

# *UFO INCIDENTS AT NUCLEAR WEAPONS BASES*

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Review 1967 Malmstrom AFB Missile Incidents
Secrecy and the Air Force Coverup
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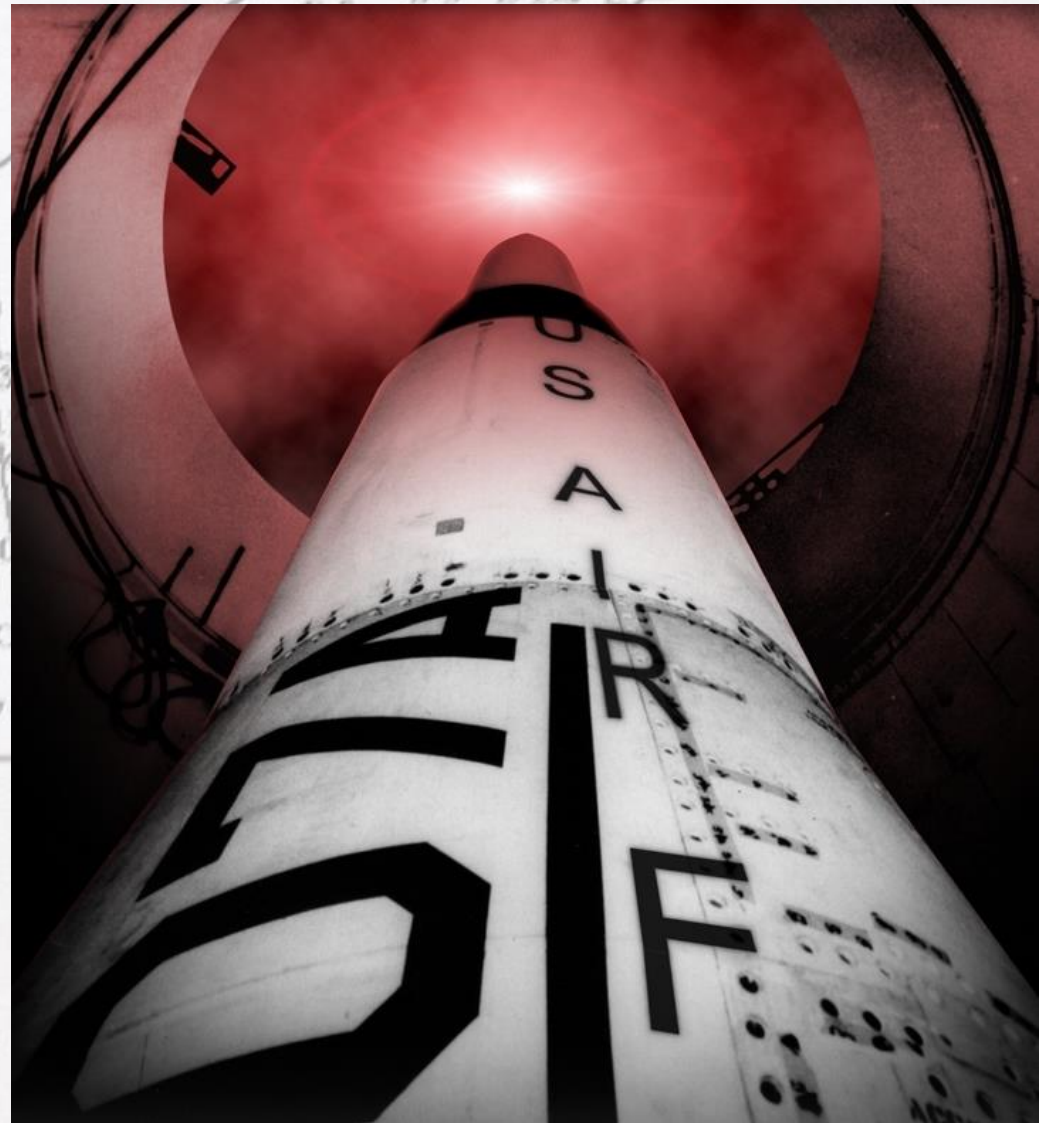


*March 1967  
UFOs disabled **twenty**  
nuclear missiles  
assigned to Malmstrom  
AFB, Montana*

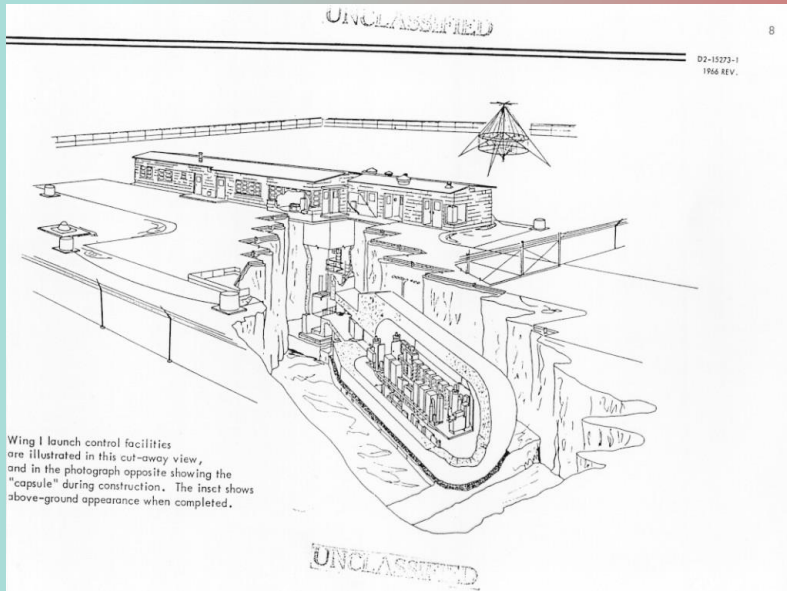


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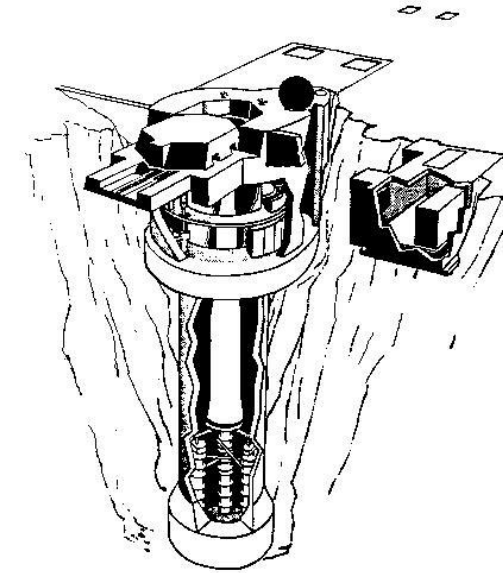
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- TOWN OR VILLAGE
- ★ Malmstrom AFB



# Launch Control Facility (LCF)



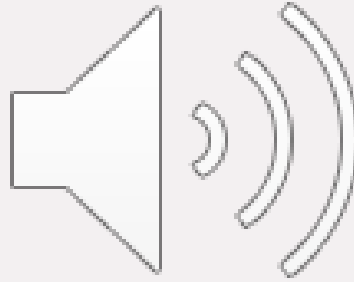
Wing 1 launch control facilities are illustrated in this cut-away view, and in the photograph opposite showing the "capsule" during construction. The inset shows above-ground appearance when completed.



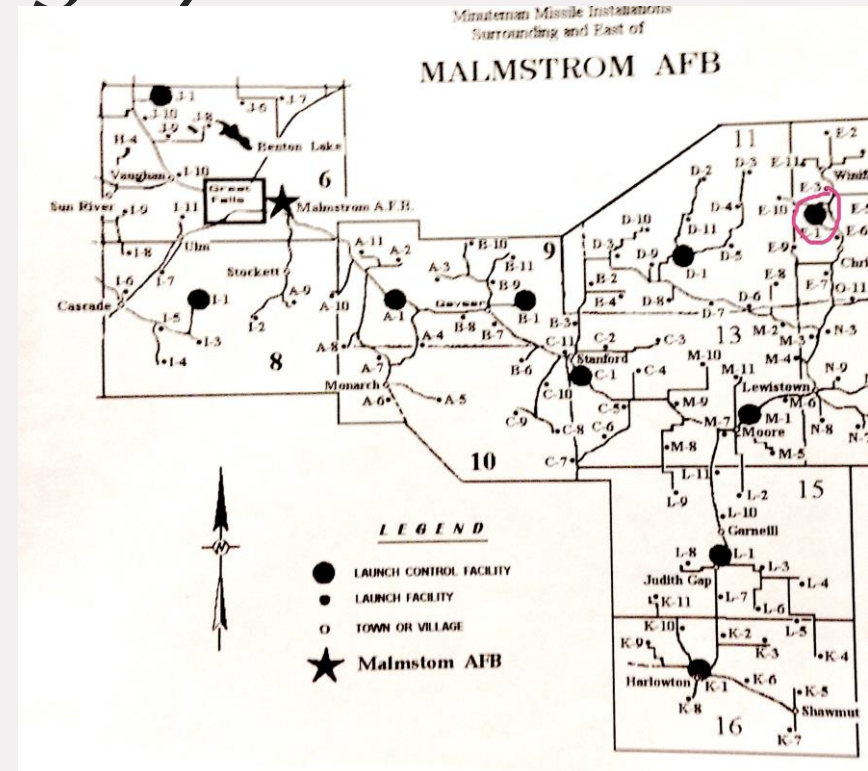
# Launch Facility (LF)

# *Echo flight*

## *March 16, 1967*



Col. Walt Figel (Ret)  
Deputy Missile Combat Crew Commander  
Echo Flight

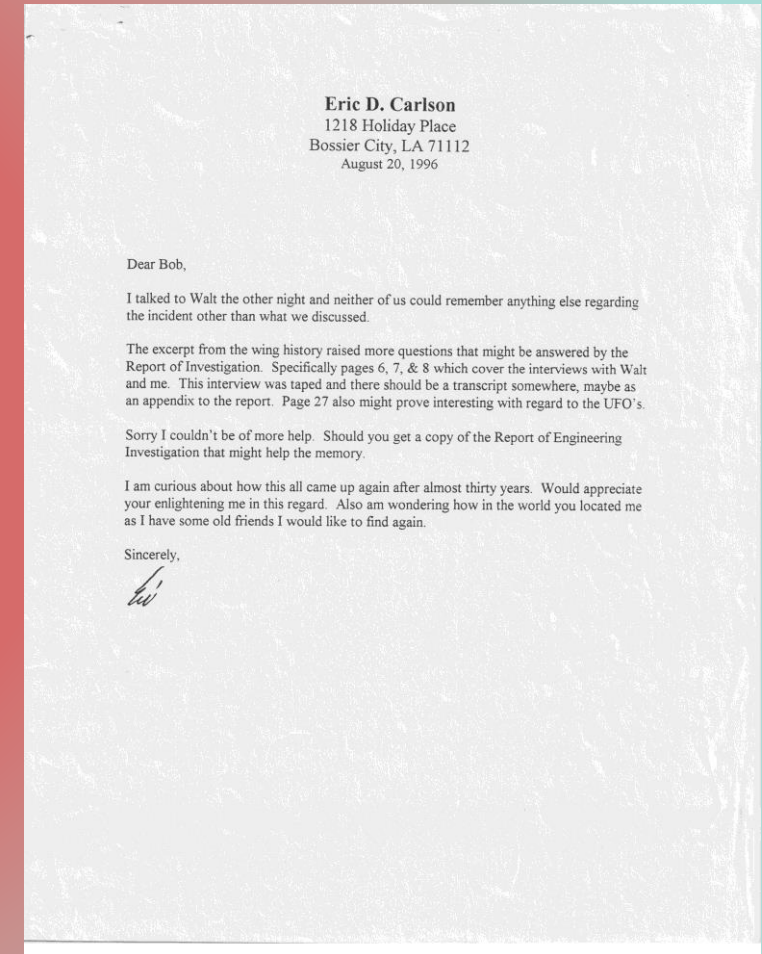


# *Eric Carlson – Echo Flight Missile Crew Commander*

**Eric Carlson Confirms Col. Figel  
statement of Echo Flight Shutdown  
from UFO encounter**

**Confirms their taped interviews –  
Strategic Air Command  
Headquarters**

**“UFO sightings at missile bases  
occurred often”**



# ...cause for grave concern

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AFB. (U)  
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PAGE 2 RUCSAA0196 ~~SECRET~~  
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INCIDENT IS BEING CONDUCTED BY MALMSTROM TEST. TWO FITTS HAVE  
BEEN RUN THROUGH TWO MISSILES THIS FAR. NO CONCLUSIONS HAVE BEEN  
DRAWN. THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT BOTH COMPUTERS IN BOTH G&C'S  
WERE UPSET MOMENTARILY. CAUSE OF THE UPSET IS NOT KNOWN AT THIS  
TIME. ALL OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION AT THIS TIME IS CONTAINED IN  
ABOVE REFERENCED MESSAGE.  
FOR OOANA. THE FACT THAT NO APPARENT REASON FOR THE LOSS OF TEN  
MISSILES CAN BE READILY IDENTIFIED IS CAUSE FOR GRAVE CONCERN TO  
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ANCE IN LATER ANALYSIS. REQUEST COOPERATION OF ALL CONCERNED TO PROVIDE  
THEM ACCESS TO AVAILABLE INFORMATION, I.E., CREW COMMANDERS LOG  
ENTRIES, MAINTENANCE FORMS, INTERROGATION OF KNOWLEDGEABLE PEOPLE,  
ETC.

PAGE 3 RUCSAA0196 ~~SECRET~~  
SECURITY CLEARANCES AND DATE AND TIME OF ARRIVAL WILL BE SENT FROM  
THE AFPRO BY SEPARATE MESSAGE.  
FOR 15AF, OOANA HAS INDICATED BY TELECON THAT THEY ARE SENDING  
ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING SUPPORT. REQUEST YOUR COOPERATION TO INSURE  
MAXIMUM RESULTS ARE OBTAINED FROM THIS EFFORT. GP74. BCASmc-67-437  
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~~SECRET~~ ~~GROUP 1~~  
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DECLASSIFIED AFTER 10 YEARS.

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**Minuteman I missile system became operational in  
October 1962. This loss of ten missiles in seconds had  
never happened before!**

THIS EXCERPT IS:

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GROUP 8  
Document # [REDACTED] (Ref: [REDACTED])

31st STRATEGIC MISSILE WING  
AND 31st COMBAT SUPPORT GROUP  
HQ SAC DXIH 67-1865  
(Official Title)  
10 Aug 1967

Assigned to the  
FIFTEENTH AIR FORCE, STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND  
Permanently Stationed at  
MALMSTROM AIR FORCE BASE, GREAT FALLS, MONTANA

P.R.C.

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The 801st Radar Squadron, Malmstrom AFB, gave a negative report on any radar or atmospheric interference problems related to Echo Flight. (U)

***It is not possible to prove UFOs did not appear at that time!***

# Letter from Airman David Gamble

“I don’t recall interviews with 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.

There were two times that I recall where sections of the history were scrutinized and **changes beyond editorial were made (false information)**. These were the **UFO sightings** history and a reported morale problem in the fighter interceptor group.”

Mr. Robert L. Salas  
417 158th Pl. S.E.  
Bellevue, WA 98008

March 29, 1998

Re: 341st Wing History for January - March 1967

Dear Mr. Salas:

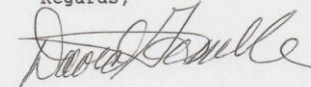
I apologize for the delay in responding to your inquiry about my recollection of the events concerning UFO sighting around Echo and November Flights. As I mentioned by telephone, it was my recollection that there were no compelling explanations given about the cause of the incident in March 1967.

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.

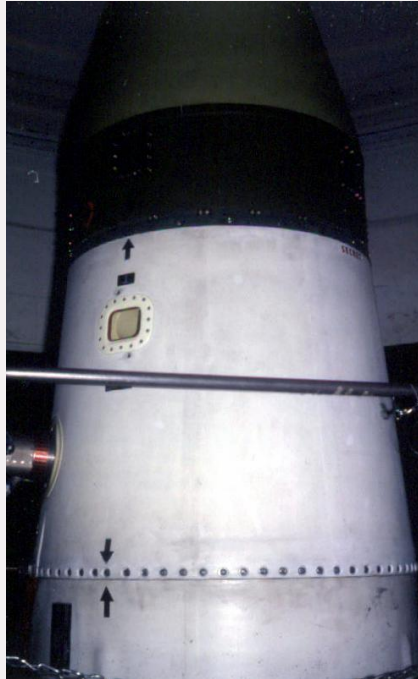
I do not know anyone that may have additional information about the incident. Good luck on your novel!

Regards,



# The Probability of Failure

## *Extremely Improbable*



Guidance and Control Housing

The logic of the coupler was studied by the investigating team in an effort to identify a method by which both VRSA 9 and 12 could be activated. The opinion of the team was that external generated signals caused the generation of these two channels and shutdown of the launch facilities. The possibility of this is very remote due to the fact that all 10 couplers would have to fail in the flight within a few seconds of each other. <sup>79</sup> (U)

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The only possible means that could be identified by the team involved a situation in which a coupler self test command occurred along with a partial reset within the coupler. This could feasible cause a VRSA 9 and 12 indication. This was also quite remote for all 10 couplers would have to have been partially reset in the same manner. <sup>80</sup> (U)

Further studies of this problem will be accomplished at the contractors facility since a full engineering investigation is not feasible at this level. (U)

In this report, the Air Force estimates probabilities of failure:

1. **External** signals caused the shutdowns
2. The probability that all ten couplers failed within a few seconds of each other is "very remote."
3. The probability that all ten couplers would automatically reset at the same time is "quite remote."

## *“UFO Event” – Robert Kaminski*

*Boeing lead engineer Investigating echo flight incident*



*There were no significant failures, engineering data or findings that would explain how ten missiles were knocked off alert...the final report would have nothing significant in it to explain what happened to Echo Flight.*

*..I was contacted by our representative and told by him the incident reported as being a UFO EVENT...a few days later we were told to stop any further effort on this project. We were also told that we were not to submit a final engineering report. This was most unusual since all of our work required review by the customer and the submittal of a final Engineering Report.*



**The Air Force stated in the telex that this incident was of "grave concern" and there must be a an "in-depth" analysis. They later state that studies must be done at contractor's facilities. Why, then, was the lead investigating team told to stop further investigation and not write a report?**

*Robert Kaminski*

# The Belt, Montana sighting March 24, 1967



Frenchman Coulee - immediately west of Belt, Mon  
Scene of UFO sighting March 24, 1967  
Photograph by J. Klotz, May 2002



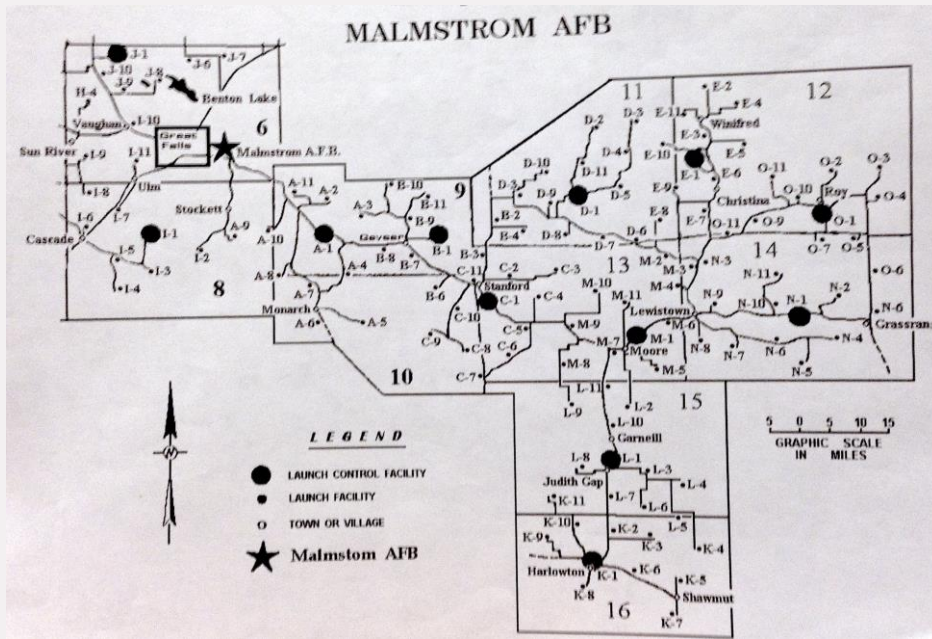
Lt. Col. Lewis Chase  
Base Operations Officer

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UNCLAS ZIPPO 2414 MAR 67/SUBJ: PRELIMINARY UFO REPORT.  
FTD FOR TOETR; CSAF FOR AFREC; OSAF FOR SAF-01.  
BETWEEN THE HOURS 2100 AND 0400 MST NUMEROUS REPORTS  
WERE RECEIVED BY MALKSTROM AFB AGENCIES OF UFO SIGHTINGS  
IN THE GREAT FALLS, MONTANA AREA.  
REPORTS OF A UFO LANDING NEAR BELT, MONTANA WERE RECEIVED  
FROM SEVERAL SOURCES INCLUDING DEPUTIES OF CASCADE COUNTY  
SHERIFF'S OFFICE. INVESTIGATION IS BEING CONDUCTED BY  
LT COL LEWIS CHASE PHONE: DUTY EXT 2215; HOME 452-1135 //

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## *Lt. Robert Jamison Testimony*



Jamison confirms all ten of Oscar Flight Missiles went down due to UFO encounter on March 24, 1967, on the same day as the Belt incident.

# Oscar flight – MARCH 24, 1967



Capt. Robert Salas

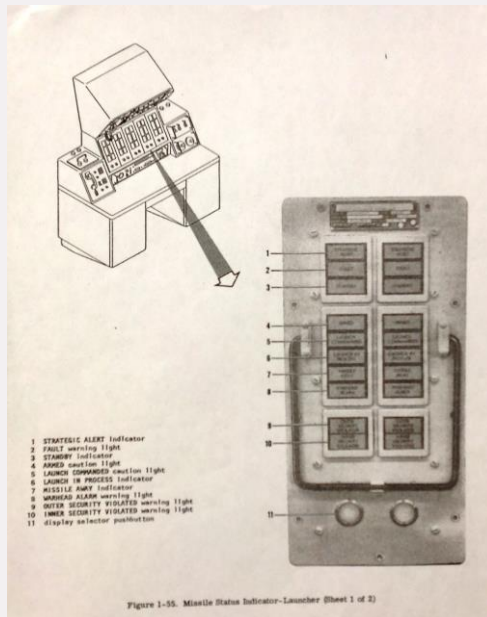
Malmstrom AFB,  
Montana 1966-69

- Missile Combat Crew Commander
- Titan III Systems Program



Col. Fred Meiwald

- Missile Combat Crew Commander
- Deputy Base Commander, HQ. Strategic Air Command



## Telephone Conversations between Salas and Meiwald – 1996

Col. Fred Meiwald confirms Oscar Flight shutdown by UFOs and sightings over missile sites.

**Failure report for Oscar Flight the same as that of Echo Flight!**

# U.S. Air Force **Coverup** of Malmstrom Incidents

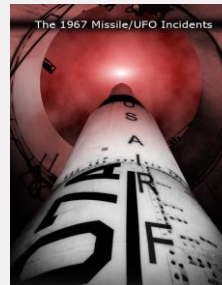


Edward Condon

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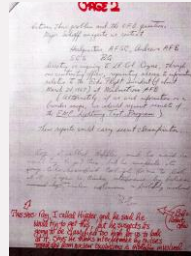
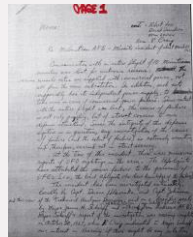
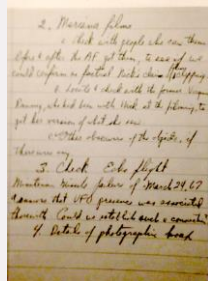


Ray Fowler

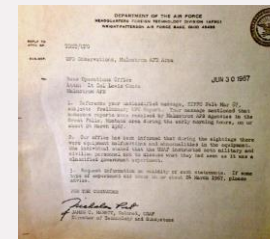
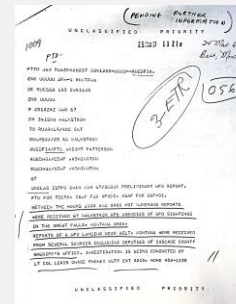
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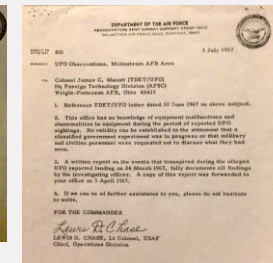
Roy Craig



Col. Lewis Chase



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# Other Non-disclosed UFO/nuclear weapons incidents



Captain Jerry Nelson  
1963  
Walker AFB



Dr. Bob Jacobs  
1964  
Vandenberg  
AFB



Chief Pat  
McDonough  
1966 Malmstrom  
AFB



Captain Dave  
Schindele  
1966  
Minot AFB



Tech Sgt. Dave  
Scott  
1974  
Minot AFB



Captain Bruce  
Fenstermacher  
1976 F.E. Warren AFB



Josie Zwienberg  
1979  
Soesterberg AB



Col. Charles Halt  
1980  
RAF Bentwaters

## The Connection between UFOs and NUKES

1945	UFOs chased by Navy pilots over Hanford, WA nuclear fuel processing plant before first atomic bomb test – witness Lt. Bud Clem, USN pilot
1947	Roswell Incident near Roswell Army Air Force Base, NM; home of the 509 <sup>th</sup> Bomber group, the only atomic bomber base in the U.S.
1950s	Multiple UFO sightings near the early nuclear tests at Nevada proving grounds near Yucca Flats, NV (see UFOs and NUKES by Hastings)
1959	Beale AFB, CA, home of B-52 base. Multiple UFO sightings and chases of UFOs by AF interceptors over base. Witness John Mullican
1962	Ramey AFB, Puerto Rico – During Cuban Missile Crisis. UFOs flew over B-52 base during a period closest to nuclear war with USSR- DEFCON 2
1963	Walker AFB, NM (previously Roswell) UFOs seen over Atlas Missile launch facility. Witness Lt. Jerry Nelson and others.
1964	Vandenberg AFB, CA – Video tape of UFO flying around nose cone of Atlas missile during flight over Pacific Test Range. CIA confiscated video. Witnesses Robert Jacobs and Major Mansmann
1966	Minot AFB, ND – A Minuteman Missile Base. UFOs seen over Launch Control Center caused disruption in electronics; many witnesses
1967	Malmstrom AFB, MT – Minuteman Missile Base. UFOs shutdown twenty nuclear missiles over span of week - Lt. Robert Salas and many other witnesses. Major Air Force cover-up of events.
1968	Minot AFB, ND – UFOs seen over missile sites. UFO removed cover from launch facility. Witness, Maj. Bradford Runyon and crew of B 52.
1976	Ellsworth AFB, SD – UFO hovers over LCC and disrupts missile operation. Security Guards shoot 180 rounds at object with no effect. Witness interrogated with extreme measures. Witness Lt. Col. ( )
1979	Aviano AFB (U.S./NATO), Italy – UFO hovers over weapons storage area and shines a beam of light on it. Many witnesses
1979	Soesterberg AFB (U.S./NATO), Netherlands – UFO flies down flight line for extended period – nuclear weapons base. Witness Josie Zwienberg and many others.
1980	Bentwaters Base (U.S./NATO), UK – UFOs observed over three nights. UFO shines a beam of light on nuclear weapons storage area. Witnesses interrogated with extreme measures. Witness – Col. Charles Halt and others.
2010	F.E. Warren AFB, WY – AF personnel observe large UFO during shutdown of fifty Minuteman III missiles. Witnesses many AF and civilian witnesses.

The background of the slide is a dramatic, fiery orange and red sky, resembling a nuclear war scene. A large, bright, mushroom-shaped cloud is visible in the center, with a smaller, similar cloud above it. The overall tone is urgent and catastrophic.

# *They Have Been Warning us of The Threat of Nuclear War Since 1944*

*We have known about this threat to our existence since the use of the first atomic bomb but we have failed to do anything to stop it*

# *The Importance of Government Disclosure*

- ❖ **Without Disclosure by governments, the long-standing international secrecy on UFOs continues.**
- ❖ **Excessive secrecy will continue to undermine public trust of their government during this time of many existential crises, such as nuclear weapons and global warming.**
- ❖ **With Disclosure of government UFO secrets, there would be an enormously positive impact on human civilization, including the urgency of truly working together to confront all challenges facing humanity.**

# *Cosmic Messages*

*We are not alone. Others also live in this part of the cosmos.*

*We can never stop trying to abolish nuclear weapons or other any other means of our self destruction.*

*responsible for raising our level of understanding and concern for each other and every other life form on our planet.*

