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Santa Ana, California

Dear-Man

We have received your telegram of 14 May in which you request clearance to release details of your sighting of an unidentified flying object in June 1950.

The Air Force has no objection to the release by you of any information about your observation.

Your discussion of this matter should not convey the impression of Air Force concurrence in any of your opinions, views, or beliefs.

Sincerely,

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UFO Observation, June 1950

Mr. Clearwater, Florida 33516

This replies to your letter of November 21, 1967. We appreciated learning of your unusual experience and will file your letter for information purposes. At this late date it would be impractical to undertake a detailed investigation. It is important that a witness report his observation as soon as possible. This enables Air Force analysts to perform a comprehensive investigation.

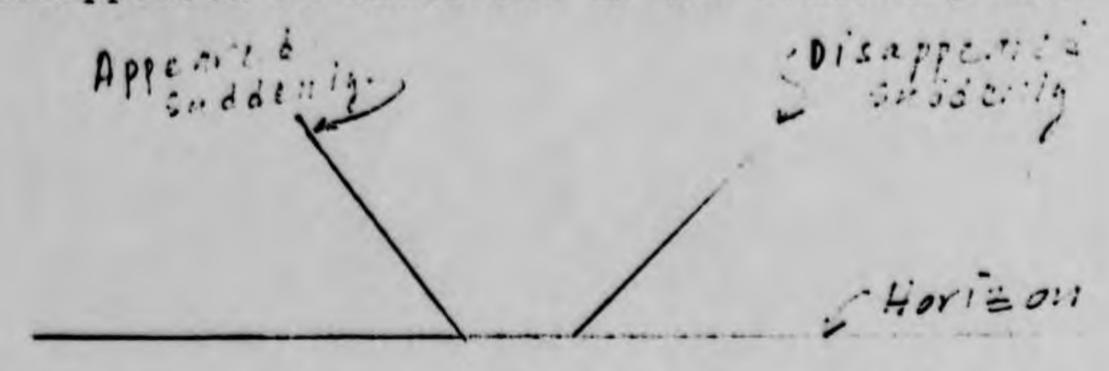
MCTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF Chief, Aerial Phenomena Office Aerospace Technologies Division Production Directorate

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Project Blue Book Office Wright Patterson Air Force Base Ohio

Dear Sir:

In case this is of interest I like to report that about June 1950 my wife and I were traveling north from Denver Colorado and at aboutx\*x32 / 4:30 AM near Forth Collins I sighted an object that for all intent and purpose I thought to be a shooting star. However, it disappeared below the horizon and shot back out at about the same angle it came down and disappeared as indicated in the following sketch.



If it had not bounced back out I would have thought it merely to be a shooting star and probably would not even have remembered it. When it bounced back out my wife also saw it. As credentials I like to state that I am a Civil Engineer and have done a good deal of research work. The speed of the object is best described by the freex fact that I thought it to be a shooting star. For A metheor to be described by the counce off the atmosphere I understand to be impossible. Would appreciate your opinion as to the possible connection with unidentified flying objects. If more accurate dates are of value I thinck they can be obtained. At the time I reported it to the Denver Post but they made no responce to it.

Clearwater, Florida 33516

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14	-Los Alamos, N Mexico		A/C
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12	Flat Rock, Newfoundland		Astro (Meteor)
14	-Cromer, England (N SEPARATE)	Military Air	Other (Contrails)
15	Great Falls, Montana(FOLDER)	(PHOTOS)	A/C
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30	Ernest Harmon AFB, Newfoundland	Gd (RADAR)	Other (WX Returns)
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July, 1950, 1:45 P.M. Sighter and wife prefer anonymity. Place: Mt.

Washington, Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. R's aeronautical
experience is extensive. He is a member of C. A. A.;
was flight engineer 11 years.

Mr. R. observed the object while sitting in his backyard. A dark spot, being odd in shape first caught his eye. He describes the object as "wingless and fuselage shaped" climbing up at a 60 degree angle into a sunny sky filled with cumulus clouds.

After a quick acceleration, the grayish metallic object reached its new elevation at 16 to 18000 feet, then stalled for about 10 seconds. While calling his wife to witness the event, Mr. R watched the object dive back to its original elevation before levelling off and racing westward across the Cincinnati skies.

The object, which looked the size of a DC 3 as it would appear at 8,000 feet, disappeared in 3 seconds without making a sound or leaving an exhaust trail. The speed was estimated at about 5,000 mph. Mr. R said the object was'definitely solid and was controlled." The Air Force, upon learning of the incident, visited Mr.R at his home ... to get the facts!

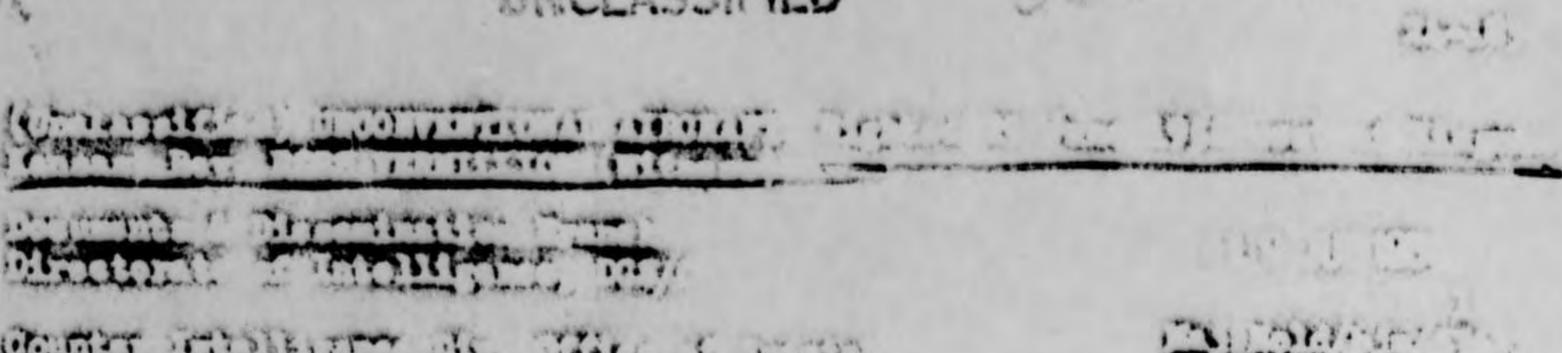
Mr. R's integrity like that of Mr. See s is above reproach: both are experienced in aircraft and balloon identification and meteorological phenomena. Both objects are unexplained unless we are willing to accept the Interplanetary explanation.

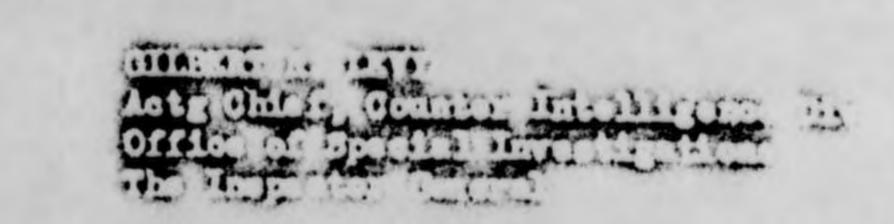
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Director & Editor

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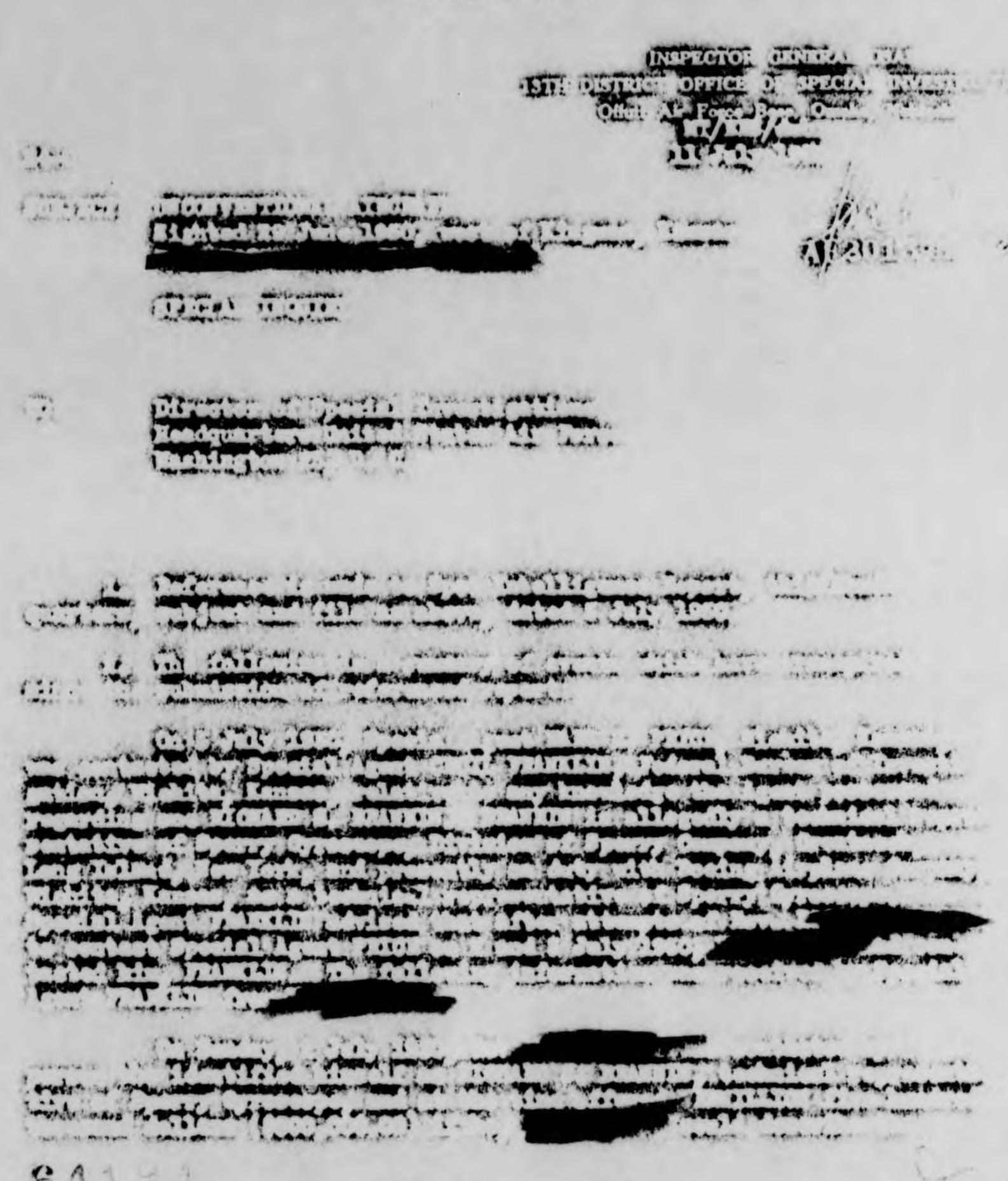
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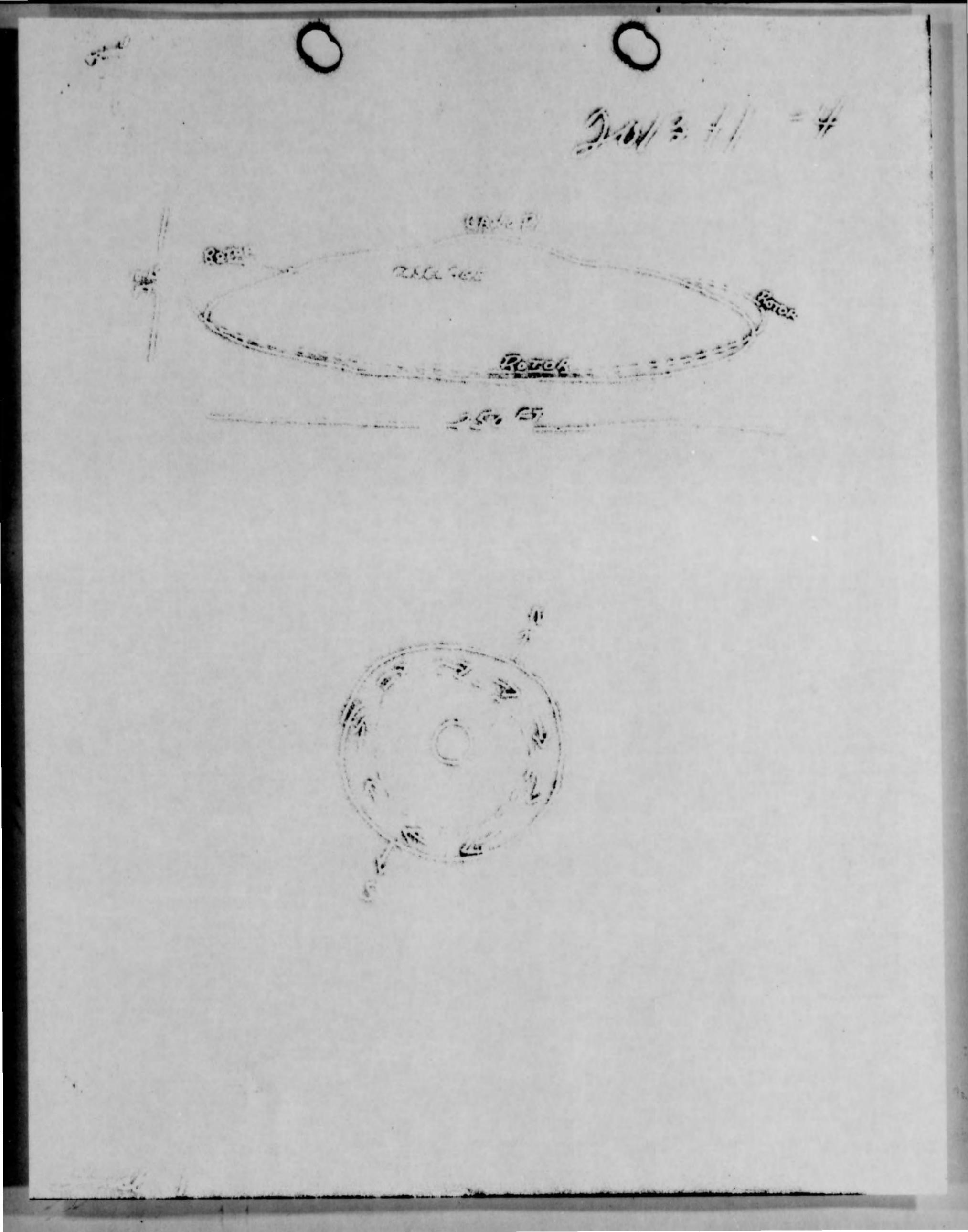
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## THE REV. ROSS VERMILLION-KINGMAN, KANSAS CASE

A UNITED PRESS DISPATCH DATED JUNE 30, 1950 TOLD THE STORY OF A MINISTER AND FORMER AIR FORCE PILOT, WHO SAID HE "SAW A FLYING SAUCER THE SIZE OF A 8-29." THE REV. ROSS VERMILLION OF THE CHENEY, KANSAS, CHRISTIAN CHURCH, A WORLD WAR II 8-17 PILOT WITH MORE THAN 3000 LOGGED FLYING HOURS, WAS DRIVING ON U.S. 54 ABOUT NINE MILES WEST OF KINGMAN, SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT, WHEN HE SAWA



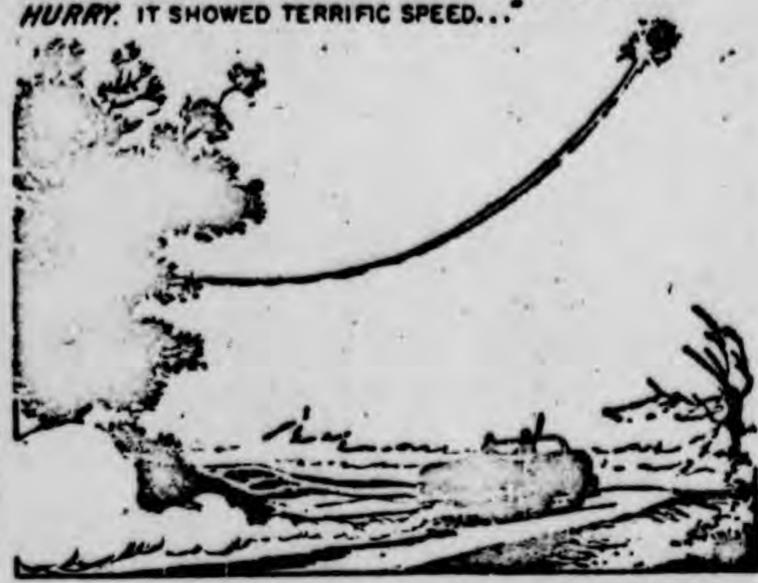
THE REVEREND'S OW" WORDS WERE: "MY WIFE WAS ASLEEP IN THE CAR AND I AWAKENEDHER WHEN WE GOT CLOSER. IT WAS ONLY SOO FEET IN THE AIR, AND WE COULD SEE IT WHIRLING IN THE



"WE STOPPED THE CAR. A FELLOW MOTORIST CAME ALONG AND WE STOPPED HIM. HE WATCHED IT TOO, FELLOW WAS A DRUGGIST DWAYNE MULNIX OF MEADE, KANSAS.



"THEN I DECIDED TO TURN MY CAR AROUND AND DRIVE BACK UNDER IT, THAT'S WHEN IT TOOK OFF IN A HURRY, IT SHOWED TERRIFIC SPEED..."



I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH ACCEL-ERATION IN MY LIFE, I'VE SEEN 8-29'S AT WICHITA AND F-80 JETS TESTED ON THE COAST, BUT THEY WON'T HOLD A CANDLE TO THE ACCELERATION OF THAT SAUCER!



THERE WAS ANOTHER MAN WHO ONCE TRIED TO GET UNDER A SAUCER. HIS NAME WAS CAPTAIN THOMAS MANTELL. THEY FOUND THE WRECKAGE OF HIS F-51 HOURS LATER...



"TAKE OFF IN A HURRY" IN
ORDER TO SAVE REVEREND
VERMILLION'S LIFE AND
AVOID ANOTHER UNFORTUNATE FATAL CONTACT LIKE
CAPTAIN MANTELL'S? OR
WAS THE REVEREND AND
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HIS THREE DAUGHTERS
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AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE COMMAND

CAPTAIN HARDIN - PLEASE SEND BY RETURN MAIL INFORMATION RECEIVED

DUE TO INVESTIGATION OF FOLLOWING SITINGS IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR

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Santa Ana, California

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Dear R

Your telegram requesting information with respect to certain reports of sightings of aerial phenomena is very much appreciated as evidence of your interest in this matter.

We regret that security and the great mass of such requests have compelled the Air Force, as a matter of fundamental policy, to refrain from discussing the specific details of individual cases of unidentified flying objects, and to withhold the names of persons who report them. We are sure that you will understand that this is in your interest as it is in that of all Americans.

As a matter of fact, the details of individual sightings reported during the 1947-1950 period are no longer available, since these data have been thoroughly analyzed.

A comprehensive report of investigation of all sightings prior to 1953 was released to the public in October 1955 by the Secretary of the Air Force. The limited number of copies of this 314-page report prohibits its distribution to the public. A request for data contained in this report, if directed to the Information Services Officer, Headquarters, USAF, Washington D. C., will receive prompt attention. A summary of the report is inclosed for your information.

Sincerely,

1 Incl Summary of UFO Rpt

WALLACE W. ELWOOD ist Lt., USAF Assistant Adjutant

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