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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

AIR FORCE OPERATIONS ROOM

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE NO 502

REPORTS OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Reference:

AF Ops/1/11

Annex

Report of an Unidentified Flying Object

Sponsor :

Sec(AS)2

INFORMATION

- 1. Sec(AS)2 co-ordinate detailed investigation into reports on Unidentified Flying Objects, consulting AEW/GE and DI 55, and correspond with the public on the subject of UFOs when required.
- 2. Circulation of reports on UFOs is the responsibility of Sec(AS)2 during normal working hours, and AF Ops outside normal working hours. Reports may be received by telephone message or by signal message.
- 3. Copies of all UFO reports received in AF Ops and reports of AF Ops initial investigation, are circulated to Sec(AS)2, AEW/GE and DI 55.
- 4. The above mentioned reference gives considerable detail on the stages of investigation of UFO reports, and information should be passed to Sec(AS)2 as early as possible.

ACTION BY THE DUTY OPERATIONS OFFICER

- 5. During Normal Working Hours. Refer telephone calls reporting UFOs to Sec(AS)2, Ext 2140. No action is required on signal message reports.
- 6. Outside Normal Working Hours
 - a. Reports Received by Telephone. Complete the proforma at the Annex to this SOP. Dispatch it through the Registry.
 - b. Reports Received by Signal Message
 - (1) Ensure that the message has been circulated to the staffs detailed at para 3 above.
 - (2) Complete para R of the proforma at the Annex to this SOP and insert on the proforma the signal message reference to which the investigation refers. Dispatch it through the Registry.