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irregular, bluish-white light traveling  
at tremendous speed over AFB observed by WOOD  
Major, light "turned out" instantaneously.

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<b>AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT</b>		
SUBJECT FLYOBREP		
AREA REPORTED ON South Texas	FROM (Agency) 3510th Fly Tng Wg (MB), RAFB, Texas	
DATE OF REPORT 19 July 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 17 July 1952	EVALUATION B-3
PREPARED BY (Officer) Capt Edgar B. Collie, Ass't Gp Int Officer	SOURCE WOJG Joseph K. Loeb	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) Teletype, this headquarters, # GIO 914 E FLYOBREP and AFL 200-5		

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclusions at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)

1. In reference to teletype, this headquarters, 181730 July 1952, number GIO 914 E FLYOBREP and AFL 200-5, dated 29 April 1952, a report is submitted on the sighting of unidentified aerial object.

2. An unidentified bluish-white light traveling at tremendous speed was observed in the sky over Randolph Air Force Base at approx 2220 hours on 17 July 1952. The light did not leave a trail and it appeared to have an irregular outer edge.

3. This is the third reported sighting to this station of unidentified objects in the San Antonio area within the past 60 days. Resemblance between this and the other two objects reported is very slight. (Refer to AIIR's, this headquarters dated 23 May and 24 June 1952).

17 July 52  
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1. At approximately 1500 hours, 19 July 1952, the Assistant Intelligence Officer, 3510th Flying Training Group (Med. Bomb), interrogated WOJG Loeb, Joseph K., AW 2200500 of Randolph Air Force Base after he had reported sighting an unusual light in the sky over RAFB on the night of 17 July 1952.

2. The interrogation revealed the light to be circular in shape, bluish-white in color, having an irregular outer edge and traveling at a tremendous speed. The size of the light could not be determined.

3. The speed of the light could not be determined and no sound was heard. The source stated that he viewed the light for approximately 3 seconds after which time the light went out. The source stated that the light moved very rapidly and travelled from South to North.

4. The time of sighting was 2220 Central Standard time, 17 July 1952.

5. The observation was made visually from the ground at Randolph AFB, Texas. The source was facing West and the light appeared to be directly overhead.

6. WOJG Loeb is presently holding an administrative position with the 3510th Training Group (Med Bomb) at Randolph Air Force Base. During World War II, Warrant Officer Loeb was a pilot and has 1250 flying hours to his credit. The officer has 13 years service. The light was observed also by Major Anthony Fazio, AO-437513, who was with Mr. Loeb at the time. Major Fazio concurs completely with the statement made by Loeb.

7. The weather at the time of the sighting was clear with visibility 15 miles. The winds were easterly averaging 15 knots from 10,000 to 20,000 feet. There was no moon.

8. No activity or conditions meteorologically or otherwise existed which would account for the sighting.

9. There is no physical evidence such as fragments, photographs and the like of the sighting.

10. There was no interception or identifying action taken.

11. No aircraft were observed in that area at the time of the sighting. However, 8 B-29's from Randolph were airborne, flying in the local area during that period.

COMMENTS OF PREPARING OFFICER:

12. The source was sincere about the sighting and he stated that the light could not have been caused by the rotating beacon at RAFB because the beam of light from the beacon was 120 degrees from the spot in the sky where the light was observed. The source was positive it was not a falling meteor because of its color and method of disappearance.

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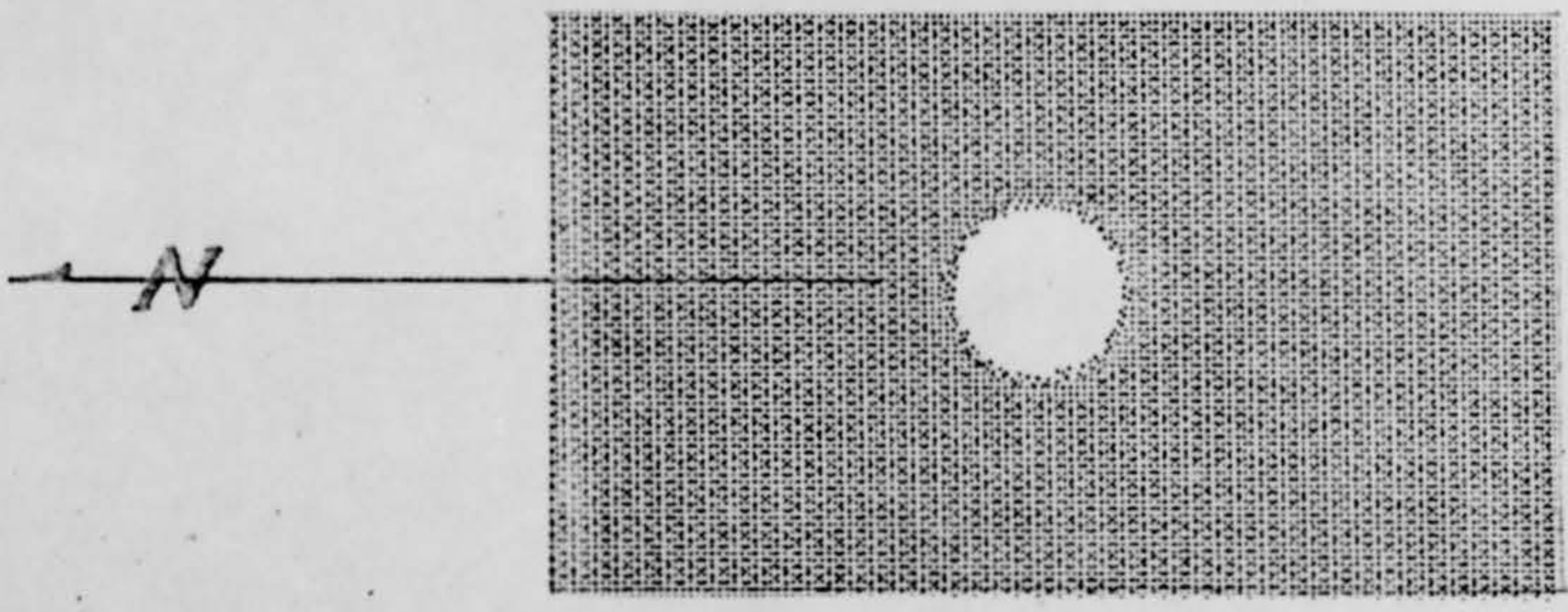
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DARK SKY



COLOR: BLUE-WHITE, LUMINOUS,  
INDEFINITE OUTLINE.

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#### C E R T I F I C A T E

I, WOJG Loeb, Joseph K. AW2200500, do certify that:

On 17 July 1952, at 2220 hours, I observed in the vicinity of the constellation Cygnus, a brilliant white blue object traveling at a tremendous speed, which I will not attempt to calculate because of unknown variables. This object was viewed for approximately two or three seconds and its direction was determined to be a northerly one. When first observed this object seemed to behave similarly to a meteor, but closer study seems to disqualify this first conclusion. Had this particular object been a meteor, the apparent massiveness would have caused it to travel at a much greater speed through the atmosphere, and the usual accompanying trail was not at all visible. In addition to the contradiction of meteor behavior there was no gradual "burn-out" effect; instead the light which was being emitted ceased instantaneously as if turning out an electric lamp.

This object seemed to be traveling through a thin layer of stratus clouds and, though somewhat hazy in appearance, appeared circular in shape and neither elliptical nor the configuration of a cigar. This is a rough estimate (very rough indeed), but had this object been at 10,000 feet I would estimate its diameter to be in the neighborhood of some 50 feet.

Because of my anxiety I failed to observed the correct time, however 2220 is a relatively close approximation.

*Joseph K. Loeb*  
JOSEPH K. LOEB  
WOJG, USAF  
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FOL IS REPTD ON SIGHTING OF UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJ IAW AFL 200-5;

ITEM ONE: DESCRIPTION: CIRCULAR WITH IRREGULAR EDGE, UNKNOWN, COLOR BULISH WHITE, ONLY ONE OBSRD, NO TRAIL OR EXHAUST, UNABLE TO DETERMINE AERODYNAMIC FEATURES, UNABLE TO ESTIMATE SPEED, NO SOUND, TRAVELLED

IN STRAIGHT LINE UNTIL OBJ DISSAPPERED. ITEM TWO: TIME 2220 CENTRAL STD, 17 JULY 1952, CROSSED LINE OF VISION ACROSS SKY IN ABOUT 3

SEC. ITEM THREE: OBSRD FR SURFACE VISUALLY, OBJ TRAVELLED FR S TO N, IN VIEW FR 2 TO 3 SEC THEN LIGHT WENT OUT. ITEM FOUR: LOC OF OBSR WAS

RANDOLPH AFB TEX (29/32 N, 98/17 W). ITEM FIVE: IDENTIFYING INFO OF

OBS: JOSEPH K. LOEB, W/O JG, CURRENTLY IN ADMINISTRATION OF

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OF ACADEMIC TNG SEC OF FYL TNG GP AT RANDOLPH AFB, WAS PILOT DURING  
WW II WITH 1250 FLY HRS. OBSR VERY EMPHATIC AND POSITIVE ABOUT  
SIGHTING. ITEM SIX/ WEA AND WINDS ALOFT AT 2230 OBS WERE CLEAR 15  
MI VIS TEMP 71 DUE PT 70 WINDS

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E/NE AT 6 KNOTS, REMARKS, FEW

ALTO CUMULUS, RAIN SHOWERS ENDED AT 2135, WINDS ALOFT AVERAGED EASTERLY  
AT 15 KNOTS FR 10,000 TO 20,000 FT, NO MOON, ITEM SEVEN: NO MET OR  
OTHER CONDS KNOWN THAT WOULD ACCOUND FOR SIGHTING. ITEM EIGHT: NO  
FRAGMENTS OR PHOTOS EXIST. ITEM NINE: NO INTCP OR IDENTIFICATION  
ACTION TAKEN BY THIS HQ. ITEM TEN: NO ACFT OBSRD IN AREA AT TIME  
OF SIGHTING.

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