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	REPORT MADE BY S/A Ralph O. Robillard	
TITLE Unconventional Aircraft 30 July 1950, St. John's, Nfld. Mr. Roland Hann	REPORT MADE AT Pepperrell APB, Newfoundland	
	PERIOD 31 July - 18 August 1950	
	OFFICE OF ORIGIN D.O. #4	
	STATUS R.U.C.	

CHARACTER
Special Inquiry--Unconventional Aircraft

REFERENCE
AFCSI LTR. 106

SYNOPSIS
Various persons in the vicinity of St. John's, Newfoundland have reported that on the evening of 30 July '50 at approximately 2015 hours, an unconventional aircraft was seen flying over the area North of Pepperrell Air Force Base and St. John's, Newfoundland. Detailed descriptions of the object were varied and few definite details could be established. Estimates of size, shape and speed varied widely but the general consensus of opinion was that the aircraft did not attain any extraordinary rate of speed while in sight. Some witnesses indicate that object may have struck ground in the vicinity of Pepperrell Air Force Base but to date it has not been found or reported.

DETAILS:
This is a joint investigation of S/A William W. McNeill and S/A Ralph O. Robillard.

Mr. Roland HANN a painter of Kings Road, St. John's, Newfoundland was interviewed and stated at approximately 2012 hours, 30 July '50, I was sitting on the top of the hill at the ball park in St. John's with my 8 year old son. He kept looking toward the buildings at Pepperrell and asking, what's this building and so on. As we looked, I saw a strange object in the sky near the area of the towers on the far side of the base. It was a blunt headed object, perhaps two or three feet in diameter, and at least 10 feet long. It was moving fast and trailing a brilliant stream of flame. It was only in sight about three or four seconds, and was gone. It seemed to appear from behind the hills.

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