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Summary for 30 January 1952 and covering operations during the night of 29 30 January. At 2300/1 one unidentified object was observed by the CFC, left
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Scanner and tail gunner of aircraft No. 7332 at CU-4020. The disc shaped
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of aircraft #2224, at YD-5459] The unidentified object was observed shortly before receiving flak. The object approached the 29 from between 8 and 9 o'clock level then withdrew and disappeared at the same clock position.

The observers estimated the object to be approximately three feet across when at its nearest point to the B-29. The object was observed for one minute at which time the weather was CAVU. The object appeared to be spinning and a color resembling the sun.

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Comments by 98 Bomb Wing Intelligence Officer:

Because of the unusual nature of this sighting as well as the similar one reported above special effort was made to eliminate all possible known alternatives concerning the possibility that this could have been a plexiglass reflection. It is to be noted that two different crew members spotted the object from different positions at the same time. In regard to flak, flares, and rockets, crew members indicated their familiarity with such objects.

In all cases crew members were veterans of MW II combat crewmen, and had had several bombat missions in Korea. They stated very emphatically that the sightings noted above bore no resemblance whatsoever to anything they had previously experienced: The possibility that such stories had been fabricated is believed to be obviated by the fact that the crews involved, from different squadrons, flew on different missions and were interrogated at widely separate times (1 hour). In conclusion it is the opinion of this officer that these sightings represent another example of new technique and verfare under test by the enemy.

Comment by D/I, FEAF Bomber Command:

It is assumed that there is still a real possibility that these phenomenon may very well indicate the presence of new enemy flare devices, despite the unit intelligence officer's feelings that such possibilities are ruled out.

Aside from that, it is worth mentioning that the 98 Wing Commander was present during the interrogation, and warned the crew members as to their responsibilities in reporting such observations. Special report of unidentified flying objects will be submitted.

View of utterlack of similar observations in the past and no firm indications on which to base evaluation requests your comments in regard to above.



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Subj is report on info on unidentified flying objects: (1) observed 1 globe shaped object with a slight tear drop effect noted on lower side. Estimated size to be 3 feet across when at its nearest point to B-29. The size was not definitely established as the distance from the observer was not known. The color of the object resorbled the sum, a light orange, and it occasionally changed to a bluish tint. The outer edge of the object appeared to be fuzzy and it seemed to have an internal churning movement like flames or fiery gases when it was at its nearest point to B-19. The object was first observed parallel on course at 8 o'clock lever, where it seemed to be about the size of a saucer, gradually becoming larger as it approached the B-29. It came in on the same level as the B-29 and remained in the same relative position to the B-29 for approximately 1 min and then receded on the same path, fading away in the distance. (2) Sighted on Jan 29 13 2hZ for a period of approximately 1 min. (3) The left gumer and tail gumer observed the object without the use of any optical or electrocic equipment. The B-29 was at 22250 feet and ground speed 125 knots. (h) The 2 chastvers were airborne on the B-29 in the crew positions of left gumner and tail gumner. Object uns observed at YD 5169 and level with the B-29. (5) The observers are voterous of Norld War 2 combat and have flown several combat missions over Horea and ere thoroughly familiar with Flak, flares and rockets. The observers stated very emphatically that the object observed bore no resemblance whatsoever to anything they had previously seen. This sighting is almost the same as sighting reported in Boy 5667. This report came from a different squadron and interrogations were conducted at different times.

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APPENDIX III

Korea - 29 January 1952

I. DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

On the night of 29 January 1952, 30 miles WSW of Wonson, Korea, three members of a B-29 crew, the tail, left, and top gunner, observed a light orange colored sphere for a period of five minutes. The object was on a parallel course to the B-29 at 8 o'clock level. The color of the object was further described as being the color of the sun with an occasional bluish tint. The outer edge of the object appeared to be fuzzy and it seemed to have an internal churning movement like flames or fiery gases. The object closed in on the B-39 to an undetermined distance, and then faded away in the distance.

The aircraft was on a heading of 274°, was at 22,500 ft. altitude and was making a ground speed of 148 knots. The time of the sighting was 2300 local Korean time. The weather was CAVU.

At 2324 local Korean time, nembers of another B-29 crew observed an identical object near Sunchon. This object was observed for one minute. The observers were the left and tail gunners. In this instance, the B-29 was at 22,250 ft.

The sources of these reports are all World War II veterans and veterans of previous combat missions in Korea. The crews were from different squadrons and were interrogated separately.

II. DISCUSSION OF THE INCIDENT

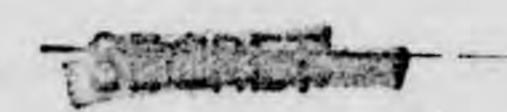
The times that the object or objects followed the B-29's indicate that the objects were propelled by some means, which eliminates the possibility of an unguided ground-to-air missile, drop missiles, etc. The color and shape of the flame were studied by members of the ATIC Propulsion Group to determine whether or not the flame could have been the exhaust of a conventional jet engine with or without an afterburner, a pulse-jet, ram-jet, or rocket engine. None of these possibilities were considered to be applicable.

The report is somewhat similar to the reports of "fireball-fighters", a type of phenomena observed in Europe during World War II. The exact nature of this phenomena was never determined but bomber crews reported large fiery balls, similar to the sun, passing through or near their formations. There is no documented evidence or data available on this phenomena, and all the information that has been obtained is verbal from World War II bomber crewmen, consequently, few actual facts are available.

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Evaluation of Project Grudge Report (Uncl) SUBJECT

10 ATTAA-3a Attn: Mr. Stranges FROM ATTAA-20

DATE 18 Feb 52 COMMENT NO. 1. Lt Ruppelt/vs 54261/B 263D/P D-2

- 1. On two occasions on the night of 29 January 1952, B-29 crews observed a spherical shaped object paralleling their course. The object was described as being the color of the sun with occasional bluish tint". Details of the report may be obtained from
- 2. Since the objects followed the aircraft for times of one minute and five minutes, it can be safely assumed that they were propelled (i.e., not soaring or free-drop missiles). Therefore, it is requested that the shape and color of the reported flame be analyzed for the possibility of the object being:
 - a. A conventional jet engine.
 - A conventional jet engine with an afterburner.
 - A ramjet engine.
 - A pulse jet engine.
 - A rocket engine.

EDWARD J. RUPPELT, 1st Lt, USAF Aeronautical Sciences Group

TO ATTAA-20

FROM ATIAA-3a

DATE 20 Feb 52 COMMENT NO. 2 Mr/ Stranges/deh 52275/Bldg263/P24D

- 1. A review has been made of descriptive material regarding the observations made on the night of 29 January 1951 by members of B-29 crews of globe-like fiery objects flying courses similar to friendly circraft for short durations.
- 2. This group concurs that the objects appear to be propelled but from the descriptions and the time durations cited it is not considered that the objects are conventional jet engine, conventional jet engine with afterburner, pulsejet or rocket propelled. Slight credence, however, is given to the possibility of a ramjet powered helicopter or a modification thereof, with provisions incorporated for exhausting along a section of the trailing edge of the rotor blade, creating the fuzzy edged, internal churning of flames and gases, globe shaped phenomena observed recently by the B-29 crews in Korea.

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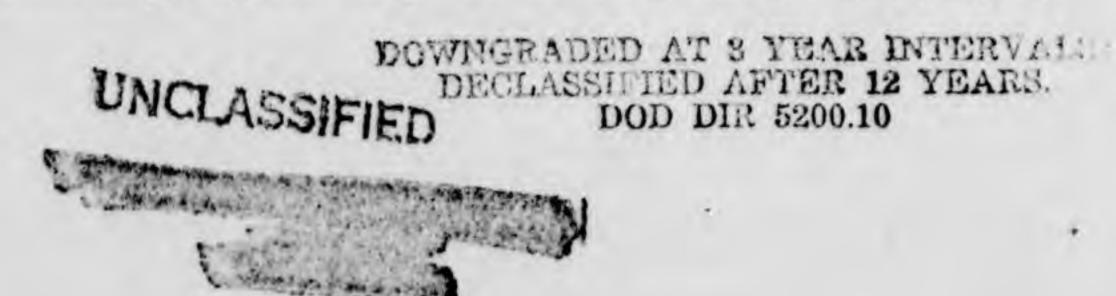
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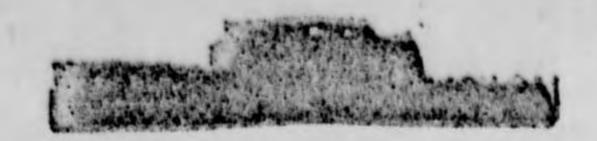
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MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

SUBJECT: (Unclassified) Unidentified Objects Sighted by 3-19 Crewa Over Mores During the Night of 29-30 January 1952.

- I. This branch has been queried with regard to the above sightings. Specifically we have been requested to release additional information concerning limings and evaluation of intelligence. The information below is presented in the hopes that it will clarify the situation and suffice to climinate the hig play given this incident in the nation's press.
- 2. The alghtings mentioned, although of a different nature, as is usual, are not chnormal occurrences in the combat theatre. During World har all both Garmany and Japan, combat crows reported sightings of a multitude of these types of objects which could not be identified or explained. Those very often were reported as "fireballs," particularly from combat crowsen participating in flights over Japan. Very often these unidentified objects word to have performed violent maneuvers, travel at very high speeds, travel at very low speeds to the point of hovering, followed or flee formation with friendly already, disappeared or disintegrated while in flight, etc. Furing the whole of World Wer II and subsequent thereto, intelligence was never able to prove the existence of such unconventional phenomena nor was it this to determine the characteristics of these objects, it indeed they did exist. A suspeny evaluation of all such related incidents was made essentially as follows:
- e. The sightings were the result of natural normal occurrences while in combat, e.g., flak, flaming and expecting alreadt, reflection on canopies, searchlight reflections, engine exhaust trails, air-to-air bombs, etc., and sometimes a result of combat fatigue, particularly on the long missions required to bomb Japan.
- 3. There have been numerous reports of objects which cross have been unable to identify, while on combat advances over Korea during the prosent conflict. In general, these sightings have assumed a pattern which parallels the overall pattern of World War II reports. The latest reports from Korea have mentioned the employment by the Commodut Forces of an eightern establish, possibly attached tenesth the fuselage of a conventional airgraft and used in confunction with antisizer It and/or lighters. The evaluation of this branch of the sightings cutlined in the subject above is that these unidentified objects probably are such aircorne searchlights.





which because of combat fatigue, conditions of sightings, weather factors, etc., were assumed to be objects unattached to anything else. Such a report would appear reasonable in view of the fact that an object of this type would naturally become a center of interest, so to speak, and would tend to cause the observers to concentrate on its details rather than to look for anything else in conjunction with it.

4. A detailed investigation of such sightings is being conducted by ATIC. Thus far they have requested additional specific information from FEAF and pending the receipt of the reply to the request they cannot go on record with a firm evaluation. As soon as ATIC can furnish additional details this information will be made known through routine intelligence channels.

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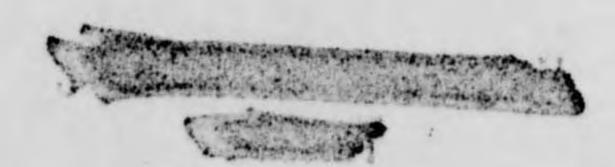
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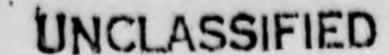
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AFOIN-V/TC Lt.Col.Hundt/jab/55894 Wrtn 20 Feb 52

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1. To make a statement as to the recent reports of unidentified objects sighted in Korea on the night of 29-30 January 1952.

FACTS AND DISCUSSION

2. On this date, 20 February 1952, Major Jane, AFGPR, contacted AFOIN-V/TC for an evaluated statement as to the unidentified objects reported in Korea on the night 29-30 January 1952. The attached statement represents the Evaluation Division preliminary evaluation of the reported sightings.

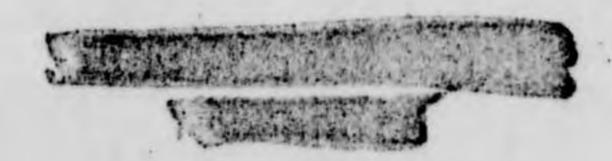
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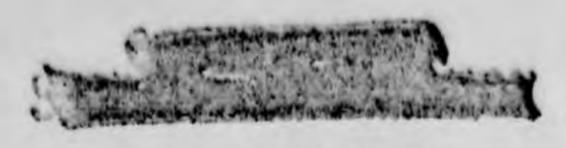
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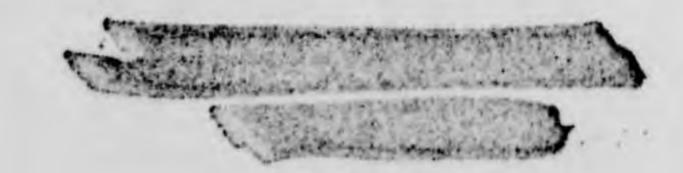
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- 1. The following information is submitted upon which to base a reply to Senator Russell:
- a. The incident referred to in Senator Russell's letter occurred on the night 29-30 Jan 52. Two different B-29's of FEAF BOMCOM reported sighting an object which was described as follows:
 - (1) Globe-shaped with slight tear drop effect on lower side. Color resembling sun (light orange) and occasionally changing to a bluish tint. Seemed to have internal churning movement like flames or fiery gases when at nearest point to B-29. (The original report stated that the object was disk-shaped and about three feet in diameter.) One B-29 observed the object for five minutes while the second B-29 at a different location and 24 minutes later observed a similar object for one minute. Although the size was estimated at three feet in both cases, the distance of the object (See next page)

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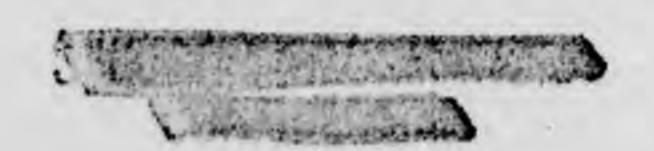
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from the B-29's could not be determined. The second aircraft received flak shortly after sighting the object. Craw members who reported the sighting were in both cases experienced combat craw men, having had experience over Germany in World War II as well as previous experience in the Korean theater.

- b. The press release referred to by Senator Russell actually contains a mixture of the information given in the preliminary FDAF report plus that contained in their detail d report, which was submitted subsequent to reinterrogation of the two crews. This release actually played up the "flying saucer" aspects of the incident based upon the initial description of "disk-shapes."
- c. ATIC requested FEAF to furnish additional particulars, if available, following receipt of the preliminary reports. Additionally, they requested that FEAF elect their bomber crews to the possibility of such sightings in the future whereupon they would utilize fire control equipment in an effort to determine the distance of such objects from the observing aircraft. Thus far, there have been no additional reports from FEAF of similar sightings and neither ATIC nor AFOIN-V/TC have arrived at a final evaluation of this incident.
- d. Based on the meager information thus far available, it is possible to arrive at only tentative evaluations of what the objects may have been. Two possible evaluations follow:
 - (1) Observation of the exhaust from an La-9 or La-11 Soviet fighter aircraft. The exhaust stacks on both these single-engine fighters are arranged in a cluster on each side of the fuselage, and it is believed that the exhaust emanating from this installation, when seen at night, would give an illusion such as described in the reports received.
 - (2) There have been several reports in the last few months of search-lights attached to jet and piston engined conventional aircraft which have intercepted FEAF bombers over Korea. These identifications have been stated to be positive in most instances. The use of such an airborne searchlight attached to a conventional aircraft on a very dark night would be a second possible explanation of the above incidents, since the attention of the crow would most probably be focused on the light source and this fact coupled with the difficulty of discerning an aircraft silhouette, under extremely poor light conditions, could conceivably account for a report of this nature powngraded at 3 YEAR INTERVALS; DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.

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OBSERVATION: Reference Marine pilot observation of balloons in Wonsan area reported FEAF Intsum 651, 8 Apr 52, this Hqs has received no previous report of the sighting or use of such balloons. An F-4 report recently received (b/I 5 AF, IR-17-52, 6 Mar 52) stated that "Globe-shaped orange-colored objects" recently reported sighted by UN aircraft were in reality a type of MV II Japanese balloon to be elevated "to frighten UN planes from areas", and were being manufactured in Manchuria. One possible explanation of the presently reported sightings, if accurately described, could be that the enemy is experimenting with a new defense measure against low-level UN interdiction efforts. However, the size of the balloons (10-15 ft. in diameter) would seem to preclude any great altitude capability.

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8 FEB 52 INFORMATION

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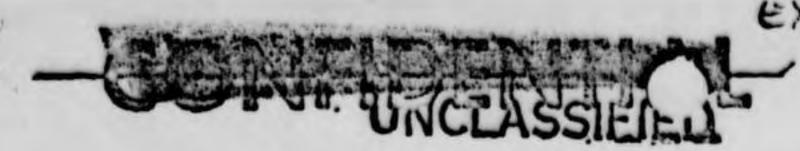
III. CONCLUSIONS

No conclusions have been reached as to the identity or origin of these unidentified acrial objects. One possibility is that this may have been some type of flare towed by an aircraft to mark the B-29 for flak crews. No aircraft exhaust flame was reported, however.

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APPENDIX III

Korea - 29 January 1952

I. DISCUSSION OF INCIDENT

On the night of 29 January 1952 at 2300 and again at 2324, local Korea time, two B-29 crews at different locations observed similar objects near their aircraft. They described them as a disk, approximately three feet in diameter, and with a color similar to the sun. In one instance the object stayed beside the B-29 for five minutes and in the other for one minute.

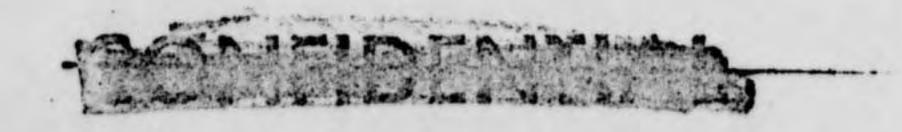
II. STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION

More details on this incident have been requested.

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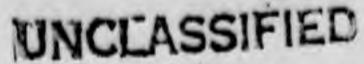
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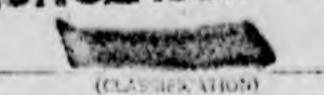
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Unidentified Flying Object

North Korea

DATE OF INFORMATION

98th Bomb Wing Intelligence Office

EVALUATION

DATE OF REPORT

29 January 1952

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10 February 1952

2/Lt Mario Perez, Intelligence Officer

B-29 Air Creq Report

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SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-contence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112-Part 11.)

- 1. Observed one globe shaped object with a slight tear drop effect noted on lower side, estimated size to be three feet across when at its nearest point to B-29. The size was not definitely established as the distancefrom the observer was not known. The color of the object resembled the sun, a light orange, and it occasionally changed to a bluish tint. The outer edge of the object appeared to be fuzzy and it seemed to have an internal churning movement like flames or fiery gases when it was at its nearest point to B-29. The object was first observed parallel on course at eight oclock level, where it seemed to be about the size of a saucer, gradually becoming larger as it approached the B-29. It came in on the same level as the B-29 and remained in the same relative position to the B-29 for approximately one minute and then receded on the same path, fading away in the distance.
- 2. Sighted on January 291324Z for a period of approximately one minute. The left Gunner and Tail Gunner observed the object without the use of any optical or electronic equipment. The B-29 was at 22,250 feet, and ground speed 125 knots.
- 3. The two observers were airborne in the B-29 in the crew positions of Left Gunner and Tail Gunner. Object was observed at 3926N 12555E and level with the B-29.

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