

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF 2d LT CARMON L MARANO'S JOB WITHIN THE
AERIAL PHENOMENA OFFICE, TDPT (UFO), FOR 2d LT REYNOLDS, TDBIS

Unidentified flying object (UFO) sightings are reported to the local Air Force base closest to the observer. Each base has an investigator who completes a preliminary investigation of the sighting. If he is unable to determine the identity of the stimulus, the report is forwarded to the Wright-Patterson AFB office. Since the Project Blue Book staff consists of only four permanent members, the burden of identification falls upon me. However, I have at my disposal the local investigators, radar experts, photo analysts, astronomers, meteorologists, etc. We also receive assistance from organizations such as the Air Force Materials Lab, Ohio River Division Lab, the FAA, local police departments and newspapers, the Space Detection Center, and numerous other organizations.

Most UFO sightings involve only one or two observers, however, on the evening of 3 March 1968, immediately after 9:45 pm, EST, communication channels to the base were completely disrupted by telephone calls from Ohio and Pennsylvania. Observers from these states reported sighting what they described as comet-like and cigar-like objects. Reportedly, the three objects were in a "V" formation, had fiery tails, and traveled across the sky on a northeasterly course. Some of the observers thought the objects were only a few thousand feet high while others reported that they were extremely high. Although the duration of the sighting

varied from observer to observer, most agreed that it took about two minutes for the objects to go from horizon to horizon.

This UFO was identified by the SDC as the decay of some satellite. We feel that the debris probably impacted northeast of Kane, Pennsylvania.

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DUTY DESCRIPTION

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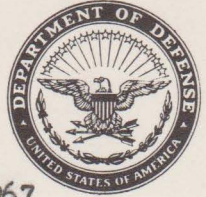
1. Lt. Marano's primary duty is the analysis of unidentified flying object (UFO) reports. The Aerial Phenomena Branch is now receiving over 1000 sightings a year. Approximately 95% of these cases need additional investigation performed before an evaluation can be made. An initial check is made to determine whether any of these sightings constitute a threat to the security of the United States. After this task, Lt. Marano must use all means possible to identify the stimulus for each sighting. This involves the acquisition, maintenance and listing of records relating to aircraft, astronomical and other miscellaneous records. These records include refueling routes, high altitude, and low altitude high speed runs and Oil Burner routes, NASA radar calibration aircraft, Aerial Advertisers and flare drops. Also, included are satellite orbital data, the celestial globe, star charts, various astronomical magazines, balloon and rocket launches, NASA news releases and previous UFO cases.
2. Analysis involves the use and knowledge of all the above material. It may also include obtaining additional information from the observers, witnesses, local and state police departments, the Federal Aviation Agency, neighboring Air Force and other military installations. At Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, Lt. Marano is in close contact with the meteorology department (TDETW), photo personnel (TDDP), radar analysts (TDEE), and the Air Force Materials Laboratory. Lt. Marano also uses the services of the Smithsonian Institute, the Space Detection and Tracking System, the Air Defense Command and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
3. Coordination on UFO sightings is made with local Air Force installations, the Secretary of the Air Force, Office of Information, the University of Colorado and Dr. J. Allen Hynek who is the Air Force consultant on UFOs.
4. Lt. Marano responds to verbal and written requests from the Secretary of the Air Force, Office of Information and other high level personnel. Lt. Marano must be well versed on the whole UFO program (what has happened in past years and what is currently happening) to quickly respond to queries on the UFO program. Replies must be accurate as they are disseminated to the various congressional members, the news media, radio and TV broadcasters, scientific researchers and the general public. Lt. Marano must also provide the University of Colorado with any information they request on the Air Force UFO project. Lt. Marano continually studies past cases, theories, authors, books and other organizations dealing with "flying saucers" and other astronomical phenomena.

5. Lt. Marano also supervises and gives guidance to his subordinates. He works closely with subordinates, making sure that they are well versed on various aspects of the Aerial Phenomena Branch. Lt. Marano not only gives guidance on how his personnel should deal with everyday occurrences but also on uncommon situations that the UFO program meets with. Lt. Marano works under the supervision of Major Hector Quintanilla, Jr, Chief, Aerial Phenomena Branch.

6. Lt. Marano has also undertaken these additional tasks. He is making a photo index of all UFO photos that the Air Force has received since 1947. Lt. Marano is conducting a preliminary study to determine how a statistical quantitative evaluation of the existence of UFOs can best be made and a listing of organizations that could conceivably be used in this task. Lt. Marano is also instructing the NCOIC in the use of satellite records and celestial globe.

7. Future tasks include statistical evaluation on the existence of UFOs. Having a summary written on all unidentified cases and also, all other particularly interesting cases for dissemination to the public.

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18 September 1967

SUBJECT:

Briefing for AFSC/FT Indoctrination Course

TO:

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THRU:

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2. Please designate a primary and an alternate briefer for the subject area identified by completing this format and returning it to TDGC-2 by 22 September 1967. If you consider it necessary to change the title or duration of the briefing be sure to notify TDGC-2 prior to 22 September. Return the original of this letter to TDGC-2 and retain carbon for your reminder.

Subject: Unidentified Flying Objects

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KENNETH F. MONEY, 2LT USAF
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FROM:

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LT. Carmo MARANO EXT 70916

Alternate Briefer

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REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TDGC-2/Sgt Gibbons/70540

22 January 1968


SUBJECT: Briefing for AFSC/FT Indoctrination Course

TO: TDPT/UFO (Lt. Marano)
THRU: TDP

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KENNETH F. MONEY, 2/Lt, USAF
Training Program Office

FROM: TDPT (UFO)

DATE: 29 Jan 68


TO: TDGC-2

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