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UNCLASSIFIED	Incident
4 July 47	
Location: West Trenton, N.J.	
Witness: female civilian	
Report to: AFMTC	
Color: luminous	
Motion: fast	
Altitude: high	
Time of Day: 8:30 AM	
Angle of Elevation:	
Direction:	
Shape: disc	
Size: 20' x 20'	
Speed: 90°	
Comments: AFMTC Form 500 (Rev. 5-22)	

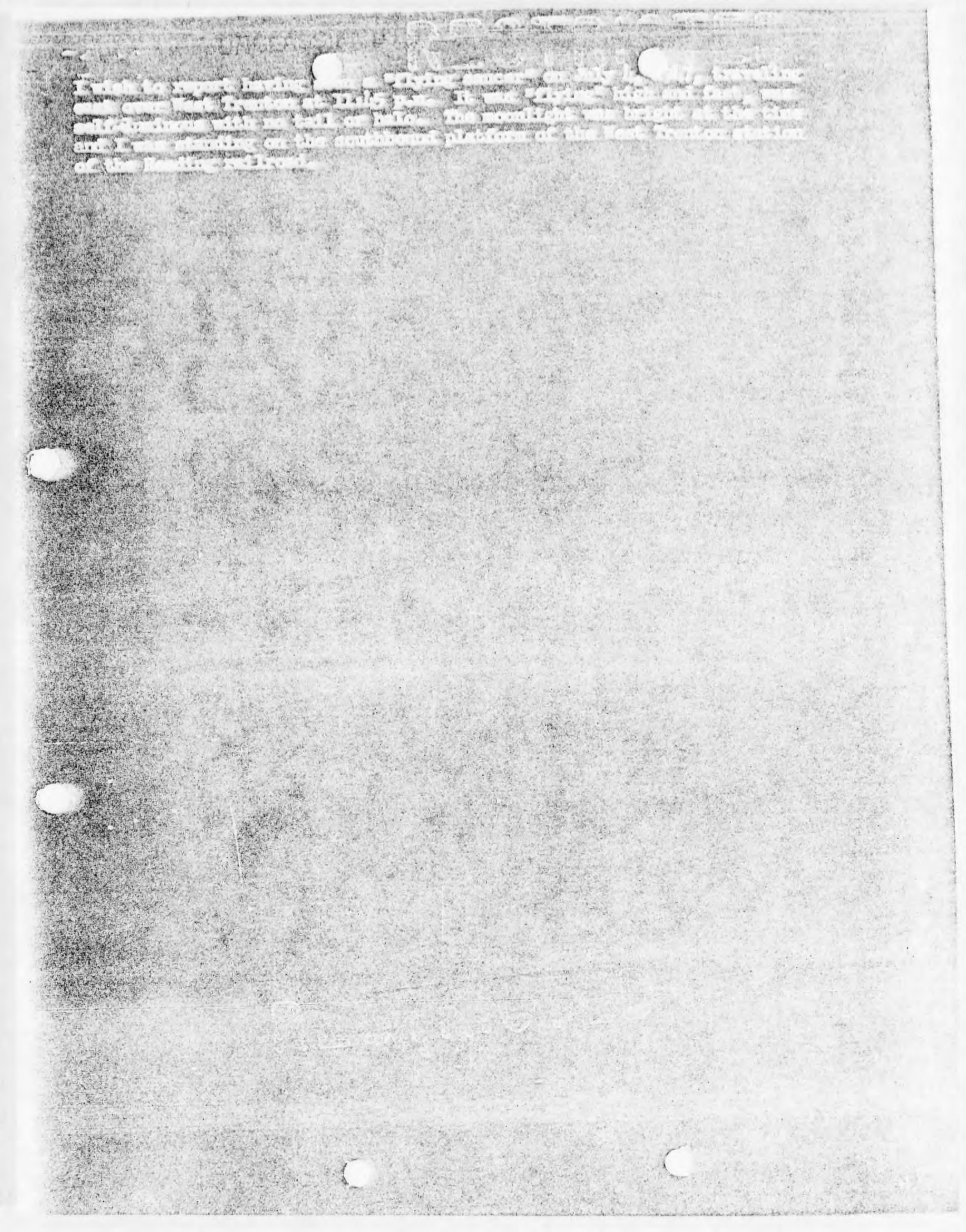
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RECORDED (P.M. 1000)

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**Incident**  
Incident #25 -- West Trenton, New Jersey -- 4 July 1947

The object sighted here could easily have been a bright meteor, but in view of the date of the observation, it seems even more likely that the young lady saw part of a late Fourth of July celebration -- a rocket from some amusement park, perhaps.

CHECK-LIST - THE DEFENSE AND SECURITY CHECKLISTS

1. Date 1 July 1967
2. Time 19415 hours
3. Location East over West Tuckerton, New Jersey
4. Name of observer [REDACTED]
5. Occupation of observer Not Stated
6. Address of observer 1011 Eastern Boulevard, Elizabeth, New Jersey
7. Place of observation Secondary plateau of the Atlantic Coastal Plain, the Reading bed.
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer Not Stated
10. Time in sight Not Stated
11. Altitude High
12. Speed Fast
13. Direction of flight East over West Tuckerton
14. Precision Not Stated
15. Color Not Stated
16. Size Not Stated
17. Motion Not Stated
18. Shape [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
19. Odor detected Not stated
20. apparent construction Not Stated
21. exhaust noise None
22. Weather conditions [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
23. Effect on slope Not Stated
24. Size/direction - [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
25. Number of objects [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
26. Remarks [REDACTED] [REDACTED]



S/Ltr from AM~~C~~  
dtd 5 Jan 1949  
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24 Jan 1949

HEADQUARTERS, AIR WEATHER SERVICE Andrews Air Force Base, Washington 25, D. C.

TO: Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio  
ATTN: MCIAKO

Investigations by this headquarters reveal that a synoptic weather balloon could have been at the location where sightings were reported in the following incidents. In compiling this list consideration was given to the wind direction and speed at the surface and aloft at the scheduled time of balloon release, and the location of the nearest weather station making balloon observations.

2	52	91	126
3	72	93	143
4	73	94	155
25	78	105	166
28	81	113	169
36	87	115	172

FOR THE CHIEF AIR WEATHER SERVICE

2 Incls:  
n/o

/s/ W. A. West  
W. A. WEST  
Lt. Col., USAF  
Adjutant General

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

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Jan 5 1949

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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 sponsored 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, MCIAXO-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.

2	24	50	91	115	155
3	25	52	92	115	156
4	26	72	96	126	157
11	30	73	104	141	159
14	31	81	105	148	163
16	32	87	107, 8, 9	151	167
22	33	89	112 (See 122)	154	169
23	34				

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Hq AMC, 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 MCIAKO-3.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

2 Incls:  
Summaries 1-172 incl  
"EEI"

/s/ W. R. Clingerman, Col, USAF  
for H. M. McCOY  
Colonel, USAF  
Chief, Intelligence Dept

Copies furnished:

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Major Kedis, MCREEP  
Colonel Neal, MCLAWS

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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, 50, 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, 94, 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, 254.