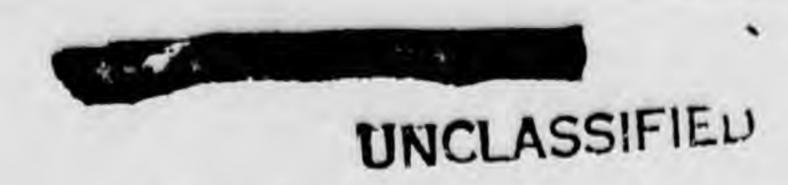
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1. DATE - TIME GROUP 16 May 1949 16/1700	2. ' 'ATION (L) Davis Monthan AFB, Arizona
3. SOURCE Militaty 4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	10. CONCLUSION Astro METEOR)
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 8-10 Seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Object was round and flat (size of washtub). Black. Maintain
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	same altitude, fluttered as it disappeared behind obstacle.
7. COURSE E to W	
8. PHOTOS	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE	
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STATEMENT

Davis-Lonthan AFB Tucson, Arizona 23 May 1949

On 16 Lay 1949, at approximately 1700 hours, I was at my barracks, 810; 1531; Davis-Lonthan AFB, Tucson, Arizona. I was lying on a bed looking test through one of the windows on the test side of the building, then I noticed a solid, round, that black object in the sky which attracted my attention. The object was about the size of a wash tub, and it appeared to be about three to four feet in dialeter. The object flew directly over Davis-Lonthan AFB and it appeared to be traveling directly from feet to mest, almost directly in the direction of the sunset. Joing that it was a cloudy afternoon, I can say that the object that I just described was flying about half way between the ground and the ceiling of the clouds, that is about 5,000 feet above the surface of the earth. This object was traveling at a speed which I estimate to be about from 800 to 1,000 mest. H.

I looked at the object for approximately eight to ten seconds before it disappeared from my view behind an aircraft hangar ouilding which is located about three blocks directly west of my barracks. This hongar is building in 1540.

The object maintained approximately the same altitude during the entire period of sighting and it appeared to be fluttering as it disappeared from my view. This object also seemed to be traveling in a pre-determined direction. There was absolutely no exhaust in sight or surrounding the object and I never heard any sounds during the time the object was in my sight. This object never came in contact with the clouds which were in the area at the time, and I never noticed any reflection or lights on the object. There were no attachments to the object but it appeared to know where it was going during the entire time it was in my sight.

When I first saw the object, I called it to the attention of some of the men in the barracks but none of them arrived at the window in time to see the object.

It is my belief that the object which I saw on 16 May 1949, is one of the objects which are commonly referred to as "flying discs".

At the present I am an automobile mechanic (MOS OLA), and I work at the Preventive Line Maintenance Shop at Davis-Monthan AFB. I have been interested in any objects pertaining to mechanics for the last three years. I never have seen anything similar to the object which I described above. I am not colorblind, and I have always been able to distinguish one object from another.

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THE INSPECTOR CUN TRAIL USAF 17th DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, MENT MINIOR

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File No. 24-8

27 May 1949

SUBJECT: Unknown (Aerial Phenomena)

TO:

Commanding General Air Materiel Command

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base

Dayton, Ohio ATTN: MCIAXO-3

- 1. Reference is made to previous Reports of Investigation from this office, subject and file number as above, latest dated 19 ay 1949.
- 2. Transmitted herewith are two copies of Report of Investigation covering sighting of unknown flying object over Tucson, Arizona on 16 Day 1949.
- 3. This Investigation is being continued by this district, and reports of future sightings will be furnished your headquarters.

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1.	Date of Observation 16 May 1949 Date of Interview
2	Exact Time (local) 1700
3.	Place of Observation Davis Monthan AFR, Tuscon, Arizona
4.	Position of observer Ground in barracks
5.	What attracted attention to object.
6.	Number of objects 1
7.	Apparent size 3-4 feet diameter (size of washtub)
8.	Color of object Black
9.	Shape Round and flat (disc)
10.	Altitude 5,000 feet
11.	Direction from observer Overhead to 60°
12.	Distance from observer 5000 feet
13.	Direction of flight of object(s) East to West
14.	Time in sight 8-10 Seconds
15.	Speed 800-1000 M.F.H.
16.	Sound and oder None
17.	Trail
18.	Luminosity
19.	Projections Nome noticed
20.	Maneuvers Maintained same altitude, fluttered as it disappeared.
21.	Hanner of disappearance Behind obstacle
22.	Effect on Clouds
23.	Additional Information Concerning Object-

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24. Weather Conditions.

80000' ceiling, visibility 50 miles.

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Name and address of observer:

Occupation and hobbies:

13rd Motor Vehicle Sqd.) Davis Monthan AFB

Auto Mechanic USAF Airman

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

Very good observer Appeared above average intelligence, sincere.

NARR TIVE SUMMERY:

On 16 May 1949, at approximately 1700 hours, I was at my barracks, Bldg No. 1551; Davis-Monthan AFB, Tucson, Arizona. I was lying on a bed looking West through one of the windows on the West side of the building, when I noticed a solid, round, flat black object in the sky which attracted my attention. The object was about the size of a wash tub, and it appeared to be about three to four feet in diameter. The object flew directly over Davis-Monthan AFB and it appeared to be traveling directly from East to Most, almost directly in the direction of the sunset. Being that it was a cloudy afternoon, I can say that the object that I just described was flying about half way between the ground and the ceiling of the clouds, that is about 5000 feet above the surface of the earth. This object was traveling at a speed which I estimate to be about from 800 to 1000 M.P.H.

I looked at the object for approximately eight to ten seconds before it disappeared from my view behind an aircraft hangar building which is located about three blocks directly west of my barracks. This hangar is building No. 1540.

The object maintained approximately the same altitude during the entire period of sighting and it appeared to be fluttering as it disappeared from my view. This object also seemed to be traveling in a pre-determined direction. There was absolutely no exhaust in sight or surrounding the object and I never heard any sounds during the time the object was in my sight. This object never came in contact with the clouds which were in the area at the time, And I never noticed any reflection or lights on the object. There were no attachments to the object but it appeared to know where it was going during the entire time it was in my sight.

When I first saw the object, I called it to the attention of some of the men in the barracks but none of them arrived at the window in time to see the object.

It is my belief that the object which I saw on 16 May 1949, is one of the objects which are commonly referred to as "flying discs".

At the present I am an automobile mechanic (MOS Olli), and I work at the Preventive Line Maintanance Shop at Davis-Monthan AFB. I have been interested in any objects pertaining to mechanics for the last three years. I never have seen anything similar to the object which I described above. I am not colorblind, and I have always been able to distinguish one object from another.



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	UNITED STATES AIR FORCE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL	FILE NO.	24-8	DATE 23 May 1949
	REPORT OF INVESTIGATIONS	REPORT MADE BY JOSE Q. RODRIGUEZ		
TITLE		REPORT MADE AT	DO # 17, K	irtland AFB
	UNKNOWN (Aerial Phenomena)	PERIOD	17 - 20 May	v 1949
		OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DO # 17, K	irtland AFB
		STATUS	PENDING	
CHARACTER	SPECIAL INQUIRY			
REFERENCE	Report of EDWIN L. DOOLEY, DO 17, 19 May 1949			
SYNOPSIS				

On 16 May 1949, at approximately 1700 hours, , 43rd Motor Vehicle Sq, 43rd Bomb Wg, Davis-Monthan Alla, Tucson, Arizona, sighted one object in the air at approximate altitude of 5,000 feet. Object was round, solid, black, flat, and with a diameter of approximately three to four feet. Object traveled at great rate of speed (800 to 1000 miles per hour). Investigation at Davis-Monthan AFB and Tucson, Arizona, disclosed no other witnesses or possible explanation of object.

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DETAILS

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- 1. Date of sighting 16 May 1949
- 2. Time of sighting Approximately 1700 hours
- 5. Lhere sighted:

a. Ground

- (1) Davis-Lonthan AFB, Tucson, Arizona
- (2) Approximately 8 miles from the center of the city of Tucson.
- (3) From a west window of Building #1531 at Davis-Monthan AFB
- (4) Not applicable
- 4. Number of objects One
- 5. Distance of object from observer:
 - a. Directly overhead
 - b. From directly overhead to approximately 60 degrees
 - c. 5000 feet.
- 6. Time in sight approximately from 8 to 10 seconds
- 7. Appearance of object
 - a. Black
 - b. Round and flat
 - c. Solid
 - d. Size
 - (1) Approximately 3 to 4 feet in diameter
 - (2) Similar to wash tub.
- 8. Direction of flight Originally sighted coming from an easterly direction and traveling west.





9. Tactics or maneuvers -

- a. Object aintained approximately the same altitude during the entire period of sighting and it appeared to be fluttering as it disagreered from virual bject also seemed to be traveling in a pre-determined direction.
 - 10. Evidence of exhaust absolutely no exhaust in sight.
 - ii. difect on clouds object aid not come in contact with clouds during the ting.
 - 12. Lights .bsolutely no reflection or lights in sight.
 - 13. Support No visible support.
 - 14. Propulsion No visible propulsion.
- 15. Control and Stability No fins or stabilizers were apparent.
- 16. Air Ducts No ducts or slots or openings were visible.
- 17. Speed Object traveled at speed approximately 800 to 1000 miles per hour.
- 13. Sound No sound heard.
- 19. Nammer of disappearance Object disappeared from view behind an aircraft han ar (Bldg #1540) which is located about three blocks directly west of building #1551 (quarters of observer).

RELATIVE TO OBSERVER

- 1. Name USAF
- 2. Address 43rd Motor Vehicle Sc, 43rd Bomb Wing, Davis-Monthan AFB, Tucson, Arizona. Cuarters at Bldg #1531 at Davis-Lonthan AFB.
- 3. Occupation Automobile mechanic.
- 4. Place of business Preventive Line Maintenance Shop, Davis-Monthan AFB.
- 5. Hobbies commission is very interested in subjects pertaining to mechanics.
- 6. Ability to determine Observer is able to determine colors and based on his background is believed to be a very good judge of speed or moving objects and their size at different distances.



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7. Reliability of observer

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a. Sources

- (1) Nei hoors residence and unit check was conducted in the vicinity of observer's residence and the following persons were interviated: T/Sgt LLOYD R. STOCK, F-19525010; 1/Sgt JUIN T. CI. 10R., 1-18043770; T/3st DEITHT A. RUEL., IT-6888513; Pre Gaule D. VITTIE, AF-12301765 and Fic LUIS LUFIC. F-1.265230, 4 rd lotor Jehicle Sq, 43rd Bomb 15, David-Lonthan AFB, Tucson, Arizona, and all stat. substintially the same. Observer has been stationed at Davis-Lontham AFB for approximately one month during which time he has been on duty as an automobile mechanic at the Proventive Line laintenance Shop. Observer was described as very alert worker, honest, bove average in intelligence, sincere, a reliable worker, quiet, an airman who is very interested in becoming a mechanic, and a reliable signar. Mone of the above listed persons know anything derogatory regarding and they all believe that some was sincere when he made st tements about seci. the unusual acrial object. VETT R said that he was in the parracks (Blug. /1531) when said he had seen a flying saucer, but that he was about half asleep at the time and too lazy to get up and see for himself. LUITO said is very honest and sincere about all statements he makes and that & is not the type of person who imagines things. is a person who has a very jood conception of what he sees and hears. IUTICA said he was also in the barracks the day and saw the terial object and that he arrived at the window too Late to see the object.
- (2) Name Files of the Pima County Shoriff's Office, and the Police Department, Tucson, Arizona, revealed no record of observer.
- (3) Records of the FBI (ffice, Tucson, Arizona are maintained at Phoenix, Arizona.
- Monthan AFB, Tucson, Arizona revealed no derogatory information.

 date of birth is listed as 29 April 1931 at Chicago, Illinois, and his permanent address is shown as the lost chicago, Illinois, and his lost character and efficiency ratings are listed as "Excellent" and has no time lost under AW 107 or any record of trials by Court Martial. Completed the 11th grade at a high school in Los Angeles, California and is a graduate of the USAF Technical Training School for Automobile Equipment Technicians. S score on his Army General Classification Test is shown as Class II 119.

8. Notes relative to observer -

- a. Observer has never seen any other objects similar to the one described above.
 - b. Observer was laying on back on his bed at his barracks looking directly out of a west window when he saw the object pass.

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9. Witnesses - No other witnesses

10. During the interview, observer appeared to be of good character, verage intelligence, a fairly good education, and was very sincere and hone t about statements hade.

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1. Tolotype se wences of local weather conditions:

Geilin, - 2000 feet

Oky - Overcast

Viscollity - 50 miles

Sea Level pressure - 1005.1 milibers

Temperature - 76 degrees F

Dew point - 57 degrees F

Winds - WWW 10 knots

Altimeter - 972

Station pressure - 27.015 inches

Net Bulb - 54.9

Relative Humidity - 25 per cent

Strato Cumulus - 10/10

2. Linds aloft report - Letween 1500 and 1900, 15 Lay 1949

Altitude	Velosity in Knots	Degrees
2,000 ft	10	230
4,000 ft .	15	220
6,000 ft	10	210
8,000 ft	10	210

3. Local Flight schedules

- a. Commercial American Airlines flight departing for Phoenix, Arizona and Los Angeles, California at 1650 hours.
- b. Hilitary C-47 departed Davis-Monthan AFB for Las Vegas, Nev at 1632 hrs C-45 departed Davis-Monthan AFB for Alamogordo, NM at 1653 hrs
- c. Private A check with Gilpin Air Service, Tucson Air Park and Arizona Helicopter Service revealed no record of any air-craft in the air at or about 1700 hours on 16 May 1949 at or near Tucson, Arizona.
- 4. A check with the Weather Bureau, Municipal Airport #2, Tucson, Arizona, disclosed that weather balloons were released at 0200 hours, 0800 hours, 1400 hours, and 1800 hours on 16 May 1949. A check with the Base Leater Station, Davis-Monthan AFB, Tucson, Arizona revealed that weather balloons were released at 0200 hours, 0800 hours, 1400 hours, and 2000 hours on 16 May 1949. A thorough check of all agencies in this vicinity did not disclose any other testing devices released on 16 May 1949.

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- 5. Object did not contact earth.
- 6. Object aid not come mear aircraft or other objects.
- 7. A sketch of terrain and surrounding sight point of unidentified object is attached hereto as Exhibit ".".
- 8. A signed statement of attached hereto as exhibit "B".
- 9. No physical evidence available.
- lo. No antenna or projections visible.

Inclosures

FOR HACH COPY OF ANDORT:

- 1. Exhibit "", Sketch of Flight of object.
- 2. Exhibit "3", Statement of

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