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Intelligence Division,  
3500th Flying Wing Sq, Wichita  
Mach Apt, Wichita, Kansas

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Identification of Object: Color white - round globular appearing object, diameter approximately 20 feet. Object hovered for about a period of 30 or 35 seconds. Suddenly object moved across the sky at a fairly fast rate of speed in a southeasterly direction. It stopped suddenly, hovered for a moment, then went thru a series of maneuvers, gained altitude, flanked down, and then flew back into the original point where first sighted. No noise, trails, or exhaust were apparent to the observer. Impression of speed 400 miles per hour or faster. Altitude 500 feet, distance two to three miles.

Time of Sighting: Object sighted at 1620. End of observation took about 30 to 35 seconds.

Point of Observation: Visually from the ground. No optical or electronic equipment used.

Location of Observer: The observers were located at 37°28'N - 97°26'W. Altitude of object approximately 500 feet, distance 2 to 3 miles and headed in a southeasterly direction.

Identification of Observer: One of the observers is associated with the Beech Aircraft Corporation, in the Training Department. The second observer is the local aircraft Corporation's District Representative at the Beech Airplane Company, Wichita, Kansas.

Aircraft Conditions: Sky clear, no cloud formations, wind velocity 25 miles per hour from southwest (observer checked this by car radio which was close at hand)

Meteorological Conditions: None

Existence of Physical Evidence: None

Interception or Identification Action Taken: None

Location of Air Traffic in General Area: Two T-33 aircraft were sighted by the observers, one flying south, and another some distance away in the northern part of the sky, but neither near the object.

This report was not sent by electrical means since too much time had elapsed between the sighting and the receipt of the report by this office.

Comments of Reporting Officers:

The local weather bureau reported at 1622 that cloud cover was scattered with tops at 10,000 feet, wind 20K at 21 knots with gusts to 29 knots, altimeter 2977, temperature 70, dew point 70. Both observers are employed in the aircraft industry. It seems probable that they did see some airborne object which behaved unusually, but which would have been a T-33 practicing maneuvers, although it is the opinion of both observers that the maneuvers were much too abrupt for a T-33.

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