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Re: 341st Wing History for January - March 1967

Dear Mr. Salas:

I apologize for the delay in responding to your inquiry about my recollection of the events concerning UFO sighting around Echo and November Flights. As I mentioned by telephone, it was my recollection that there were no compelling explanations given about the cause of the incident in March 1967.

I don't specifically recall the foundation for the report in the history on page 38 that stated the rumors about UFO were disproven. This section of the history includes the response of the Mobile Strike Team and the radar squadron's report of no sightings or radar readings. This information was obtained from the footnoted report by the Engineering Investigation Team. I don't recall interviewing the Mobile Strike Team or anyone in the Radar Squadron. What I do recall is that there was a general unwillingness to discuss the subject by anyone I contacted.

As I mentioned, I was an enlisted airman with no command authority and the position of base historian was not given much attention or support by the command structure. The history would be reviewed by the command structure and sometimes changes would be prescribed before it was released. There were two times that I recall where sections of the history were scrutinized and changes beyond editorial were made. These were the UFO sightings history and a reported morale problem in the fighter interceptor group.

I do not know anyone that may have additional information about the incident. Good luck on your novel!

Regards,

