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INFO NO. ---

DATE OF INFO 5 March 1950

REP NO. ---

LOCATION Vaughan, J. Mex.

REPORT NO. OSI Report

SOURCE AF Officer and 5 airmen

DATE OF REPORT 22 March 1950

DATE IN TO ATIC ---

TIME OF THE WING 1135 to 1300 MST

COLOR White

SHAPE Round

SPEED 180 - 200 MPH

SIZE Ping pong ball at arm's length

ALTITUDE ---

SOURCE 15°

1 HR.

NO. IN GROUP 1

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED 25 Min.

WITNESS ---

TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground

ANSWER Yes

MOVING ---  
Object was at an elevation of 75°. Was seen for 1 hour 25 minutes until it disappeared from view. Movies of object were taken, but are not in our file.

DEFINITIVE OSI ID #17 SKETCHES ---

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF  
17TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS  
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO

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File No: (24-8) - 26

22 March 1950

**SUBJECT:** UNKNOWN AERIAL PHENOMENA; Sighted by Major WILLIAM J. HAYNOR,  
AO-341555, Air Provost Marshal, Holloman AFB, New Mexico, at  
1135 hours 5 March 1950 at Vaughn, New Mexico  
SPECIAL INQUIRY - Unconventional Aircraft

**TO:** Commanding General  
Air Materiel Command  
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base  
Dayton, Ohio  
ATTN: MCIAKO - 3

1. Reference is made to previous Reports of Investigation from this office, relative to observations of unidentified aerial objects.
2. Attached for your information is one (1) copy of a Report of Investigation by Special Agent Robert R. Johns of this office, dated 22 March 1950, subject as above.
3. Investigation of unidentified aerial objects is continuing, and copies of future reports will be forwarded to your headquarters.

*Doyle Rees*  
DOYLE REES  
Lt Col, USAF  
District Commander

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**REPORT OF INVESTIGATION**

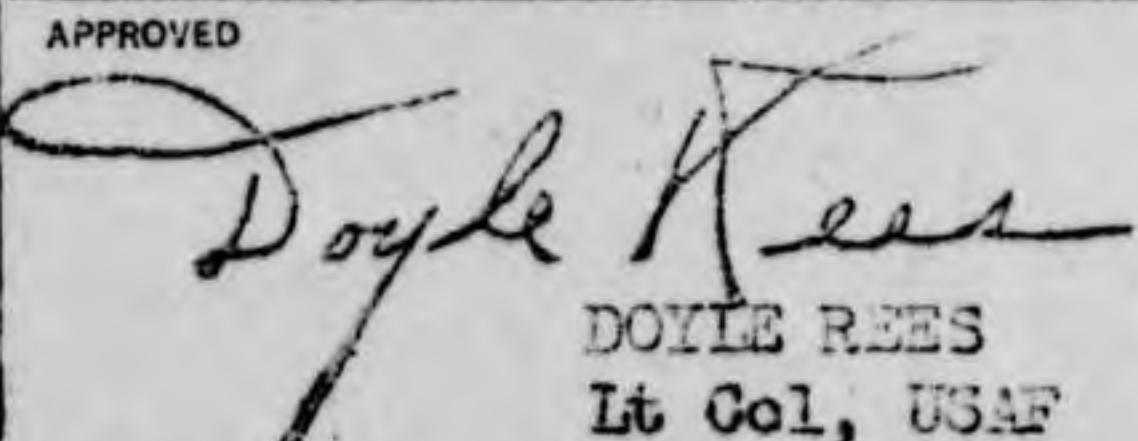
TITLE	FILE NO.	DATE
UNKNOWN AERIAL PHENOMENA	(24-8) - 26	22 March 1950
Sighted by Major WILLIAM J. HAYNOR, AO-341555, Air Provost Marshal, Holloman AFB, New Mexico, at 1135 hours 5 March 1950 at Vaughn, New Mexico	REPORT MADE BY	S/A ROBERT R. JOHNS
	REPORT MADE AT	17th DO, Kirtland AFB
	PERIOD	6, 7, 9 March 1950
	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	17th DO, Kirtland AFB
	STATUS	CLOSED

CHARACTER	SPECIAL INQUIRY - Unconventional Aircraft
REFERENCE	AFCISI Letter No. 85, dtd 12 August 1949; Hq OSI file 24-185

SYNOPSIS	
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This investigation submitted in compliance with AFCSI Letter No. 85, dated 12 August 1949, to report all sightings of unidentified flying objects. Major WILLIAM J. HAYNOR, AO-341555, Air Provost Marshal, Holloman AFB, observed an unusual aerial phenomenon at 1135 hours, 5 March 1950, along with five (5) other witnesses. All pertinent information was obtained from Major HAYNOR and is reported herein. Movie film taken by Photo Lab personnel is retained by District Office No. 17.

PURSUANT TO PAR 11 AFR 205-6 UN-AUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS REPORT IS A VIOLATION OF AFR 205-1

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	 DOYLE REES Lt Col, USAF	
	District Commander.	

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DETAILS:

1. This investigation predicated upon AFCSI Letter No. 85, dated 12 August 1949, to report all sightings of unidentified flying objects.

AT ALAMOGORDO, NEW MEXICO

2. A personal interview was conducted with Major WILLIAM J. HAYNOR concerning the sighting of an unusual aerial phenomenon, at Vaughan, New Mexico, on 5 March 1950, and the following information obtained:

a. Date of sighting: 5 March 1950

b. Time of sighting: 1135 hours to 1300 hours. At 1300 hrs object diminished to such a size that observers ceased looking at it.

c. Where sighted: At Vaughan, New Mexico.

Coordinates:  $105^{\circ} 13' \text{ West}$   
 $34^{\circ} 35' \text{ North}$

Object appeared on an azimuth of approximately  $190^{\circ}$  from true North.

d. Number of objects: One

e. Observable celestial phenomena or planets that may account for the sighting: None

f. Distance of object from observers:

(1) Laterally or horizontally: Approximately 75 to 100 miles away.

(2) Angle of elevation from horizon: Approx.  $75^{\circ}$

(3) Altitude: Unable to estimate.

g. Time in flight: Approximately 1 hour 25 minutes.

h. Appearance of object:

(1) Color: White, no change in color.

(2) Shape: Round, like a ping pong ball.

(3) Apparent construction: Unable to determine.

(4) Size: Ping pong ball held at arms length.

i. Direction of flight: Object traveled on an azimuth of approximately  $195^{\circ}$  from true North.

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- j. Tactics or maneuvers: Straight flight.
- k. Evidence of exhaust: None
- l. Effect on clouds: No clouds.
- m. Lights: Object was a very brilliant light. No other lights visible.
- n. Supports: None visible.
- o. Propulsion: None visible.
- p. Control and stability: Movement of object was not erratic but traveled in a straight line.
- q. Air ducts: None visible.
- r. Speed: Estimated speed of approximately 180 to 200 miles per hour. Object crossed the lens of a Mitchel camera (4" lens) from 10 o'clock to 4 o'clock on the face of the lens in 2 minutes and 55 seconds.
- s. Sound: None
- t. Manner of disappearance: at 1300 hrs object had diminished in size to such an extent that further observation proved useless.
- u. Notes relative to observer:
- (1) Name: Major WILLIAM J. HAYNOR, AC-341555
  - (2) Address: 3024 Air Police Squadron, Holloman AFB.
  - (3) Occupation: Air Provost Marshal, Holloman AFB.
  - (4) Place of business: Holloman-Air Force Base, New Mexico
  - (5) Pertinent hobbies: Fishing and hunting.
  - (6) Ability to determine: Above average.
  - (7) Reliability of observer: Very reliable.
  - (8) Former sightings: Yes, on 18 February 1950.
- (9) Witnesses:

M/Sgt Gerald E. Holmes, AF-13002572  
Sgt. Harold L. Brooks, AF-35527774  
Sgt. Calvin R. Porter, AF-13262956

The above personnel are professional photographers assigned to the Holloman AFB Photo Section and are the persons who took the inclosed movie film.

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Witnesses (Continued)

S/Sgt Martin K. Boone, AF-12181101, Air Policeman  
TDY Vaughan, New Mexico.

Mr. David W. Smith, Box 251, East Vaughan, N. M.  
Employed by the Glenn L. Martin Aircraft Co.

3. The following agencies could offer no logical explanation for the subject object: Electronics & Atmospheric Branch, Holloman AFB; Weather Detachment, Holloman AFB. The one negative which is inclosed herein is designated for Headquarters OSI, as the Commanding Officer, Holloman AFB, and Wright-Patterson AFB will have access to the original film which is maintained at the Base Photo Lab, Holloman AFB.

Inclosures:

FOR HQ, OSI

1. Negative of the movie film taken of the subject object at Vaughan, New Mexico, on 5 March 1950.

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