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On 11 July at 1000 T/Sgt Moody called Lt/Col King and received the following additional information.

Time of sighting was verified at about 4 AM. The sun was up and no stars were visible, as a check with the ephimerus had indicated.

The interval between the sighting of the various objects was clarified. The first object was viewed for about 3 minutes. The time lapse between the first object and the second object was 30 seconds. The time lapse between the second and third object was 10 seconds, with the third object trailing the second object. Later, both of the latter two objects were held visually for about 3 minutes. Total sighting time was about 3 or 4 minutes.

The navigator did not see the objects at any time. The tail gunner on the aircraft witnessed the first object only and did not see the second and third.

There was no change in brightness of the objects at any time. They were observed through 3 different windows of the aircraft (the observer is positive of this). It was estimated that the first object was of about the magnitude of a second magnitude star. The second and third were of equal brightness to each other, but they were dimmer than the first object.

The motion was constant at all times. There was no change in speed and the flight was level and direct. The first object originated at about the 9:30 position from the aircraft at an elevation of about 75 degrees. Its path was descending and it faded or disappeared at a 9:30 position on the horizon. The second and third objects had identical paths in that the third was following the second; with no estimate on distance between objects, and no estimate on distance from the aircraft. The second and third objects were observed at the 9:30 position initially also; however, they moved in a horizontal path at 60 degree elevation. Appearance and disappearance begin at this elevation. Lost contact behind clouds at the 6 o'clock position. All positions are relative to the heading of the aircraft (aircraft heading was 133 degrees).

Observer has seen meteors before and is positive that this could not be a meteor. The objects are moving in the wrong direction for satellites. Nearest thing that he could compare the objects to was a missile separation with the bodies in trail, but the flame was absent.

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