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The Edwards Air Force Base Encounter

Audiotape from Independent International Pictures Corp., 400 Perrine Rd., Old Bridge, NJ 09957, 1996.

On October 7, 1965, a number of luminous objects appeared in the sky near Edwards Air Force Base, near Lancaster in northern Los Angeles County. For six hours, radar technicians and other military personnel at Edwards and four other bases discussed what they saw. Now declassified, the tapes of those conversations have been electronically cleaned up and skillfully edited into a 54 minute audiotape.

The officers reported witnessing unidentified objects changing colors, sitting stationary in the sky and then shooting straight up very fast. The actual conversations are appropriately broken up with narration to describe what is going on, since considerable jargon sometimes renders segments unintelligible, even when you call hear the words. One of the primary voices during the original event, which was code-named "The Incident," was of Tech. Sgt. Charles Sorrels, who summarizes for listeners what he and his colleagues witnessed that night. They knew all kinds of aircraft and natural phenomena, and the UFOs did not fit anything they were familiar with.

Finally, they decide to get the "UFO officer" out of bed, who makes the decision to scramble some jets. The pilots went up for a closer look and made radar contact with solid objects, and there the mystery ends. What they actually found is still classified. The tapes offer yet more compelling evidence that whatever the phenomenon is, it is not a product of human imagination.

--Scott S. Smith