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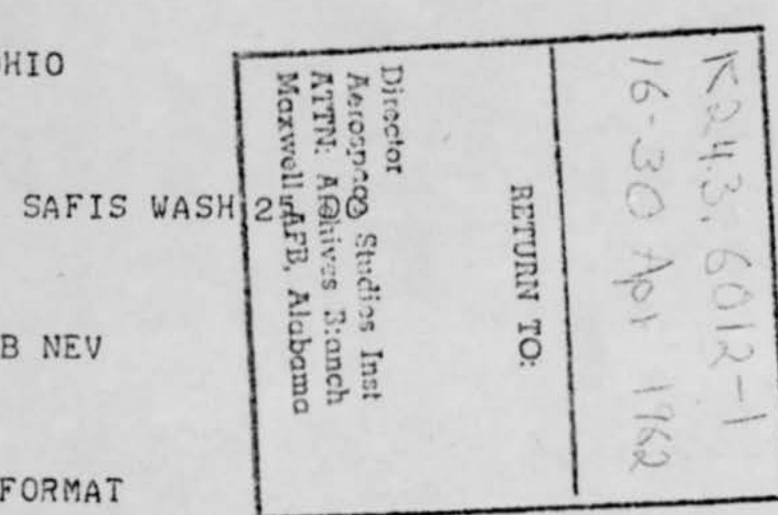
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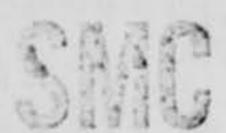
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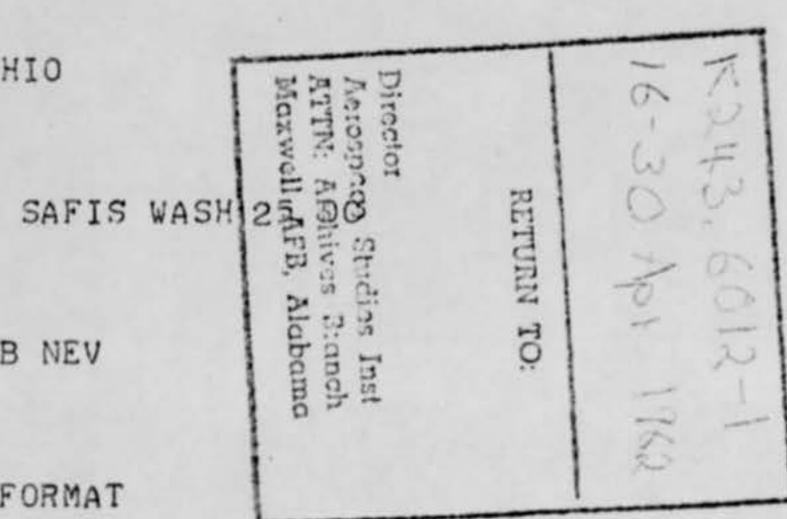
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- (8) NONE
- (9) NONE
- B. (1) REPORT FROM NELLIS AFB WEATHER STATION
- (2) AZIMUTH 060 DEGREES NO ELEVATION
- (3) AZIMUTH 105 DEGREES, ALTITUDE 10,800 FEET.
- (4) NE HEADING APPROX 050 DEGREES
- (5) INSTANTLY TO THE SOUTH
- (6) THRITY-TWO MINUTES
- C. (1) GROUND ELECTRONIC, AN/FPS20 SEARTH, AN/FPS 26 HEIGHT
- (2) NONE
- (3) NO
- D. (1) 2335Z, 19 APR 62
- (2) NIGHT
- E. 36 19'07''N 115 34'30''W
- F. (1) NONE
- (2) KENNETH A. COLATRUGLIO, A2C 865 RADAR SQ, OPERATIONS. RELIABLE.
- G. NONE
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. UNKNOWN
- K. DWIGHT S. RANNEY, CAPTAIN, USAF C& E OFFICER, 865 RADAR SQ.
- H.IP SIGHTING WAS IN APPROX AREA OF WEATHER STATION REPORT. NO OTHER AIRCRAFT OR BLIPS IN GENERAL VICINITY.
- L. NEGATIVE. SCOPE CAMERA NOT OPERATINGIOBTIME OF SIGHTING.

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REPLY TO

ATTN OF ADCIO-P

SUBJECT Request for Information



secretary of the Air Force (SAFOI-3C) Wash 25 DC

In accordance with paragraph 8, AFR 200-2, Subject: Unidentified Flying Objects, the attached correspondence is forwarded for your action.

FOR THE COMMANDER

KATHLEEN M. BERRY

Lt. Colonel, USAF Executive Officer

Directorate of Information

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Ltr from Louis Trifon, dtd

31 Aug 62

Evaluated. Doita Track characteristics - (4-2 High Ballown) 19APR 0335 Z Cupt Dunght
Reporting Ranning roder Sydn. August 31, 1962 This of Public Unformation Un Defense Command Colorado Apringo, Colorado Dear Lines); This letter is in reference to the sighting of a brilliant officet (UFO?) at or near the Nevada testing site on april 18, 1962. Your spokesman, It. Col. Herbert Rolpsh, said that jets had been scrambled to intercept the object. The oppicial spokesman at Wellis AFB, in reply to the meteor explanation, said: There's only one thing whong with that - a meter Capanot be tracked on radar and this thing was. I would like the official AF answer as to whether the object was a UFO. Furthermas, I would like a confirmation as to whether or not the object was destroyed with a nuclear weapon. Thanks inadvance for your Cooperation Respectfully yours,

September 21, 1962

Dear Mr.

The official records of the Air Force list the 18 April 1962 Mevada sighting to which you refer as "unidentified, insufficient data." There is an additional note to the effect that "the reported track is characteristic of that registered by a U-2 or a high balloon but there is insufficient data reported to fully support such an evaluation." The phenomena reported was not intercepted or fired upon.

Sincerely,

C. R. HART Major, USAF Public Information Division Office of Information

