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Atterbury Air Force Base
Columbus, Indiana

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SUBJECT: UFOB

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TO: Director of Intelligence
Headquarters, United States Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.

1. In lieu of AF Form 112b as required by AFR 200-2, 26 August 1953, the following information is submitted to conform to paragraph 6b of cited regulation:

a. Description of the objects:

(1) Shape: Circular ring of smoke; cloudy substance that stayed in a plane. No upper or lower structure could be seen.
(2) Size: Observer would not estimate size with the exception of using the word, "large". No relative comparison.
(3) Color: White, cloudy, gaseous.
(4) Number: Two
(5) Formation: Staggered like two jets in flight, tightly following each other.
(6) Discernable features or details: Four bright or brilliant equidistant points of light within the same plane, rotating slowly clockwise and seeming to be the source of cloudy aura, white in color.
(7) Tail, trail or exhaust: Compared favorably with Jet take-off when observed at night. Bluish white with vaporish trail.
(8) Sound: None to the ear, although observers stood outside of car to make sure.
(9) Other pertinent or unusual features: Controlled downward tilt from direction of approach to hovering point. Complete level stability while hovering. Take-off in upward tilt with bright points of light fixed, two to the rear and two forward. Incredible speed when disappearing.

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b. Description of course of objects:

(1) Attention: Observers attracted by brilliant moving light.
(2) Angle of flight: Observers were in moving car and travelling East. Looked North at approximately 20° elevation.
(3) Angle of flight on disappearance: Undetermined by observers; spoken of as, "sharp upward travel", in southwesterly direction having approached from the North.
(4) Flight path and maneuvers: In-line approach with steady decent; stationary attitude at one spot; then tremendous acceleration on in-line flight at an abrupt angle.
(5) Manner of disappearance: Seemingly instantaneous surge to maximum speed, keeping formation.
(6) Length of time observed: Approximately three (3) to four (4) minutes. Observation period included two (2) moves and one change of direction of car travel figured at about two (2) minutes elapsed time. Total time, then, was five to six minutes.

c. Manner of observation:

(1) Ground-visual. Area of final observation was flat, north of city congestion, with no buildings nearby.
(2) No optical aids employed.
(3) Not applicable.

d. Time and Date of sighting:

(1) Time: 0002 to 0008Z
Date: Observers unable to remember exactly.
(2) Light conditions: Between dusk and night.

e. Location of observers:

(1) 85° 49' East 39° 03' North Seymour, Indiana.

f. Identifying information of all observers:

(1) Civilians - Mr Hiram and Mrs Gladys Jones; Mr Jones, 60. 100 South Chestnut Street, Seymour, Ind. He is a drugist. Owner-operator of Jones Drug Store. Not prone to exaggeration; direct forthright attitude toward people; within his knowledge, he is truthful, honest.

g. Weather/wind conditions:

(1) Period covers the week of 8 December to 15 December 1953.

(a) Dec 8 - 10: Overcast
10 - 12: Clear between 1800 to 2400, otherwise overcast.
11 - 12: Overcast
13 - 15: Overcast
Light rain, drizzle, light snow, fog prevailed intermittently.

(b) Dec 8 - 13: winds South thru West
14 - 15: switched to North
Velocity: 10 to 12 K
Visibility: 1½ miles to 15 miles variable thruout week.

h. Other unusual activity or conditions:

No noticeable disturbances or conditions in the area. Observation information provided by S/Sgt Billy R. Egger, Chief Observer, Detachment 21, Ninth Weather Group, Atterbury AFB.

i. Physical evidence of the sighting:

None.

j. Not applicable.

k. Air traffic in area: None according to observers. Impossible to verify without exact date through ACS and 2466th Operations.

l. Position, title, comments by preparing Officer (NCO).

No officer assigned at the time of report contact.

S/Sgt Bruce C.F. Butler
NCOIC, Reserve Information Office

Comments: Contact with Mr Jones developed on the advice of Dr W.S. Fisher, 422 Ninth St., Columbus, Ind., through a telephone call to Lt Marvin Satin, Adjutant, (at the time, OD) on 9 January at approximately 1650 (CST)

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Comments: Mr Jones was a patient in the Bartholomew County Hospital and under the care of Dr. Fisher. He was to be released 10 January or 11 January after short convalescence.
Mr Jones stated that he had not told anyone of his experiences other than three personal friends desiring to avoid ridicule. He firmly believes in what he saw, however. His wife has the same attitude.
Dr Fisher uncovered the story by saying he had a letter from his son in the Air Force in Saudi, Arabia, who claimed to have seen a "Flying Saucer". Therupon, Mr Jones divulged his experiences.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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