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ATIC NO. - - -

DATE OF INFO ²⁰ July 1950

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✓ LOCATION Detroit, Mich

REPORT NO. - - -

SOURCE Newspaper Report (Girl Scouts 12-14 yrs)

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DATE IN TO ATIC - - -

TIME OF SIGHTING 2200

COLOR Brilliance

SHAPE Cigar or Zeppelin

SPEED - - -

SIZE - - -

ALTITUDE - - -

COURSE - - -

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED - - -

NO. IN GROUP 1 or 2

TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground

NOISE "ROARED"

MANEUVERS Roared toward individuals, broke in two and then pieces rejoined.

PHOTOS - - - SKETCHES - - -

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY
1660 EAST HYDE PARK BOULEVARD
CHICAGO 15, ILLINOIS

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10 August 1950

SUBJECT: Unidentified Object

TO : Commanding General
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MOI

1. In compliance with letter, Department of the Army, GSUSA, CSGID 452.1, dated 25 March 1948, subject; Unconventional Aircraft, control number A-1917, the following information is hereby submitted.

"Detroit Free Press" - 22 July 1950 *Sat.*

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"SHAPED LIKE A STOGIE - 6 Girls Report Seeing 'Something' in the Sky—Six Southfield Township Girl Scouts reported that while they were sitting about the campfire at Camp Heap Squawking Squaw at 10 p.m. Thursday they suddenly saw an awesome brilliance in the sky.

"Their Scout leaders, Mrs. Lewis Whitmarsh and Mrs. Virginia Stutzman, said they saw it, too.

"The girls said the terrifying radiance was shaped like a cigar or a zeppelin. They said it roared toward them and broke in two. Then, they said, the two pieces rejoined.

"The girls are Tana Lopez, Claudette Moore, Bonnie Michaels, Donna Krampetz and Beth and Carol Ann Whitmarsh, all in the 12-to-14 age group. 'I was scared,' said Tana. 'It was just like the sun at noon.' 'It was awfully exciting,' Claudette added. 'I thought it was coming right at me.'

"Mrs. Whitmarsh and Mrs. Stutzman said the girls ran for cover when it looked like the 'thing' was going to crash. They said it vanished as suddenly as it came.

"Neither the girls nor the leaders thought it looked much like what a flying saucer is supposed to look like.

"In nearby Franklin Village, Mrs. Dick Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Benton also reported seeing the radiance but could not attest to its stogie shape.

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"Camp Hesp Squawking Squaw is located in Smitherman Park on Tarleton Road."

2. No further investigation is contemplated by this headquarters.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:



INNES RANDOLPH
Lt Colonel, GSO
Acting AO of S, G-2

~~Mock Air Attacks~~ Start Rumors Of Flying Saucers^{August}

SELFRIDGE FIELD, Mich., Aug. 1.—(UP)—The Air Force gave its explanation today to reports of "huge bombers" launching flying saucers over Michigan.

In answer to repeated reports of air-launched saucers, an Air Force spokesman said they were really F-86 Saber jet fighters attacking B-36 bombers in mock raids on Detroit.

He said the B-36's were "attacking" Detroit in routine training exercises from a Texas Air Force Base. The jet interceptors, which look like saucers because of their swept-back wings, were from Selfridge, Oscoda, Mich., and Chicago, he said.

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