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Mr. Kyle D. Warfel

Dear Mr. Warfel

SUBJECT: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST DON-USMC-2022-006943

This letter is in response to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for any videos, emails, and reports associated with keywords: Unidentified Aerial Phenomenon, UAP, Unidentified Flying Object, 22 MEU, an LMADIS from the USS Kearsarge between October and November 2021.

The processing of your request has been completed and are provided as enclosure (1) of this letter. The review of these documents reveals that they contain security markings. Accordingly, I must partially deny your request and withhold this information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) provisions 5 U.S.C. § 552 (1). All releasable information is provided to you.

If you consider this an adverse determination, you may submit an appeal directly within FOIAonline. If you have created an account on FOIAonline, you may submit your appeal directly via the FOIAonline website. Simply log into your account, retrieve your original request, and then click the "Create Appeal" tab in the left hand column. The basic information contained in your request will remain populated in the website and you can type in the basis for your appeal in the space provided. If you do not have a FOIAonline account or you prefer to use regular mail, you may submit an appeal to the Judge Advocate General (Code 14), 1322 Patterson Avenue SE, Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066. Please ensure that the envelope bears the notation, "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Your appeal must be postmarked within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter and a should include a copy of your original request, a copy of this letter, and a statement setting forth the basis for your appeal, and we advise that your statement include a heading that says, "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

You have the right to seek assistance and/or dispute resolution services from the Marine Corps FOIA Public Liaison, Ms. Sally Hughes, at hqmcfoia@usmc.mil or the Department of the Navy FOIA Public Liaison, Mr. Christopher Julka, at christopher.a.julka@navy.mil. You may also contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIA) for assistance and/or dispute resolution at ogis@nara.gov. For more information about the services provided by OGIS, please visit https://ogis.archives.gov.

I have characterized you as "other" for the purpose of assessing FOIA processing fees. You are entitled 2 hours of searching and 100 pages of duplication free of charge. There is no fee for processing this request, since it falls within the thresholds above.

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I am the official responsible for this determination. If you have questions regarding this action, please contact me at (910)451-8246.

Sincerely,

S. W. NOONAN

Major, U.S. Marine Corps Initial Denial Authority









L-MADIS UAP Observation 20211024





The highest classification of this product is:

Ex 1





Observation Timeline



Ex 1

• 1815L: Skyview MP passive detection system active. (U)

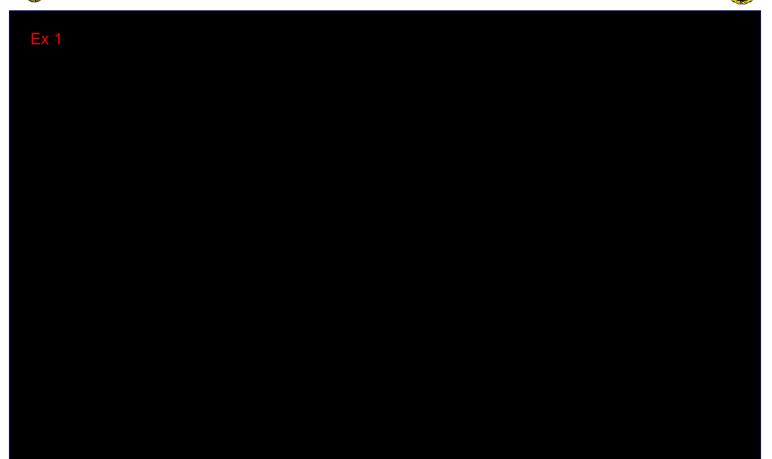
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Observation Timeline (cont)

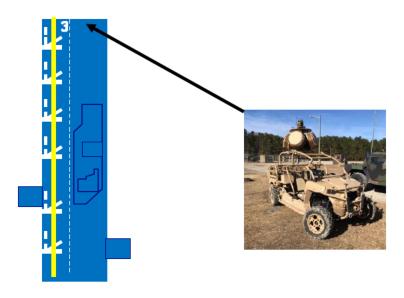








 Range and speed of UAPs not to scale











UAP1



UAP2







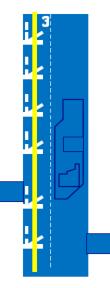




UAP1



UAP2



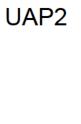










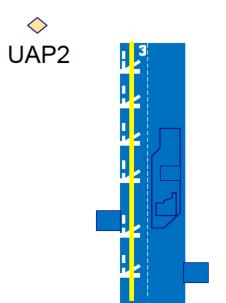










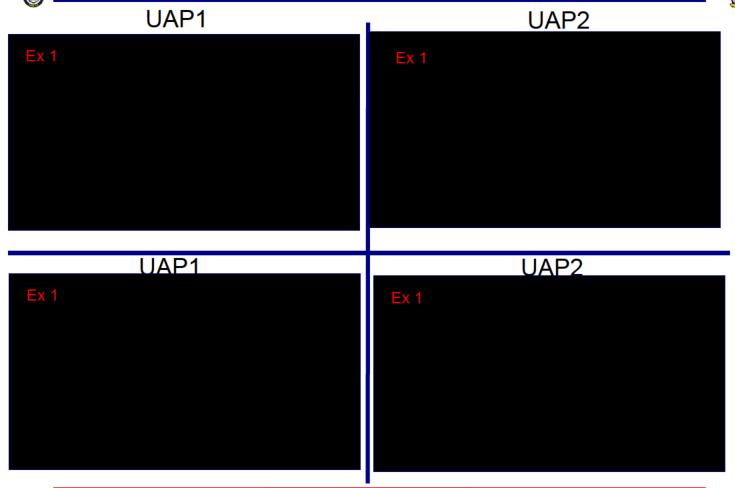










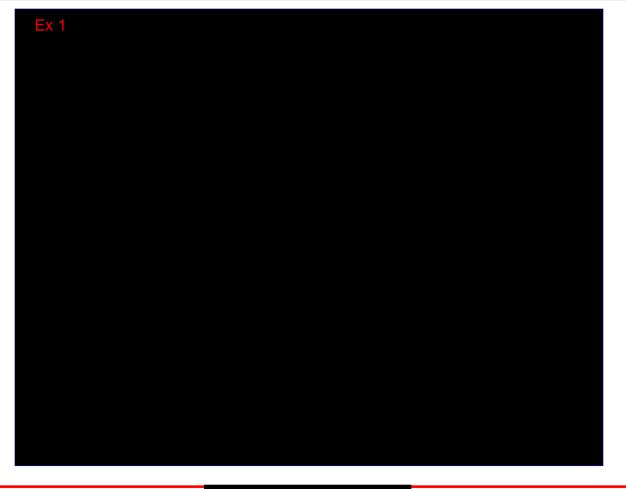






UAP1 (zoomed in)







UAP2 w/ Stars



Ex 1





Amplifying Information













Questions?