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151 Meridian Street
Greenfield, Massachusetts
July 10, 1947

Commanding Officer
Westover Field
Chicopee, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

After having read several accounts of eye-witnesses who claim they had seen the so-called "flying discs", it brought to mind a strange experience I had some two weeks ago. The reason I write to you is that radio and newspaper reports state that the air forces have been alerted to investigate these mysterious objects. Assuming that you are interested, I am making the following report in the belief that it might possibly be of help to you. I do not desire to have any kind of publicity whatsoever in this connection.

About 11:30 AM, Sunday, June 22nd, I was working outdoors on a step-ladder, looking up, and suddenly there appeared across my line of vision a speeding, brilliant, small, round-shaped, silvery-white object at an altitude I would judge to be about 1,000 ft. or more. It was moving very fast in a straight, northwesterly direction -- I would say as fast or possibly faster than a speeding plane. It was so unusual and strange a sight that it arrested my attention for about 8 or 10 seconds until it was obscured by a cloud-bank.

Naturally my curiosity was considerably aroused and I tried to think what this object might have been. I doubted very much that it could have been a weather balloon because it was not at all like any weather balloons I had seen before. The object I saw, although small, reflected the sunlight very strongly as though it were of polished aluminum or silver, and I can assure you was very real. It appeared to have an irregular round shape and while it could have been disc-shaped, it did not particularly impress me as such.

I have attempted to give you this information as accurately and clearly as I know how, free from any imagination or exaggeration. Furthermore, my experience took place before I had any inkling that "flying discs" were reported seen.

This information is being passed on to you for whatever it may be worth, purely and simply in the interests of national security, and once more request that you do not publicize my name.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

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Captain, Air Corps

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Sincerely yours,

/s/ Edward L. DeRose

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