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Statement of Private Walter Pollack, US 26349675, 47th Signal Aviation Construction Company, Showa, Area "A", 18 Jun 52:

On 15 Jun 52 I happened to look up and I saw a shooting star. I told Stoddard to watch but he said, "That's not a shooting star because a shooting star comes and disappears." We watched it for awhile and finally I called an officer over and asked him about it. He said he had never seen anything like it. It was coming from the East at a tremendous speed, passed overhead to the West, made a fast turn and went back East. It made another sharp turn to the West, stopped for awhile and then began going up and down. Suddenly it took off North - we kept our eyes on it until it got above the officers club and we couldn't see it any more 'cause it was behind the roof.

Later we saw the big thing. It was larger - about as round as a saucer. It was going around and then it stopped momentarily and went North. We didn't see any more light. This thing didn't disappear but just got smaller and smaller until we couldn't see it any more.

We observed this object for about 10-15 minutes from Showa Air Base. I don't think it could be a shooting star or a spotlight. If you matched the object to a star it would appear to be the same in color, and size. The color of this object was bright - like that of the North star.

The star came from the East and went West. It came straight down, seemed to stop dead, and then went straight up. Sometimes it would come across real fast, then back up, and make a hairpin turn about 1" wide. The angle at which we observed it was about 75°. In relation to us it was always covering an arc of about 75-80°. It was not straight up but going East, heading about 60°. It traveled to my right from a heading of 60° to a heading of 345°. It never went out of this area, although it did go up and down like a spring.

The weather was very mild although it had rained Sunday morning.

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