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SUBJECT: ~~Sighting of Unidentified Lights at St. Croix, Virgin Islands, 12, 13 June 1957~~

TO: Commander
72D Bombardment Wing (H) SAC
Ramey Air Force Base
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1. Confirming conversation with Major EDWARD A. BRINKMAN, Chief, Intelligence Division, your headquarters, on 26 June 1957, quoted below is text of a letter received by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, San Juan, Puerto Rico, from Mr. VICTOR GIBEAU, JR. of Christiansted, St. Croix, which is self-explanatory:

"This morning I tried to contact one of your representatives here in St. Croix without success. Consequently, I am writing you concerning what I, together with the rest of my family and two others, believe to be an unusual phenomina here in the Christiansted area.

On the evening of June 12, 1957, between 07:30 and 08:00 PM we viewed a moving light from our home for a period of several minutes. The light was at an angle of approximately 30 degrees from the horizon in the north east sky. During this initial appearance the light was of a fixed intensity and the object moved slowly as if through air currents. Further, the object appeared to be in continued ascent and may have finally disappeared in the low clouds. Darkness prevented a complete visual sighting.

The first object disappeared and a few minutes I alone again saw two lighted objects for a very short period in the overcast.

Although no audible sound was associated with this phenomina, a sound quite unlike that of a motor car was noticed by two of us some minutes after the light had disappeared. However, being in the upper Christiansted area it is difficult to distinguish the particular points from which sounds originate. The sound somewhat resembled that produced by jet propulsion.

The following evening at approximately 07:45 PM (on 13 June) a second lighted object was seen by three persons all of whom had view the earlier phenomina. On this occasion the light rose very rapidly

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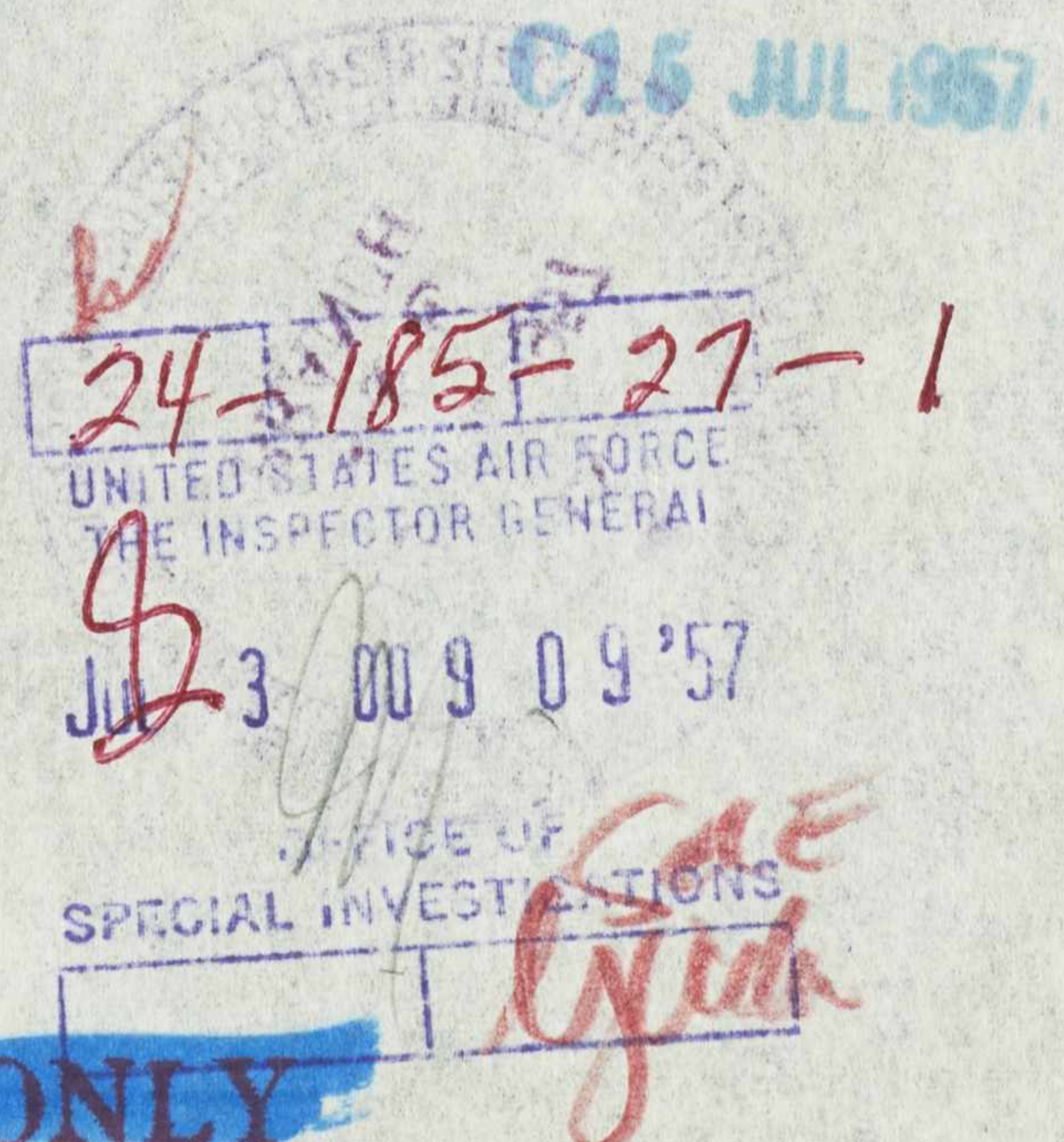
as if it had just been launched from a point in the Christiansted area. The light was again white and ascended rapidly. Being dark only the light was observed, but two viewers saw what appeared to be a long wire on the object reflecting the light being produced.

On both evenings the objects were seen moving through the same area of sky. Although I am not at all sure as to the meaning behind, or reason for this phenomena, believed it best to report the above to your organization."

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