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Appendix IIIWATERLOO, TEXAS - 31 August 1953I. OBSERVATION OF ST. JULIEN

On 31 August 1953 at approximately 1:41 GMT two ladies were driving in an automobile several miles north of Waterloo, Texas. The object was described as a pear-shaped object about the length of a B-29 fuselage, aluminum or silver in color, which readily reflected the sunlight. The object had a port or some type of aperture in the side and moved through the air with the smell and forward. There was no sign of any exhaust and no noise was heard.

As the two ladies were driving north from Waterloo, Texas, the driver of the automobile first noticed the object about 150 yards ahead of the automobile. They stopped and the ladies got out to observe the object. It was drifting already in an easterly direction at a speed they judged to be less than the speed required to take off in a B-29 aircraft and at an altitude of about 100 ft. Seconds later the object began to ascend rapidly and moved out of sight into the west in a circular ascent. (The wind at this time was from E at about 5-7 knots.)

A thorough investigation showed that both were of excellent character.

This incident is of interest because it was observed during the same period as the St. Julien over Lubbock, Texas (See Appendix II).

II. WATERS

- A. 1 X 100 - Route 470 - 31 August 1953  
Estimated ceiling 5,000 ft., broken clouds, with thin scattered clouds at 5,000 ft. Visibility 15 miles, Wind 121 at 3 knots.
- B. 1 X 100 - Childress, Texas - 31 August 1953  
Estimated ceiling 5,000 ft., overcast. Visibility 15 miles.  
Wind 121 at 7 knots. Towering cumulus clouds in SE quadrant.

III. SEARCH OF INVESTIGATION

It has been reported that a road repair crew saw the same object later on the same day. Attempts will be made by Project Grady personnel to contact members of this road crew and obtain their statements. There were also reports of crop duster activity in the area, so attempts will be made to determine whether or not the ladies could have seen this activity.

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