMINATED SMALL CLOUDS . APPEARED TO CHANGE SHAPE TO SPIRAL WHILE TRAVELLING TO FINAL BEARING OF 150 DEGREES . ALTITUDE 20 DEGREES AT 2325 GMT

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INFORMATION IS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2, 14 SEP 1959. PART A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT. (1) OBJECT WAS BALL-SHAPED. (2) SIZE OF PEA BY COAST GUARD OBSERVER, A HALF DOLLAR BY SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVER TO SLIGHTLY SMALLER THAN BASE BALL BY RAMEY OBSERVER. (3) ALL REPORTS INDICATE OBJECT WAS WHITE IN COLOR. (4) ONE OBJECT WAS SIGHTED. (5) NOT APPLICABLE. (6) NO DISCERNIBLE FEATURE OR DETAILS WERE REPORTED. (7) OBSERVERS AT RAMEY AFB REPORTED INTERMITTENT BLINKING TAIL, 4 OR 5 TIMES THE SIZE OF THE OBJECT. OTHER OBSERVERS

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DID NOT OBSERVE TAIL, TRAIL OR EXHAUST. (8) NO SOUND WAS REPORTED. (9) ALL OBSERVERS EXCEPT THOSE AT RAMEY REPORTED OBJECTCAME FROM A CLOUD ON THE HORIZON. PART B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT. (1) OBSERVERS IN AIRCRAFT AND SCRUB ISLAND FIRST NOTICED WHITE CLOUD. COAST GUARD OBSERVERS REPORTED THAT CLOUD FORMED VERY QUICKLY AT GROUND LEVEL AND WAS VERTICAL IN SHAPE. SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVER FIRST NOTICED CLOUD AT 30 DEGREES ELEVATION, NO PARTICULAR SHAPE. RAMEY OBSERVERS JUST HAPPENED TO BE LOOKING IN DIRECTION WHERE OBJECT APPEARED. (2) ANGLE OF ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH WHEN FIRST OBSERVED WAS REPORTED AS FOLLOWS: (A) RAMEY OBSERVERS: 10 DEGREES ELEVATION, 315 DEGREE AZIMUTH. (B) SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVER: 45 DEGREE ELEVATION, AZIMUTH OF 335 DEGREES. (C) COAST GUARD OBSERVERS: MINUS 10 DEGREES BELOW LEVEL OF AIRCRAFT IN ELEVATION ON AZIMUTH OF 320 DEGREES. (3) ANGLE OF ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF OBJECT UPON DISAPPEARANCE WAS REPORTED AS FOLLOWS: (A) RAMEY OBSERVER: 60 EEGREES ELEVATION AND 75 DEGREE AZIMUTH. (B) SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVER: 80 DEGREE ELEVATION 165 DEGREES AZIMUTH. (C) COAST GUARD OBSERVER: 80 DEGREE ELEVATION 320 DEGREES IN AZIMUTH. (4) RAMEY OBSERVERS REPORTED STRAIGHT FLIGHT PATH THEN A LEVELING OFF AND THEN A DECREASE IN ALTITUDE. OTHER OBSERVERS REPORTED A NEARLY VERTICAL FLIGHT PATH. (5) ALL

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OBSERVERS STATED THAT OBJECT DISAPPEARED FRM SIGHT IN THE SKY. (6) OBJECT WAS REPORTED AS VISIBLE AS INDICATED: (A) RAMEY OBSERVER: 4 MINUTES. (B) SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVER: 25 TO 30 SECONDS. (C) COAST GUARD OBSERVERS: 1 TO 2 MINUTES. PART C. MANNERS OF OBSERVATION. (1) GROUND-VISUAL FOR RAMEY AND SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVERS, AND AIR-VISUAL FOR COAST GUARD OBSERVERS. (2) NO OPTICAL AIDS WERE USED. (3) COAST GUARD OBSERVERS WERE IN A COAST GUARD UF2G (USAF SA-16) NUMBER 1313 AT AN ALTITUDE OF 6,500 FEET ON A HEADING OF 320 DEGREES AND SPEED OF 160 KNOTS TAS. HOME STATION IS COAST GUARD AIR DETACHMENT, SAN JUAN PUERTO RICO, NAVAL AIR STATION. PART D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING. (1) ALL OBSERVERS ESTIMATE TIME AS PPROXIMATELY 24/2325Z. (2) LIGHT CONDITION WAS NIGHT. PART E. LOCATION OF OBSERVERS. (A) RAMEY OBSERVERS: RAMEY AIR FORCE BASE, PUERTO RICO 1830N, 6708W. (B) SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVER: SCRUB ISLAND, 1817N, 6257W (C) COAST GUARD OBSERVERS: 1551N, 6304W 80 MILES SOUTH WEST OF GUADELOUPE ISLAND. PART F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVERS: (1) CIVILIAN: RAMEY OBSERVERS: MRS [redacted] N.Y., N.Y., HOUSEWIFE, ESTIMATED AS BEING OF [redacted] N.Y., HOUSEWIFE, ESTIMATED AS BEING [redacted]

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[redacted]Y. SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVER: MR [redacted]

[redacted]Y., N.Y., ESTIMATED AS [redacted]T

[redacted]. (2) MILITARY, COAST GUARD OBSERVERS, PHILIP A. HOGUE, LT. COMDR, COAST GUARD AIR DETACHMENT SAN JUAN NAVAL STATION. ESWMATED AS BEING A RELIABLE OBSERVER. WILLIAM T. WHITE, LT., COAST GUARD AIR DETACHMENT, SAN JUAN NAVAN STATION. ESTIMATED AS BEING A RELIABLE OBSERVER. PART G. WEATHER AND WINDS. (1) COAST GUARD AND SCRUB ISLAND OBSERVERS REPORTED UNLIMITED CEILING. RAMEY OBSERVERS REPORTED SOME CLOUDS. (2) WEATHER REPORTED FROM SAN JUAN WEATHER BUREAU. SURFACE CALM 6000 FT 120/10, 10,000 FT 220/10, 16000 F 2

0/15, 20,000 FT

250/10, 30,000 FT 280/20. NO OTHER LEVELS AVAILABLE. (3) 2700 FT (4) 15 MILES. (5) 5/8 (6) NO THUNDERSTORMS. (7) 2 DEGREES CENTIGRADE/ 1000 FT. PART H. NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY REPORTED THAT COULD ACCOUNT FOR SIGHTING. PART I. NO INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEN. PART J. A TITAN MISSILE WAS LAUNCHED FROM CAPE CANAVERAL AT APPROXIMATE TIME OF THESE SIGHTINGS. PART K. PREPARING OFFICER IS CAPTAIN DONALD K. MANGELS, CHIEF, COMBAT INTELLIGENCE BRANCH, HQ 72D BOMBARDMENT WING. PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF SCRUB ISLAND AND RAMEY OBSERVERS INDICATED THAT SIGHTINGS WERE CONNECTED WITH FIRING OF TITAN MISSILE MENTIONED IN PART J. ABOVE. HOWEVER COAST GUARD

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OBSERVERS ON HEADING 320 DEGREES NOTICED A CLOUD DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF THEM AT AN ESTIMATED DISTANCE OF 10 MILES. THEY THEN ASSUMED HEADING OF 260 DEGREES TO AVOID THE CLOUD. THEY THEN RESUMED HEADING OF 320 DEGREES AND COULD SEE CLOUD TO THEIR RIGHT AND BEHIND THE AIRCRAFT WHICH WOULD INDICATE A CLOUD IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA OF THEIR POSITION. NO PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS CAN BE MADE ON THE REPORTED SIGHTING OF THE COAST GUARD OFFICERS THOUGH TIME IS CONINCIDENTAL WITH OTHER REPORTED SIGHTINGS. PART L. NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE AVAILABLE.

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SAFOI-3d/Capt Mack/mhb/72291

27 February 1961

MEMORANDUM FOR CHIEF, CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY DIVISION, SAFLL
ATTENTION: Major Hartman

SUBJECT: Reference Your Case 148109

The following is a recommended reply to Congressman Lindley Beckworth regarding the sighting by Miss [redacted] of an unidentified flying object on 24 October 1960.

Dear Congressman Beckworth:

Since receiving your inquiry on behalf of Miss [redacted] we have asked the Air Technical Intelligence Center to make a complete study of the information provided in order to identify the object Miss [redacted] observed on the evening of 24 October.

ATIC officials are quite certain that Miss [redacted] and the other individuals mentioned in this correspondence observed an Air Force Titan Intercontinental Ballistic Missile which was launched at 6:16 p.m., EST, that evening.

The ATIC officials, incidentally, were able to reach this conclusion because of the detailed and relatively accurate data provided by your constituent.

In general, the direction, azimuth, color and time of the observation of the object reported by Miss [redacted] agrees with the data associated with the Air Force Titan which was launched from Cape Canaveral, Florida.

If you have any additional questions regarding this, we would be most happy to hear from you further.

Attachments

WILLIAM M. MACK
Captain, USAF
Magazine & Book Branch
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AEROSPACE TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE
OHIO

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: AFCIN-4E2x

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence (Miss [redacted]

23 FEB 1961

TO: SAFOI (L/C Tacker)

1. References:

a. Letter dated 1 January 1961 addressed to the U. S. Navy Department from Miss [redacted] discussing the sighting of an unidentified flying object by Miss [redacted] and Mr [redacted]

b. Letter dated 1 January 1961 addressed to the Honorable Lindley Beckworth, House of Representatives from Miss [redacted] discussing the UFO sighting.

c. Letter dated 25 January 1961 addressed to the Honorable Lindley Beckworth, House of Representatives from [redacted], discussing the possible cause of Miss [redacted] UFO sighting.

d. Letter dated 10 February 1961 addressed to the Honorable Lindley Beckworth, House of Representatives, from R. E. Vollendorff, L/C, U. S. Army, discussing the possible cause of the UFO sighting by Miss [redacted]

e. Memorandum for SAFOI, Subject: [redacted] dated 14 February 1961, requesting preparation of a draft of a proposed reply for Congressman Beckworth concerning the UFO sighting by Miss [redacted].

2. It is the opinion of ATIC that Miss [redacted] all observed the firing of a Titan Missile which was launched from Cape Canaveral at 23162, 24 October 1960.

3. The following facts tend to substantiate this conclusion:

a. The bearing from the location of the witnesses to Cape Canaveral is 313° magnetic. This coincides with the bearings to the object given by [redacted] Miss [redacted] indicates that the missile disappeared in the vicinity of the constellation Camelopardalis and that the object was approximately 30° above the horizon at that time. At the time of the sighting this constellation was actually approximately

18° above the horizon and at an azimuth of approximately 10°. The color associated with the rocket engine of a Titan would be orange with some red which could easily have been the colors seen by the witnesses and described as yellow-red.

b. The general path of missiles fired from Cape Canaveral would carry them to the north of the location of the witnesses, a fact which is evident in this sighting.

c. The Titan firing from Cape Canaveral occurred at 2316Z, and the sighting by the witnesses was reported to have occurred at 1933 hours Atlantic time (2323Z). The burning time of the Titan engine is sufficient to have accounted for this small lapse in time.

4. Due to the availability of reliable data, it is believed that the conclusion in this case is 100% accurate.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

PHILIP G. EVANS
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Science and Components

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1. Ltr dtd 1 Jan 61 to U. S. Navy fr [redacted]
2. Ltr dtd 1 Jan 61 to Hon [redacted]
3. Ltr dtd 25 Jan 61 to Hon Lindley Beckworth f[redacted]
4. Ltr dtd 10 Feb 61 to Hon Lindley Beckworth [redacted]
5. Memo For SAFOI, 14 Feb 61

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MAR 7 1961

Dear Mr. Beckworth:

[redacted]

This is in response to your recent inquiry in behalf of Miss [redacted], Texas, concerning her sighting of an unidentified flying object on October 24, 1960.

In view of your interest, the Air Technical Intelligence Center (ATIC) was requested to make a complete study of the information provided in order to identify the object Miss [redacted] observed on the evening of October 24. ATIC officials are quite certain that Miss [redacted] and the other individuals to whom she refers observed an Air Force Titan Intercontinental Ballistic Missile which was launched at 6:16 p.m., eastern standard time, that evening.

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I hope the above information will be useful. If we can do anything further to assist you, please let me know.

MR
Recd 14 Feb not ackned fwded SAFOI
w/susp of 21 Feb
F/L prepd/fwded bsd on memo fr SAFOI
Capt Mack/56051
Memo fr Rep

Sincerely,

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