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Section 40

6 May 1986

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter in which you asked for the Department's views on the incident at RAF Woodbridge in December 1980.

You may find it useful if I explain that the sole interest of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

The only information we have on the alleged "UFO sighting" at Rendlesham Forest in December 1980 is the report by Colonel Charles Halt, of the United States Air Force. We are satisfied that the events described are of no defence significance. I can assure you that there is no question of attempting to cover up any incident or mishap, nor are we attempting in any way to obscure the truth.

I recall you also asked when you telephoned me if I could give you the number of reports we have had of 'sightings'. During 1985 the Ministry of Defence received 160 reported sightings of aerial phenomena or 'UFO's', the majority of these being in the Welsh, Yorkshire and Thames Valley/London areas.

Up until the end of March this year we had received 39 reports. I trust that this information is of some use to you.

Yours sincerely

REF NO 1789

(E66)

Section 40 [redacted]

Dear Sir,

I am enquireing about the artical in the News Of The World news-paper about the U.F.O landings in Suffolk England. The artical was in the paper on October 2nd 1983. I phoned the News of The World, but they couldn't tell me much more than what was in the paper, so I phoned the U.S.A.F base in Suffolk where the U.F.O was surppose to have landed, they couldn't tell me much because most of the people who were there at the time of the landing had left and went back home. One of the personel said that an offical report had gone to the M.O.D

The M.O.D don't investigate U.F.Os any more, so they said, why if that incident was investagated hasn't the public heard any more about an incident that took place in 1980? So why did it take the M.O.D three years to say anything about it? And why did three or four of the British airmen after they had supposedly seen and touched the object, where they sent back to the camp and were tested by the N.C.O with a geiger counter and placed in isolation until the all clear was given? Why were they also told to sign the Offical Secrets Act, and why did some of the American Airmen, who were there, had their M-16 rifes taken from them before the object landed? Why , out of all the places that the object could have landed, it landed next to a British and American Air base?

The object was also picked up by the near by civilian Airport radar, but a later report said that the object was infact a beam from a lighthouse, but radar dosn't pick up beams of light. Who ever gave that story to the news paper reporter I'm sure he could have made up a better story than that.

I would be very grateful if you could tell me the truth behind the artical. The only reason why I bring up the matter after so long is because a friend only just showed me the said artical.

Yours Sincerely.

Section 40 [redacted]

D'S LOVE' RUMPUS

John Knight, who has fathered by his wife and nine more by has a new third woman in his

year-old Lynn Attwater, best friend fe, Carol. She has refused to move , but his mistress, 43-year-old Clare,

d Knight, 47, said yesterday: "I much, but I realise the hurt I'm mily and am trying to work out best.

no chance of me leaving my family."

Lynn lives at Penpoint View, Fivelanes, Cornwall. That is near where Knight used to jog nine miles between his wife and mistress when they lived in separate cottages on Bodmin Moor.

Shock

Now they live 12 miles from Lynn in council houses 200 yards apart at Doublebois, near Liskeard.

Wife Carol, 38, who gave birth to Knight's 21st child in July, said yesterday: "It was a real shock when I learned about Lynn and John."

And Knight said: "She's really a long-standing friend of all of us."

WEATHER

SUNNY intervals, rain later.

OUTLOOK: Changeable.

Sunday Pictorial Farm cattle and forest animals ran berserk as the spacecraft, a glowing silver cylinder about 100ft across, hit base, silently closed to land in a blinding explosion of lights.

About 200 military and civilian personnel, British and American, witnessed the astonishing event. The airmen said the visitors appeared to be expected.

It sounds like aliens coming to earth in the film Close Encounters, but the PROOF that an unidentified flying object landed in Britain is irrefutable.

The key witness is Lt. Colonel Charles E. Halt, deputy commander of the USAF Bentwaters-Woodbridge complex, standing alongside the RAF at Woodbridge.

With the help of UFO experts in Russia and the U.S. we have assembled a copy of the initial report on the incident, part of which is reproduced on the right.

On arrival USAF base police, headed by Chief Colonel Halt wrote:

"Early in the morning two USAF security police patrolmen saw unusual lights outside the back gate at RAF Woodbridge.

Thinking an aircraft might have crashed or been forced down, they called for permission to go outside the base to investigate.

The on-duty flight chief responded and allowed three patrolmen to proceed on foot.

The individuals reported seeing a strange glowing object in the forest.

PULSED

The object was described as being metallic in appearance and triangular in shape, approximately two to three metres across the base and approximately two metres high. It illuminated the entire forest with a white light.

The object itself had a pulsing red light on top and a bank of blue lights underneath. The object was hovering or on legs. As the patrolmen approached the object it manoeuvred through the trees and disappeared.

At this time the animals on a nearby farm went into a frenzy. The object was briefly sighted approximately an hour later near the back gate.

The next day three depressions, one-and-a-half inches deep, 6 feet across, were found where the object had been sighted.

The following night Colonel Halt returned with a Geiger counter to the depressions and found a high reading.

His report goes on:

"Later in the night a red pulsating light was seen through the trees. It moved about and pulsed. At one point it appeared to throw off glowing particles and then broke into five separate white objects and disappeared.

WORRIED

Immediately thereafter three star-like objects were noted in the sky. Two objects to the North and one to the South, all of which were about 10 degrees off the horizon.

The object moved rapidly in sharp angular movements and displayed green and blue lights. The objects to the North appeared elliptical through an 8-12 power lense.

They then turned to full circles.

The object to the North remained in the sky for an hour or more.

The object to the South was visible for two or three hours and beamed down a stream of light from time to time.

Numerous people, including himself, witnessed these events.

The Colonel, who drives an open sports car, sped away from the base when the News of the World called to question him further.

When we caught up with later he declined to elaborate, saying that the matter was classified.

He was sent to the site in a convoy of military vehicles that night and describes what he saw.

"We looked up in the sky and saw a red ball of light coming towards us from over the trees.

There was no noise, no sound at all. We were all mesmerised.

All of a sudden, the red light exploded. The place was filled with an explosion of colours, all kinds of colours.

We were momentarily blinded and when the colours died down there was a machine there.

Art said there were beings aboard the craft, but he could not see them as he was on the wrong side.

"But others did. They said there were three, wearing silver suits."

Art Wallace—we have changed his name for security reasons—tells his story on Page 7 today.

The first sighting of the craft over England was recorded on a radar screen at RAF Watten, 50 miles away from where it landed.

They reported: "Tracing unidentified object."

Radar operators followed the progress as it flew over the East Coast until it disappeared.

In London, the Ministry of Defence declined to lift the veil, although the USAF said its official reports had been sent there.



VEHICLE *THROWING out an explosion of colours, this is airman Art Wallace's drawing of what he saw when the pulsating craft came to earth in the Suffolk countryside.*

EVIDENCE *report "unexplained lights" and a "strange glowing object that lit up the forest.*



No HOAX: Brig. Gen. Williams

NO HOAX SAYS THE AIR CHIEF

THERE has been no hoax, says the man who was in charge of the USAF base at Woodbridge at the time the UFO came down.

The wing commander, now Brigadier General, Gordon Williams, said back home in America: "I recall Lt-Colonel Halt's report.

Silence

"I don't know exactly what happened. It is all there.

"He is not a man who would hoax the British Ministry of Defence or the American Air Force Department."

At Woodbridge, all enquiries ran into a wall of silence.

USAF Capt. Kathleen McCollon, chief of the public affairs division at the base told solicitor Harry Harris, a UFO investigator from Manchester, in a letter:

"I was not an eyewitness to the events you say took place, and do not know of anyone who was."

Shown Colonel Halt's report later, she admitted: "Yes, something did happen and it is detailed in that document."

She declined to amplify the report.

AIRMAN'S STORY Page 3

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WS OF THE WORLD
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● Colonel's top secret report tells the facts

● Mystery craft in exploding wall of colour

● Animals flee from strange glowing object

UFO LANDS IN SUFFOLK

And that's OFFICIAL

A UFO has landed in Britain —and that staggering fact has been officially confirmed.

Despite a massive cover-up, News of the World investigators have proof that the mysterious craft came to earth in a red ball of light at 3 a.m. on December 27, 1980.

It happened in a pine forest called Tangham Wood just half a mile from the United States Air Force base at RAF Woodbridge, in Suffolk.

An American airman who was there

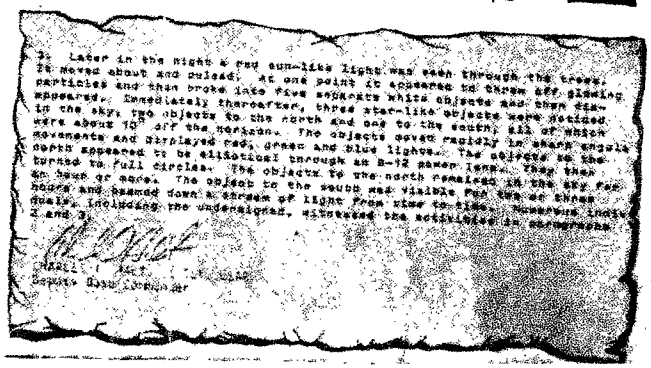
NEWS OF THE WORLD INVESTIGATION

By KEITH BEASEY

report was intended to be confidential.

"I have been told very clearly that I would jeopardise my career if I talk to you about it."

But before filing his



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CHARLES IN UFO RIDDLE

SUNDAY MIRROR 2/3/86

EXCLUSIVE

By MARTIN BRUNT and BILL DAVEY

PRINCE Charles is at the centre of a bizarre UFO mystery.

The Prince had a close encounter during a flight home from the United States last week.

The pilot of his RAF VC-10 radioed air traffic control to say he had been startled by a "gleaming object" in the sky.

Incredibly, FOUR other aircraft reported sighting the UFO over the same stretch of the Irish Sea.

Pilot shocked by close encounter

Visit

An immediate investigation was launched—but no trace of the unidentified aircraft has been found.

Other explanations—such as meteors or debris from a satellite—have also been ruled out by experts.

Charles was nearing the end of a 12-hour trans-Atlantic flight after a five-day visit to the U.S. when the incident happened.

A source at West Drayton air traffic control near London's Heathrow airport said: "The object was reported by five different aircraft, including the Prince's.

"The pilot described seeing a red glowing object. The light from it lit up his cockpit.

"We just don't know what it was. It's a complete mystery."

And an air traffic official at Ireland's Shannon airport said: "The pilot saw a bright flash in the sky.

"An immediate check was made on all aircraft, but none was missing.

"Whatever the pilot saw, it certainly was not another aeroplane."

A Ministry of Defence spokesman confirmed: "Prince Charles's pilot did report seeing a bright flash, but we are satisfied there was no danger to the Prince's aircraft."

Creature

UFO expert Tim Good, an author and lecturer, said last week: "It may not be pure coincidence.

"It is likely that any creature from outer space that is more advanced than us would be aware of the significance of a Royal flight."

And former diplomat Gordon Creighton, the editor of Flying Saucer Review magazine, said:

"I've no idea what this object could have been, but it would be wrong to dismiss it. There are beings in space watching us very closely."

Philip's a 'saucer' watcher

PRINCE PHILIP has been a keen UFO follower for the past 30 years.



Philip—follower

He is a keen reader of the magazine, Flying Saucer Review.

And he once invited a man who claimed to have seen a UFO landing to come to Buckingham Palace to tell his story to a Royal aide so the official could report to Philip, who was on tour in Australia.

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8EA/1/22/3B

14 May 1986

Dear Sirs

LETTER FROM Section 40 RE UFO HEATHROW VICINITY

I enclose a letter for your attention received at ATC Heathrow, concerning a UFO report, I understand your Department handles such requests for information.

I attach our holding reply.

Yours faithfully

Section 40

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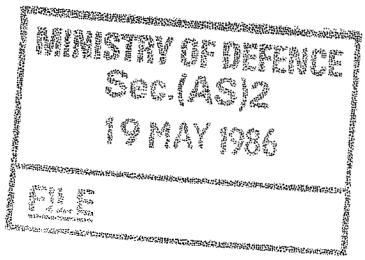

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Heathrow Airport — London
Hounslow
Middlesex
Telephone Section 40

Section 40

8EA/1/22/3B

14 May 1986

Dear Section 40 - E59/1-2

POSSIBLE UFO - HEATHROW AIRPORT AREA

Thank you for your letter of 7 May 1986, addressed to Air Traffic Control.

I regret to say I am not able to help you. I have looked in the ATC log for 2 April 1986 but nothing untoward was reported, around noon or during that day.

I have therefore forwarded your letter and contents to the Ministry of Defence (AFO) Division 8 in London. That Department deals with reports on UFOs and if you have any further information please send it to them at Main Building, Whitehall SW1A 2HB.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

for CAA Chief Officer
Heathrow Airport - London

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LOOSE MINUTE

D/Sec(AS)/12/3

14 May 86

PS/Minister(DS)

Copy to:
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DPF(RAF)

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS - CENTRAL TELEVISION INTERVIEW

1. My staff spoke to you on Friday evening about a request from Central Television to conduct an interview with a member of MOD, preferably a Minister, for inclusion in a 45 minute piece on UFOs which they propose screening in "Central Weekend", a 1½ hour current affairs programme shown on Sundays in the Central TV area. The producers are, as yet, unsure of the actual date of the broadcast. We promised to let you have fuller information about the programme when it was to hand.

2. The programme will be based on a series of interviews interspersed with film, taken from public roads, of some MOD establishments which are assumed to be of significance in UFO circles. Interviewees will include Lord Hill-Norton and an ex-MOD employee Section 40 Section 40 who worked at Boscombe Down during the 1950's and who claims to have seen a UFO in 1952. You may wish to note that, because of his official status at the time, Section 40 has been in touch with this office, independently, about taking part in the programme. We have advised him that, as a private citizen, the decision to take part must be his own but that the MOD would have no objection to him doing so.

3. The proposed interview with Minister(DS) would last perhaps 15 minutes which, when edited, will provide 2-3 minutes of TV time. The interview would take the form of specific questions upon which we would, of course, provide briefing. The questions are expected to include: our explanation of the strange phenomena which occur in the sky; the seriousness with which MOD treats reports of incidents; whether MOD is the sole authority in Whitehall which receives reports or whether they are passed on to another more clandestine organisation; and the incident in December 1980 at RAF Woodbridge. Central Television have indicated that the interview can take place at Minister's convenience but they would preferably wish it to be within a fortnight.

4. We have sought the views of CPR's organisation on this topic and they recommend Minister should take part. To refuse to do so would only add to speculation that the MOD has something to hide on this particularly emotive subject.

5. I would be grateful to know if Minister(DS) is content with the proposal that he should appear on the programme.

Section 40

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SAVE THE SPACE
PEOPLE (CAPELLA STAR)
90 MILE RADIUS
WORLD SPACE - PORT

3/1/86
published
CITY
CENTER
magazine
AD [illegible]

Dear friends,

4/5/1986

On 2/4/1986 WEDNESDAY, just after noon a photograph was taken of the radar tower (which was operating at the time). In the background were 3 dark aerial objects. Either birds, distant aircraft (unlikely as the cloud was low, prior to thunderstorm, one wind flash. Sunny all afternoon) or something very interesting perhaps. The negative of the film has been sent for enlargement prints. (fine edges resembles the left hand object, actual size.)

UFO's tend to peak every 11 years, corresponding with the peak growth rate of sunspot activity



SUNSPOT MINIMUM DUE [illegible] 10/1986, [illegible]

CYCLE VARIES 9-12 years, average 11 years

1954	1955-6	1977	DUE 1987	DUE 7/1999
FRANCE	WARMINSTER WILTSHIRE	BROADHAVEN, PEMBROKESHIRE, WALES		famous NOSTRADAMUS PROPHECY 1,555 AD
and EWELL, SURREY	ARTHUR SHUTTLEWOOD'S	[illegible] RAF BRANDY		
nightings,	books	3 MAJOR BOOKS		
by SIR GEORGE KING	and TOURIST BROCHURE,	Entities seen by		2,010 AD ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S YEAR
founder AETHERIUS SOCIETY, 1954 →	HEATHROW CENTRAL UNDERGROUND INFORMATION SECTION	class of school children,		
FULHAM LONDON and LOS ANGELES U.S.A.		[illegible] landed craft		

NOSTRADAMUS MILLENIUM PROPHECIES mention UFO's

(also 3 villains ie

C.9 QU 44	C.2 QU 82	C.1 QU 96
RAYPOZ	MABUS	BHAGWAN SHRI RAJNEESH EX-INDIA, WORLD GURU (TANTRIC)
THE GREAT ONE, who trembles,	THE KING OF MONGOLS,	refused entry to UK at HEATHROW FRIDAY 7/3/[illegible]
THE LIBYAN PRINCE,	THE THIRD ANTI-CHRIST, etc etc	He predicted THIRD/ARMAGED WAR 1993-12/19[illegible]
THE AFRICAN LEADER, etc etc	① N. BONAPARTE (RONZ)	
	② A. HITLER (HISTER)	
	③ MABUS, and last ALUS, presumed to be	

phonetic RAPIERS UK ½-3 mile range ground - [illegible] missiles

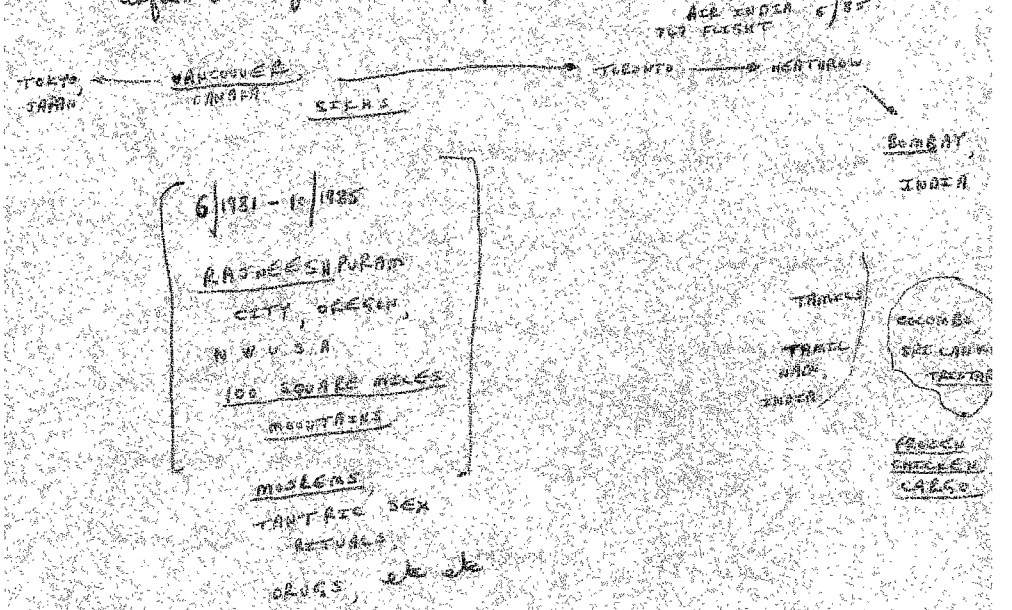
ERIKA CHEETHAM'S book was on sale SKYSHOP TERMINAL 1

BRIGADIER MALIK CROSSA CANTON CHINA [illegible] 5-10/2/1962

Since 4/1985 the Prime Minister and many others now (14 MP's, several peers, the press) have been informed of the prophecies.

AIR INDIA 6/85
747 FLIGHT

TOKYO, JAPAN ← VANCOUVER, CANADA → TORONTO → HEATHROW → BOMBAY, INDIA



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6/1981 - 10/1985

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TANTRIC SEX
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TAMIL NADU, INDIA

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SRI LANKA
TRINCOMALEE

FROZEN
CHICKEN
CARGO

I was at Heathrow WEDS 2/4/ (TWA ROME-ATHENS TRIGHT), THURS 17/4/ (AFTERNOON after EL AL 747 crest), THURS 24/4/, TUES 29/4, and TUES 6/5/1986

no need to panic, just check the tickets on flights, if possible. Malik Brown is not public ye[illegible] Rajneesh and Rajpoz are (COL JIHAD LIBYA)

As for UFO's, Gatwick reported a landing early 1970's, judging by the concentration of air traffic around Heathrow I would not think that you will see much, as the energy fields surrounding UFO's can affect instruments. The space people would not wish to cause a disaster accidentally. The U.S. Space Shuttle, TITAN launcher and DELTA system have all failed recently.

From the information received, it would seem that the space-people are in orbit around the EARTH-MOON system at 2 MILLION miles (8x ☽ distance).

My experience dates from 1978, after spending 5½ weeks in France, Italy and Sicily, 9-10/78, I returned home. At Christmas on TV news

an unidentified light was shown over PALERMO, SICILY for 2 consecutive days. Palermo was the limit of my first journey abroad to trace my ancestry in Naples and North Sicily.

During 11/1978, I suddenly became psychic after 2 years exhaustion (due to a minor road accident and P.R.O. research.)

Psychokinetic tapping a furniture and glass objects, especially TV screens has occurred sporadically 1979 onwards. 4 years were spent at the S.A.G.B., 33 BELGRAVE SQUARE, LONDON, S.W.1 with several mediums who are psychic.

It is appreciated how much work air traffic controllers have to concentrate"; if any government official asks whether Heathrow could handle the landing of a UFO spacecraft, please

let this person know how much extra work it might entail. (6.10.15 PM P.M. KNOCK ON BED-ROOM B.S.T. WINDOW)

2,002 AD (GOLDEN JUBILEE YEAR) has been given as a possible public hovering time, preparing for a landing about 2,006 AD onwards

QE II → CH III (age 54-5 →)

THE GREAT GOLDEN ROYAL, 2,002 AD

NOSTRADAMUS CENTURY 7 QUATRAIN 2

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YOU WILL SEE TRAITORS SOUNDED.

Michel Nostradamus mentions HALLEYS COMET, 76 year period

Please find enclosed FSA photograph

THE JANOS PEOPLE by FRANK JOHNSON, 1980,

Section 40 [redacted] to the helper.

with best wishes,

Section 40 [redacted]

File 12/3 (EGO)

File Note

Received a call from a [redacted] Section 40 [redacted] She has been approached by Central TV to take part in a documentary on UFO's. Section 40 [redacted] is an ex-RAF Flt Lt and worked at Boscombe Down during the 1950's. In 1952 he saw, and apparently reported, a UFO whilst flying a Canberra on trials. Trial involved testing of a tail warning radar called "Orange Potter" (sic). Section 40 [redacted] asked for advice on whether he should take part in the TV programme.

Informed Section 40 [redacted] that he must decide for himself whether or not to take part but that MOD would have no objections. Checked with the Air Staff to ensure that the radar was mentioned but no-one had heard of it and agreed therefore that we would place no caveats on our advice to Section 40 [redacted]

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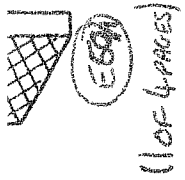



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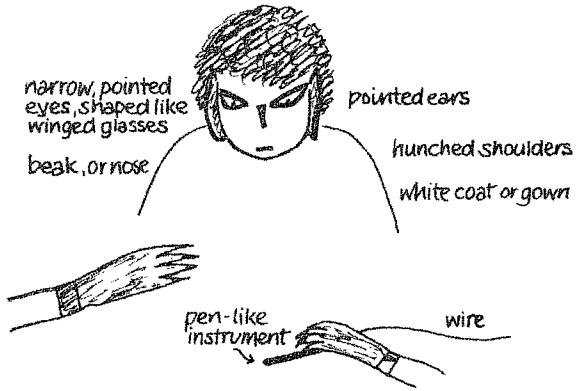
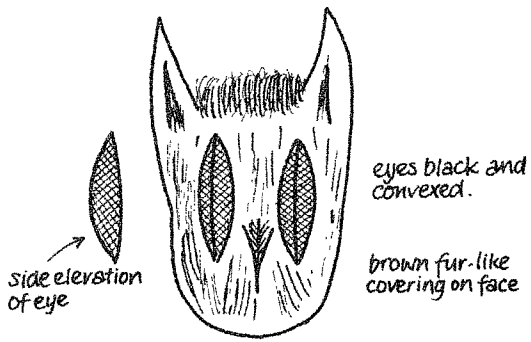
The "examiner" is about 4ft. tall and is wearing a white gown to the ground, with long loose sleeves that are drawn in at the cuffs. It has no neck, in fact it is slightly hunched. It has bushy brown hair or "fur" over the whole of its head and hands. In the head are two large slanted triangular-shaped eyes, a light brown nose or "beak," a slit for a mouth, and pointed, slanted-back ears. It has large hairy hands



Based on an early attempt by Elaine to draw one of the small entities, or "examiners."



Early impression by John of an "examiner".

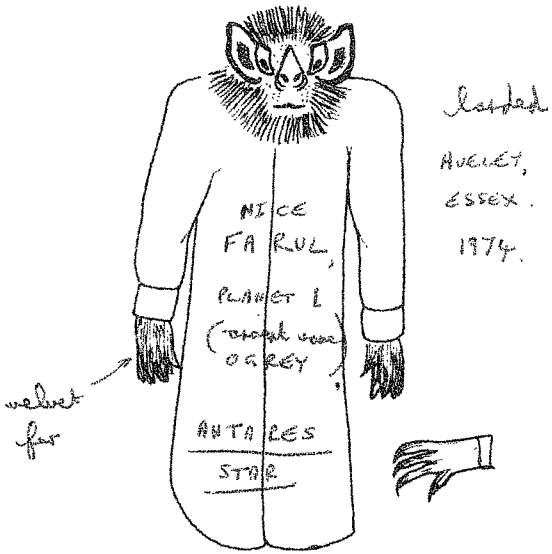
with four digits on each hand, Large talons or nails protrude from each finger. It is very thick set, and walks awkwardly. John hears it make occasional gutteral chirps. Despite its appearance it seems to

is about 5ft. clear of the ground. It is soft, with a surface of small "bubbles" that support the body. Like most other things in the craft it is grey in colour. The table is supported on an hemispherical pivoting support. On the left-hand side nearest the examiner is some kind of long control box from which the "pencil" instruments are obtained.

Whilst on the table John cannot move any part of his body. (He believes that they did use other instruments on him but he cannot describe them.)

After the "bar" or "scan" stops at the end of the table, John asks the tall entities if he can get up. They answer: "Sit there for a while." John is surprised when he realises that they did not speak, for he had received a mental impression that they said what they said. Whereupon he sits up and swings his legs over the side of the table. His legs feel weak and his whole body feels very loose. To his amazement he is wearing a one piece garment similar to that of the tall entities. This feels like his skin. The "examiners" now disappear from the room.

Sitting up, John is able to get a better view of the three tall entities and the room itself. This is about



A recent drawing by Elaine of the "examiner" — no feet could be seen. This is the nearest she can achieve of this horrific-looking being

20ft. long, 12ft. wide, and 7-8ft. high. It is oval in shape, both horizontally and vertically. There are no seams in either wall or ceiling, and everything is perfectly smooth like the inside of a bubble. There appears to be no furniture other than the table and the two lights above him.

pink irises and "creamy" eye balls. There are no visible noses or mouths, and John has a strong feeling that the entities are wearing masks.

As far as John can recall there are 5 fingers on each hand. The skin is very pale, almost translucent.

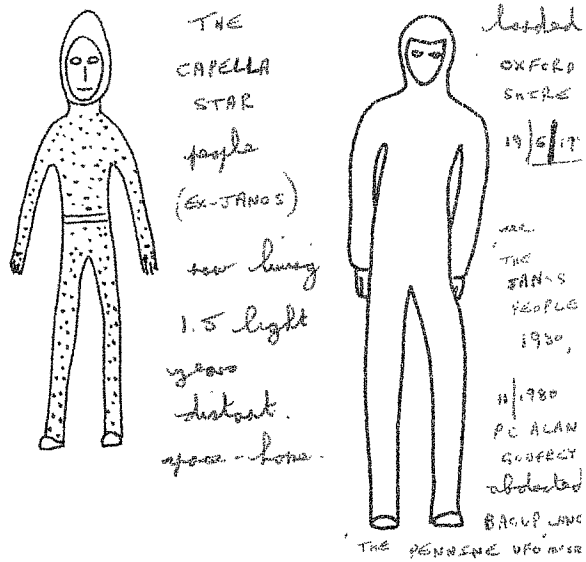
Neither entity seems to have joints in arms or legs. John likens this to a "bendy toy" or "blow up doll". As they move their arms, no elbows can be seen. Their movement is graceful, and they do not take large strides when they walk.

When John has swung his legs over the side of the table, he starts asking questions, all of which are answered. At one point he asks: "What do you do when you're outside the ship?"

"We use a visor," came the reply.

Looking around John sees one of the three entities holding a "visor." It is hemispherical, with two head bands, one going horizontally round the head, and the other going across the head. John compares it with a welder's visor. Deep rusty red in colour it would cover a normal-sized face.

The tallest entity, whom John presumes is the leader, is the only one with whom he has direct



Left: Sketch of tall entity by Elaine during my second interview: note 'nose' and also belt, which was worn by 'leader' only.

Right: John's sketch of tall entity. Nose and belt are omitted, although he says he believes that at least one entity was wearing one.

[redacted] editor



Valensole, France, 1.7.1965 (Case 6). Artist's impression superimposed on photograph of alleged landing site.

high - the size of a smallish car. It was standing on six legs connected to a central pivot, and had a door and a transparent dome: M. Masse likened it to a monstrous spider. At first he thought it might be a helicopter, since they frequently landed on these fields: but he quickly realized this was no such thing. Then he saw two creatures bending down as though examining his plants: since his crop had recently been damaged by unknown vandals, he moved forward angrily.

He was about seven metres from them when one of the figures turned and pointed a pencil-like object at him, taken from a holder at its side: Masse found himself halted in his tracks, unable to move. The two figures stood watching him, but did not seem hostile; they seemed to be discussing him. They were about one metre tall, dressed in close-fitting grey-green clothing, with no headgear. Their heads were about three times the size of a human head, in proportion to their bodies: they had large ears, high cheeks, lidless eyes, no chins, and round holes for mouths.

The two beings returned to their machine; the door closed, the legs whirled and retracted, and the machine left the ground silently. When it was between fifteen and twenty metres away, it suddenly vanished. About fifteen minutes later feeling returned to Masse and he was able to move again: he worked until between 7.30 or 8 am, then went back to the village, where he told his adventure at a cafe. Being known and respected in the neighbourhood, his story was taken seriously and thoroughly investigated both by the police and by private UFO investigative groups: though some contradictions were noted, no reason was found to doubt his story, and some confirmation was obtained from other witnesses which seemed to support his claim. Physical traces were found on the site, which persisted and affected future crops until the field was ploughed over. Masse also suffered from psychological effects - he slept inordinately and experienced dreams of a psychic character.[56]

In selecting these examples, I have deliberately chosen relatively simple and unsensational cases, occurring to ordinary people in the casual course of their daily lives. None of these people was particularly interested in UFOs; they were not deliberately looking for them nor, so far as is known, were they subject to any other kind of delusion or preconception. In all six cases, the sighting came as a total surprise, to which the witness had to adjust while in the course of doing something quite trivial - going to bed, returning home, doing the daily work. In each case the witness responded with emotions ranging from mild puzzlement to complete bafflement; in each case subsequent investigation, while it has failed to discover the true explanation, has also failed to show that the witness in any way misreported the incident. In short, these things seem to have taken place as described, for all anyone can show to the contrary.

Of course, some of them are capable of some kind of explanation. For several of them, a helicopter might seem to offer an answer - behaving unusually for some

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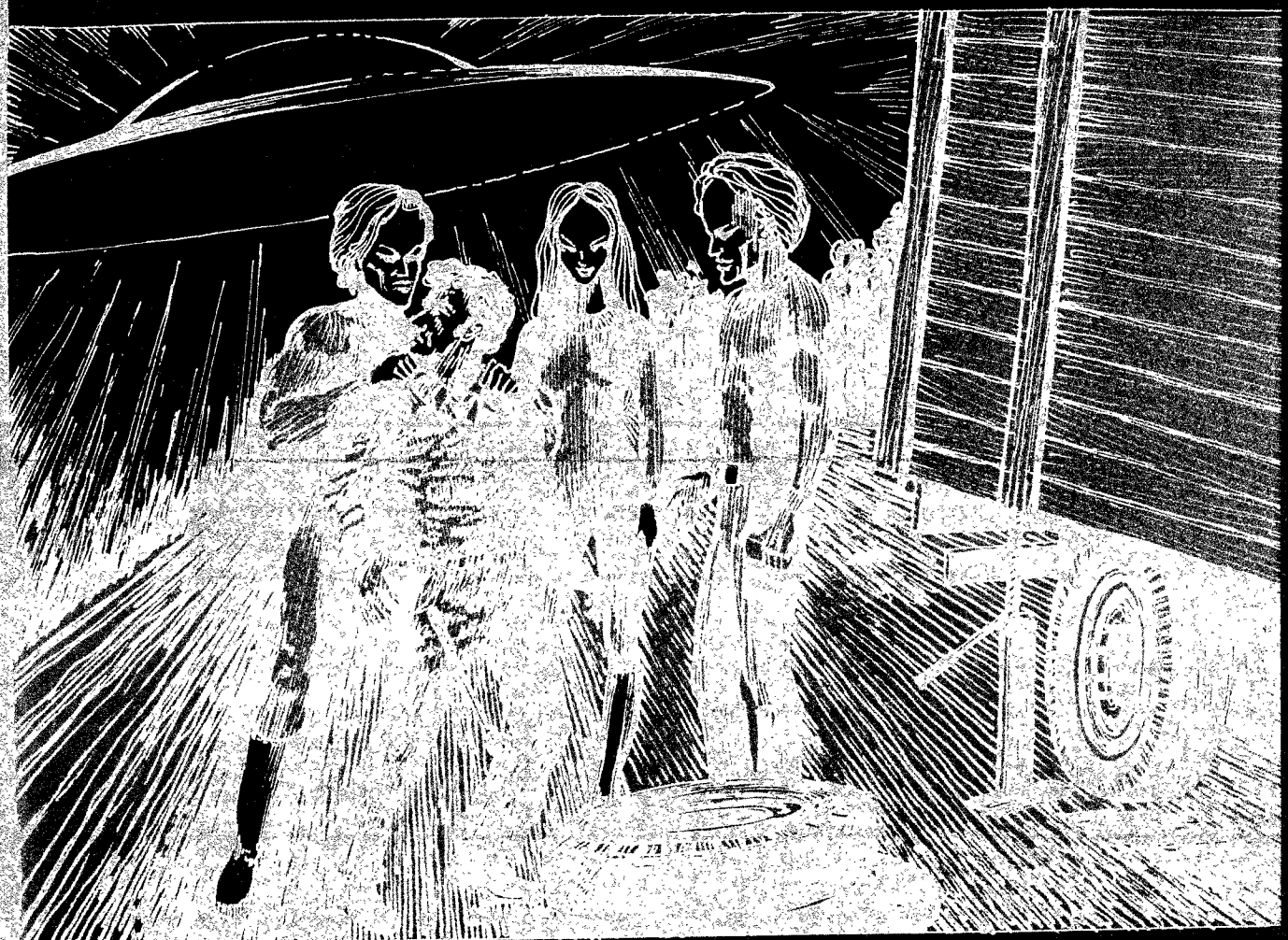

DIONISIO LLANCA'S VERY CLOSE ENCOUNTER

Report of a remarkable Argentinian abduction

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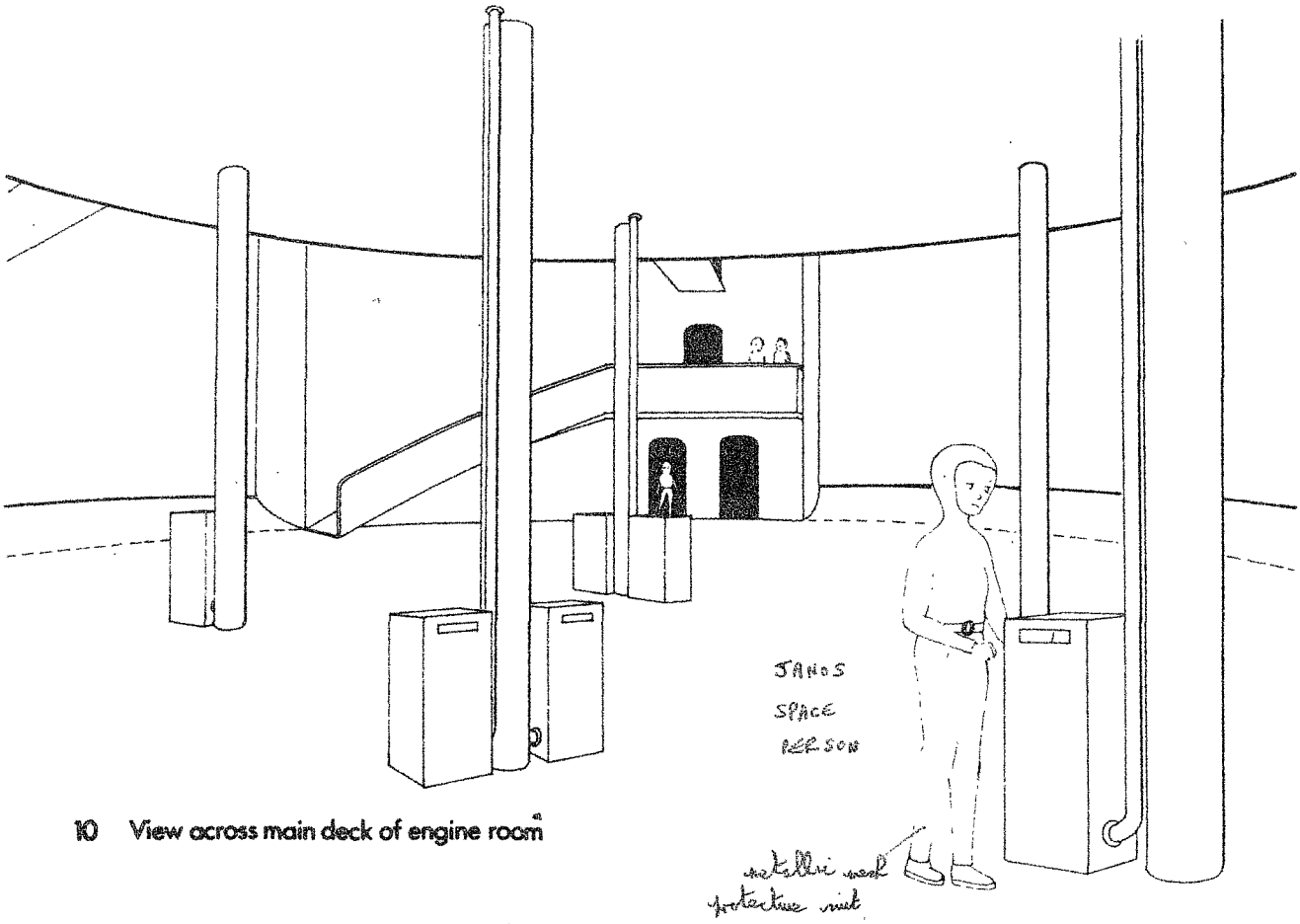
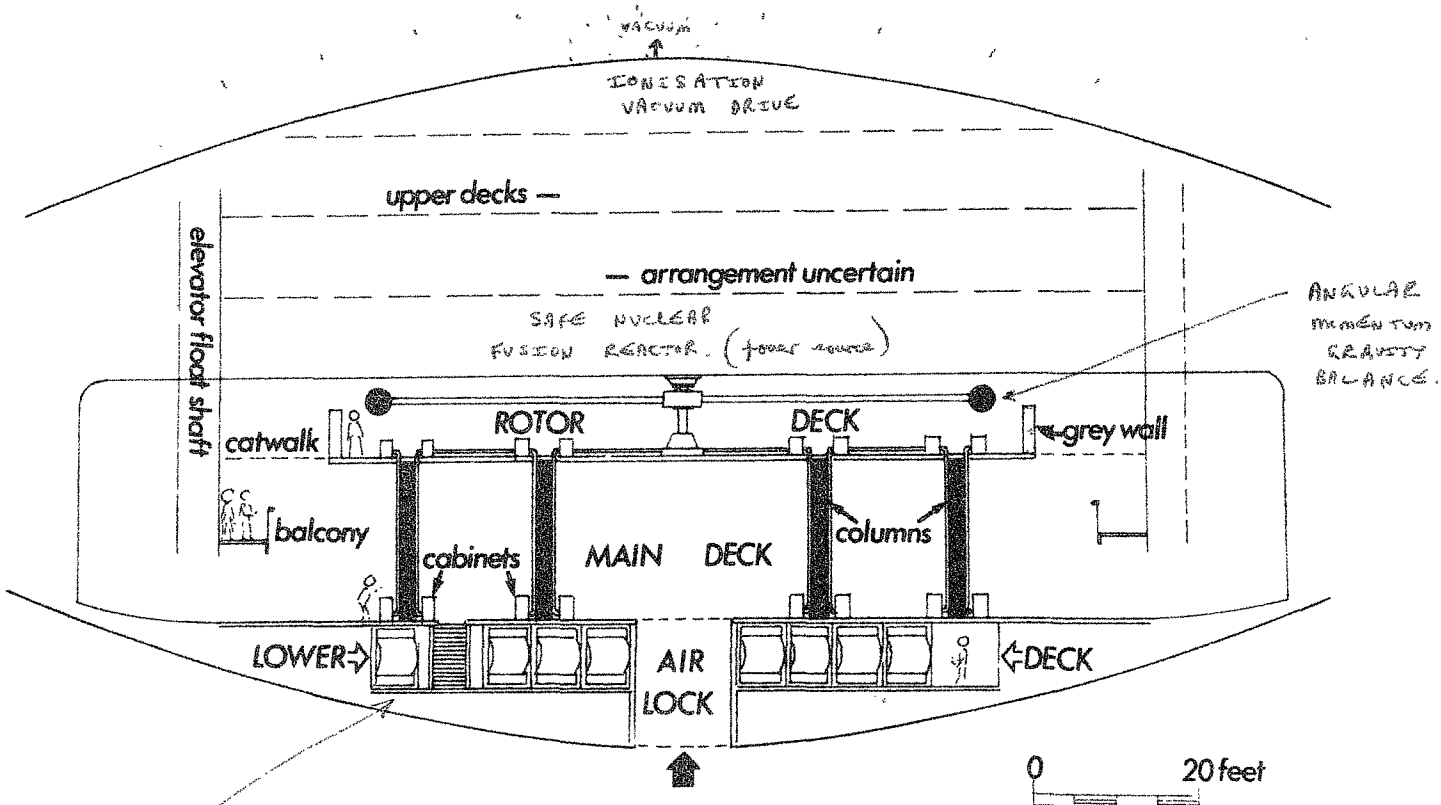


10 View across main deck of engine room



11 Section through engine room of spaceship

VERY HIGH POWER
(BROAD FREQUENCY BAND)

MAGNETIC RESONANCE
for mobility and space-time transfer (WARP SPEED: w/- WARP FACTOR)

Star Wars? A load of old UFOs

I don't believe in radioactive giant rabbits

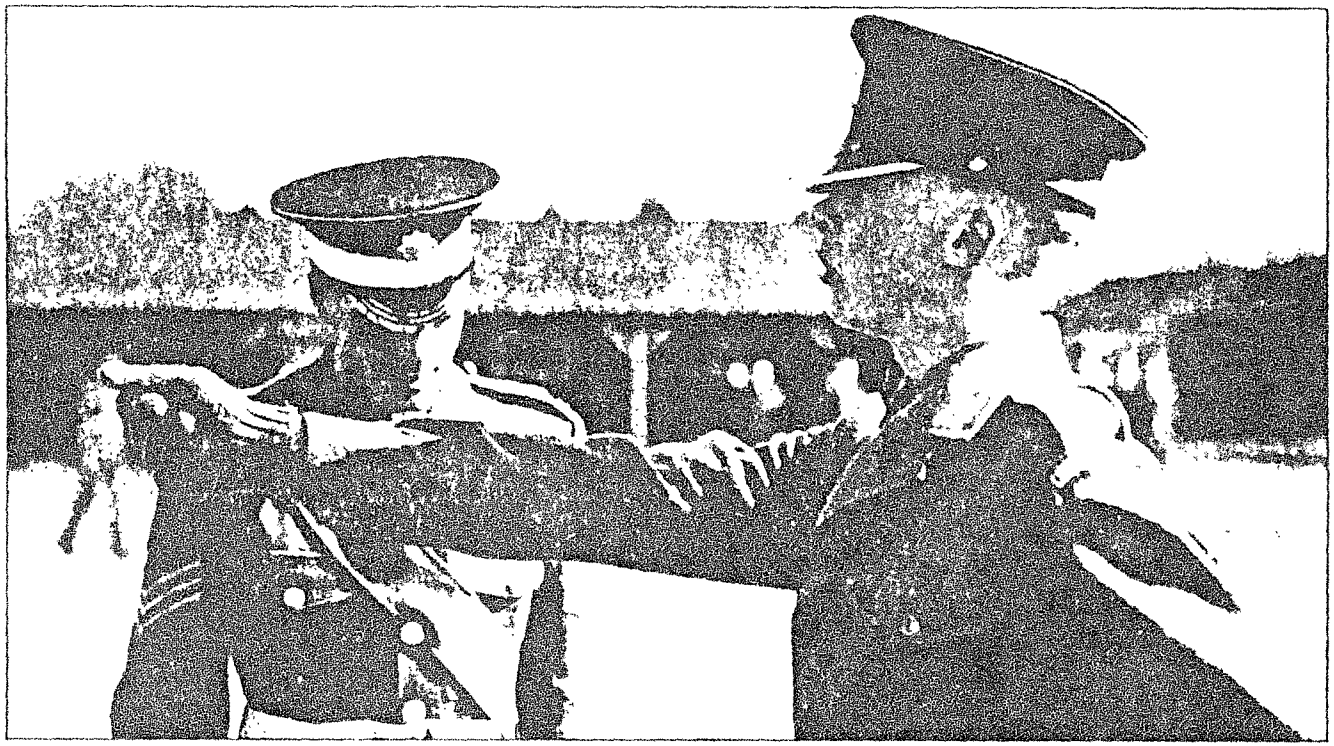
IT IS there in black and white, an official report signed by a US Air Force Colonel saying that unidentified flying objects had been sighted by his men in Suffolk in late December 1980.

Needless to say, people wondered whether I had gone barmy three years later when I published the report by Lt Col Charles Halt, deputy commander of the USAF base at RAF Woodbridge.

The authorities today are still saying nowt or denying all, but they cannot magic away that official report by Lt Col Halt — later promoted to full Colonel and made commander of the East Anglia base. So he wasn't barmy!

It was unearthed under America's Freedom of Information Act as part of a remarkable investigation carried out for the past five years by three British women who refuse to be put down by officialdom.

Jenny Randles, director of investigations for the British UFO Research Association, and her two helpers, housewives Brenda Butler and Dot Street, tell their story in a paperback called Sky Crash to be published on May 22 (Grafton £2.95).



YOU 'ORRIBLE MAN: But National Service showed us how people of all classes, colours and religions could live in harmony



JUST JAMESON

by DEREK JAMESON

It was their early investigations that got me excited in October 1983, particularly the report Lt Col Halt filed to his superiors about the strange events in Rendlesham Forest. He wrote on 13 January 1981:

1. Early in the morning of 27 December 1980 (approximately 0300) two USAF security patrolmen saw unusual lights outside the back gate at RAF Woodbridge. Thinking an aircraft might have crashed or been forced down, they called for permission to go outside the gate to investigate . . . the individuals reported seeing a strange glowing object in the forest.

Glowing lights

The object was described as being metallic in appearance and triangular in shape, approximately two to three metres (8 feet) across the base and two metres high. It illuminated the entire forest with a white light. The object itself had a pulsating red light on top and a bank(s) of blue lights underneath. The object was hovering or on legs. As the patrolmen approached the object it manoeuvred through the trees and disappeared . .

2. The next day, three depressions 1.5ins deep and 7ins in diameter were found where the object had been sighted on the ground. The following night (29 December) the area was checked for radiation. Beta/gamma readings of 0.1 milliroentgens were recorded with peak readings in the three depressions . . .

Sun-like

3. Later in the night a red sun-like light was seen through the trees. It moved about and pulsed. At one point it appeared to throw off glowing particles and then broke into five separate white objects and then disappeared. Immediately thereafter, three star-like objects were noticed in the sky, two objects to the north and one to the south . . .

The objects to the north appeared to be elliptical . . . turned to full circles and . . . remained in the sky for

Marching orders, please!

an hour or more. The object to the south was visible for two or three hours and beamed down a stream of light from time to time. Numerous individuals, including the undersigned [*ie Lt Col Charles Halt himself*] witnessed the activities in paragraphs 2 and 3.

You might have thought that this sensational report would have set the rafters alight. Not a bit of it. The Ministry of Defence admitted unusual lights had been sighted, but said there was no explanation.

Naturally the scoffers had a field day. Most reckoned those strange lights came from Orford Ness lighthouse, five miles away, and that the indentations in the ground were made by rabbits.

Nobody has yet explained



CHATTING with Ken Livingstone, the ex-GLC leader tells me how his thumbnail-size frogs breed: upside-down. I want more, but you can't keep Ken off politics. Tomorrow's poll will be "Labour's biggest win for 15 years".

to my satisfaction how lighthouses manage to fly in a blaze of lights nor how rabbits give off radiation.

The three authors have also produced some fascinating supplementary evidence and Ralph Noyes, former head of the MoD department responsbile for RAF intelligence, said in a statement: "We now have evidence — I blush to say about my own Ministry — that they have lied about this case. They have covered it up."

Conspiracy

And so the conspiracy of silence continues, though these determined ladies have no intention of giving up their pursuit of the truth.

Their book raises some awkward questions about the USAF bases in East Anglia in view of Mrs Thatcher's decision to allow them to be used by F-111 bombers for the attack on Libya.

Quite clearly we have little control over the bases and, when something untoward occurs, lose no time in helping the US cover it up.

I do not believe that the UFO which disturbed the Suffolk woodland on that wintry night carried some spooky visitors from a distant planet.

No, the explanation is much simpler. A UFO it was — an American military spacecraft which had been on an illegal mission in outer space years ahead of President Reagan's beloved Star Wars programme.

RIGHT, fall-in, three ranks, you shower!. I am riding my hobby horse. Bring back some form of National Service for the army of unemployed youngsters aimlessly wandering our streets.

Oh, I know all about freedom of the individual and suchlike, but can any of us who did our stint in uniform honestly say we did not thoroughly enjoy it?

I will not inflict you with such rubbish as: "It will make men of them" or "A bit of discipline will sort that lot out".

My experience in the Army was that it did neither. More important, it showed us how people from all parts of the country, of all classes, colours and religions, could live in harmony. It also gave us a chance to see the world beyond these shores, and taught us how to look after ourselves.

I hope the spirit of those times will be captured in an exhibition on National Service, opening at the Imperial War Museum in London next September. Altogether some 250,000 of us were conscripted between 1948-63.

What a laugh it all was. My postbag suggests that others came away with the same impression.

Patrick Moore, from Bromsgrove, sends me a British Armed Forces 3d voucher (BAFs, we called them) with the comment: "I think I picked it up in Berlin or Nairobi . . . or was it Mauritius or Madagascar?"

Ah, sweet memories, he says. I'll second that

Eric Firth, from Wilsden, Yorks, would not agree. He was a regular soldier who served 14 years, and reckons National Service was a waste of time, money, manpower and lives.

He writes: "Young men around 18 were plucked from their jobs, homes and loved ones, put into ugly, ill-fitting uniforms that made them resemble walking coal sacks, and dispatched to a variety of international destinations."

Well, you could say that. However, the youngsters I am talking about have no jobs to be plucked from. And that is the most dreadful waste of all

THE TIMES

Saudis seek to offset British Tornado deal

From A Correspondent, Riyadh

Mr George Younger, the Defence Secretary, met Prince Sultan bin Abdul Aziz, his Saudi counterpart, yesterday to discuss Saudi proposals for British investment to offset the £5 billion Tornado fighter deal.

The investment programme would be similar to that imposed on a consortium of companies led by Boeing. The consortium had to invest 35 per cent of a $1.2 billion contract to provide ground control for the airborne warning and control system (Awacs) jets sold to the Saudis by the Americans.

The difference is that the US offset programme was stipulated before contracts were signed with private companies. No such prior agreement was reached before the Tornado deal was signed.

Mr Younger is expected to meet King Fahd and other important Saudi officials during his three-day visit, which may lead to another arms deal if a $357 million (about £238 million) air-to-air and air-to-ship missile package fails to clear the US Congress. The Saudis may again look to Britain to fill the gap as they did when they bought the Tornados instead of the American-built F15 fighters they originally wanted.

SCOTSMAN

£5 BN. ARMS DEAL

Mr George Younger, Defence Secretary, was in Saudi Arabia yesterday to iron out details of the £5 billion arms deal signed last year. The deal — Britain's biggest export order — is for 132 aircraft including 72 Tornadoes, support equipment and spares.

THE GUARDIAN

UK clinches Saudi deal

Riyadh: Saudi Arabia is considering buying weapons for its navy from Britain, after concluding a big aircraft deal with London, the defence minister, Prince Sultan Ibn Abdul Aziz, said yesterday.

"We are discussing the possibility of purchasing arms for the navy from friendly countries including Britain," the official Saudi Press Agency quoted him as saying after talks with the British defence secretary George Younger. Prince Sultan Abdul Aziz gave no details of the navy's requirements, but said that Riyadh had concluded final agreement on a £5 billion purchase of British military aircraft.

The deal, Britain's biggest export sale, includes 72 Tornado fighters, 30 Hawk trainers, and 30 PC Orion surveillance aircraft plus missiles, training, technical support and spares.

Prince Sultan said that some of the Tornado fighters had arrived in the kingdom and were due to take part in an air show today.

Saudi Arabia invited Mr Younger here to discuss final details of the deal, including a requirement under the Saudi "offset programme" that 35 per cent of the value of the contract be re-invested in Saudi Arabia.—Reuter.

WEDNESDAY, 7 MAY 1986

From: Section 40 Secretariat (Air Staff)2a, Room Section 40

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FILE

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
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Telephone Section 40 (Direct Dialling)
(Switchboard)

Section 40

Your reference SB/TB
Our reference D/SEC(AS) 12/3
Date 8 April 1986

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter, undated, but which we received in December. I apologise for not replying sooner.

During 1985 the Ministry of Defence received 160 reported sightings of aerial phenomena or "UFOs", the majority of these sightings being in the Welsh, Yorkshire and Thames Valley/London areas.

To date in 1986 we have received 39 reports. I hope this information is of some use to you and it is not too late for your report.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

From: Section 40 Secretariat (Air Staff), Room Section 40

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FILE

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Main Building Whitehall London SW1A 2HB
Telephone Section 40 (Direct Dialling)
(Switchboard)

Section 40

Your reference

Our reference D/SEC(AS) 12/3

Date 8 April 1986

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter of 12 December and your reminder of 18 March. I am sorry that it has taken me so long to reply.

To answer your two easier questions first:

1. The form which was sent to you with Section 40 letter of 6 December is complete, ie nothing was omitted before sending it on to you.

2. I am afraid I can be of little help to you on the reported sightings in North Yorkshire during August. We received only one report during the month which is very sketchy indeed (copy attached), and I have no knowledge of any of the claims alluded to in your letter.

As to the study which you mentioned in your letter of 18 March, work is in hand at the moment to trace the document. I must admit that I was unaware of such a study and this is the reason why it has not been referred to in the past. Should we manage to locate it I will of course let you know.

Section 40

From: Section 40 Secretariat (Air Staff)2a, Room Section 40

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Section 40

Your reference

Our reference 12/3

Date 7 April 1986

Dear Section 40

Further to my letter to you of 5 March I am afraid that we are unable to shed any light on the photographs which you sent to us for inspection.

You will know of course that the sole interest of the Ministry of Defence in reported sightings is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country. The reports we receive are referred to the staff in the Department who are responsible for the air defence of the United Kingdom, and they examine the reports as part of their normal duties. If it is decided that they have no bearing on the defence of the UK then no further action is taken.

As to the other sightings you mentioned in your letter I am afraid that we did not receive any formal reports on the dates in question in the Leicestershire area.

I am sorry I cannot be of further help to you.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

LETTER RETURNED AS
OCCUPANT HAD GONE AWAY

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Sec.(AS)2
- 4 APR 1986
FILE

Section 40

2 April 1986

Dear Section 40

This is just to remind you that I have yet to receive a reply to my various letters. I know that you have been busy but hope that you will be able to respond shortly.

I recently tried to obtain a copy of or view the Air Ministry Secret Intelligence Summary on UFOs, referred to in correspondence between Duncan Sandys and Anthony Montague Brown in 1955 (Cabinet papers released at the end of last year), and the PRO told me that it had not yet been released and suggested I contact the MoD with a view to seeing it, or at least finding out when it will be released. I enclose the relevant reference material.

Section 40

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Defence (Research)

March 14, 1955.

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Dear Mr. Sandys

I remember your talking about flying saucers when we were at Chequers some time ago. I enclose an article from the "Air Ministry Secret Intelligence Summary" which may be of interest to you though I doubt whether there is anything in it which you do not know already.

Volume 10 No. 3.

Yours sincerely
Amb.

The Right Hon. Duncan Sandys, M.P.

Defence Research

WHITEHALL,
LONDON, S.W.1

22nd March, 1955.

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Dear Montague Brown,

Thank you for your letter of March 14th.

I am indeed much interested in the article from the "Air Ministry Secret Intelligence Summary" about flying saucers, and am most grateful to you for thinking of sending it to me.

Yours sincerely

Duncan Sandys

Anthony Montague Browne, Esq.,
D.F.C.,

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Sec.(AS)2
- 7 APR 1986
F15 12/3

27 March 1986.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of 5 March 1986 in reply to my previous correspondence to your office of 25 September 1985 and 30 January 1986, I thank you for reply.

This is just to inform you of my recent change of address to the one above so when your enquiries concerning the 25 October 1977 sighting (with photographs) and the Leicestershire sightings of a triangular object as witnessed on various dates in late 1985, are concluded then any correspondence from you will not be lost.

Your enquiries regarding the Leicestershire sightings may be assisted by the fact that a similar formation of red and white lights that preceeded the sighting of the triangular object at Melton Mowbray on 7 August 1985 (any connection between the two events is unknown) was observed a monthor so before in the Leeds area. On June 23 a spate of red and white lights were observed. Although some of the lights observed at a high altitude were those of Jet Provosts from RAF Church Fenton some of the lights at least cannot be explained by conventional explanations, as some of them were observed to be very low down and flying round blocks of flats, even casting red glows over rooftops. All the time it was perfectly silent.;

I would be most glad to share any information relating to the UFO phenomenon and would be happy to act as a contact, at least for the Midlands.I would be prepared to investigate any reports in confidence and submit the details to your department. Hope the above information is of use to you.

Once the reports of the cases mentioned are completed I shall endeavour to submit a copy on to your department.

Yours sincerely,

Section 40 [redacted]

East Midlands Regional Investigations Co-ordinator for the British UFO Research Association, and the Association for the Scientific Study of Anomalous Phenomena.
Leicester UFO Investigation Centre.

P.S. You may be interested to know of a triangular-shaped object that was actually filmed for several tens of minutes by the Italian National Broadcasting Company. The incident took place on 15 September 1985 at Aosta. The triangular UFO was apparently visible for several hours before it moved off at a fast rate of speed leaving a three-tailed vapour trail. The object was present for so long that the TV station were able to hire an aircraft under their controland to set off after it, but they did not get a close-up view of it. Milan airport reported nothing on radar nor had any air traffic. Still photographs of the object were also taken by members of the public. A clip of the event was also shown on BBC TV news (but only at breakfast time I hasten to add). I would be interested in hearing your opinion of this event and whether or not steps have been taken to obtain a copy of this film in an attempt to ascertain its true nature. If so I would also be interested in obtaining a copy for my own files and research. I would be most surprised if it has not gone through official channels since any unknown object transgressing the airspace of a fellow NATO member must surely be of concern at least to the military authorities whose duty it is to ensure the defence of Western Europe from transgressors of whatever origin. I would be most appreciative of your opinion on this matter.

Section 40 [redacted]

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Sec(A)2
25 MAR 1986
REGD

Dear Sir 18/3/86

ITS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT U.F.O SIGHTING OF PRINCE CHARLES AS HE WAS ON A PLANE FLIGHT HOME FROM THE U.S.A AND THE U.F.O SIGHTING OVER WINDSOR CASTLE. THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF REPORTED U.F.O SIGHTINGS ITS BEEN SAID THAT U.F.O'S HAVE BEEN TRACKED ON

CONTINUED

R.T.O

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18/3/86

RADAR AND IN SOME CASES AIR FORCE JETS HAVE BEEN SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT THEM THERE HAVE ALSO BEEN REPORTS TO SAY THAT THEY WERE ALSO SPOTTED BY ASTRONAUTS WHILE IN SPACE MOST U.F.O EXPERTS AND SCIENTISTS AGREE THAT OUR EARTH COULD BE UNDER SURVAILANCE THE U.F.O PHENOMENON SHOULD BE LOOKED INTO THERE ARE FORCES AT WORK THAT WE DON'T KNOW OF.

Section 40 [redacted]

ANOTHER UFO!

by Royal Appointment

CHARLES IN UFO RIDDLE

Close encounters reported last week

SUNDAY MIRROR

9/3/86

A mystery craft over Windsor

EXCLUSIVE

by MARTIN BRUNT

AN oval-shaped UFO has been spotted over Windsor Castle.

The mystery craft flew close to the battlements in broad daylight.

People watched in disbelief as the red, glowing machine—the size of a Mini—moved slowly across the sky.

The revelation comes after the pilot of an aircraft carrying Prince Charles home from America reported seeing a similar red, glowing object near his flightpath.

So far no-one has been able to explain why the Royals have been singled out for close encounters of the weird kind.

Safe

Office manageress Tracey Wogan, 23, who saw the Windsor UFO, said last week: "I just happened to glance out of the window and couldn't believe what I saw."

Housewife Sheila Goulden, 43, of nearby East Crescent, was startled by the light in the sky and her son Tony, a 17-year-old catering student, said: "There was a bright [illegible] of white light in the centre, with a reddish colour outside."

A police spokesman said: "We checked with air traffic control at Heathrow and the weather centre at Bracknell but it was nothing to do with either of them."

UFO expert Tim Good said: "It is quite conceivable beings from outer space would be aware of what Windsor Castle is and who stays there."

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17th March 1986.

Section 40
Sec (AS) 2,
Room Section 40
Main Building,
Whitehall,
SW1 2HB.

Dear Section 40

Many thanks for your letter of 5th March 1986, concerning the appearence of circles at various locations throughout Southern England, and for the copy of the report. As it turns out I already have a complete copy (including names) of this report which I obtained during the course of my investigations.

Whilst I understand, from previous correspondance from the Ministry, that your interest in UFO's and related subjects is restricted to possible defence implications, and that for financial reasons involvement in scientific studies would not be considered, I felt sure that in this case you would have had more information. Throughout the press coverage, both TV and newspapers, there has been more than the usual indication that the MOD were involved. To quote one press report from August 1985 :-

'The Army have begun investigations into the markings for the Ministry of Defence and photographs were being taken by Helicopter during the week.'

Initially I thought that this actually refered to the report by Section 40 which you sent to me, but have since been told that this is not the case by several sources, some of whom contacted me as a result of the enclosed article.

Obviously if you have no other information regarding this particular case then there is nothing more to be said. However should anything more come to light concerning this or anything similar I would appreciate being kept in mind if such information could be passed on.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Sec.(AS)2
21 MAR 1986
FILE

From: Section 40 Secretariat (Air Staff)2a, Room Section 40

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Section 40

5 March 1986

Thank you for your letter of 30 January. I do apologise for not replying to your previous letter of 25 September 1985 but this is obviously one that 'slipped through the net'. I have asked for expert advice on the photographs which you enclosed and I will give you a full reply as soon as possible.

Once again I apologise for the inordinate delay in replying to you.

Yours sincerely

From: Section 40 Secretariat (Air Staff)2a, Room Section 40

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Section 40

5 March 1986

Thank you for your letter of 5 September 1985; I am returning the stamped addressed envelope which you provided. . You may find it useful if I explain that the sole interest of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

There is no organisation in the Ministry of Defence appointed solely for the purpose of studying reports of such objects, and no staff are employed on the subject full time. The reports we receive are referred to the staff in the Department who are responsible for the air defence of the United Kingdom, and they examine the reports as part of their normal duties.

Since our interest in UFOs is limited to possible defence implications we have not carried out a study into the scientific significance of these phenomena. Unless there are defence implications we do not attempt to identify sightings and we cannot inform observers of the probable identity of the object seen. The Department could not justify the expenditure of public funds on investigations which go beyond the pure defence interests.

On the specific question of the circles found in fields in southern England, I can confirm that the Army Air Corps at Middle Wallop have submitted a report on one such occurrence at Clatford. A copy of this report is attached for your information. As you will see, no mention is made of a "white jelly" and I can assure you that to the best of our knowledge no such substance was found at the scene.

You will of course appreciate that this is not strictly a report of a UFO sighting, although this phenomenon, which I understand has been reported on a number of times in various locations since the last war, is indeed mystifying. However we have yet to find anything to suggest that it has any significance in defence terms.

Yours sincerely

From: Section 40 Secretariat (Air Staff)2a, Room Section 40

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Section 40

5 March 1986

Thank you for your letter of 8 September. I do apologise for not writing to you sooner, but I can only say that yours 'slipped through the net'.

You may find it useful if I explain that the sole interest of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

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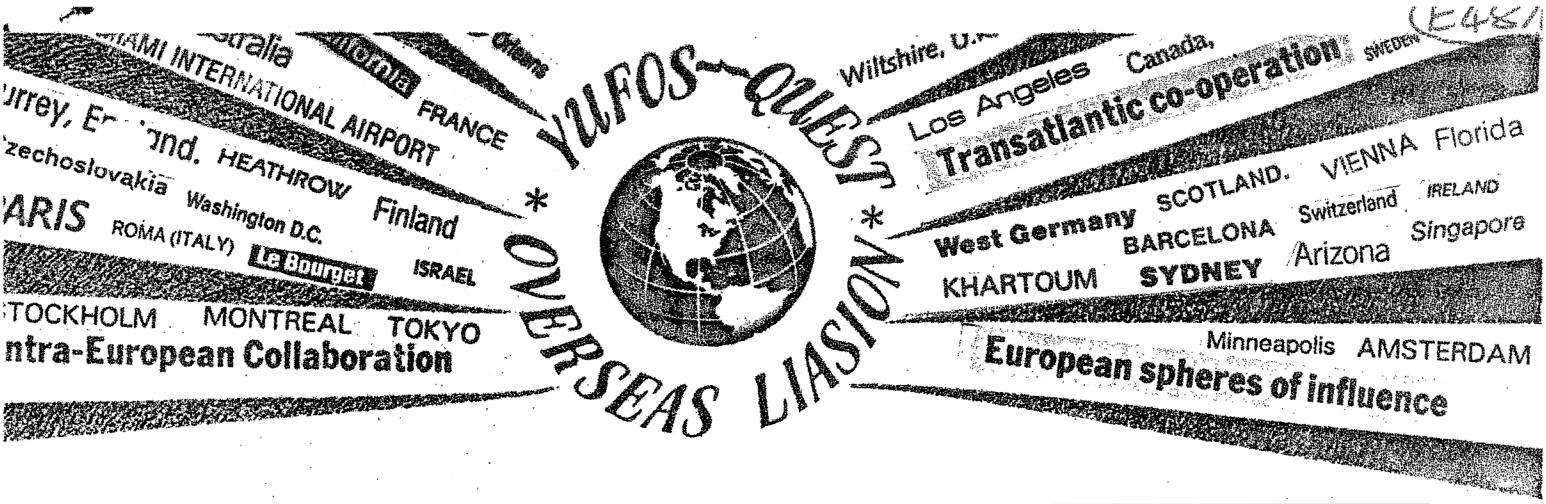
We have to recognise that there are many strange things to be seen in the sky, but we believe there are adequate explanations for them. They may be satellite debris re-entering the earth atmosphere, ball lightning, unusual cloud formations, meteorological balloons, aircraft lights, aircraft at unusual angles or many other things. Perhaps, as you yourself point out, the fact that the GLC Fireworks display was taking place answers your question.

I am sorry that I can do no more to assuage your curiosity.

Yours sincerely



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YUFOS—QUEST * OVERSEAS LIASION *

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Your Ref:

Our Ref:

RMR

Section 40 [redacted]

ection 40 [redacted]

Secretary of State for Defence,
Ministry of Defence,
Main Building,
Whitehall,
London.

12 February 1986.

Dear Sir,

It is now 2 months since my letter to the above and as yet I have received no reply apart from a small post card merely acknowledging receipt of my letter.

I would appreciate a reply to my letter dated the 11 December 1985 at the ealiest opportunity. I know my last letter was addressed to Mr Heseltine but a reply from the new Secretary of State for Defence will be more than adequate.

If you could give me some idea as to when (I hope not if) I will receive a reply I will be most grateful.

Yours Sincerely, [redacted]

Section 40 [redacted]

The Yorkshire UFO Society.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
No. 2 (AS)
19 FEB 1986



YUFOS Research Division (International)

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ALIEN INVASION OR HOAX?

For several years, southern Britain has experienced what some people claim is the work of pranksters and others say is evidence that UFO's have landed. Charles Walker investigates the mysterious circles which have again appeared

My attention was first drawn to these strange circles when a set of five, one large surrounded by four smaller ones, appeared in a wheatfield at Patching, Sussex. They appeared some time between 10pm on 28 June and dawn on 29 June 1985. The central and largest of the circles measured some 50ft in diameter and the four smaller ones 15ft in diameter. The wheat had been neatly flattened by a swirling motion in a clockwise direction.

The circles were a reasonable distance from the road and, at the time they were discovered, there was no trace of any of the surrounding crop having been flattened as it would have been if anyone had walked into the field to select the site. For this reason it was suggested that the marks would have to be made by something landing on the spot. My initial enquiries revealed that most people were of the opinion that a UFO was responsible. Obviously there were those who preferred to dismiss it as a hoax, although they have not provided a suitable explanation as to how this could be done without damaging the surrounding crop.

UFO sighting

At the time that news broke of the circles, no one except myself and the witnesses were aware of the fact that at 9.35pm on 25 June a UFO had been seen by five witnesses. The sighting was reported to me on 26 June by Wayne Lewis who, along with his brother Ricky and three friends, had seen what they described as a yellowy white light moving in the direction of Clapham, which is but a short distance from Patching.

For approximately ten minutes the object hovered over Clapham Wood where the light became more intense and began pulsating. After this it took off at a reasonbly high speed and was lost from sight within a matter of seconds.

Mysterious circles

Although there were no UFO sightings on the actual evening that the circles appeared – at least as far as I am aware – it is interesting to note that there does always seem to be a UFO sighting reported within a few days, and at the most a week, before the circles appear.

The very same weekend five circles, similar in dimension to those at Patching, appeared in a wheatfield alongside the B 3093 at Bratton, Wiltshire. This is not the first time that such circles have appeared in this area. In July 1983 their appearance made the national news mainly because of Bratton's close proximity to Warminster, which became famous in the mid 1960s for the number of UFO sightings and reported landings.

Throughout July 1985 the circles appeared in Hampshire and Wiltshire. In Hampshire one Alresford farmer lost

crops for the sixth year running as a result of the mysterious circles. Once again the dimensions were the same as in the other areas and just days before they appeared local police were involved in checking out a UFO report.

A brilliantly lit circular object was seen hovering over Stockbridge Down, Hampshire by Jack and Pat Collins whilst driving home one night. Mrs Collins said *'It looked like a big funfair wheel hovering in the sky'*. The object was not visible for very long as the road along which the couple were travelling was tree lined and the object was therefore blotted out by the trees. They made no attempt to stop for a better look but on reaching home telephoned the police, who searched the area but found nothing.

Although the object was not visible for very long, perhaps five minutes at the most, Mr Collins was able to make a sketch, which perhaps provides the first clue as to what might be responsible for the circles. According to Mr Collins, the outer perimeter appeared to be a continuous ring of light, whilst the spokes and the four quarters consisted of numerous individual lights, the lights of the spokes being considerably brighter than the others.

Neat pattern

If an object such as that described above were to land and the underside of the craft, with it's spoke like construction, were to rotate as it did so or once it had landed, then it would almost certainly produce the neat pattern of flattened crop which is a feature of these circles. Of course attached to this large circular object there would have to be four smaller ones which must also rotate in the same way. Again from the neat way in which the crop is flattened within the smaller circles they would have to have the same construction.

Mr and Mrs Collins did not see anything attached to the large circular object they observed hovering over the countryside. However, if we accept the fact that a UFO was responsible for the circles – and by UFO, I mean an aerial object which has so far defied identification and not neces-



Circles in fields alongside the B3093 at Bratton. Taken from the top of Bratton Castle.

sarily an alien controlled space vehicle – then it could be that these marks were caused by some sort of landing gear which would not be lowered until the vehicle was actually going to land.

Certainly from an examination of some of the sites: Patching, Sussex, 28/29 June; Bratton, 28/29 June; Hampshire, 6/7 July; Andover in Wiltshire, July 1985; there seems no doubt that the circles were produced by an object coming out of the sky. At this stage there is, apart from the UFO sightings, no evidence from which we can identify a known vehicle as being responsible.

Flattened easily

On one occasion it was suggested that the crop could have been flattened easily by two people using a piece of string. One person would stand in what would eventually be the centre of the circle, whilst the other person would walk around in ever decreasing circles flattening the crop as he did so. However, whilst the crop would most certainly be flattened, it would not be done as neatly. There would also be some evidence of their walk from the edge of the field to the markings. Even walking along the plough tracks would not, as it has been suggested, mean that the circles could be made without some damage to surrounding crops.

No doubt speculation regarding this phenomena will continue, but perhaps, should it occur again, more information will come to light and enable us to get nearer to providing an explanation for this mystery.

Don't miss the March issue of the *The Unknown*. On sale 27 February 1986



IN THE NEXT ISSUE

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Replied

MY REF: COLLEAGUE OF NORTH LANCS UFO GROUP.

REPLY TO :

Section 40 [redacted]

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Sec(AS)2
24 JAN 1986
FILE 12/3

PLEASE QUOTE:(I.)

Dear Sir ,

You might recall that sometime ago I despatched to you a copy of the Col - holt Tape ? , ref; Rendlesham Forest UFO incident. I would like to know if you have received the Tape ?

If it is possible, could you forward me the full address of the Woodbridge Air Force Base, so it would help me conduct further Investigation ?

Yours sincerely,

Section 40 [redacted]

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YUFOS

CIVILIAN AERIAL PHENOMENA RESEARCH ORGANIZATION

Section 40

Section 40 Defence Secretatiat,
Ministry of Defence (AS-2),
Main Building,
Whitehall,
London

Your Ref: AS-2

Our Ref: BL/RDI-B

2 January 1986

No. of Pages: Two (2)

Subject: Unidentified Flying Objects/Radar

Dear Section 40

I am writing in relation to an article/s which we have just recently researched in the October, 1954 edition of the London Dispatch (Sunday).

THE ARTICLE:

> "Radar installions in Great Britain had repeatedly picked up whole formations of unidentified flying objects during september 1954, some of them passing overhead at low altitude. Military Personnel scrambled outside their offices to take a look and were much puzzled to find the skies clear and empty. Every time, they have followed the same pattern, always around Mid-day, All our radar sets in the area have picked them up. Some of the public individuals involved with Flying Saucer research/reports at that time, were told that Flying Saucers are normally invisible to us".

We are very interested in these official statements; could you please confirm these comments, especially as the radar installions now in operation, such as Fylingdales (which can track an object the size of a tea tray above Moscow) are far more technologically advanced, than of those in the 1950's? As a research organisation, we have numerous reports of UFOs, surely in range of civil and military radar never being seen as a physical structure throughout the entire observation (one second visible, the next completely invisible). There does appear to be some evidence to substanciate many of the claims made by the War Office in 1954.

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You perhaps remember this organisation asking for a copy of a purported study carried out by Air Marshall's Massey and Goddard concerning UFOs, this paper was first apparent in I955. Your information was limited but extremely helpful. However, a further statement was made by Sir Victor Goddard, Royal Air Force, Air Marshall in May I969. Goddard makes several references to psychic phenomenon and possible influence on mankind. This is the first time I can recall such a statement being made by the military (U.K.) in relation to unidentified flying objects? Do you feel that this factor is or could be connected with the public, and indeed the military reporting of UFO's? There does appear to have been an increase in the governmental (worldwide) interest in "P.K" and "E.S.P.", have the MoD any research or perhaps conclusions regarding this avenue of research. Perhaps in your files there does exist cases whereby the previously mentioned phenomenon is regarded as a prime solution. If so, we would be grateful for this documentation, perhaps I969 onwards, would be a starting point!

Thank you again for your valuable time, we believe a greater liaison between your department could provide an insight into the subject. I look forward to your comments and the August/September UFO sightings I requested in December I985.

Yours Sincerely,

Section 40 [redacted]

[redacted] Director of Research

Section 40 [redacted]

DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH
YUFOS RESEARCH DIVISION

No reply

file [redacted] Section 40

Dec 17th

Sir

Recent calculations into marks left, supposedly, by Flying Saucers, called into question the estimated size of such aircraft.

Roughly 30' in diameter, the question posed by myself was;- "even if they carried two/three people from outer-space, how much food, water (and possibly fuel), would be required to get them to another planet even if they could travel at the light-speed required.

The answer was "insufficient"! So where could they have come from, and where do they disappear to?

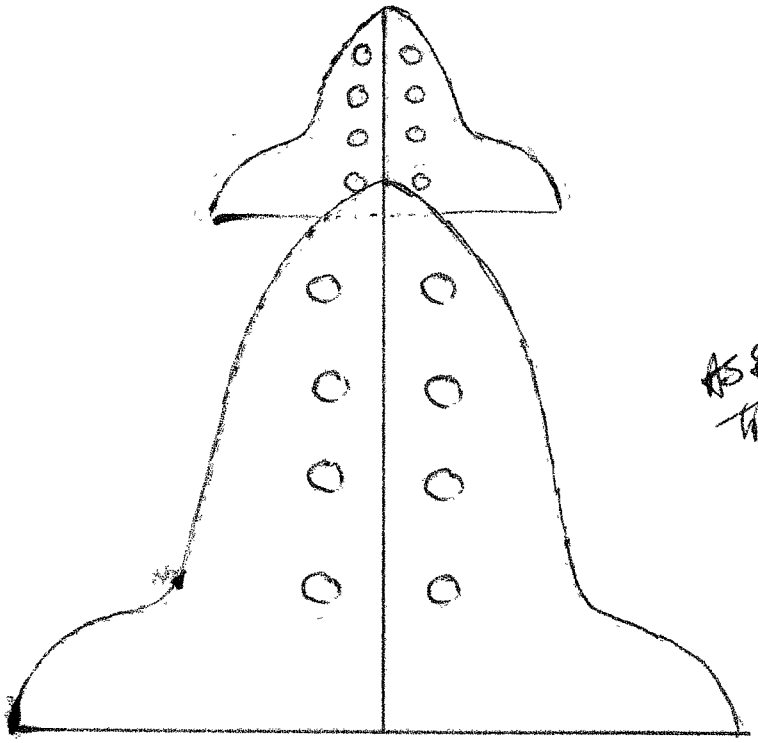
I am sure the enclosed diagrams will be of great interest! When is a flying saucer not a flying saucer? and is the Mother Ship man-made or from a distant Planet.

Yours faithfully [redacted] Section 40

P.S.

I can hazard a guess at the position of the mother-ship which has 'spun'.

Yours Section 40 [redacted]



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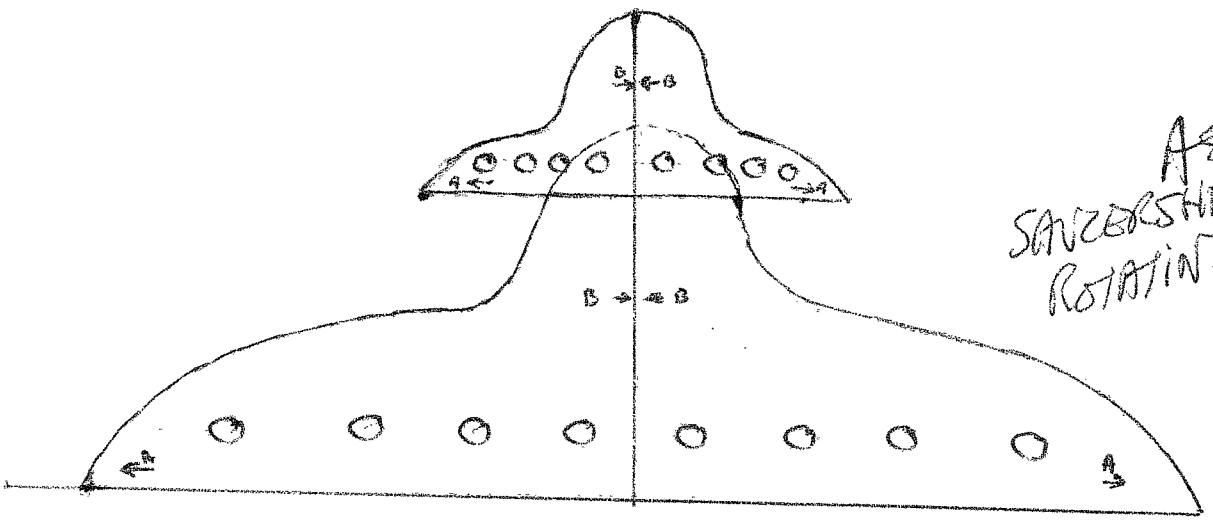

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YUFOS-QUEST * OVERSEAS LIASION *

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Your Ref: 11 • 12 • 85

Our Ref:

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Sec.(AS)2
16 DEC 1985
FILE

Section 40 [redacted]

Section 40 [redacted]
Secretariat (Air Staff)2a,
Room Section 40
Ministry of Defence,
Main Building,
Whitehall,
London,
SW1A 2HB.

Dear Sir,

Since you have not yet replied to my last letter (a copy of which I enclose) I have taken the liberty once again of requesting information from your office.

I would like to request all the information you have on any UFO reports from anywhere in the British Isles on the following dates;

July the 22nd,23rd,24th and 25th 1984.

I would also appreciate all the information you have on the following UFO reports:

Date: 21st of February 1985.

Location: Ripon to Harrogate road,North Yorkshire.

Reported to:Ripon Police and North Allerton Police H.Q.

Date: 19th of September 1985.

Location: Almondbury near Huddersfield.

Reported to:RAF.

Although I know you are very busy I would appreciate a prompt reply to my request for information.

Yours Sincerely,

Section 40 [redacted]

The Yorkshire UFO Society.

YUFOS Research Division (International)

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CIVILIAN AERIAL PHENOMENA
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Section 40 (Secretariat Air Staff 2a)
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Section 40

I2/December/I985

Your Ref: D/Sec(AS)I2/3

Our Ref: BL/RDI-C

No. of Sheets: Two (2)

Subject: Unidentified Flying Objects

Dear Section 40

Many thanks indeed for your letter and the enclosed UFO documents relating to the reports I requested. However, nearly six months of waiting is not really ideal from a research stance, but I appreciate you must be very busy answering letters all the time in respect of UFOs?

Whilst understanding the official policy of your own particular Dept, I continue to be baffled at the content of your UFO Sighting Report Forms, when your counterparts in America seem determined to pursue every detail in relation to purported UFO encounters. Just recently we have managed to secure incredible papers from the USAF (enclosed) which concern the death of a non-human being, after a OSI and USAF Police chase viz UFO. Certainly documentation such as this requires an answer by the authorities in America and I am quite sure the UFO organisation C.A.U.S. (Citizens Against UFO Secrecy) who are our U.S. colleagues shall get one. Yet time after time we ask our own MoD reporting office for their opinion regarding the official report form. Why for instance, does your form not cover this aspect of UFO research? And can you inform if you take such reports seriously?

The search and request policy of your office is very limited. It is terribly difficult to determine if a report by any persons or official establishment has been submitted. Has your department ever thought that to release UFO documentation every year would save time? Of course a charge would obviously be made, yet the present stance and attitude does not help the MoD in relation to our claim you are with-holding vital data..

However, I would appreciate your help in relation to the months of August and September this year (I985). From the public and other

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sources your office received numerous reports of unidentified flying objects, I request this documentation for research purposes and possible publication.

If a charge is made for search and photostat purposes, then I would be prepared to pay.

August in particular interests me, for several village people at Carleton near Skipton, North Yorkshire, claim an unknown craft landed some two miles Southeast of the village and military personnel at Menwith Hill who had tracked the target found a large burnt area in the locality. Rumour, perhaps, yet any further information you could supply would be interesting. If your department would like a full report of our findings I would be only too pleased to supply.

I must thankyou also for your co-operation concerning the forwarding of the Public Records Office in Su rey. Pre 62 reports contain a great deal more than the 'modern type'.

One final question; does your report form surpass the 'LETTER P'?

Once again thanks very much for your help in these matters, and I do hope I receive the papers before July 1986!

Yours Sincerely,

Section 40

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Director of Research (QUEST MAGAZINE)

Section 40

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DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH
YUFOS RESEARCH DIVISION

(E46/2)

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
TH SECURITY POLICE SQUADRON (PACAF)
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96239

REPLY TO ATTN OF: [redacted]

SUBJECT: Response for Request of Information in Relation to UFO Contact and Other Related information

TO: Len Stringfield

1. In January of 1978, I was station at McGuire AFB, N.J.. One evening , during the time frame of 0300hrs. and 0500hrs., there were a number of UFO sightins in the area over the air field and Ft. DIX Army camp. I am a security policeman and was on routine patrol at the time. N.J. State Police, and Ft. Dix MP's were runnig code in the direction of Brownsville,N.J.. A state trocper then entered Gate #5 at the rear of the base requesting assistance and permission to enter. I was dispatched and the trooper wanted access to the runway area which led to the very back of the air field and connected with a heavily wooded area which is part of the Dix training area. He informed me that a Ft. Dix MP was pursueing a low flying object which then hovered over his car. He described it as oval shaped, with no details, and glowing with a blueish green color. His radio transmission was cut off. At that time in front of his police car, appeared a thing, about 4ft. tall, greyish, brown, fat head, long arms, and slender body. The MP panicked and fired five rounds from his .45 Cal into the thing, and one round into the object above. The object then fled straight up and joined with eleven others high in the sky. This we all saw but didn't know the details at the time. Anyway, The ting ran into the woods towards our fenceline and they wanted to look for it. By this time several patrols were involved.

2. We found the body of the thing near the runway. It had apparently climbed the fence and died while running. It was all of a sudden hush-hush and no one was allowed near the area. We roped off the area and AF OSI came out and took over. That was the last I saw of it. There was a bad stench coming from it too. Like ammonia smelling but it wasn't constent in the air. That day, a team from Wright-Patterson AFB came in a C141 and went to the area. They crated it in a wooden box, sprayed something over it, and then put it into a bigger metal container. They loaded it in the plane and took off. That was it, nothing more said, no report made and we were all told not to have anything to say about it or we would be court martialed.

3. I will be getting out of the air force in about two months. Do Not disclose my name as I could get into trouble. I am interested in pursuing this and other matters if you need help. Forgive me for not signing this but I can't take any chances. Please reply to the above address and my parents will forward it to me or I will be home already. Don't send it here because they monitor all mail closely and I again don't want to take any chances.

M.I.B.

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INCIDENT/COMPLAINT REPORT

(Continue on "REMARKS" on reverse, if necessary)

DATE	INCIDENT/COMPLAINT NO	INVESTIGATION REPORT NO
18 Jan 78	239-78	1/18-239-78

[X] INFORMATION [ ] COMPLAINT [ ] COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT OF ACTION REQUIRED (See reverse)

THRU:

TO:

FROM: th SPS
MAFB, N.J. 09864

1. SUBJECT	2. GRADE	3. SSN	4. ORGANIZATION (Include location and phone no.)
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5. DESCRIPTION (Complete on all civilians and military personnel whose identity is in question)

A. COLOR EYES	B. COLOR HAIR	C. COMPLEXION	D. SEX	E. DOB	F. HEIGHT	G. WEIGHT	H. IDENTIFYING MARKS (Tattoos, scars, etc.)

6. HOW DRESSED (Military or civilian, and condition of clothing)

7. UNDER INFLUENCE OF: [ ] ALCOHOL [ ] OTHER (Explain in item 10)

8. INCIDENT/COMPLAINT (Specify type and location)
UFO/Sighting/Incident
Inactive Runway #5
MAFB, N.J. 09864

HOUR: 0315hrs.
DATE: 18 Jan 7

9. RECEIVED BY (Typed or printed name, grade, and position)
N.J. State Police
Wrightstown Barracks, N.J.

[X] IN PERSON [X] BY TELEPHONE [ ] BY MAIL

10. DETAILS OF INCIDENT (Who, what, when, where, how? Include attitude at time of apprehension and give details if uncooperative. Attach statements of medical personnel.)

On the above date and time it was reported to this office that there were reports of UFO sightings over the base and an incident in progress on the Ft. Dix installation. Also, MAFB control tower, A1C R , reported same. Upon further investigation, it was reported that an unidentified being, had been shot by Dix MP's and same entered MAFB at above location.

11. EVALUATION [X] UNFOUNDED [ ] MISDEMEANOR [ ] FELONY [ ] MILITARY OFFENSE [ ] TRAFFIC

12. PERSONS RELATED TO REPORT (Insert category of relationship letter opposite name)

A. COMPLAINANT B. VICTIM C. SUSPECT D. WITNESS E. MP/SP/AP F. INVESTIGATED BY G. APPREHENDED BY

	NAME	GRADE	SSN	ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS AND PHONE NO.
E	S , J	E-4		FT. Dix MP Battalion
E	L , M	E-3		th.SPS.MAFB.N.J.
E	M , J	E-3		th.SPS.MAFB.N.J.
F	M , F	O-5		CO. th.SPS.MAFB

13. DISPOSITION OF INCIDENT/COMPLAINT

A. REFERRED TO
- [ ] PATROL
- [ ] SEE REPORT NUMBER AT TOP OF PAGE
- [X] OTHER AGENCY (Specify)
- [ ] NONE

B. OFFENDER

C. EVIDENCE (List and describe, or summarize as appropriate)
One body of unknown origin released to the care of OSI District Commander and Special recovery team from Wright-Pat AFB.

14. ENCLOSURES (Statements and receipts)
1169/70

15. DISTRIBUTION
Col. Landon
Brig.Gen. Brown
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FOR THE COMMANDER (Strike out if inapplicable)

TYPED NAME, GRADE AND TITLE OF REPORTING OFFICER
G . . W . . 1stLt, USAF CO

SIGNATURE

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JC Editor's Note: the correct ZIP Code for McGuire is 08641. There may be several possible explanations for the erroneous ZIP Code of 09864 (a code that has cousins in the APO ZIP's allocated to the USAF in West Germany).

COMMANDER'S REPORT OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION TAKEN. (To be completed by the CO of the offender when the reverse side of this form indicates that disposition information is desired. Indicate date actions in Items 4 and 5, if applicable, and explain as required in Item 6. Forward through command channels within TEN days of receipt of the report. To facilitate transmission turn this side face up when returning correspondence through message center.)

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6. DETAILS

(Cont) Further investigation revealed that there was some kind of body found on our installation. Area was cordoned off and ECP set up. USAF clinic personnel advised and dispatched accordingly. Recovery team notified and responding. All necessary personnel have been notified. See further 1569's for more information. Investigation pending.

C [redacted], W [redacted]
C Flt. Desk Sergeant

TYPED NAME AND GRADE OF COMMANDING OFFICER	SIGNATURE

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
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Section 40

Your reference

Our reference

Date 12th December 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letters on the subject of a possible UFO sighting in the vicinity of RAF St Mawgan in February of this year. I am sorry that I have been unable to reply before now.

I am afraid there is little help I can give you in your research of this alleged incident. Indeed, we have received no reports of unusual activity in the St Mawgan area in February of this year and the only information we have is that which you yourself have provided. RAF St Mawgan have been consulted and they too have no knowledge of the phenomenon and were certainly not conducting any operation or research which might account for it.

I am grateful for the concern you express in your letters and I agree that it is important that such incidents are reported to us in view of the possible defence implications. However, as you will no doubt be aware, there is no organisation in the Ministry of Defence appointed solely for the purpose of studying reports of such objects, and no staff are employed on the subject full time. The reports we receive are referred to the staff in the Department who are responsible for the air defence of the United Kingdom, and they examine the reports as part of their normal duties. The information you have provided has been considered in this way and we are satisfied that there was no threat to UK security and thus that there is no defence interest in this incident.

Yours sincerely

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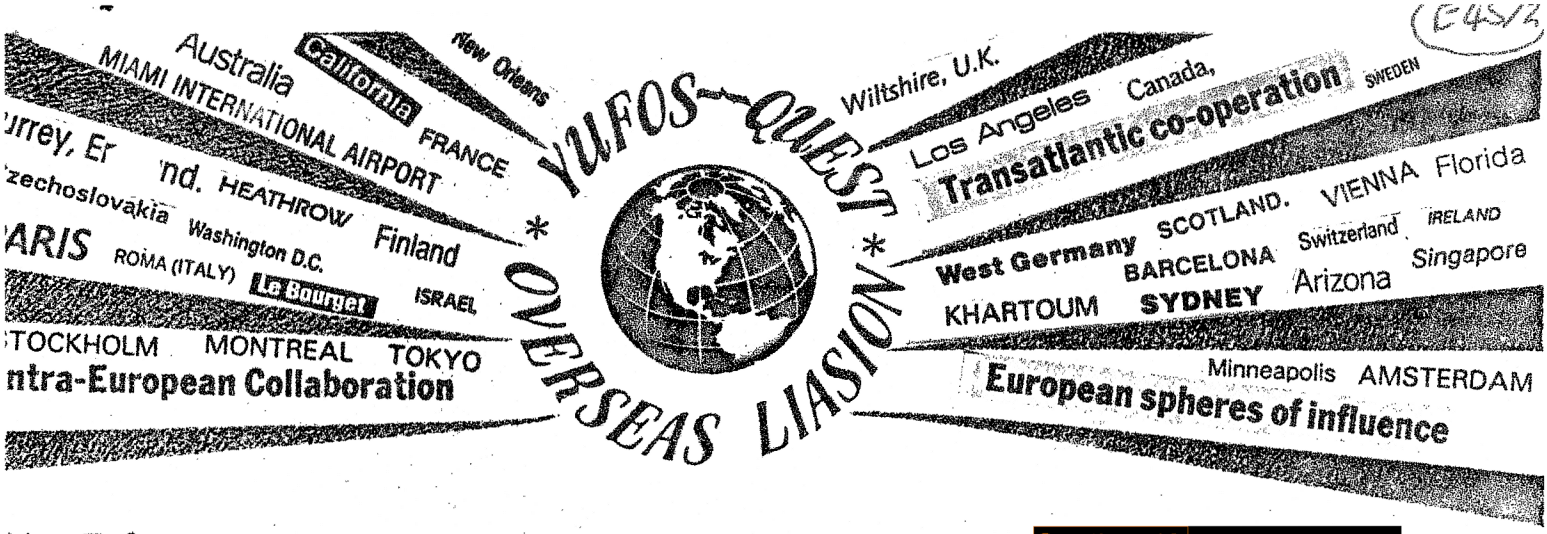

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Our Ref:

Michael Hestletine,
c/o
Ministry of Defence,
Main Building,
Whitehall,
London,
SW1A 2HB

11 December 1985.

Dear Mr Hestletine,

According to my MP,the Rt Hon Merlyn Rees,while he was Secretary of State for Defence during the 1960s,he undertook an investigation into reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects,better known simply as UFOs.

In writen parlimentary answers dated the 25th of October 1967,Mr Rees cleary states that quote"153 reports have been received in the ministry of defence in the last 6 months.Some of these are still being investigated"unquote.

Also in parliamentary writen answers of the 8th of November 1967 Mr Rees goes on to say, quote "I have published details of all the investigations which have been made over the years" unquote.In the same writen questions of the same date Mr Rees statesquote "We have access to scientists of high repute-they have been consulted on all these matters"unquote.

Mr Rees himself has stated that you can supply me with all the published results of the investigations into UFOs and that you will also be able to supply me with all the details as to who was involved in such investigations and how they were carried out.

I would therefore like to take this opportunity to formally request a copy of all such material concerning the investigations of UFOs conducted as described by the Rt Hon Merlyn Rees MP.I would also like to request all the relevant information concerning the scientists who were consulted with regards to such investigations of UFOs.

I would like to leave you with one last quote from the parliamentary writen answers dated the 8th of November 1985,quote "Mr Alan Lee Williams:Can my hon friend assure us that he has received scientific advice ?

Mr Rees:I can give this assureance.This is not just an air defence matter=We have access to scientists of high repute-they have been consulted on all these matters"unquote.

I look forward to your reply,untill then I am,

Yours Sincerely,

Section 40 [redacted]

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Our Ref: 800 17 DEC 1985 ENCL NO. 45/1

RAF History Dept,
Ministry of Defence,
Main Building,
Whitehall,
London,
SW1A 2HB.

11 December 195

Dear Sir/Madam,

According to my MP,the Rt Hon Merlyn Rees,your department will be able to help me in my research for reports of alleged Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) from the era of the Second World War.

I would therefore like to request any information you have on the reported sightings of UFOs during the Second World War.The term UFO was probably not used but we have reason to believe that the term 'FOO FIGHTER' or simply reports of 'UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT' were used by both allied and German aircrews alike.

I would also like to request any information you might have on UFO reports in general, either before,during or after the war.

If your department does not have such information on file do you know of any establishment that might,if you do I would appreciate it if you could supply me with the address of this establishment.

I look forward to your reply,untill then I am,

Yours Sincerely,,,

[redacted]

The Yorkshire UFO Society (YUFOS).



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UFO RESEARCH, BROADCASTS & LECTURES

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
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12 DEC 1985
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Secretariat (Air Staff) 2
Room [redacted]
Ministry of Defence
Main Building
Whitehall
London SW1A 2HB

10 December 1985

Dear [redacted]

I thought you would be interested in the following sighting report which I have recently investigated. Although I doubt if there is any defence significance I feel sure that you would like to have it on file - especially if you received any other reports on the date and at the location specified.

The sighting took place on Friday, 20th September 1985, between 1700-1730 hrs., at the Outer Circle of Regents Park, near the junction with Park Square. The weather at the time was clear and sunny. The witness, [redacted] was walking towards her parked car in the Outer Circle when her attention was drawn to a very bright object hovering in the sky at low altitude, at an estimated elevation of 45° looking East.

The object appeared to be rotating about its axis at the rate of approximately 3 revolutions per second. As you will note from the appended sketch made by the witness, the object seemed to have 'faces' or 'facets' which flickered as they caught the sun. The object also bounced around as it rotated, although remaining in a closely prescribed area (not more than a few square feet). It appeared to be made of a smooth, highly-polished metal. As you know, distances and dimensions are difficult to gauge when dealing with unidentified objects, but the witness feels reasonably certain that its altitude was about twice as high as the trees in Nash Terraces and approximately 2 - 3 feet in diameter.

The witness is highly intelligent and observant, and has a BSc in Zoology. As an experienced ornithologist she is naturally familiar with most objects in the sky that might have accounted for the sighting, and rejects the possibility that the object could have been any type of balloon. Furthermore, there was no sign of any tethering. A number of other people had stopped to gaze at the object. [redacted] watched it for about 5 minutes but was unable to stay any longer as she was in a hurry. The object was still in view when she drove off.

Should you require further details the witness may be telephoned on 677 1946, mornings only. It would certainly be interesting to learn if there were any other reports.

I am also enclosing a copy of a report which I think does have defence interest, and which you are welcome to retain on file. The witness, [redacted] seems thoroughly honest to me, and he would be glad to talk to your people if necessary. I have not published this account yet, and would be delighted to quote the MoD's comments. I would also like to know if you received any reports from MoD installations at the time, date and location mentioned? Or at least a report of the MoD policemen's chat with [redacted]

I look forward to hearing from you (also in connection with my last two letters).

Sincerely

With many thanks,

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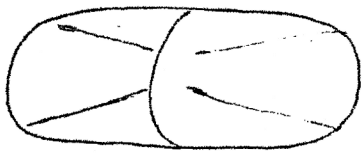

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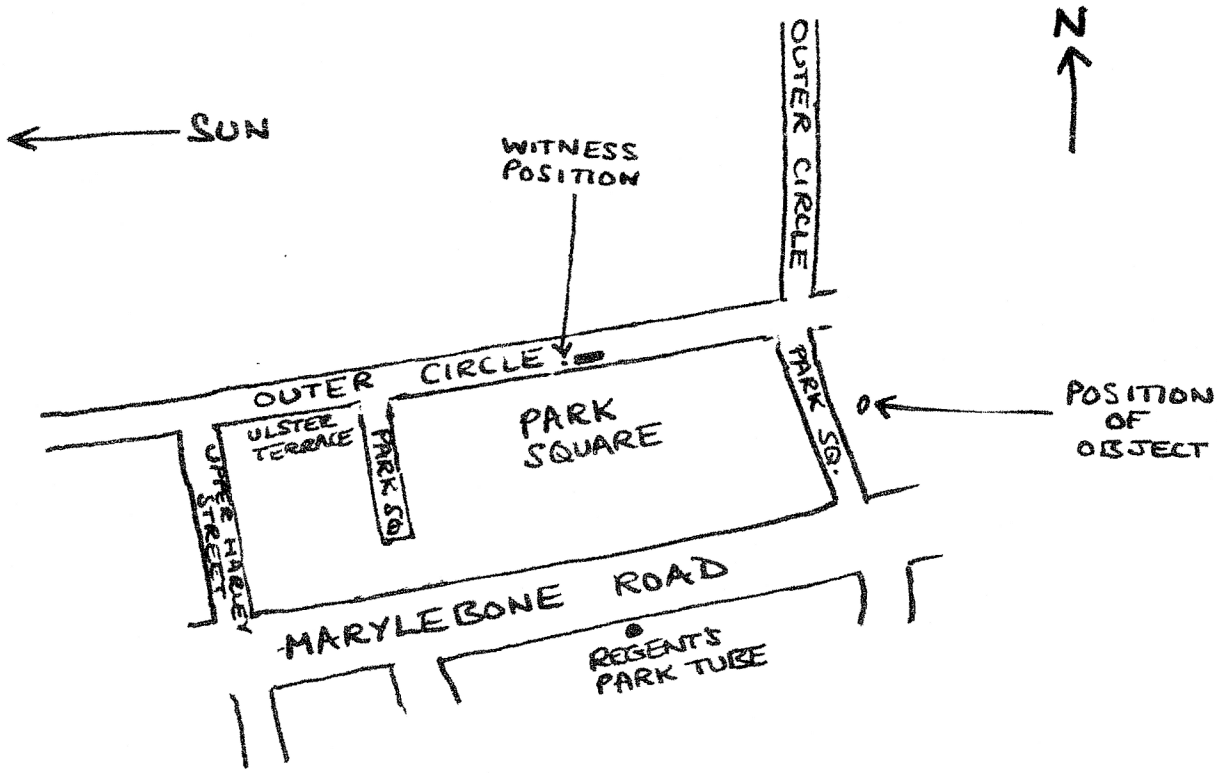

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UFO RESEARCH, BROADCASTS & LECTURES

Section 40

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
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THE CLOSE ENCOUNTER CASE OF Section 40 1983

The remarkable story of Section 40 alleged close encounter beside the Basingstoke Canal in Aldershot, Hampshire, during the small hours of 12 August 1983, is a fisherman's tale with a difference: the one that got away was a flying saucer - complete with little 'green' men. The case is not directly relevant to the central thrust of my theme (although Ministry of Defence personnel were peripherally involved), but I am including it here because if the witness is not lying - and I for one am convinced he is not - we are presented with an important and highly detailed account which may teach us a great deal about the UFO phenomenon, irrespective of what interpretation we choose to place on it.

Because of its many military establishments, Aldershot is known as 'The Home of the British Army', and Section 40 himself has an Army background, having served in the Queen's Royal Regiment in 1924 and the Hampshire Regiment during World War II. Well-known as a local historian, he has in his time worked as a farmer and gardener, and while living in the Canadian outback hunted bear and fought wolves. He has told me that he is now afraid of nothing, and regarding his encounter, which would have terrified most people, says: "What did I have to fear? I'm 78 now and havn't got much to lose." Prior to his experience he had read no books or magazines on the subject of UFOs, which held no interest for him, yet much of what he claims has been corroborated by other witnesses.

Section 40 is a keen and experienced fisherman, and since the weather report for 11/12 August predicted a warm, fine night, he set off from his home in

Section 40 [redacted] Aldershot, at 12.15 am, accompanied by his dog Tiny. On reaching Government Road he encountered a Ministry of Defence policeman on his beat, and after a brief chat with him headed towards his selected fishing site, about 115 yards north of the Gasworks Bridge on Government Road. He undid his fishing rod holdall and took out the bottom joint of his fishing umbrella, pushed it into the soil and tied the dog to it. While unpacking his tackle box he heard the gong at the Buller Barracks strike one o'clock. He set up the rod rests, cast out his tackle and then sat down watching the water for fish movement.

The Encounter

"After about fifteen minutes," Section 40 told me, "I decided to have a cup of tea, which I poured from my thermos. I stood up to ease my legs and was putting the cup to my mouth when I saw a vivid light coming towards me from the south, which is over North Town. It wavered over the railway line and then came on again, then settled down. The vivid light went out, though I could still see a light through the boughs of the trees. I thought, well that can't be an aeroplane; it's too low, because it was at about 300 feet."

"During this time I had set the cup down on the tackle box and lit a cigarette, and while smoking it my dog began to growl. It was then that I saw two 'forms' coming towards me, and when they were within 5 feet of me they just stopped and looked at me, and I at them, for a good 10 or 15 seconds." Tiny, an obedient dog, had stopped growling by this time, on her master's command.

"They were about 4 feet high, dressed in pale green coveralls from head to foot, and they had helmets of the same colour with a visor that was blacked out," Section 40 told me. "Then the one on the right beckoned me with his right forearm and turned away, still waving its arm. I took it that he wished me to follow, which I did. He moved off and I fell in behind him, and the chap that was on the left fell in behind me. We walked along the towpath until we got to the railings by the canal bridge. The 'form' in front of me went through the railings, while I went over the top, and we crossed Government Road then went down on the footpath."

(See Illustration No.

The Craft

"Going around a slight left-hand bend I saw a large object, about 40-45 feet across, standing on the towpath, with about 10-15 feet of it out over the water and about 10-15 feet of it over the bank on the left of the path," continued Section 40 (see Illustration No.) "And I thought, Christ, what the hell's that? - Didn't think about UFOs at the time. When we got down there this 'form' in front of me went up the steps and I followed. The steps were off-line to the towpath and we had to step on to the grass to go up them." Portholes were set in the hull, and the object rested on two ski-type runners.

"Going in the door, the corners weren't sharp, they were rounded off. We went into this octagonal room. The 'form' in front of me crossed over the room, and I heard a sound as if a sliding door was being opened and closed. I stood in the room to the right of the door, and the form that had walked behind me stood just inside, between me and the door. I don't know whether it was to stop going out or not..."

"I stood there a good 10 minutes, taking in everything I could see. The walls, the floor and the ceiling were all black, and looked to me like unfinished metal, whereas the outside looked like burnished aluminium. I did not see any sign of nuts or bolts, nor did I see any seams where the object had been put together. What did interest me most of all was a shaft that rose up from the floor to the ceiling. (12) The shaft was about 4 feet in circumference, and on the right-hand side of it was a Z-shaped handle. On either side of that stood two 'forms' similar to those that walked along the towpath with me."

"All of a sudden a voice said to me, 'Come and stand under the amber light'. I could not see any amber light until I took a step to my right, and there it was way up on the wall just under the ceiling. I stood there for about 5 minutes, then a voice said, 'What is your age?' I said, 'I shall be 78 next birthday'. And after a while I was asked to turn around, which I did, facing the wall. After about 5 minutes he said to me, 'You can go. You are too old and too infirm for our purpose.'

"I left the object, and while walking down the steps I used the handrail and found that it had two joints in it, so I came to the conclusion it was telescopic. I walked along the towpath to about halfway between the object and the canal bridge, stopped, and looked back and noticed that the dome of the object looked very much like an oversized chimney cowl, and that it was revolving anti-clockwise."

"I then walked on to the spot where I had left my dog and fishing tackle, and the first thing I did when I got there was to pick up my cold cup of tea and drink it. And then I heard this whining noise, just as if an electric generator was starting up, and this thing lifted off and the bright light came on again. It was so bright that I could see my fishing float in the water 6 feet away from the opposite bank of the canal, and the thin iron bars on the canal bridge [115 yards away]" The object took off at a very high speed, out over the military cemetery in the west, and then a little later I saw the light going over the Hog's Back and out of sight. This was around 2.00 am."

Section 40 settled down to wait for dawn, which came at 3.30 am, and then, he told me, "I got into what I had come out for - the fishing!" Incredible though it may seem, he did not feel inclined to report his experience to anyone at the time. He sat there fishing until 10 o'clock in the morning, at which time two MoD mounted policemen came up to him. "Any luck, mate?" one of them asked. "Yes", replied Section 40, "I've had 3 roach, 5 rudd, a tench of 2½ pounds, and lost a big carp which took me into the weeds." He then started to tell them about the UFO he had seen, and one of them said, "Yes, I dare say you did see that UFO. I expect they were checking on our military installations."

Was this a tongue-in-cheek comment to placate the old boy? At that moment, anyway, a man from the canal lock yard came along and told the MoD policemen that horses were not allowed on the towpath, and so the conversation was cut short. Section 40 continued fishing until 12.30 pm, and returned home at 1.00 pm. He told his wife and a friend of hers that he had seen a UFO, but refrained from telling them that he had been taken on board. "I knew the wife would say 'No more fishing

for you, old man!'" he said.

No Witnesses

Section 40 did not return to the landing site until two days later, when he noticed that the foliage between the canal and the towpath was in disarray. Unfortunately, no photos or soil samples were taken. Section 40 feels someone in the guard hut of the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers workshops must have heard or seen something, but checks by investigator Section 40 drew a blank. He was also unable to trace the two mounted policemen. And the occupants of a bungalow near the canal lock beside Gasworks Bridge were away at the time.

Throughout his experience Section 40 was hoping that a train would cross the railway bridge (Aldershot to Waterloo main line) which is about 100 yards to the south of the landing site, but there were none; at least, not while he was outside the craft. But even if a train had gone by it is doubtful if anyone would have noticed the object except at those times when it was at its most brilliant, i.e. during landing and take-off. No cars were seen on either Government Road or Camp Farm Road, which runs beside the Basingstoek Canal at the spot where was fishing, nor have any witnesses come forward.

Publicity

The story of Section 40 encounter made headline news in the local paper two months later, as a result of his having written to the Aldershot News initially enquiring if anyone had reported an unusual 'light' at the time of the incident. (13) The paper then notified Section 40 Chairman and Investigations Co-ordinator of the Surrey Investigation Group on Aerial Phenomena (SIGAP), who subsequently interviewed Section 40 in October. My first interview with the witness took place the following month, in the presence of local reporter Section 40 The Aldershot News published our positive findings, and this attracted the attention of America's largest-selling tabloid, the National Enquirer, who ran a story on the case the following year. (14)

Details Of The Craft

Section 40 told me that the shape of the central room was octagonal (see Illustration No.) and the ceiling very low. The floor appeared to be covered with a soft material of some kind because he was unable to hear his footsteps. The internal lighting did not appear to emanate from any particular source, with the exception of the beam of amber light underneath which he was asked to stand. The lighting in general was rather dim. There were no dials, seats, controls, or other objects seen, apart from the central column with its Z-shaped handle.

Section 40 said that the temperature inside the craft was a little warmer than outside, which would make it about 65° Fahrenheit. He noticed a faint smell similar to that of "decaying meat". If there is any truth to some of the more outlandish hypotheses about the motives of UFO operators, it is perhaps just as well that Section 40 was found to be "too old and infirm" for their purpose!

The Beings

The occupants moved like human beings, although they walked with a rather stiff gait, Section 40 explained to me. No facial features could be detected since these were presumably covered by visors. The pale green one-piece suits also covered the hands and feet, and appeared to be molded on to their thin bodies "like plastic". Section 40 did not notice if the gloves covered fingers. There were no belts, zippers, buttons or fasteners. All four beings were of the same size and unusually thin shape. Had any females been present, Section 40 feels sure he would not have failed to have noticed!

The beings spoke in a kind of "sing-song" accent, similar, to "a mixture of Chinese and Russian". Section 40 in fact, is convinced that they originate here on Earth. "I myself do not think they come from outer space," he said, "for we are told by scientists that this planet is the only one with water. If that is the case, how can they survive?"

I asked Section 40 why on earth he refrained from asking any questions: surely that would be the first consideration in such a situation? He explained that he

simply did not feel it was the right thing to do, as he was anxious to avoid causing offence. As to his 'rejection', which he found mildly disappointing , he attributes this to his bronchial and arterial problems, and thinks that the amber scanning device (if that is what it was) detected the plastic replacement following an operation for arteriosclerosis.

Section 40 suffered none of the harmful side-effects sometimes reported by close encounter witnesses, such as temporary paralysis, nausea, diarrhea, skin and eye irritation, headaches, and so on; nor is he aware of any amnesia or time lapse. But he told me that he did feel "different" after the experience. He ate little for a while, resulting in some loss of weight, and felt less inclined to go out. He found difficulty getting to sleep, due to continually turning the events over in his mind. But he has few regrets about his extraordinary experience, which in my opinion ranks as one of the most convincing close encounter cases I have investigated.

"Until I had this encounter with the UFO," he told me, "I always took the talk about them with a pinch of salt, but now I know they are a fact. During the time I was with them I felt no fear, only curiosity, nor were they hostile towards me nor I to them. My only regret about the whole affair is that I did not have another person along with me to see and experience something that I did not believe in until it happened to me, and I think myself lucky that I am here today to speak about it, for I am sure that these men were out to abduct some person, and that person could have been me. But at the same time I will say that it was the greatest experience of my life."

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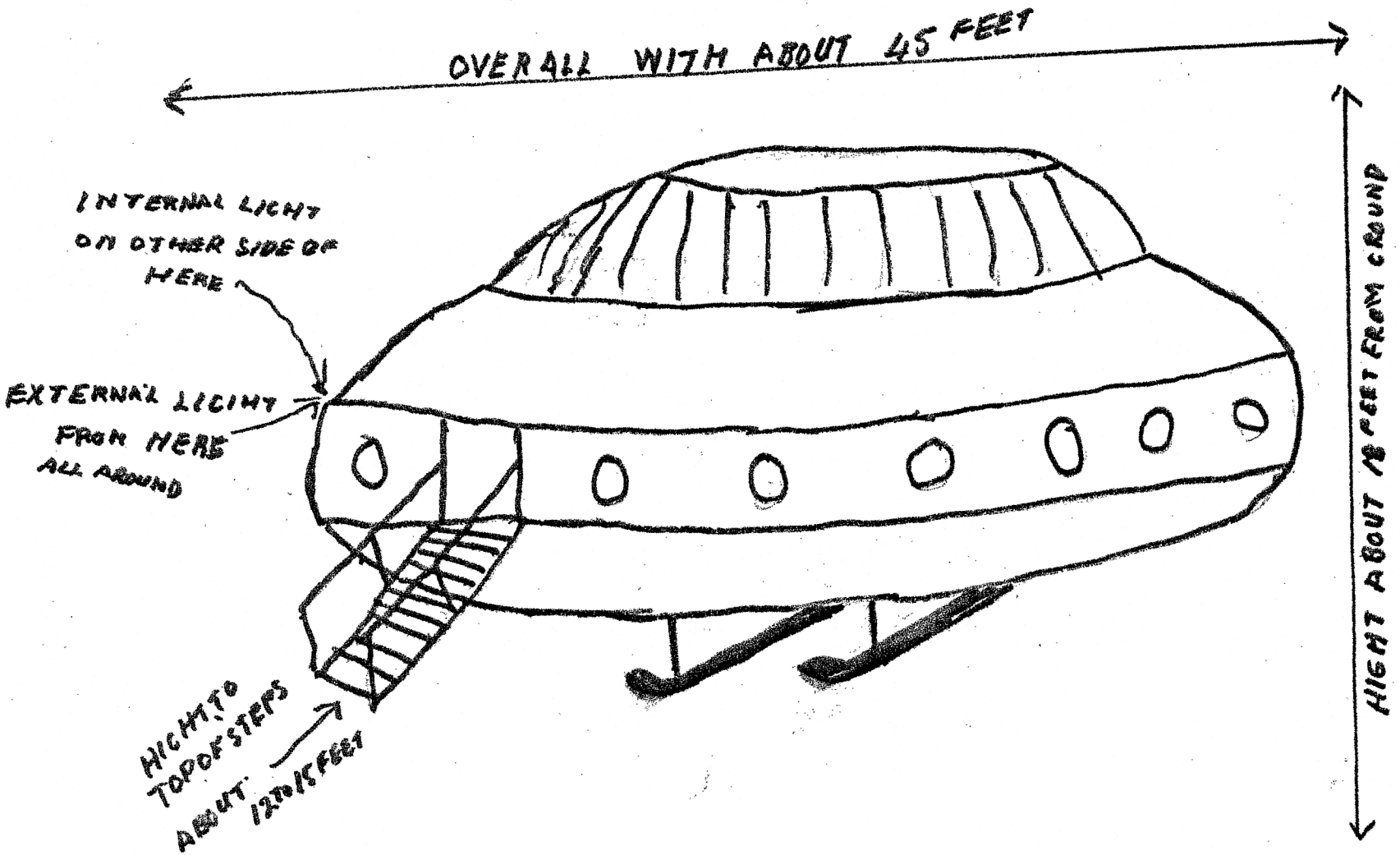

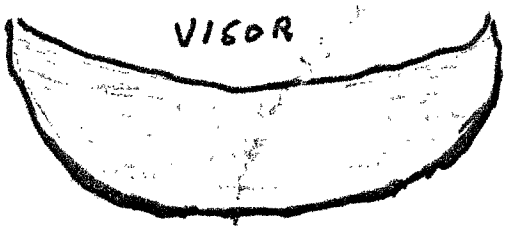
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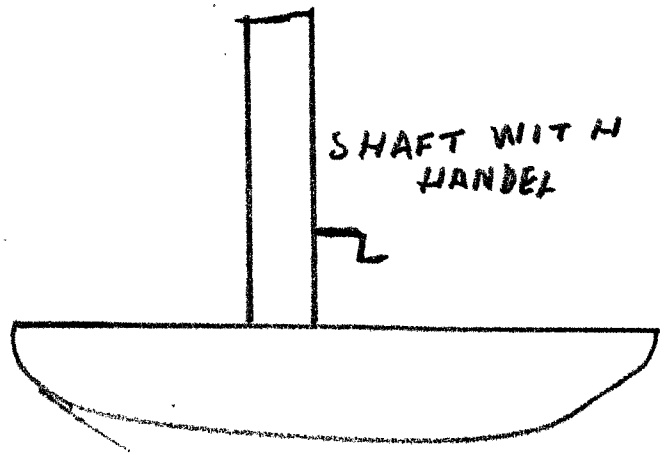
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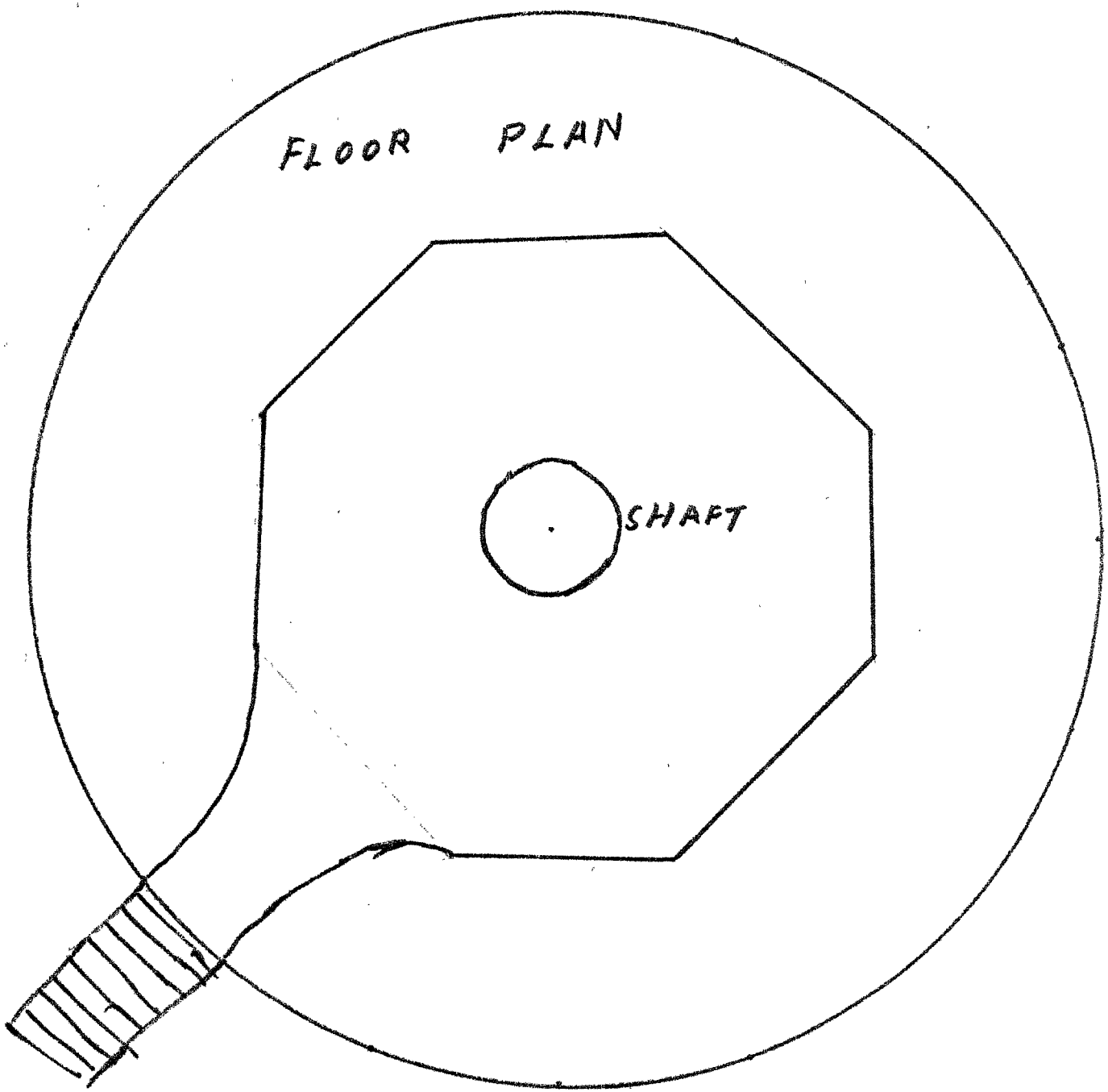
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Ref: MN/MOV/85.

7th November 1985.

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing my second letter to you, after sending my first one in August, this year. As I have not had a reply to that letter, I am writing to you once more.

My previous letter, and this one concerns the same subject - that of a claimed 'U.F.O. Sighting', observed by a member of the public during the early part of February this year, near to the Royal Air Force Base, at St Mawgan, in Cornwall.

The phenomenon observed was that of an object, firstly spherical and orange in colour, changing to a black haze, then with a silvery white haze. It was observed for over four minutes by a reliable witness. The phenomenon made no noise. However, it was observed bobbing and weaving over nearby hedgerow, and the narrow road where it was observed.

When I first heard of this sighting, I was at the time working in Plymouth, Devon and visited the 'sighting area' many times in order to carry out field investigation. During these proceedures, we discovered some nearby damage to growth within yards of where this phenomenon was first observed and the damage is consistent with that of being struck by an aerial object, consistent with the estimated size of the phenomenon, given to us by the witness. We have reason to beleive that the damage found, was caused by this sighted phenomenon.

Because you have probably received my previous letter, and also two from R.A.F. St Mawgan that I sent to them in April/May, which they state they have forwarded to yourselves, I am not going to repeat details which I have done three times already.

What concerns colleagues and myself, is the somewhat lax response from both yourselves, and the Royal Air Force over this matter. The incident is not merely a light in the sky passing over a R.A.F. Base, but a very well defined phenomenon less than one mile away from this strategic Base, which we beleive may have passed through the Base itself, and was flying less than 15ft from ground level, and we beleive hitting some nearby hedgerow. Surely, incidents like this need to be reported to your Department, because of a possible Defence risk?.

I do understand that your Department is possibly flooded with quite simple sightings of 'lights in the sky' (L.I.T.S.), by U.F.O. Investigation Groups, and from members of the public, who are ignorant of simple aerial

atural or man made phenomenon;however this sighting does not fall into this particular category.

Should your Department not be able to deal with my enquiry,I wonder if you would be so kind as to forward this letter and any of my previous ones to a member of Mr Heseltine's Secretaries,because I strongly feel this matter requires prompt attention. I will wait for a further couple of weeks and hope for some news from your Department,however if this letter is mislaid,I shall contact the Defence Secretary directly.

Thanking you for your anticipated co - operation.

Section 40 [redacted]

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From: Section 40 Secretariat (Air Staff)2a, Room Section 40

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Section 40

9. December 1985

You wrote recently to RAF Upper Heyford requesting technical information on the airfield; as you know your letter has been passed to me for reply. I understand that you have also written to a number of other stations asking for similar material. In fact, most of the information you require about these units is available in RAF Flight Information Publications. These can be purchased from RAF Northolt and you may find some of them useful. If you write to Northolt they will be happy to supply you with a catalogue of publications for sale. You should address your enquiries to:

Officer Commanding No 1 AIDU
RAF Northolt
West End Road
Ruislip
Middlesex HA4 6NG

You also requested data on the type of aircraft using various RAF airfields and, in this context, you may find the enclosed information of interest.

Section 40

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CONTACT (UK)

Section 40

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Dear Sir,

Technical Information

I represent the official British branch of Contact International (for Humberside), a world-wide organization established for investigating and disseminating information pertaining to U.F.Os and associated phenomena.

I'm writting this letter for information about your airport and would be grateful if you could supply me with the following data:

1) Radar Vectoring Area.
2) Radar Advisory Service Area.
3) Altimeter Setting Regions.
4) Guidance Notes - to help me understand the layout of Technical data.
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Thank you for your assistance.

Section 40

[redacted]

U.F.O Investigator (160).....

CONTACT (UK)

FROM: Section 40 [redacted]

Tel: [redacted]

Dear Sir,

Technical Information

I represent the official British branch of Contact International (for Humberside), a world-wide organization established for investigating and disseminating information pertaining to U.F.Os and associated phenomena.

I'm writting this letter for information about your airport and would be grateful if you could supply me with the following data:

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Section 40 [redacted]

U.F.O Investigator (160).....

RECEIVED
28 AUG 1985
C. S.

CE TEST (UK)

Section 40
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Tel: [redacted]

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U.F.O Investigator (160).....



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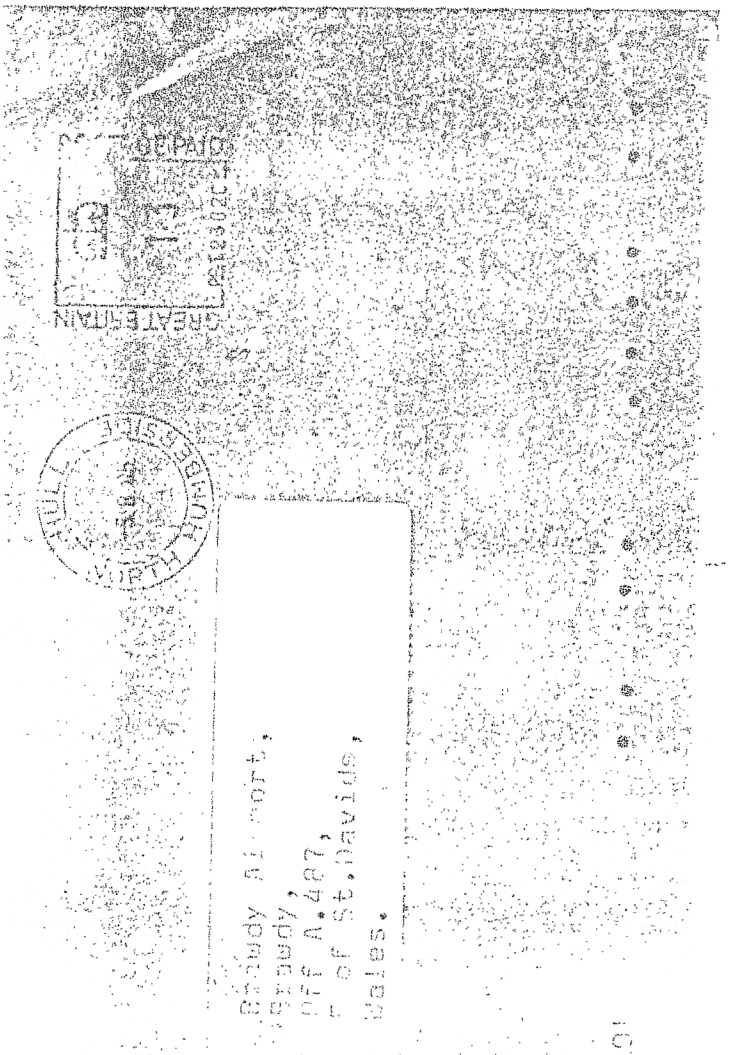

From: Section 40 Secretariat (Air Staff)2a, Room Section 40

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Main Building Whitehall London SW1A 2HB
Telephone Section 40 (Direct Dialling)
(Switchboard)

Section 40

Your reference

Our reference D/Sec(AS)/12/3

Date 6th December 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter of 26 July. I am sorry that I have been unable to reply before now.

You requested the address of the PRO and I would suggest that you contact their Search Department at the following address:

Public Records Office
Ruskin Avenue
Kew
Richmond
Surrey TW9 4DU

You also asked for details of 3 UFO sightings earlier this year and I enclose copies of all the information we have on these incidents, which I hope will be of use to you.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

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FOR CAB

ROUTINE 012245Z MAY 85

FROM RAF BOULMER
TO MODUK AIR

U N C L A S S I F I E D (SIC Z6F INS BY DCC)
SIC Z6F/Z99/LE0 (Z99 INS FOR DCC USE ONLY)
FOR AF OPS
UFO REPORT 2115 1 MAY 85
A. 1 MAY 85 21[redacted] 5 MINS
B. FLOODLIGHT 100 FT DIA CIRCULAR NO TAIL
C. TYNEMOUTH (TYNE + WEAR)
D. VISUAL
E. EAST WEST
F. 70 DEGREES
G. NEAR
H. STTTRAIGHT DIRECTTION
J. GOOD
K. NIL
L. RAF BOULMER TPO
M. [redacted]

REDACTED ON ORIGINAL

PAGE 2 RBDOXB 012 UNCLAS
N. SOBER
O. [redacted] GRANDMOTHER
P. 012115Z MAY 85
BT

REDACTED ON ORIGINAL

NOTE : SUB PARA HEADINGS ARE AS SHOWN ON ATTACHED SHEETS

REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

A. Date, Time and Duration of Sighting

2255 28 March 1985

B. Description of Object

One, in two sections, wider at back. White lights, red and green lights. Bright, no sound.

C. Exact Position Observer

Newton Tracey. Outdoors, stationary.

D. How Observed

Naked eye

E. Direction in which Object was first seen

Travel SW from Bideford

F. Angle of sight

G. Distance

H. Movements

Steady

.. Meteorological conditions during observation

Night, small amounts strato cu, very clear

K. Nearby objects

L. To whom reported

Ord Off RAF Chivenor

M. Name and address of informant

N. Any background on the informant that may be volunteered

O. Other witnesses

P. Date and time of receipt of report

2300 28 May 85

Similar reports to Exeter Police of object travelling at 1000' between Taunton and Exeter at 2300.

Clusters of lights seen over South Brent, Devon.

REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

A. Date, Time and Duration of Sighting

2255 28 May 1985

B. Description of Object

One, 3 tiers of white only lights. Silent

C. Exact Position Observer

Bideford

D. How Observed

Binoculars

E. Direction in which Object was first seen

NW from Bideford

F. Angle of sight

G. Distance

H. Movements

Steady

J. Meteorological conditions during observation

Night, small amounts strato cu, very clear.

K. Nearby objects

L. To whom reported

Ord Off, RAF Chivenor

M. Name and address of informant

N. Any background on the informant that may be volunteered

O. Other witnesses

P. Date and time of receipt of report

2300 28 May 85

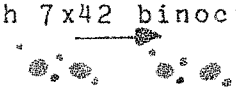
REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

A. Date, Time and Duration of Sighting

28 May 1985. 2340 local to 0015 local

B. Description of Object

2 objects, possibly the size of a Sea King. No shape, just a set of lights on, what appeared to be a race track pattern. 2 sets of lights in perfect formation, extremely close, better than the station keeping of the Red Arrows, with no undulating movement. 2 sets of very bright yellow lights with a set of smaller lights around each. No sound, no smell. Only observable through 7x42 binoculars in the following pattern:



1 Red 1 Red
The remainder all yellow

Direction of travel (from east to WSW)

C. Exact Position Observer

493(N) 362(W). In my bedroom, facing east.

D. How Observed

With the naked eye and with binoculars, both through the glass window and open window, and from the street in front of the house. No other optical device or camera.

E. Direction in which Object was first seen

First seen due east, to the left of Heaton Church

F. Angle of sight

Over 1000' and possibly up to 2000'

G. Distance

Not known, due to the time of night All distances estimated.

H. Movements

Race track. From east to WSW and back again, then repeated again with the 2 sets of lights separating slowly in an upward shallow climb momentarily, before resuming its station again.

J. Meteorological conditions during observation

Clear night sky with $^{1}/_{8}$ Octas of cloud to the south

K. Nearby objects

L. To whom reported

Checked with Duty Controller ATC St Mawgan at 2345 for any radar traffic. She reported no traffic anywhere near Chivenor. Not reported due to lack of interest from the authorities in the past.

M. Name and address of informant

N. Any background on the informant that may be volunteered

O. Other witnesses

P. Date and time of receipt of report

REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

A. Date, Time and Duration of Sighting

Midnight 23 July until 0230 on 24th

B. Description of Object

Red and blue lights almost stationary

C. Exact Position Observer

Shuttlewood, Chesterfield

D. How Observed

Naked eye & binoculars

E. Direction in which Object was first seen

N.10°E

F. Angle of sight

40°

G. Distance

Approx 5 mls

H. Movements

Very, very slow, only long observation determined any movement

J. Meteorological conditions during observation

Clear, no cloud

K. Nearby objects

Used street lights and chimneys to assess position

L. To whom reported

To police

M. Name and address of informant

N. Any background on the informant that may be volunteered

Informant is an investigator for the Yorkshire UFO Society and this is her first experience of a UFO

O. Other witnesses

Police Constable (Chesterfield Police)

P. Date and time of receipt of report

26 July, 1650

From: Section 40 Secretariat (Air Staff)2a, Room Section 40

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Section 40

5 December 1985

Thank you for your letter requesting information on Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs).

You may find it useful if I explain that the sole interest of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of UFOs is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

There is no organisation in the Ministry of Defence appointed solely for the purpose of studying reports of such objects, and no staff are employed on the subject full time. The reports we receive are referred to the staff in the Department who are responsible for the air defence of the United Kingdom, and they examine the reports as part of their normal duties.

Since our interest in UFOs is limited to possible defence implications we have not carried out a study into the scientific significance of these phenomena. Unless there are defence implications we do not attempt to identify sightings and we cannot inform observers of the probable identity of the object seen. Therefore, I am afraid we do not have a great deal of information available to send you. However, I attach copies of two recent Parliamentary Questions on the Ministry of Defence's interest in UFO reports together with a copy of the proforma we use to record reports, which you may be interested in.

I enclose details of 3 magazines which publish articles on UFOs and the address of the British UFO Research Association. I am not sure whether any of these will be able to help you but it might be worth writing to them. I am sorry that I cannot be of more assistance.

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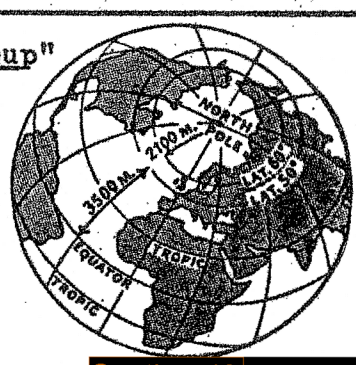
LANCASHIRE CENTRE for U. F. O. STUDIES

"Worldwide Co-operation Group"



MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Sec.(AS)2
- 4 DEC 1985
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Section 40

Your Ref:

Our Ref: SB/TB

Dear Sir/Madam

Is it possible for you to send me a report of the amount of UFO'S sighted over England, which you may have received this year. I would be interested in unidentified and identified reports.

This will be included in our annual report 1985, look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours faithfully

Section 40

(L.C.F.U.F.O.S)

LANCASHIRE CENTRE FOR U.F.O. STUDIES

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[redacted]

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am very interested in UFO's and was wondering whether it would be possible if you could please send me some information concerning this subject.

I have to do a folio for my English 'O' Level Examination and the subject I have chosen is UFO's.

I have already written to Mr Timothy Hill of the Welsh office in London and he said that he had passed a copy of my letter onto you, and he also gave me your address. I hope you will be very

hopeful, as any information from you could help me achieve a good grade.

Yours Sincerely,

Section 40

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To: MCD Sec(AG)2b
Room Section 40
Main Building
Whitehall
London

From: HQ P&SS(UK)
FCF
RAF Rudloe Manor
Hawthorn
Wilts SN13 0PA

FLYING COMPLAINT

14 NOV 85

1. The attached complaint was received at this Headquarters as per date stamp from a "first time" complaint.

2. The complaint location is/~~is not~~ listed as an avoidance area and is situated as follows:

a. OS Sheet Number .....104.....

b. Grid Reference .....SE 2524.....

c. LEA .....8.....

3. This Headquarters will take no further action unless directed by you.

Section 40
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for OC P&SS(UK)

Section 40 [redacted] Can you be of assistance in this matter.

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wi[illegible] compliments

Section 40 [redacted]

FLIGHT LIEUTENANT

Aeronautical Information Section (Military)

London Air Traffic Control Centre (Military)
Royal Air Force
West Drayton
Middlesex UB7 9AU

West Drayton Section 40 [redacted] Ext: Section 40 [redacted]

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ROYAL AIR FORCE
Linton-on-Ouse York YO6 2AJ

Telephone Linton-on-Ouse Section 40

Please address any reply to The Officer Commanding

The Controller
AIS(M)
Royal Air Force
West Drayton
MIDDLESEX
UB7 9AU

Your reference

Our reference
LIN/117/2/Air

Date
18 Oct 85

AIRCRAFT MOVEMENT INFORMATION AND DETAILS FOR YUFOs

The enclosed letter was received at this Station on 15 Oct 85 and has been acknowledged. Section 40 has been informed that RAF Linton-on-Ouse does not have the information he requests and that his letter has been forwarded to you.

Section 40

Lt Cdr
for OC

Enclosure:

1. Section 40 letter dated 2 Oct 85

From: Flight Lieutenant [redacted] RAF

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ROYAL AIR FORCE
Leeming Northallerton North Yorkshire DL7 9NJ

Telephone Bedale [redacted]

[redacted]

Please address any reply to The Officer Commanding
Your reference

Our reference
LEEM/4223/2/Air
Date
10 October 1985

Dear [redacted]

LOW FLYING AIRCRAFT IN NORTH AND WEST YORKSHIRE

I am writing to acknowledge your letter of 2 October 1985 in which you refer to a low flying aircraft passing over the village of Almondbury on 19 September 1985.

I have to tell you that I have no knowledge of such an aircraft movement however, you will be aware that aircraft and helicopters regularly overfly Yorkshire at relatively low altitude. As you may be aware there are no jet aircraft or helicopters permanently based at RAF Leeming at present and you will therefore understand that I have no direct control over the aircraft involved in this incident, nor any aircraft operating in your area.

In reply to your enquiry regarding aircraft lighting I regret that I am unable to assist you other than to state that most aircraft carry red and green navigation lights, red flashing anti-collision lights and, in some cases, flashing white strobe lights.

I regret that I am unable to assist you further in this matter and would suggest, as Royal Air Force Leeming's involvement in aviation within Yorkshire is at present very limited, that you may wish to consider alternative avenues of enquiry.

Yours sincerely

[redacted]

From: Squadron Leader [redacted] RAF Please see attached.

7 Oct 85

→ LEEM/4223/2/AIR

OPS WG HQ
RAF LEEMING 60
8 OCT 1985
FILE.....

ext 203

[redacted]

LEEM/1822/2/Org

7 October 1985

Dear [redacted]

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ABOUT AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS

I have received your letter of 2 October in which you pose a variety of questions about aircraft movements in North Yorkshire. Unfortunately we do not have the information you require. However, I have invited our air traffic people to treat your information and queries in the same manner as any from the public concerning low flying aircraft.

Having done this, I cannot promise any outcome. I also suggest that since we are but a small unit with a very limited compliment of aircraft you may wish to consider alternative avenues of enquiry.

[redacted]

Sqn Ldr
for OC



Your Ref:

Our Ref:

Section 40
[redacted]

Community Relations Officer,
Royal Air Force,
Leeming,
Nothallerton,
North Yorkshire,
DL7 9NJ.

2 October 1985.

Dear Sir,

I wonder could you possibly help me with some information regarding the movements of aircraft-helicopters.

Could you inform me of any aircraft/helicopter movements over the village of Almondbury near Huddresfield on the 19th of September 1985 at approx 1120pm.

It would also be of interest to me if you have any information regarding helicopter movements over various parts of North and West Yorkshire and Humberside on the 22nd,23rd and 24th of July 1984.Any information regarding the movement of aircraft/helicopters on the above dates will be of a tremendous assistance to my enquiries.

I would also appreciate it if you could tell if there are any aircraft/helicopters either military or civilian that carry bright orange lights of any description.

Also are there any helicopters either military or civilian that display such bright white lights that when viewed on a clear night fron a distance of around 2-3 miles that they far out shine by 10 to 15 times the brightest astronomical body in the night sky excluding the moon.

Any information on any of the above topics will be much appreciated.Ilook forward to your reply,untill then I am,

Yours Sincerely,

Section 40
[redacted]

The Yorkshire UFO Society (YUFOS).



YUFOS Research Division (International)

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LOOSE MINUTE

D/Sec(AS)12/3

4 Oct 85

DI55 (Wg Cdr Section 40 redacted

UNUSUAL SIGHTING ANDOVER AREA

References:
A. D/DAAC/23/GA dated 6 Aug 85
B. D/DAAC/23/GA dated 19 Sep 85

1. We discussed this subject briefly on the telephone. I attach copies of references A and B which explain the background to the enclosed photographs. Although I don't think this can properly be regarded as a UFO sighting, there might conceivably be a defence interest and I would therefore be grateful for your expert comments on the photographs and their contents.

2. As you will see, the AAC have asked that the 55 mm negatives are returned in due course.

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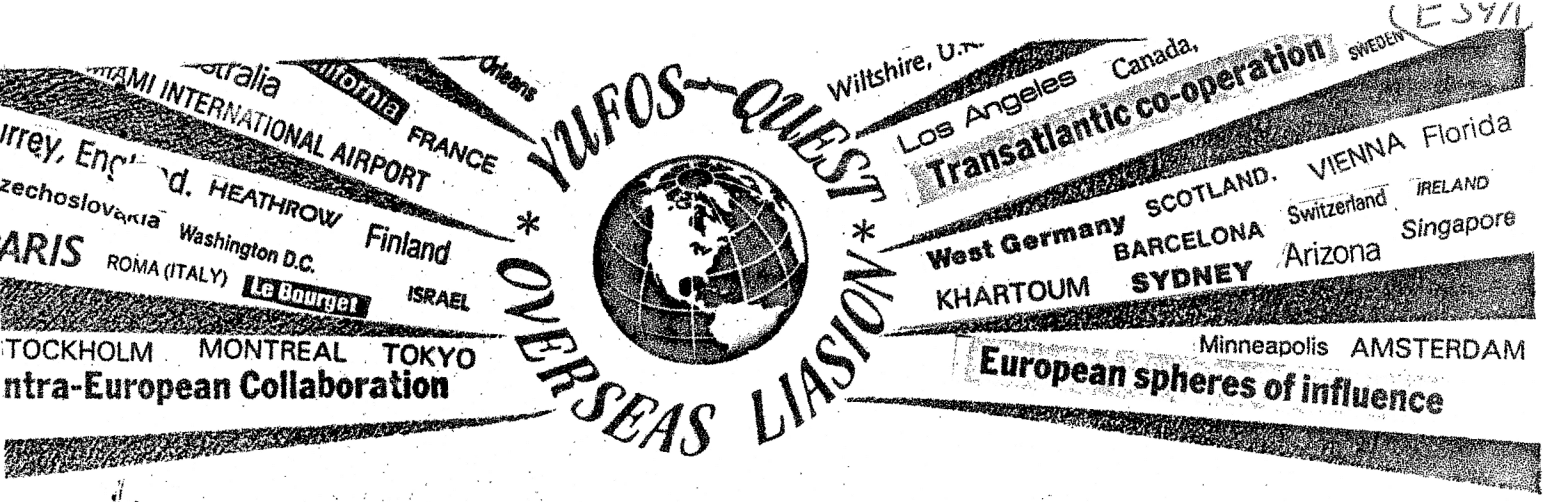

Your Ref:

Our Ref:

Section 40 [redacted]

Community Relations Officer,
Royal Air Force,
Linton-on-Ouse,
York,
YO6 2AJ.

2 October 1985

Dear Sir,

I wonder could you possibly help me with regards to aircraft movements in September of this year.

Do you know of any aircraft/helicopter movements over the village of Almondbury near Huddersfield on September the 19th 1985 at approx 11.20 pm.I would also be grateful for any information you might have on helicopter movements over West Yorkshire and Humberside on the 22nd,23rd and 24th of July 1984 at various times from between 6.00 pm and 2.00 am. Any information regarding aircraft/helicopter movements on the above dates will be of a great assistance with my enquiries.

If it is not too much trouble I wonder could you inform me of any aircraft/helicopter either military or civilian,that displays bright orange lights of some sort.Also are there any helicopters either military or civilan that carry such bright white lights that appear on a clear night to be 10 to 15 times brighter than any astronomical body in the sky when viewed from a distance of approx 2-3 miles.Once again any information on the types of light configuratios I have mentioned above will be of a great assistance.

Last but not least,could you please inform me as to which RAF base I would contact,if not your own,which will be able to tell me all I wish to know regarding the characteristics of helicopters in flight and there light configurations.

Thankyou for your kind co-operation and I look forward to your reply.Untill then I am,

Section 40 [redacted]

The Yorkshire UFO Society (YUFOS).

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GROUND SCHOOL
15 OCT 1985
ROYAL AIR FORCE
LINTON ON OUSE



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MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE

LOOSE MINUTE

D/Min(DS)DGT 28/1/4

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Copy to:
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D Air Def
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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS - MEETING WITH LORD HILL-NORTON: THURSDAY 10 OCTOBER 1985

You were very kindly present when Lord Trefgarne met Lord Hill-Norton at 11 am at UKLF on Thursday 10 October to discuss Unidentified Flying Objects.

Lord Trefgarne opened the discussion by explaining that there was a central secretariat within the Ministry of Defence, part of whose responsibility was to act as a focal point for the report of unidentified sightings. Their task was to consider whether there were any defence implications from such reports.

Lord Hill-Norton emphasised that he believed quite sincerely that there was a problem of UFOs. He had considered for a number of years that the MOD's response to reported sightings had been unsatisfactory.

Specifically he cited the incident at Woodbridge in 1980 and criticised the alleged refusal by MOD to acknowledge the presence of Lieutenant Colonel Halt's report for 2½ years. He referred to a number of papers released in the United States under the Freedom of Information Act which had been carefully examined in the United States, and which he considered would be of interest to the MOD. He also referred to a book due to the published shortly which is anticipated to be critical of the MOD in this area.

Lord Trefgarne repeated that none of the reported sightings examined had proved to have any defence implications. He did not wish to appear unhelpful, however, and he undertook to consider whether any steps could be taken to allay the concerns of those like Lord Hill-Norton.

Section 40 [redacted]

PS/Minister(DS)

Section 40 [redacted]

14 October 1985

(F38/1)

LOOSE MINUTE

D/Sec(AS)12/3

26 Sep 85

MOD Sy(S&T)2d

SUGGESTION FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC

Please find attached a letter received from a Section 40 in which he proposes a method of fire prevention. We have previously corresponded with Section 40 on a separate topic and I have therefore acknowledged his letter. You may care to consider whether anything further needs to be said in reply.

Section 40

Sec(AS)2a

Section 40

From: Section 40
Secretariat (Air Staff)2a, Room [redacted]
Section 40

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Main Building Whitehall London SW1A 2HB

Telephone Section 40 (Direct Dialling)
(Switchboard)

Section 40

Your reference

Our reference
D/Sec(AS)12/3

Date
26 September 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for the suggestions contained in your letter of 27 August 1985. I have passed on your proposals for consideration by those in the Department responsible for such matters.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

[redacted]

27-8-85

DEAR SIR,

A POSSIBLE PREVENTION AGAINST CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT FIRES.

I MUST POINT OUT RIGHT AWAY I AM NO LETTER WRITER AND MY SPELLING IS POOR! I AM JUST AN UNEMPLOYED LABORER.

I MUST AGREE THEASE ASSUMTIONS MAY BE WHOLY AND TOTALY INCORECT! THY ARE BASED ON AN ACADEMIC THEORY. I CAN NOT OF COURSE PRESENT TO YOU NUMERICL EVIDENC, THIS CAN ONLY BE DON BY INVESTIGATION AND RESEARCH. I PERSONALY BELEAVE PRESENT DAY TECHNOLOGY COULD TRY AND BRING ABOUT A POSITIVE DEFENCE AGAINST SUCH TRAGIC FIRES IN AIRCRAFT IN FUTURE YEARS. IF WE COMPACT CARBON CRYSTELLS AND PLACE IN A CAPSEL THEN FUSION THE THE OUTER TOP OF CAPSEL THIS WILL EXSPAND AND EMIT A BROWN CRISTELINE SUBSTANCE, THIS WILL BE TUBULER AND WAFER LIKE IN APERANCE IF ONE

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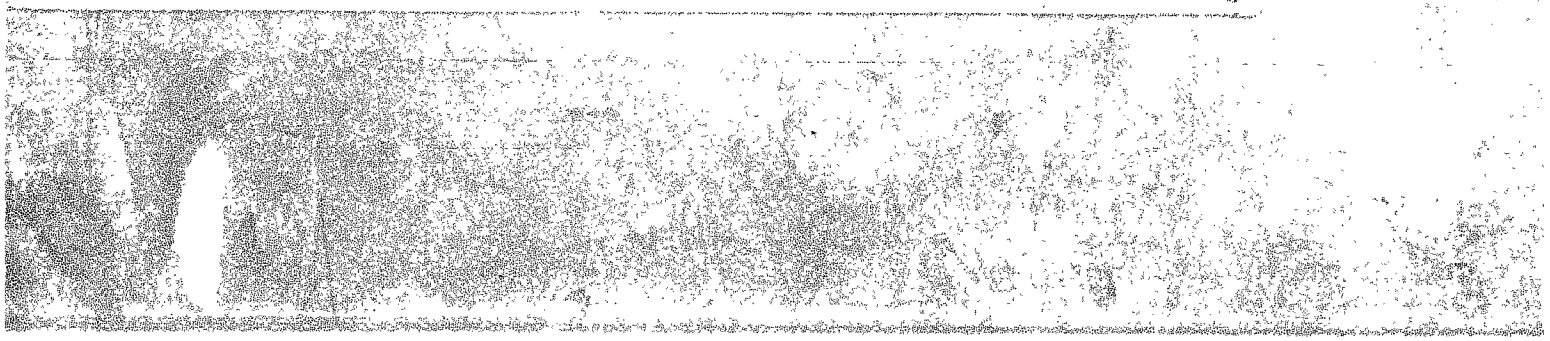

IM SCORY I CAN NOT BE MORE CLEAR
I NEVER IM SURE YOU SEE MY POINT.
SORRY FOR TAKING YOUR TIME SIR
HAVEING TO READ THIS STATEMENT
MY VERY KINED REGARDS AND
RESPECTS

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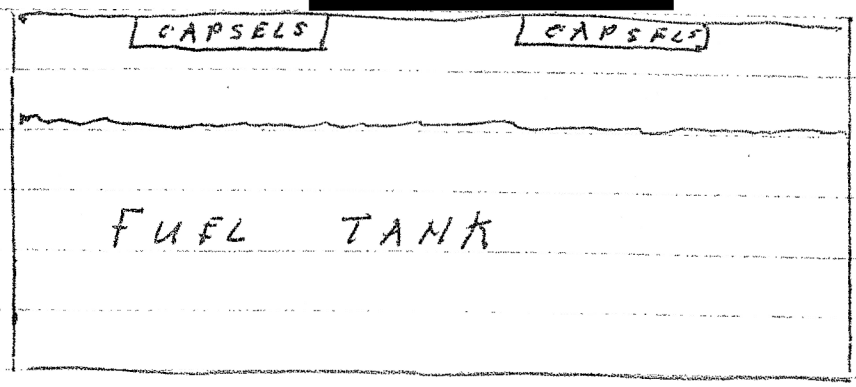

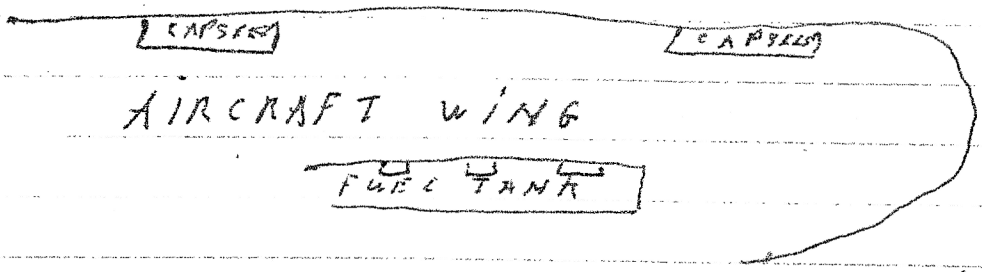

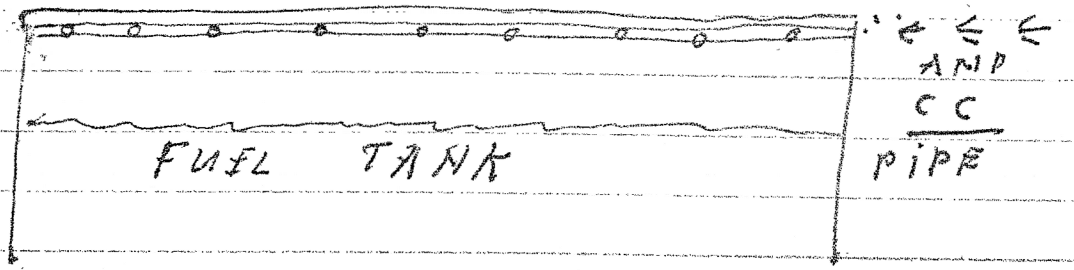

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LOOSE MINUTE

D/Sec(AS)12/3

26 Sep 85

PS/Minister(DS)

Copy to:
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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Reference:
A. D/US of S(AF)DGT 28/1/4 dated 1 Aug 85

1. You asked at Reference A for briefing for Lord Trefgarne's meeting with Lord Hill-Norton on 2 October. I attach a piece covering the questions posed by Lord Hill-Norton in his letter of 26 July. I believe this adequately covers the broader issues and I see no need for further background briefing. However I attach a specific piece on the "RAF Woodbridge/Bentwaters" incident in which Lord Hill-Norton has previously shown an interest.

2. I would suggest that Minister is supported at the meeting by Hd of Sec(AS) and representatives of D Air Def and DSTI. I would also like to attend myself if you have no objection. I understand that Minister will wish to run through the brief prior to the meeting itself and that we should therefore meet at 14.30 on Wednesday 2 Oct. I should be grateful if you would let us know the venue in due course.

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MEETING BETWEEN MINISTER(DS) AND LORD HILL-NORTON

UFOs

a. I accept that there are strange phenomena to be seen in the sky, however I believe there to be adequate explanations for them. Experience has shown that most reported sightings can be attributed to things such as aircraft, meteorological balloons or natural phenomena like ball lightning. Of course there are many other equally straightforward explanations. However, there are a small number of cases where a simple explanation cannot be found immediately and on these occasions we are careful to ensure so far as possible that that they are of no Defence significance. Having satisfied ourselves of this, as you know, we do not attempt any further investigations. Clearly some reports remain unexplained but we have found no evidence that these phenomena represent a threat to national security and therefore cannot justify devoting Defence resources to their investigation.

b. All reports received by the MOD are channelled through Sec(AS)2. They are passed to the Air Staff who examine them for Air Defence implications. In some cases, where (on the face of it) there could be a defence interest, enquiries are made of relevant radar establishments etc in order to obtain more information. All reports are also passed to the Defence Intelligence organisation who have a keen interest in any sightings of unusual objects. We have no specialist group in Whitehall or anywhere else involved in UFO's and no civilian advisers other than Sec(AS)2 are involved.

The Flying Complaints Flight at Rudloe Manor are concerned with receiving and investigating flying complaints. In the course of their duties they occasionally receive UFO reports (as do many other units) but they have no specific role with regard to this subject.

Secretariat (Air Staff) is the Division which provides secretariat support to CAS and the Air Staff and in this capacity is responsible for correspondence with members of the public and answering PQs etc on many subjects, including UFO's. Sec(AS)2 is the branch which amongst other things handles UFO's, there is no such branch as Air Staff Secretariat 8. You may be thinking of Defence Secretariat 8 which no longer exists and from which Sec(AS) evolved as a result of reorganisation of MOD last January.

c. Many of the UFO reports received in MOD come through Defence establishments, although most of these come originally from members of the public. Very few reports are made by military pilots; for instance, in the last 12 months Sec(AS) has received only two such reports.

d. No central record of radar recordings is kept. Major Air Traffic Control units take recordings as a matter of course, however these are generally destroyed after 30 days. ADGE units do not regularly make recordings although some are occasionally made for specific operational purposes. Relevant radar units are consulted where necessary as part of the normal process of handling UFO reports in order to ascertain whether there is any correlation between a reported sighting and known radar traces.

e. The Department is happy to release what information we have on specific incidents. However we could not justify the effort involved in searching for or collating information of a more general nature.

RAF WOODBRIDGE INCIDENT 27 Dec 80

Col Halt's report of 13 Jan 81 concerns the sighting of unusual lights outside the back gate at RAF Woodbridge by two security patrolmen. Col Halt records what was subsequently reported to him without comment. The 3 patrolmen who went into Rendlesham Forest to investigate what they thought might be a crashed aircraft say they saw a triangular object. It has been suggested that this might have been a piloted vehicle, however in view of its reported size (about 9 feet long and 6 feet high) this was, and still is, considered highly unlikely. Indeed enquiries made both at the time and subsequently failed to reveal any radar trace of anything unusual in the area at the time.

Col Halt also reports on his own investigations at the site of the incident the following day. Once again he draws no conclusions from his findings and, significantly, does not recommend further investigation. Our own view also was that no additional action was required. Later on the night of 29 Dec 80 Col Halt and a number of others saw more unusual lights, but again we have no record of anything untoward being picked up on radar.

I think you will agree that it is highly unlikely that any violation of UK airspace would be heralded by such a display of lights. I think it equally unlikely that any reconnaissance or spying activity would be announced in this way.

Overall, we believe that the fact that Col Halt did not report these occurrences to MOD for almost 2 weeks after the event, together with the relatively low key manner in which he handled the matter (given resources available to him) are indicative of the degree of importance in defence terms which should be attached to the incident. He himself took all investigative action which was required. If members of the public feel that for scientific or other reasons, there should be an attempt to establish the cause of what happened, that is for them, but I am confident that it is not something in which the MOD should or need become further involved.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS 81ST COMBAT SUPPORT GROUP (USAFE)
APO NEW YORK 09755

REPLY TO ATTN OF: CD

13 Jan 81

SUBJECT: Unexplained Lights

TO: RAF/CC

1. Early in the morning of 27 Dec 80 (approximately 0300L), two USAF security police patrolmen saw unusual lights outside the back gate at RAF Woodbridge. Thinking an aircraft might have crashed or been forced down, they called for permission to go outside the gate to investigate. The on-duty flight chief responded and allowed three patrolmen to proceed on foot. The individuals reported seeing a strange glowing object in the forest. The object was described as being metalic in appearance and triangular in shape, approximately two to three meters across the base and approximately two meters high. It illuminated the entire forest with a white light. The object itself had a pulsing red light on top and a bank(s) of blue lights underneath. The object was hovering or on legs. As the patrolmen approached the object, it maneuvered through the trees and disappeared. At this time the animals on a nearby farm went into a frenzy. The object was briefly sighted approximately an hour later near the back gate.

2. The next day, three depressions 1 1/2" deep and 7" in diameter were found where the object had been sighted on the ground. The following night (29 Dec 80) the area was checked for radiation. Beta/gamma readings of 0.1 milliroentgens were recorded with peak readings in the three depressions and near the center of the triangle formed by the depressions. A nearby tree had moderate (.05-.07) readings on the side of the tree toward the depressions.

3. Later in the night a red sun-like light was seen through the trees. It moved about and pulsed. At one point it appeared to throw off glowing particles and then broke into five separate white objects and then disappeared. Immediately thereafter, three star-like objects were noticed in the sky, two objects to the north and one to the south, all of which were about 10° off the horizon. The objects moved rapidly in sharp angular movements and displayed red, green and blue lights. The objects to the north appeared to be elliptical through an 8-12 power lens. They then turned to full circles. The objects to the north remained in the sky for an hour or more. The object to the south was visible for two or three hours and beamed down a stream of light from time to time. Numerous individuals, including the undersigned, witnessed the activities in paragraphs 2 and 3.

CHARLES I. HALT, Lt Col, USAF
Deputy Base Commander

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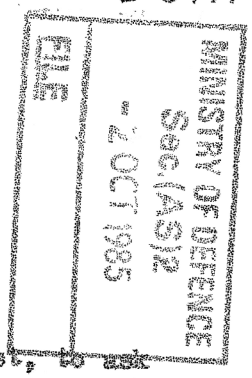

24th September 1985.

Our Ref: EM/PUFOIC/85.

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to you again,after writing to you in August, to ask for information and possible explanation into a reported 'U.F.O. sighting' at St Mawgan,in Cornwall. This event occurred during early February this year.

My first line of enquiry was to the R.A.F. Base at St Mawgan, in May,and they forwarded my two letters to your Department,after consultation with HQ and Provost Security Services (U.K.). The R.A.F. Base informed me, that I would be hearing from you in due course.

After waiting for some three months I wrote to D.S.8,in August,but since then,I have heard that D.S.8.,has been terminated,and upon gaining this news,I felt it responsible to write to the Ministry of Defence again.

Should my previous letters be in your posession,you will be aware of this incident.Should my letters not be in your posession,I will briefly put on paper the event.

In February,at 5.45pm a 28year old lady was driving down a country lane,near Newquay. Quite suddenly she was confronted by a bright yellow light,which bobbed and weaved over the road in front of her,and also along the hedgerows alongside each side of the road. The light changed shape and colour,to the size of a football and a bright luminous green,with a red glow in the centre of it. It then changed to a purplish colour,prior to it's exit,into a thick hedgerow. Naturally,the witness was unaware of any sound being made from the phenomenon because of her attention of the road - her speed varied from 20m.p.h. to 50m.p.h. which helps us with the distance it followed her,because she states the sighting's time duration was four minutes. Therefore,the maximum distance it followed her was 3·33 miles (5·36Km),the minimum distance was 1.4miles (2·25Km).Because of the erratic changes of speed due to her surprise whilst driving,we have estimated the average speed at 35m.p.h.,which would give us a distance it followed her was 2.3 miles (3·7Km).

Discussing the incident with the witness,there is a possibility,that this 'light' could have penetrated the inside of R.A.F. St Mawgan,without any challenge from the authorities there. We beleive the 'light' may have then travelled in the area of Truro.

At the time,I was living in Plymouth when I first approached the Air Force Base,and operated a Research Organisation, Plymouth UFO Investigation Centre (PUFOIC).....

.....and my two letters to the Base would have been on headed letter writing paper. I have since then moved to Cheshire on a permanent footing and I wrote to R.A.F. St Mawgan informing them of this,so they could inform yourselves.

In April and May,PUFOIC staff examined closely the route that the 'light' took,in case any damage had occurred to the natural or man made habitat in that area.We did this because of the closeness the 'light' travelled by,during the sighting. This included some cottages that were occupied,a barn and a barn type building,used to store farming equipment. (The witness stated the 'light' reflected an orange glow on a white cottage wall). The 'light' also flew over the hedgerow and some trees in the locality. In our examination of these areas,we discovered some burnt patches of ground on a track leading to a field,and some burnt small trees.At first we thought these might have been caused by the 'light';however since then we have excluded this theory. We also discovered a tree,which has been hit by an airborne object,because most of it's upper branches have been ripped off. The 'snap' marks on the branches are all similar indicating the damage was done by one incident.Our photographs show this damage very clearly.

Observation of aircraft activity over this area,does not help with any conclusion as to the nature of this 'light'.All aircraft are much too high in altitude to have damaged the tree.

One theory we have made is that it could have been an experimental exercise from R.A.F. St Mawgan,however if this is correct,then there is some concern to the safety of property and even people in this locality.If this theory is correct,then any correct proceedures designed for the exercise were followed grossly incorrectly,and should not be allowed to happen again. Another theory is that of a missile experiment,which if correct,went horribly wrong.If the 'light' was a genuine 'U.F.O.' then a question we must ask,is "Why did it go unchallenged in an area less than one mile from the R.A.F. Base?".

Our investigations into this sighting have involved several people, and they,including myself,and some of the local people where this incident occurred are somewhat concerned at the safety aspect and potential dangers this incident might have caused.

This sighting is one of five,being discussed at a major Conference in the North - West in October,and we would be most gratefull if you could acknowledge and reply to my letters to both you,and the R.A.F. I feel that a wait of nearly three months for a reply from an Official Government body is a little 'slow' to say the least. I would not waste my own time,and yours if a mere 'light in the sky' had been observed and reported to us.I am quite sure you will agree with me,that this incident is not such a case,and does qualify for these letters to you. Again,I request urgent action to my letter because of the delay so far.

Yours Faithfully,

Section 40 [redacted].

Section 40 [redacted]

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MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE

LOOSE MINUTE

D/Min(DS)DGT 28/1/4

Sec(AS)2

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Reference:
A. D/US of S(AF)DGT 28/1/4 dated 6 August 1985.
B. Telecon Section 40 [redacted] of 23 September 1985.

I am writing to confirm that the meeting to discuss Unidentified Flying objects will now take place in the House of Lords on Wednesday 2 October at 1500 hrs, with a pre-brief at 1430 hrs (venue to be decided).

Section 40 [redacted]

Captain WRAC
MA/Minister(DS)
Section 40 [redacted]

24 September 1985

file 12/3

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Section 40 [redacted]

Phone Section 40 [redacted]

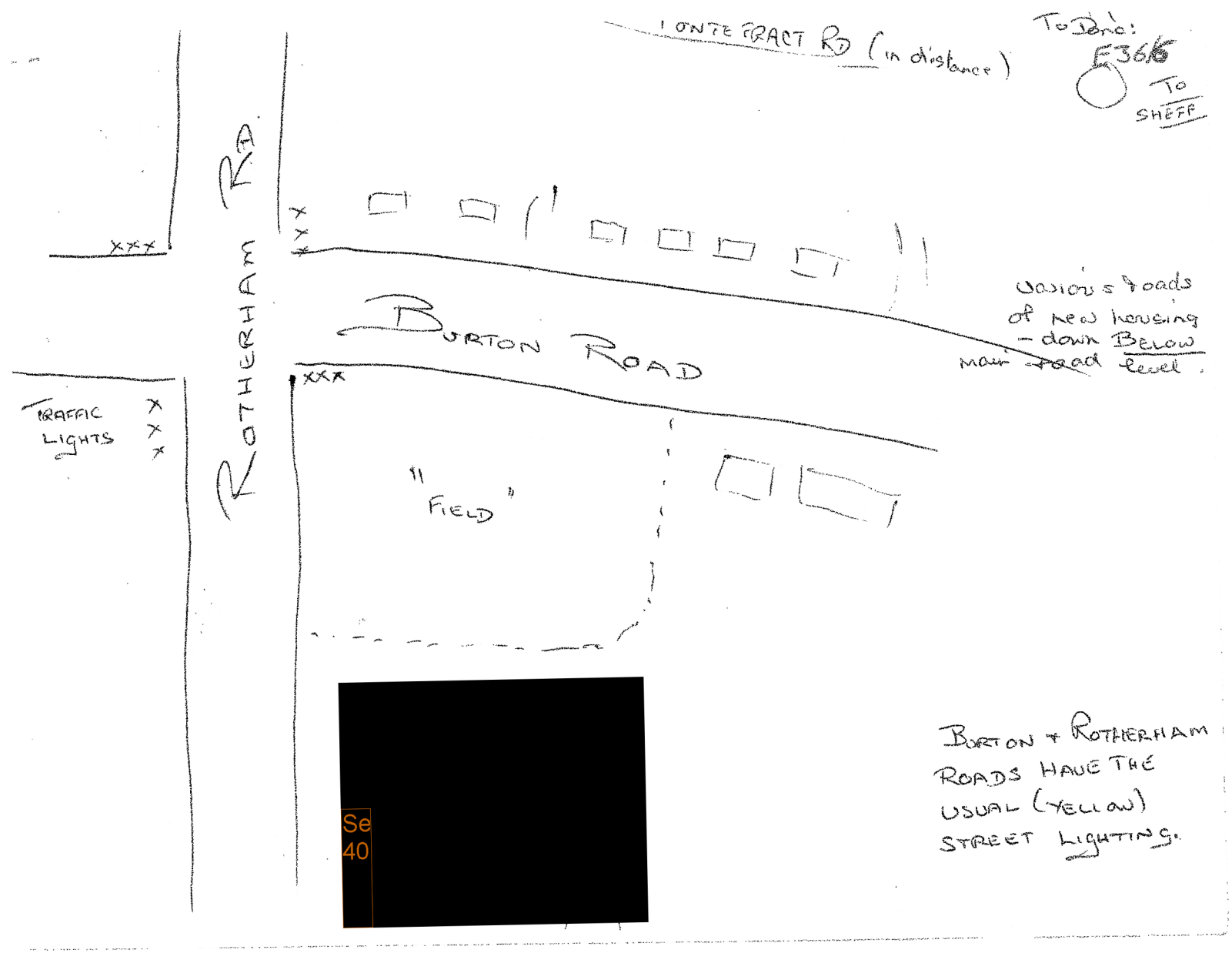
21st November 1985

Dear Sirs,

Some time ago on a Monday evening during the break in watching "Quincy" - I checked my watch at the time - I noticed an unusual happening in the sky; the curtains were not drawn at that moment. All was so quiet I went to the door but there wasn't any sound at all. Afterwards I immediately sketched the enclosed and also rang a neighbour to mention what I'd seen. I remember thinking to myself 'surely someone on the top deck of that 'bus has seen it all' but no-one seemed to report it at all. I mentioned it to an employee of the local newspaper but it didn't seem to register in a way so the matter was left UNTIL a report was in a paper - this time the sighting (again on a Monday I note) was by a Councillor. It added that any such sightings should be sent to you. Therefore I pass on my information, for what it is worth. I will do a rough drawing showing the environment here-abouts: My view is unrestricted as there is spare land immediately beyond my garden.

Yours etc., [redacted]

Section 40 [redacted]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GWYDYR HOUSE
WHITEHALL LONDON SW1A 2ER
Tel. Section 40 (Switchboard) (Direct Line)

20 September 1985

Dear Section 40

I spoke to you yesterday regarding a letter I had received from a Section 40

... I enclose a copy of this letter hoping you may be able to help Section 40 in some way with her enquiry.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Section 40

Press Office

Section (A5) 2
Room Section 40
Ministry of Defence
Main Building
Whitehall
LONDON
SW1A 2HB

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Section 40 [redacted]

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Yours Sincerely

Section 40 [redacted] (Miss).

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TREAT OFFICIALLY

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Yours Sincerely,

Section 40 [redacted] (15 years).

Or UFO (Alien Space Encounters)

Section 40 [redacted]

1536/2 file 12/2

Headquarters Director Army Air Corps
Middle Wallop Stockbridge Hants SO20 8DY

Telephone Middle Wallop Military
Andover
STD [redacted]

MOD SEC (AS) 2 - RAF
MAIN BUILDING, ROOM [redacted]
WHITEHALL
LONDON

Your reference

Our reference D/DAAC/23/GA

Date 19 September 1985

UNUSUAL SIGHTING ANDOVER AREA

PHOTOGRAPHS

Reference:

A. D/DAAC/23/GA dated 6 Aug 85

1. Film's taken at the site were sent to CS (Rep S) Photography with instructions to forward prints and negatives on to you as requested, and a request that copies be sent to me to return to the photographer. The copies had not arrived by the time I went on leave, so I left instructions that they be delivered to [redacted] if they arrived in my absence. They did, and they were. Regretably CS (Rep S) had posted the whole consignment to this address and nothing to you.

2. I have visited [redacted] and obtained the negatives and the few remaining black and white prints, all of which are enclosed.

3. My 35 mm photographs are fairly indifferent, however his 55 mm colour ones, are very good and give excellent detail both from the air and close to on the ground.

4. I trust this is what you want, I would be grateful for the return of the 55 mm negatives in due course.

[redacted]

SO2 STANDARDS
HQ DAAC

E36/1/3

Section 40
Secretariat (Air Staff) 2a,
Room Section 40
Ministry of Defence,
Main Building,
Whitehall,
London,
SW1A 2HB.

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I look forward to your reply,untill then I am,

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Section 40
The Yorkshire UFO Society (YUFOS).

E36/1/2

YUFOS Research Division

CIVILIAN AERIAL PHENOMENA
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Your Ref:

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The Yorkshire UFO Society (YUFOS).

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Sec.(AS)2
13 SEP 1985
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Section 40 [redacted]

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LOOSE MINUTE

D/D Air Support/14/2

11 Sep 85

Sec (AS)2a

Copy to:

OC No 1 AIDU

UFO ENQUIRY

Reference: D/Sec(AS)/12/3 dated 23 Aug 85

1. At Reference you sought advice from GE 3 to assist with your response to Section 40 [redacted] from the "official British Branch of Contact International (for Humberside)." GE 3 has passed your request to me for action. Whilst I have no way of verifying Section 40 [redacted] credentials, nor even wish to as they sound mildly pornographic, and therefore am unable to determine if he should be passed details of the aircraft operating from RAF Wyton, I believe that there is a simple unclassified way to supply information on the airspace structure around Wyton.

2. Most of the information requested by Section 40 [redacted] is clearly shown on a Royal Air Force Flight Information Publication entitled En Route Low Altitude - British Isles South" (Chart code numbered 412S-L) which can be purchased from No 1 Aeronautical Information Documentation Unit (No 1 AIDU) at RAF Northolt. A legend explaining the symbology used on the chart is also available. Both documents are unclassified and readily available (at a cost). Further information, if required, can be obtained from OC No 1 AIDU at Northolt (Ext 212).

3. I hope this information will be of use in the preparation of your response.

Section 40 [redacted]

Wg Cdr
Nav 1(RAF)
Section 40 [redacted]

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— we should see the prints.

Headquarters Director Army Air Corps
Middle Wallop Stockbridge Hants SO20 8DY

Telephone Middle Wallop Military
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MOD CS (REP S) PHOTOGRAPHY
ROOM [redacted] 4th FLOOR
Section 40 KING CHARLES ST
LONDON SW1A 2AH

Your reference

Our reference D/DAAC 23/GA

Date 11 Sep 85

FILMS FOR PROCESSING FOR SEC (AS) 2 RAF

Reference

A. My D/DAAC/23/GA dated 6 Aug 85

1. Ref A accompanied negatives of an unusual sighting near Middle Wallop and asked that prints and negatives be forwarded to Section 40 [redacted] .PRINCIPLE SEC (AS) 2-RAF and that copies be sent to Middle Wallop for the cival photographer whose film it was.

2. During my absence on leave a packet of photographs was received here and was passed on to the photographer, however, it would appear that SEC (AS) 2 have not seen them. Could you confirm whether or not prints and negatives were forwarded to them. A telephone call would suffice.

Section 40 [redacted]

HQ DAAC

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Section 40 [redacted]

9 September 1985

Thank you for your letter requesting information about the Royal Naval Air Station Yeovilton and our satellite airfield at Merryfield..

Aeronautical information regarding radar services, terminal approach procedures and altimeter setting procedures for Yeovilton are available in Aeronautical Publications. These are available from commercial sources. These procedures also govern the case of Merryfield which is used solely by our helicopters.

Yeovilton is the headquarters airfield for Sea Harriers and front line Commando helicopters. We also operate Hunters, Canberras and Falcon aircraft along with Heron communication aircraft and aircraft of the Royal Navy Historic Flight. I would recommend a visit to the Fleet Air Arm Museum here at Yeovilton where more information on Naval aircraft is available.

I wish you luck with your UFO sightings !

Information Addressee:

Section 40 [redacted]
MOD
Room Section 40
Main Building
Whitehall
London SW1A 2HB (With a copy of Section 40 [redacted] letter)

Section 40 [redacted]

Section 40 [redacted]

E36/0/3

Replied
JG 12/3

8th September, 1985.

Dear Section 40 [redacted]

I understand that you handle reports and enquiries about UFOs, so although I feel a bit silly about wasting your time, I am just a bit curious to know, if possible, about womething which appeared in the sky at about 9.45 near the GLC Fireworks display on Saturday night, which I attended.

When we arrived we went over to the North Bank to get a good view of the fireworks, which was very successful and we enjoyed. We were walking back from the north bank to the South bank over the Hungerford Pedestrian Bridge, and noticed in the distance, just above the South Bank buildings about 300 yards down the river (we were looking at it from approx. the centre of Hungerford Bridge) ON THE RIGHT, A sort of long shimmering light. It was in the sky, and moving ever so slightly but not making any progress, hovering. It was "sparkly" and thin, and did not have any shape, i.e. it was not an aeroplane or a helicopter. Lots of people were pausing to watch it, and no-one knew what it was. It has remained a question mark in my mind, and I am just curious to hear if you know what it was, or if you have had any other reports of such a sighting. I don't suppose other people have the time to write to you, but I am a housewife so I do! My son is curious about unusual objects in the sky, as he has personally seen a couple himself for which he has no explanation. He has seen this thing before, over Charing Cross Road, and on that occasion all his friends agreed they had never seen anything like it before.

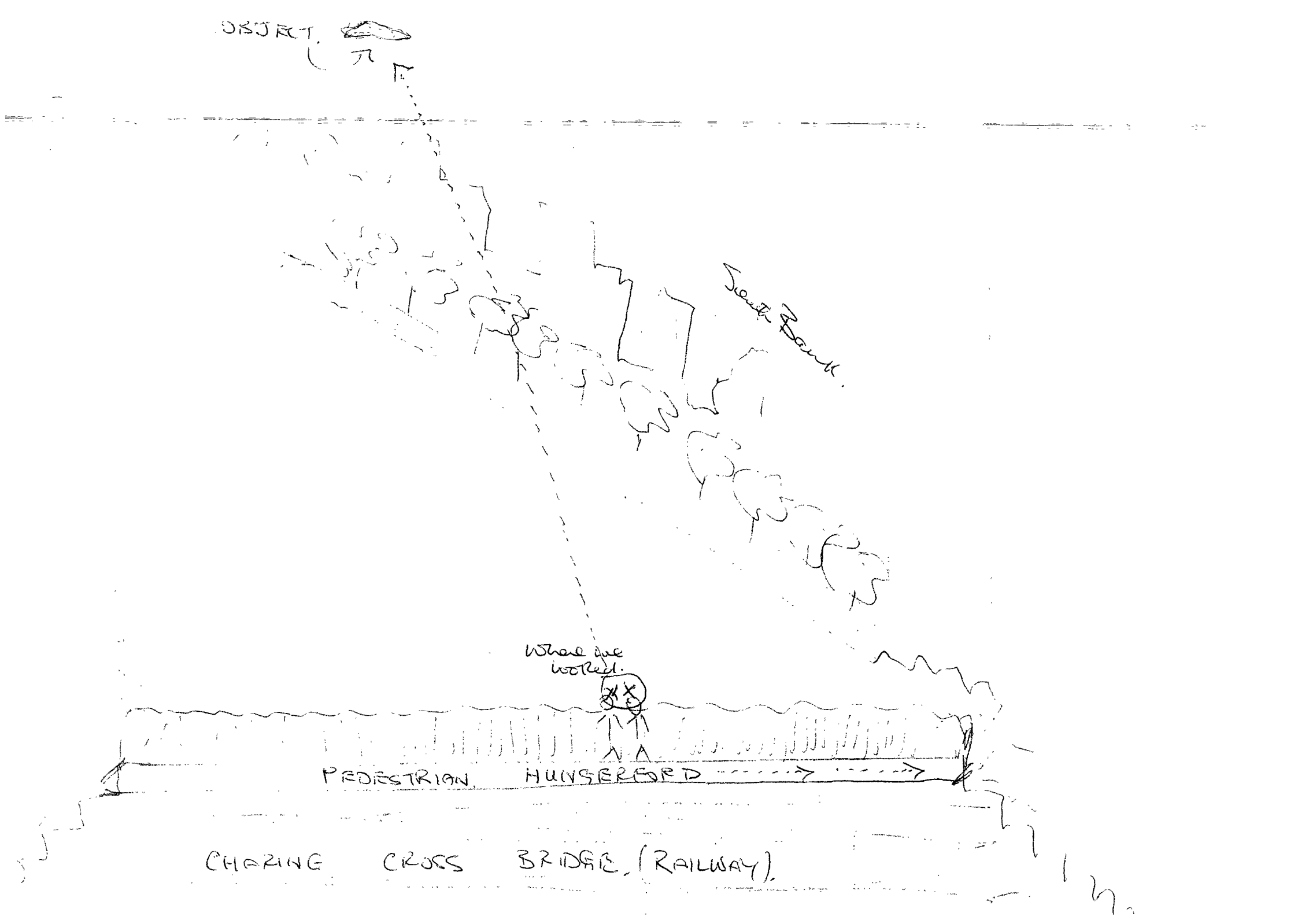
I am very aware that it could have been part of the GLC display - but it was just on its own, did not logically fit in with anything there, and was not announced. I thought maybe it was some sort of a balloon painted with flourescent paint, and put up just for a lark, but it was very brilliant and shimmery.... I am still very curious!

Have you had any other reports such as I have described? If so, I would be pleased if you could let me have a short note as to what it was, or any other explanation you may have.

Thank you for reading this letter - there is a diagram on the back for you to see.

Yours sincerely,

Section 40 [redacted]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UFO RESEARCH, BROADCASTS & LECTURES

Section 40

Section 40

Secretariat (Air Staff) 2
Room Section 40
Ministry of Defence
Main Building
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7 September 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you very much indeed for your helpful letter of 22 August last.

Since you have been kind enough to let me know that the MoD received one RAF report of a UFO in 1967, and that you are happy to reply to specific individual replies within reason, I would be very interested to know the date and approximate location of this sighting. While details would be appreciated, I assume these would naturally be withheld under provisions of the 30-year rule.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

Section 40

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Section 40 [redacted]

5th September 1985.

Replied. 28/2/86!

Ministry Of Defence,
Main Building,
Whitehall,
London SWIA 2HB.

Dear Sirs,

I have been involved in an investigation regarding the recent appearence of mysterious circles which have been found in crop fields throughout Southern England. Whilst studying various press cuttings and listening to the TV and radio reports I have heard that the Ministry Of Defence has shown some interest in this phenomena, or atleast the Army has passed on reports to you.

In one particular report, which appeared in the Salisbury Journal, it was stated that at Middle Wallop a ' white jelly - like flourescent substance' was found and that samples were taken for analysis. As yet I have been unable to trace any further mention of this in respect of the results of this analysis.

I wonder therefore if there is any information with regard to this that you could pass onto me. Although a great many people are of the opinion that there is either a perfectly natural explanation, or it is a prank my investigations to date have shown that about two or three days before the circles appeared there were reports of unidentified flying objects. The people who have reported such sightings, both to me and in some cases the press, are not assuming that these are alien craft (ie flying saucers), but the objects are certainly defying explanation at the moment in that they do not appear to be any known airbourne craft. The same can be said of the reports which have come from America, New Zealand, Australia and various other parts of the world in the past.

However I hope you are able to assist me to complete my file regarding this phenomena in as much as I will then have obtained comments and reports from all those concerned with this case. From this I will then be able to study the material in detail in an effort to find some explanation if at all possible.

Yours Sincerely

Section 40

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LOOSE MINUTE

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23 Aug 85

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UFO ENQUIRY - Section 40 [redacted]

Please find attached a self explanatory letter from Section 40 who corresponds with this office regularly. I also attach a copy of the report to which he refers. I would be grateful for your advice on whether any follow-up enquiries were made at the time the report was received and, if so, what conclusions were reached. Any comments you may have on the question of release of the report would also be appreciated.

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Copy to:
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UFO ENQUIRY

Reference A: WS/130/10/AIR dated 19 Aug 85

Please find attached a copy of Reference A from RAF Wyton. Although Section 40 enquiries do not relate directly to UFO's, I would be most grateful for your advice on how I should reply to his letter.

Section 40

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Section 40

Section 40 Secretariat(Air Staff)2a
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE Room
Main Building Whitehall London SW1A 2HB
Telephone Section 40 (Direct Dialling)
(Switchboard)

Section 40

Your reference

Our reference
D/Sec(AS)12/3

Date
13 August 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter of 5 August 1985. The existence of a tape, allegedly recorded at RAF Woodbridge and referring to reported events there in December 1980, has been brought to our attention by UFO researchers on a number of occasions. However we have no record of this tape having been submitted to this office, either formally or otherwise. As we have said previously, the only information we have on the alleged incident is the report submitted by Col Halt on 13 January 1981.

Yours sincerely,

Section 40

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ROYAL AIR FORCE
Upper Heyford Oxford OX5 3LN

Telephone: Upper Heyford Section 40 [redacted]

Section 40 [redacted]

Please reply to
Royal Air Force Commander
Your reference

Our reference UH/351/PR

Date 22 August 1985

Dear Sir

REQUEST FOR TECHNICAL INFORMATION - RAF UPPER HEYFORD

Thank you for your recent letter to Upper Heyford Airport which has come to me in my capacity as RAF Commander at RAF Upper Heyford.

In view of the nature of the information which you request I have forwarded your letter to the Ministry of Defence (Air Staff Secretariat) and they will reply to you in due course.

Yours faithfully

Section 40 [redacted]

Squadron Leader
RAF Commander

Copy to:

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MOD (~~AS2b~~) - with original letter and envelope

For your action please.

Section 40 [redacted]

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Section 40

Your reference

Our reference D/Sec(AS)/12/3

Date 21 August 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter of 19 June 1985, I have also seen your letter of 27 July. I am sorry that I have been unable to reply before now. You asked in your first letter for information on four UFO sightings; I am afraid that I have had little success in locating any information on those incidents. In fact, the only report I have been able to identify is one referring to two objects observed in the Humberside area in July 1984. I enclose a copy of the report although, as you will see, the information provided is scant. The name and address of the informant (sub-paragraph M) have been deleted since these reports are submitted to us in confidence.

Without more explicit details I could not identify the daylight report allegedly made to RAF Fylingdales in the summer of 1980, however our records indicate that no reports were forwarded to us from the unit during that period. I have checked our records for September 1976 and June 1980 but can find no reference to either of the remaining sightings you refer to.

I am sorry that I have been unable to be of more assistance on this occasion.

Yours sincerely

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FOR CAB

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L CIVILIAN POLICE-HUMBERSIDE

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N INFORMANT AGED 17 YEARS
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NOTE SUB PARA HEADINGS ARE SHOWN ON ATTACHED SHEET.

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REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

A. Date, time and duration of sighting. (Local times to be quoted).

B. Description of object. (Number of objects, size, shape, colours, brightness, sound, smell, etc).

C. Exact position observer. (Geographical location. Indoors or outdoors. Stationary or moving).

D. How observed. (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or movie camera).

E. Direction in which object was first seen. (A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing).

F. Angle of sight. (Estimated heights are unreliable).

G. Distance. (By reference to a known landmark wherever possible).

H. Movements. (Changes in E, F and G may be of more use than estimates of course and speed).

J. Meteorological conditions during operations. (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc).

K. Near-by objects. (Telephone lines; high voltage lines; reservoir, lake or dam, swamp or marsh; river; high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, spires, TV or radio masts; airfields; generating plant; factories, pits or other sites with flood-lights or other night lighting).

L. To whom reported. (Police, military organisations, the press etc).

M. Name and address of informant.

N. Any background on the informant that may be volunteered.

O. Other witnesses.

P. Date and time of receipt of report.

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LOOSE MINUTE

DI55/108/15

20 August 1985

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

References:
A. D/SEC(AS) 12/3 dated 9 August 85.
B. D/US of S(AF)DGT 28/1/4 dated 1 August 85.

1. In Reference A, you notified us of the meeting between US of S(AF) and Lord Hill-Norton on Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) on 25 Sept 85; you asked for a short contribution on our area of interest and whether we would be willing to attend the meeting.

2. As you state in your brief for the US of S(AF), all UFO reports are passed to the DIS - specifically DI55 who, inter alia, are responsible for assessing WP space systems. It is in this area that our main interests lie, although the reports are also seen by other staff within DI55. Obiously we read the reports with interest, but over, at least the last few years, we have not considered that any of the reports justified detailed investigation; this point is well made in the opening paragraph of your draft.

3. As far as our attendance at the meeting on 25 September is concerned, I do not think that we can add much to the discussion but we would be willing to attend if you consider it worthwhile.

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Wg Cdr
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Section 40

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ROYAL AIR FORCE
Wyton Huntingdon PE17 2EA
Telephone Huntingdon [redacted] Ext [redacted]
GPTN 837

POST TO

Your reference

Our reference
WS/130/10/Air

Secretariat (Air Staff)2
MOD Main Building

Date
19 Aug 85

UFO ENQUIRY

I am told that your department handles all UFO matters, and enclose an enquiry from a [redacted] who is asking information on Wyton airfield. I also enclose a copy of my holding reply to [redacted]

[redacted]

Wg Cdr
for OC

Wing Commander [redacted] RAF

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Your reference

[redacted]

Our reference
WS/130/10/Air
Date
19 August 1985

Dear [redacted]

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Thank you for your letter asking for technical information about Wyton airfield. I have forwarded it for reply, in accordance with current policy, to:

Secretariat (Air Staff) 2
Ministry of Defence
Main Building
Whitehall
London SW1A 2HB.

Yours sincerely

[redacted]

From: Section 40 [redacted]

Tel: [redacted]

Dear Sir,

Technical Information

I represent the official British branch of Contact International (for Humberside), a world-wide organization established for investigating and disseminating information pertaining to U.F.Os and associated phenomena.

I'm writting this letter for information about your airport and would be grateful if you could supply me with the following data:

1) Radar Vectoring Area.
2) Radar Advisory Service Area.
3) Altimeter Setting Regions.
4) Guidance Notes - to help me understand the layout of Technical data.
5) Any data or information you feel could be of some help to me, (e.g The type of aircraft that use your airport).

Thank you for your assistance.

Section 40 [redacted]

U.F.O Investigator (160).....

[redacted] We spoke. Agreed await letter from [redacted] o/r (Can we have a chat pl [redacted]) file 12/3

I was phoned on Monday morning by [redacted] a journalist, concerning the AAC report of arsons circles in a corn field. He explained that he has been accumulating accounts of similar incidents over the past four years and has 6 to four, all in S.W. England. He has a soil sample taken from one site which has been examined by Surrey University and showed traces of ammonia; another report of a similar event included 'clam' or gas rising from the central circle. He wanted me to support an approach to Aldermaston for a fuller investigation.

I explained our very limited interest in the phenomena and said we could not justify further involvement without an indication that Defence interests were involved [redacted] could he might approach Aldermaston anyway. He will also write to me. Finally, he noticed that

a member of the public had seen five lights in the sky - one large, catch one + 4 small ones - on 7 August in the Hadover area.

Section 40 [redacted] home phone number is Section 40 [redacted]

Section 40 [redacted]

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(Switchboard)

Section 40

Your reference

Our reference D/Sec(AS)/12/3

Date 15 August 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter of 20 April 1985 concerning UFO's, I am sorry that I have been unable to reply before now. You may find it useful if I explain that the sole interest of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

There is no organisation in the Ministry of Defence appointed solely for the purpose of studying reports of such objects, and no staff are employed on the subject full time. The reports we receive are referred to the staff in the Department who are responsible for the air defence of the United Kingdom, and they examine the reports as part of their normal duties.

Since our interest in UFOs is limited to possible defence implications we have not carried out a study into the scientific significance of these phenomena. Unless there are defence implications we do not attempt to identify sightings and we cannot inform observers of the probable identity of the object seen. The Department could not justify the expenditure of public funds on investigations which go beyond the pure defence interests.

I am afraid we do not keep the statistical information which you ask for. However, I attach copies of two recent Parliamentary Questions on the Ministry of Defence's interest in UFO reports, which you may be interested in. I also enclose a copy of the UFO article which appeared in the July 1957 issue of the RAF Flying Review which you asked for in your letter.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

HANSARD EXTRACT

13 MARCH 1984

Cols. 132 & 133

Unidentified Flying Objects

Sir Patrick Wall asked the Secretary of State for Defence (1) how many alleged landings by unidentified flying objects have been made in 1980, 1981, 1982 and 1983, respectively; and how many have been investigated by his Department's personnel;

(2) how many unexplained sightings there have been in 1980, 1981, 1982 and 1983, respectively; and which of these had been traced by radar and with what result.

Mr. Lee [*pursuant to his reply*, 9 March 1984, c. 723]: For the years in question, the Ministry of Defence received the following numbers of reports of sightings of flying objects which the observer could not identify: 350, 600, 250, and 390. Reports of alleged landings are not separately identified. The Department was satisfied that none of these reports was of any defence significance and, in such cases, does not maintain records of the extent of its investigations.

HANSARD EXTRACT

24 OCTOBER 1983

Col. 62

RAF Woodbridge (Alleged Incident)

Sir Patrick Wall asked the Secretary of State for Defence (1) if he has seen the United States Air Force memo dated 13 January 1981 concerning unexplained lights near RAF Woodbridge;

(2) whether, in view of the fact that the United State's Air Force memo of 13 January 1981 on the incident at RAF Woodbridge has been released under the Freedom of Information Act, he will now release reports and documents concerning similar unexplained incidents in the United Kingdom;

(3) how many unexplained sightings or radar intercepts have taken place since 1980.

Mr. Stanley: I have seen the memorandum of 13 January 1981 to which my hon. Friend refers. Since 1980 the Department has received 1,400 reports of sightings of flying objects which the observers have been unable to identify. There were no corresponding unexplained radar contacts. Subject to normal security constraints, I am ready to give information about any such reported sightings that are found to be a matter of concern from a defence standpoint, but there have been none to date.

Something in it

The "Flying Saucer" mystery deepens as sightings over Britain reach a new peak

by
GEOFFREY NORRIS

IT HAPPENED at London Airport on Friday, March 22, this year.

Sheila Manning, a dark-haired secretary in BOAC's Constellation Fleet Technical Officer's office, was looking out of the window in front of her desk. The office was on the southern edge of the airfield and Miss Manning was looking south, away from London Airport. She was puzzled by what she saw.

"What's that?" she asked of the others in the office. Pointing, she indicated a strange object which appeared to be floating above a bunch of cumulus cloud some three to five miles away towards the south. It seemed to be a shiny, metallic object. Its apparent size was not great but, if the distance estimation was correct, it would have been considerably larger than any aircraft now flying.

Its shape was that of a Yo-Yo seen from the side—two bowl shapes, the upper one inverted, joined by a short centre section. No one in the office had seen anything like it before.

"It's an aircraft catching the sunlight," said somebody at last. This was possible. Aircraft from the airport were taking off in that direction. The sun was slightly to one side and could be catching on and reflecting from the flying surfaces. But most people in the office were not satisfied. They were well aware of the strange atmospheric effects possible at times and this was unlike anything else they had experienced. And anyway, the object was not moving.

Not until almost ten minutes after Miss Manning had first seen it did the unidentified object vanish when obscured by a cumulus cloud. It had neither moved, nor diminished in size.

By this time about a dozen people had gathered in the office. They had all seen the phenomenon. A quick check revealed that radar had reported nothing in the area—nor had the control tower staff. All the evidence seemed to point to a freak reflection of some type. But this did not satisfy those who had seen it. It was no reflection, they said. To them it was an Unidentified Flying Object—a UFO for short.

This strange event occurred at a time when there were many similar happenings. In April, a radar station at West Freugh, Scotland, reported a mysterious object which has remained unidentified. Mysterious explosions were heard over Epsom and Glasgow. Craters appeared but there was no sign of fragments or explosives. A little later, people living at Gravesend and Hendon, and many places in between, reported strange lights in the night sky performing strange antics. These are only a few of the reports which came in. All of them remain unexplained.

This is an independent investigation into one of the greatest mysteries of our age. The views expressed are the personal conclusions of the writer after a long period of research.

But some people had an explanation which fitted all these and many similar reports. They recalled a phenomenon which has been with us for the past ten years. These recent mysteries, said these people, could be explained away by Flying Saucers.

Flying Saucers were back in the news again.

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HOW it all started is, of course, a well-known story. In the year 1947, Kenneth Arnold, an American business man, was piloting his private aircraft in the region of Mount Rainier, Washington, when he saw a formation of strangely shaped objects. He estimated their speed as some 1,600 m.p.h.—fantastic at that time. Their motion he described as "saucers skipping across a pond." The press seized on this descriptive phrase and so the Flying Saucer was born.

The fact that strange objects had been reported in the skies regularly ever since the turn of the century—and before—escaped most people's notice. 1947 became known, incorrectly, as the year when UFOs began.

Within weeks "saucers" had spread throughout the length and breadth of America. Reports came in from everywhere. The craze caught on in other countries—including Britain.

Now, in the short space of ten years, the saucer enigma has snowballed beyond expectation. Every known type of theorist has jumped on to the saucer bandwagon. Spiritualists, occultists, theosophists, professional forecasters of doom and many other mysterious persons have put forward their theories and explanations. Several have even claimed contact with beings from other worlds.

Between them these often well-meaning people have so be-fogged the UFO field with their astounding theories that it is small wonder that the general public is inclined to grin sceptically when Flying Saucers are mentioned.

This was the situation I found when I began an investigation into the UFO mystery for *RAF Flying Review*. My object was to discover whether the UFO was something peculiar to America or whether the same type of thing was happening in this country. I also wanted to find out whether the UFO was something which deserved to be laughed to scorn or whether it should be taken seriously.

It would be quite easy, I discovered, to pour ridicule on the whole proceed-

Sky

ings. A quick glance at the activities of the many hoaxers was enough to prove that. Take what happened in Jersey just three months ago.

Several people there saw an object in the sky. It was nothing very definite. It could have been a balloon, an aircraft catching the sun or a mere freak of the atmosphere. But it was peculiar. And it was also, according to a newspaper report, sufficient to give Mr. Reginald Queree of St. Helier, the idea of throwing a model Flying Saucer into the air and photographing it. The resulting picture was, he is reported as saying, the strange object which the others had seen.

But it was not until the picture had been published in good faith by a national newspaper, that this story was published.

"Large White Disc"

We could also laugh at the strange goings on at Wardle, in Lancashire. Here the hoaxers appear to have been at work again—but this time they operated in reverse, as it were.

It was the evening of February 15 this year when Mrs. Dorothy Fitton, a 45-year-old civil servant, looked out from her rather isolated cottage and saw a strange object moving in from the south-west. Flying quite slowly, it moved in a dead straight line.

As the object drew nearer, Mrs. Fitton could see that it was a light flashing alternately red and white. Above the light she could just make out in the darkness a large white disc—"as big as a cartwheel."

The object stopped, hovered stock-still for some five minutes, and then moved off, just as slowly and surely in a dead straight line towards the south-east. This was exactly ninety degrees from its original course. No noise at all.

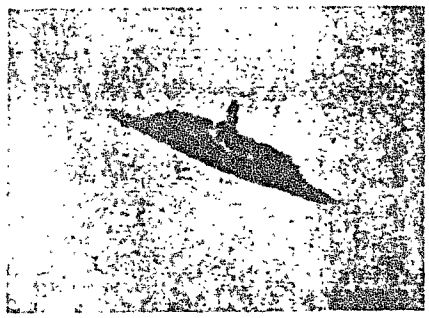
Others in the village saw it. Mr. J. A. Leavey, the local M.P., heard about it and questioned those who had seen it. He was impressed and decided to ask a question in Parliament.

When the question was asked it caused quite a bit of hilarity in the House. Mr. Orr-Ewing, Air Under Secretary, said that the object did not emanate from space but from a laundry in Rochdale!

He went on to explain that a man working at the laundry had contacted the police and told them that, on the night in question, he had released two children's balloons filled with hydrogen. Below, he had rigged up a system of flashing lights. This, said the Under Secretary, was what had been seen.

And so the matter was apparently neatly tied up.

Or at least it was until a local newspaper interviewed the man who claimed to have released the balloon and discovered that he had no idea of how to fill a balloon with hydrogen nor how to fit lights to it. In fact, said the newspaper, he had nothing at all to do with the UFO. He had not released any balloons. This supposition was given added weight when the people who had seen the UFO insisted that it was not a balloon of any type.



UFO photographed over Rouen in March, this year. Photos of UFOs are rare, never very clear. This is one of the few which seem authentic

Now, after officially debunking this sighting, the Air Ministry have confirmed that an investigator has been sent up to Wardle. After his researches the Air Ministry still maintain it was a balloon.

It is small wonder that the public are both bemused and amused at such complicated events.

But, in spite of all this, I do not think that we should laugh at UFOs. During my investigation I have sifted through hundreds of sightings. Many could have been anything from balloons to meteors, from aircraft to spots before the eyes. Yet, wrapped up in all these have been some which stand out. They stand out because they have been reported by reliable people and because it is difficult to see how they could be any of the things which are often mistaken for Flying Saucers.

Evidence, muddled as it is, indicates that there are unexplained objects in our skies. They may not be manned or sent by beings from another planet, but they are there.

Flight Lieutenant J. R. Salandin saw something that he could not explain on October 4, 1954. In fact, he was so shaken that he had to fly around for ten minutes before he could tell Control what he had seen from the cockpit of his Meteor fighter.

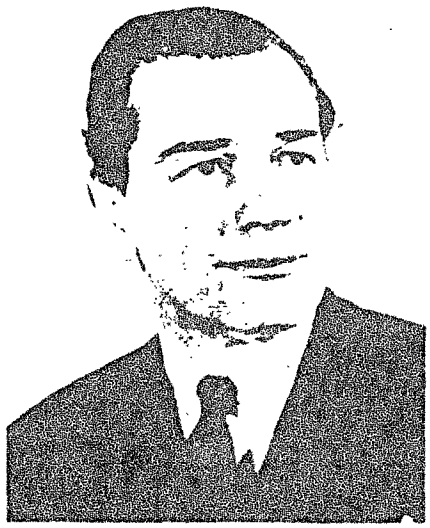
He had taken off from North Weald in Essex at 4.15 p.m. Climbing towards two other aircraft which he could see high above him, he was surprised to see two small objects, one silvery and the other gold, pass near the two aircraft. Salandin had hardly recovered from his surprise and was still wondering whether he had been victim of hallucinations when he happened to glance ahead.

He received one of the biggest frights he has ever had. Streaking straight towards him at tremendous speed was a disc-shaped object. In the brief time Salandin had for observation, the thing appeared to have a flange in the centre and two bulges above and below this.

The object was so near that it overlapped his windscreen. A collision seemed inevitable. Then, at the last moment, the object swerved and flashed past on the Meteor's port side.

Salandin had never before given a serious thought to Flying Saucers and even now he keeps an open mind on the subject. All that he knows is that he saw something very real up there over Essex on that October afternoon—and that it gave him a hell of a fright.

There have been many other no-nonsense sightings. Again in 1954, a



"Saucers are interplanetary," says the Hon. Brinsley le Poer Trench, editor of *Flying Saucer Review* . . .



"—but where is the concrete evidence!" asks Dr. Clifford Thornton, scientist and independent UFO investigator



Shining discs (in left-hand top corner) seen by Scandinavian scientists in 1954. Still from a colour film taken by a member of the party

group of Scandinavian scientists were returning by air after observing an eclipse of the sun from the polar regions. They were on their way back, but still taking photographs of the sun, when their attention was taken by something else. Several shining disc-like objects appeared to be shadowing their aircraft. What they were, none of the scientists knew. They were no aircraft such as we know them and none of the scientists on the trip had ever seen anything like them.

And this year there have been a whole spate of sighting reports. One private researcher has collected 149 reports from Great Britain for the months of April and March alone. No doubt many of these could be discounted if a thorough investigation were made. But others remain a mystery.

Before any of these can be truly labelled "unidentified," however, a very thorough investigation must be made. The would-be investigator would have to know, among other things, the movements of all aircraft or balloons likely to have been in the area at the time. He would have to have a very sound knowledge of weather phenomena and astronomy—and of human nature.

But there are people willing to undertake this task. To find out who they are and how they go about the job, it is necessary once more to dip briefly back into saucer history.

In the early years soon after 1947, "saucer" clubs began to spring up all over the country. Their objects were not always well defined but generally it was to investigate saucer sightings.

Since this time there has been a general movement towards amalgamation and most clubs now regularly exchange views with others in this country and abroad. At the hub of all saucer activities in this country is the magazine, *Flying Saucer Review*.

Inside a Saucer

This is a small, well-produced magazine which sells about 1,300 copies. It attempts to cater for all degrees of saucer fans and so it is not surprising to read in a recent issue, an article by a "high ranking Tibetan Lama" telling how he went for a ride in a Flying Saucer!

But it would be quite wrong to dismiss all readers and contributors of this magazine as cranks. The editor is the Hon. Brinsley le Poer Trench and he is far from the general public's idea of a Flying Saucer crank. Tall and amiable, Trench is, by an odd chance, a space salesman by profession. When he is not selling advertising space for another magazine, he sells interplanetary space through *Flying Saucer Review*.

Trench admits that he is working on a "sticky wicket." He realises that many of his readers want to see "astounding saucer news" but, at the same time, he tries to keep reports of actual sightings as objective as possible.

Among his readers are some who act as investigators. These men Trench entrusts with the task of looking into sightings. Two such men are Jack Ibson, a Yorkshire business man, and Wilfred Daniels, a technical writer from Stafford.

These two, like most other of Trench's investigators, are enthusiastic about their task and believe implicitly in Flying Saucers. They also believe that they have an interplanetary origin. How far is this theory justified? Let Trench explain:

"UFOs have been timed," he says, "travelling at fantastic speeds, far in excess of anything earthmade. And, again, many UFOs have been seen performing manoeuvres, such as a right-angled turn at high speed, which would cause any normal material or crew to disintegrate under the excessive g loads."

Prominent experts, such as Professor Hermann Oberth, the guided missiles expert, have also expressed these views. Oberth says: "My own explanation of UFOs is that they are machines built in some place other than on the Earth. I believe that they originate exclusively from outside the Earth because observations suggest that Flying Saucers are able to suppress the force of gravity, and I do not think that anyone on Earth has yet found the means to do so."

But, if we grant the reality of these objects, then it seems to me that the interplanetary idea is only a theory. Admittedly, it seems the most likely one, but nowhere during my investigation did I come across evidence proving *that Flying Saucers were interplanetary.*

One failing which appears to be general among the most enthusiastic of saucer fans, is lack of a critical approach to their subject. Bear in mind the deceptive nature of human observation and the many atmospheric freaks that are possible, and it is easier to see how important it is to be critical.

A typical report received by Trench is that which came from Miss K. Connor, a member of the Royal Observer Corps, who lives at Truro, Cornwall. Last October, while on a ROC exercise, Miss Connor and her crew saw a UFO.

"The object appeared as a small, silver round one like a ball," said Miss Connor in her report. "Then it turned sideways and was seen to be oblong. The side away from the sun glowed pink and a sort of translucent blue." Estimated height was 45-50,000 feet. The UFO appeared to be "standing still against the wind" and disappeared when it rose into the upper haze.

Trench regards this as a good and reliable sighting. Admittedly Miss Connor should be a reliable observer and I have no doubt that she reported exactly what she saw. But the great question of what this was remains unanswered. It could have been a weather balloon. *Flying Saucer Review* made no attempt to investigate this possibility. But, without official co-operation it would have been difficult to do so.

But not all UFO investigators lack criticism. There are many people investigating the mystery who prefer to remain in the background. They feel that the subject tends to be ridiculed by the general public and prefer to carry out their work on their own without publicity. Some of these people are scientists.

Men like Doctor Clifford Thornton, a 37-year-old doctor of philosophy who works as a scientific and statistical consultant. He also runs a business which specialises in developing special equipment for mineral prospecting. Dr. Thornton, of Hampstead, London, is a short, perky man who walks with a limp acquired while serving with the Armoured Corps during the war. One of his great interests is gravity. Through this he was brought into touch with Flying Saucers, although he is one of the many who abhor this term for UFOs.

Gravity Theory

In 1950 Thornton wrote a thesis entitled "The Unified Field Theory" which dealt with many aspects of gravity which had never before been examined. This had a great success and is still used in many universities all over the world by students in this field of research. It was in 1950, too, that he first became interested in UFOs. "Many aspects of this phenomenon," he says, "have a very close bearing to my work on gravity."

His first delving into the literature written on the subject of UFOs was not encouraging. He still has no hesitation in describing all of it as "science fiction." He makes one exception. This is the book "The Report on Unidentified Flying Objects," by Edward Ruppelt, one-time head of the USAF "Project Blue-Book" investigation into the mystery. This book is, indeed, one reliable volume on the subject. It does not state that UFOs are interplanetary, but it is the most convincing book ever written to prove that they exist.

Since 1950 Thornton has himself reached the conclusion that UFOs exist. He has done more. Helped by many friends, some of them scientists like himself, he has been able to classify these objects into fourteen different categories. They range from small "saucers" only ten inches in diameter, to huge, cigar-shaped objects up to a mile in length. These never descend lower than the very fringes of our atmosphere.

Dr. Thornton has also found out that UFOs have a periodic frequency and that sightings reach a peak every 2½ years. It was in early March that he told me that we could expect a crop of sightings towards the end of May. The recent spate of reports has shown how right he was.

"There is no positive evidence that UFOs come from outer space," says Thornton, "but all the available evidence seems to indicate that they do not come from this earth."

If pressed, he will advance the theory that UFOs may come from a solar system other than our own. "Our sun is a very

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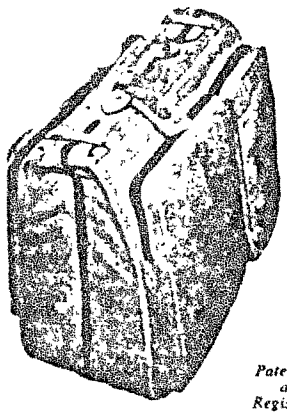

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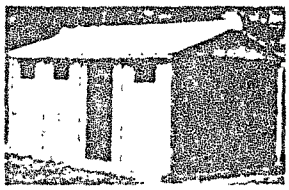

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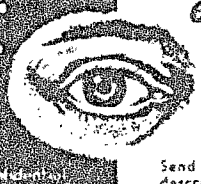

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SOMETHING IN THE SKY

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common type of star," he explains, "and there are many others like it in the Universe. It seems most likely that these stars will also have planets. UFOs could come from these planets."

Gravity still remains Dr. Thornton's main interest and he continues his researches. He has told me that it should soon be possible to build a device which would enable man to overcome gravity without recourse to wings or jet lift. If he has any success with this, then Dr. Thornton may be well on the way to building a Flying Saucer of his own!

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IS there no official inquiry into the Flying Saucer mystery? Two years ago the Air Ministry pronounced:

"About ninety per cent of the reports (of Flying Saucers) have been found to relate to meteors, balloons, flares and many other objects. The fact that the other ten per cent remain unexplained may be attributed to nothing more sinister than lack of data." And it has said very little else until May of this year. Then, Mr. George Ward, Secretary of State for Air, said, in answer to a question in the House, that there had been so far this year five objects sighted which could not be explained. This compared, he went on, with six in 1956, none in 1955 and six in 1954.

The Air Ministry will not elaborate on this statement. We are left to presume that the unidentifieds this year include the Wardle mystery and the radar sighting from West Freugh.

But there are many people, other than the ardent saucer fans, who would like to know the answer. People like ex-Squadron Leader Ernest Booker of Lower Hillmorton Road, Rugby. Just after 9 p.m. on Tuesday, October 23, last year, Mr. Booker, now a schoolmaster, saw a strange sight in the night sky.

"There were two lights," he said, "about twice the size of aircraft navigation lights seen from 1,500 feet and a light amber in colour. They were different from anything else I have ever seen." During the war Mr. Booker was a pilot—an instructor at the Central Flying School.

"The most mysterious thing about these lights was that they made no noise whatsoever," he continued. "They were moving fairly slowly against a light breeze from east to west, quite low, about 1,500 feet up. As they moved the lights seemed to oscillate a little, both lights moving together as if they were at front and rear of some object which I couldn't see in the darkness."

Many other people in the Rugby district saw them. The ex-Squadron Leader was quite sure that they were neither balloons nor gliders; neither an aircraft nor a searchlight reflecting on a cloud. What they were he does not know, but he would very much like to know.

And so the saucer mystery moves on. Perhaps by August, 1959, when according to Dr. Thornton's theory, another peak period of sightings is due, we may know something more about these things. Perhaps some major discovery may have been made. And then UFOs might break into the biggest sensation of the century.

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Dear Sirs,

Please find enclosed a copy of [redacted] amateur publication CNK. I have sent it to you as [redacted] have carried an 'open remark' addressed to the M.O.D concerning the Suffolk and other UFO landings which have been taking place in England.
On page 21 is the part I would like you to read and if you would be so kind as to answer so that I may publish your answer. It IS a valid question and one that should be answered.

Incidently, I have NEVER sent to you any UFO sightings, although I once had three forms printed in triplicate on such, one was intended for your perusal. If in future you WOULD like me to send in anything I consider important, would that be in order?

If, as I read, the national security of England is ultimately in your hands, and you would advise certain aspects of UFOLOGY should NOT be published, as England's defence means my safety too, then by all means let me know what NOT to print.

Meanwhile, as MY safety matters to me, and to us ALL, why is it then that when we get these 'landing cases' the M.O.D doesn't investigate. Surely that's what it should do? If you don't lock your doors at night..... if you see what I mean. (Somthing might slide in unnoticed) therefore I think it ought to BE investigated, and this promted me to write page 21 to you....

I hope this letter has been constructive in both aspects, and I would like your reply to it. (for publication).

Please note that as I forgot to send you this issue, it is an odd copy I had, and not really up to the quality. You may keep it.

Yours sincerely,

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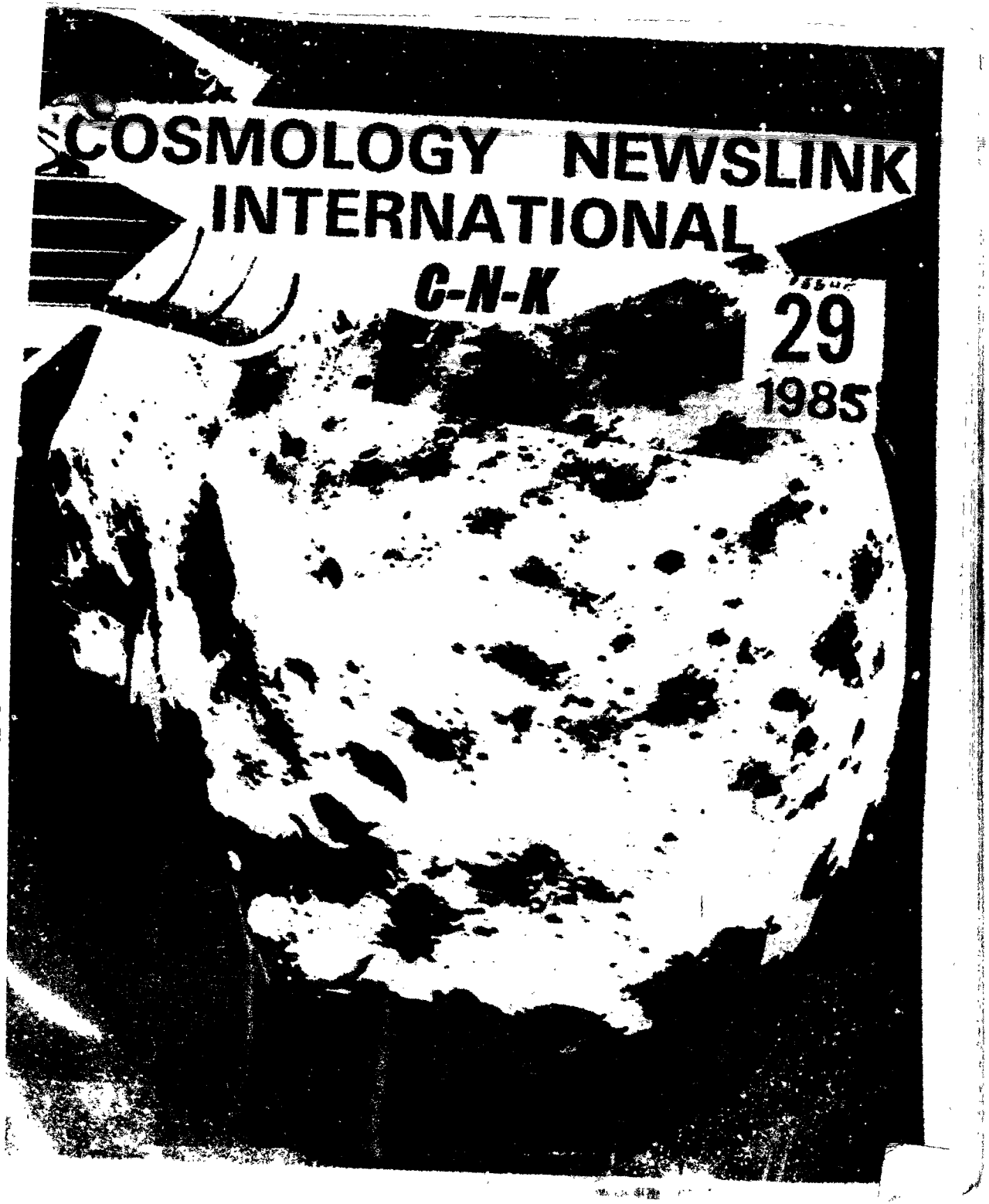

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SUMMER 1985

Long - By Edward Harris, Editor.

EDITORIAL



WHAT IS A MAGAZINE? It is a collection of facts and news and it is also something to store something in. I hope that I have in store in this one will be to your liking. CNK, for short, was incepted in JUNE 1972, and has had its ups and downs like many others. CNK's troubles lie around the method of production-namely duplicating. Our machine is, at this issue nearly on its last gasp. It has been working faithfully since 1968 non-stop and has churned out much material. In the beginning, my good friend and sub editor of long standing, David Prockter, complained that I should get up off my knees from the floor, way back in the 1960's, trying to do 3-colour duplicated photos, and stick to RECOGNISEABLE pictures.

In saying that, David meant that most of the photos in CNK were not clear and sharp enough for anyone to be recognised. IN THIS ISSUE, I hope, at least some of them are recognisable. In the past, this was largely to do with the fact that I had to send my photos, and artwork away to have them processed for the duplicating-mimeograph process. If that company did not do its job correctly, I had to put upwith it for several reasons, even if I did send the work back. Now I own my own electronic scanning machine, as do most owners of duplicated sheets. If I do not like what I see, I just cut another one, at my own expense.

SOME OTHER amateur magazines use photocopiers, and others use expensive lithographics. At least, this is a FAST and cheap way of productions-apart from wear and tear. THEREFORE I hope that with this issue, all the gallery of photos you see here should be of somewhat clearness. Because of the past being NOT SO GOOD, I have re-reproduced old photos of UFO personalities, which have appeared in CNK publications in the past for those of you who could never see thhem. For example, people complained that if they ever met me in person, they would not be able to recognise me from the scruffy colour or black and white photo I printed. Now, as you can see, you are going to get a chice of several photos, where possible, of the same person through the years, so if you do chance to meet up in public, I hopefully think that now you should be able to recognise each other.

A LITTLE CNK HISTORY

FOR NEW READERS, I will give a brief outline on CNK and I have reproduced in this issue some items from past issues.

CNK was first produced by myself and my wife Rita , by the letterpress method in June 1972. Anyone who has set up type by hand knows just how long and tedious this is. Because of this Issue 1, was part Letterpress, and part Litho, and the rest duplicated(RITA, Left) It was on Sale with Flying Saucer Review in Watkins Bookshop, London. CNK in the 1970's was a COSMIC ORANGE. It was segmented as you will see later. The colour photos lacked sparkle only due to poor inks. Finally we ended up in black and white.



THE HISTORY OF THIS MAGAZINE CONTINUED.

CNK GAINED IN popularity from 1972 to July 1979, when it finally closed 'NEVER TO APPEAR AGAIN'. This was due to two reasons. The first one was FINANCE. Because the magazine was and still is INTERNATIONAL, the postage costs made the price of CNK slightly inhibitive for those readers who obviously couldn't or finally wouldn't pay for them. Despite sad letters received from regular readers, the costs and the fact that the second reason was, we wanted to start up ANOTHER magazine, we decided the best thing to do was to fold up CNK for good.

WHY IS IT STILL HERE!? Well, only just! CNK still continued to receive exchange magazines from all over the World, and encouraging letters too. I did not want to stop receiving these, so I put out CNK for EUROPE instead. It was the cheper way. By not being involved with English copies the costs went down, and CNK continued. Naturally people in Europe do not all speak English. Therefore it was also a good excuse for me to learn several European Languages. I was now committed. I had to produce CNK in German, Swedish, Italian, Danish, a tiny bit of French, and then nearly too- Russian. This took up many many man hours with various foriegn dictionaries in my hand, translating both ways. Sometimes hilarious, sometime fine. But CNK continued.

There always now has to be an 'excuse' for me to 'bring out another issue'. So because the climate was right... out came two more issues. THE STANSTEAD SPACE SHUTTLE ISSUE 28 and the SUFFOLK UFO LANDING CASE issue 27.

The excuse for THIS issue is that I have a backlog of UFO and other data to get out, and ultimately dispose of, being within these pages now. BUT I MUST ADMIT that is closing down CNK I have lost all my circulation.

Those who I sent copies to last time in good faith, still have not sent in their payment. That was 1984! Come now Lads and Lassies, if this magazine is to make anything of a comeback its up to you to support it. I don't MIND giving CNK away in an exchange or as a first SAMPLE copy, but we can't do it for all and sundry.

NUMBERS MUDDLE

THIS ISSUE OF CNK IS REALLY ISSUE 30. DUE TO OUR GERMAN ISSUE being No. 1 for Europe, it was no.26 the WHOLE number. [illegible]ise, No 2 for EUROPE was Number 27 WHOLE NUMBER. THEREFORE THE SUFFOLK LANDING ISS SHOULD HAVE BEEN ISSUE 28, not 27. This was an oversight o part. Isuue 28 THE SPACE SHUTLLE ISSUE was supossed to be 29 . THEREFORE THIS ISSUE WILL HAVE TO SHARE A JOINT NUMBE 29/30 to try to sort out the puzzle and bring the whole nu back again in the right order. Obviously those issues now out cannot be recalled and altered, therefore I have taken action for those of you who are collecting CNK for librari

M O V I N G

COSMOLOGY NEWSLINK has moved address three times since 197 because of this also, some of your letters, some containin scriptions, or single payments have only just been discove in the last few weeks. We are terribly sorry about this. A they are about three years old, hopefully the reader will be at his address when he or she receives this issue...out the blue, now!

T H E F U T U R E

WHO KNOWS what the future may bring. It is very nice to vi what could happen to CNK in the next 5 years. Maybe we wi another method of production which will make it QUICKER ar to produce, as well as cheaper. Maybe we will get back our CIRCULATION of 1975-80, and that will get us back again on manent basis. IT IS ENTIRELY UP TO THE SUBSCRIBER. If you send us your payments, and YOU know who you are, then unle can get advertising cover CNK will only appear sporodicall

BUT, CNK COULD WELL vanish for good, along with all the c The reasons are numerous. Family committments. CNK only ha producer, myself. I get no help in the production side fro body. I DO get help article wise, but that is all. What be me effects the magazine. It would be nice if when I get to of it to pass it on to someone else...but there lies the p nobody seems to want it. TELEVISION and TELEPHONES are pa to blame. I must admit, I too am addictedto the small scre times. Maybe one day magazines will cease to look like t and will be contained on video tape, or similar storage. I the main it is far easier to flick through a book than ha find what you are looking for on a TV screen.

Well, there you have it. CNK could well vanish. It is ke mainly because of MY enthusiasm. CNK IS YOUR VOICE. YOU (US TO SAY WHAT YOU WANT in cosmological circles. It is th board'for you to write on.Lets hear from you. For now its WELCOME BACK to the 1980's. EDWARD HARRI

Many readers of CNK have often asked me, now, and in the past, what Issue ONE looked like, and did I have any back issues? Now for the FIRST time I am reproducing, as best as I can ISSUE ONE for JUNE 1972: Issue 1. was in colour, inc.photos.

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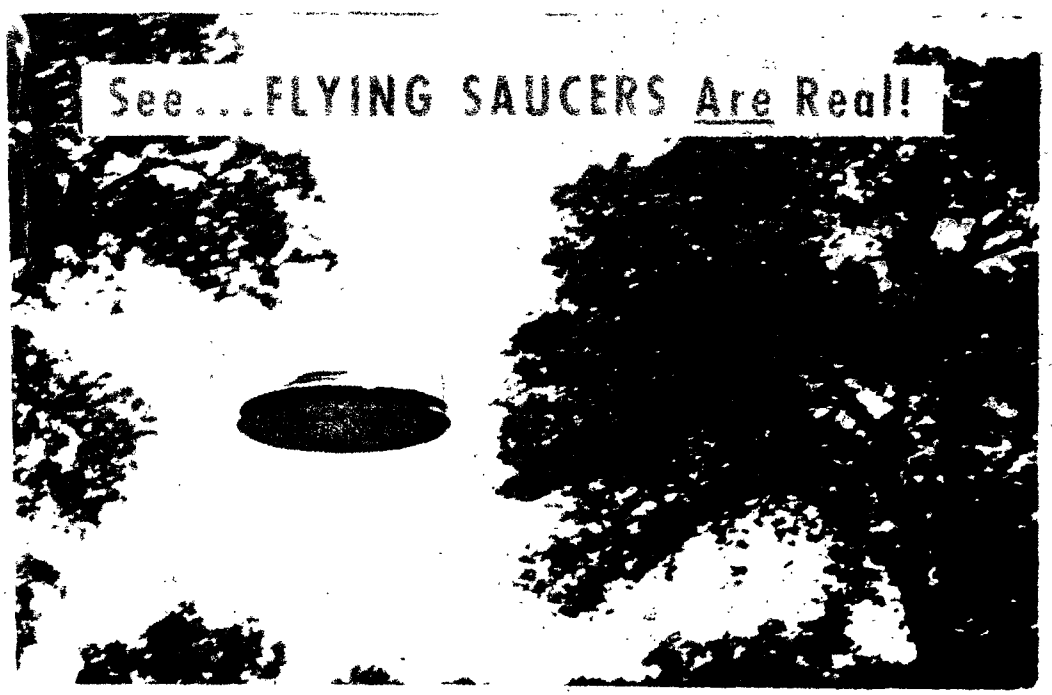

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EDITORIAL

It has been 22 years now since that famous UFO sighting by Ken Arnold, and we are no closer to them today.

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It is with deep regret we announce the closure of Canada's pioneer U.F.O journal SAUCERS SPACE and SCIENCE.

After 15 years work and the last 3 of deliberation, it's editor Gene Duplantier explains: " Fifteen years and 64 issues, is quite a hunk out of an editor's life. We never thought we would solve the UFO mystery.. as others thought we would...and we have not.

It's been like a long walk DOWN AN ENDLESS TUBE. Still NO ANSWERS IN SIGHT as to whome, what, where and why of the UFOs existance. "

This is only partly reasons for its closure. SS&S UFOzine will be sadly missed.

'eyebrows are raised' those you considered to be your friends or acquaintances will walk less and frequent less with you, you will become an oddity simply because you have the audacity to indicate what you feel is at heart the truth of the matter! I know, I speak from experience.
BUT NO MATTER, TRUTH or our understanding of it was NEVER POPULAR, NEVER ACCLAIMED BY THE MAJORITY!

This aspect of Ufology may cause dismay and even dissent among Ufologists, especially those who hold hard to their 'nut and bolt' Conceptions.

THE SUGGESTION THAT THERE MAY BE METAPHYSICAL OVERTONES ASSOCIATED WITH UFOs MAY PROVE UNPOPULAR AND BE RECEIVED with no little incredulity.

But truth is ever 'stranger than fiction'. This observation appleis not only to the study of UFOs but to many other expressions of human thought and activity.
Indeed our whole range of materialistic conceptions and conditions could themselves be in serious question, especially when viewed in the wider context of swifly changing situations on a global scale presently, and in the foreseeable future.

It is possible in view of these and many other far-reaching considerations affecting the destiny of the human race and his natural habitat and the many othe rnatural inhabitants which have no vocal means of expressing their concern that the UFO and associated phenomena may in effect be a 'sign,' a cautionary note being sounded or shown from on high! Relative aspects AND further issues ARISING FROM THIS SPECIFIC LOOK AT THE PROBLEM OF FLYING SAUCERS WILL APPEAR IN THE NEXT ISSUE: COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED from INTERESTED READERS.

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Slowly bnt surely, I came round to the conclusion that there was more in it than meets the eye. It appeared to be something deeper and more intangible than mere technological or practical considerations, perhaps there were metaphysical and even spiritual associations involved in it all,

In common with most interested researchers, I pursued the conventional round of enquiry - reading of selective books and journals, attending meetinns and lectures, participating indiscussions and dialogues, taking part in skywatches, engaging in press and private correspondence with interested members of the public, studying reports and sightings, ect. (I still engage in this basic ground work of resarch).

It was later I camc to read the book UFOS - OPERATION TROJAN HORSE by John A. Keel the American journalist and ufologist who made what is claimed to be 'an exhaustive study of unidentified flying objects'.

While I do not accept all that Mr. Keel writes on the subject, yet there is much that he states which is worthy of serious consideration. I would quote the following comment: "A major but little explored aspect of the UFO phenomenon is therefore theological and philosophical, rather than purely scientific. The UFO problem can never be untangled by physicists and scientists, unless they are men who have been schooled in the liberal arts, theology and philosophy. Unfortunately, most scientific disiples are so demanding that their practitiouers have little time or aptitude to study complicated subjects outside their own immediate fields of interest.'

A further statement by Mr. Keel relating to the same line of thought, is also worthy of note: "History psychiatry and the occult have proved to be far more important than the many books which simply recount the endless sightings of aerial anomalies..."

I am inclined to agree with him in this observation. In my follow - up work, I try to go into the matter in greater depth and ascertain what the real significance is and how it affects mankind today, individually and collectively. This aspect could lead us into the very heart of the whole phenomenon! But please remember, this calls for a truly 'open mind' it calls likewise for bravery of a very high order, what I call 'moral courage' because once you infer there are metaphyiscal or esoteric associations with UFOs or Flying Saucers, then you are in for trouble

UFO TALK

GENERAL TOPICS OF INTEREST

UFO?! GOD OR SATAN? ELECTRIC OR MAGNETIC?

By Leo V Bartsch



Electricity seems to be taken - for granted, as something made and harnessed by man; or was until the great black out of North-east U.S.A on Nov.9th 1965. Here was something that could not happen (but did). The Federal Power Commission was red-faced trying to figure it out.

We suddenly discovered electricity was not something natural harnessed by man, but could be supernatural and not controlled by man.

On July 29th 1968 in Washington D.C. there were hearings before Congress on Science and Astronautics; also a symposium on UFO. One scientist said the cause of the power pulse which precipitated the great North east blackout has never been identified, (copy available). And another strange thing, a Washington Senator said the most respect he had ever received from the people of New York City was during the great blackout. Many UFO were seen. Something supernatural happened here. There was very little looting people suddenly became friendly and showingrespect one for another, as if they felt this was no accident, nor the works of man.

Yet we learn nothing from all this. We still try to cover up the unexplained which seems to be the only thing this mad world will respect.

Scientists have learned in just the past

CONCLUSION AND OUR POLICY ON UFOs

Cosmology Newslink's policy on unidentified flying objects is based on the statements and article seen on pages 4 & 5, also on our own investigations into them. Our policy is now as follows:-

'We would like to believe that UFOs exist; so we hope to find evidence, in some form other than photographic and present an overall picture on them in general.

We hope not to give up the long walk down an endless road in sheer frustration, but continue to seek for answers until we can reach the satisfactory conclusion that the whole world has for centuries been waiting for.

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SIGHTINGS

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People come from the world over to see the famous 'Southport Flower Show', but there was an unexpected attraction besides the blooms in 1971 when people coming from the grounds on the night of August 25th saw an unexplained bright object in the sky.

I spoke to keen amateur astronomer Eric Jackson, a 15 year old member of the Southport Astronomical Society Eric lives at Banks (a few miles out from the town centre of Southport) where the oject seemed to be centred.

At 10.27 that night he was looking through his telescope at the star Denebe in the swan when a bright object caught his eye. He described it as bluish white with a white centre. Not unlike a star, but far too bright to be seen from a telescope. There seemed to be light radiating from it in the way a child draws the sun. It was Stationary and remained so for about ten seconds position being a degree and a half south of Cephei, a degree and a half south of Pegasi and South of Pegasi.

It began to move and took the form of a rocket flame leaving an orange trail of about half a degree in length behind it.
slowly it increased in brilliance to eight magnitude and then suddenly died out. As soon as this had happened a most extraordinary noise took to the air. This noise can best be described as a cracklig sound of a very high volumn. It was definitely not a sonic boom. Whatever it was, it was

ten years that space is not mpty,It is alive (yes alive) ith magnetic forces, with louds of electrically char- ed gases, and great storms f charged atomic particles. Where do they come from? Washington UPI said: Mysterious radio signals re received from outerspace nd the apparent power of his transmitter is ten - illion times the power pow- r produced on earth!

ricity which are still a mystery to man. Matt.17:20 tells us "If ye have faith asa grain of mustard seed.. nothing shall be impos sible to you." And in 1st. John 3;22,What soever we ask we receive of him because we keep his commandments.Where are these people?Jesus said in Mark 7:6People honoreth me with their lips. Yes with words...

That was part of page 13 in issue one as well as most of the issue reproduced. As you can see it really was seggented into catagories. LITS, PHILOSOPHICAL, CLOSE ENCOUNTERS, and RIGHT INSIDE THOSE UFOS, was the policy. To follow one example on page 14 was:

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We have obtained some near documented reports of a UFO landing which has been taki- ng place every 5 years of so not far from this part of Essex.However, we have been requested not to publish the details until the next issue by the witness, who was taken on board nearly 25-30 years ago.

One thing is clear in all the contact cases and that is not ONE single photograph has been taken of aliens we we have had some reasonably good drawings..but that is all!

road in their truck when they saw a li- ght in the sky, and at first thlought it was a plane, but it came towards them until it finally came up in the field beside their truc hovering several feet above the ground. It stopped there and Edythe stopped the truc She and her son got out the daughter was terrified and cried and screamed, she did- not want her mother to get out. However the stood on the road wavin their arms and yelling at the top of their lun

UFO BURNS MAN.Source: Midwest UFO Report USA.

The strange case of Bea ford Parham.A Wellford, a Georgia man. He said he was driving home from a business tr to Atlanta, Geiorgia an was near Levonia when circular object came hi ing down and stopped i the air like a humming bird, over his car.Par said"I was travelling 65 or 75 mph, but when the object approached, the car engine began t slow down.He said it seemed attracted by the car's headlights. The bottom potion was whirr ing in one direction and the upper part in opposite direction.

Then on page 18 we saw an attempt to find the Flying Saucer 'astronauts' on Earth. Were such beings walking around amomg us on Earth.?

The magazine also had a TACT section, which de with the scientific an searching for life on planets.

It concerned the aims the USA and other coun searching for what the NEW SCIENCE EXOBIOLOGY means of Radio Astrono

EXTRATERRESTRAILS ON E Section on page 18. In first issue, we dealt the phenomenon of the IN BLACK. This was the interest,at the time, young Beryl Wallace, b



THE HUMANOIDS

Penthouse magazine, and a French UFO magazine plus ma other researchera published articles on beings said t have left their craft, done what they wanted to do, a entered their craft and left the earth. It seemed the were 7 types of creature, some sqaut and small, other tall, and even some hairy. Some had a friendly outlook towards the humans they encountered, others kidnapped earth people, and took them aboard their craft for medical and in one known case, sexual experiments. That was featured on page 20, and is too detailed to reproduce here.

Some more pages from issue one on Cosmology Newslink:
page 23

*the address below is now not applicable.

A more frightening multi-witness case occurred in Flatwoods, Virginia on september 12 1952. At sunset on that day a group of boys saw what they took to be a meteor coming down on a nearby hill.

They set off to havea closer look and on the way stopped at the home of Mrs. Kathleen Hill.Mrs.Hill,her two sons, and a 17-yearold National Guardsman called Gene Lemon, j the boys and made their way to th top of the hill.

The 'meteor", a globe-shaped object'as big as a house'was emitting a most unmeteor-like throbbing or hissing sound.Next surprise:one of the group noticed a large creature in the branches of a tree and shone his flashlight at it.

The light revealed huge(10or15foot) monster with blood-red face and orange eyes. As it seemd to 'float' towards them, they all promptly turned tail and fled hysterically back down the hillside. Many of them were violently sick during the night-presumably the effect of shock.

Next morning the incident was reported to the editor of the local newspaper who came out with sev...eral investigators to search the area where the 'thing' had been seen.

They found plenty of traces, including two parallel skid rks an rge circular area of fl and all the vistitor fled to a strange a which lingered close

The Flatwoods case reds in which myste been found afterwar cent of UFO landing accompanied by evi patches on the gro footprints,unre metals(these ar by Government seen again.)Th can be substan bers of police vestigators wh marks of the h the cold light

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CLOSE-UP ON UFOLOGISTS:

GENE DUPLANTIER

Gene Duplantier, Ex-Editor of the regular SS&S magazine of Canada, talked recently to a reporter from Mirror Topics on November 10 1971.

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By Ben Freedman. Staff writer.

When Gene Duplantier was 4 years old,he read Buck Rogers comic strips "From then on,"Says the Willowdale commercial artist," My eyes were really into outer space."

When he's not working at his profession,Duplantier delves into another world-the realm of the unknown.Gene Duplantier is a UFO investigator and reporter. Duplantier is editor of Canada's first UFO magzine (editor's note: this was in 1971)-Saucers Space and Science. It had a world-wide readership.

"I know they exist.I don't



Gene Duplantier 46 at his Willowdale home in Ontari

care if people believe me not"he says,"It comes dow to a very basic thing.If can go to the moon now an in 1974 expect to send mc unmanned satellites to Ma and in 1976 plan a grand tour of the outer planets our solar system,then wha about other planets in ot galaxies,possibly millior years ahead of us? They c be visiting us.Or even be behind us in development, are a little flea-bite p et.If we can go out there what is so strange about them coming here?

Duplantier h een UFO up cl h

That then was basically Issue One of CNK.Now you all have seen i

WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT UFO's

& WHAT THE U. S. GOVERNMENT KNOWS

By The Editor

This article deals primarily about the FAKES, which in the past have been put over to the whole country as fact, by well meaning television stations, and well meaning cameramen.

What we know about UFO's and what other countries know, will also be looked at in this unpublished by us, article: IN THE SUN Newspaper for, August 1979, they put together and interesting article which, I hope other ufologists will allow me now to pull to pieces, in the light of new information from equipment, plus plain common sense, and recent UFO sightings which were not. Here we go...

THE SUN SAYS: (By ALAN BESTIC for the Sun)

ARE WE BEING KEPT IN THE DARK ABOUT THOSE BRIGHT, MYSTERIOUS OBJECTS IN THE SKY?

CNK SAYS: NOT ALL MYSTERIOUS OBJECTS IN THE SKY ARE UFO'S. Most BRIGHT objects are seen at night. This could almost anything. We have seen them ourselves and at best they are meteors breaking up, and glowing as they enter the atmosphere. I have not yet seen ONE BRIGHT UFO in the DAYTIME. Have you?

SUN: Are they real or just pie in the sky? Do they contain beings from other planets spying on Earth, or are they merely tricks of earthbound imaginations?

CNK: IT IS BELIEVED THAT ONLY 1% OF ALL UFO SIGHTINGS HAVE NO EXPLANATION. Therefore we must have an open mind, and BECAUSE THERE IS LIFE ON AT LEAST ONE PLANET IN SPACE, FORMED BY AMINO ACIDS, THEN THERE MUST, AT SOME TIME OR OTHER BE LIFE ELSEWHERE. That planet is the earth-you and me- us! What state of development other planets are in regards life, nobody knows.

SUN: Around 2,000 people throughout the world claim to have met UFO humanoids.

CNK: A FRUSTRATING ANSWER TO THIS. The obvious thing that springs to mind is WHY do it dogedly?

THE GREAT UFO COVER UP from The Sun August 22 1979

BRITISH UFO watchers believe our defence chiefs have hel an American cover-up about UFOs.

So far, they say, the Defence Ministry have failed to e an amazing sequence of sightings, some by RAF officers. Dyfed Triangle around St.Bride's Bay in West Wales.

Mrs Pauline Coombs claims she was chased by a UFO as sh her children home to Ripplestone Farm. As she reached it wiring burnt out. That was in January 1977.Before the ye out she and her husband Billy reported seeing UFO's at c quarters many times.

CNK COMMENT: I think it is odd that after UFO's have be and reported in a certain area, they then are never seen in that area for a long time. Isn't that strange! It sma a secret government invention being tested out, which wh DISCOVERED is quickly withdrawn when it is reported from 'secret' testing area, or in the night : or a a time when us should be in bed. In other words, a man made machine has not q te ready for use, or will NEVER be revealed d its very nature. THINK ABOUT IT! Radar was secret at or

SUN: They also say they saw 7ft tall (approx 2½m)figure glowing silver clothes and helmets.

Across St.Bride's Bay, Mrs Rosa Grenville, an honours s who runs the Haver Fort Hotel with her husband, Eddie, she saw UFO's land twice. Weird figures got out and prov around.

At Broadhaven school, 14 children aged between 10 and their headmaster they had seen a UFO land 200 yards fror they were playing. He separated them and told them to d they saw. Their drawings matched. So did their reports. headmaster Richard Llwhelin said: "Children of that age capable of maintaining such an elaborate hoax."

CNK: As if in answer to my above comments we see:-

SUN continued: It is an area bristling with defence est ments, SOME HIGHLY SECRET.(capitals ours). The RAF con a flood of reports and said the sightings did not match operations. (well it wouldn't if it was secret-would it

But on June 15, 1977, the then Paliametary Under-secre for Defence, Mr. James Wellbeloved told local Tory M.P. olas Edwards --now Mrs.Thatcher's Secretary for Wales-- apart from Mrs Grenville, one report by the Ministry ha record of unusual activity in the area.

CNK SAYS: WHY? WHY DIDN'T THE GREAT MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

RECORD OF THIS ACTIVITY??? If the MOD are SO ALL FIRED CONCERNED ABOUT DEFENCE INPLICATIONS, THIS COULD WELL HAVE BEEF A SNEAK ATTACK..TUT TUT MOD, ARE YOU ALL ASLEEP IN THERE! Wake UP MOD, tell us what's going on, stop pretending you don't know. AND IF YOU DON'T REALLY KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON BEHIND YOUR BACKS, YOU SHOULD ALL RESIGN AND GIVE THE JOB TO SOMEONE ELSE MORE COMPETENT!-Editor. Is that the REAL reason WHY every time there's a UFO sighting reported to them they are asleep? This issue will be sent to you for your comments.

SUN, continued : When pressed, a Ministry spokesman told me:

"We accept that reports were made by sane, rational people. A hundred people do not imagine they saw something.

"But no physical evidence was found that anything has happened.

"We only investigate UFOs to find whether there is a threat to our defences.

"If there is no threat, that is the end of the matter. We do not investigate whether UFOs exist or what causes them."

Asked who decided there was no danger to highly sensitive defence areas, the spokesman added: "We are not prepared to discuss how we investigate."

CNK SAYS: The reason for this is obvoius. THEY CAN'T INVESTIGATE. THAT WAS A FOB -YOU -OFF ANSWER. THEY CAN'T INVESTIGATE UFOS IF, (a) they ARE a man made top secret machine being tested out for the last 25 years or so and (b) If the UFO is of extraterrestrail origin, no government on earth has the power to investigate such a device. Nations are powerless against such craft. And because of this lack of power to investigate, the public are given hogwash from the MOD and other departments. It wouldn't be good public relations would it, if the public knew that UFOs CAN'T BE controlled by the MOD or anybody else. That would make them look WEAK in their eyes. This then may be the theory behind why such answers are given out by all governments, because they have no control over a 'potential enemy.' TRUE MOD?or what do you say to that? Or is the broken record, or parrott still in operation?

Sun contiued: BOTH AMERICA and Russia believe that UFOs are spacecraft manned by beings from other planets spying on earth.

Yet for 30 years both have cynically maintained a massive cover-up - using lies, ridicule and threats to dismiss the possiblity of close encounters of the third kind.(CONTACT).

Therse are the sensational claims made in a controve
The UFO Phenomenon by Johannes Von Buttlar, which all
have all been duped by the cover-up of the century.

The book, already a bestseller in Germany, accuses A
Central Intelligence Agency, and Russia's KGB of:
DENYING the evidence of UFO's despite millions of sig
intelligent, respected people while...
BATTLING behind the scenes to capture the technology
mean world supremacy--the secrets of the flying sauce
Von Buttlar says that:
*WHEN THE CIA were told by investigators that UFO's a
certainly extra-terrestrail visitors, they launched P
Grudge. This was to make the world believe that all
ports were hallucinations, mistakes, or deliberate de
* WHEN A RUSSIAN inquiry also decided that UFO's were
the CIA put on pressure through the American Space Ag
make Moscow announce that flying saucers did not exis
*THE US ARMED FORCES issued orders in 1951 and 1953 t
servicemen and civil airline pilots with $5,000 fines
year jain terms for publishing guenuine UFO reports.
CNK SAYS: Sometime ago, it was said that UFO'S DID NOT
We now believe, that if that IS the case, then there
awful lot of fuss, as you can see from the above, for
which doesn't exist?????
Sun Continued:"Only false statements and ficticious re
be published" they were told. "All REAL reports must
as secret and forwarded to the appropriate authorities
CNK: Back in the late 60's and early 70's when on a
watch your editor met Warminster's Arthur Shuttlewood,
said to me that he had heard that the army in the are
given instructions that if a UFO were to crash land i
vicinity, they were to capture it, or and, kill the o
and get its secret of flight at all costs. Has this
or what? Is rumours of a captured UFO in a Hangar in
in the 1950's TRUE.(The Sun continued:)
*IN 1955, the secret services of America and Russia,
Britain, meeting in Geneva, agreed that the public sh
told nothing about UFO's
* WHEN AMERICA'S NAVY Secretary Dan Kimball reported
disc-shaped objects circling his plane on a flight to
in 1952, he was told it would be better for him to ke
if he wanted to stay in office.
*SUICIDE VERDICTS were recorded on two top US scienti
died after studying UFO's. Professor Robert Jessup w

in a gas-filled car in 1959. Professor James Macdonald died with a bullet in his head in 1971. A friend of Jessup said: "He knew too much. They wanted him out of the way."

The CIA denied any cover-up when approached by Sun reporters. A spokesman said the Agency stopped monitoring UFO's in 1953. But our investigations reveal that CIA agents were still probing UFO's as late as 1975--and telling people they interviewed not to disclose their interest.

And in his book, Von Buttlar says that the CIA have been taking UFO's very seriously, even while maintaining a flood of public denial.

In 1957 a CIA official admitted: "One thing is for sure, were being observed by beings from outer space."

And two inquiries in 1959 and 1969 both reported that a third of all UFO sightings could not be explained away.

If the authorities take UFO's so seriously why don't they admit it?

Acording to Von Buttlar, it's all a cold war ploy.

From 1945 onwards, Von Buttlar says, both America and Russia were convinced that UFO's were spectacular advanced technology their rivals had captured from the Nazis.

Orders went out to capture one, by shooting it down if necessary.

On January 7, 1948, U.S. Air Force Captain Thomas Mantell closed in fast on a strange silvery object over Fort Knox, Kentucky.

"It's a disc," he radioed to ground staff watching on radar.

"It could be 80 yards in diameter. Upper surface has a ring and a dome...the thing's giantic. It's flying unbelievably fast. I can see windows. Now..."

His voice cut out. Wreckage of his plane was found scattered over an area a mile wide.

Immediatly a top level inquiry bean to see if national security was threatened. The investigators said what Mantell chased was probably a spaceship and urged publication of their report.

Instead Air Force Chief of Staff General Hoyt S. Vandenburg ordered : "Burn it".

CIA leaders decided that if the mystery visitors were from other planets, they must capture a UFO before the Russians did. They also decided to throw Moscow off the scent by debunking UFO's. But says Von Buttlar, th reached similar conclusions.

THE SECURITY SHIELD ON BOTH SIDES OF THE IRON CURT WAS REINFORCED AS BOTH NATIONS STEPPED UP THEIR ATTEMP TO CAPTURE A UFO.

In 1953, ground radar controllers saw a U.S. plane and it was chasing converge over Lake Mitchigam - then there only one dot on their screens. No trace of the plane or was ever found.

CNK SAYS: I wonder why in this case, and I'm sure it m been covered up, that to get at the truth, that there W an incident, investigators should have interviewed the of the missing pilots. etc. Sometimes a cover up is so according to what I read, that the authorities can even you believe the plane in question never even existed.

SUN : A year later, over New York State, the engine a of a jet closing in on a UFO inexplicably failed. The t crew baled out as their cockpit became unbearably hot, jet crashed. In 1957, when Russian anti-aircraft batte near Moscow opened up on UFO's, the entire electrical s the missile base went out of action. (CNK adds, this is of PREVENTING a nuclear war-pull the plug out).

Man's new advance into space brought new sightings.

Astronauts James Mcdivitt and Ed White saw a silver o with antenna as they circled earth aboard Gemini 1V in

Top NASA experts in Houston dismissed it as their boos rocket in orbit alongside them.

But MaDevitt said: "It was in the wrong place at the w time for that."

Other US astronauts have reported brightly shining cap on their journeys. But NASA consistently denies that the spacecraft.

Astronaut Gordon Cooper says; "The American Space Agen and Government know very well that intelligent beings fr other worlds regularly visit our planet to enter into di contact and observe us. They have an enormous amount of but have kept quiet in order not to alarm people."

Von Buttlar says that when Jimmy Carter was campaiging presidency, he promised to "reveal all" about UFO's. He done so.

British UFO experts agree with Von Buttlar that there h a cover up. Lord Clancarty, founder-president of Contact national, the world's largest UFO group told me: "I am s

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that the truth about UFO's has been kept from the public. And we have gone along with the Americans and Russians.
"But now a change is coming.
"In America the Freedom of Information Act is uncovering a great deal of hitherto secret information.
"And the Russians have changed their policy of secrecy. The State newspaper Izvestia is now reporting UFO sightings."
CNK SAYS; Is this only now because no power on earth has been able to capture one, or if it has, can't get it to 'go'. And therefore in frustration have actually turned to the public to HELP?? I wonder!
Isn't it about time the U,K. had its Freedom Of Information Act. Come on Lord Clancartly, don't just sit there-get one off to a good start-introduce a Bill or something. Ufology needs you more than ever while you are in this high position to accomplish some GOOD!-editor.(We have sent him a copy of this. I hope he reads all of this).
These have been extracts from the SUN, 1979 which in turn took extracts from: THE UFO PHENOMENON by J.Von Buttlar which was published in 1979 by Sidgwick And Jackson Ltd Price £6.95.
***IT WAS DUE TO THE AMERICAN FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT that averted a near cover-up at WOODBRIDGE Air Force Base in Suffolk, when a UFO landed there in 1980. All this can be read about in the book SKYCRASH by Brenda Butler and other researchers. From Neville Spearman, publishers. £7.00.

On page 27, is a report some good reader sent to me presumably from the U.S.A. It now falls in nicely with this article. Later we will examine the FAKES that I am sure, were given out as fact, in order to discredit.

Odds & Ends:
From Broux Marc UFO-21 , KONING ALBERTRAAT 40 3500 HASSELT Belgium. (1983)
A newsletter in English outlining their UFO aims for international friendship.
FROM GENE DUPLANTIER a new magazine DELVE No.1 1985.(similar to CNK in content)address 17, Shetland St., Willowdale,Ontario,Canada, M2T 1X5

What the U.S. Government Knows About Unidentified Flying Objects

by PETER GERSTEN

I do not know who sent me this report. Maybe it was CAUS,USA , also the date is unknown. But hopefully it is fairly recent in the 1970's (1978-9?) It is very welcome at this point in time.
INTRODUCTION: PETER A GERSTEN has been pressing the legal effort on behalf of UFO groups-such as CAUS (Citizen's Against UFO secrecy)P.O.Box 4743F, Arlington, Virginia, USA.) for several years. He has been waiting for the release of over two hundred CIA documents relating to UFO's. We hope he now has them.
In his statement Peter Gersten says: Over the past third of a century, the government's conduct with regard to UFO's has been characterised as nonfeasance, misfeasance and malfeasance. CAUS is a public-interest group. Formed to foster a review of the reality and significance of UFO's and the governments policies and practices regarding them. He has called on the governmebt to: 1)ADMIT THE PUBLIC HAS BEEN MISLED ABOUT UFO'S. 2).ACKNOWLEDGE THAT UFO'S EXIST. 3).REVERSE ITS POSITION THAT FURTHER SCIENTIFIC STUDY OF UFO REPORTS IS UNWARRANTED. CAUS seeks the immediate declassification and public dissemination of all official UFO documentation. They also believe the public has a right to an objective reappraisal of the implications of the UF phenomenon.

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Extract from WHAT THE US GOVERNMENT KNOWS ABOUT UFOS:-

At Last! New evidence for the existence of unconventional aerial objectsrelies no longer on the credibility of civilian reports but on the records of scientists, military personnel intelligence analysts, law enforcement officers and other reliable people. Their testimony can be found in three thousand pages of previously classified documents on UFOs released recently throughthe Freedom Of Information Act

over the past few years by the Departments of State/Army/Navy AIR Force/Defense, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, t h e National Security Agency, t h e etc.
This overwhelming evidence indicates that Unidentified Flying Objects DO exist, and that some of them are unconventional craft that(1)pose a threat to national security and (2) perform beyond the range of present day technological development. Furthermore, there i s evidence that our government has continually misinformed the public concerning thetrue significance of the UFO problem."
In late 1952, a memorandum was drafted for CIA Director Walter B. Smith's signature, to be sent to the Executive Secretary of the National Security Council. Subject was: "UFOs! The CIA had reviewed the situation which caused speculation in the press, and had been subject of concern."

It was the Director's opinion,- based on the review, that "this situation has possible implications for our security which trancended the interests of a single service. I therefore reccommend that this Agency and agencies of the Department of Defense be directed to formulate and carry out a program of intelligence and research required to solve the problem of instant positive identification of unidentified flying objects." A draft of a proposed National Security Council directive was attached to the memoramdum.
Unfortunately, it appears that the NSC directive fell by the wayside.
Now, twenty-nine years later, the 'current situation' contrary to official denials still poses serious implications for our national security.

UFO'S AS A THREAT

THE governmets position: "NO UFO REPORTED, INVESTIGATED AND EVALUATED BY THE AIR FORCE HAS EVER GIVENAN INDICATION OF A THREAT TO OUR NATIONAL SECURITY."
-US Air Force 1980.

The evidence:
DOD, USAF, and CIA documents reveal that during October, November, and December of 1975, reliable military personell repeadedly sighted unconventional objects in the vicinity of nuclear-weapons storage areas, aircraft alert areas, and nuclear/missile-control facilities at Loring Air Force Base, Maine; Wurtsmith AFB, Michigan; Malstrom AFB, Montana; Minot AFB; North Dakota and Canadian Air Forces Station, Ontario. Many of the sightings were confirmed by radar. At Loring AFB the interloper "demonstrated a clear intent on the weapon storage areas."

The incidents drew the attention of the CIA and other departments. Though the USAF informed the public and the press that individual sightings were isolated incidents, a USAF document says that "Security measures were coordinated with 15 Air Force bases from Guam to Newfoundland. It also reveals that the USAF conducted an investigation into the incidents but found no explanation for their occurrence. It appears USAF 'security measures' provided no protection against the 'invasion'. One month later, on January 21, 1976, UFOs '25 yards in diameter, gold or silver in color, with blue light on top, hole in middle, and red light on bottom" were observed near the flight line of Cannon AFB, New Mexico." Ten days later, on Jan. 31, a UFO was observed near a radar site at Elgin AFB, Florida. On July 30, 1976, a UFO was observed 'over the ammo storage area' at Fort Richie, Maryland.
FBI documents have revealed that throughout the years UFO's have been sighted by persons whose reliability is not questioned.', near highly sensitive military and government installations, including nuclear weapons design, construction, testing and stockpiling sites. Security officials were greatly alarmed by these incidents.

The evidence is clear and convincing that the Federal government has systematically misinformed the American people about the real threat to our national security posed by such UFO encounters.

UFO AS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY

The government's position: "THERE HAS BEEN NO EVIDENCE SUBMITTED TO OR DISCOVERED BY THE US, AIR FORCE THAT SIGHTINGS CATEGORIZED AS 'UNIDENTIFIED' REPRESENT TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENTS OR PRINCIPLES BEYOND THE RANGE OF PRESENT-DAY SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE."
U.S. AIR FORCE, 1980

Official documents have revealed many unconventional objects exhibiting advanced performance, of speed, size and shape, and maneuverability

A defense document reveals that on Sept. 19, 1976, American-made Iranian jets encountered several UFOs that exhibited a technology beyond present-day development. During the night-time encounter, one F-4 jet, upon approaching one of the UFOs, lost all instrumentation and communications functions. Another F-4's weapons-control panel became inoperable when

the pilot attempted to fire at the object.

The DIA evaluation officer refers to this incident as an "outstanding report," because the objects were seen by many witnesses of high credibility; the visual sightings had radar confirmation, similar electromagnetic effects were reported by three separate aircraft and physiological effects were reported by some of the crew members. Furthermore, the UFOs displayed an "inorinate amount of manouverability."

A State Dept. message (M (March 7 1957 from the American embassy in Algiers tells of "Strange machines" seen near Algerian military installations by 'respectable people. Some of the sightings were confirmed by radar. Another message from the US Embassy in Kuwait said that: (Nov'78) One UFO appearing over the northern oil fields "seemingly did strange things" to the pumping equipment. The pump is designed to shut down automacticallly if any failure occurs that could damge it. When the UFO appeared it shut down, But when the UFO "vanished," the system started up again automatically.

The presense of a highly sophisticated technology beyond our present-day development-seems obvious so WHY IS IT BEING IGNORED BY THE US GOVERNMENT?

A QUESTION OF SURVIVAL

"IT WOULD SEEM A LITTLE MORE OF THIS SURVIVAL ATTITUDE IS CALLED FOR IN DEALING WITH THE UFOs.
-National Security Agency 1968.

The evidence shows that some unconventional aerial object could provoke, intentionally or unintentionally, and international incident-with serios repercussions. In March 1967, an intercept technician with the USAF Security Service intercepted a communication between the pilot of a Russian made Cuban MIG-21 and his command concerning a UFO encounter. The technician has since stated that when the pilot attempted to fire at the object, the MIG and its pilot were destroyed by the UFO. Furthermore, the tecnician alleges that all reports, tapes, etc., were forwarded to the National Security Agency at their request. Not surprisingly later they issued a report UFO HYPOTHESIS AND SURVIVAL QUESTION (Oct 1979) under the U.S. Freedom of Info. Act. It says: "The leisurely scientific approach has too often taken precedence in dealing with the UFO question."

The Agency concluded that no matter what UFO hypothesis is considered, "all of them have serious survival implications."

Comparing the UFO problem to a rattlesnake on a forest path, the NSA report says, "you would have to treat the alarm as if it were a real andimmediate threat to your survival. Investigation would become an intensive emergency action to isolate the threat and to determine its precise nature. It would be geared to developing adequate defense measures in a minimum amount of time. It would seem a little more of this survival attitude is called for in dealing with the UFO problem.

THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AND UFOs
"FURTHER SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATION OF UFOs IS UNWARRANTED.
U.S. Air Force, 1980

Most disturbing is that after 32 years, a small percentage of UFOs still remains unidentified. The government has been concerned with the pyschological danger of UFOs but has been unwilling to consider the prospect some UFOs pose an ACTUAL physical threat. Fearful of this, the government deliberately chooses to debunk UFO reports and has misinformed the public as to the true importance of the phenomenon.

UFOs that have done all that you have just read about-DOES WARRANT further scientific study. Awareness of an advanced technology and potential threat is not an unreasonable pursuit. As the NAS agency indicates, it could be a matter of survival.

This document sent to CNK from 'someone' about 1981, I think, goes on to say that the now defunct USAF 20-year old PROJECT BLUE BOOK UFO STUDY hever had a chance to receive the 'outstanding report' from Iran. An Air Force document states:

"Reports of UFOs which could affect national security are made in accordance with JANAP 146 or Air Force Manual 55-11 and are not part of the Blue Book system." The Air Force's investigations were criticised as long ago as 1952 by the CIA. They complained that the U.S. Air Force's case-by-case investigations and explanations, were insufficiant to determine the exact nature of the phenomenon." The Air Force's sponsored "Condon Committee" study by the University of Colorado in 1968 nevereamestly intended to investigate the physical reality of the phenomenon. Indeed, an early memorandum by one of Dr. Edward U. Condom's staff indicates otherwise:

"The trick would be, I think to describe the project so that to the public, it would appear a totally objective study...one way to do this would be to stres investigation, not of the physical phenomenon, but rather of the people who

e doing the observing.."

NCLUSION

June 1978, a French go-rnment UFO study group EPAN) concluded that verything taken into con-deration, a material phe-menon seems to be behind e totality of the phen-enon- a flying machine hose modes of sustenence d propulsion are beyond ur knowledge."

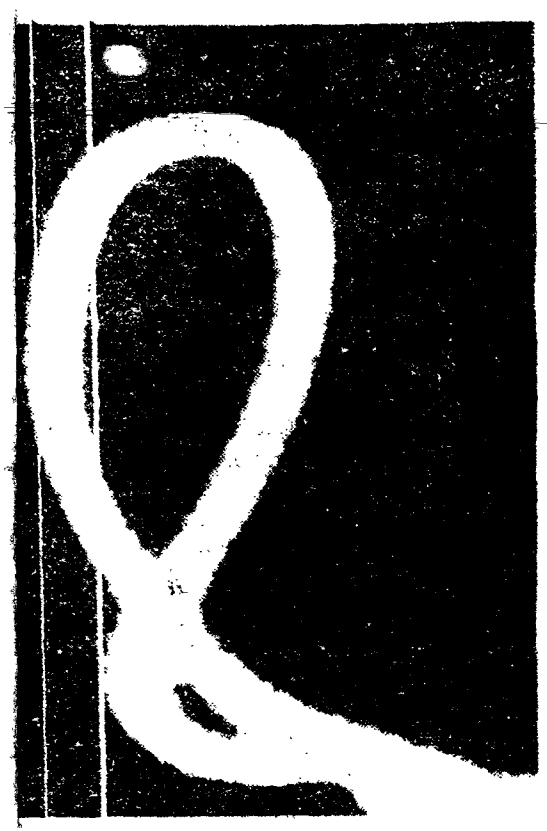
If the UFO phenomenon is ndeed beyond the grasp of ur understanding-techno-ogically speaking-all the ore reason to strive tow-rds learning more about t. For although the Un-ted States may ignore the ignificance of the UFO henomenon, it is hardly easonable to suppose that he rest of the world will o so.

And there are other consider-ations besides national se-ity in following up the UFO enigma. As a report from the National Security Agency in 1968 put it,

"Perhaps the UFO question might even make man undertake studies which could enable him to construct a society which is more conducive to develop-ing a completely human being, healthy in all aspects of mind and body-and, most importantly, able to recognise and adapt to real environmental situations."

In isolating ourselves from the UFO phenomenon we may risk miss-ing what could be the most im-portant adventure man has yet embarked upon..

Reproduced in nearly all of the contxt from FRONTIERS OF SCIENCE sent to CNK in May-June 1981. (Not as at first stated at the beginning of the article.)



UFO flight path in New Zealand last year



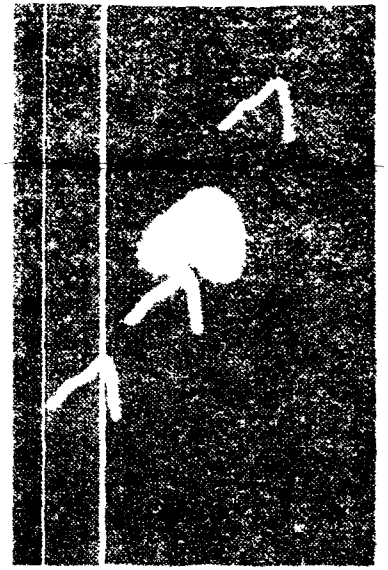
A UFO filmed for television in New Zealand last Jan

PART TWO. WHAT WE HAVE DISCOVERED ABOUT UFOS. Unmasking the fakes. In the next pages are some recent UFO pictures and some older ones. We would like to pass comments on them, and hopefully the reader may agree with us. If not, let us hear from you as to why?

IN 1978, two New Zealand cameramen, obviously using a video or similar camera, took what they thought was a UFO. Well maybe there was one. But the shot they also took with their camera might have been a bright planet. I have had the SAME effects on such equipment. Some video cameras tend to make streaks out of sharp bright lights. We do not think that the reproduced photo of the New Zealand sighting, which was announced on TV at the time, was a UFO flight path. We believe it was a television camera STREAK image. Therefore in our opinion this is a fake, unintentionally.

I believe that, 99.9% of all UFO sightings are seen at NIGHT. The very rare appearances these objects make in the daylight make up the rest. How can therefore, the media who print photos like the ones above declare for a FACT that the squiggle on the left is a "flight path of a UFO"? Were they THERE! It was ASSUMED too, the photo on the right, was nothing more that an out of focus shot of a lighthouse some miles away. As I remember it, the path of the aircraft was followed the next day, and several normal every-day items could account for these two photos above. Until further eveidence come out of hiding, we will assume these are camera blurbs. Unless of course, you know better!

PHOTOS 1 & 2

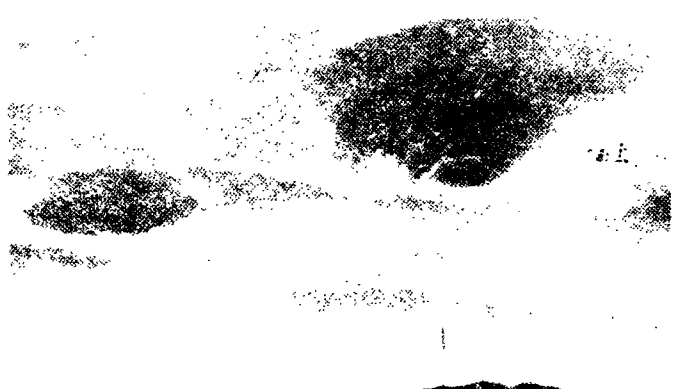


Night ... Columbus Ohio, 1973

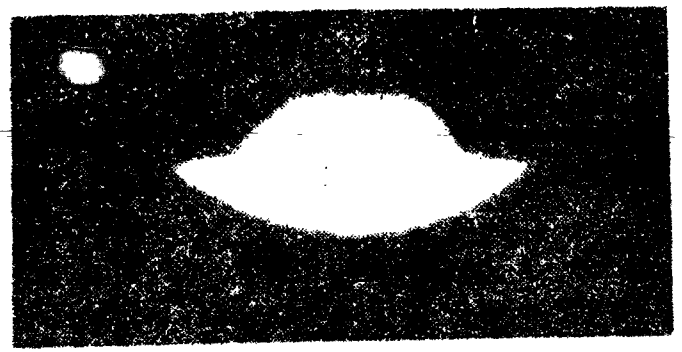
Photo, Left. This one could also be siad to be due to a camera error. But although it would be nice to be able to explain away this one as that, there still is an air of mystery about the line formation which could not account for a camera image effect. Of course, it may have been a guenuine UFO which is OUT OF FOCUS anyway. As I have not seen the orginal story or negatives, or film. it is really guesswork.

PHOTOS 3 & 4

'UFO's (right) These could very well BE clouds. On first sight, without having access to originals, the feeling id these ARE clouds made Saucer Shaped due to atmospheric anomalies, i.e. low air pressure, and sprialling air currents. Shadows and heavy water vapour give impression of a solid UFO-like object. Only speed of travel would point to a guenine UFO.



Clouds or flying saucers? 1955 near Marseilles



A student's snap of a flying saucer over Iran last year

This could we be a very cle fake of a str light. It is ways painful when a studer involved, as I could well b in the mood some playful

If you turn photo upside you will see I mean.

5.

I do not know if they have street lamps in Iran of this shape an enterprising student need not have made his clever fake i Iran. I have seen many photos of UFO's since 1954, and have n seen one shaped like this. In fact, I produced a similar 'UFO on a video camera sometime ago when trying to tape the night I aimed the lens at a bright object, and when I focused, a ra blurred image, similar to the one above, appeared which was b reflected from a rather dirty pane of glass in my garden shed The 'windows' in this object may be air vents to let out surp heat of the lamp. Most street lights are now made in white pl tic material. Again, I do not have the whole story that went with this photo, or the original negative. Therefore, unless CNK has any more 'evidence' on this one, we are saying it is nothing more than a hoax.



Seen from a plane: Staffordshire, 1966

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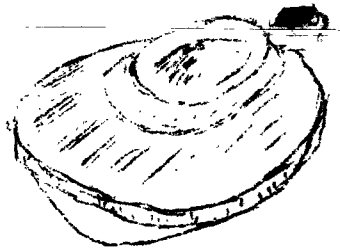
This is a classic. I NOT know why this is classified as a UFO. There are TWO possib explanations. 1. It in reality the shado of the aircraft dist ed by cloud and wind glass, giving a UFO effect, or. 2. It may be a Soviet airship giant size, which ha been known to operat at very high altitud

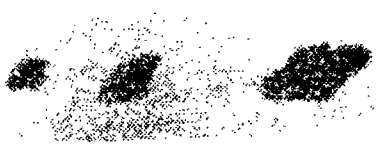


e Warminster 'thing' Wiltshire 1964



CNK's rough drawing of a UFO in fact 2 hub-caps joined together.

n't know now what type of cars were on the road in 1964, as you can see from the rough sketch above,right, I ed two car hub caps together, which I have had for years, about 1967 and they matched the photo almost entirely he Warminster 'thing' in 1964. Now I'm wondering what car 964, the hub caps came from to fake the photo above. ittedly, something odd DID occur in Warminster in the 's. Your editor went there with a stereoscopic camera t 1967 to investigate things like, dead pidgeons,UFO's Arthur Shuttlewood, who doesn't think much of this zine. CNK is TOO probing, that's why? Although the gs on in Warminster are definitely REAL, and strange cts have been sighted. I don't think, however, that is one of them. We say this one is a FAKE! low:) UFO's or Pideons in flight formation?



UFOs snapped over Yorkshire

This could well be a guenine UFO photo. I have seen one very similar in 1981. It was in the handbag of my tutor at a certain college in Chelmsford, Essex. She would NOT allow me to publish it, or identify her. This seems to be a 'common' UFO formation. Yet pidgeons can too!



The American Space Agency and Government know that intelligent beings from other planets visit our world. They have an enormous amount of evidence but have kept quiet

GORDON COOPER
US Astronaut

CONCLUSION on

On showing these UFO photos to someone who did not know they were UFO photos, the following definitions were given that in their opinion they were:

1. Video camera streak.
2. Fireball or out of focus object.
3. Don't know.
4. Rugby Ball.
5. Two plates of different sizes.
6. Like a toy racing car photographed from above.

However, that there are guenuine UFOs there seems to be no doubt. Finding the fakes out from the truth is very difficult. It would be a good idea if photos of objects were put through computer enhancement more often, and the people who take them scrutinised more throughly by machine of psychiatry, and their equipment checked by a photographic unit; until then every published photo will be regarded as devious, even though it may come from a reliable source. For even in 1985 we still are looking for proof. PROOF PROOF PROOF! And until we get it, and some REALLY good photos of entities & UFO's and get it announced as such in the national television NEWS AS FACT! The real UFOs will always be slipping past the net. THE EDITOR May 1985.

PHOTO FILE ON THE UFO RESEARCHERS AND HUNTERS:

Throughout the 60's and 1970's and maybe even today, UFO's have fasinated ordinary folk. Some have actually had encounters with them. In the few following pages, we reproduce some unpublished photos of those who have spent many hours on this unrewarding research:

NEWSFLASH: Amateur weatherman Arthur Mackins forecast in the SUN newspaper on Thursday May 16 that the arrival of Halley's comet could give us a tropical autumn, with temperatures in the 80's in October, the 70's in November and the 60's in December-plus a hot summer in 1986. He says its all down to the comets,including Halley's, leavin a trail of red hot particless which bring warmer weather. We will soon see if he is right!

PHOTO FILE

We show some of the ufologists and their work.

published, and unpublished pictures of
ogists, hopefully better SO YOU CAN NOW
THEM:. In English & German for readers in Europe.

letter from Roy Lake, pictured below, last issue
ead: " Glad to see the magazine in action once
ore." Well Roy, it's up to all our old readers to
elp get it back in action again with your support.
hat means donations etc. Please help. To continue
ith our PHOTO FILE, again with Roy:



ROY LAKE of the Essex UFO Study group. Based in Dagenham, Essex, Roy has been a principle member for many years. Although I am not too sure now if his role is similar, but in July 1978,(the good old days), Roy help to organise an exhibition run by the Dagenham Town Show. His group had a stall, and on it were displayed information on UFOs.

In our photo, which hopefully you can NOW see (it WAS dark inside the show)Roy, sits dispalying the 'merchandise'. Also, in case you cannot see him, (inset) also Roy. To the left also Roy. Small Inset bottom left shows Roy on a visit to CNK in 1979 with Rita Harris.



NEWSFLASH!

FROM The Sun Tuesday May 14t 1985 : BOOK EARLY FOR MARS!

HOLIDAYMAKERS who like to book early are alread queing up in Ame ica for a trip in the 1990's—— to outer space!

Travel agents have had 150 inquiries for th trips—at £80,000 each.

Roy Lake discusses a UFO sighting with some of his friends in Dagenham. In May 1974 Roy had a full page item in the ADVERTISER entitled: ARE THESE INVADERS FROM AN UNKNOWN PLANET. By M.Gill. The aticle showed the legendary Adamski UFO photos and also the Essex UFO Study Group at work . Other members were then, Peter Brailsford,Roy Lake, David Prockter, and Ron Markwick, who is still about, but I'm not sure if his interest in UFO's is as strong now, after a recent illness.

DEUTSCH FUR EUROPA (German for Europe)

Foto an seite 38 zeigt Roy Lake und seine gruppe heisst die Essex UFO Studieren Gruppe. In Dagenham, Essex, England in 1974, die Stadt war in eine shau für die publikum gemacht. Roy sitzt mit seine UFO buchern, blattern,usw, für verkaufen über UFO subjekts Er hat einmal in eine Zeitung erscheint.



FOTOS FORSETZUNG AUF SEITE 39.
Photos continued from page

Foto, links, ist von Crystal Hogben. Sie hat ihr eigenes 'Fliegende Untertassen'Magazin produzierte heisst: MAGIC SAUCER. Es war für Kinder. Dën auch eltern usw hilft mit. Leider ist ihr zeitschrift nie mehr.

Photo, left, is of Crystal Hogben. She had produced her own 'Flying Saucer magazine' MAGIC SAUCER. It was mainly
ver, for children. The parents and grown ups also
d with it. Unfortunately MS closed a few years ago.

MUNDO (Right)
George Adamski*
as run her own
g Saucer
mation Centre
e USA for
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ving away FREE
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ines. She has
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hat our Sun is acting very strangely. Most of her
dicals recount sun-spots. She believes they affect our
iour and the way we feel and think. I agree. *George Adamski
n associate of Laura's for many years until his death.
. MUNDO in den Vereinisten Staaten glaubt das die Sonne
etzt eine bisschen schlecht. Mit schlechte pickle,es
uns schlechte fuhlen, manchmal krank,und schlecht
n. Ich das glauben. Ihr zeitschriften über UFO's ist
frei und hat kostet ihr viel geld.Heisst: MUNDO MONITOR.



DAVID PROCKTER 1965-1978

DAVID PROCKTER

David Prockter has been involved with space, science,UFOs music, television and video etc for many years. He has written many articles for CNK in the past some so far advanced in time in the way of space projects, that they actually came about 10 years when America put up its FIRST space shuttle. The photos of David are shown from around 1965 to about 1978. David will always 'shoot down' any myth or person he thinks not up to correctness. Carry on writing Dave. We hope David will be joining CNK once again in the future as he has in the past.

David Prockter hat für vielen Jahren über UFOs und Weltraum Projeckte geschreiben. Er war die erste person über die Amerikanische Weltraum Shuttle geschreibt. David ist in Fernsahe Musik, Wissenschaft, Weltraum, Video, und andere subjekte interessierts.

Nächste mal bringen wir mehr FOTOS von leute der in UFO's interessierte sind. Sie dürfen schreiben wenn Sie wollen an uns . Unsere Addresse ist: 16, Newton Green, Gt. Dunmow, Essex, England, CM6 1DU. Bitte senden eine International Post Schein. Danke!

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***** READERS CAN ALWAYS WRITE TO CNK. Please make it very brief. We still have masses of data yet. But new material is welcome. Write to the above address. SAE appreciated.

STRONOMY: arrival of HALLEY's comet

COMBINED REPORT & INFORMATION FROM
Edward Harris, Editor, York Astronomical Society, and Gene Duplantier, Canada.

TRATING AND EXCITING, is the arrival of Hallo's
t. Frustrating for those, like the editor here,
has no decent astronomical instruments to take
os of it, save an attempt yo use a video camera
he night sky. Exciting because it is such a rare
t.

far as my memory goes into it, Halley's comet
first recorded on the Bayeux Tapestry in 1066
the Battle of Hastings was in full swing. This
a very long lenth of cloth which depicts the
t, embroidered into the pictures.

E RETURN OF HALLEY'S COMET reproduced from NOVA ALGOL
blication of the York Astronomical Society. spring 1985.
Olav Wilde.

lley's comet is on its way back. It should become vis-
le to the naked eye in December. It will be a chance for
nbers to observe the comet, if they have not already
ne so. Unfortuneately observers in the Northern Hemis-
ere (like us) won't be able to get a brilliant view of
e comet due to unfavourable approach, which places the
n between us and the comet at Perihelion.
However it will be visible to the naked eye low down in
e South by early 1986,
According to our expert behind our telescopes, Trevor
od, we should be able to see down to magnitude +13,
us or minus magnitude depending on sky conditions,
erefore it will be around mid August that we may get our
rst glance at the comet through one of our main teles-
pes. Then over the next few months its position can be
otted among the stars and notes made of its gradual

brightness.

It's funny that after all these thousands(?) of years that Halley's Comet has come and gone, retaining all its mysteries, that it should be on this return that we are going to confront it head on, literally, as Giotto, ESA's Halley probe will actually dive straight into the comet on a Kamikazi mission). Four or five spacecraft will try and discover the secrets of our regular visitor. (It would be interesting to see what technology, if any, can come up with next time the comet comes round. Who knows, maybe Man will be advanced enough in centuries to come, to actually be able to CAPTURE the comet, perhaps by using magnetic stabilising fields. Then not only will we KNOW how it is formed, but Man will have a cheap source of electrical power. For this comet, it does appear to be a kind of Atomic fusion, which scientists can only dream about producing on Earth-I speak from a Sciense fiction-cum-fact standpoint-EDITOR). PS. It might even give a clue as to its propulsion in space.)

The York Astronomical Society may even go outside the city of York, to observe the comet from dark, unobserved areas to get a clear horizon because you won't see much (anything!) sat in the middle of a city. (seeing the comet on TV is nothing like seeing it in real life, what was it that President Kennedy said?).

If you have a camera drive it will be an ideal chance to use it (or build one) so that you can take shots of the comet over the months of its apparition. Even a short undriven exposure will show the comet.

The comet is strange in that it links us with our ancient ancestors and just for a while all those years between us will disappear. In this sense, Halley's Comet is Timeless. But one thing is for sure, if you don't make an effort to observe it this time round it will probably be the last chance you ever get.

H A L L E Y ' S C O M E T D A T A

FROM MARCH TO 15 MAY HALLEY'S COMET MOVES FROM NORTHERN ORION INTO TAURUS, just to the left of Hyades
More detailed co-ordinates and magnitudes:
March 1st R.A. 4 92 hrs. Dec. 13.6°
April 1st - R.A. 4 86hrs Dec. 14.6°
May 1st. R.A. 4. 97hrs DEC. 16.73°
Magnitudes are 16.2, 16.0 and 15.7 respectively.

It would be interesting to plot these positions on a star map over the next year or so to see the movement of the comet. Anyone wanting to help, contact: INTERNATIONAL HALLEY WATCH, Jet Propulsion Lab. Mailstop T-1166, 4800 Oak Grove, Pasadena, USA. California 91109.

HALLEY'S COMET AS AT 15.3.1985. GMT 21hr.30m. + 0h
LaN54Lo W1.
~~Local Sidereal Time~~= 8.95 hours. Az= W 106 Alt=28
RA= 4.86 hours: Dec= 14.16°. Culminates at 17h24m
ALT=50 degrees.
Rises at 10hr 3m
Sets at oh 45m.
According to this information supplied by the YORK Astronomical Society Halley's Comet is or was on the co-odinates given above seen near ALDERBARAN . In the vicinity of the comet are star groups of ORION and RIGEL. It is at the moment not clear from this map where the comet is to appear next. Hopefully it is heading for ORION so at any case, keep watching. If anyone out there can send us a plot chart showing where we should look for it.That would be most helpful. Editor. Thanks to Martin Dawson and for ALGOL, which contained the above information.

*****ONLY 14 MILLION YEARS TO DOOMSDAY**********

In Gene Duplantier new magazine called DELVE, No.1 1985 which we received on the day I typed this, May 9, is this interesting bit on Halley's Comet by Roger C. Moldander called: ONLY 14 MILLION YEARS UNTIL DOOMSDAY. (Thanks Gene this came just in time for this article): =note due to length, we have shortened it).

"Halley's Comet appeared in 1066, on the eve of the Norman invasion of England. It cuts a striking figure in a contemporary tapestry woven to celebrate the conquest, altogether more moving than our 1910 photograph of its last visit. (article about comets in general)

In fairly short order-we may find -say, in 14 million years time-we may find ourselves similarly transfixed. Not, mind you, by Halley's comet. This "friendly" visitor has been tracked since 240BC., we enlightened moderns have no reason to fear it. But scientists have recently made a case for periodic cycles, of perhaps a million years each, in which a billion-odd comets flash through the solar system, with odd of two dozen direct hits on the Earth, throwing enough dust into the upper atmosphere to block out the sun and thus destroying life forms on the surface. Sounds familiar? Like the nuclear winter we could bring on ourselves. But turn away from the doomsday clock now set by atomic scientists at four minutes to midnight. The Doomsday clock has been set forward, from 5 billion years to 14 million, not by any human malice or intent. The cause is uncertain,

but the evidence for the battering that the Earth has taken at intervals is undeniable:
There are peaks of cratering in its crust and peaks of extinction ~~of its species~~ (75% of all species in worst cases) that coincide roughly every 26 million years in our planet's history. And we are almost halfway through the current breathing space.

There are two bodies of thought about the cause. One postulates a sister dwarf sun, which at its closest approach to our sun is every 26 million years shakes comets loose from an area well outside our galaxy-editor)-from the Oort cloud on the outer fringe of the solar system, and hurles a barrage of them through our neighbourhood.

The other cites a period of about 31 million years and explains the cycle by the periodic movement of the solar system through the plane of the Milky Way galaxy.

The binary star theory is more aesthetically satidfying-the death star is called Nemesis after the Greek goddess who persecutes the "excessivly rich, proud, and powerful." The dinosaurs are the best known ruling class to fall victim to such persecution, and they disappeared in relatively short order 65 million years ago. The classical overlay works well if you remember that the Latin roots of our word "disaster" are "evil star." Whatever the cause, the effects are enormous. Imagine a million years in which all eyes on Earth turn towards the heavens, where perhaps a billion "dirty snowballs" are flashing by. Quite a show, until the most disasterous of the likely two dozen direct hits.

The ancients may yet be right in making comets a portent of disaster in the affairs of men. But we will kill the Earth long before the universe gets to it. What this latest news flash from the science front demands is a major rethinking of the cosmos and our place in it. It seems that we might start with rethinking what defense means, in a cosmos where our worst enemy is decidedly not other human beings.
We must think in terms of the Earth. We might need a star wars system to save us from the death star. We might want a battle station orbiting Pluto, maybe a brace of them around Jupiter a dozen orbiting the sun. And we have only got 14 million years to bring it off.

Too bad it isn't a 100 years. It might concentrate the mind to prepare for the universe pitching rocks at us in the year 2084.

From America, via Gene Duplantier of Canada:

COMET A MEDIA STAR.

Halley's Comet already is shaping up as a major media event of 1986; that is when the celestial traveller will be visible for about four nights. At least two enterpreneurs are planning to feature the comet on television specials for syndication, although they do not want their names disclosed yet. The TV networks and print media are expected to devote considerable time to the comet. This will mark the first time that TV coverage will be possible. Looking at all the multi-media coverageas indirect public relations for its project, one of the syndicators has developed a logo for its program and has begun lining up licencees in the United States and abroad. (From Advertising Age, Copyright 1984, Crain Communications Inc., all rights reserved) CNK footnote * I do hope Halley's comet will be covered in FULL on British Television, so to all British T.V companies reading this, we are pinning our hopes on you, especially for those who do not have telescopes, or the astronomers may not even get a glimpse if the weather is bad.

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L E T T E R S & Miscellaneous items:

Here's an interesting letter sent to CNK from Martin Dawson of the York Astronomical Society in 1982 concerning comets:-

"Please find enclosed cuttings, expecially the one about a possible collision with a comet. Bit frightening eh? It may turn out to be like Kohoutek and the alignment of the plabets where nothing happened, but who knows. When are you going to bring back CNK on to the market? I miss that old mag and still look at old copies.
I will have to go now, ta-raa, yours, Martin Dawson. YAS.
*CNK looked at the cutting at it was about comet Swift-Tuttle, and a warning that it might collide with the earth. Yet again it missed us by a million miles. The warning was put out by Dr. Brian Marsden, of the Smithdonian Astronomical Observatory in Massachussets. He calculated the odds at 1 in 2 million of a collision. They are greater odds than the annual chances of a disaster from random astronomical events, such as a collision with an asteroid or a nearby stellar explosion. If Swift Tuttle had hit land the effect would be far greater than the largest nuclear weapon. It

would burrow a crater about 12 miles wide and wreak total destruction over a radius of 200 miles. But if it fell into the ocean it would be even worse. It would raise a cloud of steam that would cover half the world, blocking off the sunlight.

Already once this century, in 1908 the earth has been struck by a comet. But it occurred in a remote region of Siberia. Frightful devastation was caused, but there were no injuries. Some researchers think this comet radiated radiation and traces were found 100 years later. Some even think it was a crashed UFO, since witnesses, some alive today, are sure that it was under guidance on the way down. No proof has yet been found. Swift-Tuttle comet however was first seen in 1862, named by its discoverers, goes far out into deep space, and returns to the vicinity of the earth every 120 years. So like Halley's comet, if you miss it, you may never get abother chance.

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NOSTAGLIC NOTE: (Letter from Beryl Wallace, 16th June 1972.) As we have shown what Issue 1 of CNK was like, I have come across a letter from one of CNK first reporters, an expert in the field of MIB (men in black) Beryl Wallace. She wrote; in 1972:

" Just a quick word to say that I enjoyed your first issue of Cosmology Newslink, that new way of printing is really good, it looks like the print in FSR. The idea of sections is pretty good and seems to be working out fine. You will find enclosed a 60p subscription plus some more MIB articles. It was a good idea to dedicate the first issue to Rita, it gives a good youch to the magazine.
Keep up the good work, and give my regards to Rita. All the best, Beryl.

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ISTRA REMEMBERS From the ISTRA BULLETIN October 1982. 78
Mike Parry of the Interplanetary Space Travel Research Assoc. wrote this:
This year is of great importance to all ISTRA Members, as this very month 25 years ago ISTRA was founded. The exact date was the 4 October 1957, when Sputnik 1 was launched and Edward Harris set about putting together his own Space Effort. Therefore this issue is an extra special edition with as much news and information as I can put together. MIKE PARRY.
Thank you Mike for remembering that on May 18th, to be exact,

1957, I founded the Interplanetary Space Travel Research, and that when we voted you in to be predident in about 1966-7 you ran it so well, you became president for life, and I ended up producing other NON science fiction mags. You see, we all left you because, the way you were running ISTRA was along line of science fantasy. I called ISTRA, ISTRA, to be run on scientific lines. To find it being used for science fiction was too much. However, you have done a good job, put a lot of effort into it, and now in 1985, I still hope ISTRA is running well. Anyone interested in science fiction and fantasy should contact Mike Parry, 21 Hargwyne Street, Stockwell, London, SW9 9RQ
*Note. I am NOT knocking science fiction. I too love it, but ISTR, as it was known in 1957, was set up to do JUST that, research into outer space. You don't seem to be doing much of THAT! = Edward Harris, Editor. (please may I have a copy of Issue no.1 and 2 & 3 of my first I.N Mike)

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NOTICE BOARD:

If any reader in Dunmow or locally, would like to help me set up an astronomy group in Dunmow, please ring me on: Great Dunmow 4689. It would help to get it moving soon so that good photographs amd observations of Halley's comet can be done. My knowledge of astronomy is very limited now, so I would need advice on it. =Editor.
*I am attempting to get the comet onto videotape. This looks impossible at the moment. Only the moon has been somewhat succesful.

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T H E D A V I D P R O C K T E R - NEWS BEAT

Dave Prockter joins up with CNK in 1985 once more to bring you his style of writing. Provocative, thought jerking, and blunt to the point. His refreshing honesty and sincerity starts today, only in COSMOLOGY NEWSLINK:

Hi, Everybody, This is David Prockter. Sorry I've been away so long from CNK, but as you know the mag folded up in July 1979 mainly due to financial reasons. I myself have been busy in television video and busy in lots of different things. Because of my involvement with television productions, I am always ahead in what is coming in the way of science fiction episodes.. On the next page you will see some of them.

Captain Scarlet and the Mysterons now showing made in 1967
Fireball XL5 on Anglia 1962.
Thunderbirds (1965)may be repeated again around Sept. 1985
There are 126 episodes of The Avengers in black and white.
The Champions, now showing. (1969) and many more sci-fi will be coming to your screen soon.

ABOUT UFO'S

The truth is I can't find any branch of the subject to get enthusiastic over. Some points however then-one by one together with my responses.
1. NEXT 25 YEARS OF UFOLOGY?My answer to this is fairly simple, if not cynical. BUFORA's subscriptions are going up ti.. they rise and rise, until they are down to 150 hard core members. Most will be on so many different committees that they will be too busy to attend their own A.G.M. Lionel Beer will continue to sell his books as he has been doing for the last 25 years. The FRINGE ELEMENTS will diversify even further-people will forget the reason for Skywatches and will travel miles to Cradle Hill, Glastonbury, for Stonehenge Littlebay caverns but will be unable to tell you why UFO sightings are so commonplace that when one crashes into the Houses of Parliament and destroys six square miles of high-rent London, it will be nine months before anyone notices. Some nut-cases will drop out, some NEW NUT-CASES will join the ranks and some will go on like it was still 1947. Naturally, Mike Parry will still be selling'BIRTH OF A MOVEMENT' and advertiseing 'SPACE-EX 1999'!
2. COSMOLOGY: Regarding future weather prospects? That'll stay much as it is now, cold, wet, and windy, even in mid August!
3. MOON ROCKS (brought back by Apollo missions to the moon), Where are they now?- most of them are still on the Moon, silly!!
4. Why dig up something on LEY LINES? Honestly, why bother. Let sleeping dogs lie (or dead ones).
5. SUFFOLK UFO LANDING - Was it one? or not? How should I know? I wasn't there ! A job for Sherlock Holmes!
6. SPACE RESEARCH? All we see right now is the insane use of Military Strategy outside our atmosphere. Reality and science-fiction are becoming transposed, and neither Luke Skywalker or Carl Sagan can tell one from the other. Science is a good tool, but a bad master. The days of science as a boon to Mankind are over,if they ever existed beyond Pastuer or Fleming. Did Von Braun know what he was doing? There are much worse things in the world, far more obscene than bare t..s!? Science scares me. It cannot be trusted any more than our petty, squabbling 'leaders'- LESS COMPUTERS, MORE COMPASSION. Less Micro-chips, more

clean air. (CNK asked David to comment on the moon:)
7. THE SILENCE CONCERNING THE DARK SIDE OF THE MOON??

Nobody writes anything as nobody is interested. OR there is a clamp-down in the National interest as the Moon is populated by giant blue rabbits. (personally, I prefer the idea of Rabbits).

7. FILMS? -Sure? Why not?
Personally, I found Close-Encounters to be a bore - A more interesting film would take place once the missing people arrive back on earth. Did they take Lord Lucan? Would they if he asked nicely? I repeat - A bore.
Also what can you do with footage of a supposed UFO sighting which is just a light in the sky (LITS), even if captured on 24 frames per second?
8. GHOST REPORTS? T'aint no such thing...SHRIEK!!! oh well perhaps there is!
To conclude. There are certain things CNK should avoid in the future. 1. Going over old ground-we all know about Adamski, Father Gill, Von Däniken, Betty & Barney Hill, Antonio Villas Boas etc., 1963 is in the past, so is Adamski and his ilk.

2. The LEGION OF TWITS:- Aetherius Mob, Scientology mob, Space Brother club, and Jesus mob etc. It's funny really— in a subject that demands scientific curiosity- common sense is sadly lacking.
3. CENSORSHIP, COVER-UPS and CLAMPDOWNS.
--If the public are stupid enough to vote for the most fundamentally brutal and oppresive government since Oliver Cromwell, then they have only themselves to blame. The rights of the individual on matters which directly concern him are being eroded before his eyes. So many cover-ups-The sinking of the Belgrano, The dioxin chemical leaks, American Missile bases, etc etc. 1984 happened in the mid-1970's. Those who protested about radiation and pollution were ignored. The British are a very stupid people. But how can they ever change when the government keeps the facts under lock and key? D. Prockter 1985

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Section 40 [redacted]

Ref:- PUFOIC 60/85.

12th August 1985.

Dear Sir ~~or Madam~~, Section 40 [redacted]

I am writing to you, after writing two letters to R.A.F. St Mawgan, in Newquay, Cornwall. These letters were sent to the Air Base during May and July, this year.

The subject of this correspondance dealt with brief details of a reported UFO sighting, that was observed very close to this Air Force Base earlier this year.

Their replies to me, and my then Organisation, Plymouth UFO Investigation Centre (PUFOIC), they told me that they had forwarded both my letters onto "the M.O.D. in London" , which I presume is yourself. They apparently decided to do this, after taking advice from Headquarters of Provost and Security Services (U.K.). They stated that I would hear from you, however as to date I have not done so.

Because of the length of time taken from first contacting the Area Military Authorities, and the apparent lack of progress, I have decided to write to ask whether your department has infact, received my previous two letters to R.A.F. St Mawgan? (The Ref ..PUFOIC 38/85).

If this 'reported UFO Sighting' had not been observed so close to a strategic Military Air Base, I would have waited for another few weeks, before writing to you. However, this is a sighting which was observed less than one mile (1.609Km) away from the Air Base. From directions given to us from the witness, we calculate that whatever this phenomenon was, it might very well have passed through the Air Force Base itself.

In our early stages of our investigations into this case, we thought that this phenomenon might have landed, or hit the ground and nearby trees in an area close to the base, but we found out two possible causes for the burned areas of grass and trees, and have now dismissed the 'landing' theory from our enquiries. But, we do know the phenomenon came very close to the ground, and minor roads because of what the witness stated, and we have discovered a tree, close to the sighting area and fire damaged trees and ground which has obviously been hit by an airborne object of some mass, hitting the tree at some speed. We know this from damaged major twigs of the tree which have been examined.

I do not beleive in wasting postage money in sending reports to you about mere 'Lights in the sky, etc', but this sighting proves to vbe very different from most of the reports we receive. The tree which was 'hit' was only 20ft (6.09M) tall, and was hit at a height of 15ft (4.57M).

There is a possibility that it hit the tree,prior to being seen.It also nearly hit the car the witness was travelling in,and could have caused an accident! The phenomenon bobbed and weaved about the road,above the hedgerow to the tarmac on the road.

I am sure you will agree to my concern over this sighting,which was obviously not an aircraft. I also doubt the possibility of a stray missile although after the fiasco at the American Air Force Base in Suffolk a few years ago,this explanation is always a possibility!

I hope that you will be able to deal with this letter soon,taking into consideration the time I have waited since May. Because of my research into 'U.F.O's' I belong to BUFORA,who you will be aware of. They,some local people and a Fleet Street journalist are becoming concerned at the lack of progress and identification of this phenomenon. My own concern is the danger to the local people and housing etc,if a similar phenomenon were to collide with a habitable building,or even a car.

There are some similarities between this case,and the one at USAF Woodbridge,Suffolk. Information gained by Investigators was confused by the American way of dealing with 'Public Relations',but I would hope that this is not the case with this sighting.

The two Officers who dealt with my letters were ... Flt Lt Section 40 and Flying Officer Section 40

Lastly,although I was the previous Chairman of PUFOIC I have since moved to Cheshire to take up a post.However I have been asked to continue the investigation of this sighting because of my now close distance to BUFORA's Director of Investigations (Manchester). I have sent a letter to R.A.F. St Mawgan,telling them of this change of address,since to my original letter to them in May.

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BUFORA INVESTIGATOR and PUFOIC.

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b) Copy BUFORA DOI.

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UFO RESEARCH, BROADCASTS & LECTURES

Section 40

Section 40

Secretariat (Air Staff) 2a
Room Section 40
Ministry of Defence
Main Building
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London SW1 2HB

12 August 1985

Dear Section 40

Further to my letter of 24 July, I am now writing to enquire if there is any possibility of the Ministry releasing to me a sketch of an unidentified object which was made by PC Section 40 at Stanmore, Middlesex, on the night of 26 April 1984.

I understand from Scotland Yard Press Bureau that a full report of the incident (which involved at least half a dozen police officers and four witnesses) was sent to the MoD and Civil Aviation Authority. Section 40, the Police Area Press Officer (Harrow) told me that the sketch would not be released, and that this was more properly a matter for the MoD.

In view of the Ministry's oft-repeated statement that no defence significance has been found to date, I am puzzled why a drawing of a flying saucer should remain classified, especially since the officer concerned has given a detailed description to the newspapers.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

Section 40

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
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14 AUG 1985
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Your reference

Our reference D/Sec(AS)/12/3

Date 9 August 1985

Dear [redacted] Section 40

Thank you for your letter of 6 January 1985, I am sorry that I have been unable to reply before now.

With regard to the concern you express about the book "Sky Crash", the only information we have on the alleged "UFO sighting" at Rendlesham Forest in December 1980 is the report by Colonel Charles Halt, of the United States Air Force. We are satisfied that the events described are of no defence significance. I can assure you that there is no question of attempting to cover up any incident or mishap, nor are we attempting in any way to obscure the truth.

Under the rules laid down by the Public Records Acts, files must remain closed until 30 years have elapsed since the last action taken on them. The earliest UFO files of which we have records are dated 1962. However, any files which do remain from 1954, or earlier, may be obtained direct from the Public Records Office at Ruskin Avenue, Kew, Richmond, Surrey TW9 4DU.

Yours sincerely

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Your reference

Our reference D/Sec(AS)/12/3

Date 9 August 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter of 3 June 1985. I am sorry that I have been unable to reply before now. You may find it useful if I explain that the sole interest of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

There is no organisation in the Ministry of Defence appointed solely for the purpose of studying reports of such objects, and no staff are employed on the subject full time. The reports we receive are referred to the staff in the Department who are responsible for the air defence of the United Kingdom, and they examine the reports as part of their normal duties.

Since our interest in UFOs is limited to possible defence implications we have not carried out a study into the scientific significance of these phenomena. Unless there are defence implications we do not attempt to identify sightings and we cannot inform observers of the probable identity of the object seen. The Department could not justify the expenditure of public funds on investigations which go beyond the pure defence interests.

We have to recognise that there are many strange things to be seen in the sky, but we believe there are adequate explanations for them. They may be satellite debris re-entering the earth atmosphere, ball lightning, unusual cloud formations, meteorological balloons, aircraft lights, aircraft at unusual angles or many other things.

Whilst I appreciate your concern about the possibility of an aircraft colliding with a UFO, I can assure you that RAF pilots and crews are well aware of the dangers of collision with any identified object including such things as hang-gliders and even birds. Procedures are therefore designed to protect aircraft, as far as possible, from this kind of risk. I am sure similar standards are applied by the CAA in respect of civil aircraft.

Yours sincerely

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Date 9 August 1985

Dear Section 40

Your letter to RAF Boulmer of 16 March 1985 has been passed to me in view of your interest in Unidentified Flying Objects. You may find it useful if I explain that the sole interest of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

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I attach copies of two recent Parliamentary Questions on the Ministry of Defence's interest in UFO reports, which you may be interested in.

Yours sincerely

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P.S. Thank you for your kind words about the RAF. In view of your interest in the Red Arrows, I enclose some information on the team.

HANSARD EXTRACT

13 MARCH 1984

Cols. 132 & 133

Unidentified Flying Objects

Sir Patrick Wall asked the Secretary of State for Defence (1) how many alleged landings by unidentified flying objects have been made in 1980, 1981, 1982 and 1983, respectively; and how many have been investigated by his Department's personnel;

(2) how many unexplained sightings there have been in 1980, 1981, 1982 and 1983, respectively; and which of these had been traced by radar and with what result.

Mr. Lee *[pursuant to his reply*, 9 March 1984, c. 728]: For the years in question, the Ministry of Defence received the following numbers of reports of sightings of flying objects which the observer could not identify: 350, 600, 250, and 390. Reports of alleged landings are not separately identified. The Department was satisfied that none of these reports was of any defence significance and, in such cases, does not maintain records of the extent of its investigations.

HANSARD EXTRACT

24 OCTOBER 1983

Col. 62

RAF Woodbridge (Alleged Incident)

Sir Patrick Wall asked the Secretary of State for Defence (1) if he has seen the United States Air Force memo dated 13 January 1981 concerning unexplained lights near RAF Woodbridge;

(2) whether, in view of the fact that the United State's Air Force memo of 13 January 1981 on the incident at RAF Woodbridge has been released under the Freedom of Information Act, he will now release reports and documents concerning similar unexplained incidents in the United Kingdom;

(3) how many unexplained sightings or radar intercepts have taken place since 1980.

Mr. Stanley: I have seen the memorandum of 13 January 1981 to which my hon. Friend refers. Since 1980 the Department has received 1,400 reports of sightings of flying objects which the observers have been unable to identify. There were no corresponding unexplained radar contacts. Subject to normal security constraints, I am ready to give information about any such reported sightings that are found to be a matter of concern from a defence standpoint, but there have been none to date.

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Mtg rearranged for 26/9 time to be agreed.

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LOOSE MINUTE

D/Sec(AS)12/3

9 Aug 85

GE3
DI55

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Reference:
A. D/US of S(AF)DGT 28/1/4 dated 1 Aug 85

1. As you will see from Reference A (copy attached), Lord Trefgarne has agreed to meet Lord Hill-Norton to discuss UFO's. Arrangements have been made for the meeting to take place on 25 September 1985 at 15.00 in the House. Sec(AS) will be represented at the meeting and we see considerable advantage in having further support from yourselves. Would you please let me know whether you would be willing to attend.

2. We have drawn up the attached brief for US of S(AF) which attempts to answer most of the questions posed by Lord Hill-Norton. I should be grateful for your comments on these and, particularly, for guidance from GE3 on how we might respond to question (d). The answer to question (e) may also require some alteration depending on the answer to question (d).

3. In addition to the attached brief we believe it would be helpful to provide Lord Trefgarne with a speaking note describing exactly how the MOD handles UFO reports. Provided you are content, this will include a summary of the interests of GE3 and DI55 and would presumably need to be at least CONFIDENTIAL because of the Tech-Int aspects. I should be grateful to know if you are content for Lord Hill-Norton to be briefed in this way, and would be grateful for short contributions describing your own areas of interest.

4. May I please have your replies by cop 30 August 85.

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MEETING BETWEEN US of S(AF) AND LORD HILL-NORTON

UFOs

a. I accept that there are strange phenomena to be seen in the sky, however I believe there to be adequate explanations for them. Experience has shown that most reported sightings can be attributed to things such as aircraft, meteorological balloons or natural phenomena like ball lightning. Of course there are many other equally straightforward explanations. However, there are a small number of cases where a simple explanation cannot be found immediately and on these occasions we are careful to ensure (as far as possible) that they are of no Defence significance. Having satisfied ourselves of this, as you know, we do not attempt any further investigations. Clearly some reports remain unexplained but we have found no evidence that these phenomena represent a threat to national security and therefore cannot justify devoting Defence resources to their investigation.

b. All reports received by the MOD are channelled through Sec(AS)2. They are passed to the Air Staff who examine them for Air Defence implications. In some cases, where (on the face of it) there could be a defence interest, enquiries are made of relevant radar establishments etc in order to obtain more information. All reports are also passed to the Defence Intelligence organisation who have a keen interest in any sightings of unusual objects. We have no specialist group in Whitehall or anywhere else involved in UFO's and no civilian advisers (other than Sec(AS)2) are involved.

The Flying Complaints Flight at Rudloe Manor are concerned with receiving and investigating flying complaints. In the course of their duties they occasionally receive UFO reports (as do many other units) but they have no specific role with regard to this subject.

Secretariat (Air Staff) is the Division which provides secretariat support to CAS and the Air Staff and in this capacity is responsible for correspondence with members of the public and answering PQs etc on many subjects, including UFO's. Sec(AS)2 is the branch which amongst other things handles UFO's, there is no such branch as Air Staff Secretariat 8. You may be thinking of Defence Secretariat 8 which no longer exists and from which Sec(AS) evolved as a result of reorganisation of MOD last January.

c. Many of the UFO reports received in MOD come through Defence establishments, although most of these come originally from members of the public. Very few reports are made by military pilots; for instance, in the last 12 months Sec(AS) has received only one such report.

d [GE3 to provide advice please]

e. The Department is happy to release what information we have on specific incidents. However we could not justify the effort involved in searching for or collating information of a more general nature.

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Your reference

Our reference
D/Sec(AS)12/3

Date
9 August 1985

Dear Section 40 [redacted]

Thank you for your letter of 18 July 1985. During 1984 we received a total of 211 reports of unidentified flying objects from various sources. I attach a copy of Colonel Holt's report dated 13 January 1981, as requested. I also enclose a Hansard extract of 23 October 1983 which mentions the alleged incident, I assume this is the answer to which you refer in your letter.

Yours sincerely,

Section 40 [redacted]

HANSARD EXTRACT

24 OCTOBER 1983

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS 81ST COMBAT SUPPORT GROUP (USAFE)
APO NEW YORK 09755

REPLY TO ATTN OF: CD

13 Jan 81

SUBJECT: Unexplained Lights

TO: RAF/CC

1. Early in the morning of 27 Dec 80 (approximately 0300L), two USAF security police patrolmen saw unusual lights outside the back gate at RAF Woodbridge. Thinking an aircraft might have crashed or been forced down, they called for permission to go outside the gate to investigate. The on-duty flight chief responded and allowed three patrolmen to proceed on foot. The individuals reported seeing a strange glowing object in the forest. The object was described as being metalic in appearance and triangular in shape, approximately two to three meters across the base and approximately two meters high. It illuminated the entire forest with a white light. The object itself had a pulsing red light on top and a bank(s) of blue lights underneath. The object was hovering or on legs. As the patrolmen approached the object, it maneuvered through the trees and disappeared. At this time the animals on a nearby farm went into a frenzy. The object was briefly sighted approximately an hour later near the back gate.

2. The next day, three depressions 1 1/2" deep and 7" in diameter were found where the object had been sighted on the ground. The following night (29 Dec 80) the area was checked for radiation. Beta/gamma readings of 0.1 milliroentgens were recorded with peak readings in the three depressions and near the center of the triangle formed by the depressions. A nearby tree had moderate (.05-.07) readings on the side of the tree toward the depressions.

3. Later in the night a red sun-like light was seen through the trees. It moved about and pulsed. At one point it appeared to throw off glowing particles and then broke into five separate white objects and then disappeared. Immediately thereafter, three star-like objects were noticed in the sky, two objects to the north and one to the south, all of which were about 10^{0} off the horizon. The objects moved rapidly in sharp angular movements and displayed red, green and blue lights. The objects to the north appeared to be elliptical through an 8-12 power lens. They then turned to full circles. The objects to the north remained in the sky for an hour or more. The object to the south was visible for two or three hours and beamed down a stream of light from time to time. Numerous individuals, including the undersigned, witnessed the activities in paragraphs 2 and 3.

CHARLES I. HALT, Lt Col, USAF
Deputy Base Commander

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LOOSE MINUTE

D/Sec(AS)/12/3

9 Aug 85

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UFOs - RECORDS HELD BY PRO - ENQUIRY FROM MR R NOYES

1. I attach a copy of a letter I have received from a Mr Ralph Noyes concerning UFO's. I also enclose a copy of my reply. Mr Noyes is an ex Head of DS8 and retired from the MOD as an AUS in the late seventies, he is a regular correspondent on UFO matters and, because of his background, is quite influential in "UFO" circles.

2. As you will see, he raises two points on which I should be grateful for your advice. The first concerns 2 reports which he claims to have obtained from the Public Records Office. In view of our often repeated assertion that our records only go back to 1962 (a line which I believe you have confirmed in the past) this could clearly become slightly embarrassing. I therefore feel that we should try to identify exactly what files PRO still hold on the subject and perhaps you could suggest the best way of doing this. In the meantime I propose to take the same line with other correspondents as I have in the attached.

3. Mr Noyes' second point is a request for information relating, I assume, to events in 1956. If he was shown photographs in 1970 as he claims it may be that these files have also been retained. I have told him that we would need further information in order to identify these incidents but I am sure that more details will be forthcoming. However, if you are able to shed any light on the "clips", or indeed, the incidents themselves at this stage, I would be most interested to know.

Section 40 [redacted]

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Section 40 [redacted]

No reply (ph 12/3) ECS.

WIGAN·ARIEL·Phenomena·INVESTIGATION·TEAM:
(CENTER for UFO STUDIES 1985)

DIRECTOR ___ Section 40 [redacted]
CHAIRMAN ___
Secretary ___

Section 40 [redacted]

Dear Sir,

May I say how dissapointed I was by not getting a reply of you from my Last Letter to you dated 22ND AUG 1984: During one of our annual meetings I was asked by one of my Collegues, "if the MINISTRY of DEFENCE had a Code of PRACTISE to follow in the event of an actual ALIEN INVASION?, Let me break this up into Catogaries,

1/ what steps would be taken to determine if the Alien's were friends or foe's?

2/ who would actually be Informed about the Invasion?

3/ Would UFO INVESTIGATORS be allowed to Examine and take part in the events?

4/ if the Invasion was ment as an aim on destroying our defence: then would I be right in assumeing that we would infact destroy the Invasion?.

My Many thank's for your time and Co-operation in your response to this Letter.

Yours Sincereley

Section 40 [redacted]

DIRECTOR-WAPIT.

From: Section 40 Secretariat (Air Staff)2a, Room Section 40

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Section 40

Your reference

Our reference D/Sec(AS)/12/3

Date 22 July 1985

Dear Section 40

Your letter of 11 June addressed to Lord Trefgarne has been passed to me for reply. I have also seen your letters of 3 December 1984, 8 March and 4 April 1985, but I regret there is little I can usefully add to the reply Section 40 sent you on 28 November last year.

While we are happy to try to provide copies of reports of recent incidents in response to specific requests, the Department could not justify the effort and expense involved in detailed research into individual inquiries on UFOs. Moreover, as you already know, the MOD's records on UFO matters only go back to 1962 and there is therefore no further assistance we can give you on matters relating to reports received before then.

It is possible, however, that some earlier papers have been retained by the Public Records Office and you may wish to consider pursuing your investigation there.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

HIDDEN COPY TO: APS/ US of S(AF)

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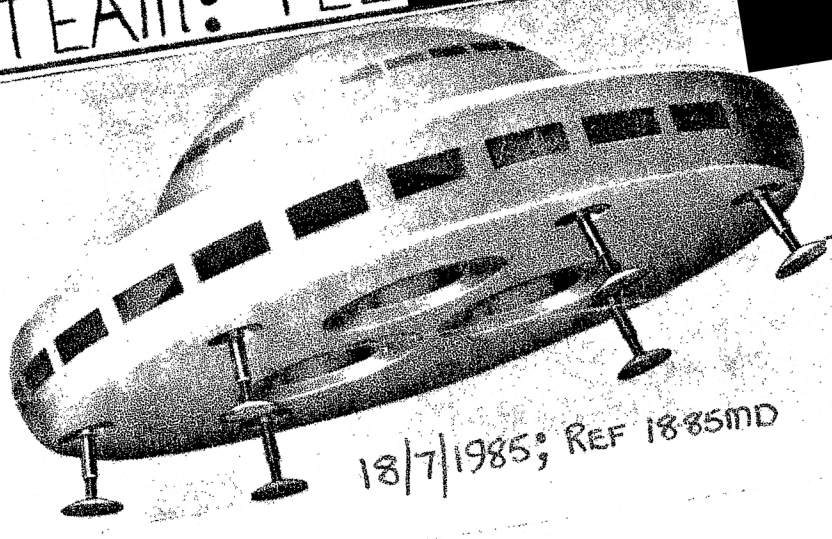

DIRECTOR. [redacted]
ADMINISTRATION DIRECTOR. [redacted]
CHAIRMAN... [redacted]

18/7/1985; REF 1885MD

Dear sir,

Once again I find myself writing to your department Could you please supply me a copy of Col.. Halts official USAF, UFO SIGHTING REPORT, plus the Hansard answer to this.

Could you also inform me to the number of ufo sightings you recieved during 1984?.

I would appreciate a speedy reply as this information is for my personal research. many thanks indeed.

Yours sincerely

[redacted]
- DIRECTOR

(COPY LETTER AVAILABLE ON REQUEST CIO WT).

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Your reference

MOD Sec(AS) 2 - RAF
Main Building Room Section 40
Whitehall
LONDON

Our reference D/DAAC/23/GA
Date 6 Aug 85

UNUSUAL OCCURRANCE - MIDDLE WALLOP AREA

Reference:

A. Telecon Col Section 40 051730A Aug 85.

1. Enclosed are a brief report and polaroid photographs of the scene together with an extract from the HAMPSHIRE CHRONICLE reporting similar occurrences.

2. Four films, 2 x 100mm Colour, 2 x 35mm Black and White, of ground and aerial photographs of the scene have been given to MOD CS(Rep S) Photography Section 40 with instructions to forward prints and negatives to you.

3. The films are the private property of Section 40 and I would therefore be grateful if the negatives could be returned to me as soon as possible so that I can give them back to him. (With some prints if possible for services rendered).

4. Purely incidentally, Section 40 was an official observer and film camera man at the BIKINI ATOL Atomic Explosion in 1952.

Section 40

Lt Col
SO2 Avn Stds HQ DAAC

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE (UFO?)

1. On Monday 5 Aug 1985 Section 40 [redacted] CLATFORD who farms near the AAC Centre, Middle Wallop telephoned to report some extraordinary depressions in a field of near ripe wheat, and asked, "What on earth we (THE AAC) were up to now?" I took the Aircraft Accident Investigation Officer (AIFSO) Maj [redacted] REME with me and went to inspect the scene.

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2. The site, Grid Reference 346392 was a vergin, un-weather damaged, near ripe field of wheat. We found the following:

a. An exactly circular hole in the wheat in which the wheat had been laid flat in a clockwise twist 40 ft in diameter. (As if a plank had been put with one end at the centre and then swept round in a complete circle). There were one or two stalks of wheat standing which had sprung upright again. The wheat on the edge of the circle was completely upright and undamaged.

b. Four separate, smaller circles approx twelve feet in diameter, exactly similar to the larger one. These were set in a precise square, NORTH/SOUTH and EAST/WEST, with their centres 43 paces from the centre of the large circle.

c. There were absolutely no tracks in the wheat. To have set the holes in such a precise pattern manually would have required a tape measure or string, and the users would have been bound to leave tracks in the wheat.

d. All but one of the holes touched onto the main furrows in the wheat, and could therefore be approached from the edge of the field without leaving tracks. However there was no way of moving from one to the other without leaving tracks in the wheat, except by going some 200 yards to the edge of the field, and then back down another main furrow. One of the smaller holes was completely isolated.

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3. Maj [redacted] took some polaroid photographs which are included with this report. Section 40 a semi professional photographer, took some 120mm colour photographs. I subsequently took Section 40 and we photographed the scene from the air. By that time some half a dozen sight-seers were on the scene and a track, which had not been there when we were on the ground, had been made out to the isolated hole.

4. Present at the initial viewing were:

Lt Col Section 40 [redacted] AFC AAC
Maj Section 40 REME
Section 40 [redacted] (Farmer Section 40 [redacted]
Section 40 [redacted] (Farmer Section 40 [redacted])
And two others

None of us could offer any reasonable explanation.

Section 40 [redacted]

Lt Col
802 Avn Stds HQ DAAC

5 Aug 8

Chilbolton Church Fete

spanding the usual fancy
s competition at Chilbolton
rch Fete, a parade with the
ne "Children of the World"
nd its way from the Green,
: Rise and through the vil-
, led by the Test Valley
ss Band. Children ranging
n pre-school to teenagers
e dressed in costumes from
ious parts of the world.
e for a mounted contingent
n the local riding school
outriders on BMX bikes,
children rode through the
age on a haywain, decorated
ctor and trailer, kindly
ied by Mr. Edward Painter.

The entries were judged by
Rev. C. Hubbard, Mr. David
rridale and Mrs. Angela
rridale, and prizewinners
re Charles Coats, Katherine
vin, Thomas Batchelor and
sha Jones.

Still on the theme of "Child-
of the World," there
s a competition to make
dwelling from another
antry, and prizewinners
re Rachel Prevett, Thomas
tchelor and Katherine Lewin.
e preschool children were in-
ed to paint a picture on the
me theme and the winner in
s section was Andrew Lewin.

The village street was gaily
corated with bunting by vil-
ge organisations and groups.
d there was an excellent
tendance and all the stalls
re well supported.

This year's very successful
te was held in the recently
stored threshing barn and
e lovely grounds of Bannuls
rm, with the kind permission
Mr. and Mrs. B. Yonell, and
pwards of £1800 was raised.

brought to an abrupt [illegible] the ball burst, but the day was saved when a new ball was hurriedly produced from a nearby house. The Plough were the victors with a score of 2—1, and this obviously did not prove popular with the Dolly Birds who proceeded to pour water over the referee. Vera Woodruff captained the Plough team of Pat Casey, Sharon Kemester, Sally Nicholson, Melanie Gerrard, Debby Welch, Sue Ruff and Fran Piper. Dolly Birds were Sue Rees (captain), Kate Denehy, Georgina Wilson, Wendy Denehy, Julie Harris, Ivy Wright, Sue Smith and Sally Rees.

The Children's Fancy Dress Competition was judged by Miss Dorothy Hunt from Alresford, and her task was made harder by such a variety of excellent costumes. In the Under Five Class the most original was Lara Colvill as "Night and Day," the most attractive Sarah Kennedy as a Clown, and the best made Liam Brozman as a Cowboy. In the six to nine years age group the most attractive was Katie Kennedy as a "Sugar Plum Fairy," and the most original Rose Smith as a Cat.

Strawberry teas were served in the Village Hall, and the final item on the programme was a tug-of-war refereed by Dave Bulpitt. Only four teams entered this year, from the Plough at Bishop's Sutton, the H.H. at Cheriton, and two from the Jolly Farmer at Bramdean. The victors were the Jolly Farmer A, with the H.H. second, the Plough third and the Jolly Farmer B fourth.

At the end of a very successful afternoon £530 had been raised by the Village Hall Committee, who had organised the Fete.

Bishop's Waltham, who works for Solent Excavations, was married to Miss Carol Joy Millier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Millier, of "Fair View," Winchester-road, Bishop's Waltham, on June 29th, at St. Peter's Church, Bishop's Waltham. The Rev. John Willard conducted the service.



The bride, who is a receptionist with T.N.T. Roadfreight, wore a cream three-quarter length gown, a pillbox hat and carried a bouquet of mauve and pink silk flowers when she was given in marriage by her father. She was attended by her sister (Patricia Millier), her niece (Viginia Whiting), both attired in lilac dresses with cream accessories, and her nephew, Gareth Millier.

The best man was Mr. David Grove; 146 guests attended the reception at the Jubilee Hall and when the couple left for an undisclosed destination, the bride wore a red suit with white accessories.

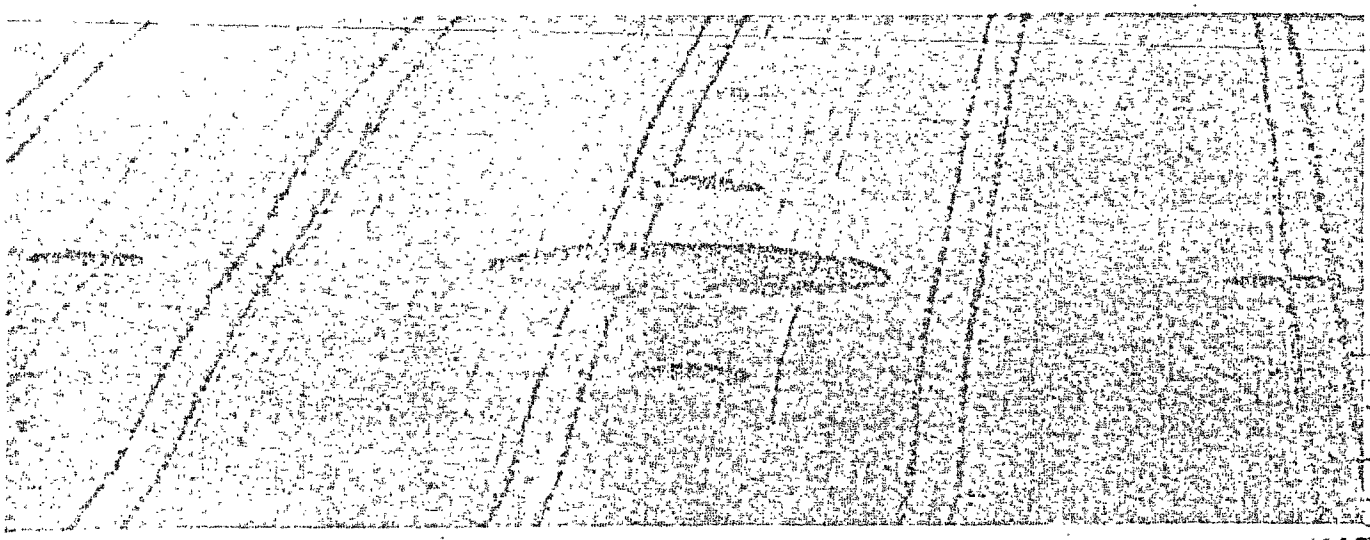
Founder's Day at Hordle House School

The parents of nearly all the local day children from Hordle House Prep. School, at Milford-on-Sea, together with many boarders' parents who had made long journeys, went to the school on June 29th, for Founder's Day, and the main event of the morning was a performance by some of the senior children of scenes from "The Merchant of Venice." At a previous performance, one of the infants from the Pre-Prep. School had been terrified by Shylock's realistic effort to get his pound of flesh from poor Antonio!

Country dancing by some of the junior children was supported by rhythmic clapping from the enthusiastic parents, and the last set piece was an exhibition of aerobics by a group of barefoot girls.

The school was open for parents to walk round, and the working models and computer displays in the Science Laboratory attracted great interest. Most of these had been made by senior children, and the exhibition in the Art Department was much admired.

Picnic lunches were eaten in the grounds, and the parents' cricket team, captained by Mr. Peter Tilby, home on leave from Nigeria, was defeated by the school 1st XI. by 16 runs. The balance of parental power was restored by the ladies' shooting team scoring 357 against the school's 296, and justice was maintained by the tennis match ending in a draw.



It's happened again! The Mystery Circles have returned. Nobody knows why or whence they come, but every year since the last war, the perfectly regular circles have appeared somewhere. For the last five or six years, they have materialised between Alresford and Winchester, first at Cheesefoot Head, this year at Matterley Farm, just off the A31. Similar phenomena have been reported in Australia, Canada, Sweden and in other parts of the British Isles including Westbury and Warminster. The largest in this group is about 40 feet across, the rest are 11 or 12 feet. In each the corn is swirled clockwise round the rings, whilst outside it is untouched. Normally — if anything about them can be called normal — they are in this configuration, the largest in the centre of a square, the smaller at each corner, although in 1982 at Cheesefoot, there were only three in a straight line. Theories abound about the cause, from vandalism to UFOs by way of micro-tornadoes. The truth is, we just don't know, but if they run true to form they will be back next year . . .

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PARLIAMENTARY UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE
FOR THE ARMED FORCES

LOOSE MINUTE

D/US of S(AF)DGT 28/1/4

Sec (AS)2

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Reference:
A. D/US of S(AF)DGT 28/1/4 dated 1 Aug 85

Further to reference A, I write to confirm that the meeting between Lord Trefgarne and Lord Hill-Norton will take place at the House of Lords on Wednesday 25 September at 1500 hours.

I have set aside half an hour immediately previous to this for a pre-brief. Thank you for your assistance.

Section 40 [redacted]

Captain WRAC
MA/US of S(AF)
Section 40 [redacted]

6 August 1985

File 12/3

Section 40 [redacted]

Dear Sir,

Many thanks for sending information recently regarding the Rendlesham Forest UFO incidents of 27.Dec.80.

Regarding the above mentioned incidents, as I am a UFO researcher I have managed to obtain a re-recording of the events at R.A.F. Woodbridge of the original tape that was recorded as the sightings happened by Base personnel outside.

I would like to ask if you at the M.O.D. know of the existence of the mentioned tape recording as the UFO events took place outside R.A.F Woodbridge ? *(KNOWN AS HOLT TAPE)

I would be pleased to receive your reply .

Yours Sincerely,

Section 40 [redacted] .....

1. Hd Sec (AS) (821/2/1)
– to be aware

2. Section 40 [redacted] O/r – pse discuss as soon as convenient.

PARLIAMENTARY UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE
FOR THE ARMED FORCES

LOOSE MINUTE

D/US of S(AF)DGT 28/1/4

Sec(AS)2

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

With apologies for ruining your summer I attach a letter that Lord Trefgarne has received from Admiral of the Fleet Lord Hill-Norton in reply to Lord Trefgarne's letter of 17 July. You will see that Lord Hill-Norton accepts the offer of a meeting and we will be in touch with him shortly to arrange this. I will let you know the time and place as soon as possible, and in the meantime I should be most grateful if you could set in hand ~~a~~ briefing for Lord Trefgarne in the form of answers to Lord Hill-Norton's specific questions a-e.

Section 40 [redacted]

PS/US of S(AF)
Section 40 [redacted]

1 August 1985

26th July, 1985

The Lord Trefgarne,
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State
for the Armed Forces,
House of Lords,
London, SW1.

Dear David,

Thank you for your letter of 17th July about our correspondence on the UFO question. I would greatly welcome an off-the-record talk with you. Parliament rises on Tuesday, but I would be delighted to come up to London at any mutually convenient date during August when you have had time to consider this letter and to take any further briefing from officials which you think might be useful. (Perhaps your office would care to be in touch with me by telephone at my home address Tel: Section 40 [redacted]

It may be helpful if I list the questions which I, at any rate, would like to explore. I know you will understand that I do not ask them frivolously or without a good deal of careful thought about the evidence - or supposed evidence - which appears to exist for a persistent phenomenon which, as I see it at present, cannot be wholly without Defence significance. I need hardly add that if there were sensitive Defence questions at issue, I would be the last to press them in public.

The ground which I hope we might cover in an informal discussion is indicated by the following questions:

a. Does the Ministry of Defence acknowledge - by way of reports from the public, the civil police, the Civil Aviation Authority, other civil authorities or its own establishments - that traces are obtained from time to time of the intrusion into British airspace (and sometimes territory) of phenomena for which no prosaic explanation can be given? (I should add that although I am always willing to be disuaded, the evidence accumulated by civilian researchers for the persistence of some such phenomena - amounting on occasion to apparently structured 'vehicles' - seems to me at present overwhelming. I shall be glad to give you instances. The events reported by Lt. Col. Halt of the United States Air Force in a report to your Department dated 13th January 1981 are among them).

b. Assuming, as I hope, that the Ministry of Defence does not ignore the reports reaching it (and we have been told in reply to Parliamentary questions that they amount to some hundreds a year from civilian sources alone), what steps are taken by the Department to investigate them? In particular:-

i) Are they dealt with solely ad hoc, using routine staff channels? or is there some specialist group, either within the Whitehall establishment or elsewhere, which is charged with taking an expert view? If so, to whom do they report? And what is their composition? Do they include civilian advisers from outside your Department?

ii) What part is played, if any, by the Flying Complaints Flight at RAF Rudloe Manor?

iii) What part, if any, is played by Air Staff Secretariats 2 & 8?

c. How many of the reports of unusual phenomena have been received from Defence establishments, including reports from the pilots of military aircraft?

d. What material does your Department have of traces left on military radar or in photographic form either from sorties by military aircraft or from ground-based or ship-based facilities?

e. Can any such material be released either to me or to responsible persons outside your Department for purposes of scientific study?

In troubling you with these questions I am well aware that their subject matter has often been thought easy to ridicule, especially when associated with some of the wilder notions which ar current among the civilian research groups. I am not wedded to any particular theory myself. I do, on the other hand, believe that there is overwhelming evidence for a persistent phenomenon of a highly unusual character. This is, at the least, of considerable scientific interest; and I have not yet heard anything from your Department which convinces me that it is wholly without Defence significance. I would be reassured to know either that it is being adequately gripped as a Defence matter (and, if so, by precisely what means) or that material held by your Department can be release

to serious civilian researchers under arrangements which do not impose unacceptable administrative burdens.

Thank you again for the offer of a discussion. I look forward to our talk.

Yours,

Peter.

PS. I ought perhaps to let you know that Aubrey Buxton is currently considering the possibility of an extended programme on Anglia Television dealing, among other things, with the incidents reported to your Department by Lt. Col. Halt, which were the subject of my letter to the Defence Secretary.

YUFOS Research Division

CIVILIAN AERIAL PHENOMENA
RESEARCH ORGANIZATION

Your Ref:

Our Ref:

Section 40

Sec (AS)2,
Room Section 40
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Whitehall,
London,
SW1A 2HB.

27 July 1985

Dear Sir,

It has now been over a month since my letter to you which was dated 19.6.85 and as yet I have received no reply apart from a small post card.

I must say I find this totally ridiculous.I would like to remind you of 1 of the comments that your department is quite good at banding about and that is that you are quite ready to release information on specific UFO reports.

In my letter to you dated 19.6.85. I asked for information on 4 specific reports none of which has been forthcoming.I would once again like to request the release of all the information you have on these 4 reports.

There is simply no excuse for taking so long to reply to requests such as mine and I sincerely hope that the information I have requested will be forthcoming before too long as it will soon be Christmas.

Yours Hopefully,

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The Yorkshire UFO Society.

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CIVILIAN AERIAL PHENOMENA RESEARCH ORGANIZATION

Section 40 -Secretariat,
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Section 40

Your Ref: D/Sec(AS)/12/3

26 July 1985

Our Ref: BL/RD1-E

No. of Pages: One (1)

Subject: INFORMATION REQUEST

Dear Section 40

Many thanks indeed for your letter dated 22 July 1985, the contents of which have been noted.

I am quite certain that you are aware of the fact, that our organisation is interested only in UFO research. I believe there is a real phenomenon which does on occasions, defy logical explanation. If the MOD's interest, relates firmly on the defence angle, so be it.

I have known for a number of years pre-1962 UFO reports existed, but I cannot understand why for so many years the MOD has denied this was the case. Either way, I would appreciate the address of the Public Records Office, and the name of the Officer in charge.

In respect of recent UFO sightings reported to the MOD by various official authorities, I request the following information:-

1) Unknown lights seen over the Northeast — May 1985

2) Large structure observed near Exeter — May 29 1985 (See enclosure)

3) Nocturnal light over Chesterfield — July 23 1985

On behalf of YUFOS/QUEST, thank you for your valuable time and assistance, I look forward to receiving this information.

Yours Sincerely,

Section 40

Director of Research

Section 40 British Representative of NICAP USA

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British Airports International

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From the Airport Director

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Section 40
Director Of Research,
Civilian Aerial Phenomena
Research Organization,
Section 40

DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH
YUFOS RESEARCH DIVISION

A2/1

16th July 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter of the 8th July.

Your deductions are correct. Our ATC did hear of reports of "stationary lights" and there were no corresponding stationary returns on our radar. We would not expect any, of course, since our radar eliminates stationary targets; this is a common feature of most modern radars.

We do see a great deal of traffic that we have nothing to do with; not surprising, since the radar covers an area of about 10,000 square miles. We do not endeavour to establish the identity of all targets seen in this area, absurd though this failure may seem to you.

Yours sincerely,

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EVALUATION Y.R.D.

UNEXPLAINED

17 JUL 1985
RECEIVED

29 MAY 1985
REPORT

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CIVILIAN AERIAL PHENOMENA
RESEARCH ORGANIZATION

Section 40 [redacted]

Public Relations Officer,
Royal Air Force Chivenor,
North Devon.

Your Ref: CD/P

Our Ref: BL/RD1-E

UNEXPLAINED

11 July 1985

No. of Sheets: One (1)

SUBJECT: UNEXPLAINED LIGHTS MAY 1985

Dear Sir,

With reference to the above named subject;

After reading with some interest the Exeter Express newspaper report and confirmation of the lights by several independent sources, this is a direct request for information, pertaining to this incident.

1) It would appear the light source was of extreme size in relation to ground observation. This being the case, how does Civil and Military advanced radar, receive no indication of the subject image?

2) In-flight refueling does take place in this vicinity, yet the local R.A.F. base, claims no knowledge of such an operation. Does this imply, a genuine unknown target was in the locality?

3) Does R.A.F. Chivenor agree that this multi-witness sighting of an unknown, portray, unusual airborne light configurations? and what in the opinion of Chivenor, do you feel the lights were representative of?

The strange concealment of information surrounding this case, has worried many civilians, and I do not think for one moment, both Exeter Airport and your base failed to track the unknown. Exeter Airport claim this is a matter for the Police and Military, if this is the case, such a large sized structure should have been recognised.

Thank you for your valuable time, the information supplied will be used for research purposes only. If Chivenor submitted a report to SEC (AS) 2, we would be grateful for your signal (copy). Look forward to your reply.

Yours Sincerely,

Section 40 [redacted]

Section 40 [redacted]

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UFO RESEARCH, BROADCASTS & LECTURES

Section 40

Section 40
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Your ref: D/Sec (AS)/12/3

24 July 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you very much for your helpful letter of 10 July 1985 in reply to mine of 18 May 1985.

I am grateful to you for having gone to the trouble of providing me with a list of sightings reported from all sources for the period 1978-1984, but note that my question remains unanswered. While I realise that my request for the number of military sightings from 1959-1984 was a tall order, I still need to have some idea of the number of these - particularly concerning the RAF - in a given period. May I therefore re-phrase my question as follows: How many reports of UFOs have been made by RAF personnel from 1965-1975? If that's too time-consuming, may I ask: How many reports of UFOs were made by RAF pilots in 1967?

As you point out, there has been no evidence to date to indicate a defence threat or significance, so would your department have any objection to releasing details in order to assist me in my researches? As already mentioned, I have obtained a few reports from the early Fifties which have obviously been declassified under the 30-year rule, but it is well known that pilots in the RAF have been seeing these things since then: certainly the Bentwaters case (1956)is a good example.

I am glad to note that AS-2 is now the point to which all reports of UFOs are sent. But what about AS-8, which was mentioned to me by a reliable source? What are its functions, please?

Finally, I was interested to note that your department recognizes that there are "phenomena", even if you think there is no defence significance to them, and that no scientific study has been carried out.

If possible, I would appreciate a reply within four weeks. Thank you.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

Section 40

Sec(AS)2a, Room Section 40

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
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Telephone Section 40 (Direct Dialling)
(Switchboard)

R N Noyes Esq
Section 40

Your reference

Our reference

Date 18 July 1985

Dear Mr Noyes ,

Thank you for your letter of 31 May 1985, I am sorry that I have been unable to reply before now. I was interested to learn that you have obtained from the Public Relations Office copies of reports written in the early fifties. I can only assume that they are from Air Ministry files; if so that may be the reason we have no record of their retention. I am grateful to you for drawing my attention to them, and I shall be asking Air Historical Branch to do some "digging" in case we receive other enquiries about them. I will also consult AHB about the gun-camera 'clips' which you mention but without further details, I am afraid it may be difficult to determine if we still have the information you ask for.

You also requested a copy of the proforma on which we record UFO reports and one is enclosed. As a general rule we are prepared to release reports in this format in answer to requests for information on specific incidents (although we do edit them slightly so that, for obvious reasons, personal details of the informant are not included). However we clearly cannot devote undue time and effort to locating particular reports, nor are we able to issue them in bulk.

On the subject of reports, I must thank you for the one you submitted on 25 May and for your letter to RAF Rudloe Manor of 28 May. Your information has been passed in the usual way to those responsible within the department.

Yours sincerely

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REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

A. Date, time and duration of sighting. (Local times to be quoted).

B. Description of object. (Number of objects, size, shape, colours, brightness, sound, smell, etc).

C. Exact position observer. (Geographical location. Indoors or outdoors. Stationary or moving).

D. How observed. (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or movie camera).

E. Direction in which object was first seen. (A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing).

F. Angle of sight. (Estimated heights are unreliable).

G. Distance. (By reference to a known landmark wherever possible).

H. Movements. (Changes in E, F and G may be of more use than estimates of course and speed).

J. Meteorological conditions during operations. (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc).

K. Near-by objects. (Telephone lines; high voltage lines; reservoir, lake or dam, swamp or marsh; river; high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, spires, TV or radio masts; airfields; generating plant; factories, pits or other sites with flood-lights or other night lighting).

L. To whom reported. (Police, military organisations, the press etc).

M. Name and address of informant.

N. Any background on the informant that may be volunteered.

O. Other witnesses.

P. Date and time of receipt of report.

From: Section 40 Secretariat (Air Staff)2a

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Main Building Whitehall London SW1A 2HB
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(Switchboard)

Section 40

Your reference

Our reference D/Sec(AS)/12/3

Date 10 July 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter of 4 June 1985, addressed to the Prime Minister, which has been passed to me for reply. I have also received your earlier letter to Sec(AS)2. Since the letters cover essentially the same subject, I will reply to them both here.

As you say in your letter to the Prime Minister, you are familiar with official policy on UFO matters. I can confirm that there have been no changes to this policy as a result of transfer of responsibility from DS8 to Sec(AS)2 and that the sole interest of the MOD is to establish whether reports have any bearing on the defence of the country. I should immediately point out that Sec(AS) is the only branch within MOD which is responsible for receiving reports of UFO's from both military and civilian sources (including the Police and CAA). The reports we receive are referred to those in the Department responsible for air defence of the UK in order to establish whether they hold any defence significance. As you mention, there has been no evidence to date which would suggest a defence interest. For this reason, and in view of our limited interest, we have not carried out a study into the scientific significance of these phenomena. I can assure you that there is no question of "Top Secret research" being carried out.

With regard to your request for information on the number of reports received since 1959, I'm afraid we could not justify the time and effort involved in obtaining these figures for the years before 1978. However I attach figures which show the total number of reports received from all sources for each year from 1978 to 1984.

You also mention in your letter of 18 May the fact that you have obtained a number of Air Ministry reports from the Public Records Office. I am sure you will appreciate that I cannot go into the detailed arrangements for the disposal of our files. Nevertheless given the length of time since these documents must have been passed to the Air Ministry's archives (I assume before 1955), it is quite possible that some may have been retained prior to the setting up of the Ministry of Defence, even though we have no record of this.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

NUMBERS OF UFO REPORTS RECEIVED 1978-1984

1978	750
1979	550
1980	350
1981	600
1982	250
1983	390
1984	214

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ROYAL AIR FORCE
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Telephone Newquay Section 40

MOD Sec (AS) 2b
Room Section 40
MOD Main Building
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Please reply to
Officer Commanding
Your reference
Our reference SM/1627/1/Org
Date 4 July 1985

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (UFOs)

Reference:

A. SM/1627/1/Org dated 23 May 1985.

1. Reference A forwarded letters from the Plymouth UFO Investigation Centre regarding an alleged UFO incident in the local area.

REDACTED ON ORIGINAL

2. Enclosure 1 contains a further letter from Mr [redacted] giving his new address and requesting a reply. I forward this letter for your information.

Section 40 [redacted]
Fg Off
CRO
for OC

Enclosures:

1. Letter PUFOIC 56/85 dated 22 June 1985.

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Main Building Whitehall London SW1A 2HB
Telephone Section 40 (Direct Dialling)
(Switchboard)

Section 40

Your reference

Our reference D/Sec(AS)12/3

Date 2 July 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your report on 2 June 1985 to RAF Upavon of an object you were unable to identify. I should explain that the sole interest of the Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO's) is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

In order for us to establish whether there are any defence implications, we make every effort to take account of all available information. It is sometimes useful if we can see any photographs which are taken and I should therefore be most grateful if you be willing to send us the photograph you took, together with the negative if possible. I will, of course, return both photo and negative in due course.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

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(Switchboard)

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Section 40

Your reference

Our reference D/Sec(AS) 12/3

Date 28 June 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for letting us see the enclosed photograph which you took in November 1984. I must apologise that I have been unable to return the picture before now.

You may find it useful if I explain that the sole interest of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

There is no organisation in the Ministry of Defence appointed solely for the purpose of studying reports of such objects, and no staff are employed on the subject full time. The reports we receive are referred to the staff in the Department who are responsible for the air defence of the United Kingdom, and they examine the reports as part of their normal duties.

Since our interest in UFOs is limited to possible defence implications we have not carried out a study into the scientific significance of these phenomena. Unless there are defence implications we do not attempt to identify sightings and we cannot inform observers of the probable identity of the object seen. The Department could not justify the expenditure of public funds on investigations which go beyond the pure defence interests.

However I have consulted one or two people here in an attempt to identify the object which appears in your picture. I am afraid my enquiries have met with little success. Although we are convinced that this is not, in fact, a tangible object, I can offer no explanation as to what caused it to appear in the negative.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

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Section 40

Your reference

Our reference D/Sec(AS) 12/3

Date 28 June 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter of 16 May concerning lights seen over the Solway Firth. I am returning the press cuttings forwarded with your letter. You may find it useful if I explain that the sole interest of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

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We have to recognise that there are many strange things to be seen in the sky, but we believe there are adequate explanations for them. They may be satellite debris re-entering the earth atmosphere, ball lightning, unusual cloud formations, meteorological balloons, aircraft lights, aircraft at unusual angles or many other things.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

Coastwatch investigates ...

Yuletide lights in the Solway

DURING recent weeks people living along the West Cumbrian coast have been fascinated by a series of lights which have sprung up on the Scots side of the Solway in the region of Auchencairn.

At times they appear to be at sea; at other times on the mainland.

Has Scotland decided to brighten up the lives of recession-hit Maryport and Workington this Christmas?

Because so many have been asking about the Scots-side illuminations, we decided to try to solve the mystery.

But even the Scots we spoke to were undecided just what the lights are — though they were adamant that the source was not extra-terrestial.

Dumfries and Galloway council environmental chief Ken Stewart believes them to be from a giant carrier, anchored off Whithorn Island.

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"The carrier, bringing chemicals from North Africa for use at Marchon at Whitehaven, is too large to get into Whitehaven docks," he explained.

"So it anchors off Whithorn and the cargo is off-loaded on to smaller freighters and transported back to Cumbria," he said.

But neither Marchon nor J. B. Moffat and Co., the ship brokers at Whitehaven, have any knowledge of large shipping in the Whithorn area. The plot thickened.

Then Castle Douglas's environmental chief Bill Davidson suggested that the lights might be from the Dundrennan army gunnery range directly across from Maryport.

"The army have been carrying out night-firing practice for the past two months and this would surely require massive illumination," he suggested. Well, he was right.

An Army spokesman at Dundrennan said this week that there had recently been an extensive installation of new security lights round the range.

"And as we can see the lights of Workington and Maryport on a clear night and even watch vehicles moving along the coast road between the towns, it is highly likely that what you are seeing over there are our new installations," he said.

So the mystery is apparently solved. But if anyone sees the lights begin to move this Christmas, don't ring us; ring Dundrennan . . . or put the top on the bottle.

JOHN WRIGHT'S COASTWATCH

Solway lights mystery

RED LIGHTS seen over the Solway Firth this week have officially been logged as UFOs — unidentified flying objects.

The lights were spotted at intervals during the early hours of Sunday by members of the public and the police.

Interpreted as red flares from a stricken boat, Workington and Silloth Lifeboats were launched to search the Solway.

However, no vessel in distress was found nor was one reported missing, according to Coastguard headquarters near Liverpool.

Solway Sector Auxiliary Coastguard, Mr Ashley Wintherpe, said: "We thought it might have been meteorites but the meteorologists say it is the wrong time of the year.

"In the official report we have put the lights down as UFOs. There is no explanation for them."

Driving on the marsh road at Skinburness, Carlisle baker Mr Dick Gardiner saw a huge crimson ball. "Pieces were shooting off it, then it just vanished. The whole thing lasted about 15 seconds," he said.

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Ref DGT/OA/100/1256
(DGT 4884 Attached)

Sec(AS).....

The attached letter from Section 40 [redacted]...
DATED 22/6/85..... is forwarded to you for official action. this letter has/~~has not~~ been acknowledged from this office. The Minister attaches great importance in prompt replies to correspondence he receives and would like this letter answered by COP 10.7.85.....

Would you please let us see a copy of your reply quoting our reference. If this correspondence is transferred, then this office should be notified.

Section 40 [redacted]

for APS/US of S(AF)
Section 40 [redacted]

26 JUN 1985.....

YUFOS

CIVILIAN AERIAL PHENOMENA
RESEARCH ORGANIZATION

pp's ?

OA Sec(AS)

Section 40 [redacted]

Lord Trefgarne
Parliamentry Under-Secretary of State
For the Armed Forces
MoD
Whitehall
SW1A 2HB

Your Ref: D/US of S(AF)DGT 4884

Our Ref: BL/RD1-E

22 June 1985

No. of Pages: One (1)

Subject: UFO Documentation

Dear Sir,

I enclose a photo-stat copy of a letter submitted to the Rt. Hon Merlyn Rees MP in relation to a specific request by a Section 40 [redacted] who is a research member of the above named UFO organisation.

Within this letter, you state specific enquiries will be dealt with by the fairly new dept named Sec (AS) -2. This is your department. Unfortunately, I have to complain, that this said office does not even reply to genuine research enquiries made by civilian UFO groups. I can name, date and submit to you personally, at least six such requests for data which have not even aquired an acknowledgement, this I feel is a disgrace.

This organisation once again requests that all letters forwarded to your dept, dating back to December 1984 (form'y DS8) should be looked into. We feel the UFO phenomenon is a serious problem which at times does afford a defence interest and as such the public has a right to view for themselves such documents.

The United States, France (G.E.P.A.N.), Spain and even Australia offer a much better service to scientific establishments like ourselves. The sooner all UFO documentation is released the better.

I look forward to your reply.

Yours Faithfully,

Section 40 [redacted]

Director of Research

Section 40 [redacted] British Representative of NICAP USA

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PARLIAMENTARY UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE
FOR THE ARMED FORCES

D/US of S(AF)DGT 4884

11 June 1985

Dear Mr Rees,

Thank you for your letter of 14 May which enclosed a further letter from Section 40

I am afraid I have little to add to what I said in my letter of 20 February 1985 in reply to your original enquiry on this matter. We remain satisfied that the events reported by Colonel Halt on 13 January 1981 are of no defence significance. The report was, like all other UFO reports, examined at the time by those in the Department responsible for the air defence of the UK and we have since seen nothing to alter our views.

Turning to Section 40 request for copies of all UFO reports we have received since 1980, I am afraid that the Department could not justify the effort involved in acceding to this request. However, Section 40 will already know that we are prepared to release reports of specific incidents to interested parties and, if he has any particular reports in mind, Section 40 can obtain copies of these from Sec(AS)2 in my Department, whose address is room Ministry of Defence, Main Building, Whitehall SW1A 2HB.
Section 40

Yours sincerely,

Trefgarne

Lord Trefgarne

Rt Hon Merlyn Rees MP

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Section 40 [redacted]

To Flight Lieutenant Section 40
Community Relations Officer,
R.A.F. St Mawgan,
NEWQUAY,
Cornwall,
TR8 4HP.

Ref PUFOIC 56/85.
Your Ref SM/I627/I/Org.

22 June I985.

Dear Flight Lieutenant Section 40

Thank you for your letter to PUFOIC;of 23 May I985. As you will notice,I have since moved to Cheshire earlier this month, from my previous residence in Plymouth,Devon. I hope that you will notate my new address.

Although I have moved some 270miles North!,I am still in charge of the investigation into the,as yet,Unidentified Flying Object which was observed very close to your Air Force Base,during early February this year.

I fully appreciate your attention to my correspondance, although as yet,I have not had any correspondance from the Ministry of Defence. I presume that this was to their department in London. If they have replied to my previous Plymouth address,I have left firm instructions to forward any mail on to me here in Winsford.

Since my last letter to you,we have discovered other local people in the St Mawgan vicinity who probably observed this same phenomenon as the original witness,and naturally they are a little concerned from a safety angle.

I would be most grateful if the Ministry of Defence would either provide an explanation for this incident,or admit that there are,as yet,no explanations as to what several people observed. Unfortunately,the longer their reply takes,UFO Associations,and the general public grow in suspicion that a more sinister aspect was the explanation. I wonder if you could accelerate their reply to us.?

Section 40 [redacted]

BRITISH U.F.O. RESEARCH ASSOCIATION.

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OA Sec(AS)

YUFOS RESEARCH DIVISION

International Communications

Section 40 [redacted]
Overseas Liaison Officer
Section 40 [redacted]

Sec (AS)2,
Room Section 40
Ministry of Defence,
Main Building,
Whitehall,
London,
SW1A 2HB.

19.6.85.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Could you please furnish me with all the information that your department has on the following reports of Unidentified Flying Objects.

Date:10 September 1976.
Source:British European Airways (BEA) flight number Section 40
Location:En-route from Moscow (USSR)to London.
Time:Between 1800 and 1900 hours.

Date:23 July 1984.
Source:Evening Post Newspaper (Leeds),Leeds and Bradford Airport,Gipton Police Station (Leeds) and civilian witnesses.
Locations:West Yorkshire and Humberside.
Time:Between 1900 hours and 2400 hours(23 July)and 00.00 hours to 04.00 hours (24 July).

Date:Summer 1980.
Source:Confidential.
Location:RAF Fylingdales North Yorkshire.
Time:Daylight.

Date:19 June 1980.
Source;Civilian,Scarborough Police and RAF Fylingdales.
Location:Scarborough.
Time:2.00 pm.

I would appreciate all the information your department has on all four of the above reports of Unidentified Flying Objects.I look forward to your reply,untill then I am,

Yours Sincerely,
Section 40 [redacted].

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No. 728 (Unruled)

METROPOLITAN POLICE

Reference to papers { C.O. ..... Dist. 6/QA/136/84 6Q/65/84

DISTRICT/BRANCH Q

STATION Harrow

Registry Folio No. .....

3 May 1984

G.O. ~~Police Order~~ s.36 p.1 & 2 refers

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Re UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

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Chief Superintendent

On Thursday, 26 April 1984, PC Section 40 was on duty at Edgware Police Station when at approximately 10.20pm he received a telephone call from Section 40 aged about Section 40 of Section 40 Stanmore. As a result of what Section 40 told the officer, he went to Section 40 where he met Section 40 and Section 40, of Section 40 Stanmore. They stated in the presence of PC Section 40 and PC Section 40 that they had seen an object of an unusual nature in the sky above her rear garden.

Both officers accompanied Section 40 and Section 40 into the rear garden of Section 40 where Section 40 pointed east towards a flashing light, approximately 45° up in the sky from where they were standing. The officers obtained a pair of binoculars and studied the object through them and saw that the object was circular in the middle with a dome on the top and underneath. The middle of the object had blue lights around the middle and a red/pink lights on the extreme right of the middle. The dome on the top and blue and white flashing lights, the dome underneath was blue, green and red/pink with white flashes. They observed the object for an hour and during that time the object moved erratically from side to side, up and down and to and fro, not venturing far from the original position. During the time the officers observed the object it moved up to the right to a position of approximately 50° from where they were standing.

SC Section 40 was also present during this time and observed the object. The object appeared to be over Borehamwood or Mill Hill.

Section 40 stated "At 9.45 approximately, I opened my back door to let the dog in, when I noticed a bright light in the sky about 45° up above the trees in my back garden that was flashing blue, white, green and pink and it seemed to have things flashing off it. I called my friend out to show her. We both stood and watched for about 5-10 minutes. I ran out to tell my neighbours but saw two young boys walking by and asked them if they could see it they said they could. I ran back into my friend, we watched a little longer. I then ran next door and told them, we went in their garden. They also saw it and the light flashing off it. I ran back in again and my friend and I stood watching it when a blinding white ball with a trail behind went above from left to right, we both screamed at the same time our neighbours heard us. The light at this time was going further back in the sky and throughout the whole time the object was moving very fast and very erratic the whole time. I am not a nutter. I 'phoned the police who sent three officers round, who all witnessed and agreed this was not a plane or a star and that it was flashing colours and moving very erratic. This object was also viewed through binoculars by the police and myself".

M.P.79(E)

All minutes to be numbered in consecutive order. Continue on other side if necessary.

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Section 40 stated "My friend called me into her back garden at 9.45pm and we both saw a large flashing object, much larger than a star in the sky between two trees. The object was flashing bright pink, blue and white and small white objects were shooting away from the main object while it moved in a triangular motion. We watched it for 55 minutes and in this time it faded almost away and then came back and started to fade slowly. After watching for about 20 minutes a bright white light flashed rapidly past us about 100 feet from the house from left to right leaving a bright white trail.

I saw one white object go back to the main red, white and blue one after about 20 minutes."

Air Traffic Control informed. OB 168 and SM 63A of 26.4.84. and SM 3 of 27.4.84. refer.

Section 40

Inspector

2 Section 40

B1 Branch (thro' Commander 'Q')

I have interviewed both officers in this case and I am satisfied as to the veracity of their statements. The civilian witnesses have not been interviewed in depth. However, they are willing to be seen by Ministry of Defence authorities should this be considered necessary.

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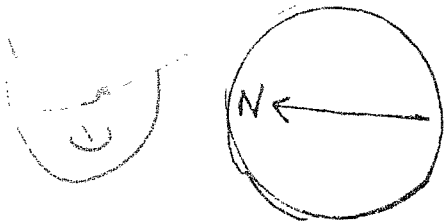
3.5.84.

Section 40

Chief Superintendent



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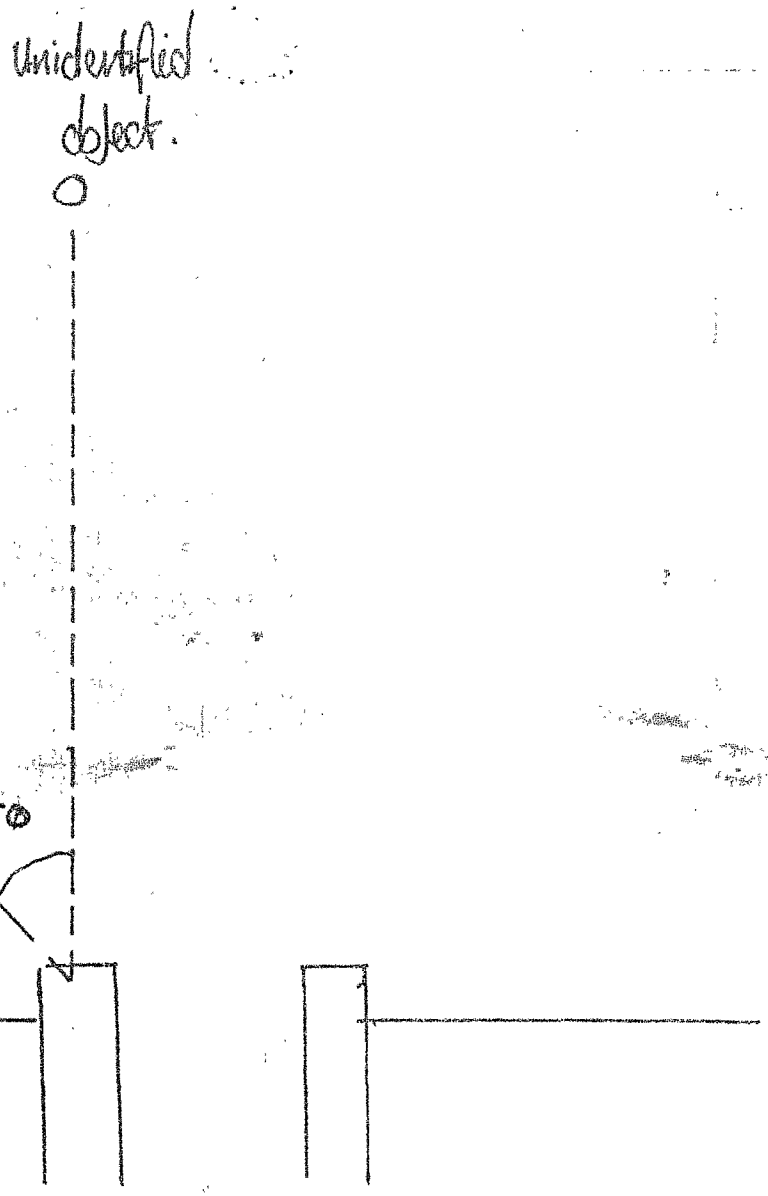
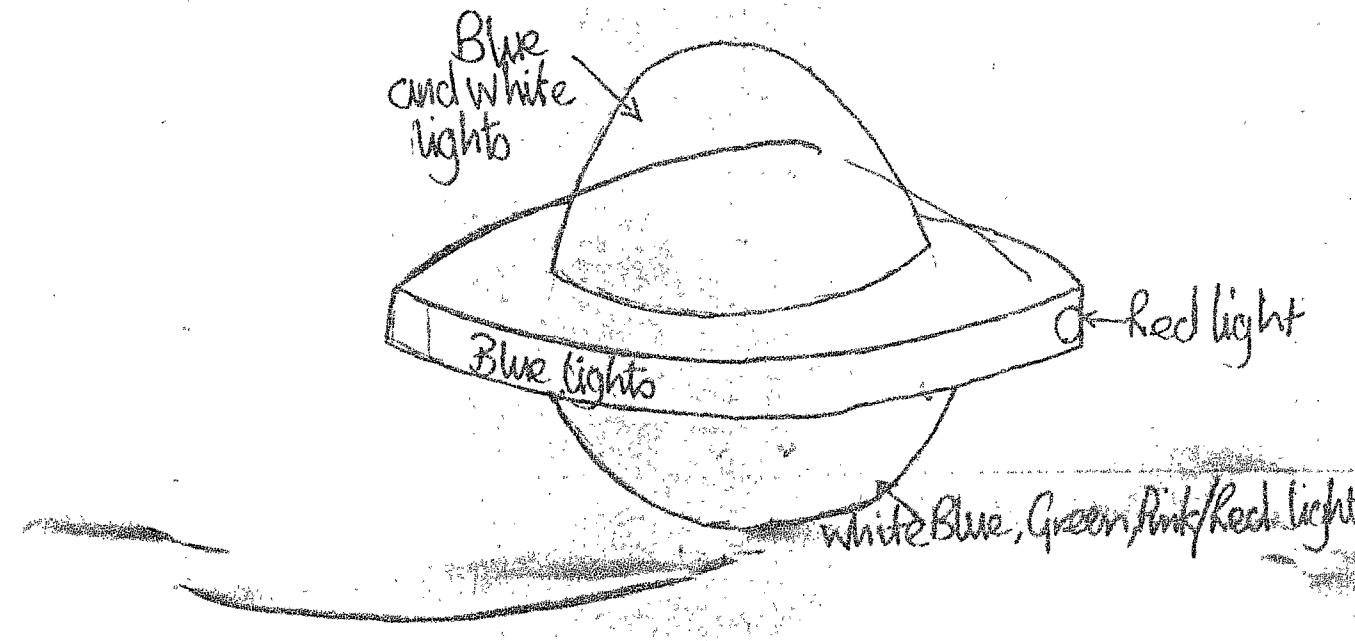


Unidentified object as seen by PC [redacted] and PC [redacted] through binoculars at approximately 11pm Dated 26TH April 1984.



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No. 991A

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STATEMENT OF WITNESS

(C.J. Act, 1967, ss. 2, 9; M.C. Rules, 1968, r. 58)

Statement of ..... Section 40 redacted .....

Age of Witness (Date of Birth) ..... Over 21 .....

Occupation of Witness ..... Section 40 redacted .....

Address and Telephone Number ..... Wealdstone Police Station

..... Section 40 redacted .....

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This statement,* consisting of 2 pages each signed by me, is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Dated the 2nd day of JUNE , 1984.

Signed .. Section 40 redacted .....

Signature witnessed by Section 40 redacted

On Thursday 26th April 1984 I was on duty in full uniform at Edgware Police Station. When as a result of what Section 40 redacted told me over the telephone. I went to Section 40 redacted Stanmore, where I met Section 40 redacted and Section 40 redacted They stated in the presence of P.C. Section 40 redacted and myself that they had seen an object of an unusual nature in the sky above her rear garden. P.C. Section 40 redacted and myself accompanied the females into the rear garden where she pointed east towards a flashing light approximately 45 Degrees up in the sky from were we were standing. A pair of binoculars were obtained and I studie(the object, through them. I saw that the object was circular in the middle with a dome on top and underneath. The middle Section of the object had bright blue lights around it with a red or pink light on the extreme right. The Dome on the top had blue and white flashing. Underneath the bottom dome was or appeared to be covered in blue green

Signed Section 40 redacted ..... *Signature witnessed by* Section 40 redacted

*Delete as applicable.

M.P.75

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

(C.J. Act, 1967, S. 9; M.C.Act, 1980, S. 102; M.C. Rules, 1981, r.70)

Continuation of statement of ..... Section 40 .....

red, pink and white flashing lights. We observed the object for one hour, during this period of time the object moved erratically from side to side, up and down and to and fro, not venturing far from its original position. During the observation I saw the object move up to the right approximately fifty degrees up in the sky, S.P.C. Section 40 also observed the object The object appeared to be over the Borehamwood or Mill Hill area. There w a prevailing easterly wind.

Signed ..... Signature witnessed by .....

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No. 991A

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

(C.J. Act, 1967, ss. 2, 9; M.C. Rules, 1968, r. 58)

Statement of ..... Section 40 .....

Age of Witness (Date of Birth) ..... OVER 21 .....

Occupation of Witness ..... POLICE CONSTABLE Section 40 .....

Address and Telephone Number ..... WEALDSTONE POLICE STATION, 78

..... HIGH STREET, WEALDSTONE, MIDDX. .....

..... Section 40 .....

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Dated the 2nd day of JUNE, 1984.

Signed ..... Section 40 .....

Signature witnessed by ..... Section 40 .....

On THURSDAY 26th APRIL 1984 I was on duty in uniform at EDGWARE POLICE STATION. When as a result of a call I attended Section 40 STANMORE in company with P.C. Section 40 There I saw the occupier Section 40 Section 40 and Section 40 . They stated in the presence of myself, P.C. Section 40 and S.P.C. Section 40 that they had seen an object of an unusual nature in the sky above the rear garden of the pre premises. Myself, P.C. Section 40 and S.P.C. Section 40 went into the rear garden of the premises in company with Section 40 and Section 40 Section 40 indicated EAST towards a flashing light approximately 45° up in the sky from where we were standing. We obtained a pair of binoculars. I studied the object through the binoculars and I noticed that the object was circular in the middle with what appeared to be a dome on top and underneath. There were blue lights around the middle of the object and red/pink lights on the extreme right of the middle. The dome on top had blue and white flashing lights. The dome underneath was

Signed ..... Section 40 ..... *Signature witnessed by* ..... Section 40 .....

*Delete as applicable.

M.P.75

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

(C.J. Act, 1967, S. 9; M.C.Act, 1980, S. 102; M.C. Rules, 1981, r.70)

Continuation of statement of [redacted] P.C. [redacted]

blue, green, and red/pink with white flashes emitting from it. We observed the object for an hour and during this time the object moved erratically from side to side, up and down and to and fro, never venturing far from its original position. During the time we were observing the object it moved up to the right in approximately 50° from where we were standing. From our observationpoint it would appear that the object was over the BOREHAMWOOD/MILL HILL area.

Signed [redacted] Signature witnessed by [redacted]

[redacted]

Section 40 [redacted]

Dear Sir ,,

I am enclosing some information of which may be of interest to you regarding some strange lights that have suddenly sprung up across the Scots side ower the Solway Firth,I myself became curious at these reports. So to find out if their were any truth in the sightings of the lights that appear to be at sea then on land,where I live (situated) I can observe right over the Scotch side with a good pair of binocu lars,I then set up regular nightly Skywatches at an advantage point,to my surprise I began to witness these reported lights for myself,mainly these became visible after nine O' Clock at night at different locations. I later became somewhat alarmed and worried at what I was seeing . (The lights start to come on very low powered,orange and white lits, then they seem to expand bigger like welding lights,and get brighter They then move across from land to sea very quickly,after being stationary for a few minutes or more.I thought these might be hellicopters from an Army base somewhere on night excercise,perhaps !) Many of people also have seen these lits or lights over the Solway,I hence enclose local newspaper reports for your e persual, and I would reciate some sort of explanation,as I do not think these have been investigated thoroughly enough.

P/S. You may keep the enclosed clippings,or take copies and send originals back to me.

Yours Faithfully,

P.T.O -

Section 40 [redacted]

[redacted]

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed the photograph subject of my recent telephone conversation with your office.

The photograph was taken locally in early November 1984 on a long time exposure. I would be interested in your views on the 'object' visible in the sky section of the picture.

The photographs from the remainder of film show no irregularities.

I look forward to your reply and would be able, if necessary, to give more full details of location, etc etc.

Yours Faithfully,

[redacted]

(E15)
12/3

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Main Building Whitehall London SW1A 2HB
Telephone Section 40 (Direct Dialling)
(Switchboard)

Your reference

Our reference

Date

SSO/ Sec (AS),
Room Section 40
Main Building.

Section 40

I spoke to a member of the public a couple of months ago & the enclosed is the subject of our conversation.

The person said that the 'object' on the photo was not a one-off but appeared on the negative, which he still holds.

Are you interested? If not, do you have any ideas who may be? Your help is appreciated.

Section 40

MOD Sy(b)
Rm Section 40

D/D Air Def/3/6/3-962

No action

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From: GE3

To: Sec (AS) 2a

Subject: UFO SIGHTING

1. You will be interested to see the attached forecast UFO report which came addressed to Operations Directorate Ministry of Defence.

2. Presumably [redacted] will be watching his TV on 21 Jun and may therefore follow-up when he realises that we have not followed his instructions

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[redacted]

Wg Cdr
GE3
[redacted]

File 12/3

OPERATION COLD STREAM - SECURITY CLASSIFICATION / COSMIC (To say the least...)

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CONTACT WITH EXTRA-TERRESTRIAL INTELLIGENCE VEHICLE AT MIDSUMMER SOLSTICE. MIDSUMMER MOMENT IS 10.44 HRS GMT FRIDAY JUNE 21 1985.

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1. THE VEHICLE WILL EMERGE FROM THE OCEAN NORTH OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND, IN ORDER TO COMPLETE ONE ORBIT OF THE PLANET EARTH IN 24 HOURS, WILL IMMEDIATELY ADOPT A SPEED OF PASSAGE OF 1036 MPH, OR ABOUT 500 YARDS PER SECOND. IT WILL TRAVEL NORTH TO SOUTH ACROSS THE UK IN A STRAIGHT LINE AT AN ALTITUDE OF 1000' ON CONTOUR-LOCK ABOVE LAND AND WATER, OVER-FLYING THE 555 MILES IN 32 MINUTES, ENTERING UK AIR-SPACE OVER THE ISLE OF LEWIS AT 10.15 HRS G.M.T., PASSING BETWEEN THE ISLANDS OF RHUM AND EIGG, WEST OF SCOTLAND: ABOVE GREY ABBEY, NORTH EASTERN IRELAND: OVER MERLIN'S BRIDGE, SOUTH WESTERN WALES: ABOVE TINTAGEL CASTLE, WESTERN ENGLAND: CLEARING UK AIR SPACE OVER THE SOUTH COAST AT 10.47 HRS G.M.T.

2. DIVIDING THE TRACK INTO EIGHTHS, OR DISTANCES OF ABOUT 70 MILES, EACH POINT BEING 4 MINUTES APART, THE FOLLOWING IS REVEALED:

ENTERS UK AIR SPACE AT	10.15 HRS GMT	- ISLE OF LEWIS.
	.19	- ISLE OF SKYE.
	.23	- ISLE OF MULL.
	.27	- MULL OF KINTYRE.
	.31	- GREY ABBEY, COUNTY DOWN.
	.35	- OVERSEA, WEST OF ANGLESEY.
	.39	- OVERSEA, APPROACHING FISHGUARD.
	.43	- OVERSEA, BETWEEN WALES AND CORNWALL.
LEAVES UK AIR SPACE AT	10.47 HRS GMT	- ST AUSTELL BAY.

3. ON MOD PICK-UP, SCRAMBLE 5 R.A.F. PHOTO-PHANTOMS, AND ESCORT FOR DURATION OF UK PASSAGE, FILMING VEHICLE FROM A DISTANCE OF 1000 FEET. NO CLOSER. ONE EITHER SIDE, ONE LEVEL BEHIND, AND ONE IMMEDIATELY ABOVE. ONE AIRCRAFT TO BE AT 4000 FEET ALTITUDE, 2000 FEET ABOVE THE HIGHEST P/P, TRANSMITTING 'LIVE' TV PICTURES OF 'VEHICLE + 4' FORMATION BENEATH FOR OUR INSTANTANEOUS VIEWING, AND LATER STUDY.

4. TO OVERCOME FUEL LIMITATIONS, SUGGEST 'BATON' THEORY, FIVE TAKING OVER FROM FIVE ALONG DURATION OF TRACK.

5. THE VEHICLE IS GULL SHAPED TO NEGOTIATE PLANETARY ATMOSPHERES AND INTER-STELLAR REGIONS. IT WILL BE SURROUNDED BY A VERY STRONG MAGNETIC FIELD, POSSIBLY INTERRUPTING SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT. MAYBE WE CAN FILM THROUGH TRANSPARENT SUBSTANCE OVERCOMING ANY RADIATION AND RESULTING FILM FOG.

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6. ALTHOUGH THE TRACK IS GIVEN, IT MAY LAND. IN WHICH CASE AN APPROACH MAY BE MADE BY US. THIS CALLS FOR 'TEAMS' OF EQUAL NUMBERS OF MALE AND FEMALE ARMED FORCES PERSONNEL, SUGGEST FOUR OF EACH, TO BE PLACED ABOARD A SERIES OF HELICOPTERS STANDING BY ALONG TRACK. SUGGEST ONE ON EACH POSSIBLE LANDFALL, I.E. LEWIS / SKYE / MULL / KINTYRE / GREY ABBEY / FISHGUARD / BOSSINEY / ST AUSTELL.

7. ONCE INSIDE THE VEHICLE, TEAM WILL BE ABLE, AND ALLOWED, TO MAKE RECORDS, AUDIO AND VISUAL. ALL ARE TO BE WIRED, ALLOWING SPOKEN RECORD TO BE KEPT OF ANYTHING THEY WISH WHILST MOVING ABOUT THE SHIP INTERNALLY, OR ANY WORD OR SOUND GIVEN. SUGGEST AUXILIARY TAKE-UP SPOOLS TO BE ATTACHED TO PERSONNEL AS HULL RADIATION MAY PREVENT TRANSMISSION THROUGH TO HELICOPTER.

8. AFTER INSPECTION CREWS HAVE DISEMBARKED FOR THEIR INTERNAL INSPECTION, THE HELICOPTER IS TO RISE, CIRCLE AND FILM THE STATIONARY SHIP UNTIL CREW DISEMBARKS FROM VEHICLE. ALERT ESCORT PHANTOMS AT THIS STAGE READY TO CONTINUE THEIR SURVEILLANCE.

9. FROM EYEBALL CONFIRMATION AT TIME OF UK AIR SPACE ENTRY, DELIVER ALL FILM AND TAPE AND OTHER RECORDS, FROM GROUND, SEA AND AIR, TO MANCHESTER ASSEMBLY POINT, WHERE IT IS TO BE ASSEMBLED IN SEQUENCE, NO EDITS, INTO ONE COMPLETE INTERPRETATION OF ESTIMATED HALF HOUR PASSAGE. AS SOON AS IT IS COMPLETE, MAKE TEN COPIES, PASSING ONE TO BBC TELEVISION AND HAVE SHOWN TO UK PUBLIC, ALL CHANNELS SIMULTANEOUSLY, WITHIN 24 HOURS. ALLOW 48 HOURS TO ELAPSE, THEN SHOW AGAIN.

10. EXCEPTION TO THE ABOVE IS THE NON-STOP TV TRANSMISSION MATERIAL SHOT BY HIGHEST PHANTOM. THIS WILL BE HELD BY ARMED FORCES AND AT PRESENT IS NOT FOR CIVILIAN RELEASE.

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Good luck.

Section 40 [redacted]

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The Director
The Ministry of Defence
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Your ref.:

Our ref.:
TF162/70/8(B1)

Form 7112

19 June 1984

Dear Sir

I enclose for your information and any action considered necessary, copies of police reports and witness statements concerning the sighting of an alleged unidentified flying object on Thursday 26 April 1984.

Yours faithfully

Section 40

for Assistant Commissioner
(Traffic)

Copy to:
Ops (GE) 2 (RAF)
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We have already been notified of this by a signal from the police.

Section 40

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15th June 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter of 17th. May 1985. It was very interesting. Some points have become clearer for me and I am grateful for that.

Yours Sincerely

Section 40

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FOR THE ATTENTION OF EXCHANGE PUBLICATIONS.

Will all groups and exchange publications please amend their mailing lists. OSEAP's address is given above, and is no longer in Stockport. During 1984, all mail sent to our old address has been redirected by the post office, to Barnoldswick; but in 1985 this will cease - so anything sent to Stockport after December will not get through. Also, all publications must be sent to the above address and not to any group member addresses in Crewe. We hope you will take note of the above, if you have not already done so.

RESOURCES CENTRE PROGRESS.

Thanks go out to Bill Gibbons, Paul Screeton, Chris Allen and Eric Ogden for recend donations to the Centre. New, incoming, exchanges are Solna Astronomiska Forening, IGAP-GB Newsletter, North American UFO Federation and Odyssey. The present working total of contributions to the Centre is now 12426 - an increase of 898 since March, 1984.

NEWS.

Vladimir Godic informes me that he is no longer associated with the Australian Centre for UFO Studies; he is now a founding member of UFO Research Australia - who are to publish UFO Research Australia Newsletter and UFO Research Digest. He can be contacted at:- P.O. Box 229, Prospect, South Australia 5082.

Insight Magazine explores the world of the occult and includes book reviews and readers' letters - a sample copy is only £1.20. Write to 25 Calmore Close, Stourvale Meadows, Bournemouth, Dorset.

NEW BOOKS.

THE WITCHES WAY-PRINCIPLES, RITUALS AND BELIEFS OF MODERN WITCHCRAFT/ Janet and Stewart Farrar (Hale) 352 pages - £14.95.

AN ABC OF WITCHCRAFT PAST AND PRESENT/Doreen Valiente (Hale reprint) 400 pages - £9.95.

CORNISH HAUNTINGS AND HAPPENINGS/Donald R. Rawe (Hale) 192 pages - £8.50.

APPEARANCES OF THE DEAD-A CULTURAL HISTORY OF GHOSTS/R. C. Finucane (Prometheus) 232 pages - $18.95.

THE ENIGMA OF DANIEL HOME - MEDIUM OR FRAUD/Trevor H. Hall (Prometheus) 152 pages - $16.95.

MINDSTEPS TO THE COSMOS/Gerald S. Hawkins (Souvenir) 352 pages - ?.

THE MAYA/Michael D. Coe (revised) (Thames & Hudson) 192 pages - £4.95.

AFTER THE PHILADELPHIA EXPERIMENT/Gray Barker (New Age Books) $12.95.

UFOS IN SOUTH AFRICA/Frank Sante (Vantage) $8.50.

STRANGE MUTANTS/John Keel - £7.95.*

MY FRIEND FROM BEYOND EARTH/Frank Stranges (New Edition) £3.00.*

THE UFO CONSPIRACY/Frank Stranges - £5.90.*

*The above three books are available from Susan Strebbing, 41 Terminus Drive, Herne Bay, Kent, CT6 6PR.

OBITUARIES.

Lou Zimsstage - Basle, Switzerland on January 19th. - 79.
Kenneth Arnold - Washington, USA on January 16th. - 68.
Peter Kolosimo - Milan, Italy on March 23rd. - 62.

MAGAZINES AND BOOKS FOR SALE.

A substantial amount UFO and related material is available from OSEAP - no silly prices as can be found with dealers. For a comprehensive list send 65p. to the Centre's address. Overseas readers write for international price, including postage.

LATE NEWS.

Bad news concerning the magazine 'Contra', published by Walter Hain in Austria. Because of a lack of support the publication has had to cease - after a promising start it's sad to see yet another wothwhile effort falter.

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BOOK REVIEWS.

ASTRONOMY/David Evans (1982) - 290 pages, index, bibliography, illustd. Price: £2.95 from Hodder & Stoughton, Mill Road, Dunton Green, Sevenoaks, Kent. This is another title from the publisher's 'Teach Yourself' series, this edition being the eighth - having originally been published back in 1952. The author is well qualified being Professor of Astronomy at the University of Texas. As would be expected it is a very good primer on the subject, but in a market where numerous titles are available for the discerning buyer this book is a bit dull in that, unlike others, it has only black and white photographs. One would have thought that with the hundred of excellent prints available today, the publishers would have updated the older prints. Therefore the appearance of the book is very 1950-ish.

THE EVIDENCE FOR VISIONS OF THE VIRGIN MARY/Kevin McClure (1983) - 158 pages, bibliography, index, illustrated. £2.50 from: The Acquarian Press, Denington Estate, Wellingborough, Northants, NN8 2RQ. When one arted reading McClure's book it was obvious that he was far from happy about the primitive investigations of claimed visions. Chapters one to nine is a collection of visions from 1061 to the present day. The evidence which is assessed in Chapter eleven is very thin indeed and the author deviates into speculation when he attempts to link visions with UFO sightings. There's nothing like linking one unproven subject with another! As an introduction to the subject the book suceeds and should encourage interested parties to pursue the subject further.

STONEHENGE COMPLETE/Christopher Chippindale. (1983). 296 pages, illustrated, index. £12.95 from: Thames & Hudson, 30 Bloomsbury Street, London, WS1B 3QP. "Everything important, interesting or odd that has been written or painted, discovered or imagined, about the most extraordinary building in the world", proclaimes the front cover. By "everything", we have to realise that this is the usual overstatement. However, this book is a truly comprehensive work produced to the high standard one expects from the publishers. Excellent photographs, painting, engravimgs, line drawimgs and even cartoons make it very pleasing to the eye and a very good coffee-table book. Recommended to all with an interest in this unique monument.

THE YEAR OF THE SAUCER/- GRAY BARKERS UFO ANNUAL 1983/Gray Barker. 101 pages, illustrated, no index. $12.95 from: New Age Press, Box D, Jane Lew, WV 26378, USA. Another book from the hand of Barker, the annual is supposed to be a Ufological record of the year 1982; but includes a mish-mash of dubious stories and claims from other years besides. Barker really is an enigma. On the one hand he compiles a major work to the UFO subject in his 'UFO Guides to Fate' (reviewed in CU 4), then come along with this book whose only aim seems to be the creation of an entertaining read for the credulous amongst us. In the ten chapters, he finds space to feature the Rendlesham Forest events, 1980, under the heading of 'The Mysterious Forest'. Sorry to say that this is a book that adds weight to the bookshelf, but very little else.

FAIRY TALES - ALLEGORIES OF THE INNER LIFE/Jean C. Cooper. (1983). 159 pages, bibliography, index, illustrated. Price £3.95 from: The Acquarian Press. A fascinating book that examines the recurring themes and motifs in classic fairy tales, and shows how they relate to the symbolic processes of the unconscious mind, although rather too esoteric at times, Cooper makes her point well and the text is accompanied by some fine illustrations, in particular those of Gustave Dore.

FUTURE WEATHER - THE CAUSES & EFFECTS OF CLIMATIC CHANGE/John Gribbin. (1983). 272 pages, index, bibliography, illustrated. £3.50 from Penquim Books Ltd., Harmondsworth, Middlesex. A most readable book by the co-auther of 'The Jupiter Effect' several years ago. This latest work concerns the Greenhouse Effect - in simple terms a build up of carbon dioxide in the Earth's atmosphere leading to a temperature change. Gribbin structures the book well with some perceptive comments on the political, as well as scientific, aspects of the problem. He is also not too esoteric in his overview of the present state of thinking/research and therefore this book can be recommended to the person wishing to read a 'primer' type book.

UFO REALITY/Jenny Randles. (1983) 248 pages, illustrated, index, references. £9.95 from: Robert Hale Ltd., Clerkenwell House, Clerkenwell Green, London, EC1R OHT. This is the fifth book from the prolific hand of Ms Randles, it is sub-titled, "A critical look at the physical evidence." One might argue that this is a contradiction, for if there was 'physical evidence', surely there would be no UFOs!? The book consists of some 14 chapters written in her usual style, which always makes for easy reading. She adopts what she terms 'the JR set': 1051 UFO cases covering five years, which she has personally evaluated as her hard-data for evidence. This is a great weakness of the book, she has not personally investigated the cases. Just because a case has been investigated up to levels 'A' or 'B', should not give it a higher status. How competent were the investigators involved is just one reservation that should always be taken into account. More and more, Ms Randles, instead of giving the true facts about the UFO subject, prefers to mould the opinions of her readers. UFO Reality fails to balance the open-minded viewpoint with that of the skeptics. This is evident in the lack of references to Klass and Sheaffer (they are only mentioned 3 times in the book) and in the section 'further reading', not one of their books is recommended! Hardly a critical look at the evidence.

Throughout the book I thought many cases we omitted that she could have used for critical study. For example, in Chapter 13 when discussing photographic evidence, discussion is to be found on the Trinidade Island prints, but there is no mention of the Jersey cases from 1973 which showed an identical object with what looks like a vapour trail - Kodak felt that the 'object' was caused by processing irregularities. Another good case which was omitted, was the Wistaston, Cheshire hoax photos from 1978. Here is an example of an English case being evaluated by Ground Saucer Watch in the states and uncovered as a hoax. In the chapter on UFO movies, no mention is made of the 1976 Ben Boyd case from Australia. One could go on; but in fairness Ms Randles may be totally unaware of these cases.

One final point, on page 152, she states the following, "I was told by a former British Government official once that he understood that such a device (a crashed UFO - Ed.) could be found in this country. It was allegedly under wraps at a military base somewhere in South Wales." She says she treats such unsubstantiated stories as nothing more than interesting, and though provocative they tend to be unproveable. One could ask who was the official? Which Base? If some cases tend to be unproveable, does that mean that some have been proved? I won't go on but it is annoying that in too many UFO books, carrots are ritually dangled before the reader without any factual proof. Was it too tempting for Ms Randles to include this 'rumour'? It would appear so. Many books on the subject claim to be critical, many are not and this title, whilst appearing on the surface to acheive the job, many researchers, more knowledgeable, will be able to notice its faults.

THE MEGALITHIC ODDYSSEY/Christian O'Brien. (1983) 176 pages. illustrated. £4.95 from: Turnstone Press (same address as Acquarian-press). This book discusses 'astronomically aligned' stone circles and giant cairns on Bodmin Moor and their origins. Who were the designers and builders? O'Brien claims an advanced race of Master Builders travelled the world overseeing numerous projects. Although the research and text is well-threaded together it hardly statters one's own vision of prehistory.

LEY LINE...THEIR NATURE & PROPERTIES/J. Havelock Fidler. (1983). 144 pages, illustrated. £3.95 from: Turnstone Press. The author incorporates dowsing techniques developed by himself to show, via experimental work, his belief in ways in which a standing stone can be charged with energy and how this charge can then be permanently fixed. One conclusion he comes to is that the energy harnessed by ley-line systems are human in origin. All interesting stuff to read, although I doubt the seriously-interested scientist to latch onto this work.

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INDEXING - THE FIRST THREE YEARS.

Some three years have passed since the indexing of material within the Centre began. In that time 241 U.K. UFO publications have gone onto this system. This period has given me a unique insight into this material which covers the years 1965 to 84. Whilst it must be understood that the type of references one adopts is governed by what is indexed, the following facts and figures make for interesting reading. No one else is indexing U.K. UFO literature to the same degree as OSEAP and the research possibilities are endless. It comes as no surprise to find that editorial preferences start with sightings - out of the 241 publications England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland have a total of 706 cases, add on another 38 countries also featured and this total rises to 945! These range from one-liners to detailed case studies.

A brief look at some subject-headings and references show that some themes are better represented than others eg: only 9 references to instrumentation in UFO research, a modest 50 to identified flying objects, 19 to men-in-black, 39 to UFO investigation methods, 59 to Warminster and 14 to the Condon Report. On the 'names' side, UFO skeptic Phillip Klass scrapes in with 8 and, as one would expect, the prolific Jenny Randles - 173. These references represent articles written by said person, letters, cartoons, crosswords, and a mention by other writers.

A breakdown of the present indexing situation clearly shows the fruit of three year's work.

Subject Headings -	1458.
References -	7018.
Abstracts -	1645.
Total:	10121. (241 publications circa 1965-84).

Here's looking forward to the next three years!

Finally, a quiz of sorts - sorry no prizes. Whilst sifting through the above indexing I came across many weird and wonderful items: three subject headings should get your brains working overtime: 1) Euphrosyne, 2) The Mist Agency and 3) Klee Phenomenon. which publications featured the above and who or what are they? (DLR).

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REMEMBER: the conditions of your joint-subscription to OSEAP JOURNAL and CENTRE UPDATE have changed. Please read the enclosed leaflet carefully.

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JOURNAL ABSTRACTS.

1) THE PUZZLE OF BALL-LIGHTENING/Nikolai Zhiltsov. An interesting item which gives an insight into Russian thinking on the subject of ball-lightening; includes several cases from the Soviet Union and questions the origins of how this phenomenon gains it power. Source: Anomalous Phenomenon Review, Vol. 1/No. 1 1984 - Pages 4-6.

2) RUMOURS AND PUBLICITY - THEIR CAUSES AND EFFECTS/Mark Tyrrell. A well written and perceptive article originally published three years ago, but very relevant today and recommended reading for all serious researchers. The small study featured in the text concerning UFO shapes is illuminating to say the least and concludes that there is a strong indication of ingrained preconceptions as to the UFO phenomenon. Source: UFO Research Australia Newsletter (ISSN 0726-1764), Vol. 5/No. 2 1984 - Pages 24-32.

3) THE HANGAR 18 TALES - A FOLKLORISTIC APPROACH/Joe Nickell. A very reasoned debate on a subject, with Ufology, riddled with questionable claims and 'conspiracy' overtones. It lays down clear challenges to believers of 'crashed saucers' and 'pickled aliens' to come up with facts! Nickell likens the 'belief tales' as exhibiting the qualities of true folklore! Source: Common Ground, No. 9 1984 - Pages 2-10.

4) ON THE ROAD WITH CUFOS: DUBIOUS PHOTO'S ON EXHIBIT/Michael R. Dennett. A review of the Center for UFO Studies' traveling photo exhibition in the States, the credibility of prints on view, and concludes 'the preponderance of sensational 'close encounter' cases in the CUFOS exhibit is another indication of the intellectual bankruptcy of Ufology. Perhaps more significant is the brazen use of fake of highly questionable photographs by a supposedly scientific organisation'. Source: The Skeptical Enquirer (ISSN 0194-6730), Spring, 1984. Pages 209-210.

5) NEW DATA FROM HESSDALEN/Kim Moller Hansen. Latest news from the Norwegian sighting area of Hessdalen. Data on incidents from this location have already appeared in at least one British publication. In this article the NIVF group have collected some meteorological data which may account for some - but not all - of the sightings in the area. The local population have not like NIVF's findings. Source: UFO NYT (ISSN 0049-4976), No. 4 1984 - Pages 32-35.

6) WHAT DID LONNIE SEE?/Toby Smith. A good piece of journalism by Smith, Zamora and others involved at the time of his sighting at Socorro in 1964 are interviewed. It gives a fascinating and retrospective insight on the incident. Over the years Lonnie has grown weary of defending himself and fed-up of the harassment he has suffered from various quarters. Today he drives an earth mover and supplements his income by serving in the National Guard. He comes across as just an ordinary person who became involved in events he did not understand. One the sighting he says, "people say I saw a Flying Saucer...I can't say if I did because I don't know what a Flying Saucer looks like." He also feels he was at the wrong place at the wrong time and should he ever see anything unusual again he would not tell anyone about it. Source: UFO Newsclipping Service, No. 169 1983 - Pages 6-8 (reprinted from the Impact Journal, New Mexico 2/8/83).

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EXCHANGE MAGAZINES.

The last couple of years has been notable for the drop in UFO reports and also the number of UFO magazines either going out of circulation

or no longer wishing to exchange because (1) finances wouldn't allow it or they (2) did not agree with what OSEAP had to say. OSEAP can understand the first reason but says if it is because of the second, then these people are not really worth dealing with if they're that immature. Without much further ado, here is an updated exchange list. Any changes of address should be notified accordingly:-

UK EXCHANGES.

MAGONIA, 64 Alric Avenue, New Malden, Surrey, KT3 4JW.
NORTHERN UFO NEWS, 21 Whittlewood Close, Gorse Covert, Warrington, WA3 6TU.
UFO RESEARCH REVIEW, 443 Meadow Lane, Nottingham, NG2 3GU.
COMMON GROUND, 11 Asquith Boulevard, Leicester.
FORESIGHT, 29 Beaufort Ave., Hodge Hill, Birmingham, B34 6AD.
THE LEY HUNTER, P.O. Box 13, Welshpool, Powys, Wales.
NESSLETTER, Huntshieldford, St. John's Chapel, Bishop Auckland, Co. Durham.
KINGDOM VOICE, Riverside Cottage, Harpford, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 ONG.
FORTEAN TIMES, 96 Mansfield Road, London, NW3 2HX.
BUFOS JOURNAL, C/O Deirdre O'Neill, 54 Heathfield Gardens, London, NW11.
EARTH GIANT, 35A West Street, Abbotsbury, Weymouth, Dorset.
INFINITY, 73 Torbrex Road, Cumbernauld, Glasgow, G67 2JU.
BUFORA JOURNAL, 40 Jones Drive, Whittlesey, Peterborough, PE7 2HW.
EARTHLINES, 7 Brookfield, Stirchley, Telford, Shropshire, TF3 1EB.
REVELATION, 8 Victoria Court, Victorie Road, New Brighton, Wirral, L45 9ND.
NUFORO BULLETIN, 60 Charles Cr., Lenzie, Kirkintilloch, Glasgow, G66 5HG.
INSIGHT, 25 Calmore Close, Sourvale Meadows, Bournemouth, Dorset.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES.

CENAP, Eisenacher Weg 16, 6800 Mannheim 42, Germany.
UFOLOGIA, Clypeus, P.O. Box 604, 10100 Torino, Italy.
ODISEJA, Mileinskega 6, 61000 Ljubiana, Slovenija, Yugoslavia.
IL SENSATITOLO, Via Torino 91, 33100 Udine, Italy.
JOURNAL FUR UFO-FORSCHUNG, Postfach 4361, D-5880 Ludenscheid 1, Germany.
PLANET EVRENDE ZEKI HAYAT, P.O. Box 1157, Istanbul, Turkey.
AFU NYHETSBLAD, P.O. Box 11027, S-600 11, Norrkiping 11, Sweden.
SUFOI NEWSLETTER, Margrethevej 11, DK-2960, Rungsted Kyst, Denmark.
OVNI-PRESENCE, Casa Postale 342, CH - 1800 Vevey 1, Switzerland.
NOTIZIARO UFO/C.U.N., Via Magenta 49, 10128 Torino, Italy.
UFO NEWSFLASH, Massimo Greco, P.O. Box 29, 25121 Brescia, Italy.
AUSTRALIAN I.U.F.O.R. Magazine, Box 2004 GPO, Adelaide, Sth. Australia 5001.
UFO 21, K. Albertstraat 40, 3500 Hasselt, Belgium.
UFOLOGIA, B P I, 57601 Forbach Cedex, France.
DUIST, Bv Zentrale Wiesbaden, D62 Wiesbaden-Schierstein, Fach-17185, Germany.
GEP, Postfach 2361, D-5880 Ludenscheid 1, Germany.
DOCUMENTI UFO, Via Cardinale Garampi, N. 184, 00167 Roma, Italy.
UFO FINLAND, SF-17950, Kylama, Finland.
SVL MAGAZINE, Oever 28, 2000 Antwerp, Belgium.
UFORAN, P.O. Box 229, Prospect, Sth. Australia 5082.
ACUFOA JOURNAL, 61 Reginald Ave., Findon, Sth. Australia 5023.
TUFOIC, P.O. Box 99, North Hobart, Tasmania 7000, Australia.
MUSGRAVE MAILING, 169 Abbottsfield Rd., Emonton, Alberta, TSW 459, Canada.
SWAMP GAS JOURNAL, Box 1918, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3C 3R2, Canada.
CUFORG NEWSLETTER, 2 Augusta St., Cambridge, Ontario, N1R 1G1, Canada.
ANCIENT SKIES, 1921 St. Johns Ave., Highfield Park, Illinois 60035, USA.
UFO NEWSCLIPPING SERVICE, Route 1, Box 220, Plumerville, Ark 72127, USA.
SOLAR SPACE LETTER, P.O. Box 622, Joshua Tree, California 92252, USA.
STIGMATA, P.O. Box 1094, Paris, Texas 75460, USA.
SHAVERTRON, 325 Coghlan St., Vallejo, California 94590, USA.

Lindy Whitehurst, P.O. Box 45673, Dallas, Texas 75245, USA.
UFO INFORMATIONS, "La Berfie", Arthemonay, 26260 St. Donat, France.
UFOS AND OTHER MYSTERIES, P.O. Box 537, Blenheim, New Zealand.
REVELATIONS OF AWARENESS, P.O. Box 115, Olympia, Washington 98507, USA.
PUFORG NEWSLETTER, 375 Kew St., Cloverdale 6105, Western Australia.
CPDV, Caixa Postale 2182, 79100 Campo Grande - MS, Brazil.
Sixth Quark Journal, P.O. Box 1174, Trenton, New Jersey 08606, USA.
NORDIC UFO NEWSLETTER, Strandgaten 221, N-5000 Bergen, Norway.
SAF BULLETIN, Box 2238, S171 02 Solna, Sweden.
North Amercian UFO Federation, 325 Langton Ave., Los Altos, CA 94022, USA.
WAFUIC BULLETIN, 18 Scott St., Koongamia, Western Australia 6056.
QUICKSILVER MESSENGER, Chris Ashton, c/o EEP, JLN, Kapten Tendean 18, Jakarta-Selatan, Indonesia.
UFO NYT, P.O. Box 6, DK-2820 Gentofte, Denmark.

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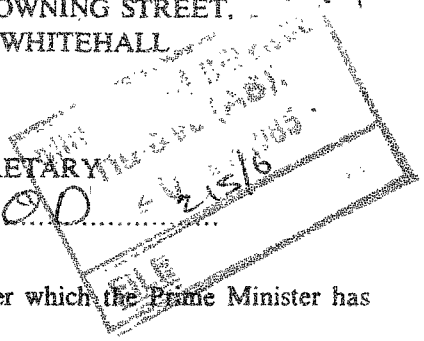

PRIVATE SECRETARY

.....MOD - 25/6.....

We attach a letter which the Prime Minister has received.

It refers to correspondence ~~sent to you on~~.....

Please arrange for your ~~Department~~ to deal with ~~it as~~ they think fit.

Please arrange for your Department to send a full reply as soon as possible. If you are not responsible for this matter, please transfer the letter to the appropriate Department and let us know. Not writer.

Please co-ordinate any reply with ~~the following~~ Departments, to whom copies have been sent

( ) We have not sent an acknowledgement.
( ) We have sent a plain acknowledgement.
(✓) We have sent an acknowledgement, saying that the letter is receiving attention.
( ) A copy of the acknowledgement which we have sent is attached.

Correspondence Section
Date: 19.6.85

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Section 40

UFO RESEARCH, BROADCASTS & LECTURES

Section 40

The Prime Minister
The Rt. Hon. Mrs Margaret Thatcher MP
10 Downing Street
London S.W.1

4 June 1985

Dear Prime Minister,

I am sorry to burden you with a question on an apparently trivial and irrelevant subject at a time when you have far more pressing problems to deal with. I refer to the much-ridiculed and controversial subject of Unidentified Flying Objects, which must have been brought to your attention on a number of occasions.

As you are doubtless aware, the subject is treated with the utmost seriousness by a number of intelligence agencies in the United States, notably the Central Intelligence Agency and National Security Agency. With regard to the latter, a Supreme Court ruling in 1982 decreed that the NSA was fully justified in withholding 139 documents on UFOs, in the interest of national security. This has been confirmed for me in a letter from Mr James Devine, Director of Policy for the NSA. The latter has, however, released to me some declassified documents under provision of the Freedom of Information Act which leave little room for doubt that the subject of UFOs is in some instances classified above Top Secret.

I am familiar with the policy of Her Majesty's Government and have corresponded for many years with the Ministry of Defence on these matters, yet have been unable to secure official confirmation that any serious scientific research is being conducted, other than that reports are treated seriously but not pursued unless there is a defence interest. Apparently there is no evidence thus far that UFOs have any defence significance.

Unofficially it has been confirmed that Top Secret research is being conducted in this country, and I have been informed by reliable sources that in 1978 alone the budget was £11,000,000. I am given to understand that there is close collaboration with U.S. intelligence on the matter. My question then is: Are you aware of this secret research into UFOs? Former Prime Ministers Lord Wilson and Mr Heath have told me that they cannot comment on the subject as they do not know anything about it. I feel sure that you can come up with something better than that! As titular head of the security and secret services, presiding over meetings with the JIC, for example, there must have been an occasion when you were informed about this secret research, as well as national security implications. If not, I am left with the suspicion that the subject is so sensitive that not even the Prime Minister is on a 'need to know' basis.

Finally, a word of encouragement for your fine leadership. I have nothing but admiration for the courage and tenacity with which you pursue the problems facing our country.

With best wishes, I remain,

Yours respectfully,

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ROYAL AIR FORCE
St Mawgan Newquay Cornwall TR8 4HP
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MOD Sec (AS) 2b
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Please reply to
Officer Commanding
Your reference –
Our reference SM/1627/1/Org
Date 23 May 1985

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. The enclosed letters were recently received on the station. On seeking guidance from OC Ops Wg I was told that HQ P&SS (UK) had advised that they be sent to your department for action.

2. A short letter has been sent to [redacted] advising him of our action and that he can expect some response from MOD in due course.

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for OC

Enclosures:

1. Letter PUFOIC 38/85 dated 10 May 85
2. Letter PUFOIC 42/85 dated 17 May 85

PUFOIC

PLYMOUTH U.F.O. INVESTIGATION CENTRE.
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INVESTIGATION & RESEARCH INTO
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Section 40
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Ref: PUFOIC 38/85.

10th May 1985.

Dear Sir (or Madam),

I am the Chairman of the above Society,and also the Regional Investigations Officer, (South - West) for the British U.F.O. Research Association (B.U.F.O.R.A.).

My reason for writing to you,is to request an appointment,in the near future, at your convenience of course. The subject for discussion is an alleged U.F.O. sighting (and landing), very close to your Base,that occured in February this year.

We have good reason to beleive that the sighting was genuine,and that the witness did not fabricate a hypothetical event. Members of our Society have visited and interviewed the witness for over two hours.

Although at present we are classifying this incident as a 'U.F.O.' incident, we have not dismissed the possibility that what the witness observed,could have been a form of experimental aerial craft - possibly from your Base. That is,of course if you are involved with design and testing of experimental aircraft. Should this be the true identity of this 'U.F.O.' sighting,then a greater measure of safety is certainly required,as this object nearly collided with a moving vehicle!

Should this sighting be truly unexplained,and you were not responsible for it, then I wonder,if you were able to track it on the radar facilities used at R.A.F. St Mawgam?

We have calculated that the object in question, might have passed through your Base,and furthermore - we beleive that it landed less than one mile away,burning soil,grass and some small trees. We also beleive that when it departed after landing, it hit a tree as it ascended.

Because there was an increase in radiation levels on trees and ground,after the U.F.O. incident at R.A.F. Bentwaters/Woodbridge,in Suffolk in December 1980,we are planning to examine the readings of radioactivity at the place of impact of this case.

Although U.F.O. Investigators experienced a 'mass of denial' over the U.F.O. hypothesis at R.A.F. Bentwaters/Woodbridge - by both M.O.D. and U.S.A.F. Officials and even D S 8 at M.O.D. Offices in London,I truly hope this will not be the case by Officials from a British Air Force Establishment.

I look forward to hearing from you,in the not too distant future.

Yours Sincerely,

Section 40
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R.I.O. (S.W.)
B.U.F.O.R.A.

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PLYMOUTH U.F.O. INVESTIGATION CENTRE.
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INVESTIGATION & RESEARCH INTO
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Section 40
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Ref:- PUFOIC - 42/85 (Cpy 38/85)

17th May 85

Dear Community Relations Officer,

I am the Chairman of the above Society,and also the Regional Investigations Officer - South- West, for the British U.F.O. Research Association. (B.U.F.O.R.A.).

This is my second letter to you - during a telephone conversation,to your Establishment today,they were not aware of my previous one,therefore,I am writing you another.

I am writing to request an appointment with you,hopefully in the near future to talk about a U.F.O. sighting that occurred early February. The sighting was extremely close to the perimeter of your Base and we beleive that the object might have 'landed' on the ground, for some time. Our belief here,lies with evidence of a 'landing' in the discovery of an area of damaged and burned grass,soil and trees, and also another tree that has been hit at the top,snapping several large branches off it.It is this,that I feel more relevant.

Obviously we have not dismissed the possibility,that whatever caused this damage,and more importantly,what our witness observed,was infact some form of aircraft being tested from RAF St Mawgan. However I must add,that,when airborne,the craft was only 8 -15ft above the ground!

Should you be unable to account for this sighting,then did you manage to record it on your radar system,at the Base? Our own calculations indicate the object could have passed over the Base.

Since my last letter to you,we have taken radioactivity readings at the areas of damage,stated above,and I am happy to report there were no abnormalities detected. However,following the hypothetical theories put forward,which were neither denied,nor confirmed by the M.O.D. ;at RAF Woodbridge in Suffolk,after their strange incident in December 1980,our own theories must be similar to those in Suffolk,which were:- (a) UFO - (b) crashed aerial craft (c) experimental craft,or (d) missile going astray. I state these simply because the description of the Woodbridge incident,and the one close to your Base,were nearly identical both in description and in size,and also aerial capability.

We thought that the best way to begin our task of solving this sighting,is to ask your advice,prior to approaching D.S.8, in London.

We look forward to your reply to this correspondance.

Yours Sincerely,

Section 40
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CHAIRMAN - PUFOIC.
REGIONAL INVESTIGATIONS OFFICER -B.U.F.O.R.A.
(S.W. 001).

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JUNE 3RD 85.

DEAR SIR,

I AM WRITEING TO YOU BECAUSE I DO FEEL IT MAY HAVE SOME BARING, AS TO PAST, AS WELL AS RESENT AIRCRAFT DISASTERS.

PLEASE EXCUSE MY SPELLING AS I AM BUT AN UNEMPLOYED LABOURER, AND I AM NO LETTER WRITER.

I AM OFCOURE REFERING TO THE RESENT INDIAN AIRCRAFT DISASTER, WITH THE LOSS OF ALL CREW, AND 329 LIVES.

I AM A MIDDLE AGED MAN, AND I HAVE NEVER BELEAVED IN UFOS UNTILL 1982, I LIVE ON THE EXSTREAM EDGE OF THE CITY BOUNDRY, ONE SUNDAY EVENING I WAS BURNING SOME GARDEN RUBISH I GLANCED IN THE SKY I WAS AMASSED TO SEE A ROUMD LARGE OBJECT TRAVELING AT GREAT SPEED, IT WAS OF BRILIENT ORANGE COULER, I HAD AN EXCELENT VEW, THE UFO EVENTUALY BECAME STATIONARY, WAS SO FOR ABOUT 10 SE-

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AOAHDS, IT THEN MOVED OFF AT GREATE SPEED IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION, I WOULD ESTIMATE IT WAS 3 TO 5 THOUSAND FEET HIGH A WOULD GUESS THIS OBJECT WOULD BE A MILE IN CIRCUMFERENCE, THERE WAS NO NOISE OR SOUND FROM THE UFO. THIS SIGHTING WAS IN EARLY JUNE- THE TIME WAS 9,20 PM. THE FOLLOWING MONDAY A REPORT WAS PUBLISHED IN OUR LOCAL PAPER THE HULL DAILY MAIL- THAT A LISENCEE OF A PUBLIC HOUSE, HAD SITED THIS UFO ALSO HIS DISCRIPTION OF UFO AND DIRECTION, COULER, TALED EXACTLY WITH MINE. ON THE FOLLOWING WEDNESDAY THERE WAS A REPORT OF A LADY MOTORIST WHO HAD AN EXCELENT SITEING, BUT FRIGTENIG EXSPERIENCE. SHE STATED SHE WAS MOTORING FROM MARKET-WHETON TO HULL AND WAS HALF WAY WHEN SHE SAW THIS BRITIANT ORANGE UFO BUT SHE WENT ON TO STATE IT JUST DISINTERGRATED BEFOR HER EYES AND IT HAD MADE HER EXSTREMLY NERVOUSE. I FEEL FURUTHER INVESTIGATIONS SHOULD BE MADE INTO THE SITEINGS OF THESE UFO THE DIRECTIONS "TIMES" "DATES" "PLACES" "CONDITIONS"; IT HAS NEVER BEEN PROVED THAT A UFO HAS EVER COLIDED WITH AN AIRCRAF BUT IT IS MAY BE STILL

POSSIBLE THIS INFACT CAN TAKE PLACE, AND MABE ALREDY HAS. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THE MONTH OF JUNE IS A MONTH WHEN MEANY DAY TIME SITEINGS ARE OBSERVED OF UFO THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. THE WHOLE SYBERNETICS OF UFO IS A STRANGE PHENOMENON, AND SCIENTISTS SHOULD CONCENTRATE MORE INVESTIGATIONS INTO THERE BEHAVOR, WE NEED MORE EVIDENCE TO ANALIDE.

MY VERY KINED REGARDS AND RESPECTS.

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PS. THE SITEING ABOVE WAS EARLY JUNE. 1982 AT 9 20 PM.

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Section 40 [redacted]

31st May, 1985

Section 40 [redacted]
Sec. AS.2a,
Room Section 40
Ministry of Defence,
Main Building,
London SW1A 2HB

Dear Section 40 [redacted]

Thank you for your letter of 15 May, replying to mine to Section 40 [redacted] of 25 February.

I am glad of your assurance that unidentified events in British airspace and territory are properly evaluated by the MOD for their possible Defence significance. It is no more than I would have expected from former colleagues !

I gather from the duty desk (which I telephoned recently during 'silent' hours) and also from the Flying Complaints Flight at Rudloe Manor that a standard form is currently in use for noting data reported by the public, the civil police and the CAA. As one of those who are at present attempting to make some scientific evaluation of a surprisingly persistent and not readily explicable phenomenon, I was interested to discover that the MOD and the Flying Complaints Flight have identified several factors which may be relevant in evaluating reports, eg. the proximity of high-voltage lines or bodies of still water in the area of a reported sighting. It would be of great value to myself and scientific colleagues if I might have a copy of the standard report-form which is currently in use in Whitehall and at the FCF. I assume that there can be no security objection to our having it in view of your assurance that no Defence significance has ever been detected in any sighting reported to Defence authorities. It would, on the other hand, be of interest to those who are looking at the matter from a scientific standpoint lest there is any potential factor identified by MOD experts which we may possibly have overlooked.

I assume from your recent re-organisation that the functions of both the former DS8 and the former S4(Air) have been absorbed into the new AS.2. If so, I congratulate you on a desirable piece of tidying-up ! The dividing line between the two former Divisions was never easy to administer. My own Division, DS8 (anyway during my term as Head of DS8 from early 1969 to late 1972) saw only such cases as appeared to have a possible air defence significance; and we doubtless missed many others. Nonetheless, the AD 'cases' were often interesting. I have been a little disappointed to see from the Answers to PQs in recent years that the MOD disclaims having kept on record any material earlier than (as I recall) 1962 or so. Recent enquiries to the Public Records Office suggest that this is not, in fact, quite accurate: I have by me two written reports - freely available from the PRO - which are dated 1950 and 1952, both by serving officers and both recording events in British airspace which closely resemble the mass of material which continues to be reported, and which we, with a scientific interest, cannot altogether dismiss.

I also recall having been shown, during 1970, during my term as Head of DS8, some interesting gun-camera 'clips' which suggested the existence of a puzzling phenomenon observed by RAF pilots (notably during the 'flap' at Bentwaters/ Lakenheath in 1956). I hope these have not been thrown away. Now that we have had

your assurance that no Defence significance is attached to these matters, would be of scientific interest if any such material could be made available to a designated and responsible group. (I would make it my business to ensure that you were not in consequence bombarded with similar requests from a multitude of outside bodies !).

Thank you again for your letter. In the light of it, and noting your position that nothing of Defence significance arises, may I recapitulate my requests ? In summary;-it would contribute to serious research if you could now make available to me:-

a. a copy of the standard form currently in use by the MOD for summarising the data reported by the public, the police and the CAA on unidentified events in British airspace and territory;

b. the data still held by the MOD on these reported events, particularly any photographic material.

Yours sincerely.

(R.N. Noyes)

PS. I was interested in your comment that "there has never been any formal liaison with other governments". This used not to be the line when I was around ! If you care to look up the Official Record for 22 November 1967, you will find the following exchange between the Hon. & Gallant Member, Major Sir Patrick Wall, MP, and Mr. Merlyn-Rees, S. of S. for Defence.

WALL : "What exchange of information or other co-operation is taking place bewteeen his Department and the official American and Russian investigations into UFOs ?"

M-REES : "We are in touch with the Americans on this subject but not with the Russians. I understand the conclusions which the Americans have reached coincide with ours."

This doesn't quite substantiate your "never". I won't embarrass you by asking you to comment; but you might find it useful for your own purposes to refer to the Hansard reference and to refresh your memory on what precisely was the American position at that time and why we went along with it.

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SECRETARY OF STATE

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Hd.Sec.(AS).
29 MAY 1985
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Head of Sec (AS) 29/5

The attached letter which the Prime Minister has received has been acknowledged by 10 Downing Street and has been forwarded to this Department for official action. The action requested by No 10 is set out on their attached slip.

2. If No 10 have passed to us for action as we see fit you are asked to consider whether there is anything which can usefully be said to the correspondent, and to action accordingly.

3. If No 10 have asked that a full reply be sent you should know that the Prime Minister attaches importance to such replies being sent expeditiously.

4. Unless specifically asked to do so, there is no need for you to copy your replies to this office.

Section 40 [redacted]

for APS/Secretary of State

Section 40 [redacted]

24/5/85

10 DOWNING STREET. Sec (AS)
WHITEHALL

PRIVATE SECRETARY
.....MOD.....

We attach a letter which the Prime Minister has received.

It refers to correspondence sent to you on .....

Please arrange for your Department to deal with it as they think fit.

Please arrange for your Department to send a full reply as soon as possible. If you are not responsible for this matter, please transfer the letter to the appropriate Department and let us know. Not writer.

Please co-ordinate any reply with the following Departments, to whom copies have been sent.

( ) We have not sent an acknowledgement.
(✓) We have sent a plain acknowledgement.
( ) We have sent an acknowledgement, saying that the letter is receiving attention.
( ) A copy of the acknowledgement which we have sent is attached.

Correspondence Section
Date: 22-5-85

b. There are objects probably approximating the shape of a disc, of such appreciable size as to appear to be as large as a man-made aircraft.
c. There is a possibility that some of the incidents may be caused by natural phenomena, such as meteors.
d. The reported operating characteristics such as extreme rates of climb, maneuverability (particularly in roll), and action which must be considered *evasive* when sighted or contacted by friendly aircraft and radar, lend belief to the possibility that some of the objects are controlled either manually, automatically, or remotely.

—U.S. Senator Barry Goldwater, also a general in the Air Force Reserves, who has repeatedly expressed his opinion that UFOs are real and who has been denied access to top secret UFO files at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, despite his status.

A curious set of regulations exists within NASA. Listed in the Code of Federal Regulations since 1969, 14 CFR 1211, as they are known, provide for the detention, examination, and decontamination of persons and things that have come in direct or indirect contact with a person, animal, or other form of life or matter that has "touched directly or come within the atmospheric envelope of any other celestial body."

Originally designed for our expeditions to the moon and, in fact, instituted only a few days before the first lunar landing, the regulations can be applied to space voyages by vehicles *not originating from Earth,* according to NASA's general counsel Neil Hosenball. Theoretically, anyone who sees and approaches a UFO and, if lucky (?) enough, is able to touch the object, may be liable for a $5,000.00 fine and/or a year in prison if he or she does not submit to detention.

Now, we don't anticipate that such a thing will ever come down upon a UFO witness. It would hardly be a way to reward someone with physical proof of UFO reality! However, another problem surfaces and that is the fact that when such stories are circulated in the media, a potential witness could be frightened away from reporting a UFO encounter. The threat of a fine and prison term for exposing the public to some as yet unknown peril may be impetus enough to remain silent.

One witness involved in the following encounter had precisely this fear in mind when he came forward to tell us what he had gone through.

Persistent stories had come out of England about an unidentified flying object which had come down into the Rendlesham Forest near the American Air Force Base at Bentwaters on December 30, 1980. Reports included radar tracking from a civilian radar site, which later had been visited by U.S. Air Force officers with the purpose of confiscating the radar tapes, and accounts by USAF personnel of a metallic craft and entities seen in a clearing at Rendlesham. The stories, of course, were unverified and little else could be accomplished unless more concrete data came forth.

Two British UFO investigators, Brenda Butler and Dot Street, followed [illegible] of the stories and found substance to them. Reportedly, a

security sergeant saw entities associated with a dome-shaped UFO in the woods; another witness, an airman, saw marks in the earth characteristic of what he had heard about UFO landing marks. All witnesses desired complete anonymity, however, and while the story became more intriguing with the increase in the number of confirming witnesses, it still could not be considered a strong case by any means. Anonymous witnesses and scattered rumors are not convincing evidence of anything.

While we were putting this book together, a person came forward as a result of a UFO article he had read. Fascinated by the subject because of his experience, this individual was eventually put in contact with the authors and told a very interesting tale. His identity is known to us, but, by his request, we will change his name to Art Wallace.

Wallace was attached to Bentwaters Air Force Base as a security policeman. He had been assigned to the base for only a short period of time, when at 1:00 A.M. on a night either on or very near to December 30, 1980, his life took a strange twist. While he was on duty at the Bentwaters flight line, a jeep pulled up. Two men, a sergeant and a lieutenant, told Wallace to get in because they were going over to the motor pool. On the way over, Wallace noticed that many animals were running out of the woods nearby; something he had never seen before, even in the States. When they arrived at the motor pool, Wallace and the sergeant were told to get gas-powered "light-alls" (trailer-mounted lights used for illuminating large areas). The lights were attached to the jeep, and they proceeded to the Bentwaters main gate where they met other vehicles.

The convoy moved out toward the Rendlesham Forest a few miles away. Wallace heard radio chatter mentioning names of people he knew plus "OSI," most likely a reference to the Air Force's Office of Special Investigations. Wallace saw security police as well as members of the British military stationed all along the way.

They pulled onto a dirt road and drove about a mile into the Rendlesham Forest, stopping at what Wallace referred to as a "staging point." The men were ordered to check their weapons in since they would not be taking them along. Wallace went into the woods with four other men led by a captain who had met them at the Bentwaters motor pool. As they approached a clearing in the woods, they noticed a brightness in the distance and the sound of helicopters overhead. Wallace noticed an airman crying at the edge of the clearing with a medic attending him. This puzzled Wallace greatly as he couldn't imagine what might have been going on. The first thing the men noticed when they had a clear view was that large movie cameras had been placed surrounding a field in the clearing. Many military and plainclothes personnel were milling about watching something.

The "something" was an object, taking the appearance of a transparent aspirin tablet, hovering about one foot off the ground. Wallace estimated that the object was fifty feet in diameter and had a bright, pulsating, yellow

inside. It did not move from its position. Wallace and some of the men approached the object to within about ten feet. Two cows in the field had come over to the object and according to Wallace, appeared to be just staring at it, oblivious to the security men in the area.

A radio call was heard over a field radio unit. A helicopter pilot said, "Here it comes." In the distance, a red light appeared, first behind a pine tree, then in front of it. The light quickly sped over to the aspirin-shaped object and hovered at a position about twenty feet above it. After maintaining this position for a minute, the red light broke up. No explosion occurred in the conventional sense. The light merely broke up into a shower of particles.

Suddenly, in the place of the red light and the aspirin-shaped object, another vehicle appeared. Wallace said it was a domed disc, bright white in color, with an intricately detailed surface much like the models used in movies like "Star Wars" and "Close Encounters." It had two appendages on the lower flange of the disc which seemed to be the beginning of delta wings but not quite. Shadows were cast on the surface of the disc by some of the raised-relief detail. Wallace and the men with him walked around the object and noticed an interesting effect. Their own shadows were cast onto the object, probably by the bright "light-alls" in the field. Not only did their shadows bend upwards at the head, but as they walked and then stopped, the shadows would appear to advance *one pace more* and then stop. Stunned and disbelieving of this effect, Wallace and the others walked and stopped several times, each time noticing the effect repeat itself. Additionally, the third time that they tried this, a light came over the head of a shadow and moved from one head to another.

Wallace recalled turning to say a few words to one of the men. The next thing he knew, he woke up in bed, fully dressed and muddy up to his knees. Wallace asked one of his companions in the barracks what time he had come in. He replied 4:00 A.M. At that point he did not remember what had happened that night. As he went about his usual duties, Wallace began to recall the events.

A phone call came later in the day. Wallace was summoned to his commander's office along with other security policemen who were at the scene of the UFO activity. Civilians were in the office also, giving Wallace the impression of being CIA personnel. The commander politely advised the men not to talk about the night's events to anyone. They were brought into another room where the civilians, much more stern and rude, reminded the men of their duty and ordered them never to discuss the matter with anyone. They were checked for radiation, debriefed for an hour, and made to sign forms which re-emphasized the high security nature of what happened. Wallace and others were put on a call-in schedule by which they would be required to phone a certain number daily at 11:30 A.M. as a check on their whereabouts and activities.

Wallace recalled being shown a film on UFOs in a room with other

n for reasons which he still doesn't understand. The movie displayed film ...ips, some dating to World War II, of actual UFO activity in various places and times. Several of the sequences showed UFOs near what appeared to be fighter aircraft, and in one sequence from the Korean War, a disc-shaped object passed close to an MIG fighter, causing it to crash. Wallace was told they were being shown this so that they might better understand the need for secrecy on the events of the 30th.

Wallace said that versions of the story leaked to the British media detailing alien meetings in the forest and landing marks on the ground were deliberately contrived by the military to mislead the public. The false evidence was intended to be discovered by UFO investigators so that a negative evaluation would be ascribed to the story, thus preserving secrecy.

It is quite a story, and coupled with other accounts of the Rendlesham Forest events, we are inclined to think that something truly extraordinary may have happened.

What was the Air Force's official response to this? The authors filed a FOIA request with the 81st Combat Support Group at RAF Bentwaters to determine if documentation was on file at the base. A reply dated April 28, 1983, came from Col. Henry J. Cochran, Bentwaters Commander.

> Reference your letter dated April 14, 1983 requesting information about unknown aircraft activity near RAF Bentwaters. *There was allegedly some strange activity near RAF Bentwaters at the approximate time in question* but not on land under U.S. Air Force jurisdiction and, therefore, no official investigation was conducted by the 81st Tactical Fighter Wing. Thus, the records you request do not exist [emphasis added].

If no records exist, how did Col. Cochran know that something had happened near Bentwaters? He was not the Bentwaters Commander at the time. Furthermore, under the provisions of Air Force Manual 12–50, such records would either have been destroyed after a short period of time or they would have been passed along to a permanent storage facility for retention; that is, they would no longer be at the base. And the investigation was probably not conducted by the 81st Tactical Fighter Wing but by someone else (OSI?).

On May 7, 1983, CAUS Researcher Director Robert Todd filed an FOIA request with the Air Force's 513th Combat Support Group for information on the Rendlesham Forest affair. The 513th CSG provides document management services for the Headquarters of the Third Air Force in Europe, which covers the Bentwaters area. Our hopes were low for any positive results as it seemed that a tight ring of secrecy was placed around the story.

However, in a June 14, 1983, letter from Col. Peter Bent, Commander of the 513th CSG, an utterly stunning admission was made. Col. Bent said:

> It might interest you to know that the US Air Force had no longer retained a copy of the 13 January 1981 letter written by Lt Col Charles I. Halt.

> The Air Force file copy had been properly disposed of in accordance with Air Force Regulations. Fortunately, through diligent inquiry and the gracious consent of Her Majesty's government, the British Ministry of Defence and the Royal Air Force, the US Air Force was provided a copy for you.

The January 13 letter was enclosed with Col. Bent's response. It was on the official letterhead of the 81st Combat Support Group at Bentwaters and signed by Lt. Col. Halt, who was the Deputy Base Commander. The title of the document is "Unexplained Lights," and it reads like science fiction:

> 1. Early in the morning of 27 Dec 80 (approximately 0300L), two USAF security police patrolmen saw unusual lights outside the back gate at RAF Woodbridge. Thinking an aircraft might have crashed or been forced down, they called for permission to go outside the gate to investigate. The on-duty flight chief responded and allowed three patrolmen to proceed on foot. The individuals reported seeing a strange glowing object in the forest. The object was described as being metallic in appearance and triangular in shape, approximately two to three meters across the base and approximately two meters high. It illuminated the entire forest with a white light. The object itself had a pulsating red light on top with a bank(s) of blue lights underneath. The object was hovering or on legs. As the patrolmen approached the object, it maneuvered through the trees and disappeared. At this time the animals on a nearby farm went into a frenzy. The object was briefly sighted approximately an hour later near the back gate.
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> 2. The next day, three depressions 1½" deep and 7" in diameter were found where the object had been sighted on the ground. The following night (29 Dec 80) the area was checked for radiation. Beta/gamma readings of 0.1 milliroentgens were recorded with peak readings in the three depressions and near the center of the triangle formed by the depressions. A nearby tree had moderate (.05–.07) readings on the side of the tree toward the depressions.
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> 3. Later in the night a red sun-like light was seen through the trees. It moved about and pulsed. At one point it appeared to throw off glowing particles and then broke into five separate white objects and then disappeared. Immediately thereafter, three star-like objects were noticed in the sky, two objects to the north and one to the south, all of which were about 10° off the horizon. The objects moved rapidly in sharp angular movements and displayed red, green and blue lights. The objects to the north appeared to be elliptical through an 8–12 power lens. They then turned to full circles. The objects to the north remained in the sky for an hour or more. The object to the south was visible for two or three hours and beamed down a stream of light from time to time. Numerous individuals, including the undersigned, witnessed the activities in paragraphs 2 and 3.

Outside of some small variation in detail, the story in the document is amazingly similar to what Art Wallace described. This letter was certainly part of a more detailed file, since it is clear that an official investigation *was* conducted. Looking back at Col. Cochran's April 28 response to our inquiry on Rendlesham, we now see that it amounts to nothing more than a gross

attempt to mislead the public and constitutes a blatant violation of the spirit and the letter of the Freedom of Information Act.

What could be equally as mysterious as the events themselves is the reason why the letter was released in the first place. We probably would not have known about its existence had it not been given to us. And it surely doesn't help to make the Air Force's official stance on UFOs credible. Could there be a segment within the Air Force that wants us to have the facts on UFOs? It's a distinct possibility.

Our investigation into this most bizarre affair continues.

We have already discussed many of the agencies involved in collecting reports of UFOs domestically and internationally. One other potential source of UFO data has not been mentioned only because it has been relatively unknown until recently through revelations by the *New York Times.*

The National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) is an intelligence agency whose very existence has been classified top secret. It has an extraordinary budget of $2 billion per year and manages to hide this primarily in Air Forces operations. It functions in such a manner that nothing about it is subject to open scrutiny.

The NRO's mission is to monitor international communications (like the NSA) and to oversee the operation of the nation's spy satellite system. Government officials have even refused to discuss the agency's name if it were brought up. How might the NRO's operations relate to UFO research?

Photo-reconnaissance satellites have advanced to such a degree that even individuals can be specifically identified from orbits one hundred miles up. If strange aerial activity were to be detected in space as has been done in the past by NORAD (see Chapter 1), a photo-reconnaissance satellite could be expected to be pressed into duty by taking high-resolution photos of the UFOs. Significant strong evidence for UFOs may currently exist in the NRO's files but accessability would be virtually impossible under present security provisions. Such security could also protect an above-top secret version of Project Saint (see Chapter 13) in photographing UFO activity.

Let us summarize in detail our conclusions on the UFO subject. (We refer to the small percentage of total reports which are currently listed as genuine unknowns:

1) UFOs are a real, material, physical phenomenon, completely unidentifiable in conventional terms.
2) UFOs display intelligence of a very high order.
3) Granting that UFOs are real and intelligent, somebody is behind the phenomenon; that is, advanced biological life forms.
4) These life forms are here for a purpose. A "clear intent" has been demonstrated numerous times.

5) Their purpose at the present time is unknown but may be related to an extended surveillance of what might be termed a primitive, embryonic society.
6) The origin of the biological life forms is unknown, but the extraterrestrial hypothesis seems to be the most attractive explanation, although not the only one.
7) UFOs have overflown U.S. military and other government facilities since World War II, as evidenced by official U.S. document releases from a variety of federal agencies.
8) This activity has extended to other nations, as evidenced by official U.S. government document releases.
9) UFO activity over some U.S. military/governmental facilities has been of such a sensational, dramatic nature that a definite threat to U.S. national security is considered as fact within the highest levels of government. (This scenario also applies to foreign governments.)
10) Documented UFO reports of national security significance have been and continue to be withheld, under tight secrecy regulations, from all but the most highly-placed government officials.
11) Despite tight secrecy regarding release of UFO documents, government officials most closely associated with UFO data of national security importance probably do not have a definite "answer" to the UFO problem, but they monitor the phenomenon in pursuit of an answer.
12) The monitoring procedure probably includes the use of unmarked helicopters as convenient vehicles of transportation to and from scenes of UFO and other related activity.

Part of why this book exists is to urge people with any knowledge of the events discussed here to contact us and fill in the missing details. Other events related to the subject matter of the book, but not mentioned, would also be of great interest.

We would like to stress that no information is being sought other than UFO data. Sensitive material about the defense of the United States, military and government personnel, and the internal functions of federal agencies is not of interest to the authors. The protection of such details is fully and understandably recognized under the Freedom of Information Act. Since the government has declared many times that UFOs are no threat to national security, we feel fully justified in asking that data about UFOs be released and put out before the public for a fair and open-minded assessment of what is one of the most intriguing topics in recorded history.

In particular, we solicit any information on the existence of long-rumored movie films on UFOs—some in general documentary format, others showing actual footage of UFOS filmed by people on the ground and by pilots in the air, equipped with aerial cameras. Additionally, a document written in the summer of 1948 by Air Force Project Sign personnel entitled "Estimate of the Situation" is sought. Although the original document was supposedly destroyed in 1948, copies were known to exist years later.

The "Estimate of the Situation" is a curiosity of UFO history. The

document concluded that UFOs were interplanetary, according to those few individuals who saw it, including the former head of Project Blue Book in the early 1950s, Captain Edward Ruppelt. Ruppelt stated that at least one copy, legal-sized with a black cover stamped "Secret," survived its original destruction order. Since then, all attempts to locate the document have failed. The Air Force's responses to such inquiries have been strangely contradictory.

One letter to a UFO researcher by the Air Force's Director of Legislative Liaison, Major General W. P. Fisher, said, "There has never been an Air Force conclusion that flying saucers were real and were interplanetary space ships. The alleged 1948 document mentioned in your letter is nonexistent."

Yet, in 1967, the Air Force's Chief, Civil Branch of the Office of Information's Community Relations Division, Lt. Colonel George Freeman, said:

> Regarding the 1948 "Estimate of the Situation" the late Captain Ruppelt in his book, *The Report on Unidentified Flying Objects,* provides the answer. The Top Secret Estimation was working its way up to the higher echelons of the Air Force. It got to the late General Hoyt S. Vanderberg, then Chief of Staff, before it was "batted down." The General wouldn't "buy" interplanetary vehicles. The report lacked proof and the Estimate died a quick death. Some months later, it was completely declassified and relegated to the incinerator. I am sorry, but we have no copies of this document.

The "Estimate" obviously survived destruction by several accounts. Knowledge of its location would be of great historical importance.

We have tried to give a rational assessment of UFOs. Old questions have been answered and new ones have been raised. To be sure, UFOs have not been given a fair day in court, which is why the subject remains cloaked in rumor and ambiguity. Some scientists are aware of the challenge placed before us, but the scientific community at large must shoulder some of the blame for the way the UFO phenomenon has been treated. Scholars have descended upon UFO enthusiasts in righteous indignation, accusing them of promoting pseudoscience and misinforming the public to an almost irreversible degree. Indeed, some of the criticism is well-deserved. Serious UFO researchers were, for some time, a small minority in a subject dominated by religious fanatics, pseudointellectuals, and a variety of space explorers, whose alleged trips to "lush, green Venus" and the marvelous cities on the far side of the moon titillated millions.

Inevitably, the wheat is separated from the chaff and the true nature of a mystery manifests itself. This is what present-day UFO logists are promoting—a serious look at real events, not a 1980s version of "Earth vs. Flying Saucers" or "Invaders from Mars."

The U.S. government is convinced that UFOs are a serious matter. It is only through a concerted effort by the world's braintrust that UFOs can be dealt with effectively, almost surely leading to the revelation of new truths.

Section 40

UFO RESEARCH, BROADCASTS & LECTURES

Section 40

Secretariat AS-2
Ministry of Defence
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18 May 1985

Dear Sirs

I would be extremely grateful if you could answer the following questions regarding the subject of Unidentified Flying Objects, in which we share a common interest:-

(1) Is AS-2 now the sole recipient within the MoD for collating UFO reports from members of the public?

(2) Which department within the MoD now handles reports from the military?

(3) Is there a department within the MoD where all reports (i.e. from the public, police, military, civilian pilots etc.) are collated and analysed?

(4) How many reports from the defence services of the United Kingdom have been received by the MoD between 1959-1984? I realize that this is a tall order, but wish to point out that for the period June 1957-June 1958 a figure of 54 reports (from military sources) was confirmed in the House of Commons by Mr Charles Orr-Ewing, the then Under-Secretary of State for Air, on 10 June 1958. I therefore assume that such figures can be made publically available.

(5) DS-8 has repeatedly stated that all reports of UFOs received by the MoD prior to 1962 have been destroyed. "If there had been any evidence or important papers the records would have been retained," I was told in November 1980 by Section 40 (Your ref: D/DS8/75/2/1J). Since I have now obtained a number of Air Ministry reports prior to 1962 from the Public Records Office, may I assume that the MoD's assertion is demonstrably untrue, and that I am now in possession of "important papers"?

I thank you in advance for your trouble, and remain,

Yours faithfully

Section 40

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Section 40

Your reference

Our reference D/Sec(AS)/12/3

Date 15 May 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letters of 24 February and 23 March 1985; I am sorry that I have been unable to reply before now. I regret that the Department could not justify the expenditure in terms of time and effort which would be required to collate information on reports of UFO's in the Dyfed area since 1977.

You may find it useful if I explain that the sole interest of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

There is no organisation in the Ministry of Defence appointed solely for the purpose of studying reports of such objects, and no staff are employed on the subject full time. The reports we receive are referred to the staff in the Department who are responsible for the air defence of the United Kingdom, and they examine the reports as part of their normal duties.

Since our interest in UFOs is limited to possible defence implications we have not carried out a study into the scientific significance of these phenomena. Unless there are defence implications we do not attempt to identify sightings and we cannot inform observers of the probable identity of the object seen. The Department could not justify the expenditure of public funds on investigations which go beyond the pure defence interests.

We have to recognise that there are many strange things to be seen in the sky, but we believe there are adequate explanations for them. They may be satellite debris re-entering the earth atmosphere, ball lightning, unusual cloud formations, meteorological balloons, aircraft lights, aircraft at unusual angles or many other things. There is certainly no evidence that "alien spacecraft" have landed on the planet. Although we have not carried out our own studies, we are aware of independent studies into the UFOs, notably by the University of Colorado published in 1969. This concluded that 90% of all UFOs reported could be plausibly related to ordinary phenomena.

I am sorry that you might find this reply somewhat disappointing, however I enclose details of 3 magazines which publish articles on UFOs and the address of the British UFO Research Association. I do not know whether any of these will be able to help you, but it may be worth writing to them.

Yours sincerely

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Bufora Journal
Section 40 [redacted]

Flying Saucer Review
FSR Publications Ltd
Section 40 [redacted]

Ad Astra
Section 40 [redacted]

British UFO Research Association
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Section 40 Mr Noyes

Your reference

Our reference D/Sec(AS)12/3

Date 15 May 1985

Dear Mr Noyes

Thank you for your letter of 25 February 1985, addressed to Section 40 who, as I believe you now know, has left this division (now Sec(AS)). I am sorry that I have not been able to reply before now. Thank you also for sight of the extracts from your proposed book.

In his letter of 20 March 1984, Section 40 explained the MOD's position regarding Colonel Halt's reports on events near RAF Woodbridge in 1980, and I have little to add to the views expressed. I know from your letter that you are well aware of the limited extent of the MOD's interest in the subject. Nonetheless, there are, perhaps, one or two points which I should make. Firstly, whilst I cannot, of course, comment on the proportion of UFO sightings which are not reported, I can assure you that those which are reported to local police forces and to the Civil Aviation Authority should all be passed on to this division of the MOD. We treat all these reports seriously in case they show anything of defence interest. However, we have never found any reason to believe that, in the defence context, such reports warrant more detailed research. Equally, since our interest extends only as far as defence of the UK, there has never been any formal liaison with other Governments.

Turning to your specific questions about the Woodbridge incident, I can assure you that no unidentified object was seen on any radar recordings during the period in question, and that the MOD has no knowledge of the tape-recording or cine film you mention. As we have said in the past, the report sent by Colonel Halt was examined by those in the Department responsible for the air defence of the UK and since then there has been nothing to alter the view that there was no defence significance to the incident.

Yours sincerely

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Section 40

Your reference

Our reference D/Sec(AS)/12/3

Date 14 May 1985

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You wrote, some time ago, concerning two photographs taken in October 1982; RAF Manston have passed your letter to me for reply. I am sorry that I have not been able to reply until now. You may find it useful if I explain that the sole interest of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

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I attach copies of two recent Parliamentary Questions on the Ministry of Defence's interest in UFO reports, which you may be interested in.

Thank you for your interest in this matter, I am returning the negatives which you kindly loaned to RAF Manston. I am afraid I cannot explain the objects which appear in the photographs, however, if they were not visible in the sky at the time the pictures were taken, it is likely that they are, in fact, blemishes on the negatives, possibly produced during the developing process.

Yours sincerely

Section 40 [redacted]

Hansard Extract

13 March 1984

Cols 132 & 133

Unidentified Flying Objects

Sir Patrick Wall asked the Secretary of State for Defence (1) how many alleged landings by unidentified flying objects have been made in 1980, 1981, 1982 and 1983, respectively; and how many have been investigated by his Department's personnel;

(2) how many unexplained sightings there have been in 1980, 1981, 1982 and 1983, respectively; and which of these had been traced by radar and with what result.

Mr. Lee [*pursuant to his reply*, 9 March 1984, c. 728]: For the years in question, the Ministry of Defence received the following numbers of reports of sightings of flying objects which the observer could not identify: 350, 600, 250, and 390. Reports of alleged landings are not separately identified. The Department was satisfied that none of these reports was of any defence significance and, in such cases, does not maintain records of the extent of its investigations.

HANSARD EXTRACT

24 OCTOBER 1985

Col. 62

RAF Woodbridge (Alleged Incident)

Sir Patrick Wall asked the Secretary of State for Defence (1) if he has seen the United States Air Force memo dated 13 January 1981 concerning unexplained lights near RAF Woodbridge;

(2) whether, in view of the fact that the United State's Air Force memo of 13 January 1981 on the incident at RAF Woodbridge has been released under the Freedom of Information Act, he will now release reports and documents concerning similar unexplained incidents in the United Kingdom;

(3) how many unexplained sightings or radar intercepts have taken place since 1980.

Mr. Stanley: I have seen the memorandum of 13 January 1981 to which my hon. Friend refers. Since 1980 the Department has received 1,400 reports of sightings of flying objects which the observers have been unable to identify. There were no corresponding unexplained radar contacts. Subject to normal security constraints, I am ready to give information about any such reported sightings that are found to be a matter of concern from a defence standpoint, but there have been none to date.

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Section 40

Your reference

Our reference D/Sec(AS)/12/3

Date 14 May 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter of 5 April 1985, addressed to the Secretary of State for Defence. You may find it useful if I explain that the sole interest of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

There is no organisation in the Ministry of Defence appointed solely for the purpose of studying reports of such objects, and no staff are employed on the subject full time. The reports we receive are referred to the staff in the Department who are responsible for the air defence of the United Kingdom, and they examine the reports as part of their normal duties.

We have to recognise that there are many strange things to be seen in the sky, but we believe there are adequate explanations for them. They may be satellite debris re-entering the earth atmosphere, ball lightning, unusual cloud formations, meteorological balloons, aircraft lights, aircraft at unusual angles or many other things. There is certainly no evidence that "alien spacecraft" have landed on the planet. Although we have not carried out our own studies, we are aware of independent studies into the UFOs, notably by the University of Colorado published in 1969. This concluded that 90% of all UFOs reported could be plausibly related to ordinary phenomena.

Turning specifically to the incident at RAF Woodbridge, the incident was reported to the MOD on 13 January 1981 in the report from Lt Col Halt which you mention in your letter. A copy of this report is attached for your interest. At that time we satisfied ourselves that the incident was of no defence significance and no further investigations were undertaken. There is no question of a cover up over this incident.

Yours sincerely

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS 81ST COMBAT SUPPORT GROUP (USAFE)
APO NEW YORK 09755

REPLY TO ATTN OF: CD

13 Jan 81

SUBJECT: Unexplained Lights

TO: RAF/CC

1. Early in the morning of 27 Dec 80 (approximately 0300L), two USAF security police patrolmen saw unusual lights outside the back gate at RAF Woodbridge. Thinking an aircraft might have crashed or been forced down, they called for permission to go outside the gate to investigate. The on-duty flight chief responded and allowed three patrolmen to proceed on foot. The individuals reported seeing a strange glowing object in the forest. The object was described as being metalic in appearance and triangular in shape, approximately two to three meters across the base and approximately two meters high. It illuminated the entire forest with a white light. The object itself had a pulsing red light on top and a bank(s) of blue lights underneath. The object was hovering or on legs. As the patrolmen approached the object, it maneuvered through the trees and disappeared. At this time the animals on a nearby farm went into a frenzy. The object was briefly sighted approximately an hour later near the back gate.

2. The next day, three depressions 1 1/2" deep and 7" in diameter were found where the object had been sighted on the ground. The following night (29 Dec 80) the area was checked for radiation. Beta/gamma readings of 0.1 milliroentgens were recorded with peak readings in the three depressions and near the center of the triangle formed by the depressions. A nearby tree had moderate (.05-.07) readings on the side of the tree toward the depressions.

3. Later in the night a red sun-like light was seen through the trees. It moved about and pulsed. At one point it appeared to throw off glowing particles and then broke into five separate white objects and then disappeared. Immediately thereafter, three star-like objects were noticed in the sky, two objects to the north and one to the south, all of which were about 10^0 off the horizon. The objects moved rapidly in sharp angular movements and displayed red, green and blue lights. The objects to the north appeared to be elliptical through an 8-12 power lens. They then turned to full circles. The objects to the north remained in the sky for an hour or more. The object to the south was visible for two or three hours and beamed down a stream of light from time to time. Numerous individuals, including the undersigned, witnessed the activities in paragraphs 2 and 3.

CHARLES I. HALT, Lt Col, USAF
Deputy Base Commander

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Secretariat (Air Staff)2a
Room Section 40
Ministry of Defence
Whitehall
London SW1A 2HB

22 April 1985

Dear Section 40 :

Your Ref: D/Sec(AS)/12/3

Thank you for your letter of the 16th instant informing me that as far as your staff at the Knightsbridge Military Barracks are concerned no mysterious shining flying object was sighted by them on the 21st December 1984 and 21st Jan'85.

May be what my colleagues and I saw on the above dates was an illusion on our part and, therefore, I would ask you to accept my apologies for wasting everybody's time unnecessarily.

Yours sincerely,

Section 40

Section 40 [redacted]

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Rt Hon. Margaret Thatcher
Prime Minister
10 Downing Street
London SW1.

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Re. The U.F.O. problem.

Dear Mrs Thatcher,

I have seen authentic reports on UFOs from the Police to Military in this country (not in breach of National Security), and I have been doing this for the past 30 years privately, and now I am starting to see many more reports coming in via the US courts, but these reports are, some of them, still classified SECRET here.

In 1952 while I was in the military in the far-east the whole base I was on, was subjected to close UFO scrutiny, but even today, with all the evidence recorded at the time, Whitehall will not say more than deny the incident, and therefore I am forced to let things go for the sake of the government.

I am fascinated to know what our government has found out on the subject of UFOs since they started coming in large waves from 1947 onwards.

Yours sincerely

Section 40 [redacted]

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (AIR)
Whitehall, London

April 20, 1985
Ypäjä, Finland

Dear Members of Ministry of Defence

I have read several hundred British newspaper articles of so-called "flying saucers" or unidentified flying objects.
For that reason I decided to ask you for some information about the subject. How many reports of UFOs you have received after World War II and have you any office or staff investigating the matter? Have you any printed matter on the subject?
And I ask for photostatic copy of the famous ufo-article published in RAF Flying Review July 1957 (it is an unofficial magazine, but it is in your library).
I have received similar help from other foreign ministries and I want this type of information for my private library. And I have been interested in ufo-problem for twenty years.

I am waiting for your reply.

Sincerely Yours

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Sec.(AS)2
- 2 MAY 1985
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Royal Air Force Boulmer
Alnwick
Northumberland NE66 3JF
Telephone Section 40

Please reply to Officer Commanding
Your reference

Our reference
EMR/1028/P1
Date
17 April 1985

MOD PLO
Theobold Rd
London

REQUEST FROM CIVILIAN FOR INFORMATION ON UFO SIGHTINGS

Please find enclosed a letter from a Section 40 which requests information on any UFO sightings reported at RAF Boulmer. A copy of our reply is enclosed. We would be grateful for any assistance that you could offer Section 40

Section 40

Fg Off
for OC

Enclosure:

1. Letter from Section 40
2. Reply to enclosure 1.

Section 40

[redacted]

please reply:

4/No 35 - 4431

16.8.35

Dear Sir,

I'm a member of the British U.F.O. Society, I do hope you dont mind me writing and asking if it would be possible for you to let me know of any sightings you may get.

I know it may not be possible for you to do so, but I thought it would be alright to ask as if we could find out when there are sightings it would be of a great help for us.

I've been interested in U.F.O's for many years now a stimulating subject is it not

the thought of another life but there simply fascinates me.

We in Blyth had a mini flap in 1979/80 which was a very exciting time for me being it my pet hobbie.

If you have any past or present sightings I shall be most grateful so I can send them down to the Society, I know there is ~~[illegible]~~ even a one for back as 1909 December if I ~~[illegible]~~ remember rightly, also may 1919 it's amazing isn't it? Wish I could find out more in that field for my own interest as well as the Society.

Hope you can be of help to us, thanking you for your kindly interest in this letter hope you will let me know of any more sightings in the near future.

May I say that the R.A.F do a marvellous job for this country as do all the forces but I feel the R.A.F is special to me. I love aeroplanes.

I would very much like to help the R.A.F. Northern Charity if that would be possible could you let me have an address I could write to, or if you have any raffle tickets to sell I'll be happy to do so.

I think you're a great bunch of lads and should all be more thought of hope you don't mind me saying so but your great and we need you in this country to-day

God Bless you All

[redacted]

P.S. Pass on my regards to the Red

Arrows they gave us all a thrill
at Blyth Carnival once I saw them
at Jersey a few years ago at
made my holiday as they went
Past our plane at the airport gosh
how lucky you all are to be able
to fly its one of my dreams which
one day I hope will come true.

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Alnwick Section 40

BHR/1028/F1

Section 40

4 April 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter of 16 March 1985, it is most gratifying to receive such high praise of the Royal Air Force.

Your interest in UFO's sounds fascinating, but unfortunately I am unable to supply any information that would be of value to you. I have however, passed your letter to a higher authority and I am sure they will reply to you in due course.

Thank you for your kind offer of helping an RAF Charity, please find listed below the address of the Northumberland Branch of Soldier, Sailor and Airmen's Families Association (SSAFA) who, I am sure, would be delighted to hear from you.

SSAFA
Section 40

Thank you again for your kind words.

Yours sincerely

Section 40
Flying Officer
for Officer Commanding

rom: Section 40 Secretariat (Air Staff)2a
Room Section 40

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Section 40

D/Sec(AS)/12/3

16 April 1985

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter of 11 March 1985 addressed to the Secretary of State for Defence. We have looked into the sightings reported in your letter but have no records which would offer any explanation of what you saw. You may find it useful if I explain that the sole interest of the Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

There is no organization in the Ministry of Defence appointed solely for the purpose of studying reports of such objects, and no staff are employed on the subject full time. The reports we receive are referred to the staff in the Department who are responsible for the air defence of the United Kingdom, and they examine the reports as part of their normal duties. Unless there are defence implications we do not attempt to identify sightings and we cannot inform observers of the probable identity of the object seen. The Department could not justify the expenditure of public funds on investigations which go beyond the pure defence interests.

Yours sincerely

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Section 40 [redacted]

Head of Sec (AS)

Are you dealing with this? 18/4

Section 40 [redacted]

I attach a letter which the Secretary of State has received from a member of the public, and which has been acknowledged by this office.

2. I should be grateful if you would arrange for the appropriate action to be taken, including a reply as necessary. Since the Secretary of State attaches importance to such letters addressed to him being answered promptly, any reply should be sent within two weeks of the date of this minute. If, exceptionally, this should prove impossible an interim reply should be sent within the same timescale.

Section 40 [redacted]

for APS/Secretary of State

15/4/85

Section 40 [redacted]

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
Hd. Sec (AS)
16 APR 1985
FILE

Section 40 [redacted]

one of yours I think?

Sec (85)

Section 40 [redacted]

M. Heseltine Esq
Defence Secretary
Ministry of Defence
WHITEHALL
London S.W.1

9 April 1985

Dear Mr. Heseltine,

Sec(85)19/3

Would you please advise me as soon as possible of the action taken by you so far in connection with my letter dated the 11th ultimo so that I may bring my records up-to-date.

Yours sincerely,

Section 40 [redacted]

→ Sec (AS) 2a -
Copy to you as we discussed

Section 40 [redacted]

Sec (AS) cc AEW/GE
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ROYAL AIR FORCE
Manston Ramsgate Kent CT12 5BS 24*

Section 40 [redacted]
GE3

Telephone Manston Section 40 [redacted]

MOD Main Building
Attn: S4F(Air)
Whitehall
SW1

Your reference

Our reference
MAN/135/SY

Date
12 April 1985

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
19 APR 1985
D. OF C.
(A. DEF.) (SEC)

REPORT OF SIGHTING OF UFO - Section 40 [redacted] - OCT 1982

Reference:

A. MAN/135/Sy dated 23 Jan 1985

1. Reference A contained an account of a sighting of an alleged UFO in Oct 82 by a Section 40 [redacted] along with some film negatives.

2. Since Section 40 [redacted] visit to this Unit and the handing over to me of the negatives I have received numerous telephone calls from Section 40 [redacted] asking me what was the outcome of sending the reported sighting to you.

3. I have pointed out to the Section 40 that these matters take time and further that they should not necessarily expect a reply.

4. Despite these assurances the Section 40 have persisted in contacting me and have recently requested the return of the film negatives.

5. I would be grateful if someone could please reply to them or if this is not possible, the negatives could be returned to this Unit for return to the Section 40 [redacted]

Section 40 [redacted]

Fg Off
for OC

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SECRETARY OF STATE

Head of Sec (A1)

I attach a letter which the Secretary of State has received from a member of the public, and which has been acknowledged by this office.

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Section 40 [redacted]

for APS/Secretary of State

12.4.95

Section 40 [redacted]

5th April 1985

Sec(AS)

Section 40 [redacted]

D ear M inister,

Please look at the fellowing papers and explain without endangering national security wha t happened that night and why t he Ministry did not centrol the U.S.A.F. in confiscated radar tapes.

The Ministry made this fellowing statement about this incident: "WE are aware of the report but this is a matter for the U.S.A.F . net us". A U.S.A.F. spokesman at Mildenhall,Suffolk said "All reports of this incident are now with your Defence Ministry"

Please don't put responsability on the U.S.A.F. but work together to find out what happened after this cover-up.

Yours sincerely

Section 40 [redacted]

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WAS THERE A COVER-UP OF A U.F.O. IN BRITAIN?

Section 40 [redacted]

Was there a cover-up of a U.F.O in Britain?

It seems so; for on the 2nd. of October 1983 an article in "The News of The World" was about a U.F.O. in Suffolk.

It reports that a U.F.O. landed in a red ball of light at 3 a.m. on the 27th. December 1980 at Tangham Wood a half mile away from R.A.F Woodbridge where the United States Air Force are.

Lt. Col. Halt, Deputy Commander of the U.S.A.F. 81st Tactical Fighter Wing, wrote a confidential report on this. It stated what the security saw and what was seen afterdards - three star-like objects in the sky.

One security guard said that what he and the other men saw was classified Top Secret.

The security men were sent to the base security office were civilians, that they presumed to be C.I.A. men, said that if they talked "B ullets were cheap."

One of the security guards said he was being brain-washed by having to watch American astronaunts on the moon with the U.F.O. in the background.

Top Secret documents were sent to "The News of The World" which showed that the B ritish Secret Service invented a plane crash to hush up the U.F.O., and an American beleived he was being brainwashed.

R adar stations that followed the U.F.O. had their tapes taken away

Why has there been so much secrecy about a routine sighting?

W ere the U.S. Testing a new weapon or spy equipment?

Questions must be asked in Congress and in Parliament and people must write to their M.Ps for the sake of open government and democracy.

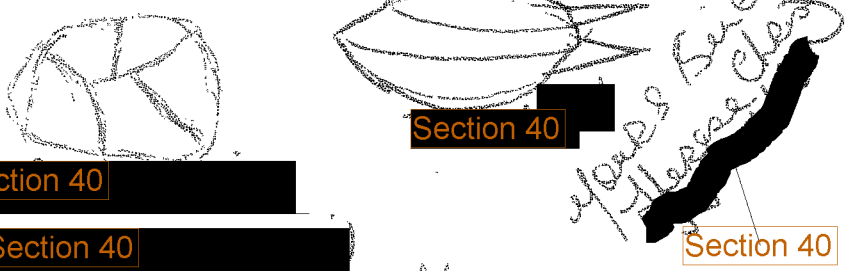
Section 40 [redacted]

3/4/85 - WE WROTE
2/4/85.

DEAR SIR,

YESTERDAY APPROX 3PM. MYSELF AND MY BOYFRIEND SAW AN OBJECT IN THE SKY, IN MY OPINION IT LOOKED LIKE A DETECTOR. I MYSELF SAW THE OBJECT CLOSER. THAN MY BOYFRIEND, CONSEQUENTLY. HIS EXPLANATION OF THE SIGHTING THE OBJECT LOOKED DIFFERENT TO HIM

WE WILL NOW IN TURN. DRAW THE OBJECT.



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I SAW THE ~~OBJECT~~ Sighting AS A Heavy-Grey Metral OBject like a encased machine. it was certainly no Space-Ship in my opinion as I don't believe in space-Ships any-way.

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CIVILIAN AERIAL PHENOMENA RESEARCH ORGANIZATION

file 12/3

Section 40 [redacted]

Ministry of Defence,
Main Building,
Whitehall,
London,
SW1A 2HB

Your Ref:

Our Ref: BL/RD1 E

4 April 1985

No. of Pages: One (1)

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects

Dear Sir/Madam,

With reference to the above named subject.

During the last few years UFO organisations have made several enquiries to DS8 regarding UFO phenomenon. It has come to our attention that the handling of all such enquiries has now been taken over by SEC AS (Air Staff) - 2. Can you please confirm this matter?

If the above statement is correct could you respond to two research letters submitted to Section 40 [redacted] DS8 Room Section 40 [redacted] (last known room) on the dates of 8 March 1985 and 3 December 1984.

This organisation looks forward to your reply.

Yours Sincerely,

Section 40 [redacted]

[redacted] Director of Research

One Copy: SEC AS-2 MoD

Section 40 [redacted] · British Representative of NICAP USA

NATIONAL INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE ON AERIAL PHENOMENA
NICAP

A Private, Nonprofit Corporation Founded in 1956

Tel: Craigavon 44271

No Reply

Section 40 [redacted]

28-3-85.

Dear Sirs.

I am sending you information which I have investigated concerning UFO's that are operating from Lough Neagh. (Most inclosed).

I have been investigating from 1966 almost 19 years, from 1966-1968 I sent reports to a Section 40 [redacted] at the MOD in 1968 I gave a talk on the subject to Group Captain Section 40 [redacted] Co. (Aldergrove) and some of his staff.

Over the years the world press published reports of flying football size glowing white OBJECTS that followed aircraft. cars. people.

May I point out to you that this object is a decoy?

The main object is just above this craft it is around 20 feet in diameter and about 9 feet high it has a brilliant lit cabin.

It uses as a camouflage Invisibility if they are caught of guard.

IT works just like switching an electric light on or off.

Also the lights on the craft work from right to left.

I found this out one February night of this year when I was tracking two moving white lights near Lurgan golf course with a friend.
Suddenly I saw this round object above me about 50 Feet up hovering making no noise, I flashed my torch at it, at once it flashed on this football size white ball beneath it and made a dive towards us, it was then I saw this brilliant lit cabin as it was just going over our heads the main object just vanished only the glowing white ball could be seen.
Later that night I photographed two white revolving white lights that seemed to be attached till two invisible objects sitting on the golf course.
I would like to point out to you that I sent another different sketch of an object to RAF Aldergrove on the 27-11-84 the letter reference No is. ALD/525/P1.
NOTE Tolans Flat is were this sighting happened.
Note These creatures are not human. They are Fallen Angels.

Yours faithfully

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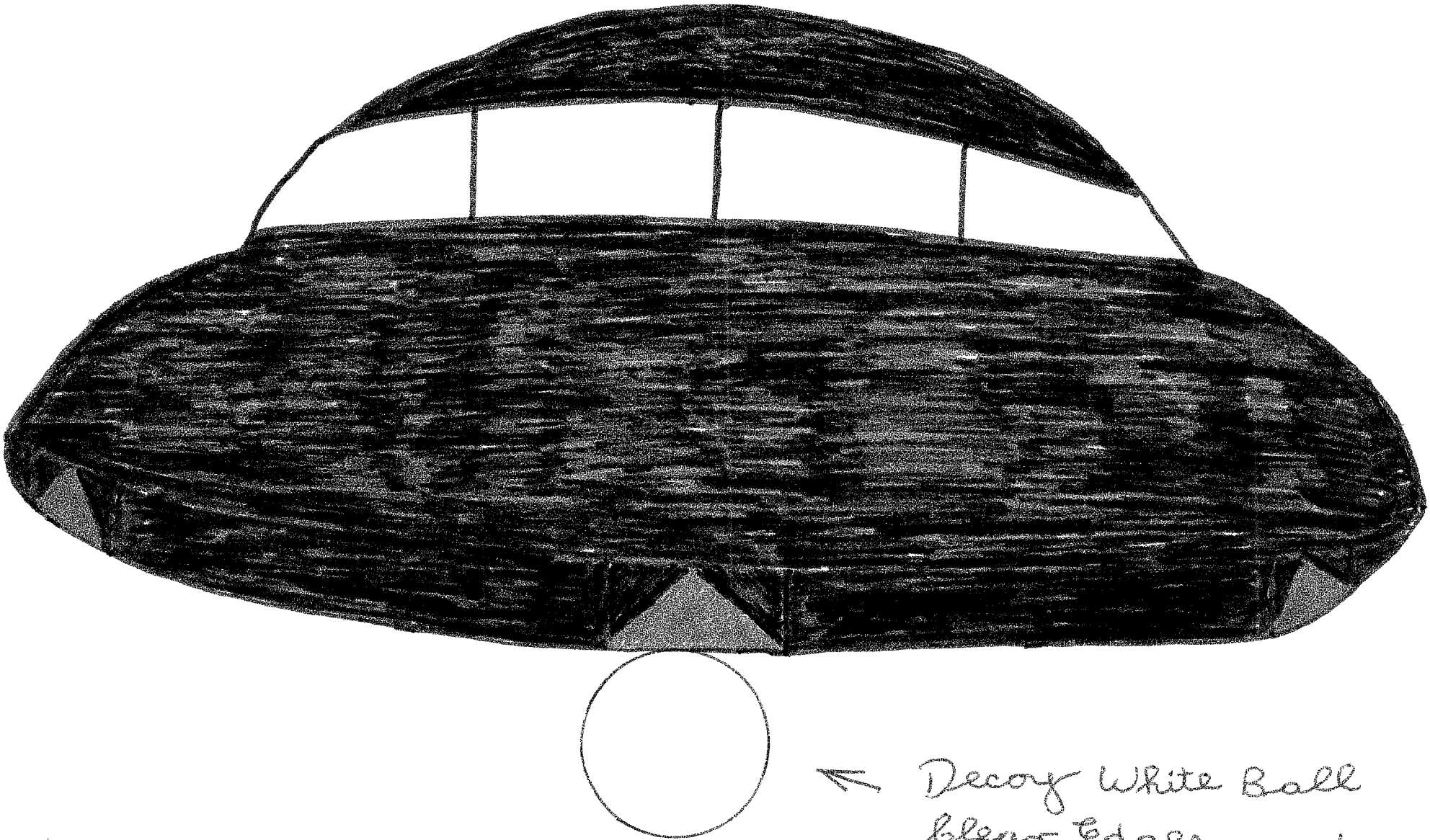

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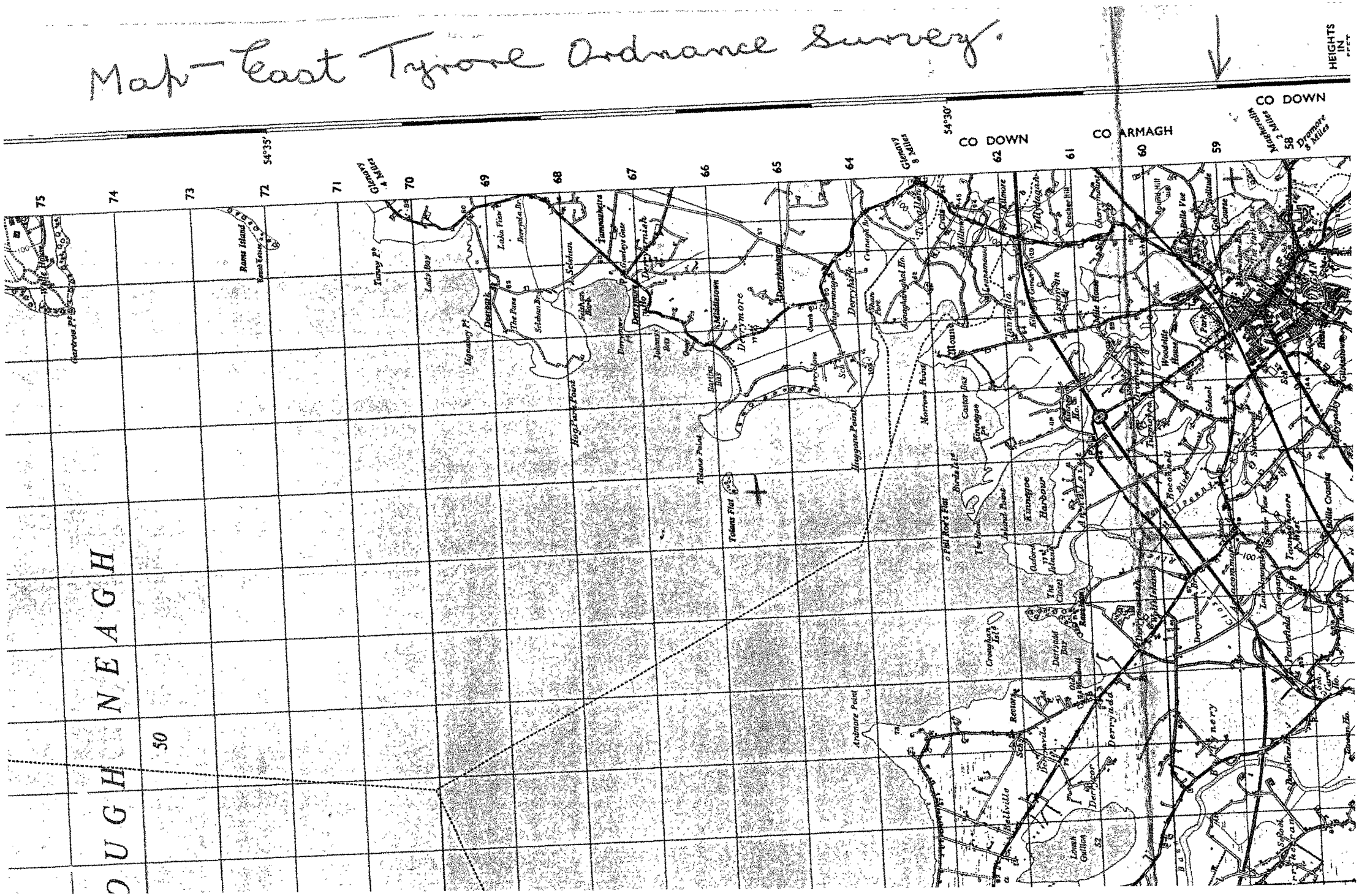
Not Fuzzy.

Map — East Tyrone Ordnance Survey.



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Head of Sec (AS)

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Section 40 [redacted]

for APS/Secretary of State

15/3/85

Section 40 [redacted]

Sec (a)

Section 40 [redacted]

His Excellency M. Heseltine
Defence Secretary
Ministry of Defence
Whitehall
London S.W.1

11 March 1985

Your Excellency,

Being a Tory Party supporter I would like to bring to your kind attention that I have delivered myself personally three letters to your Knightsbridge Military Barracks requesting them to let me know what the shining flying object we saw on 21st December 1984 and 21st January 1985 is, but no reply or acknowledgement has been received from them so far.

I enclose herewith copies of my letters, in this connection, for your information and shall be grateful if you would kindly instruct them to comply with my request.

I thank you in anticipation of your kind help in this matter.

Your wellwisher,

Section 40 [redacted]

Section 40 [redacted]

The Officer-in-Charge
Military Barracks
Knightsbridge
London S.W.1

11 February 1985

Dear Sir,

Further to my previous two letters dated the 31st December 1984 and 21st January 1985 we saw the shining flying object over your Barracks again on Wednesday the 23rd January at 2.00 p.m.

Would you please confirm as soon as possible that none of your people has seen this mysterious object on 21st December and 23rd January so that I may take up this matter further.

Your assistance in this matter will be appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Section 40 [redacted]

Section 40 [redacted]

The Officer-in-Charge
Military Barracks
Knightsbridge
London S.W.1

21 January 1985

Dear Sir,

With reference to my letter dated the 31st ultimo would you please advise me as soon as possible what the shining flying object above your Barracks on that day was so that I may bring my records up-to-date.

I thank you in anticipation of your kind help in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

Section 40 [redacted]

Section 40 [redacted]

The Officer-in-Charge
Military Barracks
Knightsbridge
London S.W.1

31 December 1984

Dear Sir,

For your information I work in Knightsbridge.

My office colleagues and I saw a shining object above your Barracks on Friday the 21st December at about 2.00 pm which stayed up for a while and then, all of a sudden, disappreared from our view.

Did any one of your people see this shining object above your Barracks on that day and, if so, what was it? I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Section 40 [redacted]

Dept D08a. MOD office. 2K 2.85.
London.

Section 40

Dear Sir,

Please could you help me? Your office was suggested to me by RAF Brawdy Haverfordwest Pembs Dyfed "Comm Relations officer Section 40 " I was asking about the Dyfed UFO sightings - an officer at RAF Brawdy wrote back and told me of your office - as you would most like keep records of the Broad Haven UFOs area (Dyfed). Could you please send me any details about the going ons in South Wales.

Any information possible would be greatfully accepted.

Please help.

Section 40

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Parliamentary Under Secretary of
State for Defence. MOD.
Ministry of Defence. London.

Dear Sir,

I so sorry to have bothered you again, but I've wrote several time but I've had no reply.

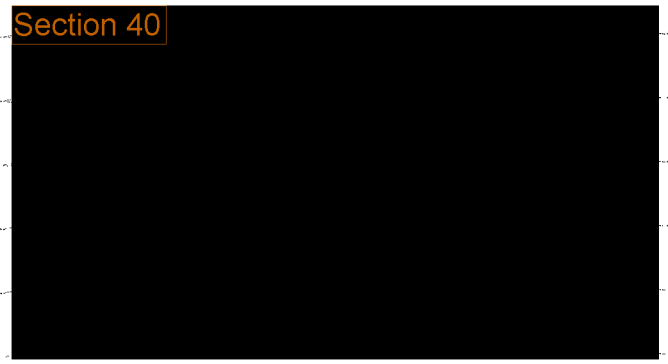
Please could you help me I'm interested in the Dyfed/South Wales UFO sightings over the years since 1972 up to the year present is. As I'm writing a book of the subject and area.

What I'm interested in form you is could you please send me what you might have on the area and could you please send me a statement on the current policy of investigations UFO.

Yours Sincerely.

[redacted] 23/8/85.

My Address:



P.S. Please do your best to help me
I would be so greatful to you.

Thanks Again

file 12/3

To, The British Ministry of Defence.
UK England 1985

Dear Sir,

After witnessing a UFO and then investigating the case my self, your office (MOD) has been suggested to me several times.

So could you please send me:

A statement regarding the present policy on UFOs"

Yours Sincerely.

Section 40

Address.

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ROYAL AIR FORCE
Fylingdales Pickering North Yorkshire YO18 7NT

Telephone Section 40

file 12/3

MOD
Sec(AS)2
St Giles Court
1-13 St Giles High Street
WC2H 8LD

Your reference
-
Our reference
FYD/1816/1/Ops
Date
8 Mar 85

UFO REPORT - SCARBOROUGH

References:

A. RAF Fylingdales MUJ 171420Z Jun 80
B. BLD/RD1 dated 23 Feb 85
C. FYD/1816/1/Ops dated 7 Mar 85

1. A UFO report was received on 17 Jun 80 and was reported by signal, at Reference A, in the normal way.

2. We have received a query concerning that report from the Civilian Aerial Phenomena Research Organization, at Reference B, a copy of which is enclosed.

3. I have replied with the letter at Reference C, a copy of which is also enclosed. Section 40

Sqn Ldr
for OC

Enclosures:

1. Letter from Civilian Aerial Phenomena Research Organization.

2. FYD/1816/1/Ops dated 7 Mar 85.

S1603

Director of Research
Civilian Aerial Phenomena
Research Organisation
Section 40 [redacted]

BL/RD1

FYD/1816/1/Ops

7 March 1985

Dear Sir

UFO REPORT - [illegible]

1. Your letter BL/RD1 dated 23 February 1985 was passed to me as Squadron Leader Todd is no longer at this unit.

2. All UFO reports received at Fylingdales are passed to the Ministry of Defence and we take no further part in the process. A copy of your letter has been sent to the appropriate department and they will no doubt contact you direct.

Yours faithfully

Section 40 [redacted]

Squadron Leader
for Officer Commanding

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CIVILIAN AERIAL PHENOMENA RESEARCH ORGANIZATION

file 12/3

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SEE F 62a/b

Section 40 [redacted]

Squadron Section 40 [redacted]
Royal Air Force Fylingdales,
Nr Pickering,
North Yorkshire

Your Ref: FY/T1

Our Ref: BL/RD1

23/2/1985

No. of Pages: ONE (1)
No. of Copies: TWO (2)

SUBJECT: UFO SCARBOROUGH
SOURCE: Section 40 [redacted]

ADDITIONAL SOURCE: SCARBOROUGH POLICE

Dear Sir,

REDACTED ON ORIGINAL

With regards to the above named subject and source. It has come to our attention that on the 19th June 1980 a Miss observed a large spherical shaped object heading out to sea at a slow speed. The object was seen for several minutes to display a pulsating red glow. The witness states the time was approximately 14.00.

REDACTED ON ORIGINAL

Miss failed to identify the subject image and therefore contacted the local police at Scarborough. At approximately 3.30pm, some 90 minutes after observing the phenomena, the witness was contacted by personnel at Fylingdales. They asked numerous questions in relation to the purported sighting.

We would be grateful for a copy of the report held by your base. Ministry of Defence policy is not to release 'UFO' reports due in the main for witness confidentiality purposes. However the witness requires no such assurance and therefore the non-release of this report would perhaps indicate one potential. RAF Fylingdales has the capability to track just about anything anywhere and one must pressume the advanced system used by your base received a return from this target?

We would be pleased to forward a detailed copy of Section 40 [redacted] report, any information received will be used for research purposes only. Thank you for your time and we look forward to receiving your reply.

Yours Sincerely,

Section 40 [redacted]

Director of Research

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Section 40

Your Ref: D/DS8/10/209

8/3/1985

Our Ref: WL1

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Subject: Massey/Goddard/Dowding 'UFO' Research

Dear Section 40

With reference to a letter dated 3rd December 1984 forwarded to your Dept.

In that letter we submitted a number of specific reports in the hope that these would constitute some kind of information which would help you find data obtained by the above named officials. However MoD response has been nil. Perhaps the following information may help you trace any documents which are held in relation to this research:-

We have found new information that the 'project' was started by Lieutenat General Massey in 1943. This was specifically designed to study the unknown phenomenon termed 'Foo Fighters' by the R.A.F. However, it is quite clear to everyone concerned with UFO research that the German pilots witnessed such phenomena and both parties felt that 'the other' side had constructed a secret weapon.

Perhaps this type of phenomena was natural? In any event we would appreciate some response to this request and any information held on this type of aerial phenomenon.

Thank you for your valuable time.

Yours Sincerely,

Section 40

Director of Research.

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25th February, 1985

[redacted] Esq.,
Head of DS8,
Ministry of Defence.

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You may remember that I wrote to you in November 1983 about the reported occurrence of unusual events near RAF Woodbridge in December 1980. Your reply, D/DS8/10/209 of 20th March 1984, told me that the MOD saw no Defence significance in Colonel Halt's report of 13th January 1981. You suggested that the events reported by him probably reflected some entirely down-to-earth, but misperceived, phenomenon.

I am aware that DS8 has had several approaches on this matter from outside groups and individuals who possibly show more enthusiasm than judgement in the questions they press. I hesitate to place a further burden on the patience and courtesy of your Division. Nonetheless, there do remain some puzzling, and perhaps disquieting, features of this case on which I think it would be in the general interest to cast some further light.

I owe it to you to explain my interest. It lies in the following - not necessarily in the right order of priority !

First, as an ex-MOD chap, I have been asked from time to time by various bits of the media to comment on the Woodbridge affair. I have in fact done so on several occasions on local radio and on foreign television. One of the television programmes is now likely to be shown here before long and may excite some public interest. If I am invited to comment again, I would not wish to do so irresponsibly.

Secondly, I am publishing a book this June on the UFO phenomenon generally. My publishers are keen that it should say something about Woodbridge. I have already drafted a passage which reflects my own study of the case, and I am attaching to this letter the relevant extracts which deal with it. I do not, of course, expect you to comment on this (unless you wish to do so), but I feel it is no more than proper to give former colleagues some advance notice of what I am proposing to publish.

Thirdly, as the attached extract implies, I have come to the conclusion over the past year or so - somewhat reluctantly and by no means hastily - that something of importance (and something which is not illusory) underlies the persistent stream of reports of well authenticated occurrences, both in the UK and elsewhere, which can be loosely grouped under the UFO heading. Some of these reports reach the MOD from members of the public (and they doubtless also continue to do so from Service establishments as well); but a far larger number get no further than the local police, civil aviation authorities, or the amateur research groups. These occurrences may or may not prove to have any vital interest for Defence, and the Woodbridge case may or may not properly belong among them. But the sizable and persistent hard core of the more disquieting instances - particularly those in which there appears to be some degree of temporary interference with electronic equipment and/or minor damage to individuals and the environment -

seems to me to deserve closer and more expert attention in Whitehall than we are led to believe it gets at present. There is evidence that at least three other governments take the phenomenon seriously. A mass of documents released in the US under the American Freedom of Information Act shows a close and continuing interest by governmental agencies. The French agency GEPAN (Groupe d'Etudes des Phénomènes Aérospatiaux Non-identifiés) which was set up by the then French Minister of Defence in 1977 under CNES (Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales) remains in existence despite the heavy retrenchment in French government expenditure and continues to collect and analyse UFO reports country-wide. And there is a degree of recent evidence in the Soviet Press that the Russians take a close interest in the phenomenon through the Moscow Aviation Institute and (possibly) the National Academy of Sciences. Is it really the case that the British MOD takes no systematic interest (as distinct from dealing ad hoc with what are felt to be tiresome enquiries from the public) ? If there really is no systematic study of the phenomenon, viz. something in the nature of a small expert committee in Whitehall or the placing of responsibility on a designated and expert directorate in the MOD, should there not be ? Is there no liason with French and US agencies ?

I hope that you will feel able to comment on the three questions at the end of the preceding paragraph. I ask them, not in any spirit of contention, but because I believe that we cannot afford to ignore a persistent phenomenon which other countries appear to take seriously. It seems to me to deserve systematic study within a Defence context, even if only to dismiss it in the end as trivial. I think you will know that there are others, whose judgement is to be respected and whose experience qualifies them, who take a similar view, Lord Hill-Norton among them.

To return to the particular case of RAF Woodbridge, you may already be aware that television documentaries of the occurrence have been made by two foreign companies. The programme made by Cable News Network is now likely to be shown in this country before long. I have not yet seen the documentary in full, myself, but I understand from the organisation that they claim to have established a number of facts which are very much at odds with the view that Col. Halt and other USAF personnel merely misperceived some phenomenon with a wholly conventional explanation (the Orfordness lighthouse, a satellite re-entry, a bright meteor). The following are among the more important points which Cable appear to be claiming.

1. Col. Halt adheres to the report of 13th January 1981, of which the MOD has a copy. He also confirms the authenticty of a tape-recording made by himself on site on the night of 29th December 1980 which tallies with paragraph 3 of his report (and in some respects goes beyond it).

2. Other witnesses to the events of 27th and 29th December 1980 reported by Halt have made sworn depositions.

3. Although not reported by Halt, there was an unusual occurence near RAF Woodbridge on the night of 26th December 1980. An unidentified object in an area of Rendlesham Forest sufficiently worried USAF personnel to cause them to seek help from the Suffolk police. Police officers at Woodbridge (the village) have confirmed that they responded to this call, albeit without establishing unambiguous evidence at the site of the 'sighting' claimed by the USAF contingent which had been sent to investigate it.

4. There is evidence that RAF Watton (and perhaps other radar installations) had radar traces on at least one of the three nights in question of an unidentified aerial object in the area of RAF Woodbridge/Rendlesham Forest.

5. There is evidence that a 16mm cine-film was made at the site by USAF personnel on 29th December 1980 and was referred for study by the USAF headquarters in Germany.

In your letter to me of 20th March 1984 you said, "The Department satisfied itself at the time that there was no reason to consider that the alleged sightings had any Defence significance". You added, "I can assure you ... that there is no evidence of anything having intruded into British airspace and 'landing' near RAF Woodbridge". In the light of the research which Cable News Network claim to have undertaken I hope you will not think it unreasonable if I invite your replies to the following questions.

1. What steps were taken by the MOD when Col. Halt's report of 13 January 1981 was received in the Department ? In particular:-

   a. What consultations took place with the USAF ?

   b. Was any on-site investigation made by MOD or British Service personnel ?

   c. Was any enquiry made to RAF Watton or other radar establishments for possible traces of an unidentified occurrence in the Suffolk area on the nights of 26/27, 27/28 and 29/30 December 1980 ? If so, what was the outcome ?

2. Is the MOD aware of the tape-recording which Col. Halt claims to have made on 29 December 1980 (and of which alleged copies are now in the hands of several members of the public) ? If so, what interpretation does the MOD place on this recording ?

3. Is the MOD aware of the cine-film allegedly made on site on 29th December 1980 ? If so, what interpretation is placed upon it ?

4. In the light of the answers to these questions does the MOD adhere to its view that nothing unknown or untoward intruded into British airspace in late December 1980 ? Is this also the view of the USAF ?

4. If this does indeed remain the MOD's considered conclusion, does the Department feel any disquiet at an apparent and persistent misperception of presumably innocent phenomena by USAF personnel based at an important installation in British territory and charged with military tasks the mismanagement of which might have grave consequences ?

I regret burdening you with these questions and with those contained in my sixth paragraph above. But I think they are potentially important, and I doubt that we have heard the last of them.

(Ralph Noyes)

Enclosure: Extract from forthcoming book, A SECRET PROPERTY.

Yet the phenomenon is undoubtedly under study in at least some back rooms... That air of governmental indifference is an assumed one...

From documents released under the Freedom of Information Act in America we have undeniable evidence of a keen interest in the phenomenon on the part of the CIA, the National Security Agency, and other government departments. The facts are meticulously documented in a recent book, CLEAR INTENT by Lawrence Fawcett and Barry J. Greenwood (Prentice-Hall, 1984). We know that the French government remains interested: GEPAN continues in existence despite stingeing cuts imposed on many departments by the Mitterand government a little while ago (though we can only speculate on what use is made of its material by its directing body, the French equivalent of NASA). We know that the Russian Academy of Sciences regularly buys a surprising number of each issue of the most prestigious British journal on the UFO phenomenon (though its importation by ordinary Soviet citizens is forbidden !). We must strongly suspect - to put it no higher - that the British Ministry of Defence is taking a close interest in the phenomenon. As a former Ministry of Defence officia I sincerely hope so ! Anything which can enter and leave British airspace with impunity, land on British territory, leave confusing traces in our radar system, interfere with electrical and electronic devices, register itself on film and out-manoeuvre British aircraft (and I think there is evidence for all these things) must surely be of more than passing interest to a government department which is charged with our defence. I hope I shall be thought to compliment rather than criticise my former colleagues and present acquaintances in Whitehall if I ruefully congratulate them on the suave effrontery with which they pretend to be taking no notice of the stranger occurrences reported to them !

It grieves me to add that I think we have some evidence of direct and deliberate mis-statement on the part of the Ministry of Defence in at least one important case, the occurrence of strange events on two nights in late December 1980 in a part of Rendlesham Forest adjoining the USAF Base at RAF Woodbridge. We have the evidence for these events in a statement signed on 13th January 1981 by the then Deputy Base Commander, Lt.Col. (now ~~Brigadier General~~ COLONEL) Charles Halt of the United States Air Force. This statement was not made public until 14th June 1983 when - following persistent pressure by the authors of CLEAR INTENT (see above) - its release was authorised by the USAF in America under the Freedom of Information Act. Whether this release was an inadvertency at rather low level in the USAF we may never know: despit the Freedom of Information Act, American agencies have proved perfectly capable (and often no doubt with good reason) of sustaining objections in the courts to the release of documents. There is certainly some evidence that Halt was not consulted about the release and that it somewhat dismayed him. Be that as it may, however, the letter of release included the extraordinary statement that the USAF had disposed of its own copy of Halt's report but that: "... through diligent inquiry and the gracious consen of Her Majesty's government, the British Ministry of Defence and the Royal Air Force the US Air Force was provided a copy for you." The Ministry of Defence have confirmed in reply to a Parliamentary Question tabled by Major Sir Patrick Wall, MP, that a copy of Halt's report was indeed received by them. Yet we are told in a recent book - SKYCRASH by Brenda Butler, Dot Street and Jenny Randles (Neville Spearman Ltd., 1984) that the Ministry of Defence had flatly denied any knowledge of supposed EVENTS in Rendlesham Forest when enquiries were made to them in 1981, following strong local rumours of an extraordinary occurrence.

The Ministry of Defence may well have good reasons for witholding information about the Rendlesham incidents. As a former Defence official,I would not wish to press questions on any matter touching national security; and in those circumstances I would not be surprised if questions pressed by others were met by a refusal to reply. But I cannot help feeling that it is something of a lapse from the usual standards of a government department to issue a direct mis-statement. Concealment is one thing (and is often justified), false denial is quite another.

The RAF Woodbridge case of December 1980 strikes me as one of the most interesting and important of recent years, anyway in this country - perhaps the most significant military sighting (or supposed sighting) since the celebrated events of 13th/14 August 1956 near RAF Bentwaters and RAF Lakenheath (both of which are, by an entertaining coincidence, quite close to Woodbridge in that much-haunted county of Suffol Those who wish to study the Bentwaters/Lakenheath incidents will find descriptions of them in the books mentioned below. The RAF Woodbridge case is described at length in SKYCRASH (see above). It is also to be the subject of several radio and televisio programmes. Much was said about it in THE NEWS OF THE WORLD in 1983, mainly in its issues of 2nd and 9th October. Alone in Fleet Street, the then editor, Derek Jameson decided to give space to Halt's report; and Keith Beabey of THE NEWS OF THE WORLD pursued it vigorously in the face of the kind of ridicule which the "quality" newspapers seem to find it expedient to attach to this mysterious and persistent phenomenon.

It was the Woodbridge case which prompted me to take up a long-shelved intenti to write a "UFO book". I have chosen, quite deliberately, to cast it as a piece of fiction. Fiction allows the imagination to range widely, and it seems to me that thi can sometimes be productive in turning better-qualified minds to new aspects of a problem. A false hypothesis can often have as much heuristic value as a good one ! It does, at the least, enable serious researchers to consider - and properly test - a new idea, even if only to throw it away when it fails to stand up to scrutiny. I a far from being wedded to the hypothesis on which A SECRET PROPERTY is based. The main object of the book is to entertain, and to do so in the form of a thriller. It most certainly does not reflect any inside knowledge or startling revelation on the part of a former Defence official. (If I had such knowledge, the Official Secrets Ac would forbid me to reveal it !).

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British UFO Research Association

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Please reply to: Section 40
[redacted]

31 January 1985

Dear Section 40 [redacted]

I will skip the introductions, as we both know who one another is.I apologise for placing several requests in one letter, but trust that you will bide with me.

1: RAF Woodbridge 27 December 1980: I realise we have discussed this matter at length, but a great deal of vital new information has come our way since concluding our book "SKY CRASH" last year. I would like to pose some specific questions to you:-

(a) What is your position regarding the involvement of the British civilian police in the taking of photographs of the landed object? We have excellent evidence for this, and presume that the British police would advise the MoD.If not, then why not?

(b) You have doubtless seen the extensive "smear" campaign being successfully waged by the British media (under whose guidance I wonder?).Eg "The Guardian",5 Jan 1985. On this thesis a gross mistake was made (a lighthouse seriousky misperceived,backgrour radiation levels viewed as sinister,rabbit holes regarded as something else). Not only that,but this "evidence" was supported by the US deputy base commander and the UK base commander,whom 17 days later could surely have figured some of these cock-ups out This grand blunder is then perpetuated over the course of years;the UK commander remains in charge, the two base commanders (US), at the time and subsequently, endorse all the evidence (we have it in writing) and the deputy commander gets promoted to base commander. Now regardless of what sort of MoD investigation into these events was (or was not) conducted this leaves one with a serious dilemma.IF the "lighthouse/ normal radiation/rabbits" theory is correct then all your strategic commanders at a NATO base (for which you certainly have jurisdiction) are incompetent dodos who might be expected to misinterpret Orford Ness lighthouse for an invading MIG jet,not have a clue whether they have been irradiated by an exploding neutron bomb, and waste a great deal of the war filling in bomb potholes made by the Rendlesham Forest wildlife! I think the people of this country might be rather worried if that were the case. And frankly, unless you can help us refute this lighthouse nonsense then we are just going to have to make sure the British people see this interesting paradox.Believe me we have people in the right place to make sure this happens! Comments please.

(c) Since it is vital to the Section 40 [redacted] theory that the date not be 27 December 1980, but 26 December,then have you any way of confirming or denying the real date? Of cours the Halt memo to you says the 27th, but that is dated 17 days later and Section 40 [redacted] suggests that he just made yet another mistake.(In view of such a plethora of errors how could Halt possibly have merited a base commandership?) However, some sort of action must have occurred between 26/27 December and the 13 January memo; either at your end, elsewhere in government, or at the base.The correct date would have been essential to confirm or refute options (eg a spy-plane mission).So I am sure there are ways you can look into this. I am not asking for details - just a statement regarding your level of confidence in the Halt memo dating.

2: We are investigating an incident dated 2 August 1984 from Salisbury Plain, Wilts. This occurred at 23.00 BST and was reported by [redacted] and family,of Bedfordshire.We have received excellent cooperatiom from them and from PC [redacted] of the Kitchin police, who investigated the matter at their request on 3 August. The matter was reported to the MoD,as both witness and police affirm. We recognise that certain aspects of the case fit a military manouvre that was going on that night; although some puzzles remain. It would help us in our resolution of this case if you could offer any data you have at your end. I know you regard things as confidential, and that you have decided not to release data generally. I respect the reasoning for this But here I am making a specific request with the backing of police and witnesses, so there is no real purpose in confidentiality. Any records you have for that event/or potentially related events on the same night would help.

3: Finally I am making a request for any information you may have regarding an incident which occurred around midnight on the night of 23-24 August 1984 in the vicinity of Ipswich. We have details of an in-flight collision between an aircraft and something (which at this point we have no reason to suspect is UFO related). The airport involved and the investigators of the accident have been helpful.But it would be useful to have any data which the MoD have at their disposal on this affair. If you have any reports of sightings around this time it would be interesting to know; although in this case there is more than a fair chance the source was not a UFO-related phenomenon.

I address my commuhication direct to [redacted] or the current section head of DS 8, rather than [redacted] I know [redacted] courteously asserts that he is the person we should communicate with, but with all due respect we have good reason for in this instance not doing so. No offence on [redacted] intended. I am sure he is very able at his job. And our reasons for contacting [redacted] direct are not personal.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]

(Director of Investigations)

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Your reference

Our reference
MAN/135/Sy

Date
23 January 1985

REPORT OF SIGHTING OF UFO

1. Please find attached an account of a sighting of an alleged UFO in Oct 82 written by a [redacted]

2. [redacted] came personally to RAF Manston with this account of a sighting, he also gave me the negatives of photographs he had taken, which I enclose.

[redacted]
Fg Off
for OC

Enclosures:

1. Account of UFO Sighting
2. Film negatives

Section 40

[redacted]

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

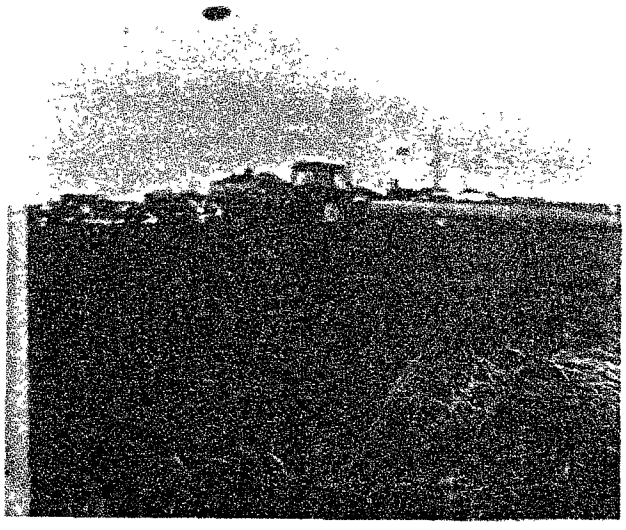
I TOOK THESE PHOTO'S IN OCT 1982, AT JOSS-BAY CAR PARK, ON GETTING THEM BACK FROM THE DEVELOPERS (BOOTS CHEMIST RAMSGATE) THERE APPEARS TO BE A MYSTERY OBJECT IN THE SKY WITH TWO TRAILS COMING FROM IT. ENCLOSED ARE THE NEGATIVES FOR YOUR INSPECTION.

IN OCTOBER 1984 I WAS SITTING ABOUT HALF WAY BETWEEN JOSS BAY CAR PARK AND THE SEWERAGE PUMPING STATION (NORTHFORELAND), WHEN IN THE EARLY HOURS OF THE MORNING I SIGHTED A VERY LARGE WHITE LIGHT IN THE SKY. IT APPEARED TO HAVE COME FROM KINGSGATE CASTLE DIRECTION AND HEADING TOWARDS VIKING BAY BROADSTAIRS ON PASSING BROADSTAIRS ITS LIGHT TURNED BRIGHT GREEN. IT THEN DISAPEARED INTO THE SEA OFF RAMSGATE.

I HAVE WITNESSED MANY SHOOTING STARS, BUT NONE AS LARGE AS THIS ONE

P.S. I HAVE'NT REPORTED THESE INCIDENTS BEFORE AS PEOPLE ONLY LAUGH AND SAY YOUR MAD, ~~BUT~~ PERHAPS THESE NEGS MIGHT PROVE DIFFERENT,





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Your Ref D/DS8/75/2/1

Our Ref WU/EXL

Jan., 1985

Dear [redacted] I am writing in response to the letter recieved, dated 9 March 1982. As my infomation can no longer be concidered as classified, I am now able to pass it onto you.

The letter that I sent to you, was only a small fraction, of the work that I had done on U.F.O. research. I was in fact in physical and psychic contact with an E.T. called Algar; whom I have had a relationship with since 1958, and it continued until 1981, when he was killed by another race of beings.

So to start at the beginning. I was seven years old, when I first saw traces left by a U.F.O. At the time I lived at [redacted] Glasgow. One Saturday, morning I had the impression that I should go out to the back, so much it was like an obsession(DIA 1). When I did go to the back, I found three indentations in the ground, they were in triangular formation. Each indentation was the same distance from it's partner, and they gave the impression that three large ball bearings had been dropped there. My first thought was that it was a U.F.O.; but I had never ever heard of U.F.O. or flying saucers, and yet the thought seemed normal to me, as if I used it on a regular basis. I told my father, who was rather quick at ridiculing and poo-pooing what I had told him. Anyway, a couple of months later, the first visit came from E.T.s, which was followed by a few more. They were of green gas which solidified when it came in from the passage way,which led to the toilet under, the door, and the wardrobe, which was situated against the door preventing it from opening. (DIA 2). There was one which was green and very large, that had eyes all over it, this one came three times. Then there was a woman with very sharp features, and what looked like fat worms sticking out of her head, where the hair should be. The last visit from the large green thing happenend when my father tried to get into the bedroom, as usual I was against the door, with fear. My father was at the time, fairly atheleltic and no weakling, but no matter how hard he pushed he could not get the door open; not until the large green thing had gone.

I959, I found semi-transparent, slug like creatures crawling up the wall on the opposite side of the back. At this period of time I was in with a band, especially, the lead singer Section 40 and the drummer [redacted] Both of them saw the creatures. The end product of this was that we armed ourselves and started to shoot them, we used •22 air rifles at a range of fifty to seventy five yards. When we did kill them, they fell off the wall and took on the appearence of cement that had got damp and solidified. Quite often they would fall and appear to go through the ground leaving no trace at all. One day we found that we were unable to hit our targets, and we could see our shots pass through the targets, by the ricochete off the wall, and after that we found that it was a waste of time trying to shoot them, so we gave up as a bad job. (DIA 3).

I was stationed at Keogh Barracks - Sept. I968 April I969 - when I was in the R.A.M.C., and Algar was with me then, even in spite of other E.T.s going away. A strong bond was forming of friendship and trust. One incident involves telepathic contact, and that occured, following an incident when I was unusually indecisive. It was when I was on guard duty, and I was asked if I would like the first tour, to which I normally said yes, but thank God I eventually declined, for the first one was critically injured with the pick elf he was carrying. It was onethe basis of safety, that we were to go in pairs from then on,,and it was under these conditions that I got a telepathic link with Algar. We were returning to the guard house after our patrol, and to our right was a field, which had lighting only on the road on which we were walking. Apart from the lighting mentioned, the field was totally dark. I heard only what I can describe as a whisper, and it was saying that someone was creeping about in the field, to the front and slightly right. I immediatly looked in that direction but saw nothing. But as I had heard this whisper several times before, and it had proved accurate, I decided to follow it through. I sent my partner around the camp museum, which was situated about twenty yards behind us, and I went to a lamp, and prepared to go into the field. It was at this point, when someone came out of the dark. I then called my partner and after a few heated words, I convinced the stranger who had no i.d. on him, to accompany us to the guard house. (DIA 4).

The real work began in May, I979, when my wife and I formed a team, and together we collected such data as;- what the different coloured lights on a U.F.O. means, how they manage to evade radar, what fuel they use and what it looks like, I have been to their bases which were in Wirral and Cheshire. There was a curious incident which took place over the river Mersey, by the Wallasey Town Hall. There were six U.F.O.s flying at speed up and down the river, when I noticed a black one was trying to manoeuvere the other six. Unfortunately,,the black one was shot down, it hit the water in front of the Town Hall. As I was watching , the front end of the U.F.O. hit the water, then the whole U.F.O. dissapeared; leaving the water to splash, as if done by an invisible entity.

In June, I98I, Algar, was ready to approach the goverment in person. I was over the moon with pride to be used as the medium between alien race and our own race. Unfortunately, another race of E.T. decided to attack Algar, and his team of scientists, and killed Algar and several members of his team. That of course was that. It was not until October, 24 I98I, that they sent some one to dominate me by using threats, and eventually attacking me, the E.T. died during his attack on me. Since there have been four responses to my telepathic messages sent out, but two of those contacts have been lost. But of the two who are still in contact, one is a womam, but I am unable to give you her name. The other is a male and his name is Malcben, he says he comes from the Milky Way, and that his planet is called Platone.

I am intending to make contacts strong, and hopefully make a meeting between the alien race and our Coverment, with the infomation that I have now given you, I hope that you would reconcider sponsoring my research. The infomation that I have given you is accurate and truthful. Although there is lots more, I decided to give you what I thought was the most important to you.

Yours faithfully

Section 40 [redacted]

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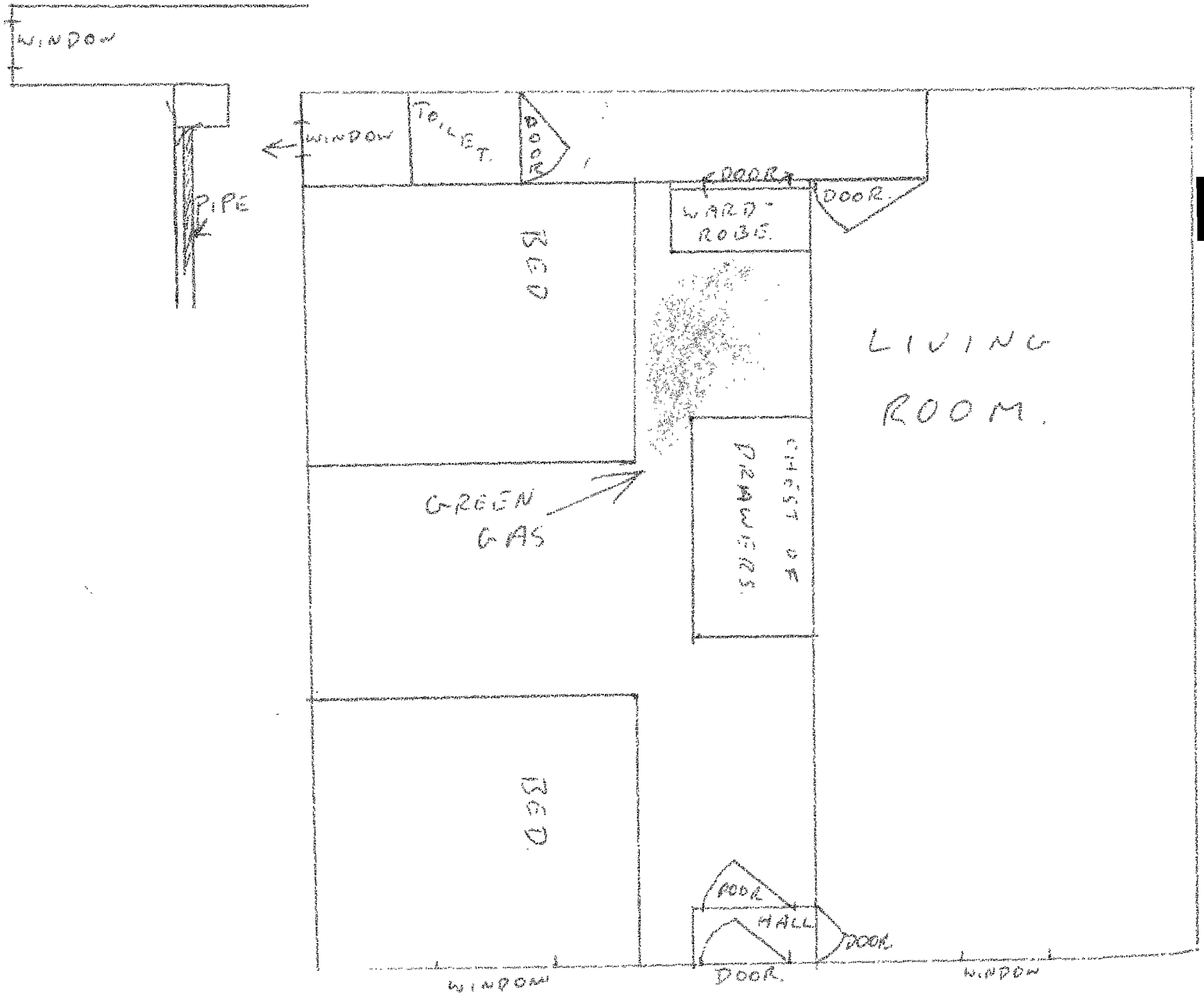

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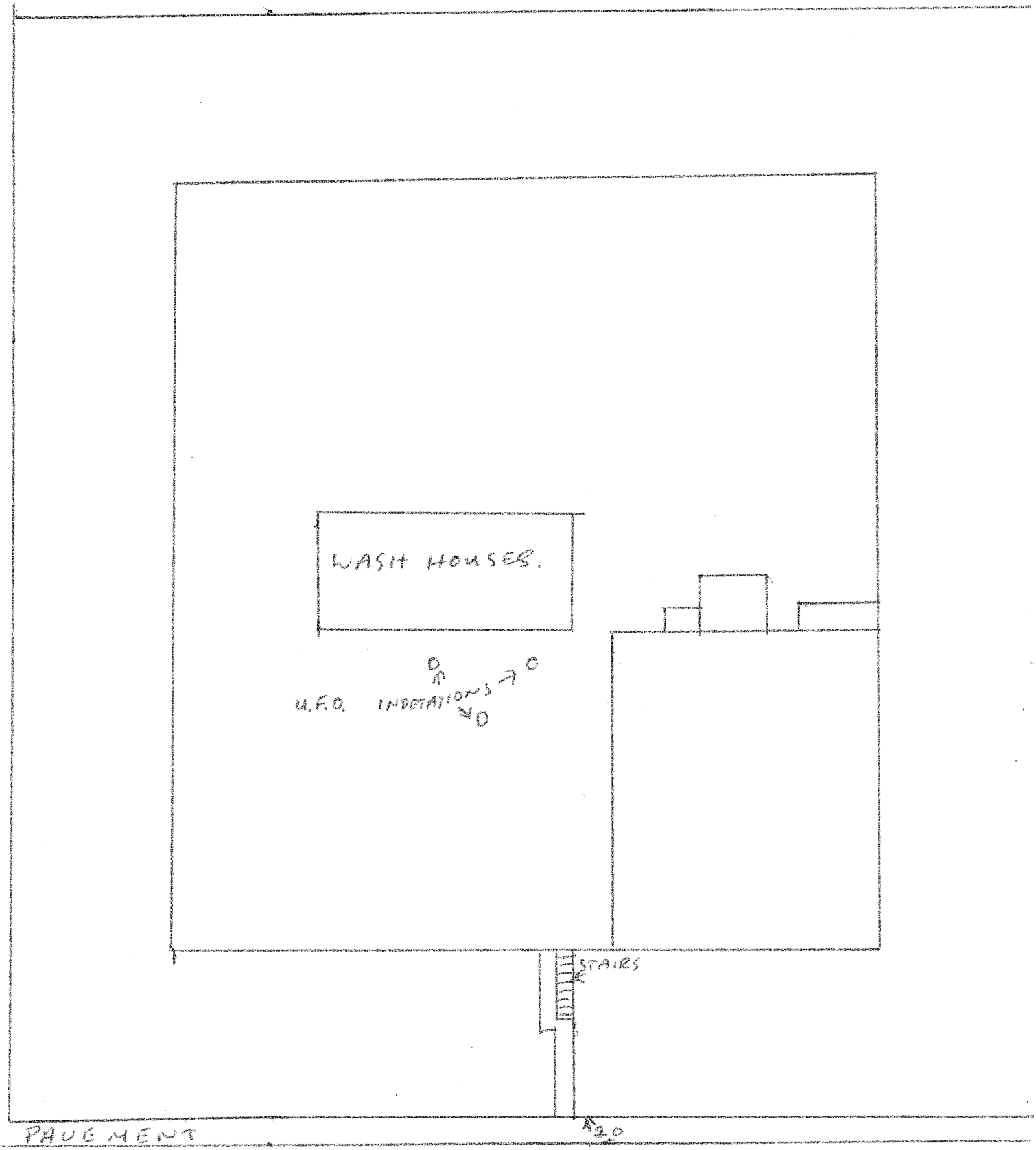

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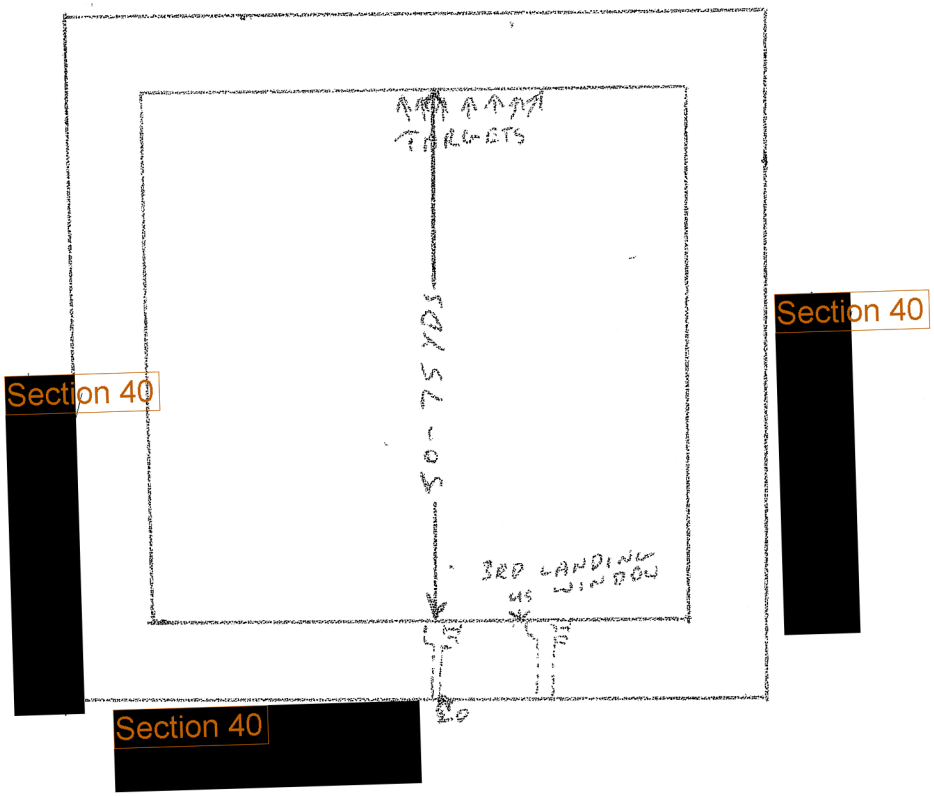
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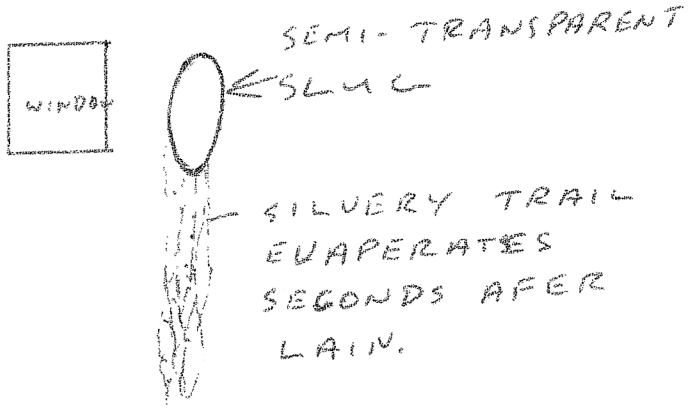
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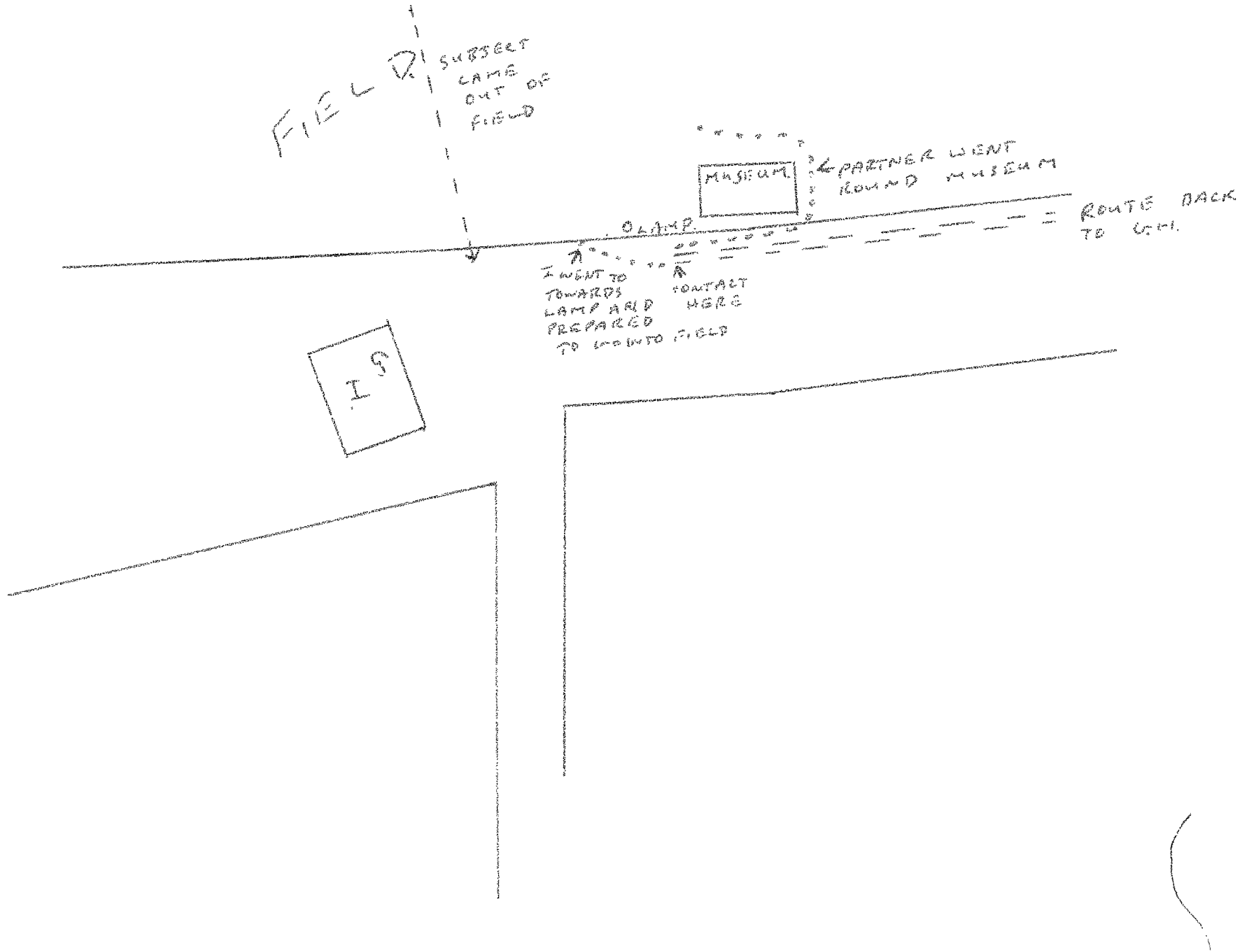
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Dear Sir,

Could you please supply me with all the informatiom that your department has on the following reports of unidentified flying objects.

Date:6th July 1984.
Time:03.00 hours approx.
Location:Wingerworth,Chesterfield in Derbyshire.
Witness:[redacted]

Date:23rd July 1984.
Time;From 21.00 to 24.00 hours approx.
Locations:Numerous locations throughout Yorkshire and Humberside.
Witnesses:Numerous.
This sighting was reported to Leeds/Bradford airport.

Date:17th October 1984.
Time:19.40 and 20.00 hours approx.
Location.Clayton-Le-Moors,Accrington in Lancashire.
Witnesses:[redacted] and a [redacted]
This sighting was reported to Manchester airport.

I would appreciate any information you have on the above three reports.

Yours Sincerely,

[redacted]

Section 40

6th Jan 1985

Dear Sir,

As was mentioned in the National Press last week official files have been released from the Public Records Acts. As a UFO researcher, and a British citizen I requests that UFO files from 1954 be readily available to the British public. I would be most greatful to receive such files.

No-doubt a recent UFO book by Miss Jenny Randles, entitled "Sky-Crash" has caused quite a stir. Not only does the book bring forth evidence to show that a UFO landed in Rendlesham Forest in December, 1980, but that members of the government/Air force were on hand to greet them. A further claim was made by Section 40 She claims to have been told by an official at the Pentagon that both the Americans and the British are coporating with the aliens, and that major Air force bases across the world are open to use by these aliens. One such major base is alleged to be RAF Bentwaters. What does the MOD have to say to that?

Let's now hope that the government has seen the light at the end of the tunnel, and realises that it can no longer hide the truth from the public.

I do hope my request for UFO documents from 1954 is possible. Now that 30yrs have elapsed, what excuse has the government got left?

Yours Sincerly.

Section 40 : British UFOlogist.