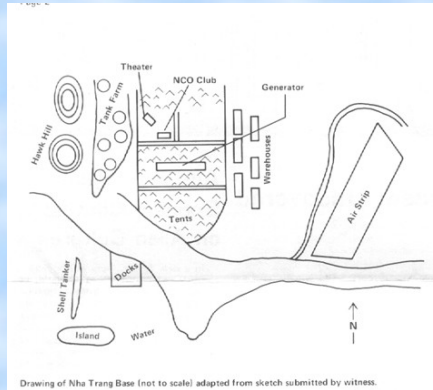


1966: Nha Trang, Vietnam

unspecified day of June, 9:45 pm

Source: www.nicap.org



Sketch of the site according to the witness



*Air view of the Nha Trang American abandoned base
on Than Phù road, the site of the incident*

The Nha Trang incident, if thorough documentation can be obtained, could become a UFO “classic” according to one NICAP investigator familiar with the case. The sighting allegedly occurred during one of the most active periods of the Vietnam conflict, and understandably received little publicity at the time. Now, however, with American participation in the war

concluded, numerous war-related incidents are beginning to emerge. One of these involves a startling UFO sighting witnessed by possibly thousands of soldiers stationed in Vietnam at the time.

NICAP investigator Raymond Fowler conducted an initial investigation into the sighting and was able to contact an eyewitness to the event.

According to the witness, eight bulldozers were operating that night cutting roads around "Hawk Hill," located less than one-half mile to the west of the American compound. On another part of the base, two "sky-Raider" prop-driven aircraft were warming up on the airstrip located less than a mile to the east. At the same time, a Shell Oil tanker lay anchored in the bay about a mile to the southwest.

The witness, an enlisted soldier holding the rank of Specialist 5, had gathered with an undetermined number of fellow soldiers around 8 pm in an open area of the base to watch an outdoor movie.

Outdoor films had become possible only recently, according to the witness, thanks to the arrival and installation of six, new, independently-operated, 100 KW diesel-powered generators. One of these generators had been installed near the compound where the soldiers were seated and was being used to supply power for the movie projector.

The film had been underway for some time, according to the witness's account, when suddenly, at approximately 9:45 pm, the sky to the north lit up! The GIs glanced up and saw what at first appeared to be a flare exploding above a ridge to the north. "At first we thought it was a flare which are going off all the time and then we found that it wasn't." recounts a letter from the witness mailed home a few days later.

"It came from the north and was moving from real slow to real fast...Some of the jet fighter pilots which were here...said it looked to be about 25,000 feet (in altitude) ... then the panic

broke loose. It dropped right towards us and stopped dead still about 300 to 500 feet up. It made this little valley and the mountains around look like it was the middle of the day; it lit up everything.

"Then it went up and I mean up. It went straight up and completely out of sight in about 2-3 seconds. Everybody is still talking about it."

Reliability evaluation:

- TRUE -

**serious source; details in compliance with real event;
supplementary investigation indispensable;
additional details is a "must have"**

