

<b>1. DATE - TIME GROUP</b> 19 November 63 19/1031	<b>2. LOCATION</b> Panama City, Florida
<b>3. SOURCE</b> Civilian	<b>10. CONCLUSION</b> BALLOON
<b>4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS</b> One	(Discrepancy in time of report). Description of object and flight consistent with balloon observation.
<b>5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION</b> 5 minutes	<b>11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS</b>  Bright aluminum colored flat object approached Navy Station, descending at about a 30 deg angle (object remained at a horizontal level at all times) from direct N, stopped over the station for approx one min., then flew around the station and started climbing at about a 30 deg angle in the direction it had approached from. Upon reaching the approx location where it was first observed, the object stopped and then disappeared by climbing straight up.
<b>6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION</b> Ground-Visual	
<b>7. COURSE</b> Varied	
<b>8. PHOTOS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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/ [REDACTED] D/G-936L UFOB.

- (1) DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT
- (A) LARGE LIKE A FLAT WATER TANK
- (B) IN SIZE IT APPEARED TO THE OBSR LARGER THAN A B-29 ACFT.
- (C) COLOR WAS A BRIGHT ALUMINUM.
- (D) NUMBER NEGATIVE
- (E) FORMATION NEGATIVE
- (F) DISCERNIBLE FEATURES NEGATIVE
- (G) TAIL TRAIL OR EXHAUST NEGATIVE
- (H) SOUND NEGATIVE

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- (1) PERTINENT OR UNUSUAL FEATURES NEGATIVE
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(C) UPON DISAPPEARANCE ANGLE OF ELEVATION WAS 30 DEGREE AT 360 DEGREE AZIMUTH.

(D) OBJECT APPROACHED THE NAVY STA DESCENDING AT ABOUT A 30 DEGREE ANGLE (OBJECT ITSELF REMAINED AT A HORIZONTAL LEVEL AT ALL TIMES) FROM DIRECT NORTH STOPPED OVER THE STA FOR APRX ONE(1) MINUTE THEN FLEW AROUND THE STA AND STARTED CLIMBING AT ABOUT A 30 DEGREE ANGLE IN THE DIRECTION(NORTH)IT HAD APPROACHED FROM. UPON REACHING THE APRX LOC WHERE IT WAS FIRST OBSERVED THE OBJECT STOPPED. ALTS OF SIGHTIN ESTD AT BETWEEN 7,000 TO 10,000 FT.

(E) AFTER STOPPING THE OBJECT WENT STRIAIGHT UP AND DISAPPEARED.

(F) LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT WAS APRX FIVE(5) MINUTES.

(3) MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(A) GRD VISUAL

(B) NO OPTICAL AIDS WERE USED

(C) NEGATIVE

(4) TIME AND DT OEF SIGHTING:

(A) 1230Z 19 NOV 53.

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(B) LIGHT CONDITIONS : DAY

(5) LOC OF OBSR: 30 DEGREES 8° N 85 DEGREES RTJW

(6) IDENTIFYING INFO OF OBSR:

(A) CIVILIAN [REDACTED] SE 31 MAILING ADDRESS [REDACTED]

ANDREWS STATION PANAMA CITY FLORIDA. OCCUPATION: ASS'T FIRE CHIEF. EST

OF RELIABILITY: MR [REDACTED] APPEARED VERY SOBER SINCERE AND VERY SERIOUS

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(B) AIR WEA SERVICE(TYNDALL AFB FLA: 0630 00 NOV 53, REPT OF WINDS  
ALOFT NOT AVAL.

(C) CEILING: SCATTERED LAYER 12,000 FT

(D) VISIBILITY :10 MILES

(E) AMT OF CLOUD COVER 0.2

(F) NO THUNDERSTORMS IN AREA

(G) NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY OR CONDITION METEOROLOGICAL ASTRONOMICAL OR  
OTHERWISE REPTD IN AREA.

(9) NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE OF SIGHTING AVAL.

(10) NO INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION WAS TAKEN

(11) THERE WERE SEVENTEEN (17) TYNDALL ACFT FLYING IN LOC AREA AT TIME  
OF SIGHTING. LOC RADAR REPTS NO UNIDENTIFIED SIGHTING AT 1230Z 19 NOV53.

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### AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT Unidentified Flying Object (UFOB)
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AREA REPORTED ON Florida	FROM (Agency) Intelligence Office, Tyndall AFB, Florida
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DATE OF REPORT 27 November 1953	DATE OF INFORMATION 19 November 1953	EVALUATION
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PREPARED BY (Officer) M/Sgt. Oscar R. Lopez	SOURCE Mr. [REDACTED]
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REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

AF Reg 200-2 (UFOB)

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.)

At about 06:15 on 19 November Mr. [REDACTED], Assistant Fire Chief at the US Naval Mine Countermeasures Station, Panama City, Florida, saw in the air what appeared to be a very large, round and flat metallic object. The object approached the Station from directly NORTH, stopped over the station, then flew around the station and headed NORTH and stopped again where it was first observed then flew straight up and disappeared. No sound was heard. Mr. Wells stated that he had always laughed at Flying Saucer stories, but that now he was convinced, after what he saw, that there is such a thing.

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- Office Memo fr CO, USNMCS
- Statement fr [REDACTED]

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(1) Description of the object:

- (a) Large, like a flat water tank.
- (b) In size it appeared to the observer larger than a B-29 aircraft.
- (c) Color was a bright aluminum.
- (d) Number - negative.
- (e) Formation - negative.
- (f) Discernible features - negative.
- (g) Tail, trail or exhaust - negative.
- (h) Sound - negative.
- (i) Pertinent or unusual features - negative.

(2) Description of course of objects:

- (a) A glaring reflection overhead called the attention of the observer.
- (b) When first observed the angle of elevation was 30° at 360° azimuth.
- (c) Upon disappearance angle of elevation was 30° at 360° azimuth.
- (d) Object approached the Navy Station descending at about a 30° angle (object itself remained at a horizontal level at all times) from direct NORTH, stopped over the station for approximately one (1) minute, then flew around the station and started climbing at about a 30° angle in the direction (NORTH) it had approached from. Upon reaching the approximate location where it was first observed, the object stopped. Altitudes of sighting estimated at between 7,000 to 10,000 feet.
- (e) After stopping the object went straight up and disappeared.
- (f) Length of time in sight was approximately five (5) minutes.

(3) Manner of observation:

- (a) Ground - visual
- (b) No optical aids were used
- (c) Negative

(4) Time and date of sighting:

- (a) 1230Z 19 Nov 53
- (b) Light conditions: day

(5) Location of observer: 30° 8' N, 85° 45' W

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(6) Identifying information of observer:

(a) Civilian [redacted] age 31, mailing address - [redacted] Andrews Station, Panama City, Florida. Occupation: Assistant Fire Chief. Estimate of reliability: Mr. [redacted] appeared very sober, sincere and very serious about the matter, however, he was very poor at judging altitude distances.

(7) Weather and wind aloft conditions at time and place of sighting:

(a) Observer states weather was clear with scattered white clouds and there was no wind at ground level.

(b) Air Weather Service (Tyndall AFB, Florida): 0630 19 Nov 53, Report of winds aloft not available.

(c) Ceiling: scattered layer @ 12,000 feet.

(d) Visibility: 10 miles

(e) Amount of cloud cover: 0.2

(f) No thunderstorms in area.

(8) No unusual activity or condition, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise reported in area.

(9) No physical evidence of sighting available.

(10) No interception or identification action was taken.

(11) There were seventeen (17) Tyndall aircraft flying in local area at time of sighting. Local radar reports no unidentified sighting at 1230Z 19 Nov 53.

(12) Report prepared by M/Sgt. Oscar R. Lopez, NCOIC, Wing Intelligence Office, Tyndall AFB, Florida. It is the opinion of the preparing NCO that since there were seventeen (17) local aircraft airborne at time of sighting, that visibility was ten (10) miles and that upon interrogation Mr. [redacted] proved to be a very poor judge of altitude distances, that the sighting was probably a local aircraft.

APPROVED:

DANIEL A. SIMS  
Lt. Col., USAF  
Wing Operations Officer

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