

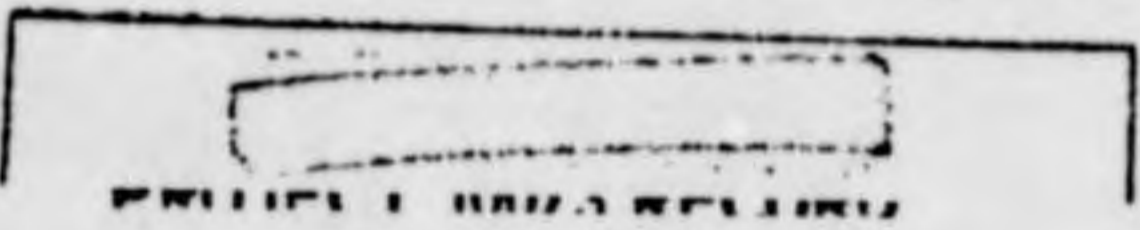
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PROJECT DATE 1949

ATIC NO. _____ DATE OF INFO 21 July 1949
 AF NO. _____ ✓ LOCATION Carswell AFB, Ft. Worth, Tex.
 REPORT NO. _____ SOURCE USAF Officers
 DATE OF REPORT _____ DATE IN TO ATIC _____
 TIME OF REPORTING 2030 CST COLOR Bull White
 DISTANCE _____ SPEED 1000 mph Medium
 ALTITUDE 70 degrees the 15 due North
 COURSE S to N LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED 4 SEC
 NO. IN GROUP 7 in "V" Formation TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground
 MANEUVERS _____
 SKETCHES _____

AFIC Form 329 (1 Jan 52)

other (Birds)



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Incident No. 1

1. Date of Observation 24 Jul 49 Date of Interview 25 Jul 49
2. Exact time of Observation (local) approximately 2030 CST
3. Place of Observation: Over Carswell Air Force Base, Fort Worth, Texas,
(Map Coordinates) 32°47' North, 97°27' West.
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
Backyard of home located at [REDACTED] Arlington Heights, Fort Worth,
Texas.
5. What attracted attention to object: Movement of lights in the sky.
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping: Seven (7) objects
in a 30° "V".
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist
at arms length): The entire formation was as large as the fist
at arm's length.
8. Color of object: Dull white (like a fluorescent dial on a clock).
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):
Unknown.
10. Altitude (angle of elevation above horizon - 0° at horizon, 90° overhead):
First seen at 70° moving to 15° almost due North.
11. Direction from observer (angle clockwise from North):
When first seen? 9 o'clock When last seen? 11 o'clock
12. Distance from observer (distant to town, bldg, etc., over which
object appeared to be): 5 miles.
13. Direction of flight of object (s): From South to North (direction 360°)
14. Time in sight: 4 seconds.
15. Velocity (time to cover given angular distance): 1000 MPH.
16. Sound and odor: None.

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17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.) None.
18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance): Incandescent.
19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):
Not observed.
20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):
None, straight level flying.
21. Manner of disappearance: Faded out gradually.
22. Effect on clouds: No clouds visible.
23. Additional information concerning object: None.
24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:
Clear, starlight only.

Name and address of observer: Major [redacted] Hq & Hq Squadron, Eighth Air Force, Carswell AFB, Ft Worth; Capt [redacted], same address, and Occupation and hobbies: [redacted] residence [redacted] Fort Worth, Texas. Capt [redacted], Pilot; Major [redacted] Radar Observer; Mrs. [redacted] Housewife.

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.): (See page 4).

Major [redacted] has an interim AEC Clearance; he is a Regular Air Force officer and is considered very reliable.

Capt [redacted] has a clearance and a position of unusual trust, is a pilot and is considered very reliable. He is also a Regular Air Force officer.

Mrs. [redacted] is considered very reliable.

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material?

No glasses. Observers were in the open.

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Relative to Radar Sightings

1. Are radars now operating on ground No radar sightings.
 - a. Observations of direction, range, speed, altitude and size of target.
 - b. Did target execute any turns? If so, what angle (180°), etc, and what radius of turn. If radius of turn was not observable, how long did the target stay in the turn and what was its speed?
 - c. Note particularly any separation of distant target into several targets upon approach:
 - d. Was radar blip on cathode ray tube well defined and consistent with size of object; faint; fading, pulsating at regular rate:
 - e. Did radar echo signal disappear suddenly or gradually?
2. If airborne, when object was sighted
 - a. Were there any radar indications or extra noise on radio circuits:
 - b. Give estimates of size, speed, maneuvers, etc:

GENERAL

1. Teletype sequences of local weather conditions: None.
2. Winds aloft report: None

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3. Local flight schedules of commercial, private and military aircraft flying in vicinity at the time;

(Check Canadian activity if close to border)

None.

4. Possible releases of testing devices in vicinity sent aloft by Ordnance, Navy, Air Force, Army, Weather Units, Research Organizations or any other; obtain computed or observed trajectory of device (theodolite, radar readings, etc.) Carswell Air Force Base Weather at 0857 released one balloon, sounding type, 6 feet in diameter, natural color, string 100 feet long with a radio instrument at the end.

5. If object contacted earth, obtain soil samples within and without depression or spot where object landed for purposes of making comparison of soils.

No contact observed.

6. Obtain photographs (or original negatives) where available; if not, secure sketches of: None obtained.

- a. Object
- b. Surrounding terrain where object was observed
- c. Place where object contacted earth (if this happened)
- d. Maneuvers
- e. Formation (if more than two)

7. Secure signed statements. **Attached.**

8. Obtain fragments or physical evidence where possible.
None

Comments of Interrogator:

Report coincides with newspaper wire service story of observation by pilot of seven objects in V Formation flying over Boise, Idaho, the night of 24 July 1949.

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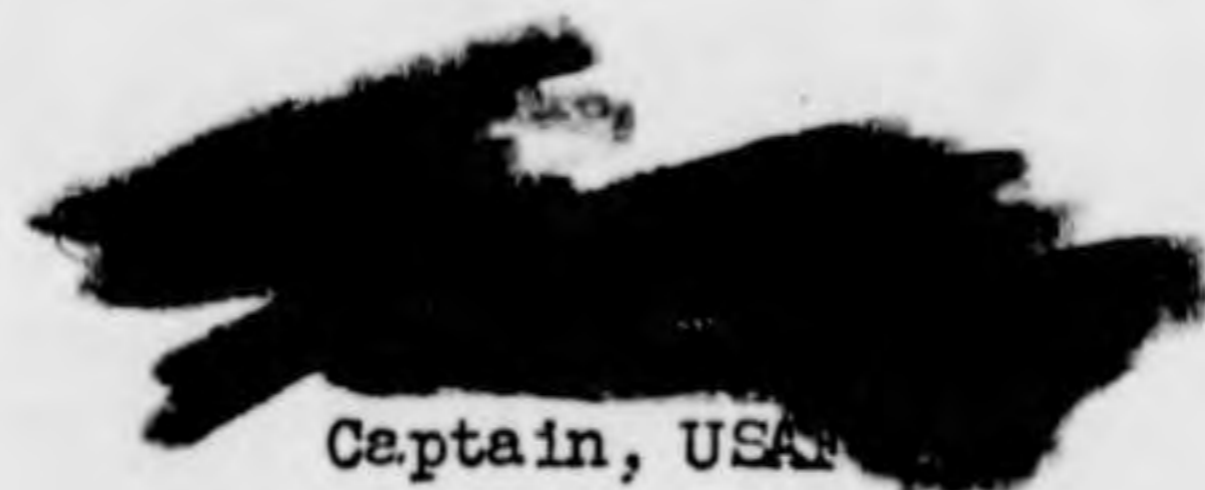
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FORT WORTH, TEXAS
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25 July 1949

STATEMENT

On 24 July 1949 at approximately 2030 hours, my wife called to my attention a flight of several objects flying almost directly over our heads at a phenomenal rate of speed. They were approximately seven in number and were emitting a bluish-white light. I watched their flight from South to North until they disappeared.

I certify that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge:



Captain, USAF

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TENTATIVE
OBSERVERS DATA SHEET

Where Choice is Given, Circle Proper
Answers, or Insert Answer

1. Date of your observation: 26 / 1 / 1950
Day Month Year

2. Date you reported the observation: 25 / 1 / 1950
Day Month Year

3. What time was it when you sighted the object: 2030
Hours Minutes

A.M. P.M. Daylight Standard

Zone: Eastern, Central, Mountain, Pacific, _____
Other

4. Length of time object was observed. Estimate: _____
Hours Minutes Seconds

5. Where observed: (OBJECTS OVER CARSWELL AFB)
ORLINGTON
Postal Address _____ City or Town _____ State TEXAS Country USA

6. Where were you at time of observation:
Inside building, In Car, Outdoors, _____
Other

7. Were you moving at any time during this sighting: No
Yes or No

8. Did you stop at any time during this sighting: _____
Yes or No

9. If you were moving - give _____ and _____ miles per hour.
Direction Speed

10. How was object observed: Naked eye)
Eye glasses
Other glass (Window or Windshield)
Binoculars, Telescope, Theodolite
Other _____

11. How did you happen to notice the object: NOTED MOVEMENT
IN LIGHT IN SKY

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12. Describe what you saw as briefly as possible in the following spaces:

a. Sound WHIRL

b. Shape _____

c. Color WHITE

d. Size _____

e. Number SEVEN (7)

f. Light brightness _____

g. Light color SHINY, WHITE

h. Motion MOVING IN CIRCLES

i. Speed 1000 MPH

j. Other _____

13. How did object disappear from view: Suddenly or (Gradually)
Circle One

14. At any time did the object:

a. Change direction. b. Change speed. c. Move behind something; Cloud, House, Tree, _____
Other

d. Blend with background. e. Decrease in size. f. Decrease in brightness. g. Move in front of something.

h. _____
Other

15. When you first looked at the object, what direction were you facing? _____

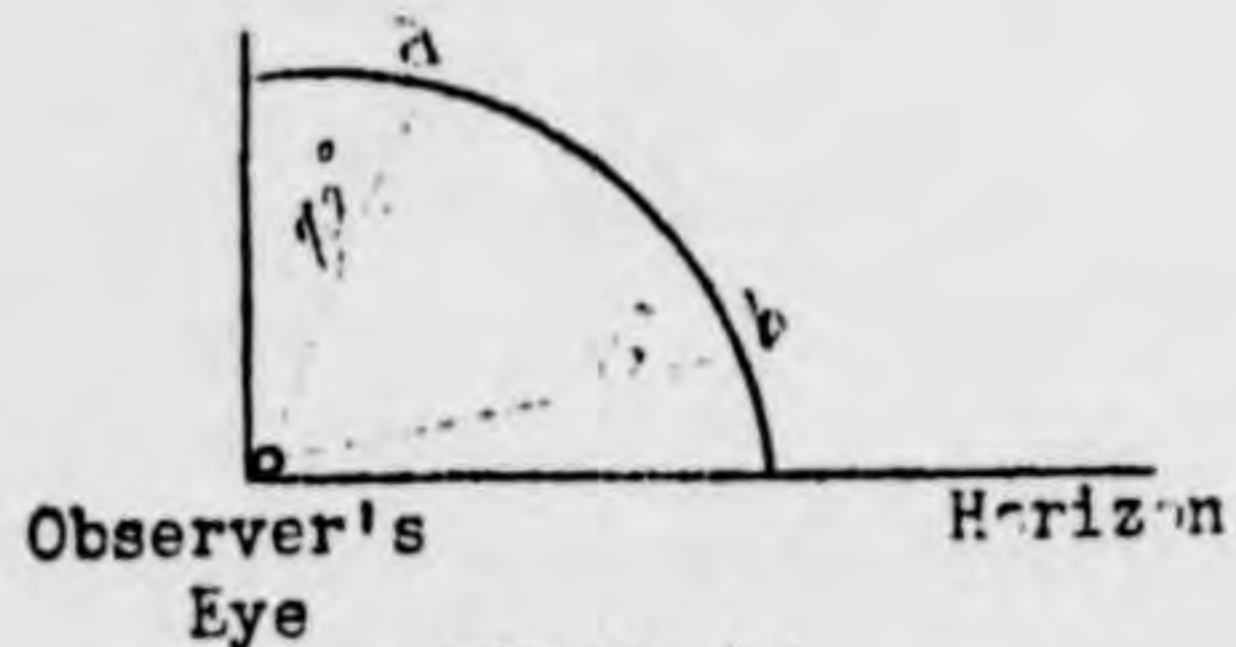
16. When you last saw the object, what direction were you facing? _____

17. In the following Sketch A, draw lines from the observer's eye to the circular arc to show the apparent elevation of the object in the sky.

A. When first seen, label a.

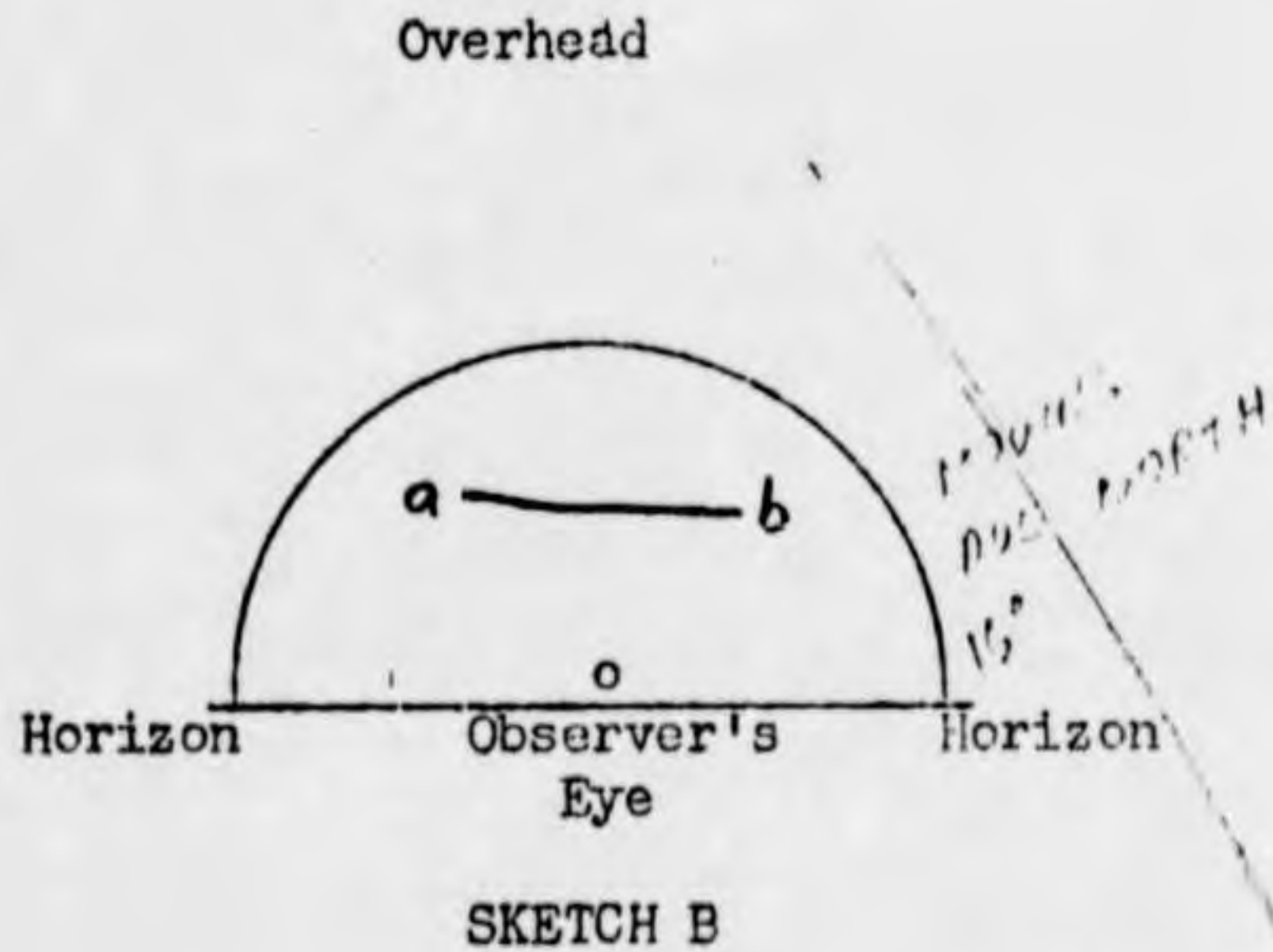
B. When last seen, label b.

Directly Overhead



18. On the following Sketch B, label a at the apparent position of the object when first seen and b at point last seen. Trace the apparent path of the object between points a and b.

If possible label 1, 2, 3, etc., along the traced path to show the successive positions of the object after equal intervals of time during the sighting.



19. In Sketch C please show the observed features of the object such as;

- A. Apparent shape, (were edges pointed or rounded),
- B. Apparent direction of motion (show by arrow), and
- C. Other details, exhaust, trails, tails, surfaces, etc.

SKETCH C

20. The sun and the moon are shown below as they appear in their correct relative size. In this sketch D, show the apparent size of what you saw.

SUN

OBJECT

MOON



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21. In your own words please describe the sighting you observed. Use sketches if desired. All observations from the time of first sighting to the time of disappearance are important. Include a description of the weather, wind, and cloud conditions at the time of this sighting.

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I certify that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge:


Captain, USAF

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22. Your full name: *Major [redacted]* *H/S [redacted]*
23. Your address: *[redacted]*
24. Your occupation: *Pilot*
25. Last school you attended:
26. Year of last attendance at this school:
27. Please list the names and addresses of persons who discussed this sighting with you. It is not necessary to list the names of officials or investigators.

CPT [redacted] - SAME AS MAJOR [redacted]
RAMP OBSERVER

MRS. [redacted] - [redacted] [redacted]
HOUSEWIFE

28. Further comments which you believe are important should be entered here.

Use additional sheets of the same size if necessary.

MAJOR [redacted] IS AN INTERIM [redacted] [redacted]
IS A REGULAR AIR FORCE OFFICER IS COMPLETED
[redacted]

[redacted] HAS A CLEARANCE [redacted]
[redacted] THIS IS A REGULAR [redacted]
[redacted]

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5. What attracted attention to object Movement of lights in sky.
6. Number of objects 7 in 30° v
7. Apparent size Formation as large as fist at arms length.
8. Color of object Dull white (like fluorescent dial on a clock)
9. Shape not stated
10. Altitude First seen at 70° then 15°
11. Direction from observer First seen 270° then 330°
12. Distance from observer 5 Miles
13. Direction of flight of object(s) South to North
14. Time in sight 4 Seconds
15. Speed 1000 MPH
16. Sound and odor None
17. Trail None
18. Luminosity Incandescent
19. Projections None
20. Maneuvers None, straight level flight
21. Manner of disappearance Faded out gradually
22. Effect on Clouds No clouds
23. Additional information concerning object
24. Weather Conditions Clear, starlight only

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Name and address of observer: Maj O [REDACTED], Hq & Hq Sqd 6th AF, Carswell AFB
Fort Worth, Texas

Capt [REDACTED]
Mrs [REDACTED]

Occupation and hobbies:

Radar observer
Pilot
Housewife

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

Considered very reliable

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

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/s/ [REDACTED] Captain, USAF

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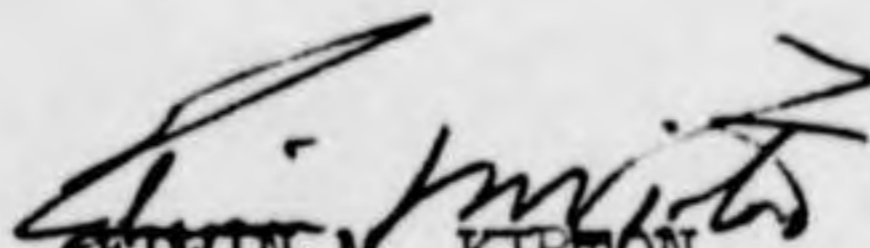
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TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Wright Field, Ohio
ATTN: MCIAXO

In compliance with current directives the attached reports and statements of observers are submitted for your information.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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Objects, with state-
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