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As reported by foreign broadcasts, technical information on rockets and guided missiles activities in Denmark is generally negligible. The following texts, however, do contain some limited data (mainly speculative) on the speed, dimensions and altitude of flying objects reportedly observed in Scandinavian countries and in other European countries from the middle of July to October, 1946. In compiling the available material, therefore, not only the Danish radio but other Scandinavian and European sources are cited.

"A strange object flying through the air was observed at noon today (July 13) by workmen in Stockholm. The object was round, and appeared to be rather small. It sent out a strong blue-green light, but no sound could be heard. It is reported from Hudiksvall that railway workers this morning saw an object a few meters long and with backward-sloping wings flying towards the north at a height of about 150 meters. They heard a sound resembling that of an outboard motor." (Stockholm, Swedish Home Service, July 13, 1946, 4 p.m. EST--I; FBIB Daily Report for July 15, 1946)

"A projectile, flying at a height of from 10 to 20 meters and at great speed from the southeast to northwest, has been observed at a place north of Uppsala, Sweden. When the projectile exploded, it sounded like three bangs following closely on each other, and the smoke which resulted covered an area of 4 or 5 kilometers." (Kalundborg, Danish Home Service, July 16, 1946, 5:30 a.m. EST --I; FBIB Daily Report for July 17, 1946)

"It is reported from Norway that the so-called 'ghost rockets' now appear to have reached the Stavanger area. According to a newspaper report, some Stavanger people observed an object which gave off a yellow-red light approaching from the southeast at a great height. The object was traveling at a very high speed, and disappeared towards the northwest." (Stockholm, Swedish Home Service, July 16, 1946, 1:00 p.m. EST --I; FBIB Daily Report for July 17, 1946)

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"The so-called 'ghost rocket' has again been sighted near Sundsvall where today (July 18) three workers saw a cylinder-shaped, shiny object moving in the sky at an altitude of 200 to 300 meters, noiselessly and without any smoke exhaust. It was moving at first towards the west, but before disappearing, it had a northwesterly course." (Stockholm, Swedish Home Service, July 18, 1946, 1:30 p.m. EST --L; FBIB Daily Report for July 19, 1946.)

"A morning newspaper (unnamed) writes today that the mysterious projectiles that have been observed over Scandinavia cannot be dismissed as ghost planes. The paper writes further: 'Pending the results of the further investigations being made in Norrbotten -- if there is anything left to investigate -- it could be wished that the authorities make it known in a suitable way that we do not wish our country to become a target. Those who send out these projectiles apparently wish to know how far they can go and we very kindly give this information in the press, in telegrams, and reports from the different places. Perhaps we ought to stop this in order not to encourage any further traffic. If the sender-country did not receive any information from us, perhaps they would find it more advantageous to direct the fire to another place less thickly populated, and where it would be equally possible to follow the line of the projectiles. Such possibilities over the open sea exist if ships and planes are handy. International courtesy should demand a little more consideration, even if it would cost a little more in money and trouble, provided of course that the "X" country does not wish to give the practice as much publicity as possible in order to impress "Y" country or "Z" country. At the moment the publicity is a Swedish interest and the work is helped by finding out what it is all about. To a certain extent the attention paid to it by the press is a suitable introduction for a severe protest, which cannot be left out when there are results from the investigation.'" (Stockholm, Overseas Service in English, July 22, 12:40 p.m. EST --L; FBIB Daily Report for July 23, 1946)

"Yesterday a visitor from London saw a ring projectile. He told a newspaper it looked like a V-2 bomb. The visitor, a Mr. Harrison, served in England during the war and saw V-1 and V-2 bombs countless times. The Swedish defense staff is, however, not making a statement on the matter for the time being." (Stockholm, Swedish Home Service, August 13, 1946 6:30 a.m. EST; FBIB Daily Report for August 13, 1946)

"...The experts have ascertained with certainty that the 11 centimeter-long object of unknown origin which was found does not come from any stratosphere projectile. The same applies to certain pieces of copper found. These have probably been lying on the ground for a long time... nothing has so far been revealed from which one can decide with certainty whether the light phenomena and so forth which have been observed come from...stratosphere projectiles..." (Stockholm, Swedish Home Service, August 14, 1946, 4:00 p.m. EST; FBIB Daily Report for August 15, 1946)

"...A flying object somewhat different from those observed previously, was seen this morning by four people working in a woodyard near one of the large lakes in central Norrland. It resembled a small airplane, and flew at an altitude of about 200 meters, making a hissing noise. It had a short body, a tail and two small wings. The object descended at colossal speed and crashed into the lake." (Stockholm, Swedish Home Service, August 14, 1946, 1:00 p.m. EST; FBIB Daily Report for August 15, 1946)

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"In an editorial about the stratospheric bombs which have recently been seen over Sweden, SKAANSKA DAGBLADET says that it is the general assumption that they have a new kind of radio-directed weapon. It is suggested that the Russians have found incomplete German weapons about which there was so much talk in the last phases of the war, and that they are trying to perfect these weapons by experimenting with them over Swedish territory. SKAANSKA DAGBLADET continues: 'But a scientist who has seen one is of the opinion that they are meteors. Undoubtedly it will be established shortly which is correct. The Swedish authorities are making every effort to clear up the matter.' The newspaper is of the opinion that the theory of experimenting with weapons is the correct one. Two of the so-called stratospheric rockets were observed early this morning over (Storeby) near Koege. They came from the south and resembled cigars with flames...One of the rockets...at an altitude of about one kilometer and it was possible to follow its course northward. The rockets were seen by several people." (Kalundberg, Danish Home Service, August 16, 1946, 11:40 a.m. EST; FBIB Daily Report for August 19, 1946)

"Many people say that they saw stratospheric rockets over Oeresund last night. Two oblong, glowing objects moving from south to north with smoke coming out of their tails were seen at (Snekkesten)." (Kalundberg, Danish Home Service, August 18, 1946, 5:30 a.m. EST; FBIB Daily Report for August 19, 1946.)

"This morning a stratospheric projectile was observed over a town in southern Sweden which exploded with a loud bang when it met a hailstorm. Afterward a strong smell of gunpowder was noticed. The explosion was so strong that the houses shook. It was about 500 meters high. After the explosion what appeared to be a mist collected, and it was still to be observed after the hailstorm had passed. According to meteorological experts, who were approached by the Air Defense Division of the General Staff, a very probable explanation is that it was a tornado in connection with a very strong flash of lightning. The object which was believed to be seen might have been a so-called 'coil of cloud' from the tornado." (Stockholm, Swedish Home Service, August 16, 1946, 1:00 p.m. EST; FBIB Daily Report for August 19, 1946.)

"A report from Goeteborg says that a mysterious bright light and violent explosion thought to have come from a so-called stratospheric projectile, caused some anxiety at two farms in Central Sweden late on Friday evening (Aug. 16). The explosion occurred so near the buildings that it was at first feared that a barn had caught fire. The explosion was heard round about the farms and at some places a bright light resembling a meteor was seen shortly before the blast. Some observers say that they are convinced that the stratospheric projectile was an ordinary meteor." (Stockholm, Swedish Home Service, August 18, 1946, 6:40 a.m. EST; FBIB Daily Report for August 19, 1946.)

"Before the big autumn maneuvers of the Swedish Air Arm, the Air Arm has given some big exhibitions at Karlsborg. The main objective was to give the 1945 Defense Investigation Committee an idea of how the Air Arm works and what resources it has. At the same time, the Chief of the Air Arm, General Nordenskiöld, took the opportunity of inspecting his forces. A new weapon had its premiere: a rocket projectile which is shortly to be put into production at Bofors. The guests were very much impressed by what they saw." (Stockholm, Swedish Home Service, August 21, 1946, 6:30 a.m. EST; FBIB Daily Report for August 22, 1946.)

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"The NEW TIMES in its news section against 'Misinformation and Calumny' exposes the anti-Soviet campaign launched in Sweden in connection with the fabrication about the flight of mysterious rockets, the provocative rumors about the arrest of German children in Soviet-occupied Germany..." (Moscow, Soviet European Service, in English to the United Kingdom, September 4, 1946, 11:00 a.m. EST; FBIB Daily Report for September 5, 1946)

"During the past 2 days several aircraft of unknown nationality have been seen over Bornholm. During the same time ghost rockets have been observed over the western areas of Denmark." (Oslo, Norwegian Home Service, September 11, 1946)

"According to press dispatches from Patras, two rockets coming from the north were seen crossing the skies over the city on the night of Saturday to Sunday (September 14 - 15). (Athens, in French for "Friends of Greece Abroad", September 16, 1946, 3:30 p.m. EST; FBIB Daily Report for September 17, 1946)

"Tetuan -- The CIFRA agency announced that during the nights of last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 'reddish-green balls of fire' passed over Tangiers and, linking them with similar fire balls which recently were reported over Sweden and France, the agency suggested in careful terms that they could be flying bombs." (Paris, AFP, in French Morse to Latin America and Canada, September 16, 1946, 11:35 a.m. EST; FBIB Daily Report for September 18, 1946.)

"Oviedo -- A ball of luminous green light was seen to cross the sky in the early morning by a number of people. The ball had an appearance of what the press described as what a flying bomb looks like." (Valladolid, Spanish Home Service, September 19, 1946, 7:30 a.m. EST; FBIB Daily Report for September 20, 1946.)

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