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4th Bomb Wing, Heavy, Intelligence IS-50-53

1. At first the objects appeared to be the outline of an aircraft with the size of the silhouette approximating that of a medium bomber. However, after a second, the outline separated and became five or six separate objects. Due to the unknown rate of speed, the exact number of objects could not be determined. The objects were first sighted at a point several miles south of Walker AFB and continued in a straight northerly line of flight and disappeared from sight several miles north of the base. The objects were at an estimated 5,000 ft. altitude and traveling at an estimated rate of 300 to 400 miles per hour. In the meantime, the object had a grayish hue and appeared to the observer as a disk about the size of a dime while under observation. They presented only a flat view to the observer during the line of flight. The objects traveled in a half moon formation with the outer curve facing the line of flight. While the objects were passing over Walker AFB, the most easterly object veered even more sharply to the east at about a 30 degree angle until the formation disappeared from sight. Neither the exact size of the objects or their spacing while in flight could be determined accurately. While in flight, all the objects appeared to be on the same plane of level. No speed or type of propulsion could be detected. At all times the objects appeared to be flat and no other characteristics could be determined.

2. The object was first sighted at 2130 hours MST 16 June 1952 and remained under observation for less than a minute.

3. The object was observed visually by Sgt Sparks from the ground. He had no type of glasses or glasses for aid.

4. The observer was standing on the flight line at Walker AFB, New Mexico. The objects were first sighted about 1 mile south of the base at a 5,000 ft. altitude.

5. Sgt Sparks is considered to be a reliable and intelligent individual by his Squadron Commander and immediate supervisors. Sgt Sparks has served years on duty in the USAF and is a 3-07 Intelligence Specialist. He was also an aircraft maintenance specialist in civilian life.

6. A check of the weather station at Walker AFB and Maxwell Municipal Airport reveals the following Teletype messages at 2130 hours MST:

WFO (Walker AFB) - 07 070/04/42 3/99 410 21000  
 WFO (Maxwell) - 000 32

7. There was no known meteorological or other phenomena which might account for the sighting. A check of Walker AFB radar revealed nothing unusual on the scope at the time of sighting. It is unknown whether the set was on the 25 or the 30 mile scan.

8. There is no physical evidence of the sighting such as photographs.

9. Interception or identification action by the observer was not feasible at the time.

10. There was no known air traffic in the general area at the time of sighting.

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