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 Watsonville, California

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Statement of Observer

1. I, A/C Gene S. Grindelard, A07776503, do make the following statement concerning certain unidentified objects observed by me on 11 May 1962.

2. One of the 3 objects that I observed resembled a paper plate in shape and appearance and was of a flat white color. The others were too high to allow any accurate estimate as to shape or color but had a metallic gloss. One of the smaller objects was not continually visible because it seemed to waver or "ch." As it wavered, the sun's reflection on it would cause it to glint. The other small object was continually visible and "ch" seemed to be in a wing formation. The object resembling the "paper plate" flipped and over and in a definite direction, disappearing from the south with a speed of a jet fighter and reappearing about 5 minutes later at a reduced speed. 20 to 30 seconds after the second observation had commenced, I saw the "paper plate" object make a 90° turn to the south and then it seemed to approach the two smaller objects, which did not make their appearance until the second observation. There appeared to be an interaction between the "paper plate" object and the two smaller ones. I did not notice any noise or vapor trails emanating from any of the objects.

3. I made the two sightings at 1221 and 1236. The first observation lasted 1 minute and the second one lasted 1 minute.

4. I observed the objects from the ground with the naked eye.

5. I was at the control part of George Air Force Base when I made the observations. George Air Force Base is located 6 miles northwest of Watsonville, California. The larger "paper plate" object moved in a south-west direction when first sighted. When I noticed it for the second time, it was flying east approaching me and then banked south after executing a 90° turn to the right. Its altitude was between 20,000 and 25,000 feet. The two smaller objects did not come in any direction but remained in the same general vicinity. They were between 30,000 and 40,000 feet high.

6. I have a high school education and no further instruction as a civilian light aircraft pilot.

7. Weather was clear, with good visibility and little wind in the vicinity.

8. No special activity or condition which might account for the sighting.

9. No physical evidence of the observation was apparent.

10. No interception or identification action taken.

11. No aircraft in the air in the vicinity at the time of observation.

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