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APPENDIX 1

Columbus, Ohio - 22 December 1951

I. DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

On 22 December 1951 at approximately 1030 AST, an F-84 pilot sighted an unidentified object five miles east of Columbus, Ohio. The object, which looked like an aircraft with no tail surfaces, appeared to be rolling on its lateral axis. The object was on a reciprocal heading and higher than the F-84. The pilot made a turn in an attempt to intercept the object but lost it in the sun.

II. STATUS OF INVESTIGATION

At approximately 1000 AST a weather balloon was released from the Columbus Municipal Airport. The wind, which was from the west, would have blown the balloon into the general vicinity of the sighting. More definite information on the balloon launching has been requested.

III. CONCLUSIONS

No conclusions can be made until more information on the balloon launching is obtained.

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