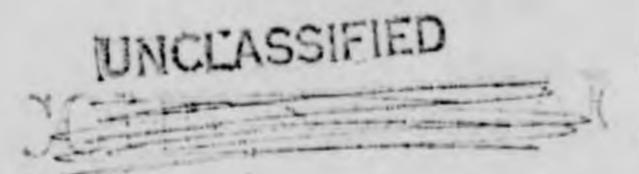
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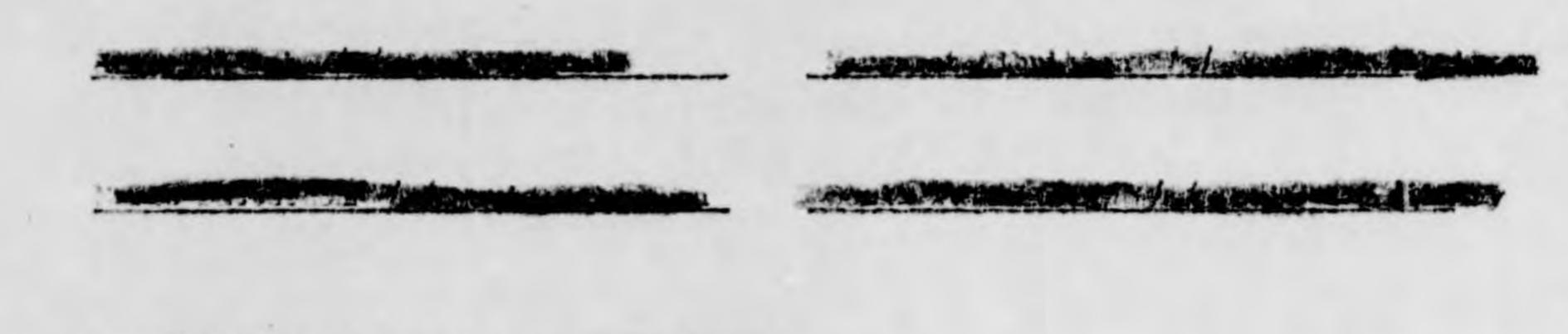
Following is a report of the sighting by the undersigned of an unidentified cerial object in the Oak Ridge Area. On the evening of 16 January 1951 the following personnel were returning home from their work at West Division, Fairchild Engine and Airplane Corporation, in the S-50 Area, Oak Bidge, Tennessee:

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driver, and hiss American were riding in the front west; and mero in the rear.

At approximately 1645 while driving Northeast on the turnpike approximately two miles inside the restricted area, Miss to beighted a brilliant object through the right rear window. Believing this to be a plane, Hise colled the attention of every one in the car to the object which was observed by each of the undersigned. Although the unusual brilliance of the object could not be explained, the group was about to agree that it must be a plane when at approximately 1847 someone exclaimed that the object was apparently stationary. After matching the object for a total of approximately five minutes, the group concluded that it pust be some sort of weather balloon, although no one in the crowd was especially familiar with such an apparatus. To accurate estimate of the size or location of this object is possible.

AF Plant Representative for Security, on the morning of 17 January 1951, who investigated the possibility of this object being a part of some project sponsored by an AMC contractor. However, it was determined that no weather balloon or similar apparatus was or had recently been up in this area.



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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF BTH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, MAXWELL FIELD, ALABAMA

24-109

SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

Unconventional Aircraft SUBJECT:

TO:

Director of Special Investigations Headquarters, U. S. Air Force Washington 25, D. G.

- 1. Tropard: An airborne object was sighted by five (5) persons on 15 January 1951 while driving in the Controlled Area, Atomic Phergy Project, Cak Ridge, Tennessee.
- 2. DETAILS: Attached hereto is a statement by five (5) civilian employees of the Mil'A Division, Fairchild Angine and Airplane Corporation, Cak Ridge. Tennessee concerning the sighting of a brilliant, stationary airborne object in the Controlled Area, Atomic Energy Project, Cak Ridge at 1645 hours on 18 January 1951. A check of the log of the 663rd ACAN Squadron, McGhee-Tyson Aircort, Enoxville, Tennessee reveals that no aircraft were in the vicinity of the controlled area at the time of observation. A check at the Knoxville and Cak Ridge weather stations revealed that no weather balloons were aloft at the above time.

As reported by the U. S. Weather Bureau, Knoxville, Tennassee, the weather conditions on 15 January 1951 at 1500 hours were as follows: clear, visibility 20 miles, temperature 37 degrees F, wind Sy at 5 miles per hour, winds aloft 2000 ft 240 degrees at 3 knots, 2000 It 310 degrees at 3 knots and 4000 ft 209 degrees at 5 knots.

3. ACCION: Will report any further incidents of this type.

1 Incl. Statement of 5 civilian employees of NEPA Div.

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