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Flying Saucers

AFOAI-DA

SUBJECT: (Restricted) Project Grudge

TO: Commanding General  
Air Materiel Command  
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base  
Dayton, Ohio

1. Reference is made to Hq. USAF letter, dated 30 December 1947, subject, "Flying Discs"; and Hq. USAF 1st Indorsement, dated 10 October 1949, to AMC letter, dated 10 August 1949, subject, "Project Grudge Technical Report".

2. In view of the findings and subsequent concurrence by all Services through the JIC, it is recommended that special project action by the Intelligence Department, Hq. AMC, on "flying saucer" reports be discontinued. Any future reports on this subject should be accorded the same consideration as that given to intelligence on other subjects.

3. This headquarters is taking action to cancel all its outstanding intelligence requirements issued for collection of information on "flying saucers" including Air Intelligence Requirements Memorandum Number 4, "Unconventional Aircraft", Department of the Air Force, Hq. USAF, dated 15 February 1949.

4. Copy of Project Grudge Technical Report, with corrections as suggested in inclosures to Hq. USAF 1st Indorsement, dated 10 October 1949, to AMC letter, dated 10 August 1949, will be reviewed to determine potentialities for psychological warfare application as recommended by AMC.

5. It is requested that the Project Grudge file at Hq. AMC be retained as the official record on "flying saucer" investigations.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

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AFOIV-TC

SUBJECT: (Restricted) Releasing Results of Analysis and Evaluation of "Unidentified Aerial Objects" Reports

TO: Commanding General  
Air Materiel Command  
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base  
Dayton, Ohio  
ATTENTION: Chief, Intelligence Dept

1. This headquarters is cognizant of press interests in the so-called "flying saucers" reports, referred to by this headquarters as "unidentified aerial objects." Your headquarters has previously been advised as to the release of information concerning Air Force interest in this subject. Your attention is invited to USAF PIO release of 6 September 1950 and Hq USAF letter, subject "Reporting of Information on Unconventional Aircraft," dated 8 September 1950.

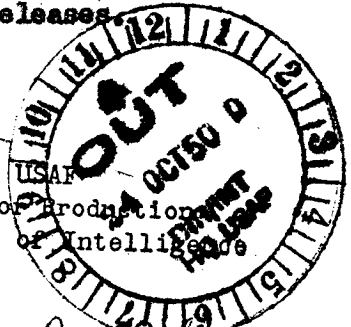
2. In a recent telephone conversation between Colonel Watson, Hq AMC and Colonel Harris, this headquarters, Colonel Watson requested guidance in the matter of releasing results of investigation, analysis, and evaluation of incidents brought to his attention. This headquarters believes that release of details of analysis and evaluation of incidents is inadvisable, and desires that, in lieu thereof, releases conform to the policy and spirit of the following:

"We have investigated and evaluated \_\_\_\_\_ incident and have found nothing of value and nothing which would change our previous estimates on this subject."

3. Results of analysis and evaluation of incidents possessing any intelligence value will be forwarded to this headquarters for information and for any action relative to possible press releases.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

S/ E. MOORE  
Brig. Gen., USAF  
Assistant for Production  
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AFOIV-TC  
Col Harris/aws/52466  
12 Oct 50

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

PROBLEM

1. To advise Col Watson, AMC, concerning proper procedure for handling unidentified aerial object reports.

FACTS AND DISCUSSION

2. On 9 Oct 50, Gen Moore instructed Col Harris, AFOIV-TC, to telephone Col Watson, AMC, and advise him that photographs of an unidentified aerial object were to be evaluated by Intelligence Dept, AMC, and not to be forwarded to D/I for evaluation.

3. The telephone call to Intelligence Dept, AMC was consummated with Lt Col Dunn, inasmuch as Col Watson was away for the day.

4. Col Watson had <sup>Previously</sup> requested that authority be granted to release all details concerning incidents brought to his attention for analysis. It is Gen Moore's opinion that it is unnecessary to release full details resulting from analysis of incidents, and, in all cases cognizant to the press, the following may be released:

"We have investigated and evaluated \_\_\_\_\_ incident and have found nothing of value and nothing which would change our previous estimates on this subject."

5. Intelligence Dept, AMC was further advised that, should results of such incidents contain information of any technical intelligence value, they should not be released but should be sent to D/I, Hq USAF.

6. A ltr has been prepared by AFOIV-TC to Hq AMC confirming the policy outlined in the telephone conversation.

7. Subject matter will not be submitted for inclusion in the Daily Staff Digest.

ACTION RECOMMENDED

8. Approval, signature, and forwarding.

COORDINATION

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AFOIC-CC, Lt Col Earnest/ml/71067  
Written: 2 Oct 50

**Discrimination of Publicity Policy on Reports of Unconventional Aircraft**

Director of Public Relations, OCS

4 OCT 1950

Director of Intelligence, DCS/O

Lt Col Earnest/71067

1. In fulfilling our responsibility for the production of air technical intelligence it is necessary that we disseminate only scientific or technical information which may appear to be pertinent to that objective. Some reports of so-called "flying saucers" or unconventional aircraft may fall into this category of information. Such reports will be handled in the same manner as other pertinent scientific or technical information, depending upon the report's apparent authenticity and substance.

2. To provide guidance to all Air Force organizations or representatives who may receive queries from the press on this subject it is requested that instructions substantially as follows be furnished all Public Information Officers:

"Queries from the press as to USAF interest in any air technical subject, to include so-called 'flying saucers', may be answered to the effect that the USAF has a continuing interest in all air technical and scientific information and therefore has a general interest in any report which may appear to be pertinent to this category of information. The foregoing should be used only in response to queries; not to initiate press statements."

3. It is further requested that a copy of this instruction be furnished this Directorate (Attn: Air Attache Branch) at the time distribution is made, so that this office can issue a like instruction to Air Attaches.

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Written: 22 Sept 50

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SUBJECT: Unconventional Aircraft

TO: Commanding General  
Air Materiel Command  
Wright-Patterson AFB  
Dayton, Ohio  
ATTN: Director of Intelligence  
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1. Reference is made to letter from this headquarters, subject: "Reporting of Information on Unconventional Aircraft", dated 8 September 1950, to Commanding Generals, all Major Air Commands and all U. S. Air Attaches.
2. The following summarizes Air Materiel Command responsibilities in processing these reports, and supersedes all previous instructions on this subject:
  - a. As implied in para. 1 of letter referenced above, reports on subject will be processed in the same manner as other technical intelligence information, according to their apparent authenticity and importance.
  - b. Air Materiel Command will continue to investigate, analyze, and evaluate this information as part of its obligation to produce air technical intelligence. In investigating incidents or sightings of this character, Air Materiel Command will be responsible for utilizing such facilities as the importance of the incident may appear to deserve, including OSI personnel, AMG depot personnel, or special teams.
  - c. In accordance with para. 20 of letter referenced in para. 1 above, reports of unconventional aircraft from USAF-controlled sources will be forwarded direct to Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Attn: MOIS. Reports coming to this headquarters from other sources will be forwarded immediately to Air Materiel Command. On account of this direct channel it is important that AMG be especially aware of its responsibility for

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keeping Headquarters USAF currently informed in this field of technical intelligence, particularly when reports appear to be of great interest from either an intelligence viewpoint or because of press releases.

d. The fact that Intelligence Reports on Form 112 on this subject will not come through this headquarters will leave gaps in the series of IR numbers in our Documents Files, thereby complicating accounting procedures. To alleviate this condition and to provide complete references for the Directorate of Intelligence, it is requested that the Director of Intelligence, ANO immediately forward one (1) copy of each Intelligence Report on this subject to Director of Intelligence, Hq USAF, Attn: AFOIC-IB. No inclosures need be forwarded.

e. Intelligence requirements or requests for follow-up collection action on this subject will be addressed to this headquarters in the usual manner.

f. Information received direct from non-governmental sources may be acknowledged and follow-up information obtained by direct correspondence.

g. Queries from the press as to USAF interest in "flying saucers" may be answered generally to the effect that the USAF has a continuing interest in all air technical and scientific information and therefore has an interest in any such reports which may appear to be pertinent to this category of information.

3. Review of your Project No. 10073, subject: "Evaluation of Reports on Specialized Aircraft", dated 18 July 1950, suggests that modifications should be made to take into account the provisions of para. 2c and 2d above. Modification is further suggested to remove restrictions on investigation of incidents; predicating the extent of investigation entirely on the apparent importance of the information as determined by the Commanding General, Air Materiel Command.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

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Colonel, USAF  
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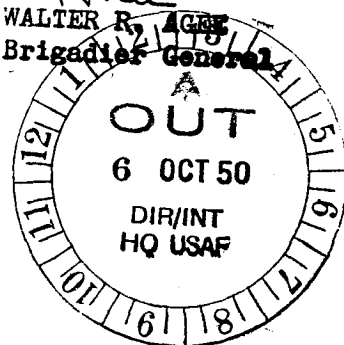
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