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MEMORANDUM
AIR MATRICE COMMAND

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SUBJECT: AMC Opinion Concerning "Flying Saucer"

TO: Commanding General
Army Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: Mr. Brig. General George Stethem
AC/CS-6

1. As requested by AC/CS-6 there is presented below the considered opinion of this Command concerning the so-called "Flying Saucer". This opinion is based on interpretation of reports furnished by AC/CS-6 and preliminary studies by personnel of T-3 and Aircraft Laboratory, Engineering Division T-3. This opinion was arrived at in a conference between personnel from the Air Institute of Technology, Intelligence T-3, Office, Chief of Engineering Division, and the Aircraft, Power Plant and Propeller Laboratories of Engineering Division T-3.

2. It is the opinion that:

- a. The phenomenon reported is suggestive of a real and not visionary or fictitious.
- b. There are at least enough observations to suggest the existence of a disc, of such appearance as to be known to a large or common aircraft.
- c. There is a possibility that some of the incidents may be caused by natural phenomena, such as balloons.
- d. The reported sightings characterized as such as extreme rates of climb, maneuverability (both aerially in flight), and action which would be consistent with a craft of the type described by friendly aircraft and other reports. It is noted that some of the objects are controlled either as well as being in control.
- e. The above is a summary of the objects as follows:
111. Methods of flight reflecting accuracy.

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