

SQUADRON OFFICER SCHOOL  
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United States Air Force  
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SUBJECT: Training Report

6 AUG 1965

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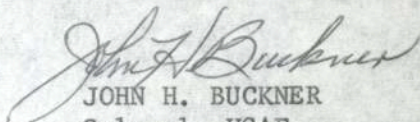
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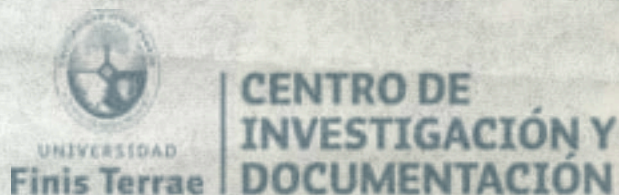
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