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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

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A. Text of Telephone Conversation Received by this No. 11 May 1952.

At 11:00, "Dovefern" (751st AOBW Sqdn, Mt. Laguna, Calif) called and said "Wentworth" (OAS) had received reports of five (5) "flying saucers" in the El Centro, Calif. Area. Several minutes later a scope operator at "Dovefern" reported a long streak SE of El Centro which lasted for two (2) sweeps of the antenna.

The following information was received from Meritt Air Force Base Flight Service and was obtained in a report sent to ADO:

Hovering over El Centro, five (5) "flying saucers" as large as B-36's with a light underneath disappeared to the southwest at a terrific rate of speed. El Centro weather at 2315P was clear, 15 miles visibility. They were reported at 19/1115Z by El Centro Sheriff's office.

At 19/1115Z an F4U pilot taking off from El Centro Naval Air Station reported what appeared to be a shooting star diving at an angle of 60°. At 11:21Z a sheriff's car at Niland, California sighted a strange object resembling a parachute flare over the South end of the Salton Sea. At 11:30Z, a control tower operator at Tuma sighted an orange and blue object 2000' and 20 miles from air position. Operator said it was sighted in changed to another position and began hovering again. Operator said it was sighted for two long a period to be a falling star. From 11:00Z to 12:00Z El Centro NAS had a flight of four (4) F4U's airborn on a normal flight.

We had no fighters airborne at the time and did not scramble any.

SYNOPSIS OF ABOVE: B-6

B. Summary of Interview with El Centro Sheriff

Robert W. Hare, Sheriff, El Centro, California was interviewed and stated that he had not personally sighted any of the objects reported, nor did he personally know any of the individuals concerned. However, he furnished a copy of the report received by the Desk Sergeant on the morning of the 13th of May 1952, as follows:

4:57 AM
5-13-52

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Imperial PD advise that Officers Chasman and Chappo report seeing 5 flying saucers, described as looking like a large as B-36's and having lights on the under side, no noise was heard and the Officers state they watched them for approx 4 minutes. Notified Captain, OAS, El Centro, who will alert the Military.

Imperial PD advise that their Officers state the saucers took off to the south-west. OAS notified.

4:42 AM...in checking with various departments attempting to confirm the above report, found that the Dewley Street Sweeper had seen the above object, but thought it to be a jet aircraft all lit up.

Deputy Meek advises that he has a strange object in the sky at the south-west end of the Salton Sea. States object looks like a flare in the sky, moving up and down at approx 3,000.

One big light. Meek thinks it might be a weather balloon.

None of the Officers on the El Centro PD saw any objects in the sky.

Name of Dewley Street Sweeper is Bill Wilson.

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