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CIA REPORTS ON UFOs OVER SPAIN AND AFRICA, JULY-OCTOBER 1952

The sightings of UFOs over Washington, D.C. during the summer of 1952 were well documented by researchers. They were seen by people on the ground and in various civil and government aircraft. In addition, several radar sites tracked the UFOs, simultaneously. However, little has been said about all the other sightings that were going on around the world at the same time. The following information was taken from CIA Report No. OO-W-24639, dated 24 Nov. 1952, which was a summary of information gained from foreign documents or radio broadcasts. The original classified distribution of the report went to the State Department, Army, Navy and Air Force.

DISKS APPEAR OVER MARRAKECH –Rabat, L’Echo du Maroc, 17 July 1952

Marrakech: At 2100 hours, presumably on 16 July 1952, many people saw a large, luminous disk flying horizontally, with a leaping and bounding motion. Then, there was a burst of light. A second disk of smaller dimensions appeared, going off horizontally toward the southwest. The whole appearance lasted about one minute. From several points of the Marrakech region, luminous disks were seen traveling at a dizzy speed. On 14 July, flying saucers had been seen over the Ifrane region, flying toward Meknes.

LUMINOUS DISK OR BALL SEEN OVER MOULAY BOUSSELHAM – Rabat, L’Echo du Maroc, 5 Aug. 1952

On 2 August 1952, at about 2045 hours, a group of five trustworthy persons saw a luminous disk or ball in the sky over Moulay Bouselham, French Morocco. The object, red in the center and bluish around the edge, flew very rapidly from southeast to northwest, remaining visible for at least 20 seconds before it disappeared over the horizon.

TWO STRANGE FLYING OBJECTS IN SPAIN – Tangier, Espana, 22 Aug 52

Several inhabitants of Puerto Real, 6 kilometers from San Fernando, recently saw two elongated oval objects in the sky approaching each other from opposite directions. When it seemed they were about to collide, each object made a right turn, picked up speed, and then disappeared. The objects flew at great height, seemed lead-gray in color, and appeared to be piloted.

LUMINOUS OBJECT SEEN OVER MALLORCA – Tangier, Espana, 4 Sep 52

On 3 September 1952, late at night, four professors of the Seraphic Seminary in Palma, Mallorca Island, noticed a luminous disk in the sky, traveling from west to east. They said that it could not have been a shooting star and that they were giving the report objectively as possible in its barest details to provide another item for the study of the flying saucer phenomenon.

TWO METEOROLOGISTS SEE SAUCERS IN UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA – Oran, L'Echo d'Oran, 8 Sep 52

On the morning of 6 September 1952, a meteorologist was taking weather observations in Durban, Union of South Africa, when he saw a white object moving smoothly across his field of vision. After two more had appeared and passed in the same manner, he called a co-worker, with whom he observed three more saucers. He was able to follow one with a theodolite, which indicated that the object was at high altitude. It had about the same shape as a weather balloon which was then at an altitude of only 3,500 meters. The spherical objects appeared to be at an altitude above 6,500 meters. Both men have been meteorologists for some time (the second man is the director of the weather bureau at Natal). Their information was written into the records of the local meteorological office.

PILOT GETS CLOSE VIEW OF SAUCER FOR BRIEF INTERVAL – Casablanca, Maroc-Press, 23 Sep 52

The pilot of a tourist plane reports on 21 September 1952, he flew for 10 seconds and about 50 meters in the same direction as the flying saucer so widely observed that day. This former military pilot, whose name is Creze, answered specific questions put to him and gave the following information:

As he was preparing to land at an airfield in Casablanca, at 1825 hours, he noticed the strange object about 30 meters to the left of his plane (a ground mechanic later verified this, as he saw a luminous object fly between himself and the plane). It was flying horizontal from east to west, along the same line of flight as that maintained by Creze. The latter was doing 220 kilometers an hour at the time, at an altitude of 450 meters, and the object was going about twice as fast. He motioned to his passenger, who saw it too. It looked like a bright blue-green flame and had an oblong cigar-like shape. He heard no noise coming from it. After it passed the plane, it disappeared in the direction of the sea. The pilot did not attempt to pursue it, fear the same fate as that of the U.S. pilot Captain Mantell.

REPORT STRANGE OBJECT OVER TANGIER – Le Courrier du Maroc, 22 Sep 52

On 21 September 1952, at 1815 hours, many people at a beach 17 kilometers from Tangier saw toward the south a luminous disk of a diameter close to that of the setting sun, flying horizontally from east to west. After holding its course for about 12 seconds, the disk, which looked like a brightly illuminated metal object, suddenly emitted two great streaks of flames and disappeared. At 1820 hours, a strange object was also seen in the sky over Fes, French Morocco, flying at high speed from east to west.