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#### Introduction

These special reports are compiled by the research team of Ralph E. Heick and Clifford E. Stone. They are not copyrighted as we desire this information be available to the Public at large.

For the most part, these reports are taken directly from the reports and records released by government agencies as a result of FOI/PA Requests. It is our desire to include the government records to these reports so that the reader may determine for himself as to the validity of the information provided.

Special Report #4 contains information taken from U.S. Government documents that have been classified since 1955 and was only declassified on September 7, 1989 by Major General C. Norman Wood, Assistant Chief of Staff, Air Intelligence for release to me. The classification level of these documents were from Secret to Top Secret. To be sure, the National Security Agency (NSA) currently has in its possession additional information dealing with the cases in this report classified at the Top Secret level and compartmented under "UMBRA" and "ALTRA" within the SCI Program, giving that information maintained by the NSA a "TOP SECRET/SCI" Classification. These documents are considered important in that they clearly show that the National Security Agency has in its possession sophisticated electronic evidence of the existence of flying saucers. Evidence that the National Security Agency denies the existence of to this every day.

#### General Discussion

In the early morning hours of July 17, 1957 a U.S. Air Force RB-47, equipped with electronic countermeasures (ECM equipment) was followed by a UFO for about one and one half hours, covering a distance of more than 700 miles. This object was observed visually by the crew, tracked by ground radar and detected by the on board ECM equipment of the RB-47.

This case was brought to the attention of the Condon Committee for its consideration in the so-called "Scientific Study of Unidentified Flying Objects." After studying this case, the Condon Committee concluded, "If a report of this incident, written either by the RB-47 crew or the Wing Intelligence personnel, was submitted in 1957, it apparently is no longer in existence. Moving pictures of radar scope displays and other data said to have been recorded during the incident apparently never existed. Evaluation of the experience must, therefore, rest entirely on the recollection of the crew members ten years after the event. These descriptions are not adequate to allow identification of the phenomenon encountered."

Out of all the things wrong with the actions of the Condon Committee, I believe the most critical were the facts that (1) regardless of the evidence, they had no plans to "prove" the existence of UFOs; (2) although the Condon Committee was cleared for Secret, the United States Air Force was determined to restrict them to the Project Blue Book Files and keep them clear of Air Force Intelligence Files as the information concerning the most interesting cases was classified at the Top Secret level and compartmented under the SCI Program; and (3) above all the U.S. Air Force had to keep the fact that other government agencies (mainly the National Security Agency) were active in UFO investigations from the Condon Committee and the American Public.

The reader of this report should keep in mind that the so-called "Scientific Study of Unidentified Flying Objects" was forced upon the U.S. Air Force by Congress. Since the Blue Book Files were mostly public information by this time anyhow, the Air Force did not really mind a scientific "look-see" of these files. However, the Air Force very much minded anyone knowing about, little lone seeing, the classified (Top Secret/SCI) Air Intelligence UFO Files. Also, of top priority was to keep secret the involvement of other government agencies concerning UFOs.

Thanks to the efforts of the late Dr. James E. McDonald, several military records dealing with the above RB-47 case have been brought to light. However, these documents do not indicate what happened to the evidence gathered in this case. Also, the question remained; are there more such cases and if so, who has the evidence and the records of such cases?

We shall see in this report that not only are there similar cases but also, the missing evidence is in the possession of the National Security Agency where it remains highly classified (Top Secret/SCI).

The following case files are taken directly from the reports on file with Air Intelligence and are copies of the reports forwarded to the National Security Agency at the

Agency's request. These case files shall be quoted exactly as they appear in the reports with comments made by this author after the quoted case files. It is felt that this is the best way in which the reader of this report can best see the concern expressed by the National Security Agency regarding these cases.

#### Case Files

"ITEM 1. At 2100Z on 1 June (1955), an eastbound RB-47 experienced electronic contact with an unknown aircraft or object in the area of Devon Island. A bright return was received on the APG-32 set (radar) for 20 minutes and the warning light flashed intermittently. The RB-47's X-system recorded what was possibly the sweep of another radar nearby. Contact was lost at 2120Z. No visual contact established."

"on the return westbound flight, the APG-32 again had a contact for 30 minutes duration at approximately 8,000 yards. This time no indication was registered by the warning light. No visual contact made. \*\*\*\*"

"Coordinates and times as follows:

First Contact (estimate)	74 40'N-105 00'W	2100Z	1 June
Contact lost	76 15'N-31 00'W	2120Z	1 June
Second Contact (estimate)	74 30'N-90 30'W	2400Z	1 June
Contact lost	74 10'N-91 00'W	0030Z	2 June"

"ITEM 2. At 0030Z on 4 June (1955), a westbound RB-47 experienced electronic and visual contact with an unknown aircraft or object in the Melville Sound area. The RB-47 gun warning light was flashing intermittently and the 5 radar(s) had a contact at 7,000 yards range. Visual contact was made by crew chief, who describes aircraft as glistening silver metallic. The aircraft was first seen low and to the rear of the RB-47. It maintained a position low and to the rear and slightly right of the RB-47. The configuration of the aircraft was obscured by contrails. The aircraft broke off contact to the north with an increase in speed. The RB-47 was at 32,000 (feet) indicating Mach (speed of of sound) .735. Although gun camera films are available, they are of such poor quality that no information can be obtained from them. The radar and visual contacts were maintained for a total of 9 minutes.\*\*\*\*"

Coordinates and times are as follows:

Contact established 74 10'N - 107 10'W 0030Z 4 June  
Contact lost 73 45'N - 111 35'W 0049Z 4 June"

"ITEM 3. At 0050Z on 7 June (1955), a westbound RB-47 enroute to Eilson AFB, Alaska, at 35,000 feet experienced electronic contact southeast of Banks Island. The RB-47 detected an aircraft/object at 3,500 yards and at the same level as the aircraft. The scope return was small and rectangular. The pilot interpreted it to be a form of jamming. The target warning light went on and off 3 times in as many minutes. No visual or K-system contacts.\*\*\*\*

Coordinates and times are as follows:

Contact established 71 02'N - 127 00'W 0050Z 7 June

Contact lost 0053Z 7 June  
(possibly

later)

"ITEM 4. At 2044Z on 8 June (1955), an eastbound RB-47 at 30,000 feet experienced electronic and visual contact with an unknown aircraft south of Bathurst Island. The RB-47 was flying at 30,000 and indicating 450 knots. The warning light flashed and 2 indications were observed on APG-32 scope. The K-system scope showed indications of sweeping by another radar. Visual contact indicates aircraft was 5 to 10,000 feet above RB-47 and approximately 5-10 miles behind for approximately 20 minutes. The co-pilot of RB-47 states aircraft had fighter configuration. Contrail was observed as aircraft disappeared. Contrail also sighted by 2nd RB-47 80 miles behind 1st; therefore, about 70 miles behind sighted aircraft. Distance suggests contrails remain visible for some time.\*\*\*\*

Coordinates and times are as follows:

Contact established 74 26'N - 103 25'W 2044Z 8 June

contact lost 2140Z 8 June"

The preceding cases were not made available to the Condon Committee because they were not considered to have a need to know even though they were to evaluate the information the U.S. Government had on UFO's and decide if in fact UFO's were something real and if they presented a threat to our national security. Also, these cases were not made a part of Project Blue Book as the U.S. Intelligence Community did consider these reports as something real and a potential threat to our national security.

These four cases in this author's opinion, best illustrate what General Bolender of the U.S. Air Force meant when he stated in a memo dated October 20, 1969 that, "reports of unidentified flying objects which could affect national security would continue to be handle in accordance with JANAP 146 or Air Force Manual 55-11, and are not part of the Blue Book System." Also, the cover letter forwarding these documents to the National Security Agency (NSA) clearly show NSA interest in UFO's at a very early date while maintaining that they had no interest at all. To be sure much more information exist on these cases. However, that information is presently classified in the interest of national security by the National Security Agency.

Does not the public have a right to know the truth?

### Conclusions

While the U.S. Intelligence Community does not wish to admit it, much of what our Government knows concerning UFO's remains classified and out of the reach of the public and private researchers. The intelligence community has even denied the existence of documents only to have them surface at a later date.

With the state of the art of the technology presently available to UFO researchers, they could come to some hard conclusions concerning these RB-47 cases in this report. However, with the NSA denying the every existence, as well as any knowledge, of these cases it is quite unlikely we will be afforded the opportunity to access the information they do have.

While our government is the most open government in the world and we must rely on what they say, what they say is not always truthful. Especially when it comes to what they really know about UFO's.

Clifford E. Stone  
November 15, 1990

SUPPORTING GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

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AIR FORCE SPECIAL SECURITY OFFICE  
Headquarters, Northeast Air Command  
APO 862 New York, N.Y.

SSO

18 July 1955

SUBJECT: (UNCLASSIFIED) UFGS NEAC Area

TO: Commander  
USAF Security Service  
San Antonio, Texas

1. Reference to SSO NEAC message, Cite SOWEC-13, DTG 031200Z July and your message Cite OCP-K5547, DTG 122311Z July 1955. Following is more detailed information on sightings in the NEAC area in June and July as requested in your message.

2. Inclosures 1, 2, 3, and 4 are detailed reports prepared by Watch Division, NEAC, on the 1 to 3 July sightings made by RB-47 crews. D/I NEAC has not correlated these sightings with any known activity.

3. Inclosures 5, 6, and 7 are detailed reports on the 7 July sighting near Harmon AFB, Wfld. Inclosure 6 contains the interrogation reports of the crews involved in the sighting. Inclosure 7, NEAC Weekly Intelligence WOPORN Digest contains a resume of the 7 July sighting and subsequent evaluation by D/I NEAC. Copies of all inclosures forwarded to DIRNSA.

7 Incls

- 1. RB-47 sighting #1
- 2. RB-47 sighting #2
- 3. RB-47 sighting #3
- 4. RB-47 sighting #4
- 5. 64th Air Div Msg DTG 051240Z Jul 55
- 6. 64th Air Div Msg DTG 070100Z Jul 55
- 7. Weekly Intell WOPORN Digest

DECLASSIFIED BY: ACS/Intelligence on 7 Sep 89.

  
C. NORMAN WOOD, Maj Gen,  
Asst Chief of Staff, Intelligence

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On the return westbound flight, the AFG-32 again had a contact for 30 minutes duration at approximately 8,000 yards. This time no indication was registered by the warning light. No visual contact made. \*\*\*

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Coordinates and times are as follows:

Contact established	71°02'N - 127°00'W	0050Z	7 June
Contact lost		0053Z	7 June (possibly later)

ITEM 4

At 2044Z on 8 June, an eastbound RB-47 flying at 30,000 feet experienced electronic and visual contact with an unknown aircraft south of Bathurst Island. The RB-47 was flying at 30,000 and indicating 450 knots. The warning light flashed and 2 indications were observed on APC-32 scope. The K-system scope showed indications of sweeping by another radar. Visual contact indicates aircraft was 5 to 10,000 feet above RB-47 and approximately 5-10 miles behind for approximately 20 minutes. The co-pilot of RB-47 states aircraft had fighter configuration. Contrail was observed as aircraft disappeared. Contrail also sighted by 2nd RB-47 approximately 80 miles behind lat; therefore, about 70 miles behind the sighted aircraft. Distance suggests contrails remain visible for some time.\*\*\*\*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY  
COMMANDER SEA BASED ASW WINGS ATLANTIC  
BOX 102, NAVAL AIR STATION  
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32212

1 August 1979

Staff Sergeant Clifford E. Stone  
301-50-0182  
HQ Det, Hanau MilCom  
APO New York, New York 09165

Dear Sergeant Stone:

Records in the Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Public Affairs Office indicate that a reply to your request for information on the Pinecastle Electronic Warfare Range UFO sighting was mailed to you at the above address on 30 September 1978. I regret that you did not receive it.

Enclosed are duplicates of the information mailed. As you will notice, the handwritten log entry is quite sketchy and really provides little information on the incident. Naval Air Station, Jacksonville did release an advisory message on the subject to the Chief of Naval Operations, but it only provided a summary of the same information contained in the Ocala Star-Banner article that is enclosed. The only addition was a statement verifying the reliability of Petty Officers Clark and Collins.

No formal investigation or informal investigation was made into the reported sightings. It was considered by command that some unexplained object was in the air as reported and there was no way to reenact the situation. Once the command certified the reliability of the individuals involved, there was nothing that could be accomplished.

I worked very closely with the incident, fielding requests from media throughout the nation and arranging interviews with Clark and Collins. I have never been a believer in "UFOs," but I assure you I am convinced that a number of people witnessed an unexplainable event at Pinecastle that night. The speed of the object ruled out a helicopter and the reported maneuverability ruled out any aircraft including VSTOLs that we are aware of.

Again, I regret you did not receive the first package and assure you there was no intent to deny you the information whether or not the request was filed under the Freedom of Information Act.

I realize that the information furnished is at best sketchy, but there was little to be documented and actually little command concern. As

I recall, the incident was not reported to command until the story broke in the Star-Banner. At that time the message, a condensation from the Star-Banner, was released and other than handling media requests, no further command action was taken.

Sincerely,

  
N. P. YOUNG  
Public Affairs Officer

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NAS JACKSONVILLE /OPREP-3 NAVY BLUE 171800Z MAY 78/006  
 A. REPORTS OF UFO DISPLAYING RED, GREEN AND WHITE LIGHTS  
 A1. SITUATION UNDER CONTROL  
 H1. INITIAL REPORTED UFO SIGHTING BY TWO UNIDENTIFIED CIVILIANS.  
 H2. NA  
 H3. 142200L MAY 78 TO 150020L MAY78  
 H4. NA  
 H5. AT 2200 LOCAL, 14 MAY 1978, PINECASTLE RANGE DUTY OFFICER, SK1 CLARK, RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE. SAID SHE LIVED NEAR SILVER GLEN SPRINGS AND WANTED TO KNOW IF RANGE WAS OPEN AND WHETHER NAVY WAS DROPPING PARACHUTE FLARES OVER LAKE GEORGE

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(SHE HAD OBSERVED NUMEROUS PARACHUTE DROPS IN THE PAST).  
 WHEN TOLD THE RANGE WAS CLOSED, SHE TOLD CLARK SHE WAS LOOKING (AT THAT TIME) AT STRANGE RED, GREEN AND WHITE LIGHTS ABOVE THE TREES OVER THE WEST BANK OF LAKE GEORGE NEAR AN AREA CALLED THE "SINK-HOLE." CALLER IMMEDIATELY HUNG UP WITHOUT IDENTIFYING HERSELF.

AT 2210 LOCAL, CLARK RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED MALE, WHO ALSO WANTED TO KNOW IF RANGE WAS IN OPERATION. WHEN TOLD IT WAS NOT, CALLER SAID HE AND EIGHT OTHER PEOPLE --LOCATED ON STATE HIGHWAY 19-- HAD OBSERVED AN OBJECT, ABOUT 50-60 FEET IN DIAMETER, PASS OVER THEM AT TREE--TOP LEVEL. IT WAS DISPLAYING "MULTI-COLORED" LIGHTS. CALLER IMMEDIATELY HUNG UP WITHOUT IDENTIFYING HIMSELF.

CLARK THEN NOTIFIED THE CONTROL TOWER WATCHSTANDER TO SEARCH THE AREA TOWARDS SILVER GLEN SPRINGS WITH BINOCULARS. THE WATCHSTANDER OBSERVED STATIONARY LIGHTS AT AN ESTIMATED ALTITUDE OF OF 1600 FEET IN THE AREA REPORTED BY THE TELEPHONE CALLERS. CLARK THEN CHECKED WITH JACKSONVILLE CENTER FOR THE POSSIBILITY OF COMMERCIAL/MILITARY AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS IN THE AREA. CENTER HAD NO INFORMATION ON KNOWN FLIGHT OPERATIONS IN THE LAKE GEORGE AREA.

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CLARK THEN SUMMONED TD2 COLLINGS FROM THE BARRACKS TO ACTIVATE THE MSO-102 RADAR. AFTER A 20 MINUTE WARMUP, COLLINS LOCKED ON TO A KNOWN TARGET IN THE AREA-- THE CIVIL DEFENSE TOWER-- IN AUTOMATIC

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TRACK MODE. HIS "ALPHA" SCAN INDICATED ONE STATIONARY TARGET (THE CD TOWER) AND ONE UNIDENTIFIED BLIP "FLUTTERING" OVER THE TOWER. COLLINS PUT THE TRACKING COMPUTER ON THE UNIDENTIFIED TARGET, AND IT WAS NOT REGISTERING ANY SIGNIFICANT GROUND VELOCITY. BEARING TO THE C/D TOWER WAS 291 DEGREES MAGNETIC, BUT COLLINS WAS UNABLE TO LOCK ON THE UNIDENTIFIED TARGET IN THE SAME VICINITY AND STATED THERE SEEMED TO BE SOME CONFUSION AT THIS TIME AS TO THE EXACT BEARING OF THE OBJECTS FROM HIM. HE HAD OBSERVED THE TARGET FOR PERHAPS WHEN IT BEGAN MOVING ACROSS THE RADAR SCOPE, FROM NORTHWEST TO SOUTH, AT ABOUT 400-500 KNOTS, COLLINGS SAID HE TRIED TO "TRAIN" THE RADAR ON THE OBJECT, BUT IT ACCELERATED RAPIDLY, EVADING HIS EFFORTS TO LOCK AND TRACK IT ON THE COMPUTER. WHEN HE CAUGHT UP WITH THE OBJECT, IT REVERSED DIRECTION AND STARTED BACK TOWARD PINECASTLE. COLLINS FINALLY LOCKED ON THE OBJECT AFTER IT HAD PRACTICALLY STOPPED MOVING. THE COMPUTER THEN INDICATED 2 KNOTS GROUND VELOCITY. SHORTLY AFTER, THE TARGET BROKE RADAR LOCK, AND COLLINGS SECURED THE RADAR. AT THIS TIME, IT WAS 0020L ON 15 MAY. COLLINS HAS BEEN OPERATING RADAR FOR MOST OF HIS EIGHT YEARS OF

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A TOTAL OF EIGHT NAVAL PERSONNEL VISUALLY OBSERVED THE RED, GREEN AND WHITE LIGHTS OF THE OBJECT FROM THE CONTROL TOWER FOR OVER AN HOUR. TOWARD THE END OF THIS PERIOD, THE LIGHTS WERE OBSERVED TO MOVE SOUTH FOR ABOUT 20 MILES AND THEN RETURN TO THE VICINITY OF THE PINECASTLE RANGE.

H. WEST SOUTHWEST BANK OF LAKE GEORGE NEAR SETTLEMENT OF SILVER GLEN SPRINGS ON STATE HIGHWAY 19 APPROX 5 MILES NORTH OF THE NAVY'S PINECASTLE ELECTRONIC WARFARE RANGE.

K. NONE

Z. INITIAL REPORTS BY PEWR MILITARY PERSONNEL WERE NOT CONSIDERED TO BE PARTICULARLY UNUSUAL OR POSITIVE BUT RATHER INFLUENCED BY TWO UNIDENTIFIED CIVILIAN CALLERS AND ACTIVE CURIOSITY. UNOFFICIAL CONTACT BETWEEN MEDIA AND SERVICEMEN RESULTED IN MEDIA PRESENTING SERVICEMEN'S REMARKS AS AN OFFICIAL NAVY NEWS RELEASE PRIOR TO COMMAND EVEN HAVING DISCUSSED SEQUENCE OF EVENTS WITH SERVICEMEN. OINC PEWR STATES HIS QUOTED STATEMENT WAS INACCURATE AS PRINTED. OPREP NOT SUBMITTED EARLIER AS INITIAL REPORT CONSIDERED HOAX AND WOULD NOT GENERATE SIGNIFICANT PRESS INTEREST IF APPROACHED IN A FACTUAL

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MANNER. PERRY OFFICERS CLARK AND COLLINS ON NORMAL LIBERTY 15 MAY AS A RESULT OF WATCH STANDING. STATEMENTS OF CLARK AND COLLINS TAKEN AFTERNOON OF 16 MAY AT PEWR BUT NOT AVAILABLE TO NAS JAX UNTIL MORNING OF THE 17 MAY DUE TO COMMUNICATION LINE PROBLEM.

ABNORMAL AMOUNT OF PRESS AND TV INTEREST PRESENTLY BEING SHOWN. Z1. LAST OPREP-3 REPORT THIS INCIDENT.

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