

UFO Incident: Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August 90



Location: Calvine Scotland.

20 miles North of Pitlochry off the A9.

Time: 9pm approx.

Description: large diamond shape UFO hovering for about 10 minutes before ascending vertically upwards at high speed. During sighting RAF aircraft, believed to be a Harrier, made a number of low level passes for 5 to 6 minutes before disappearing off.

Witnesses: Section 40 [redacted] + 1 unidentified other.

Report passed to Section 40 [redacted] RAF Press Officer Pitreavie MHQ.

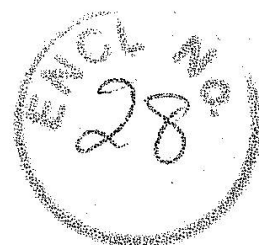
Tel: RAF Pitreavie Section 40 [redacted]

Additional Information: A number of colour photographs taken by eye witness and pictures passed to RAF Pitreavie and Scottish Daily Record. Original negatives then passed to the Daily Record.

Weather Information: Main Cloud Base 25,000ft dropping down to 15,000ft during showers. Wind West-SW 10-15 knots. Temperature 14°C. Occasional showers.

Photographic Details: (i) Confirmation of date and time, (ii) What sort of camera (iii) What type of lens (iv) What focal length





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PHOTOGRAPHS OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT - SCOTTISH DAILY RECORD

1. US of S(AF) may wish to be aware that the Scottish Daily Record may run a story regarding an alleged sighting of a UFO near Pitlochrie in early August. Such stories are not normally drawn to the attention of Ministers and the MoD press office invariably responds to questions along well-established lines emphasising our limited interest in the UFO phenomenon and explaining that we therefore do not have the resources to undertake any in-depth investigations into particular sightings. On this occasion however, the MoD has been provided with six photographic negatives of an alleged UFO by the Scottish Daily Record and has been asked for comments almost certainly for inclusion in a forthcoming story. For this reason it is felt that US of S(AF) should be made aware of the background and the line adopted by the DDPR(RAF) in responding to the newspaper.

2. The photographs, which were received on 10 Sept, are alleged to have been taken near the A9 road at Clavine, north of Pitlochrie on the evening of 4 August. They show a large stationary, diamond-shaped object past which, it appears, a small jet aircraft is flying. The negatives have been considered by the relevant staffs who have established that the jet aircraft is a Harrier (and also identified a barely visible second aircraft, again probably a Harrier) but have reached no definite conclusion regarding the large object. It has also been confirmed that there is no record of Harriers operating in the area at the time at which the photographs are alleged to have been taken. The negatives have now been returned to the Scottish Daily Record.

3. In consultation with DDPR(RAF) it has been agreed that the attached lines to take should be used in responding to the Scottish Daily Record. These are consistent with the position adopted in the replies to the many public and occasional parliamentary enquiries on the subject of UFOs.

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