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DATE: September 3, 1947

TO: Director

FROM: SAC, Portland

SUBJECT: FLYING DISC
SECURITY MATTER - X

Reference is made to my teletype dated August 12, 1947 detailing that
Mr. JOHN BARTLETT of Wake Beach, Oregon had reported on August 1, 1947 that he
observed what he believed to be a disc, Mr. LILL BARTLETT, husband of BARTLETT, now
residing in Newport, Oregon was interviewed by Special Agent JOHN J. HANCOCK
on August 1, 1947, he was residing at Wake Beach, Oregon and
that his house was very near the ocean beach; that at about 11:30 P.M. he was
awakened by his son coming in and that while at the house he noticed a bright glow of
light above the sky over the ocean. He stated that he immediately looked at
the light and thought this might be one of the discs.

Mr. BARTLETT went on to say that he had no idea as to the shape or size of
this object but that it appeared to be about five miles out over the ocean and
that he was able to see it for about 15 to 20 seconds. He further stated that
due to the darkness he could not recall the speed of this object but stated
it was traveling a great deal faster than anything he had ever seen. He
stated that this glow of light was somewhat similar to "the Northern Light" which
sometimes appears in the sky but that it was not nearly as large and that it appeared
to be going up and down, that as it appeared in the sky it traveled along. He
stated it disappeared in the west, after talking into the ocean or disappearing
over the horizon. He could give no other information concerning this object or
if he reported by him as possibly being a flying disc. Mr. BARTLETT has in past and
present been in Newport.

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