

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

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ATIC NO. --- DATE OF INFO 27 Jan 50

AF NO. --- LOCATION Scullville N.J.

REPORT NO. OSI Rpt SOURCE Civilian

DATE OF REPORT 17 Feb 50 DATE IN TO ATIC ---

TIME OF STARTING 1715 EST COLOR White

SHAPE --- SPEED --- Estimated

SIZE Small ALTITUDE very high Measured

COURSE 315° LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED 1/2 hr.

NO. IN GROUP 1 TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground

COULD --- MANEUVERS Ascending at 60° angle. Zig-

PHOTOS --- SKETCHES --- Zag motion.

OTHER (CONTAIL)

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
17TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO

DR/EMH/mm

File No. (24-8) 10

17 February 1950

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT,
Sighted at Scullville, New Jersey
27 January 1950, at 1715 hours

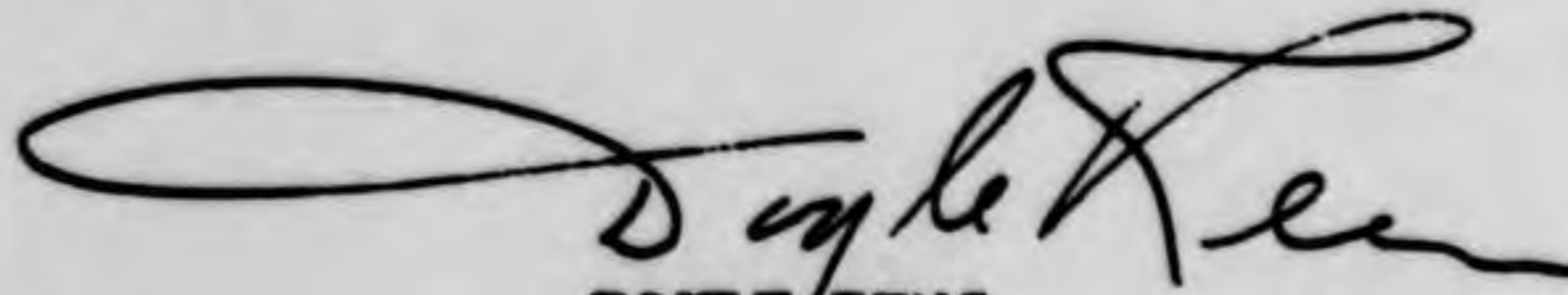
TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MCIAXO-3

1. Reference is made to previous reports concerning sightings of unidentified aerial objects.

2. Attached is one (1) copy of a Report of Investigation by Special Agent ERNEST M. HUBBARD, of this office, dated 16 February 1950, our file (24-8) 10, relative to an incident of this nature.

3. Investigation of unidentified aerial objects is continuing in this District, and copies of all future reports of such sightings will be forwarded for your information.

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DOYLE REES
Lt Col, USAF
District Commander

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HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS REPORT OF INVESTIGATION		FILE NO. (24-8) 10	DATE 17 February 1950
		REPORT MADE BY S/A ERNEST M. HUBBARD	
TITLE UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT, 27 January 1950, at 1715 hours EST, Observed by Mr. [redacted] MS, [redacted] Marylanding Road, Scullville, New Jersey	REPORT MADE AT 17th DO, Kirtland Air Force Base		PERIOD 16 February 1950
	OFFICE OF ORIGIN 17th DO, Kirtland Air Force Base		STATUS CLOSED
	CHARACTER SPECIAL INQUIRY		
	REFERENCE None. This is an initial report.		
SYNOPSIS <p>Investigation predicated upon receipt of letter from Mr. [redacted], dated 27 January 1950, at Scullville, New Jersey. [redacted] advised that on 27 January 1950, he observed a white streak traveling through the sky, and after traveling a distance turned black, went into a zig zag motion and disappeared. White streak did not disappear suddenly or fan out as a cloud, but faded gradually. [redacted] observed the phenomena for approximately one half hour, and its speed was about one half that of a fire works rocket at close range. The phenomena appeared to be ascending at about a sixty (60) degree angle. This phenomean had all appearances and indications of a vapor trail. In that there is but one sighting, and the information available concerning this sighting does not contain the necessary technical data required, it is not considered advisable to expend further time toward the investigation of this phenomena.</p>			
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DETAILS:

1. This investigation is predicated upon receipt of letter from Mr. [REDACTED], Marylanding Road, Scullville, New Jersey, dated 27 January 1950. Mr. [REDACTED] advised he saw a white streak traveling northwest through and above the clouds, and after traveling some distance it turned black and went into a sort of zig zag motion until it disappeared.

AT KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO

2. In a letter, dated 27 January 1950, at Scullville, New Jersey, addressed to the Assistant of Lunar and Planetary Observer, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico, Mr. [REDACTED] advised that while returning to his home in Scullville, New Jersey, from work in Atlantic City, New Jersey, on 27 January 1950, at approximately 1715 hours EST, he observed a phenomena in the southwest sky which lasted for about half an hour. This phenomena was a white streak traveling northwest through and above the clouds. After traveling some distance it turned black and went into a sort of zig zag motion until it disappeared. It did not disappear suddenly or fan out as a cloud, but faded gradually. The speed was about half of that of a fire works rocket at close range. The phenomena appeared to be ascending at about a sixty (60) degree angle.

3. This phenomena has all the appearances and indications of a vapor trail made by high flying aircraft. This is but a single sighting, and the lapse of time between sighting and transmittal of information through regular channels, it is not considered advisable to expend any further time on this matter. Further, technical authorities have advised it is positively necessary to have more than one (1) sighting, and that these sightings must of necessity contain a high degree of exactness in technical data required in order to obtain a triangular "fix" upon the object and its path of travel.

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