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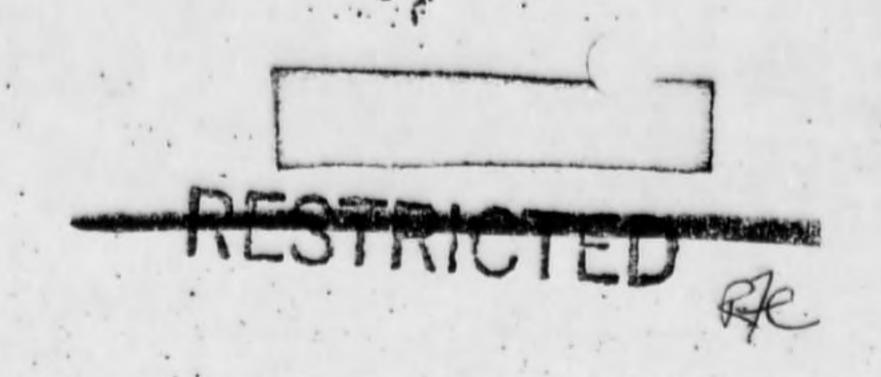
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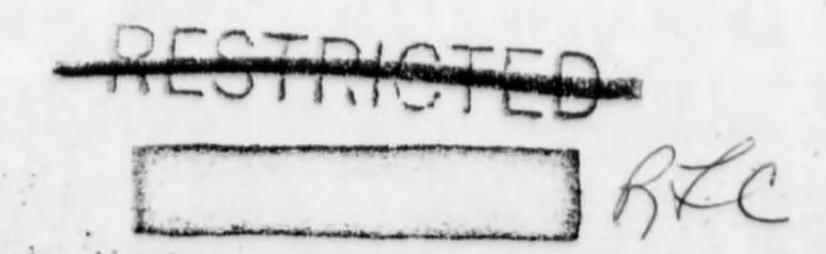
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Incident #107



Incident #107 -- bakersfield, valifornia -- 8 March 1948

It is very unlikely that the objects observed here were of astronomical origin. See report on incident #106.



HEADQUARTERS AIR MATERIEL COMMAND Wright-Patterson Air Force Base Dayton, Ohio

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SUBJECT: Project "SIGN"

TO: Chief, Air Weather Service,
Andrews Air Force Base,
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: DSS

- 1. Project "SIGN" is responsible for the collection, investigation and interpretation of data relative to sighting of unidentified
 flying objects. Attached Incident Summaries 1 thru 172 from the files
 of Project "SIGN" are forwarded for study and recommendations as to
 which of the incidents may be eliminated as balloons released on routine
 synoptic ascents by the Air Weather Service, the Navy Aerological
 Service or the United States Weather Bureau. The summaries attached
 may be retained in your headquarters for working and reference purposes.
- 2. The Air Weather Service is the only agency of its type that has been asked to assist in the accomplishment of Project "SIGN" except that the United States Weather Bureau has provided information on ball lightning. Research projects in which balloons are used and which are conducted or aponsored by the Army, Navy or United States Air Force are checked by the Intelligence Department of this Command. These checks are usually made direct from the Project "SIGN" Office, MCIAMO-3. These checks are distinct from the check of synoptic balloon flights made by weather service stations of the Air Force, the Navy and the Department of Commerce. (U. S. Weather Bureau) requested of Air Weather Service.
- 3. It is the opinion of this office that the below listed incidents are those having the greatest possibility of being balloons. This list does not eliminate the possibility that many of the remaining incidents are balloons.

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Hq ALC, Chief, Air Weather Service, Washington 25, D. C. Subj: Project "SIGN"

4. The form used in interrogating witnesses to sightings is inclosed as a matter of interest. Comment as to possible improvement of the "Essential Elements of Information" in regard to routine synoptic balloon flights is invited.

5. It is requested that correspondence be forwarded to the Commanding General, Headquarters, Air Materiel Command, attention MCIAXO-3.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

2 Inoles Summaries 1-172 inol /s/ W. R. Clingerman, Col; USAF for H. M. McCOY Colonel, USAF Chief, Intelligence Dept

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 8 March 1948

Incident # 107

- 2. Time N/S
- 3. Location Bakersfield, California
- 4. Namo of observor up.
- 5. Occupation of observer Pacific General Electric Company employee
- 6. Address of observer N/S
- 7. Placo of observation Sighted from ground
- 8. Number of objects Two
- 9. Distance of object from observer N/S
- 10. Timo in sight N/S
- 11. Altitudo N/S
- 12. Speed N/3
- 13. Direction of flight Earthward
- 14. Tactics 11/3
- 15. Sound N/S
- 16. Size 11/5
- 17. Color one object seemingly afire, red and black smoke trailing
- 18. Shapo N/S
- 19. Odor dotected N/S
- 20. Apparent construction N/S
- 21. Exhaust trails N/S
- 22. Woather conditions N/3
- 23. Effect on clouds N/S
- 21. Sketches or photographs None
- 25. Manner of disappoarance A Tall to carth
- 26. Romarks: See supplement to Incident #105

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2 Intelligence Hamilton Field, California

LAFDA-3/1208-I

SUBJECT: Investigation of Flying Disc.

Mar 11, 1948

TO: Chief of Staff
United States Air Forces
Washington, D. C.
ATTN: DIRECTOHATE OF INTELLIGENCE
Air Intelligence Requirements Branch

1. Incident reported on 9 March 1948, this headquarters, per telephone call from Sgt A. M. Larsen, Sheriff's office, Bakersfield, California.

a. bservation by Mr. Bakersfield, California, of two objects falling to earth from unknown source on 5 March 1948 between 1610 and 1655 hours. Description of objects similar to falling aircraft with smoke and debris trailing. Observation made at Bakersfield with objects sighted southwest toward Buena Vista Lake, California.

b. Observation by Mr. The player of the Pacific General Electric Company, Bakersfield, California, of two objects which fell to earth from unknown source north of Bakersfield, California, 8 March 1948. One object seemed to be on fire with red and black smoke trailing behind.

- 2. Informant stated that searching parties, aircraft and rescue units have made numerous attempts to locate these reported objects without success.
- 3. Investigation of incident has been initiated by this headquarters. Report will follow.

/s/ Donald L. Springer DONALD L. SPRINGER Lt. Colonel, USAF AC of S. A-2

Information to:

FBI, San Francisco

G-2; Sixth Army

DIO, San Francisco (12th NaveDist)

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Dr HYNEK'S EVALUATIONS EXTRACTED FROM PROJECT GRUDGE REPORT.

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