

OPERATIONAL DISCIPLINE  
SECURITY INFORMATION

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FROM: CG 5001st COMP PG LADU AFB  
ACTION TO: CG MAC BIP AFB  
DTG: 222340Z Jan 52

IFWOP 3-0103C for dir of Intel ref SAC ltr 200-3 par bab, Preliminary Report on Unidentified Radar Plane (elc) At 1018Z first plot track 17 picked up by F-2. Tgt was tracked intermittently beginning over 02 deg 22' 15" N 150 13' W until its final disappearance over 03 deg 25' N and 150 13' W at 1049Z. Minimum speed 1500 knots max 2400 knots. A-1 was unable to pick up track. Weather in area was VFR. F-2 was scrambled at 1028Z airborne at 1033, went to 20 thousand and vectored by A-2 towards track, unable to pick it up. Climbed to 30 thousand feet. Picked up tgt as a bright blip, radar observer states comparable to that of B-36, unable to lock on as tgt swept past scope too rapidly. This was approx 1055Z. Approx 10 mins later while cruising picked up tgt again in same general area as first contact, tgt was locked on, position was below at approx 24 thousand ft. Range was 24 thousand yds. Ftr closed on tgt dead ahead and level to 200 yds, overtaking speed was 100 knots, when it vanished. Ftr searched area but could not pick up tgt again. In both contacts radar observer states that immediately to rear of blip was a faint ghost like image of identical size. Radar return reports contacts were sharp well defined images. Comments: Both contacts made by ftr were made after F-2 final track fade. In an earlier flight pilot of same acct reported sighting what appeared to have been a comet or meteor to the southwest approx 4 hrs prior to the above incident. Reliable ground observer at LADU reported same incident to this office. Complete file by Office of per Inv this HQ to follow.

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