

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

Ltr, 366TFW (VC), 20 Jan 66, Incident from Air Police Blotter (14 Jan 66)

LT WHITE
1st Ind (DO)

25 January 1966

366th Tac Ftr Sq, Holloman AFB, New Mexico

TO: VC

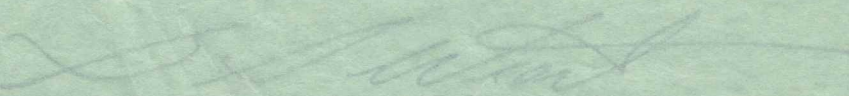
1. I interviewed Major Fowler about his knowledge of this incident. Major Fowler stated that he was called by the Command Post and that he drove to town and secured the release of Lt White. He also interviewed the arresting officer at this time. A Sgt Baker who said that he had observed Lt White driving on 10th Street at a speed of about 25 Miles Per Hour and that Lt White had passed a side street, slammed on his brakes and made a sudden stop, quickly backing up again the sudden stop and then a rapid accelerating turn into the side street. The officer followed and clocked Lt White at 10 Miles Per Hour over the speed limit. He further stated that when he stopped Lt White and inquired about his actions, Lt White had answered I was in a hurry. The officer then said that he would have to cite him for his reckless operation and that Lt White had said "Well go ahead and write the ticket I'm still in a hurry. The officer at this time said that he felt that taking Lt White in would be a good object lesson and would surly impress on the Lieutenant that city speed limits must be observed. He further stated that after he reconciled himself to the fact that he was going to go to the station, Lt White was courteous and cooperative.

2. Lt White was interviewed and related much the same story. He further stated that he had appeared in City Court and that he had pleaded guilty as charged and had been fined \$50.00. Lt White assured me that the whole episode plus the verbal reprimand that he had received from his commander had created a real impression on him and that he would never again be guilty of a traffic violation.

3. The substantial fine and verbal reprimand appear to be adequate disciplinary action in this case. Recommend no further action.

JAMES B RANDELS, Colonel, USAF
Deputy Commander Operations

individual(s) under your command
and report your findings and circumstances surrounding the above incident to the undersigned. Desire that this informal investigation be conducted as soon as possible. Should there be a delay in completion, give me interim reports.


GEORGE S. WEART, Colonel, USAF
Vice Commander