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Incident #116

ATIC NO. _____

DATE OF INFO 11 Mar 1948

AF NO. _____

LOCATION [REDACTED] Canada

REPORT NO. _____

SOURCE Male civilian

DATE OF REPORT _____

DATE IN TO ATIC _____

TIME OF OBSERVING night

COLOR blue flame

SHAPE _____

SPEED meteoric

SIZE football

ALTITUDE _____

COURSE earthward

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED _____

NO. IN GROUP 1

TYPE OF OBSERVATION ground

NOISE _____

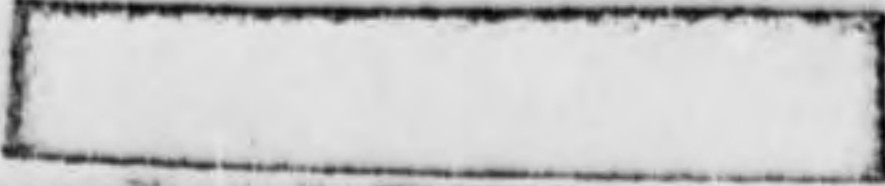
MANEUVERS _____

PHOTOS _____ SKETCHES _____

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*Robt Meteor
(Witness)*


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Incident #116 — Moose Factory, Canada -- 11 March 1948

This incident can certainly be ascribed to the fall of
a bright meteor, or fireball.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 116

1. Date **11 Mar 48**
2. Time **night**
3. Location **Near shores of James Bay,**
4. Name of observer **[REDACTED]**
5. Occupation of observer **Employee of Hudson Bay Co.**
6. Address of observer **Moose Factory**
7. Place of observation **Moose Factory, Canada**
8. Number of objects **1**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **N/S**
11. Altitude **N/S**
12. Speed **meteoric**
13. Direction of flight **southward**
14. Tactics **N/S**
15. Sound **No noise**
16. Size **size of volleyball**
17. Color **N/S Blue flame**
18. Shape **N/S**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **meteor**
21. Exhaust trails **none N/S**
22. Weather conditions **Night**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **exploded**
26. Remarks: **(over)**



THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Office of Military Air Attache
United States Embassy
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

18 March 1948

Mr. A. C. [REDACTED]
TSNAD
Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

I am forwarding here an article clipped out of the Toronto
Globe & Mail dated 15 March 1948 for your information.

An official report is being made through proper channels.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Woodrow B. Wilmot".

WOODROW B. WILMOT
Lt Colonel, USAF
Air Technical Liaison Officer

1 Incl:
Clipping

March 14 1948

Ball of Blue Flame Falls From Sky And Explodes Near Moose Factory

Moose Factory, March 14 (CP). — the northern sky. She described it as about the size of a full moon. A big ball of blue flame, seemingly the size of a football, streaked out of the sky Thursday night and exploded near this Northern Ontario community near the shores of James Bay. V. J. Pratt of the Hudson's Bay Company reported.

The explosion lit up the entire area brighter than daylight, the whole ball disappeared and a second later a streak of orange light shot upward from where the ball was last seen, he said. The orange streak was gone within a second. Witnesses heard no noise of any kind.

The incident tied up with earlier reports from Cochrane, 150 miles south of here, where several citizens reported seeing what they believed was a meteor about 11:40 p.m. EST Thursday.

One witness there, Mrs. Charles Giles, said the object plunged downward like a spent rocket in

Dr HYNEK'S EVALUATIONS EXTRACTED FROM PROJECT GRUDGE REPORT.

INCIDENT INDEX

1. Astronomical

a. High probability:

#26, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 48, 49, 59, 60, 66, 69, 70, 94,
95, 96, 97, 98, 101, 102, 103, 104, 116, 119, 132, 136, 140,
147, 148, 158, 174, 184, 185, 187, 197, 203, 204, 208, 216,
219, 238.

b. Fair or low probability:

#19, 20, 23, 24, 28, 35, 36, 46, 60, 63, 67, 80, 82, 93, 100,
112, 120, 121, 129, 130, 144, 153, 165, 166, 167, 175, 192,
199, 202, 205, 220, 230, 240.

2. Non-astronomical but suggestive of other explanations

a. Balloons or ordinary aircraft:

#3, 11, 22, 41, 42, 53, 54, 73, 81, 83, 91, 92, 113, 114, 115,
126, 131, 138, 141, 145, 155, 156, 157, 159, 160, 161, 163,
169, 171, 173, 178, 180, 182, 188, 190, 194, 195, 196, 198,
200, 201, 209, 210, 217, 222, 235, 237, 239.

b. Rockets, flares or falling bodies:

#4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 25, 56, 65, 78, 106, 107,
108, 109, 133, 170, 211, 218.

c. Miscellaneous (reflections, auroral streamers, birds, etc.):

#39, 89, 123, 124, 128, 146, 164, 181, 189, 214, 221, 231, 234.

3. Non-astronomical, with no explanation evident

a. Lack of evidence precludes explanation:

#38, 44, 45, 47, 55, 57, 72, 86, 87, 88, 90, 99, 110, 117, 118,
125, 127, 137, 139, 149, 150, 177, 179, 191, 206, 212, 213,
229, 232, 233.

b. Evidence offered suggests no explanation:

#1, 2, 10, 17, 21, 29, 37, 40, 51, 52, 58, 61, 62, 64, 68, 71,
75, 76, 77, 79, 84, 105, 111, 122, 135, 151, 152, 154, 162,
168, 172, 176, 183, 186, 193, 207, 215, 223, 224, 225, 226,
227, 236, 241, 242, 243, 244, 134.