

ADMIRAL HILLENKOETTER THINKS SO

Will Sputniks Solve Flying Saucer Puzzle?

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Man's invasion of space should produce a solution to the intriguing mystery of unidentified flying objects—UFOs which have turned up again in the

wake of Russia's two Sputniks.

This is the belief of the former head of the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, Admiral R. H. Hillenkoetter.

"Satellite and space exploration programs should give us new, valuable information on UFOs, affording definite evidence as to their reality," he says, "and this will result because of a tremendous increase in observation of the sky by radar and telescope tracking systems and by naked-eye observations."

EXPERT

Since leaving as boss of the nation's top-level intelligence agency, the Admiral has become one of the best-informed flying saucer experts. He is a member of the board of governors of the new National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomena, with headquarters at 1536 Connecticut av nw.

NICAP's members include some top scientists and prominent citizens attempting to find scientific answers to the saucer mystery.

They all agree with Admiral Hillenkoetter that the advent of space exploration could solve the saucer secrets. And, Russia's Sputnik has already greatly increased reports of saucer sightings.

Retired Marine Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe, NICAP director and noted author on saucers, reports.

REPORTS

There are already increases in authentic UFO reports since the Russian satellite drew public attention to the skies. Also, spotters of Operation Moonwatch, the U.S. satellite tracking network, have sighted a number of UFOs.

For example, several days after Sputnik's appearance an Air Force jet pilot flying 42,

000 feet above Washington at night reported to Moonwatch control center officers here that he saw a disk-shaped object flashing across the sky. Moonwatch officials quickly determined that it could not have been Sputnik.

Maj. Keyhoe elaborated:

"Russia and the U.S. have announced they are definitely planning several space machines. So it's quite possible that these first space ships or satellites may encounter other interplanetary machines, manned or otherwise. Our space devices may even be closely approached by such alien machines.

COMMUNICATION

"If this happens our space devices could be equipped to attempt automatic communication, by light signals, or radio. Any answer would be automatically relayed to earth, and direct communication could be established from earth by remote control of the communication systems."

Maj. Keyhoe added:

"Since the U.S. and the Russians are planning moon bases, it is not impossible that a race from some other planet could already have set up such an operating base on the moon."