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To: Atomic Energy Commission  
Building T-3  
16th and Constitution Avenue, N. W.  
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Attention: Mr. Francis R. Hammack  
Acting Director  
Division of Security

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director - Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: UNKNOWN OBJECT OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE, MARCH 1, 1950  
STUART ADCOCK, INFORMANT  
VITAL FACILITIES  
INTERNAL SECURITY

Stuart E. Adcock, operator of Radio Station WROL, Knoxville, is reported to have detected on his radar equipment an object directly over Oak Ridge, Tennessee, at an altitude of 40,000 feet at 11:15 p. m., March 1, 1950. On March 2, 1950, he advised that his radar equipment recorded an object about 100,000 feet high and approximately 18 miles from his home in Knoxville at 11:15 a. m. on that date. It was reported that Naval Reserve radar equipment at Knoxville, Tennessee, did not detect an object on any occasion but stated that the equipment was not considered efficient for aircraft at extreme altitudes. It was further reported that qualified persons at Oak Ridge questioned Adcock and examined his radar equipment. They reportedly found his equipment not too reliable and felt that Adcock was technically wrong on some of his radar theory. The reliability of Adcock was also questioned due to some degree of inebriation.

The above confirms information telephonically furnished to Mr. C. A. Rolander of your office. No investigation is being conducted by this Bureau but in the event additional information comes to our attention you will be promptly advised.

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- Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Tracy \_\_\_\_\_
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- Nease \_\_\_\_\_
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cc - Director of Special Investigations  
The Inspector General  
Department of the Air Force  
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cc - Director of Intelligence  
General Staff (11)  
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Washington 25, D. C. Attention: Chief, Security and Training Group

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