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| AREA REPORTED ON | FROM (Age | ency) |
| Columbus, Ohio | | |
| DATE OF REPORT | DATE OF INFORMATION | EVALUATION |
| 14 March 1952 | 13 March 1952 | |
| PREPARED BY (Officer) | SOURCE | |
| Lt J. K. Rothstein | C: | vilians |
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SIMMARY: (Exter concine summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112-Part 11.)

On 13 March 1952 a report was received from Mr. Harry Franken of the Columbus Citizen newspaper in Columbus, Ohio, telephone AD 1111, that an unidentified merial object was sighted northwest of Columbus between 1815 and 1845 on 12 March 1952. The object was sighted by:

Columbus, Ohio
Johnstown, Ohio
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The object was described as being a long shiny and wingless object, tapering from nose to tail with a pinkish red flame from the rear. It was traveling SW and made a circle north.

North American Aviation, Inc.
Columbus, Ohio

Strategic Recon. Squadron Lockbourne Air Force Base

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March 26, 1952

Captain F. H. McGovern Box 9575, Bldg. 263, Wright-Patterson Field, Dayton, Ohio

Subject: Aerial phenomenon sighted 5:45 p.m. March 12, 1952, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir;

Reference your telephone conversation with the undersigned, March 25, 1952, the following persons have been contacted:

Cpl. R (Resides (Resides))
Strategic Recon. Squadron,
Lockbourne Air Force Base. Phone 629.

Columbus, Ohio.

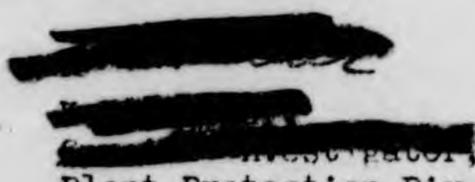
91st. Strategic Recon. Sqd. Lockbourne Air Force Base.

The above may be contacted through the office of Lt. Col. Ruff, Adj., Lockbourne AF Base, Phone FR 75711, Lockbourne, Ohio.

on, this plant, witnessed the event in question, and was of the same opinion as that of the writer, namely, that the phenomenon: was the result of vapor trails ejected from the jet exhaust of a NAA B-h5 airplane, known to be in flight in the area at the time sighted. Mr. In resides at his office here by direct phone,

T trust that the above may be of some benefit to you.

Sincerely Yours,



Plant Protection Div., Cols., Ohio.

P.S. T have just learned, that any contact with Capt. will have to be expedited immediately as he will not be available after April 1.

EXTRACT FROM STATUS REPORT # 5

DATE: 12 Mar 52

TIME (Local): 1815

LOCATION: Columbus, Chio

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED: Unknown

SOUND: None

SPEED: 30,000'

ALTITUDE: High

HEADING: 135°

SOURCE: Newspaper Reporter

ACTION OR COMMENTS: Object was identified as a B-45 aircraft. The setting sun

caused the vapor trail to appear reddish.

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT: Long, shiny, aparently wingless object with a pinkish-red

flame to the rear. (Restircted)

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