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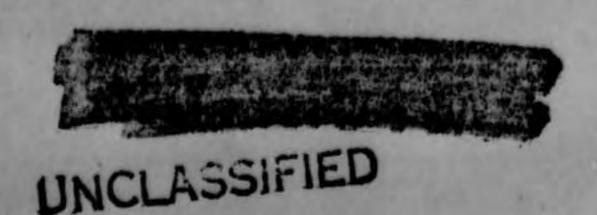
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Report submitted in compliance with AFL 200-5, Department of the Air Force, dated 29 April 1952.

Observation of unidentified flying object by civilian inhabitant of Phoenix, Arizona.

Significance of this report is undetermined.

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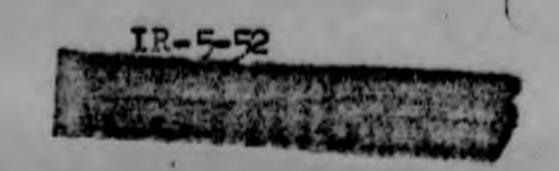
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Lt. Duane K. Hiller, AO 776373, Assistant Base Operations Officer, was contacted by telephone by Mrs. of Phoenix, Arizona (phones on 2 July 1952. Mrs. reported sighting an unidentified flying object. Previous efforts to contact subject were unsuccessful.

A follow-up investigation by this office produced the following informations

- l. Sighted object was "ball of fire" shaped like a "flattened out grapefruit" with a platter cutting across its diameter. Object appeared 7 to 8 inches in diameter to maked eye. Color was "like the yellow flame of a candle". A trail of flame extended six to eight feet astern. Trail was broad as the object itself at the base, growing narrower and thinning down astern. Speed seemed "a little faster than search-lights (reflected) on clouds." Object flew in shallow are and disappeared when a house obstructed vision.
- 2. Object was sighted at about 0420 hours on 2 July 1952 for 3 to 4 minutes including observation of burning trail after object had disappeared.
  - 3. Observation was made visually from the ground.
- 4. Subject viewed phenomenon from front walk of residence at Avanue, Phoenix, Arizona. Object was observed in Might through 900 of compass, appearing first northwest and disappearing southwest. Various angles of elevation from the horizon are as follows:

Northwest - 40°

Southwest - 10 to 15

Distance of object estimated at 7 to 10 miles.

- 5. Subject volunteered information that she is far-sighted, has lived near many air bases, frequently scans the sky as she likes to know what is passing overhead. Subjects' husband, Coloneles USA, Ordinance, had planned a trip with his wife. She had set her "mental alarm clock" to get up early. She went outside for air because she had had trouble sleeping.
  - 6. Weather conditions at the time of the sighting were reported as follows:

    2 July 1952

Hour	Ceiling	Visibility	Wind
0330	Clear .	15 + miles	4 knots north
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0530	25000 feet very light	60 miles	calm
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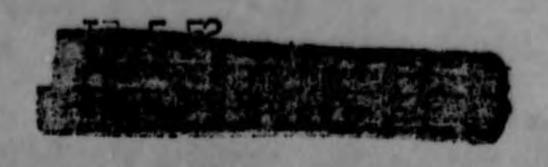
7. No meterological phenomenon reported.

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9. A search of areas indicated on inclosed overlay has been requested of base Operations. Fresume from angle of flight that object contacted ground. Object of search is sears or burn marks on ground. No observations reported yet.

10. Ho military or commercial air traffic was in vicinity at time of sighting.



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Crowell Crop Dusting Company based at Air Haven had a Cessma "170" or Navion take-off toward cust between 0400 and 0430 hours. Climbed to 1500 feet immediately. Steady navigating lights - red, green, and white. About 18 inches of blue flame would be observed from exhaust.

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Attached overlay is to be used with Sectional Aeronautical Chart, "Phoenix (q 3)", United States Air Force Edition.

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