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DETAILS:

1. This investigation initiated by the District Commander, upon receipt of a letter from Doctor A. W. WARD, 450 Sutter Street, San Francisco, California, dated 23 April 1952, concerning the sighting of a bright luminous object traveling in the sky.

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

2. On 30 July 1952, Dr. A. W. WARD, residence address, 1125 Greenwich Street, San Francisco, was interviewed at his place of business, 450 Sutter Street. WARD advised that on the morning of 20 April 1952 he sighted an object in the sky of unconventional design. WARD gave the following information concerning the object: Object appeared to form an imperfect circle. The edges were clearly defined but not extremely sharp and did not appear to be "fuzzy" or as though the object were a shining light. The object appeared to be about twice the diameter of the moon when the moon is in a vertical position in the sky. The object was luminous and bluish-white in color. Only one object was seen and no aerodynamic features were observed. No trail or exhaust was noticed, nor was any sound heard. WARD could offer no information as to the manner of propulsion. The speed of the object was not measured nor estimated, but WARD advised the object moved from the northwest horizon to the southwest horizon in approximately one to two minutes. The object moved in a straight line and performed no maneuvers. This object disappeared and reappeared abruptly three times while in transit. This disappearance and reappearance did not occur in a regular fashion or definite time interval. The disappearance occurred each time as though a light were turned off. The object did not fade away and WARD does not believe the object moved behind anything during the times it was not observed. After the third disappearance on the southwest horizon the object was lost to view. During the time observed the object did not change its size or shape. The object showed no variation in color and did not appear to have light or dark areas. WARD was not positive the object was solid but stated it appeared to be shining of its own light and does not believe the light was reflected. The object did not appear to be rotating. WARD stated that at the time of sighting this object he was alone in his country home located on Grizzly Island in Montezuma Slough, approximately one mile northwest of Birds Landing in Solano County, California. Nearest identifying land marks are Kirby Mills about 1/4 miles to the north. WARD does not know the latitude and longitude of this residence (WARD advised he has since sold the house). The house is approximately 3 to 5 feet above sea level and observation was made from first floor window facing almost due west. The window was opened but screened. The observation was made with the naked eye, and no binoculars were used. WARD advised he did not note the exact time but believes it was between 0300 and 0330 hours,

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