

<b>1. DATE - TIME GROUP</b> 26 July 53 26/1900Z	<b>2. LOCATION</b> Deer Creek Springs, Nevada
<b>3. SOURCE</b> Civilians	<b>10. CONCLUSION</b> BALLOON
<b>4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS</b> One	Object appears to be an UAR balloon. Balloon rising over Nevada at
<b>5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION</b> 1 hour	<b>11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS</b> Silver color object approx 100 ft diameter trailed by slight
<b>6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION</b> Visual-visual	whitish vapor released intermittently. Observers stopped
<b>7. COURSE</b> Stationary	watching for approx 5 minutes that could not locate object
<b>8. PHOTOS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	again. Object did not move except for slight wavering.
<b>9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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CIRVIS FLYOBRPT. IN COMP WITH AFL 289-59 THIS MSG IN SIX PARTS.  
PART ONE. UNIDENTIFIED OBJ, ROUND AND APPROX 132 FT IN DIAMETER.  
BRIGHT SILVER COLOR TRAILED BY SLIGHT WHITISH VAPOR RELEASED  
INTERMITTENTLY. ONLY ONE, AND DID NOT MOVE FROM POSITION WHILE BEING  
OBSERVED EXCEPT SLIGHT WAVERING FROM SIDE TO SIDE. OBJECT HAD NO SOUND.  
OBSERVERS STOPPED WATCHING FOR APPROX FIVE MINUTES AND THEN TRIED TO  
LOCATE IT AGAIN AND FOUND IT HAD DISAPPEARED. PART TWO. OBSR AT 1133  
HRS PST 26 JULY 1953 FOR APPROX HOUR. PART THREE. VISUAL AT APPROX  
75,000 FT WITH SEVEN AND TEN POWER BINOCULARS. PART FOUR. PSN OF

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OBSERVERS WAS 116 DEGREES 22 MIN NORTH LONGITUDE, 36 DEGREES 29 MIN  
EAST LATITUDE. LOCATION OF OBJECT WAS 116 DEGREES 17 MIN NORTH LONGITUDE,  
36 DEGREES 25 MIN EAST LATITUDE, NORTHWEST FROM THE OBSERVERS AT APPROX  
30 MILE DISTANCE. PART FIVE. WEA CAVO, WEATHER STATION RELEASED BALLOON  
AT 1133, 26 JUL 53, AND TRACKED FOR 40 MINUTES. PART SIX. OBSERVATIONS MADE  
BY GEORGE L WEINGARTEN, 4 D LINCOLN STREET, CARVER PARK, NEVADA,  
CIVILIAN WORKER IN AERO MAINTENANCE AT NELLIS AFB NEV, AND ROBERT R  
[REDACTED] CARVER PARK, NEVADA, CIVILIAN WORKER IN AERO

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*Memorandum*

COUNTRY **United States**

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**AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT**

SUBJECT **FLIGHT**

AREA REPORTED ON  
**Deer Creek Springs, Nevada**

FROM (Agency)  
**Group Intelligence, Nellis AFB, Nevada**

DATE OF REPORT  
**29 July 1953**

DATE OF INFORMATION  
**26 July 1953**

EVALUATION  
**3-3**

PREPARED BY (Officer)  
**Captain G. E. Miller, Jr., Op Intel Off**

SOURCE  
**[REDACTED]**

REFERENCES (Control number, director, previous report, etc., as applicable)  
**In compliance with AFM 300-5, dated 29 April 1952**

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)

On 27 July 1953, I interviewed Mr. [REDACTED] and Mr. [REDACTED] civilians working in the Aero Maintenance Section, Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada, concerning an unidentified flying object. These men were together when they observed this object and their versions of the appearance of the object are virtually the same.

These men were having a picnic at Deer Creek Springs, Nevada, on Sunday, 26 July 1953. However, the two men were in different camps approximately 100 yards apart. Mr. [REDACTED] was the first to observe the object and after looking at it for a few minutes, contacted Mr. [REDACTED] together observed it for about an hour. Although the object could be seen with the naked eye, most of the observing was done with the aid of two pairs of binoculars, one 7 power and one 10 power. Their description of the object is substantially as follows:

The object appeared to be at a tremendous height. The men estimated 70,000 feet but when questioned they could offer no reason for this estimate. They also estimated its size as large, possibly 100 feet in diameter, but again could give no reason for their estimate. The object was to the northwest of their observation point but so high that it necessitated holding their heads back and looking almost straight up in order to observe it. They both agreed on the following points: That the object was round and flat resembling the shape of a meniscus lens. It was bright silver metallic in color and reflected the rays of the sun brilliantly at times. It seemed to turn on its own axis while remaining in one spot, at times showing just the side view and again showing a top or bottom view. A slight whitish vapor was seen at times near the object but observers could not indicate its source.

The two men finally got tired of watching the object and were relaxing for a few minutes and upon resuming their observation discovered the object had disappeared.

Both men seemed to be sincere and reliable. This officer can give no logical explanation of the object since no weather balloons or aircraft from this area were airborne at that time.

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REPORT NO.

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At eleven hundred on the 28th of July 1953, we were having a picnic at a camp site on Deer Creek in the Spring Mountains, My brother-in-law, Chester Anderson was looking at the clouds when he spotted a light speck which he asked me to look at through my binoculars which are fairly powerful, being 10 power. It was round at times appearing to get flatter at others. It seemed to be revolving such as a disk night. The object seemed to have a darker surface on the top, such as a hat with a shallow crown. It was bright as new metal and at times I noticed a vapor, mist or some such substance on one side of the object. The object stayed in one spot for about an hour; the last time I looked I didn't see it.

I had two pairs of binoculars with me and observed the object thru both pairs, one being 10 power and the other 7 power. After looking for a while at the object, I went up to another camp, about 100 yards away and showed it to a friend of mine, George Weingarten. The object seemed to be around 75,000 feet altitude, and located west of Deer Creek Spring.

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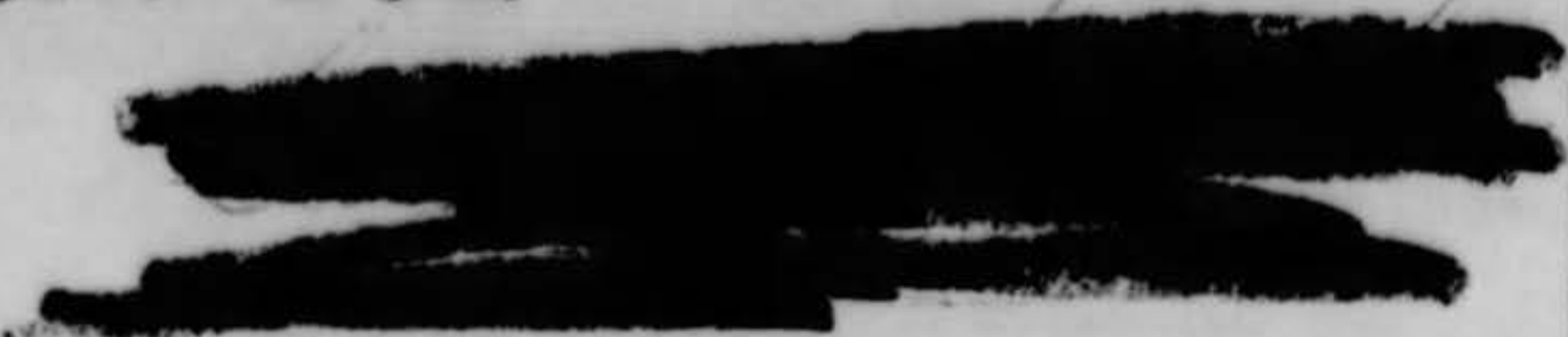
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Yesterday, 28 July 1953, at approximately 1100 A.M., at Deer Creek Springs, Nevada, I saw a flying object which I could not identify.

I could see it with my naked eye as a small shiny object and I brought it into more detail with a pair of 20 power binoculars. The object maneuvered by turning and swinging around while staying in one spot where I observed it for thirty minutes. I would judge it to be about 70 or 75 thousand feet in a north westerly direction from where I stood. I stopped looking for about five minutes and when I looked up again it was gone.



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The ATIC needs the following information for its Project Blue Book: Was there any type upper air research balloon in the Nellis AFB, Nevada, area at 26 1900Z Jul 53? Unidentified aerial object was observed near Nellis AFB that was round and approximately 100 feet in diameter, bright silver color, trailed by slight whitish vapor released intermittently. Location of object was 116 deg 10 min N - 36 deg 25 min E, sighted northwest from observers at approximately 30 miles distance, estimated altitude of object was 75,000 feet.

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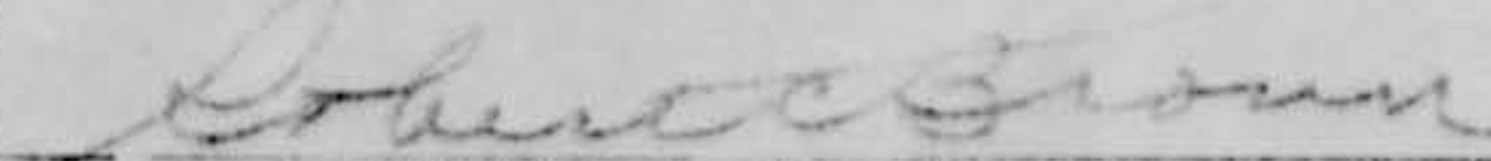
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26 July 1953

Nellis AF Base, Nevada

Description

Two civilians who work in the Aero Maintenance Section at Nellis AF Base were on a picnic at Deer Creek Springs, Nevada, when they saw an unidentified flying object that was estimated to be 100 feet in diameter and at an altitude of 70,000 feet. The object was silvery metallic in color and reflected the rays of the sun brilliantly at times. The object was observed for a period of one hour with both ten power and seven power binoculars.

Discussion

Reporting officer stated in his report that there were no weather balloons or aircraft in the area at the time of the sighting. A check was made with the upper air research balloon tracks received from Lowry AF Base revealing that there was very probably a balloon over that area at the time of this sighting.

Conclusion

Probably balloon (upper air research).

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