INFORMATION REPORT

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Sighting of Unconventional Flying Object

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SOURCE

1. All tickets and reservations for us were arranged by Mr. and Mrs. W, the trip from

   to being part of our itinerary approved by CIA officials. It

   originally were scheduled to depart from , in early November on 4 Oct 55

   but due to delays in changing cars we were delayed and eventually boarded

   on a later train which had better accommodations. Departing from at

   about six o'clock, we traveled south at a speed of 25-30 mph, reaching

   after hours. After stopping at , our direction of travel

   changed from south to west. At seven o'clock exactly ten minutes after leaving

   and 15 or 20 minutes before our arrival at.

   On of the party who was in an adjoining compartment noticed in the dim light:

   "I see it! I just saw a flying saucer!" We had been talking and had not looked

   outside for some time. When we turned our attention to the window, we did not

   see anything unusual as the light was on in the compartment and it was twilight

   outside.

2. We turned the light off as quickly as possible. At this time, I saw a shadow

   from above the horizon to the south. Its profile was not clearly outlined

   against the sky but appeared to be shaped like a partially deflated balloon

   with a slight dome on top. When I first saw it, it was off the ground and

   rising rather slowly in a vertical direction. There were two sources of light

   associated with the object, a white light on top and on the periphery, a gas

   which was about the same color as an aircraft engine exhaust, white with a

   trace of pink. I have no estimate of the distance from us, possibly 1-2 miles.

   From this perspective it appeared to be about the size of a basketball but

   rather stubby for fighter aircraft. It continued to rise vertically with the

   glow moving slowly around the perimeter in a circular direction giving the

   appearance of a pinwheel. When it reached an altitude of 10-15 degrees from

   the horizon, the gleaming stopped, the glow remaining fixed on the side away

   from us, and it then moved toward us at tremendous speed passing over the train.

   I would estimate that it was closer than a jet plane during a flight. Both the

   light on top disappeared at it came toward us. The object did not seem to

   change size to any great extent as it came toward us. My viewing position at

   the window, frontally, was approximately six feet above the level of the

   railroad track. I am six feet tall and I remember that even while standing

   beside the train my head came up to the bottom of the window. Then I was viewing

   the object s new in a steeped position and looking out of the bottom of the

   window.

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