

1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION
Feb 53 1229Z	Finland, Minn.
3. SOURCE	10. CONCLUSION
Radar	RADAR INTERFERENCE
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	ATIC electronics specialists view this is caused by interference from another radar station.
One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
	Object appeared on radar scope at a heading of 155° at 140 miles. Object appeared on scope as being twice the size of one a/c.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	
Ground-Radar	
7. COURSE	
8. PHOTOS	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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DATE: 12 Feb 53

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756TH AIRCRAFT CONTROL AND WARNING SQUADRON

Finland, Minnesota

INITIALS: *RJW*

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12 February 1953

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SUBJECT: Radar Observation Data Sheet

TO: Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio

Under the provisions of ADCR 200-5, 20 October 1952, the
inclosed Radar Observation Data Sheet is submitted.

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ADC Form 123

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I. QUESTIONS CONCERNING IDENTIFIED EQUIPMENT

1. What type radar equipment is involved?

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2. Has there been any recent maintenance difficulties? If so, describe.

No

3. What type modulator (i.e., spark gap, mercury tube, etc.) is used in the radar equipment?

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4. Was the AFC (automatic frequency control) circuit of the receiver operating properly?

YES

5. Has interference from another radar set been observed recently, and are personnel familiar with the effects caused by an interfering signal?

NO

6. What type indicators, "A scope", "B scope", etc., were used to follow the target?

P.P.I.

7. What was the radar scan rate?

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8. What was the approximate frequency of the transmitter?

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II. GENERAL QUESTIONS

1. What were the general weather conditions at the time unidentified target was observed?

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2. What weather data from nearby U.S. weather stations is available on temperature vs. altitude, humidity vs. altitude, and wind velocity vs. altitude?

10 DLH - CLR 15 VISIBILITY -2 TEM. DEW POINT 6 WINDS WEST NORTH WEST 8

3. Was the target observed by any other nearby radar equipment? If so, give details.

NO TO OUR KNOWLEDGE

4. Are the operator and his supervisor familiar with the effects of anomalies (such as clutter, false alarms, etc.) on this type radar?

YES

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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1. Do you think it possible that the target was a balloon or kite, and if so, why? [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

NO

2. What kind of weather conditions were present at the time of the sighting?
RAIN SHOWING CLOUDS NO EFFECTS ON LIGHTING.

NO

NO

3. Do you believe there was any possibility of a man-made object? [REDACTED]

NO

4. Did you have anyone with you who could identify the target as a man-made object? YES, LT. KENFIELD,
S/SGT. DUFFY AND OPERATOR A/2c CLINE. ~~OPINION UNKNOWN OR A FLYING SAUCER.~~

5. Did you record "final" data of the target positions as they appeared on the indicator? If so, attach to this report. (Plot on back of page 1.)
NO

6. At what range, azimuth, altitude, and time was the target observed?

155 DEGREES AT 140 MILES ALTITUDE UNK. ESTIMATED 15 ANGELS - TIME 1229Z

7. Do the targets appear to also contain a number of small aircraft elements?
THE BLIP OF TWO(2) AIRCRAFT

CONSISTENT SIZE

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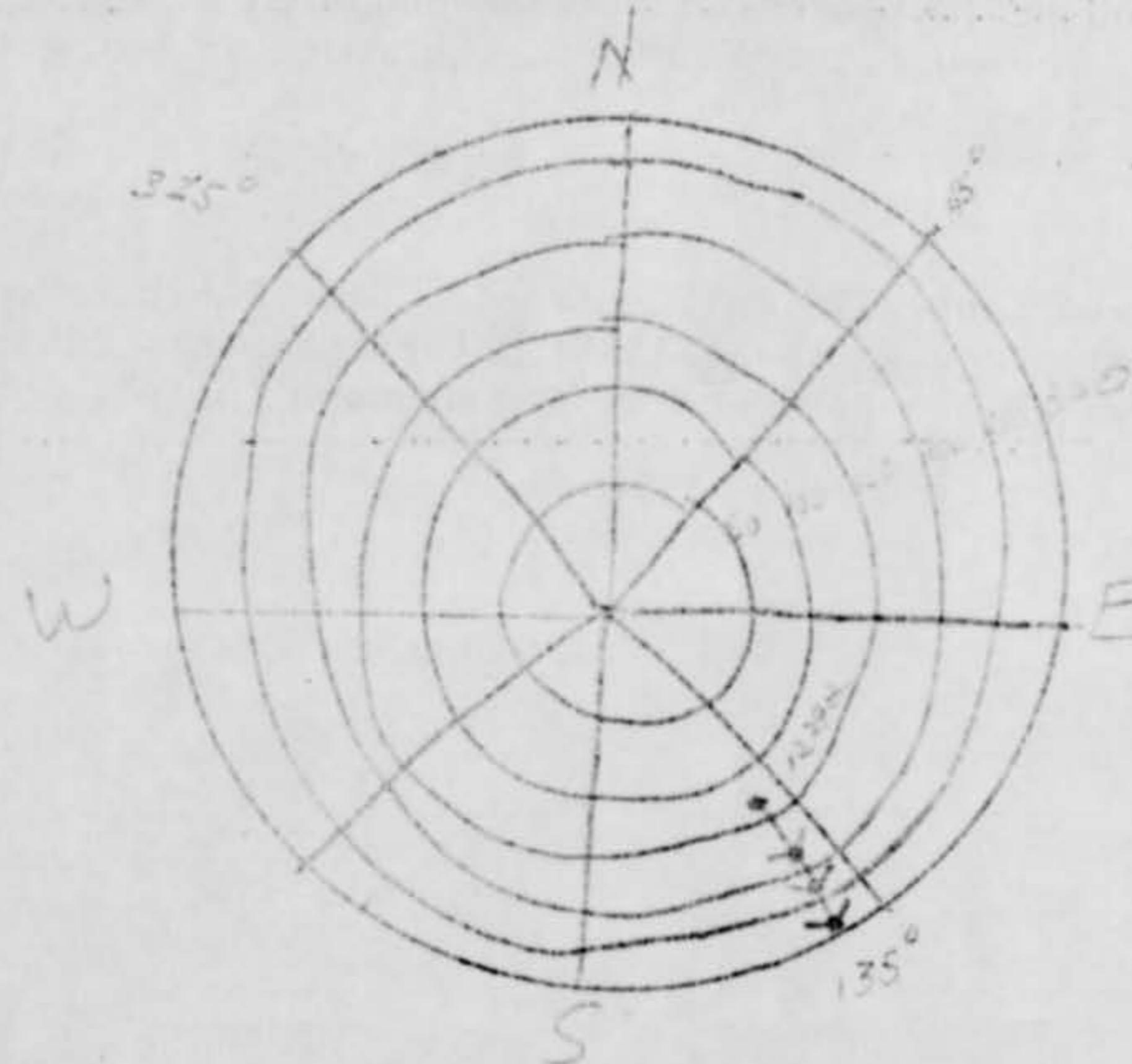
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CLEAR & SHARP

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8. What other (aircraft) targets were observed in the same general area, altitude, and time as that of the unknown target? [REDACTED]

NONE



1229Z OF INITIAL
1229Z PLUS 48 SECONDS

RANGE - 140 MILES

AZIMUTH 155 DEGREES

CONTROLLER - 1ST LT. KENFIELD

INSTRUCTIONS: PLOT TRACK OF TARGET, INDICATE RANGE AND AZIMUTH. GIVE TIME AT START
AND END OF TRACK.

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Finland, Minnesota

February 1953

I. Description of Incident

At 0629 CST an unknown object appeared on a radar scope on a heading of 155° at the 140° mile range. The object appeared on the scope as being twice the size of an ordinary aircraft.

II. Discussion of Incident

The radar station involved sent ATIC an Electronics Data Sheet covering the sighting and from this, electronics specialists determined that interference from another radar station caused the presence of the unknown "blip". No visual observation was made at any time.

III. Conclusion

Interference.

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