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Appendix VIII

SOUTHERN MICHIGAN - 24 November 1952

I. DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

On the evening of 24 November 1951, seven people observed an unidentified aerial object, from four separate locations in Southern Michigan. The object was observed in the SW quadrant traveling at speeds much faster than a Jet at an apparently low altitude (below 10,000 ft. or 2° - 4° above the horizon) in all the observations. The object traveled horizontal to the earth and in one instance was noted to lose altitude just before it disappeared. No reports were heard by any of the observers. In each case the time the object was in sight was 30 seconds or less.

Additional information is given below and is enclosed overlay which shows apparent track of objects. It will be noted that these are only the approximate tracks.

Location	Time	Shape	Color	Trail	Course	Apparent Distance (Miles)	Observer
Delbridge AFB	18:30 E	dot	white	Red	SW	1-3	AF JTC
Delbridge AFB	18:40 E	Football	white	Green/red	W	1	AF JTC
Delta Spook	18:50 E	Oval	white	White	SW	10-20	AF JTC
Grand Rapids	18:40 E	Round	White	None	E	-	Tower Operator
Congressville	18:50 E	Round	Bluish White	None	SW	10-40	Airline Crew (Airborne)

II. WEATHER

Clear and exceptionally clear at all points of observation.

III. STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION

The possibility of jet aircraft in the area, unidentified radar returns, and known meteors or satellite observation were checked with negative results. From the reports, it is reasonable to assume that all the observers observed the same object. There is a time span of five minutes between various sightings but this could be due to errors in the watches of the observers. Assuming that the tower clock would be the most accurate, the time would be 18:40 EST. From the estimates of

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