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(U) Possible MOONDUST

TO: Commander, 8th Air Force
Attn: DIO

1. This will confirm oral information furnished to MSgt MILTON SHEARER, Directorate of Intelligence, Headquarters, 8th Air Force, on 6 Dec 60 by Major A. T. WAGNER, this office.
2. By letter dated 5 Dec 60, the FBI Field Office, New Haven, Connecticut, advised as follows:

"[REDACTED], Bristol, Connecticut, who described himself as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Reserves, telephoned this office on December 5, 1960. He advised that at approximately 4:30 pm on Friday, December 2, 1960, an object believed to be possibly a portion of a space satellite, had apparently fallen in Bristol, Connecticut. [REDACTED] advised that as the object neared the ground, there was sufficient smoke to cause a delay in automobile traffic. He advised that this occurred in the neighborhood of Preston Road, Bristol. According to [REDACTED], the smoke pattern was such as to indicate that the object descended at 'a 240 degree angle.' [REDACTED] advised that he had no first hand information since he was not present and did not observe this incident. He said that an article in a Bristol newspaper had reported this incident and indicated that a number of persons in that area had observed it."

3. Any further information developed concerning this matter will be promptly furnished your Headquarters.
4. This letter is classified CONFIDENTIAL to preclude unauthorized disclosure of information considered classified in nature.

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1D-OSI 24-365

(U) Unidentified Flying Object Allegedly Sighted
in the Vicinity of Preston Road, Terryville,
Connecticut, 2 Dec 60

TO: Commander, 8th Air Force
Attn: DIO

1. Reference is made to letter, this office, file 24-0-444, SUBJECT: (U)
Possible MOONDUST, dated 6 Dec 60.

2. Information received on 8 Dec 60 from our OSI Detachment in Hartford,
Connecticut, indicates that Subject UFO was observed by [redacted]
[redacted], Preston Road, Terryville, Connecticut, who subsequently furnished
the information to [redacted]

3. On 6 December 1960, [redacted] advised a Special Agent of this
office that at approximately 1630 hours, 2 Dec 60, when it was dusk, almost
dark, her son called her outside where in a due easterly direction, he
pointed out an object in the air. [redacted] described the object as fire
orange in color, shaped and about the size of a carriage lantern, or old-
fashioned post lamp. From the point of observation to the East, the
horizon is formed by a line of trees approximately 1/2 mile away. The field
of vision from due East to North is limited to about 20 degrees because
of a wooded area. From the description furnished by [redacted] the
UFO at time of first sighting appeared to be less than 200 feet in the
air and about 200 yards away, over a pond located in a hollow running
from North to South.

After noting the UFO, [redacted] returned inside the house. About
five minutes later she was again called outside by her son. This time
the object had moved North to a position almost out of sight. It had
also enlarged to about twice its size in width and seven times its size
in length and changed color from fire orange to yellow. Although
generally rectangular in shape, its edges were irregular rather than
straight and square. [redacted] again went inside the house, but
few minutes later was again called by her son. Outside she could no
longer see the object, but observed a heavy, black smoke in the air and
noted a smell similar to that of a burning auto tire. Although the
children had said that the object was going down, [redacted] did not
feel that it had because from her two sightings, the object had not
changed altitude.

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4. Two other residents in the immediate area were interviewed, but denied sighting the object. The Terryville Police Department advised that no sightings of an unidentified flying object had been reported to them.

5. For your additional information, the Waterbury Sunday Republican, dated 4 December 1960, carried a short article entitled "City People Spot Russian Space Ship." The body of this article is set forth verbatim as follows:

[REDACTED], said he and about 10 other people were leaving work about 4:30 p. m. yesterday at Alcotts, Inc., when they saw an object in the sky, believed to be the Russian space ship which burned in the atmosphere.

"He described it as very high, looking as if the sun were reflecting on it as well as being engulfed in a smoke screen."

6. No further action is contemplated by this office.

7. This letter is classified **CONFIDENTIAL** to preclude unauthorized disclosure of investigative information which is considered classified in nature.

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