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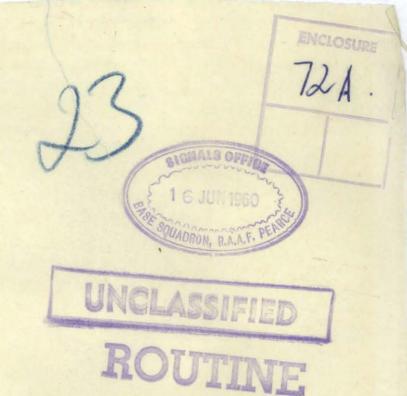
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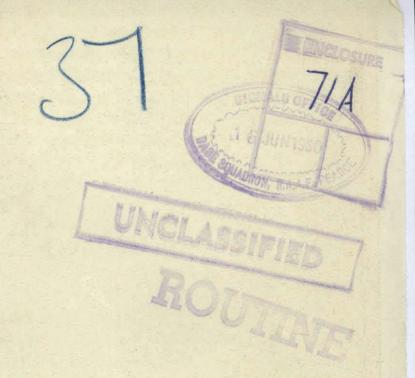
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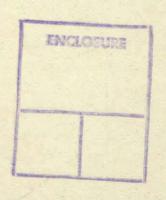
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POLICE DEPARTMENT, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

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PERTH, W.A. 4th December, 19 57.

Air Officer Commanding, R.A.A.F. Station, PEARCE. Dear Sir,

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The object seen was clearly visible at all places named, and all persons reporting, are reliable.

Some concern is felt, as the object was seen directly on the usual East-West air route and it is felt that it could have been a hazard to normal air navigation.

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Headquarters R.A.A.F. PEARCE W.A.

12th December 1957

Secretary Department of Air Victoria Barracks St. Kilda Road MELBOURNE S.C.1.

UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTIMGS

- 1. Attached hereto are copies of reports of an unusual aerial sighting and explosion in the vicinity of Marble Bar on the night of the 3rd July, 1957.
- 2. The Police Department, Perth have not been asked to arrange the compilation of the standard proforms for reporting these sightings, in view of the additional delay involved.

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(D. A. BURGESS-LLOYD) Squadron Leader for Officer Commanding

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Yours faithfully. SIGHTED g m & Brien Acting Commissioner of Police. . (COPY)

ACTING COMMISSIONER OF POLICE :

For your information, please.

No reports of any nature have been received that might connect the explosion and bright light alleged to have been seen.

Perhaps the information may be of interest to official at Woomera Rocket Range.

D.O. Broome. (sgd.) B.McGEARY. 8/11/57. DISTRICT INSPECTOR.

OFFICER IN CHARGE, PORT HEDLAND.

I have to report having made inquiries at Pilga, Spear Hill and Hillside Station relative to the explosions heard by Richard Joseph WEBBER and party at the Fibre Queen Mine on the 4th of July, 1957.

None of the people interviewed could give an eye witness account of the incident, but Mr. James Jackson DOUGHTY of Pilga Station stated that he saw the flash while lying in bed and went out and saw a glow in the sky due west of Pilga, and he also heard a rumbling noise which followed the glow.

The people at Hillside also he ard the noise and saw a light while sitting in the kitchen at Hillside and when they went out to investigate they saw a glow in the sky north west of Hillside.

All persons described the light as very bright witha greenish colour.

The light and flash was heard by Kenneth John PEARSON when he was employed at the Coongan Lead Mine and he gave the direction from the Coongan Lead Mine as south west.

Some residents in Marble Bar saw the light due west from Marble Bar.

On checking all the directions given from all points of observation it appears that the object hit the ground between Pilga Station and the Fibre Queen Mine in the area known as Dalton Creek or Soansville.

Mr. WEBBER has been interviewed recently but can throw no more light on the subject. He will be advised the result of Police inquiries and advised the alleged location of the object as it appears from Police inquiries relative to directions.

Marble Bar Station. 3rd November, 1957.

(sgd.) IAN D. BLAIR. Constable 2517.

O.I.C. POLICE, MARBLE BAR.

On the 4th July inst. Richard Joseph WEBBER, Manager of the Fibre Queen Asbestos Mine situated about 126 miles south east of Port Hedland reported over the pedal radio that at about 9.30 p.m. the previous evening he had heard a loud explosion followed by a number of smaller explosions which came from a location north east of the mine.

Immediately afterwards he saw a very bright green light directly overhead light up the whole of the sky.

After the explosions he heard a loud noise which sounded like the motor of a truck mis-firing and after about thirty seconds it ceased.

After reporting the incident, WEBBER agreed to investigate further and later that day made a search in the locality from which the explosion appeared to have been but with negative result.

He has since made a further search but has found nothing to indicate what may have caused the explosions and light.

The country in this area is particularly rough and to investigate thoroughly would take some considerable time.

The Department of Civil Aviation at this centre reported no planes in the area at the time, and according to WEBBER there are no prospectors in the immediate vicinity of the explosion.

Further inquiries here reveal that at about the time and date mentioned Richard HOUGHTON, a messenger boy employed by the P.M.G. Department at Port Hedland had seen a long green light travelling high up in the sky coming from the direction of the Fibre Queen Mine. He described the light similarly to WEBBER and saw it for several seconds before it completely disappeared.

Ronald Jack WALKER and employee of the Fibre Queen Mine also heard the explosions and saw the light as also did two other employees, Vincent FLYNN and Frederick THORNBASCHER.

When WEBBER and WALKER visited Port Hedland, statements were obtained from them and are attached hereto.

Information is to hand here that the residents at Hillside Station in the Marble Bar sub-district have also heard these explosions but it is not known if they saw any light or observed anything further and it is suggested that further inquiries be made in this direction.

Please have inquiries made at Hillside Station.

Port Hedland Station. (sgd.) H.M. HASLEBY 23rd July, 1957.

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RONALD JACK WALKER states :-

I am 28 years of age and am employed at the Fibre Queen Asbestos Mine as a miner.

The Fibre Queen Mine is about fifteen miles east of Woodstock Station, via Port Hedland.

I have been working at the Fibre Queen for about six weeks.

On Wednesday night, 3/7/57, I was in bed in a tent near the mine about 9 o'clock when I heard an explosion.

It was a fairly loud explosion and for a while I thought the magazine had exploded so I went outside to investigate.

As soon as I got outside my tent I saw a brilliant green light in the sky. It appeared to be stationary for a few seconds and then appeared to move off in an easterly direction.

When the light began to move, a noise like the sound of a motor truck, started at the same time and as the light got further away the noise died away too.

The light seemed to go right out of sight then and we thought that it was a jet plane. We could still hear the noise, like a motor, for about two minutes after the light had gone.

There was four of us at the mine at the time and we all saw the light and heard the explosion and then the noise which sounded like a motor.

There was Dick WEBBER, Vince FLYNN, Freddy THORNBASCHER and myself. Dick WEBBER is the manager of the mine and the other two work there.

We all got the impression that it had been a jet plane or a rocket. We did not think that it was a meteor because of the noise which seemed to accompany it.

The next day Dick WEBBER went out in the utility and had a look around in case it had been a plane and had crashed or something. I also went out, in a different direction, and had a look around but could find nothing unusual.

There had been no planes around during that day and we did not hear anything else that night.

The only other person who I know to be in that area is Jimmy TOOD, a prospector.

After the loud explosion which I heard on Wednesday night there were several smaller ones, like a rumbling noise. This could have been the echos from the hills of the first explosion.

This statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(sgd.) W. WALKER.

RICHARD JOSEPH WEBBER states :-

I am the manager of the Fibre Queen Asbestos Mine, which is 126 miles south east of Port Hedland.

On the night of 3rd July 1957, I was in a hut near the mine when suddenly a very bright light lit up the whole area. It was then about 10 p.m.

I rushed outside and just as I did so a loud explosion occurred and it was followed by several smaller explosions. The explosions came from a position northeast of the mine.

After I first noticed the light and got outside the hut the light was still in the sky. It was a very bright and a greenish colour. It seemed to be directly above us.

There was three others at the mine at the time and they all saw the light and heard the explosions.

After the explosions we heard a noise begin which sounded like the motor of a truck. It seemed to be misfiring and after about half a minute it stopped altogether.

My impression of the event was that something had blown up and disintegrated.

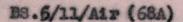
The day after the light and the explosions I went out and from a high hill had a look over the surrounding area but my view was limited and could see nothing unusual.

The following weekend I spent another day looking around in the hope of finding something which would give some indication of what had happened and what it had been. However I found nothing unusual in the locality from which the noises and the light appeared to come.

This statement was given voluntarily by me and is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(sgd.) R.J. WEBBER.

Witness: Laurie T. Keown. 22nd July '57.



Readquarters R.A.A.F. PEARCE W.A.

12th December 1957

Acting Commissioner of Police, Commissioner's Office, Police Department, PERIM W.A.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter 51/4630 dated 19th November, 1957 concerning the unusual sightings in the vicinity of Marble Bar on the night of 3rd July, 1957.

The report and statements have been forwarded to the appropriate Air Force Department who analyse and record all such information.

Yours faithfully,

(D. A. BURGESS-LLOYD)

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Headquarters R.A.A.F. PEARCE W.A.

9th December 1957

Acting Commissioner of Police Commissioner's Office Police Department PERTH W.A.

Dear Sir

I desire to thank you for the copy of the report forwarded under cover of your letter 51/4630 dated 4th December, 1957.

2. The report was most explicit and your interest in forwarding a copy is appreciated. I have forwarded it to Headquarters, Home Command for their information and consideration.

Yours faithfully

(R. H. DAVIS) Group Captain Officer Commanding

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Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce Western Australia

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Mr. D. Pike c/o B. Clark Box 29 Wongan Hills

Dear Sir,

Receipt of your further communication dated 1st August 1956 is acknowledged.

I wish to inform you, that your letter has once again been forwarded to the department which analyses and records all unusual sightings.

Yours faithfully,

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was between there o the milty way & low in the only, about half way between the lower of these his white spots a the horizon, a in a part of the sky where there are only a few very faint stars. blanke neckoned it would be about over northan area or further, but I neckoned not for part Wongan Wills. Po for as I recollect it showed no white light at all, only ned or green, I was raying to blanke since I first wrote that it travelled quite slow, or seemed to. He said that if it covered the distance I said in five seconds it must have been moving very fast in reality, in fact several thousand miles em bout, however the time was only quesswork but I know it could not have been more than ten seconds. It may be of interest to add that I have just necewed a letter from ms. of. Grave (9 miles east of Idalannie) in reply to a letter of mine in which I had mentioned the above object I saw in the night sky. The said her son while seeding one night row a large light in the sky that was strongs o whed her to ash at the local store it anyone the had seen it. The said it would be about the same date as I row this light. The explorion that shook this district, mentioned in my previous letter, remains a flower. It I have endeavoured here to me explain

what I saw more clearly a as it completes my report on the matter perhaps you would forward it on to where my

other letter has been sent. your faithfully S. Pike



B6/11/Sec (59A)

117485 Headquarters, Western Area Pearce Western Australia

27 JIII 1956

Secretary Department of Air Victoria Barracks St. Kilda Road Melbourne

UNUSUAL ARRIAL OBJECTS

- 1. Attached hereto is a report on an unusual serial sighting made by Mr. D. Pike of Wongan Hills, West Australia at approximately 2100H on the 4th July, 1956.
- 2. The Meteorological Burea in Perth state, that throughout the night of the 4th July the surface temperature in the region of this report was exceptionally low. There were in addition, a number of very strong temperature inversion layers at intervals of approximately 2000 feet up to an altitude of 10,000 feet.
- The Government Astronomer at the Perth Observatory has received no other reports of unusual aerial sightings on the night of 4th July 1956. He suggests however, that the phenomena may have been caused by abnormal atmospheric conditions refracting the light of the planet Jupiter, which was sitting in the West at that time.
- 4. There were no aircraft operating in the vicinity of Wongan Hills at the time the observation was made.
- 5. Hr. Pike's letter has been acknowledged by this Headquarters but he has not been asked to complete the standard pro-forma.

Q.C. Byrn Afel (D.A. BURGESS-LLOYD)

Squadron Leader

Home Address:- c/o L. King
Box 29
Midland Junction

Present Address: - c/o B. Clarke
Box 29
Wongan Hills

5th July 1956

Officer in Charge Air Force Intelligence Perth

Dear Sir,

Maybe the Air Force had a helicopter in the sky up this way last night flashing red green alternately and doing reconnaissance if not you may know what it was. In case you know nothing about it the following may be of interest to you.

I am writing in case you know nothing about it, also I am curious to know if it was a new kind of airplane or what, sorry to bother you but thought it best to let you know.

I am working for B. Clarke about 10 miles W of Wongan Hills and 2 miles E of Korraling Siding. I came out of the house about 9 p.m. last night and at once noticed what I took to be a rather bright star low in the sky and that was changing colour like the evening star does. For that reason I continued to watch it for a few moments and then noticed how distinct and clear the colours red and green were and how regularly it pulsated red and green alternately.

As there are only a few dim stars in that quarter I was wondering why I had not noticed it on other nights when it started to alter position. I am not sure now whether it climbed first or not but it started travelling westerly, not extra fast by appearance, until it got way over, must have been well the other side of the Wongan Hills range, it would be about WSW then from my position. I should say roughly it took 4 or 5 seconds. I think it hovered there a short while, can't remember and then returned to about original position. After that I knew it was no star or ordinary aircraft so went in and got Clarke out to look at it. As he was very sick he could only stay out in the cold a few moments and unfortunately it did not move while he was watching. He reckoned it must be a helicopter, and went back in. It continued to hover for about another 5 minutes and then started going in various evolutions fairly fast, I suppose it was really making circles and then it went suddenly swiftly straight up and disappeared. I waited and watched for another 15 minutes but it did not return, it is not there tonight. The whole of the time it was hovering it was pulsating regularly, clear red and clear green, no white at all.

I may mention also that last Monday, just before 12 noon, I think it was, there was an explosion of some kind, it shook the big shed and house here, and shook the houses in Wongan Hills, no one knows yet what it was so we thought it must have been a jet plane too high for us to hear the engine; it was a calm still day and we heard no plane.

As regards former report, Clarke estimated the object to be well the other side of Wongan Hills, he reckoned it was a fair way off. Had it been overhead it would have been quite spectacular. Others no doubt saw it also.

Please reply to Wongan Hills address.

Yours faithfully.

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Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce Western Australia

27 JUL 1956

Mr. D. Pike c/o B. Clark Box 39 Wongan Hills

Dear Sir,

This Headquarters wishes to thank you for your letter of the 5th July 1956 describing the light observed in the sky on the evening of the 4th July 1956.

- 2. Your report has been investigated by this Headquarters and it can be said that there were no aircraft operating in the area at the time your observation was made.
- The description you give, fits very closely to the not uncommon phenomena which occurs when a planet or sometimes a star is setting at a time when the local atmospheric conditions have an unusual vertical temperature variation. In fact on the night in question, the local vertical temperature gradient was abnormal and the planet Jupiter was setting at the time you mention.
- 4. Your information however has been passed on to another department, who analyse and record all unusual sightings which are reported from time to time.

(D.A. BURGESS-LLOYD) Squadron Leader

for Air Officer Commending

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Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce Western Australia

The Secretary
Department of Air
Victoria Barracks
St. Kilda Road
Melbourne S.C. 1
Victoria

UNUSUAL AERIAL OBJECT

- 1. Herewith is enclosed report on Unusual Aerial Object sighted by Mr. L. Vollprecht, Meteorologist at Perth Observatory, at 1400H 23rd September 1955.
- 2. Mr. Vollprecht stated that he based his estimation of altitude on comparison with local cloud conditions prevailing at the time of sighting (scattered cumulus). He considered the objects were small in size.
- 3. In view of this observers specialized experience, his opinion that the objects were scrap tinfoil carried aloft by conviction is probably correct.

(J.C. HARTLEY)
Flight Lieutenant
For Air Officer Commanding

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The Secretary Department of Air Victoria Barracks St. Kilda Road Melbourne 3.0.1.

UNUSUAL ARRIAL OBJECT

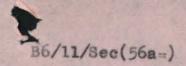
1. Herswith is enclosed report on Unusual Asrial Object sighted by Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Underwood near Perth at 2203 hours 7th July, 1955.

2. There have been no other reports of nighting this object.

(J. C. HARTLEY)

Flight Lieutenant for Air Officer Commanding

Enc.



Headquarters, Western Area R.A.A.F.
Pearce

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Mr. John Morris Madoonga Station Cue Western Australia

This headquarters wishes to thank you for your letter of 8th July 1955, enclosing sketch of the unusual aerial object sighted by you, and photograph of the position of sighting.

(J.C. HARTLEY) Flight Lieutenant

for Air Officer Commanding.



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Headquarters, Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce Western Australia

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Victoria Barracks
St. Kilda Road
Melbourne S.C.1.
Victoria

UNUSUAL AERIAL OBJECTS

Further to this Headquarters B6/11/Sec(52a) attached is sketch of unusual aerial object sighted by J.A. Morriss and G. Martin, near Cue, Western Australia, on 28th April 1955.

(J.C. HARTLEY)

K. Hartly

Flight Lieutenant

for Air Officer Commanding.



Friday, July 8, 1955.

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Headquarters, Western Area R.A.A.F.
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Mr. R.D. Underwood KALAMUNDA

Dear Sir,

Reference your telephonic communication of 8th July, reporting an unusual aerial object, it would be appreciated if you could complete the attached forms and return them to this Headquarters.

(J.C. HARTLEY)
Flight Lieutenant
for Air Officer Cor

for Air Officer Commanding.



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Headquarters, Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce Western Australia

The Secretary
Department of Air
Victoria Barracks
St. Kilda Road
Melbourne Victoria.

UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS - AERIAL OBJECTS

- 1. Enclosed is letter by Mr. John A Morris, also completed proforms by Mr. Morris and Mr. G. Martin, regarding unusual aerial sighting near Cue, Western Australia on 28th April, 1955.
- 2. No other residents at the area who witnessed the phenomenon can be located.

(J/C. HARTLEY)
Flight Lieutenant
for Air Officer Commanding

Enc.

GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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POLICE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

PERTH, W.A.

YOUR NO.

27th June, 19 55.

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Air Officer Commanding. R.A.A.F. Western Area.

PEARCE.

Dear Sir.

Unusual Aerial Objects.

As requested in your letter to me of the 9th May last, the forms "Report on Aerial Object Observed" have been completed by John Arnold Morris and Gary Martin, and are returned.

My officer questioned other residents in the district but failed to locate any other person who had observed this phenomena.

Yours faithfully,

Acting

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B6/11/Sec (50A)

Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. PEARCE, W.A.

Commissioner of Police Police Department James Street PERTH, W.A.

Dear Sir.

UNUSUAL AERIAL OBJECTS

- quarters that an unusual aerial object was sighted near Madonga Station, 42 miles from Cue, on Thursday 28th April 1955, by John Arnold Morris and Gary Martin (both employees at Madonga Station).
- 2. It would be appreciated if the report could be investigated by the local Constable, and the attached pre forms completed by the witnesses. Questions Nos. 25 and 26 on the pro-forms will be completed by this Headquarters on return of the forms.
- If, during the course of the investigation, it is learned that other people have observed the phenomena, their reports would also be welcomed.

4. Thanking you for your assistance.

Yours faithfully,

(%. C. HARTEEY) Flight Lieutenant

For Air Officer Commanding.

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Headquarters North Western Area Darwin Northern Territory.

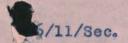
10th March, 1955.

Headquarters
Western Area
R.A.A.F.
Pearce
West Australia.

UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING. (YOUR B6/11/SEC. DATED 2ND MARCH, 1955)

- 1. On receipt of the newspaper cutting from "The West Australian" dated 2nd March, 1955, which reported aerial sightings in the Halls Creek vicinity, an investigation was carried out by this Headquarters.
- 2. This investigation disclosed that Camberras were carrying out navigation exercises on the dates stated in the cutting and these exercises would have taken the aircraft into the vicinity of Halls Creek.
- 3. Forwarding of this report to this Headquarters is appreciated.

(J. D. COLLINS)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding.



Headquarters, Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce West Australia 2nd March 1955

Headquarters, North Western Area R.A.A.F. Darwin Northern Territory

UNUSUAL AFRIAL SIGHTING

- 1. Enclosed is cutting from "The West Australian" dated Wednesday 2nd March 1955 concerning an aerial sighting in the Halls Creek vicinity.
- No action has been taken by this Headquarters with regard to this sighting, as it occurred in your Area, and information regarding aircraft movements in the locality are not available here.
- Shoula investigation aisclose that the object was a high-flying Camberra, or other aircraft, please advise this Headquarters.

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Flight Lieutenant for Air Officer Commanding

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Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. PEARCE, W.A.

Department of Air Victoria Barracks St. Kilda Road MELBOURNE, VIC.

UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS, AERIAL OBJECTS

- 1. Enclosed herewith are reports on an unusual aerial sighting to the south of Carnarvon by Messrs. W.E. GODFREY and P.ANNEGARN on 15th December 1954.
- 2. No other report has been received on this sighting.
- Delay in forwarding these reports was occasioned by completed pro-formas not reaching this Headquarters until 24th February 1955.

(H. C. HARTLEY) Flight Lieutenant For Air Officer Commanding.

Encl:

GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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POLICE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE. W.A. POLICE NO. 4630/51 YOUR NOB6/11/Sec.

PERTH, W.A. 23rd February, 19 55.

Dear Sir.

With reference to your letter of the alst instant regarding unusual aerial objects sighted by Messrs. Godfrey and Annegarn, enclosed herewith are completed forms submitted by these persons.

Yours faithfully.

Air Officer Commanding, Headquarters. Western Area. R.A.A.F.

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GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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W.A. POLICE NO. 4630/51

POLICE DEPARTMENT, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

YOUR NO.

PERTH, W.A. 21st December, 19 54.

The Air Officer Commanding, R. A. A. F. Headquarters, P E A R C E.

Dear Sir,

Unusual Aerial Objects.

The attached reports regarding aerial objects submitted by Mr. William Ernest GODFREY whilst driving in the Carnarvon area recently are forwarded for your information and retention.

Yours faithfully,

Encs.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

INSPECTOR O'RATEN-

Forwarded. A statement in duplicate is attached from William Ernest GODFREY of the City Mutual Insurance Office, St. George's Terrace, Perth, of an alleged "flying Saucer" that he saw while driving from Carnarvon to Graldton on the 15/12/54.

NORTHAM. 17/12/54/ (signed) D.J.Allan. Sergt.1566.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

Respectfully forwarded for your information and that of the appropriate authority please.

D.O. NORTHAM. 17. 12. 54. of INSPECTOR.

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Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce, W.A.

£ 1 FEB 1955.

Commissioner of Police Police Department James Street Perth, W.A.

Dear Sir,

UNUSUAL AERIAL OBJECTS (Your 4630/51)

1. With reference to your letter of 21st December 1954, forwarding report on sighting of an unusual aerial object by William Ernest Godfrey and Peter Annegarn, it would be appreciated if your local Constables at Northam and Geraldton could have the attached pro-forms completed by the two men.

- 2. Addresses of the two witnesses are:-
 - (a) W. E. Godfrey 4 Arnold Street Northam
 - (b) P. Annegarn 180 Durlacher Street Geraldton
- 3. Paras. 25, 26 and 27 of the formas will be completed on return by this Headquarters.

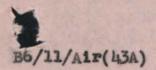
Yours faithfully,

(J. C. HARTLEY)

Flight Lieutenant

For Air Officer Commanding.

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Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce, W.A.

Air Force Head-Quarters Victoria Barracks St. Kilda Road Melbourne, S.C.1.

UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS AERIAL OBJECTS

- 1. Enclosed herewith is a report on an unusual aerial sighting in the vicinity of Perth by Mr. F. Sifer.
- 2. No other report has been received on this sighting.

(W. F. WALDOCK)
Flight Lieutenant
For Air Officer Commanding.



B6/11/Air(42A)

Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce, W.A.

Air Force Headquarters Victoria Barracks St. Kilda Road Melbourne. S.C.1.

19 OCT 1954

UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS OF AERIAL OBJECTS

- 1. Enclosed herewith are reports on two unusual aerial sightings from different areas.
- The sighting reported from Northam has come to hand through the State Police Department. This sighting was made approximately 60 miles East-North-East of Perth and at the time it is unlikely that aircraft would be in the area now is there a meteorological station located thereabouts.
- The more recent sighting described on the official form occurred on the outskirts of the Perth metropolitan area in an easterly direction from Perth, being originally reported by telephone and later substantiated by completion of the pro-forma.
- 4. If further information is required on the Northam sighting, pro-formas will be despatched to the local Police.

(W. F. WALDOCK)
Flight Lieutenant
For Air Officer Commanding.

GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

W.A. POLICE NO.

YOUR NO.

POLICE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

PERTH, W.A. 8th October, 1954.

Air Officer Commanding, R.A.A.F. Headquarters. PEARCE.

Dear Sir,

Unusual Aerial Objects.

The attached reports regarding aerial objects submitted by residents of the Southern Brook, Northam district, are forwarded for your information.

Yours faithfully.

Commissioner of Police.

SERGEANT GALLAGHER.

I have to report having obtained statements from the within named persons re the attached file.

The delay in completing this inquiry has been due to the fact that each person has called at this Station to give their statement, and they had not done so, as early, as would have been desired.

This procedure was adopted to avoid incurring mileage.

Statements are attached.

Northam Station. 30.9.54.

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THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

Forwarded for your information and that of the responsible Commonwealth Authority please.

D.O. NORTHAM. 2-9-54.

INSPECTOR.

Sunday THEO. H. DEMETRIOU NE A64 New Castle St 40 A 1 Perth wyt. Dear sir I'm starting the partigulars of the insident with with I sow. (time 3-25 P-M.) It was white & round large as the dimer plate. 20) It sounded very deep + this sound like more than half a dozen plane. It was going in a high speed, and the bookstit it sell, to turn round round like a car wheel. 4) It was very high. higher than any plane I saw during world-war two, in Europe and today's Jets. Sonny I can't tell you any more about it as in a matter of secons became smaller + smallet & I lost sight of it. I moving worth west Like to hear from you again H. It. Waldock Jours triely Exemetrics - day - Sunday 3 Moct. To adi 18



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Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce, W.A.

Air Force Head-Quarters Victoria Barracks St. Kilda Read Melbourne, S.C.1.

UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS ATRIAL OBJECTS

- 1. Enclosed herewith is a report on an unusual aerial sighting from Denmark in the extreme South West of Western Australia.
- 2. This sighting was also witnessed by the Local Postmaster, but, the Constable did not obtain a report from him when requested to do so by the Staff Officer Intelligence, Western Area.

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(C.L. MINOLD) \
Flight Lieutenent
For fir Officer Commanding.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

Meteorological Bureau,

To The Air Officer Commanding,

R.A.A.F. Western Area,

QUOTE THIS NUMBER

Perth, W. A.

11th June.

Reports of "Flying Saucers(?)".

Attached hereto for your information is a copy of a letter received in this office. From the time quotedit would appear that the sighting was of a radiosonde balloon which would have been released from Guildford at approximately 12 noon. At 12.20 p.m. this balloon would have been approximately 8 miles west of Guildford and approaching 20,000 ft. up. The balloon could be seen from that distance with the naked eye. The sparks to which the writer refers were probably light reflections from the highly glazed surface of the radio transmitter which the balloon carries.

COROLOGICAL SERVICES

225 Cape Street, TUART HILL. W.A.

8/6/54.

Dear Sir,

There have been a fair few stories of "Flying Saucers" in the papers lately. I am no judge on meteorological things, but, I have reason to believe that I saw a flying saucer today. At approximately 12.20 p.m. today, I saw a small white round object, which appeared in the sky a little bit west of Tuart Hill school. It kept on going for about & minutes and then disappeared from sight. Several of my schoolmates witnessed it too.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd). A.W. Rees.

P.S. It kept on giving out sparks.

GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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W.A. POLICE NO. 4630/51.

POLICE DEPARTMENT, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

YOUR NO.

PERTH, W.A.

8th July,

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Air Officer Commanding, R.A.A.F. Headquarters, PEARCE.

Dear Sir,

Unusual Aerial Objects.

a peoort furnished to me concerning a strange object sees in the sky by residents of the Denmark district.

Yours faithfully,

Commissioner of Police.

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70 June

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Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce, W.A.

Commissioner of Folice Police Department James Street Perth. W.A.

17 JUN 1954

Dear Sir.

UNUSUAL ATRIAL OBJUCTS

- Reports have been received that Mr. & Mrs. T.R. TONKINSON of the Post Office, Dermark, observed a "Flying Saucer" on 9th June 1954.
- 2. It would be appreciated if the report co ld be investigated by the local Constable and the enclosed pro forms filled in.

If, during the course of the investigation it is learned that other people have observed the phenomena, their reports would also be welcomed.

Questions No. 25 and 26 will be empleted upon return to this Headquarters

Your assistance in the furnishing of reports of this nature in the past have been of considerable assistance.

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Yours faithfully,

(E.A. MONTIGUE)

Wing Commender For Air Officer Commending.

B6/11/Sec (35A)

Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce, W.A.

Air Force Head-Quarters Victoria Barracks St. Kilda Road Melbourne, S.C.1.

UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS AERIAL OBJECTS

to Enclosed herewith are three reports which were obtained with the co-operation of the State Police Department. The fourth report not forwarded on the official form is one voluntarily submitted from the same area by the local constable. None of these sightings were investigated by the Staff Officer Intelligence.

(C.L. ARNOLD)
Flight Lieutenant

For Air Officer Commanding.

Encs.

CONFIDENT

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Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce, W.A.

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(C.L. ARNOLD) Flight Lieutenant

For Air Officer Commanding.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

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21st April, 19 54. PERTH, W.A._

The Air Officer Commanding Western Command, R.A.A.F. Headquarters, PEARCE. Dear Sir.

Unusual Aerial Objects.

Annexed for your information is a copy of a report furnished to me by Constable Zanette concerning som a report furnished to him of a strange object seen in so the sky by a resident of the Cunderdin district.

Yours faithfully.

Commissioner of Molice.



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CONSTABLE WEBB.

I have to report that at 3.30 pm on Sat. the 10th. of April 1954 Mrs Vera May <u>FULWOOD</u>, 32 yrs, a Housewife residing with her Husband a nd two children on their farm 10 miles North of Cunderdin, reported that at about 5.15 pm on Friday the 9th. April 1954 she was in the house when her two children drew her attention to a Strange object in the sky.

As result of the report the following in-

-formation was obtained:-

Reported by .

Mrs Vera May <u>6ULWOOD</u>. 32 yrs. a housewife of North Cunderdin.

Witnesses.

Carol FULWOOD 72 yrs. School girl. Francis FULWOOD. 6 yrs. " "

Description of Object.

It appeared to be about one mile West of the Homestead, about 18 inches long, was round and flat and silver in colour. Sun shining on object.

Speed & Movement.

Was moving fairly slow and appeared to be rotating up and down simular to the movement of a bird.

Height.

As far as I could ascertain from the Witness from where she was standing it would be on an450 angle. 4,000 ft.

Length of Time Observed For. Approx 3 minutes.

Direction Travelling.

The object would be travelling from East to West.

GENERAL.

When Mrs FULWOOD first saw the ob- ject it was on the West side of th
Homestead and it continued to travel

West away from her and disappeared into the glare of the Sun. Witness felt certain that it was not a bird or an aeroplane as she had never seen anything simular in her life. There was no noise heard at the time the object was in the vicinity to indicate that it was being propelled by motors, nor was there any other fact that might indicate as to how it was being propelled.

I have known Mrs. FULWOOD for approximately 12 months and see no reason why the above information should not be treated as reliable.

Cunderdin Station 11th. April 1954.

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Headquarters
West rn Area
R.A.A.F.
Pearce, W.A.

Dear Sir,

UNUSUAL ATRIAL IGHTS

Your letter dated 19th March 1954 is acknowledged.

The cause of the lights seen by you on 6th March is unknown, there were no R.A.A.F. aircraft in the area at the time.

These lights are sometimes occasioned by meteorological observations, a balloon carrying a light is freed and rises at a liven rate, the change of direction observed is the result of a wind shift at altitude.

It is regretted that more positive information cannot be supplied. This Headquarters is appreciative of your cooperation in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

(C.L. ARNOLD)
Flight Lieutenent
For Air Officer Commanding.

Mr. W.J. NEAL Inglis Street Boyup Brook.

GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

AF: VAT ... POLICE NO. 4630/51.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

YOUR NO.....

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

PERTH, W.A. 25th March. 19 54.

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The Air Officer Commanding, Headquarters, Western Area, R.A.A.F. PEARCE.

Dear Sir,

Unusual Aerial Objects.

Referring to your letter B6/11/SEC(29A) dated the 11th February, reports from the persons indicated, at Cunderdin and Norseman, have been completed and are annexed for your information.

All of the persons making reports are said to be adult, sensible types of people of some standing in the community.

Neighbouring farmers were questioned and said that although they were about their properties during the day in question, they did not see anything unusual in the sky.

However, this is quite possible, as in the absence of sound, one would actually have to see the object reported, and such sight would be the first indication of its presence.

Yours faithfully.

Commissioner of Police.

Encl.

To officer in Charge Private RAA Force Private Dear Sir 31 march 9/54 Can you tell me of any of your Planes were over this Gera on Sat right last march to between 5 min to go PM. and Goc. FM reason for asking is that I noticed a strange light in the Sky coming from the East neered to the north then disappeal to wards the Son West, there was a blurred gellow . Red Lyht Shewing. The Second Came from the East and turned due north it showed gellows Red blured light but could not be seen plainly untill it lurned north they were not travelly fast and no Sound of Enjenes were heard, I am not fulling your les as I take interest of any strange light in the Sky at night time I served in this area in the RHH O. Corps for 3 years I live on the top of a hill. have a good View of the Country for miles around trusting you will not think I am making a stare and that you will answer my question Jour Fraternalle Walter James heal Sa Intell. B6/W 8EP

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Headquarters
Western Area
R.A.A.F.
Pearce, W.A.

79 FEB 1954

Mr. Spigle
Government Astronomer
Perth Observatory
Parliament Place
Perth, W.A.

Dear Sir.

UNUSUAL SIGHTING

1. Forwarded herewith is your File No. 5/50, for the loan of which I thank you.

Enc.

Your sincerely.

(C.L. ARHOLD)
Flight Li-utenant
For Air Officer Commanding.



B6/11/SEC(29A)

Headquarters
Western Area
R.A.A.F.
Pearce, W.A.
II FEB 54.

The Commissioner of Police James Street Perth.

Dear Sir,

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- 1. Reports of civilian observers having seen unusual objects in the skies, have been made, from NORSEMAN and CUNDERDIN.
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Mrs. R.D. BRECHIN)
Miss J. DEVENISH) CUNDERDIN
Mr. J. PAGAN)

Mrs. F. KIRWAN) HORSEMAN
Mr. R. MOIR)

3. If during the course of his enquiries the interviewing Constable should become acquainted with any details which he considers would be of use. It would be appreciated if the information could be forwarded to this Headquarters.

4. Questions No. 25 and 26 will be completed by this Headquarters on return.

Encs.

(C.) ARNOLD)
Flight Lieutenant
For Air Officer Commanding.

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THE WEST AUSTRALIAN, PRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1954.

isk Floats Over

'Flying Saucer' At Norseman

NORSEMAN, Sun.—A "fly-ing saucer" was seen over Norseman early yesterday

Mrs. F. Kirwan, of Roberts-street, Norseman, described the object as a flat-shaped, greenish one, moving south at "terrific" speed.

She called her husband who

was too late to see it, but he ob-served for about ten minutes what appeared to be a vapour

trail.

Mr. R. Moir, who lives next door, also saw the object.

CUNDERDIN, -A report of a big shiny flat disk first floating stationary in the sky and then moving westwards has been made to the Cunderdin police.

Two women and a man saw it about 5.45 p.m. yesterday as they walked over the pad-docks of a farm five miles south of Cunderdin.

They were Mrs. R. D. Brechin, whose husband owns the farm, her sister, Miss June Devenish, and a farmhand, Mr. J. Pagan.

Although not at a great height, it appeared to be about the size of a big aircraft as it glittered in the sun overhead.

For about five minutes it remained stationary and then it moved slowly westwards, taking about 15 .inutes to disappear over the horizon.

All three agreed that the object

All three agreed that the object made: o sound as it was suspended over their heads or as it moved westwards.

When they reported to the Cunderdin police immediately after the object disappeared, all three pointed out that they did not drink or smoke and that it could not have been a vision.

What puzzled them most was her it am ned stationary over-tead for about five minutes.

um MR. SEWELL. KALAMUNDA FULL CL. ARNOLD THURSDAY 11 FEB 54.

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B6/11/SEC(27A)

Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce, W.A.

Air Force Head-Quarters Victoria Barracks St. Kilda Road Melbourne, S.C.1.

(Our B6/11/SEC(23A) 5th November, 1953)

- 1. Forwarded herewith is a report on an aerial object observed by Mr. Reginald Theodore STACEY.
- 2. The proforms was filled in by Mr. STACEY through the good officer of State Police.
- 3. The old type form h s been used as the modified proforma had not been received at time of despatch by observer.

Enc.

(G.L. ARNOLD)
Flight Lieutenant
For Air Officer Commanding.

GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

WA POLICE NO. 4630/51.

POLICE DEPARTMENT, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,

YOUR NO._

PERTH. W.A. 2nd December, 19 53.

The Air Officer Commanding, R.A.A.F. Headquarters, PEARCE.

Dear Sir,

Unusual Aerial Objects.

Referring to your letter dated the 5th November (your reference B6/1/SEC(24a), the form enclosed has now been completed by Mr. Stacey, as requested, and is annexed.

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Yours faithfully,

Commissioner of Police.

Encl.

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AIR FORCE HEAD-QUARTERS,

VICTORIA BARRACKS,

MELBOURNE, S.C.1

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Headquarters, Home Command, R.A.A.F., PENRITH, N.S.W.
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Headquarters, North-Eastern Area, R.A.A.F., TOWNSVILLE, Q'LAND.
Headquarters, Western Area, R.A.A.F., PEARCE, W.A.
Headquarters, North-Western Area, R.A.A.F., DARWIN, N.T.

(Attention STAPF OFFICERS INTELLIGENCE)

UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS

A pro-forma to be used for the purpose of standardising reports of unusual sightings was forwarded under cover of my SEC.CD2/2 (3A) of 17th January, 1981.

- 2. This pro-forms has now been revised with a view to obtaining additional information. Future reporting should be in accordance with this new pro-forms a copy of which is attached.
- 3. Though it is a fact that an observer cannot judge the distance from him of an unfamiliar object in the air, observers in general seldom hesitate to give an estimated height and speed when reporting unusual sightings. I tems 16 and 17 on the pro-forms have been specially annotated with a view to overcoming these two weaknesses.
- 4. In almost every case the only attributes of position and movement that can be measured are :-
 - (a) Bearing.
 - (b) Angle of elevation.
 - (c) Angle through which object moves.
 - (d) Angle between path of movement and horizon.
 - (e) Time taken for movement in (c).

and though observers will seldem think of actually measuring these at the time of sighting an object, fairly accurate estimates can often be deduced by skillful questioning and a reconstruction of the incident.

5. The bearing of the object can be checked by reference to a good map, to prominent local features, or to celestial bodies.

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- charge of elevation can often be checked by asking the observer to point out a cloud or other reference at the same time estimating the elevation of the object under investigation. The investigator should then measure the elevation of this. It is unlikely that an accurate means of measuring angles will be available but it should be remembered that if a foot rule be held loosely at arms length and at right angles to the line of vision each inch will subtend an angle of about two degrees at the eye. Further simple means of measuring angles should also be memorised.
- 7. Angular movement can be discussed and deduced in a fashion similar to that used to determine elevation.
- 8. Direction of movement can also be translated to angles to the horizon or some other datum.
- 9. Time taken for an event to happen is very hard to estimate but it is important, and every effort should be made to estimate lapsed time as accurately as possible. In doing this it may be of help to time the observer while he re-enacts what he did and said during some aspect of the incident.
- 10. These new instructions do not emanate from any renewed interest in "Flying Saucers" or any new intelligence on the subject, but are merely intended to improve the standard of reporting.

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for CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF.

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B6/11/SEC(24a)

Headquarters
Western Area
R.A.A.F.
PEARCE, W.A.

Commissioner, of Police, James Street, PERTH

Dear Sir,

UNUSUAL AFRIAL OBJECTS.

Your letter 4630/51 dated 11 th September 1953 forwarding a report on an unusual Aerial object has been investigated and a report obtained from Mr C.W. McPherson.

Mr R.Stacy, however, has remained in Wyndham and it would be appreciated if the attached pro-forma could be completed through your departments good offices and returned to this Headquarters.

Yours faithfully,

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(C.L.ARNOLD)
Flight Lieutenant
for Air Officer Commanding.

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B6/11/SEC(23a)

Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. PEARCE. W.A. 5 Nov 53

Air Force Head-Quarters Victoria Barracks St.Kilda Road Melbourne

UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS

- 1. Forwarded herewith is a Report on aerial object observed by Mr C.W.McPherson of Bernard Road Beechborough.
- 2. Mr McPherson would appear to be a respectable citizen.
- 3. Pro Formas will be despatched for Mr R. Stacy to complete and on receipt, will be forwarded to Air Force Head-Quarters.

(C.L.ARNOLD)
Flight Lieutenant
for Air Officer Commanding.

23 Oct. '53

Nichted Mr Pfersons

Home not yet retired

due to arrive on Jursday.

28 Oct. '53.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

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SEC. CD2/2 (51A)

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AIR FORCE HEAD-QUARTERS. VICTORIA BARRACKS. MELBOURNE, S.C.1

13 OCT 1953

Air Officer Commanding, Western Area. R.A.A.F. W.A. PEARCE

UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS.

Your B6/11/SEC. (19A), 23 Sep 53.

- Please arrange for the observers to fill in the normal "Report on Aerial Object Observed" pro forma.
- It is considered that if this pro forma is used as the basis of a report on all unusual sightings, the requirements of this Head-Quarters will, in a vast majority of cases, be fulfilled.

R.a. G. Ellen . Wy Cols .

(J. ALEXANDER) Group Captain, DIRECTOR OF AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE

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B6/11/SEC.(20A)

Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. PEARCE, W.A.

Commissioner of Police James Street, PERTH

Dear Sir,

You are thanked for your letter No. 4630/51 dated 11th September, 1953.

This Headwarters is always pleased to receive reports of this nature when they come to your notice.

The workers who observed the occurrence will be interviewed upon their return to Perth towards the end of this month by a R.A.A.F. representative.

(C.I.ARNOLD)
Flight Lieutenant
For Air Officer

For Air Officer Commanding.

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* B6/11/SEC (19A)

Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. Pearce, W.A.

23 SEP 1953

Air Force Head-Quarters Victoria Barracks St. Kilda Road Melbourne, S.C.1.

UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS

- 1. Enclosed herewith is a copy of a report received from the Commissioner of Police, Perth.
- 2. The observers will be arriving back in Perth towards the end of September and will be available for interview if Air Force Head-Quarters considers it necessary.
- 3. Your advice is awaited.

C.L. ARNOLD)

(C.L. ARNOLD)
Flight Lieutenant
For Air Officer Commanding.

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GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

JO'B: VAT. A. POLICE NO. 4630/51

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

YOUR NO.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

PERTH. W.A. 11th September, 19 53.

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Air Officer Commanding, Western Area, R.A.A.F. Headquarters, P E A R C E.

Dear Sir,

Hereunder is a copy of a report which I have received today from Sergeant A.T. Monck, officer-in-charge of Police at Wyndham, which is submitted for your information.

"I have to report that at 1.45p.m. this date, Cedric William Macpherson, of the Wyndham Meatworks, and also of Benara-road, Bayswater, reported at this office as follows.

At about 5.45a.m. on Monday the 31st August, 1953, he was at the Meatworks, in bed, when his companion, Reginald Stacey, who lives with him and who had then risen, called out to him. Macpherson got out of bed and ran outside and there he saw a quantity of blue smoke in the sky at an angle of about 30 to 40 degrees, and the impression he gathered was that something had exploded.

Stacey told Mr. Macpherson that he saw an object on fire going at a great speed and travelling from the East. It was difficult to estimate the height, but it was probably a few thousand feet from the ground by reason of the fact that no sound of an explosion was heard.

They are of the opinion that this may have been a guided missile which exploded over Wyndham.

The smoke from this object, after it exploded, stayed in the sky for about five minutes.

There had been a definite line of smoke in the sky, indicating the path of travel of the object, and they are satisfied that it was not a meteorite, but in all probability a guided missile, and had definitely come from an easterly direction.

Another man, Roy O'Sullivan, and probably a few others at othe Meatworks, saw the smoke and Stacey actually saw the object, although it happened so suddenly and unexpectedly that he did not actually record the shape of the object.

Macpherson reported this issue as a matter of interest only, possibly it could be a scientific instrument, but the fact of it disintergrating in Wyndham may have some scientific value.

If you should require any further statements in this respect I will arrange to have statements taken from Reginald Stacey, although, from what Mr. Macpherson has stated, it does not appear that he can say any more than Macpherson has explained."

Commissioner of Police.

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2. Mr. AUSTIN also saw the object but his report is not included as it is exactly the same as Mrs. AUSTIN'S first signting.

(C.L. ARNOLD)

Flight Lieutenant

For Air Officer Commanding

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B6/11/SE (17A)

Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. Petrce, W.A.

4 August 53

Air Force Head-Quarters Victoria Barracks St. ilda Road Melbourne, S.C.1.

UNUSUAL SIGHTING

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(C.L. ARNOLD)

Flight Lieutenant

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Tone 5 C CD2/2 (35A)

- 1. Enclosed herewith is a copy of the Daily News Report of the unusual sighting of 16th January 1953.
- 2. The Director of the Meteorological and Astronomical Bureauxhave no knowledge or reports on unusual sightings on this date.
- J. Liaison has been established with the As rological Director, Mr. Spigel who will advise Stalf Officer Intelligence of future reports to his Department by Observers

Enc.

(C.L. ARNOLD)
Flight Lieutenant
For Air Officer Commanding

EXTRACT FROM DAILY NEWS OF FRIDAY, JANUARY, 1953

DALWALLINU Friday: Four Dalwallinu Residents say they saw what appeared to be a "Flying Saucer" in the Western and Southwestern sky.

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AIR FORCE HEAD-QUARTERS. VICTORIA BARRACKS, MELBOURNE, S.C.1

7th April, 1953.

Headquarters, Western Area, R.A.A.F., PEARCE

(Attention Staff Officer Intelligence)

REPORT ON UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS.

Your B6/11/SEC (13A) dated 25th March, 1953.

In connection with the object observed on 16th January, 1953, it is desired that you obtain and forward:

- (a) An extract of the newspaper report of the incident.
- (b) An opinion from the State Director of the Commonwealth Meteorological Branch of any reports and sightings made by official observers.

(H.W. HALE), Sqd. Ldr. for DIRECTOR OF AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE.

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Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. PEARCE, W.A.

25 MAR 1953

The Secretary
Air Board
Victoria Barracks
St. Kilda Road
MELBOURNE, S.C.1.

REPORT ON UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS

- 1. Enclosed herewith are four proforms of "Reports on Serial Objects observed".
- The persons observing this object were in two parties of two.
- The reports were obtained with the State Police Department's cooperation.
- 4. The report came to notice through a newspaper report of the incident.

Encs.

for

(C.L. ARNOLD)
Flight Lieutenent
Air Commodore
Air Officer Comme

Air Officer Commanding Western Area.

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GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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W.A. POLICE NO. 4630/51

POLICE DEPARTMENT, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,

YOUR NO.

PERTH, W.A. 6th March, 19 53

Air Officer Commanding Western Area, R.A.A.F. Headquarters, PEARCE.

Dear Sir,

Report on Unusual Sightings.

In response to your request of the 9th ultimo, (your reference B6/11 Sec (11A) the forms supplied have been completed on behalf the persons referred to, and are annexed for your information.

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Yours faithfully,

Commissioner of Police.



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B6/11 (11A)

Headquarters
Western Area
R.A.A.F.
PEARCE.

The Commissioner of Police Police Department Commissioner's Office PERTH.

Dear Sir,

REPORT ON UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS

there was a report of an usual eighting, the subject matter of which is of considerable interest, and in order that the information man be evaluated, it would be appreciated if you could make arrangements to have the accompanying proforms filled in by the persons listed herewith:

Mr. Richard HUNTER
Mr. Keith McNAMARA
Mr. L. ANGEL
Mr. K.P. JEFFERIS

- 2. It is not deemed necessary that the R.A.A.F. be named as the enquirer. It would also be appriciated if the constable were to be instructed to impress his informants with the confidential nature of the information.
- The constables appreciation of the reliability of the informants would also assist in the ultimate assessment of the report.

Yours faithfully,

(C.I. ARNOLD)

Flight Lieutenant

for Air Commedore

Air Officer Commanding Western Area.

scheme for which they the Murchison had contributed had ex- week. He expects to leave Perth on Tuesday pired.

Driver Took Number Smash Car

A DRIVER whose car struck a bus a glancing blow did not stop.

However, the bus driver took the car's number and in Perth Traffic Court today the car driver was convicted of three charges.

Leonard Cutts, of Cannington, was fined £5 for laying driven negligently, £3 for having failed to stop after an accident and £3 for not having reported it.

Cutts denied having driven negligently but ad-

nitted the other charges.
(Before Mr. K. H. Parker, SM. and Mr. H. Quate, JP Sergeant L. H. Scott prosecuted. Mr. A. Barbiett for Cutts.)

THE Red Cross Society will hold its Australiawide March appeal again this year.

This will be the fifth consecutive annual appeal launched by the society since World War II.

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SIGHTING

- 1. Reference Western Area Headquarters letter B6/11/SEC(6A) dated 20th December, 1951.
- 2. Enclosed herewith is the pro forma as compiled by Mr. C.A. BOLTON.

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(C. L. ARNOLD)
Flight Lieutenant
for Group Captain
Officer Commanding Western Area

GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA. GB/VAT W.A. POLICE NO. 4630/51 POLICE DEPARTMENT. Confidential COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE. 24th January, 19 52 PERTH, W.A..... Officer Commanding Western Area, R.A.A.F. Pearce. Subject; Report on Unusual Sighting. In response to your memo. dated the 20th ultimo, I return herewith pro formae which have been filled in by Mr. Bolton. Commissioner of Police.

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED CONFIDENTIAL

1.	Name of observer
2.	Address of observerBridgetown
3	Date and Time of observation 28/11/51 llpm.
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	behind a hill, over the horizon, etc. From the horizon to the East.
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5.	Did the object appear as a light er as a moving object
	Moving object.
6	What was the colour of the light or object. Not known as it was
	night.
7	What was its apparent shape. That of an aircraft without wings.
8.	Was any detail of structure observable. Only that the normal tail
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10.	Estimation of spred - Maximum : Flying very fast. About the speed
	Minimum: of a jet aircraft.
11.	Have you any experience which enables you to be reasonable
7.0	certain about the answers given to 9 and 10
12.	Direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the
77	Travelling from East to West.
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7.1.	to travel in a straight line until almost over observer, it then went wintony street chimp retaining same course.
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15	Where did the jarafti started, to glimb, mid-air, behind a hill,
- 100	over the horizon. Lost sight after it began to climb and the lights
16.	disappeared.
	When the craft was first seen it had two lights
* 1	on. There was a maxigur orange light on the port side and a green
	light on the starboard side. As the craft past observer 5 portholes
	were observed which showed orange light from the interior of the craf
	The whole of the craft blacked out as it started to climb and there
	was no sound. The wings appeared to be very short

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Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. PEARCE

The Secretary Air Board Victoria Barracks St. Kilds Road MELBOURNE, S.C.1.

UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS

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(C.L. ARNOLD)
Flight Lieutenant
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B6/11/SEC(7A)

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REPORT ON UNUSUAL SIGHTING

1. The enclosed Police Report of an unusual sighting has been received at this Headquarters, and is forwarded for your information.

2. A pro forms has been despatched to Mr. Bolton, and will be forwarded to Air Force Headquarters on receipt.

for

(I.P.A. ALLEN)
Squadron Leader
Group Captain
Officer Commanding Western Area

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B6/11/SEC(5A)

Headquarters
Western Area
R. A. A. F.
PEARCE

20 DEC 1951

Commissioner of Police Police Department Commissioner's Office PERTH.

REPORT ON UNUSUAL SIGHTING

Your letter of 6th December, 1951 and Report No. 4630 have been received at this Headquarters.

- 2. The subject matter is of considerable interest, and in order that we may evaluate the information contained therein, it would be appreciated if you could make arrangements to have the accompanying pro formae filled in by Mr. Bolton in the presence of a constable. It would also be appreciated if the constable was instructed to impress his informant with the confidential nature of the information.
- Your co-operation in this matter is appreciated.

(I.P.A. ALLEN) Squadron Leader for Group Captain

Officer Commanding Western Area

GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA. W.A. POLICE NO..... POLICE DEPARTMENT, YOUR NO.... COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE. PERTH, W.A. 6th December, 19 51 The Officer-in-Charge,

Headquarters of the Western Area, R.A.A.F. PEARCE.

Forwarded for your information.

6th December, 1951.

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Report of Mr. Charles Aubrey BOLTON, Lands Dept. Inspector, Lands and Surveys Dept. Bridgetown re strange aircraft observed at Chowerup via Bridgetown on evening of 28.11.

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When Bolton first saw the object he thought that it was an aircraft off its course. Its outline and appearance together with the manner of its disappearance aroused his interest.

Would it be possible to ascertain whether the above was observed by other persons or if there is any explanation for what Bolton saw.

Bridgetown. 1.12.51.

SERGEANT 1474.

THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE,

Forwarded for your information and the Department of Airways, please.

D.O. BUNBURY. 4.12.51.

DISTRICT INSPECTOR OF POLICE.



W. A. Police Department. File No. 4630.

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Bridgetown, 1.2.51. (SGD.) E.C. NICHOLLS, Sergeant 1474.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE:

Forwarded for your information and the Department of Airways, please.

D. O. Bunbury, 4.12.51. (SGD.) N.J. CORR District Inspector of Police.

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Headquarters Western Area R.A.A.F. PEARCE

The Secretary Air Board Victoria Barracks St. Kilda Road MELBOURNE, S.C.1.

UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS

- 1. Enclosed herewith are two "Reports of Aerial Objects Observed) appendices "A" and "B" of a sighting, (AI. 1107/PGM dated 29th October, 1951 refers) at Goomalling. (Map ref. PERTH H50 13/14 Zone 1 Appendix "C")
- 2. Messrs. J.F. SCHELL and D.W. HORTON, both of Box 33, Goomalling, Western Australia, were interviewed and the enclosed forms filled in on 30th October, 1951.
- 5. Mr. J.F. SCHELL is a farmer and the owner of his own A17 aircraft. Mr. D.W. HORTON is employed by Mr. SCHELL. Mr. SCHELL impressed as a reliable observer who was very airminded, he regularly attends all airdisplays in the State, even though it entails road travel of two hundred miles and over to be present. Mr. HORTON was somewhat slower of perception.

(C.L. ARNOLD)
Flight Lieutenant
for Group Captain
Officer Commanding Western Area

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. J. F. SCHELL Box 55, Goomalling 2. 29 OCT 51. 1350 H. 3. Approaching overhead 4. 5. Moving shimmering object 6. shimmering (silver) 7. Elengonated, as fuselage No. (except no wings observable) 8. 12 / 15,000 feet, assuming size to be similar 9. to Vampire. 10-Minimum 300. 1,000. Maximum Practical aviator. Holder of private pilot's licence. 11. From DOWERIN IOWARDS JINJINNING WELL. 12. 13. Slight surve overhead. 14. No. 15. Mid Air. I first saw the object when I directed my line of 16. sight upwards to ascertain whether water was flowing through a hose attached to an emergency pump. On observing the object, I directed my employees

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I have attended the two last air displays at Pearce and have seen jet aircraft in flight, and have no hesitation in saying that the Aircraft was travelling faster than any I have ever witnessed.

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1.	D. W. HORTON
2.	Box 55, GOOMALLING, W.A.
3.	29 OCT 51. 1350 H 290550 Z
4.	High. South East
5.	Moving object shining.
6.	Bright. No colour distinguishable.
7.	Too high to distinguish shape.
8.	No.
9.	No idea, but was higher than aircraft that made
	vapour trails some time ago.
10.	Much faster than mustang.
11.	No except for watching aircraft in area.
12.	Almost overhead.
15.	Came in E.S.E. Slight turn W.S.W.
14.	Just a shimmering or shining.
15.	Lost sight of in mid air.
16.	The object appeared to have great speed. It was
	travelling faster than a mustang and appeared to
	accelerate a great deal after the turn.

NOTE BY: Staff Officer Intelligence

Mr. D. W. Horton claimed to have seen the object returning later, but would not say any more as the sighting was not verified by another.

AI. 1107/gm B6/11/SEC(2A) 29 Oct 51

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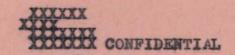
UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS

1. The following report has been received from Mr. J. F. Schell of Goomalling 290615Z.

A silver elongonated body was observed travelling very fast in a westerly direction at 290550Z.

2. This unusual occurrence will be investigated on the 30th October, 1951 and a report furnished.

L. ABNOLD)
Flight Lieutenant
Staff Officer Intelligence



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Air Force Head-Quarters,
Victoria Barracks, MELBOURNE SC1.

In reply please quote:

SEC. CD2/2 (3A)

16 January, 1951.

Headquarters, Southern Area, R.A.A.F. ALBERT PARK BARRACKS. VIC. Headquarters, Eastern Area, R.A.A.F. PENRITH N.S.W. Headquarters, North Eastern Area, R.A.A.F., TOWNSVILLE Q'LD. Headquarters, North Western Area, R.A.A.F., DARWIN N.T. Headquarters, Western Area, R.A.A.F. PEARCE W.A.

(Attention STAFF OFFICERS INTELLIGENCE.)

UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS.

A number of reports have been made by Areas regarding unusual sightings, which have been brought to the notice of various authorities.

- 2. In order to standardise the reports made about these occurrences, the attached pro-forma has been drafted.
- 3. While it is not believed that any easy explanation can be given for these unusual sightings, the systematic collection of standard reports may produce a pattern of information which will lead to fairly accurate conclusions.
- 4. It would be appreciated therefore, if all reports of unusual sightings made in your Area could be followed up, with a view to having the attached proforma completed and returned to this Head-Quarters.
- 5. It would obviously be unwise to draw any publicity toward Service interest in these reports, and persons making the reports should be asked to treat Service interest as Confidential.

(J. ALEXANDER) Gp.Capt., D.A.F.I., for Air Commodore, Ops., for CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF.

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