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Re: Kenneth Arnold's 'Flying Discs

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>From: David Rudiak DRudiak@aol.com
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>Subject: Re: Kenneth Arnold's 'Flying Discs
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>>(You would have to read my report on
>>Arnold to get the details.) Hence Hynek decided that the
>>objects probably were about 50 ft long, fast fighter aircraft ,
>>in which case they were not 20 miles away but only 6 miles away,
>>and traveling not 1,200 or 1,700 mph, but about 400 mph. Hence
>>there was a big contradiction between Arnold's size estimate and
>>Hynek's size "estimate" (really a "preferred size") and so the
>>Air Force took this as indication that Arnold's report was so
>>full of contradictions and errors that it didn't merit further
>>attention. Incidentally, the official AF explanation has nothing
>>to do with Hynek's analysis. According to Project Blue Book
>>files Arnold saw a "mirage!" Now there's a rock-solid bit of
>>logic for you.

>Actually what was full of holes was Hynek's analysis, not
>Arnold's report. Hynek was an astronomer, which may have made
>him an expert on the optics of telescopes and their resolution.
>But he obviously knew nothing about measurement of human visual
>acuity.

<snip>

Thanks for your typically erudite comments on the Arnold case.
It was, of course, Hynek's analysis that was as solid as a swiss
cheese.

The analysis of eyesight capabilities, etc., which you have
presented is contained in each of the two papers I have written
on Arnold: "The Arnold Phenomenon" in the January/February,
March/April and May/June issues of the International UFO
Reporter (IUR) of th Center for UFO Studies and also in The 1997
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