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INFORMATION SHEET : ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

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1. Earlier this year, Admin S-1 arranged to obtain the bi-monthly Information Sheet issued by the Current Phenomena Section of the Astronomical Society of Victoria for retention by this office. The Information Sheets appear to be processed through the Central Library, but are not finding their way to C Intell O. (Please of place 15).

- 2. So far, the record shows that:
 - a. Mar-Apr Information Sheet Received at Central Library, then disappeared.
 - b. May-Jun " Received by C Intell O
 - sh c. Jul-Aug " Received by C Intell O
 - Not so far received by C Intell O.

3. Frequent reference is made to the information contained in the publications and I am anxious that all sheets become available for reference purposes as quickly as possible. Would you, therefore, please establish what has happened to the Sep-Oct sheet and arrange for that and all future issues to be forwarded to C Intell O, Room 310B N Block.

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ICTORIAN U.F.O. RESEARCH SOCIETY



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President: PETER E. NORRIS, LL.B. Phone: 654 4277

Secretary: MISS JUNE HARRISON, Phone: 96 3042

20th. February '69.

S. O. O. HQ Support Command, R. A. A. F. Victoria Barracks. Melbourne. Vic.

S/ldr. H. Thwaites.

Dear Sir,

In support of our recent conversation.

The Executive of the above Society would advise, that during the course of 1968, a very thorough purging project was completed within the Society, with the long overdue result, that at this juncture we would categorically state that members of V.U.F.O.R.S. are currently no more useless than any body of sincerely dedicated researchers.

In an effort to further rid ourselves of the stigma of being 'clowns, cultists, and publicity-seekers' VUFORS has severed connection with all other research groups, throughout the world, with no intention of accepting any affiliations, whatever.

The Society may quietly claim the assistance, for the most part, incognito, of a wide range of academics and professionels and thus, we request it understood that having rid ourselves of all known insensate features, it would be appreciated if the powers that be, might henceforth afford any guidance and advice, which relevent bodies might deem fitting.

At this time, the Society features a great back-log of essential, specialist knowledge, and would rectify this lack forthwith. To this precise endeavour, the 1969 programme has set aside two lecture nights especially for guidance from the Air Force, and it is hereby requested that the Service might now regard this Society for what it is, and afford if at all possible, the benefit of two lecturers, who could contribute to our education as we strive to gain some measure of understanding in the field of UFO phenomena. The dates above mentioned being March 28th, & July 4th. Thanking you, in anticipation,

Replied to by sess.

Sincerely

Pranceswilliams. stant Secretary.

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Subject:

ASTRONAUTICAL SOCIETY OF VICTORIA - NEWS SHEET

1. Purchase Order No. E270821 was raised on 20.12.68 to cover your request at folio 12 for Information Sheets covering Current Aerial Phenomena.

2. The order covered Institutional Membership 1969 of the Astronautical Society of Victoria and also Current Phenomena Section Information Sheets (1969).

3. RAAF Printing and Publications Unit advise receipt of Journal for February 1969 and Phenomena Sheets for January to April Phenomena Sheets, which were issued to RAAF Gentral Library by Packing Note 400778 on 7th March 1969.

4. RAAF Central Library have acknowledged receipt of the above publications but at the moment are unable to trace them. However, when traced the publications will be issued to C Intell 0 along with any future copies received against the subscriptions.

Sqn Ldr Admin S1

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY

SALISBURY, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

8th January, 1969.

SATRLLITE PREDICTION CENTRE

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Space Research Group, Weapons Research Establishment, Box 1424H, G.P.O., Adelaide, S.A., 5001

VISIBLE SATELLITE PASSES BULLETIN

Satellite Predictions will not be provided this week due to information not received from America.

PRINTED HATTER: UPO PREDICTIONS

Admin S-1

- 1. One of the tasks of this appointment is the investigation of UFO reports sent to this Headquarters and supervision of other investigations carried out by bases of the Command.
- 2. I believe there is a news-sheet type publication predicting aerial phenomena issued at regular intervals by the Astronomical Society of Victoria which could help in this task.
- 3. Could you therefore take action to subscribe to this publication through the Society's chairman, Mr J.B. TRAINOR, pel 14 28 Omar Street South Caulfield, 3163.

(J.I. GAVEY) Flt Lt C Intell O

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Department of Air (DAFI) CARBERRA ACT 2600

Info Headquarters RAAF Base LAVERTON 3027

WRE SATELLITE PREDICTION SERVICE

Reference: A. Your 554/1/30(4) 28th February 1968

1. There is now a requirement for RAAF Lawerton to receive regular copies of the WRE Satellite Prediction Centre "Visible Satellite Passes Bulletin".

2. Would you, therefore, please ask Weapons Research Establishment to include RAAF Base LAVERTON on the mailing list for this publication

(L.B. BROWN)
Wing Commander
For Air Officer Commanding

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WEAPONS RESEARCH ESTABLISHMENT SALISBURY, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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Headquarters Support Command,

Victoria Barracks, MELBOURNE, VIC., 3004

SATELLITE PREDICTION SERVICE

This Establishment produces a weekly Visible Satellite Passes Bulletin, intended primarily for reproduction in the daily press for public information.

Following an offer to provide these bulletins to RAAF bases to assist initial investigations of UFO's we have received the following letter from the Secretary, Department of Air:

"The usefulness of your satellite prediction service in the identification of many unidentified flying objects reported to the RAAF has been shown by He Equarters Sup ort Command investigations. As a result this Department wishes to take advantage of your offer of the satellite prediction bulletin to RALF Bases and a list of the Bases nominated to receive the bulletin is enclosed".

The first of these Bulletins is enclosed, and subsequently issues will be sent to you weekly.

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SATULLITE PREDICTION CENTRE

Satellite Tracking Operations Group, Weapons Research Establishment,

Box 1424H, G.P.O., Adelaide, S.A., 5001.

VISIBLE SATELLITE PASSES BULLDIIN

For Week: 17th March to 23rd March, 1968.

Predictions are provided for the following satellites:

SATELLITE NAME NO.	PERIOD (MINUTES)	INCLINATION (DEGREES)	APOGEE (KM)	PERIGEE (KM)	PAGE NO.
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Definitions:

Period is the time for one complete revolution of the earth.

Inclination is the angle at which the satellite crosses the equator, taken anticlockwise from EAST.

Apogee is the maximum height achieved by the satellite during its orbit.

Perigee is the lowest point of the satellite orbit.

Predictions for Camberra are now being included

Notes :

- These predictions are based on information provided by the Goddard Space Flight Centre of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, U.S.A.
- Of more than 1200 man-made objects in space, only long-lived satellites which are visible to the human eye are selected for these predictions. Other objects seen from time to time, may be decaying objects re-entering the atmosphere.
- 3. A pass is included in the predictions when,
 - (a) the satellite is illuminated by the sun,
 - (b) during the pass, the satellite rises 100 above the horizon, and
 - (c) the pass occurs before Civil Twilight for morning passes, or after Civil Twilight for evening passes.

- 4. The times and directions included in the predictions refer to the closest approach of the satellite to the observer.
- 5. Under Position in Sky, the azimuth (AZ), is the bearing from true north and the elevation (EL) is the number of degrees above the horizon.
- 6. At the time of closest approach, the satellite <u>could</u> be in earth's shadow, and thus the satellite would only be visible before or after this time during its pass.

Date	Station	Time (Local)	Position AZ	in Sky EL
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19th March	Sydney Brisbane Canberra Melbourne Hobart Adelaide Perth	1917 2107 1917 2107 1917 2106 1916 2106 2018 2207 2034 1858 2048	213 188 203 189 207 198 332 184 38 169 194 216 189	56 28 31 15 69 33 77 44 62 66 39 72 28
20th March	Sydney Brisbane Canberra Melbourne Hobart Adelaide Perth	1923 2113 1922 2113 1922 2112 1922 2111 2023 2212 2039 1903 2053	197 178 208 183 219 187 191 191 14 186 200 225 193	44 27 24 14 54 31 76 40 77 63 34 53 25
21st March	Sydney Brisbane Canberra Melbourne Hobart Adelaide Perth	1928 2118 1928 2118 1927 2117 1927 2116 2028 2217 1855 2044 1908 2058	195 180 194 181 211 184 192 187 154 177 205 196 215 190	37 26 20 14 44 30 62 38 87 61 61 31 42 23
22nd March	Sydney Brisbane Canberra Melbourne Hobart Adelaide Ferth	1932 2122 1932 1932 2122 1931 2122 2032 2221 1859 2049 1913 2103	201 180 197 195 173 205 173 225 189 215 185 200 181	32 27 17 38 30 52 37 76 60 48 29 34 22
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23rd March	Sydney Brisbane Canberra Melbourne Hobart Adelaide Perth	0515 0515 0515 0514 Not Suitable 0443 0449	17 24 25 21 33 28	26 66 23 14 15 22

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22nd March	Sydney Brisbane Canberra Melbourne Hobart Adelaide Perth	0510 0511 0509 0508 0608 0437 0444	340 336 334 339 337 346 336	24 45 22 20 10 34 45
23rd March	Sydney Brisbane Canberra Melbourne Hobart Adelaide Perth	0521 0522 0520 0520 0520 Not Suitable 0448 0455	333 328 329 334 337 328	16 28 15 13 24 31

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UFO REPORTS AND INVESTIGATIONS WERE SATELLITE PREDICTION SERVICE

- 1. In order to produce a more accurate assessment of UFO reports, this Command took action in November 1967 to obtain regular weekly copies of the Weapons Research Establishment's "Satellite Prediction Service". The information provided by this service has enabled a number of UFO reports to be positively identified as satellite sightings.
- 2. Having verified the usefulness of this information, ALC & We apons Research Establishment has now been requested to forward copies of the Satellite Prediction Service on a weekly basis, to the above addressees.
- 3. It is suggested that, when received, the Prediction tables should be held by the Formation Counter-Intelligence Officer, so that the information can be made available to officers assigned UFO investigations.

(L.B. BROWN) Wing Commander For Air Officer Commanding

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TELEPHONE: 65 9111

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:

IN REPLY QUOTE 554/1/30(4)

-1 MAR 1968

DEPARTMENT OF AIR
RUSSELL OFFICES
CANBERRA, ACT 2600

2 8 FEB '68

Headquarters Operational Command Headquarters Support Command

WRE SATELLITE PREDICTION SERVICE

Reference: A. HOSUPCOM 5/6/2/Air(\$) 13th February 1968.

- 1. A copy of the referenced letter is enclosed for the information of Headquarters Operational Command.
- 2. This Department has written to the Director of Weapons Research Establishment requesting that both Command Headquarters and the RAAF Bases at Amberley, Edinburgh Field, Darwin, Fairbairn, Richmond, Townsville, Williamtown, East Sale and Pearce be placed on the mailing list for the WRE "Satellite Prediction Service".
- 3. Commands are requested to inform the Bases under their jurisdiction that they will be receiving this "Satellite Prediction Service".

(J.F.W. PEMBRIDGE)

Wing Commander For Chief of the Air Staff

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Lee also 11 to include LANGETON.

.1 3 FEB 1968

Department of Air (DAFI) Russell Offices CANBERRA ACT 2600

UFO REPORTS -SATELLITE PREDICTION SERVICE

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- 2. In order to produce a more accurate assessment of UFO reports, this Command took action in November 1967 to obtain regular copies of the Department of Supply's "Satellite Prediction Service". The information provided by this service has enabled a number of UFO reports to be positively identified as satellite sightings.
- 3. Having verified the usefulness of this service, it is now intended, in the near future, to obtain additional copies for Support Command bases that frequently handle initial reports on UFO sightings that is, Pearce and East Sale.
- 4. Your Department may wish to advise Operational Command of the availability of this Prediction Service, or may care to order copies of the publication on behalf of ALL RAAF subscribers.

(L.B. BROWN)
Wing Commander
For Air Officer Commanding

Telegrams: "Weapons" Adel

refer to J.A.G. Walton Telephone 59 9. Ext. 461

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WEAPONS RESEARCH ESTABLISHMENT SALISBURY, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

- 6 FEB 1968

Air Officer Commanding, Headquarters Support Command, R.A.A.F., Victoria Barracks, MELBOURNE, VIC. 3004 (ATTENTION: Command Intelligence Officer).

IMPROVEMENTS TO SATELLITE PREDICTION SERVICES

Thank you for the questionnaire returned under cover of your letter, ref. 5/8/Air (98), of 19th January, 1968.

- The comment made against question 7 indicated that the current layout of the Visible Satellite Passes Bulletin is satisfactory, and asked whether a similar service was available for "other country" satellites.
- Information is regularly received from N.A.S.A. on over 400 objects which are in earth orbits, and these include satellites launched from countries other than the U.S.A. The satellites being predicted for Australian capital cities are those which have a magnitude of brightness which makes them suitable for viewing with the naked eye, but excludes shortlived satellites which may come into that category. It just so happens that these are all launched by the U.S.A.; should one be launched by another country which would fall into that category, it would be included. Of course, the main purpose of the prediction bulletins is to advise the public of the easily seen satellites; there are other visible objects, such as boosters, which may orbit for several days, but we are not able to include these.
- It is our intention to provide the predictions in a different format, and at present, the best method appears to be a separate sheet for each city, with the satellites listed in chronological order. Queries from the public relate to one particular location, with time specified, and thus the document search will be speeded up. This method would also be more suitable for reproduction in newspapers.

It has been suggested that since certain R.A.A.F. bases have the responsibility for initial investigation of reports of U.F.O.'s, the officer concerned may find the prediction bulletins of some use. If you concur please advise the addresses concerned, and these will be included on the distribution list. See fol

Secretary, C.C. Dept. of Air, (Attention: Director, Air Force Intelligence)

Ag. SUPERINTENDENT AMERICAN PROJECTS DIVISION

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17th January, 19 68

Air Officer Commanding, Headquarters Support Command, R.A.A.F., Victoria Barracks, MELBOURNE. VIC. 3004.

Attention C. Intell 0.

Dear Sir,

UN-IDENTIFIED PLYING OBJECTS

In reply to your 5/8/Air(96) of 5th January, please see the table below:

Locations where Met. balloons released daily (Victoria)	Met. balloons release released daily	
Essendon (Airport)	3 a.m., 9 a.m., 3 p.m., 9 p.m.	3 a.m., 9 p.m.
Laverton (RAAF Base)	3 a.m., 9 a.m. 9 p.m.	3 a.m., 9 p.m.
Mildura (Airport)	3 a.m., 9 a.m. 3 p.m., 9 p.m.	3 a.m., 9 p.m.
Sale (RAAF Base)	3 a.m., 9 a.m., 3 p.m., 9 p.m.	3 a.m., 9 p.m.

Yours faithfully,

(A. K. HANNAY)
Regional Director.

E. P. C. SALE. BEADE.

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19 JAN 1988

Director, Weapons Research Establishment Department of Supply SALISBURY SA 5108

SATELLITE PREDICTION SERVICE

1. Enclosed herewith is completed pro-forma as requested in your M5803/1/2 of 17th January 1968.

2. Thank you for an excellent service and, for the short time we have been in receipt of these prediction charts, they have proved very useful.

(E.K. KILDEY)
Wing Commander
For Air Officer Commanding

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For Wither information, ...G. "alton refer to
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WEAPONS RESEARCH ESTABLISHMENT SALISBURY, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

17 JAN 1968

Air Officer Commanding, Headquarters Support Command, R.A.A.F., Victoria Barracks, MELBOURNE, VIC., 3004

Dear Sir,

Subject : Improvements to Satellite Prediction Service

Your co-operation is sought in a survey of the regular weekly "Visible Satellite Passes" bulletins which you receive.

This service is provided to scientific organisations, the press, and other interested bodies on request, and it is only by asking for your comments that we are able to assess the most suitable form of presentation.

Please complete the enclosed questionnaire and return it to the address shown at your earliest convenience.

In cases where more than one copy is sent to you and you distribute these, it is requested that you send on a questionnaire, and arrange for its return.

Any additional comments or suggestions you may wish to provide separately would be welcome.

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Yours faithfully,

(J.A.G. Walton)
SATELLITE TRACKING OPERATIONS GROUP

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Regional Director Bureau of Mateorology PO Box 1636H MELBOORNE VIC 3001

Dear Sir,

1. To assist this Headquerters in identifying sightings reported as Un-identified Flying Objects, it is requested that the following information be supplied in respect of the Victorian region.

- (a) Locations where meteorological balloons are released
- (b) Times of release
- (c) Which releases carry lighting and would be visible from the ground at night.

2. Your early reply, annotated "For Attention C Intell O", would be appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

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(H.R. HARROD) Squadron Leader For Air Officer Commanding

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5/8/Air(95)

Department of Supply Weapons Research Establishment SALISBURY SA 5108

SATELLITE PREDICTION SERVICE

- 1. Reference is made to your letter SA5644/2/1 of 15th December 1966 to Department of Air, regarding the offer to supply weekly satellite prediction tables.
- 2. Although, at the time, the Department of Air assessed that they had no requirement for these tables and declined the offer, subsequent events indicate that there is a need for such information at Command level.

3. Would you, therefore, forward two copies of this publication, on a continuing basis, to this Command marked "For Attention C Intell O".

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Satellite (E.K. KILDEY)
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For Air Officer Commanding
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