PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	3. TIME
1 July 52	Fort Monmouth N.J.	Local: 0720 Zebra: 1320

4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND? ☑ Yes ☐ No
- ☑ Naked Eye
- ☐ Binoculars
- ☐ Telescope
- ☐ Theodolite

5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR? ☑ Yes ☐ No
- ☑ By One Set
- ☐ By Two Sets
- ☐ By Three Sets

6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR? ☐ Yes ☑ No
- ___ A/C Observed Object
- ☐ Interception Attempted
- ☐ No Intercept Attempted

7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT? ☐ Yes ☑ No
- ___ A/C Scrambled
- ☐ Visual Contact Made
- ☐ A/I Contact Made
- ☐ No Contact Made

8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME? ☑ Yes ☐ No
- ☐ Normal
- ☑ Violent

9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT: Not a light
- ☐ Blinking
- ☐ Steady

10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT:
- ☐ 1-15 Seconds
- ☑ 1-5 Minutes
- ☐ Over 10 Minutes

11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address)

Headquarters Fort Monmouth Office of the Chief Signal Officer

Engineering Labs Dept. of Army

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED?

13. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO ARCH DOWNWARD?	☐ Yes	☑ No
14. DID OBJECT HAVE A TAIL?	☐ Yes	☐ No
15. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO DISINTEGRATE?	☐ Yes	☐ No

16. TIME OF SIGHTING RELATIVE TO SUNRISE OR SUNSET (Data From Air Almanac)
- ☐ Night
- ☑ Day
- ☐ Sunrise
- ☐ Sunset

III. AIRCRAFT DATA

17. WERE AIRCRAFT NOTED IN AREA?	☑ Yes ☐ One Aircraft ☑ More Than One Aircraft	☐ No
18. WAS ANY SOUND HEARD?	☐ Yes	☑ No
19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE?	☑ Yes	☐ No
20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION?	☑ Yes	☐ No

IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA? ☑ Yes ☐ No

22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: ____ Minutes

23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:

	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted? Yes	Lighted? No	Describe Lighting
a.	Mitchel AFB, NY	?	?			
b.						
c.						
d.						

(attach overlay)

V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE:

- ☑ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Fair
- ☐ Poor
- ☐ Unreliable
- ☐ Extremely Doubtful
- ☐ Hoax

22. DETAILS OF REPORT:

- ☑ Good
- ☐ Fair
- ☐ Poor
- ☐ Insufficient to Evaluate

23. FINAL EVALUATION:

- ☐ Was Balloon
- ☐ Probably Balloon
- ☐ Possibly Balloon
- ☐ Was Aircraft
- ☐ Probably Aircraft
- ☐ Possibly Aircraft
- ☐ Was Astronomical
- ☐ Probably Astronomical
- ☐ Possibly Astronomical
- ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ Insufficient Data For Evaluation
- ☑ Unknown

24. COMMENTS:

RADAR OBSERVATION DATA SHEET

I. QUESTIONS REGARDING DETECTING RADAR EQUIPMENT

1. What type radar equipment is involved? SCR 584

2. Has there been any recent maintenance difficulties? If so, describe. No

3. What type modulator (i.e., spark gap, hard tube, etc.) is used in the radar equipment? HARD TUBE

4. Was the AFC (automatic frequency control) circuit of the receiver operating properly? YES

5. Has interference from another radar set been observed recently, and are personnel familiar with the effects caused by an interfering signal? NO INTERFERENCE

6. What type indicators, "A scope", "B scope", etc., were used to follow the target? J SCOPES

7. What was the radar scan rate?

8. What was the approximate frequency of the transmitter? 3,000 M.C

II. GENERAL QUESTIONS

1. What were the general weather conditions at the time unidentified target was observed? WARM CLEAR

2. What weather data from nearby U.S. weather stations is available on temperature vs altitude, humidity vs altitude, and wind velocity vs altitude? NONE

3. Was the target observed by any other nearby radar equipments? If so, give details. No

4. Are the operator and the supervisor familiar with the effects of anomalous (duct-effect) propagation as they pertain to this type radar? YES

5. Has anomalous propagation been observed to extend the range of ground clutter by this radar at this site, and did this condition exist during or near the time that unknown target was observed?

NO

6. What effects of rain storms and lightning have been observed on this radar?

NONE

7. Were any checks made to determine if unknown target could have been one of our own aircraft?

YES

8. Was any interception attempted? If so, give details.

NO

III. SPECIFIC TARGET QUESTIONS

1. What technical personnel observed the unknown target? Have they been questioned thoroughly? What was their opinion?

[redacted]

2. Was a permanent record "track" made of the target positions as they appeared on the indicators? If so, attatch to this report.

NO

3. At what range, azimuth, altitude, and time was the target observed?

RANGE 10,000 - 15,000 YDS - AZIMUTH VARYING (APPROX 9:30 PM)
RANGE 29,000 YDS - ELEVATION 4 MILS - N.E. - APPROX 9:30 PM

4. How did the target appear in size and shape as compared with conventional aircraft targets?

LARGER THAN NORMAL TARGETS

5. Was the target of consistent size, or did it change rapidly?

CHANGED RAPIDLY

6. Was the speed of the target constant or variable? Explain.

TARGET REMAINED STATIONARY

7. Did the target appear "fuzzy" or clear and sharp as compared with a known aircraft target?

CLEAR AND SHARP

8. What other (aircraft) targets were observed in the same general area, altitude, and time as that of the unknown target?

NONE ON RADAR SET

Pint. [redacted]

NOTES ON INCIDENT

MORNING SIGHTING

B-36's ON MISSION WITH FIGHTER ESCORT

FIGHTERS SIGHTED BUT NOT A SINGLE SOURCE REPORTED B-36's IN AREA ALTHOUGH THEY WERE THERE.

IT IS THE INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S CONCLUSION THAT THE OBJECTS OBSERVED WERE THE B-36's

1003345

TREMONTON, UTAH

2 JUL 1952 FILM

TENTATIVE
OBSERVERS DATA SHEET

Where Choice is Given, Circle Proper Answers, or Insert Answer

1. Date of your observation: 1 (Day) JULY (Month) 1952 (Year)

2. Date you reported the observation: 1 (Day) JULY (Month) 1952 (Year)

3. What time was it when you sighted the object: 1505 (Hours) _____ (Minutes)

A.M. (P.M.) (Daylight) Standard

Zone: (Eastern), Central, Mountain, Pacific, _____ (Other)

4. Length of time object was observed. Estimate: _____ (Hours) 3 (Minutes) _____ (Seconds).

5. Where observed:

_____ (Postal Address) FT. MONMOUTH (City or Town) NEW JERSEY (State) U.S. (Country).

6. Where were you at time of observation:

Inside building, In Car, (Outdoors), _____ (Other).

7. Were you moving at any time during this sighting: NO (Yes or No).

8. Did you stop at any time during this sighting: _____ (Yes or No).

9. If you were moving - give _____ (Direction) and _____ (Speed) miles per hour.

10. How was object observed: (Naked eye)
Eye glasses
Other glass (Window or Windshield)
Binoculars, Telescope, Theodolite
Other_____

11. How did you happen to notice the object: MY ATTENTION WAS
CALLED TO IT BY STUDENT PFC MARTINELLI

12. Describe what you saw as briefly as possible in the following spaces:

a. Sound NONE

b. Shape BALL

c. Color SHINY

d. Size LIKE A VISABLE WEATHER BALLOON OR BIRD

e. Number 1, 2, THEN MANY (20)

f. Light brightness SUN REFLECTION

g. Light color YES

h. Motion FROM MOTIONLESS TO HIGH SPEED

i. Speed 0 - 3000 MPH

j. Other MANOEVERABLE

13. How did object disappear from view: Suddenly or (Gradually)
Circle One

14. At any time did the object:

a. (Change direction.) b. (Change speed.) c. Move behind something; Cloud, House, Tree, _____ d. Blend with background. e. Decrease
Other

in size. f. Decrease in brightness. g. Move in front of something.

h. MADE A NORMAL DISAPPEARANCE INTO THE DISTANT HORIZON
Other

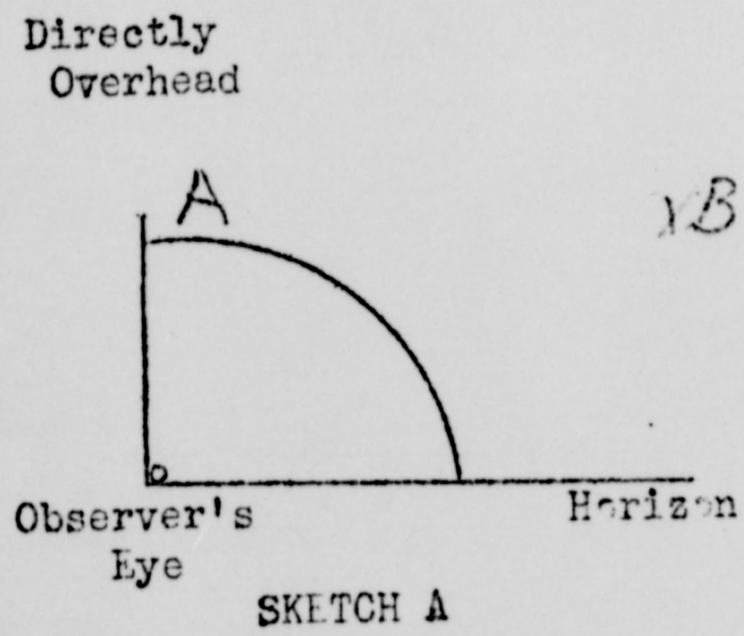
15. When you first looked at the object, what direction were you facing? EAST (MOSTLY UP)

16. When you last saw the object, what direction were you facing? WEST

17. In the following Sketch A, draw lines from the observer's eye to the circular arc to show the apparent elevation of the object in the sky.

A. When first seen, label a.

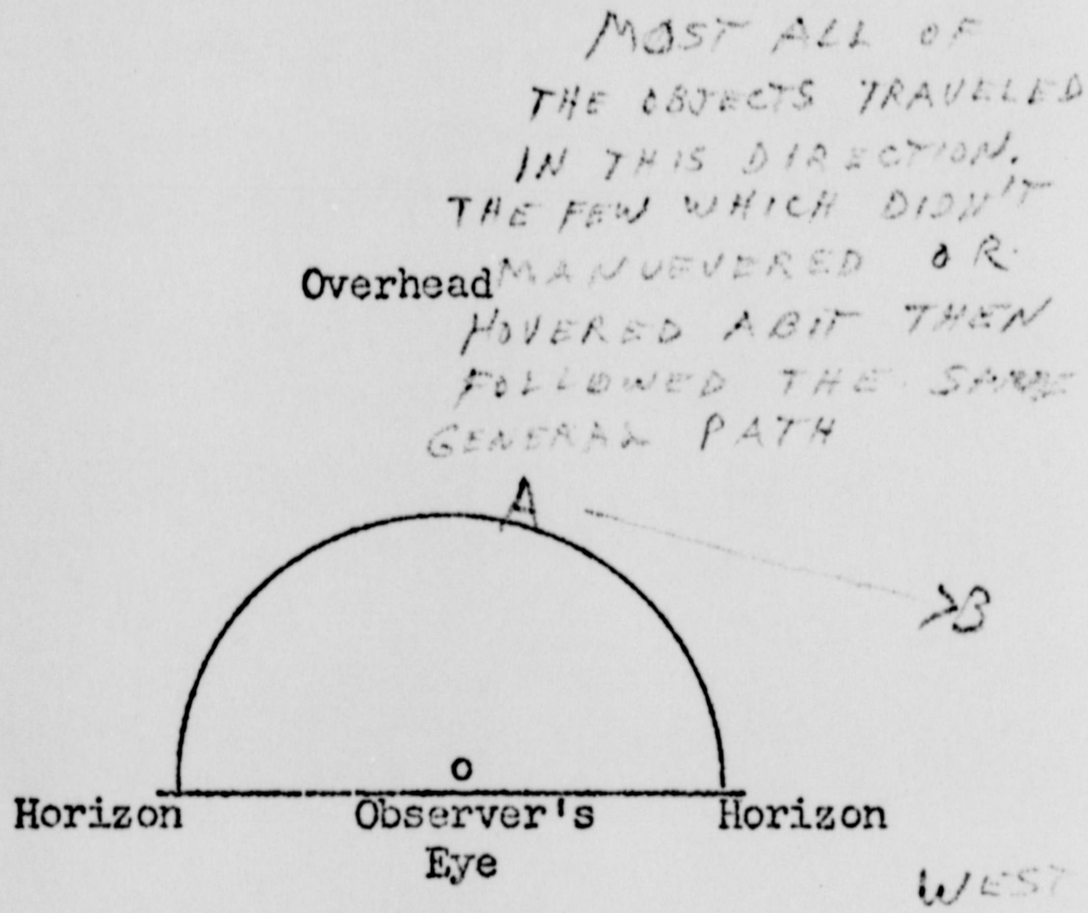
B. When last seen, label b.



SKETCH A

18. On the following Sketch B, label a at the apparent position of the object when first seen and b at point last seen. Trace the apparent path of the object between points a and b.

If possible label 1, 2, 3, etc., along the traced path to show the successive positions of the object after equal intervals of time during the sighting.



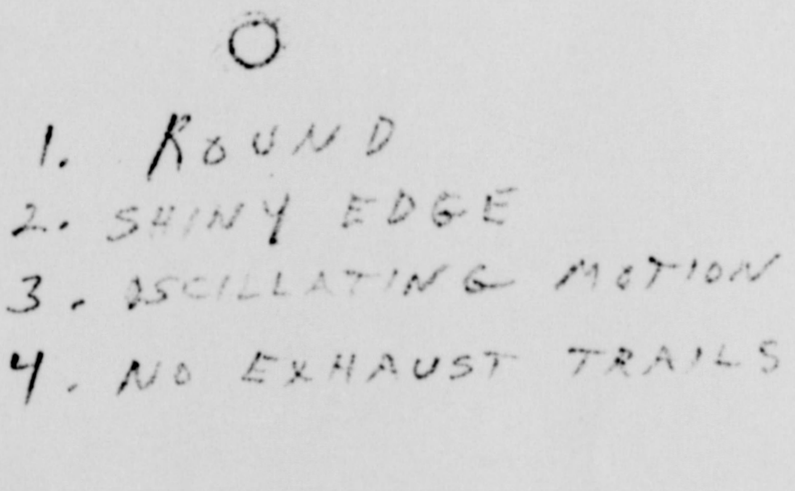
SKETCH B

19. In Sketch C please show the observed features of the object such as;

A. Apparent shape, (were edges pointed or rounded),

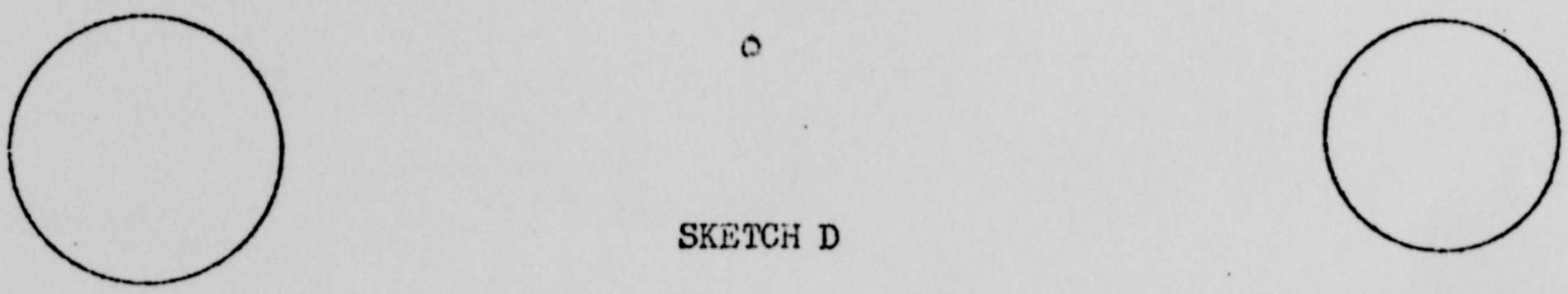
B. Apparent direction of motion (show by arrow), and

C. Other details, exhaust, trails, tails, surfaces, etc.



SKETCH C

20. The sun and the moon are shown below as they appear in their correct relative size. In this sketch D, show the apparent size of what you saw.



SKETCH D

21. In your own words please describe the sighting you observed. Use sketches if desired. All observations from the time of first sighting to the time of dissappearance are important. Include a description of the weather, wind, and cloud conditions at the time of this sighting.

SEE ATTACHED REPORTS

22. Your full name: [redacted]

23. Your address:

24. Your occupation: CIVILIAN RADAR SUPERVISOR

25. Last school you attended: ARMY RADAR SCHOOL

26. Year of last attendance at this school: 1942

27. Please list the names and addresses of persons who discussed this sighting with you. It is not necessary to list the names of officials or investigators.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED SHEET

28. Further comments which you believe are important should be entered here. Use additional sheets of the same size if necessary.

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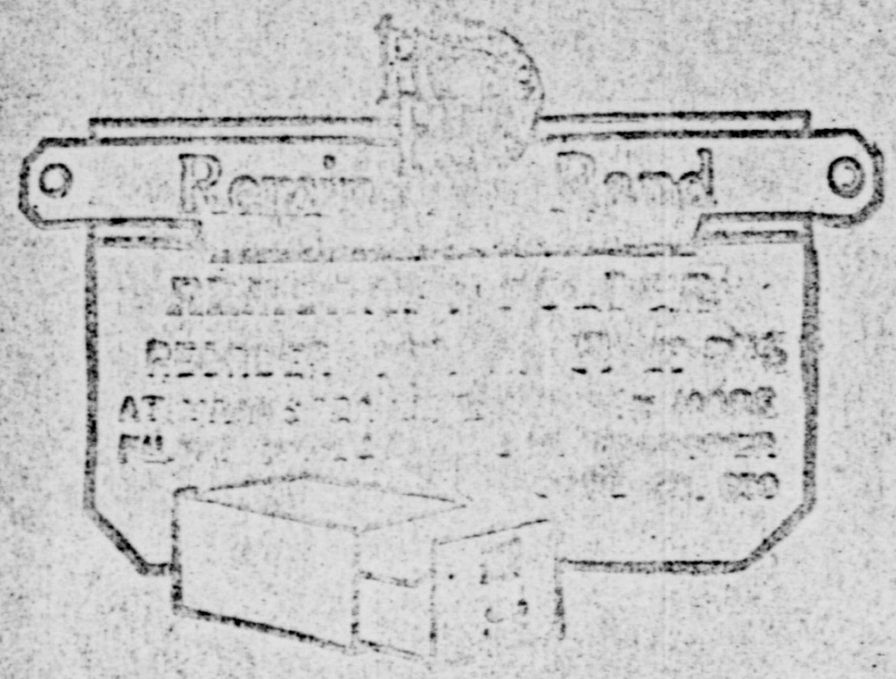
1 July 52 - Ft. Monmouth, N.J. [illegible]

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2nd [redacted]

10 - 12 JULY 1952 SIGHTINGS

DATE	LOCATION	OBSERVER	EVALUATION
10	Florence, South Carolina	[redacted]	AIRCRAFT
10	Garner, North Carolina	Civilian	INSUFFICIENT DATA
10	Prairie Village, Kansas	[redacted]	Astro (STARS/PLANETS)
	(CARDS MISSING)		
10	Glendale, Arizona	Military	Astro (METEOR)
10	Quantico, Virginia	[redacted]	AIRCRAFT
10	Van Nuys, California	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
10	Orlando, Florida	[redacted]	AIRCRAFT
10	Goose AFB, Labrador	Military	INSUFFICIENT DATA
11	Bloomington, Indiana	Civilian	Astro (METEOR)
11	Marinette, Arizona	[redacted]	BALLOON
12	Belleville, Illinois	Military	Astro (METEOR)
	(CARDS MISSING)		
12	Belleville, Illinois	Military	Astro (STARS/PLANETS)
	(CARDS MISSING)		
12	Dayton, Ohio	Military	Astro (METEOR)
12	Chicago, Illinos	[redacted]	BALLOON
12	Haslemoan, Norway	Civilian	INSUFFICIENT DATA
12	Annapolis, Maryland	[redacted]	UNIDENTIFIED
12	Indiana, Illinois Area	Multiple	Astro (METEOR)

ADDITIONAL REPORTED SIGHTINGS (NOT CASES)

DATE	LOCATION	SOURCE	EVALUATION
12	Arnold, Missouri	[redacted]	

K243.6012-1
10-12 Jul
1952

RETURN TO:

Director
Aerospace Studies Inst
ATTN: Archives Branch
Maxwell AFB, Alabama

USA-MATS

IR-406-52

FLYOBJRPT. Unidentified Flying Object Sighted Near Florence, South Carolina

State of South Carolina, USA

Flight Service, MATS, 3800 Nenark Street, N. W., Washington 25, D. C.

11 July 1952 10 July 1952 F-3

Frank M. Allen, Lt Colonel, USAF Civilian Observer of Florence, S. Carolina

FLYOBRPT 110321Z July, Olmsted Flight Service Center

Report contains information reference sighting of unidentified object near Florence, South Carolina, 10 July 1952.

Single object was sighted by civilian observer. First sighting at 2105Z 10 July 1952, length of sighting 15 to 20 minutes. Weather at time of sighting excellent for observation. No information as to observers qualifications as to area observed.

FRANK M. ALLEN
Lt Colonel, USAF
Intelligence Officer

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Chief, Air Technical Intelligence Center, ATTN: ATIAA-2c

Capt. [redacted]

1715 Cherokee Road
Florence, S. C.
August 2, 1952

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Cat II

Hq. 2nd Air Force
Air Tech. Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Base
Ohio

Recd

Dear Sirs:

Upon leave communicated with a Mrs. [redacted] here in Florence (S.C.) concerning the report & sighting a moving light in the sky the night since she was on the night July 7 party and last is ideas whom your communications were intended for, she returned the blanks which

(Jan sent to be filled with)
Yesterday she found out that
it was I who had reported
the object in the sky, so I
am writing immediately. Although
I seem to be the only person
in this city who reported it,
the editor of our Florence
Morning News, Mr. [redacted],
called several hours after my
report to tell me that observers
in Washington D.C., and [redacted],
had seen the same
moving light. For the sake of
accuracy and clarification, I

I should like to describe what I observed that night Sunday, July 9, 1952. It did not look like a disc or "flying saucer" but like a star or planet literally. It traveled around the sky many times (I must have watched for eight or ten minutes - My husband and some neighbor, the [redacted], heard my calls and arrived in time to see it a moment and watch it go down in the west.) It

(did not have a stream of light trailing as a shooting star has and did not travel at a shooting rate but it must have been traveling at a terrific rate to cover the miles around the sky as it did.

Let me insist that I saw no flying saucer but what appeared to be a moving star which is probably astronomically out of reason. If you reach a solution on this one Dr. K, please let me hear what you have concluded.

Yours sincerely,

M. [redacted]

FLYOBRPT 2 seq "10 July 52 - 'Raleigh' File - This message is part 2 of that wire.

ONE VERYBRIGHT OBJECT FLYING FAST ON HORIZON HEADING WEST

LOOKED LIKE STAR MAKING LARGE SWEEPING CIRCILES THROUGHOUT 360 DEGREES OF HORIZON. APPEARED AS RED GLOW BRIGHTER THAN STARS. SIGHTED 10 JULY 2105E FOR 15 TO 20 MINUTES VISUALLY FROM SURFACE AT FLORENCE S.C. BY [redacted] WEATHER CALM

AFJET 466 A LCL FLIGHT FROM SHAW AFB S.C. REPORTED TO FLORENCE RADIO AT 2120E HAD BEEN FLYING TIGHT CIRCILES IN VICINITY OF FLORENCE AT 23000 FT. PRIOR TO CONTACTING FLORENCE RADIO. DID NOT SIGHT ANY OBJECT WHILE IN VICINITY. REPORT TELEPHONED TO FLORENCE S.C. MORNING NEWSPAPER RELAYED TO FLORENCE RADIO WHICH IN TURN PASSED TO WASHINGTON AFRTC FOR RELAY TO OLMSTED FLIGHT SERVICE

[redacted]

Flight Service, MATS,
3800 Newark Street, N. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

IR-406-52 2 2

1. One very bright object flying fast on the horizon heading West. Looked like a star making large sweeping circles throughout 360° of horizon. Object appeared red in color glowing brighter than the stars.

2. Object was observed visually from the surface in Florence, South Carolina, by [redacted], South Carolina, t[redacted] No information is available as to observers qualifications in this field.

3. No physical evidence of sighting is known. No interception or identification action was attempted. Air traffic in the area was Air Force Jet 466, local flight out of Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina. This aircraft reported to Florence radio at 2120Z that he had been flying tight circles at 23,000 feet in the vicinity of Florence, South Carolina. Pilot did not sight any flying object while in the vicinity.

4. Weather in the area at the time of sighting was reported:

2030Z - Thin overcast at 25,000 feet, visibility 12 miles.

2130Z - Thin overcast at 25,000 feet, visibility 12 miles. Winds aloft at 10,000 feet reported 260°, 15 knots.

5. Sighting was reported to Olmsted Flight Service Center by Washington Air Route Traffic Control Center 2120Z 10 July 1952.

Comments of Preparing Officer:

1. The observer was not contacted by this organization.

2. It is not known whether sighting was reported to the Intelligence Officer at Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina.

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[redacted]

20/2052 EST

21/0132 Z

Unknown

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Four bright green objects traveling estimated 1200 mph reported by unknown source.

1. Dsener "obviously excited".

USA-MATS

IR-407-52

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FLYOBRPT. Unidentified Flying Objects Sighted by Unknown Observer Near Garner, North Carolina

Flight Service, MATS, 3800 Newark Street, N.W., Washington 25, D. C.

State of North Carolina, USA

11 July 1952

10 July 1952

F-6

Frank M. Allen, Lt Colonel, USAF

Unknown Observer

FLYOBRPT 110321Z July, Olmsted Flight Service Center

Report contains information reference sighting of unidentified objects near Garner, North Carolina, 10 July 1952.

Four objects were sighted by an unknown observer. First sighting at 2055Z 10 July 1952. Length of sighting unknown. Weather at time of sighting excellent for observation. Insufficient information as to the identity of the observer precludes accurate judgment of the reliability of this report.

FRANK M. ALLEN
Lt Colonel, USAF
Intelligence Officer

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Chief, Air Technical Intelligence Center, ATTN: ATIAA-2c

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Flight Service, MATS
3800 Newark Street, N. W.
Washington, 25, D. C.

IR-407-52 2 2

1. Four round very bright greenish colored objects, estimated speed 1200 miles per hour, were observed visually from the surface at 2055E 10 July 1952, duration of sighting unknown. No information concerning the directional movement of the objects is contained in the report.

2. The identity of the observer is unknown. He excitedly phoned the report to the CAA Ground/Air Station at Raleigh, North Carolina, and immediately broke the connection.

3. No physical evidence of sighting is known. No interception or identifying action was attempted. Several jet aircraft were in the vicinity and in contact with Raleigh radio at the time of the sighting. These aircraft did not report seeing any unidentified flying objects.

4. The sighting was reported to Olmsted Flight Service Center by Washington Air Route Traffic Control Center at 102100Z July.

Comments of the Preparing Officer:

1. It is not known whether sighting was reported to the Intelligence Officer at Pope Air Force Base, North Carolina.

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OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE

1952 JUL 11 03 30

ACTION INFOR. A.G.O. INFOR.

JUL 11 AM 7:14

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DE JEDLS 1C

ACTION

OP 110321Z

FM COMILFLTSVCOMMSYS OLMSTED AFB MIDDLETOWN PENN

TO JEPRS/HQ FLTSV WASHDC

JEPFF/COMDR MATS HQ USAF WASHDC

JEPHQ/DIROFINTLHQ USAF WASHDC

JEDWP/AIRTECHINTLCEN WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLO

JEPLG/CG TAC LANGLEY AFB VA

AF GRNC

ATTN INTLDIV

FLYOBRPQ 1

FOUR ROUND VERY BRIGHT GREENISH COLORED OBJECTS ESTIMATED SPEED 1200 MILES PER HOUR OBSERVED 10 JULY 2055E VISUALLY FROM FROM SURFACE AT GARNER, NORTH CAROLINA APPROXIMATELY 10 MILES SOUTH SOUTHEAST OF RALEIGH, N. C. 350 DEGREES 50 MINUTES NORTH 78 DEGREED 42 MINUTES WEST.

OBSERVER UNKNOWN BUT EXCITEDLY CALLED REPORT TO QRALEIGH RADIO AND IMMEDIATELY BROKE CONNECTION. WEATHER REPORTED RALEIGH AT 2130E EIGHTEEN THOUSAND THIN BROKEN 20 MILES VISBILITY SURFACE WIND CALM SEVERAL JET AIRCRAFT WERE IN CONTACT WITH RALEIGH RADIO AT APPROXIMATELY

SAME TIME. PASSED TO OLMSTED FLIGHT SERVICE BY WASHINGTON ARTC AT 2100E

MIDWEST RESEARCH INSTITUTE

4049 PENNSYLVANIA KANSAS CITY 2, MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR ENGINEERING

21 July 1952

ASTIA
(SP)

Commanding Officer
Flight Test Division
Wright Air Development Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

Attention: Lt. E. Ruppelt

Gentlemen:

Enclosed are reports of Messrs. [redacted] and [redacted] of our staff regarding the observations they made of an unknown object in the sky.

Mr [redacted] is employed on the staff of Midwest Research Institute as an Engineering Draftsman. Mr. [redacted] is employed as an Electronics Technician. Full details regarding the background of these men can be supplied if they are of interest.

Please let us know whether we can be of further help in this connection.

Very truly yours,

MIDWEST RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Martin Goland

Martin Goland
Associate Director for Engineering

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Enclosures

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INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

ENGINEERING DIVISION

July 16, 1952

TO Martin Goland

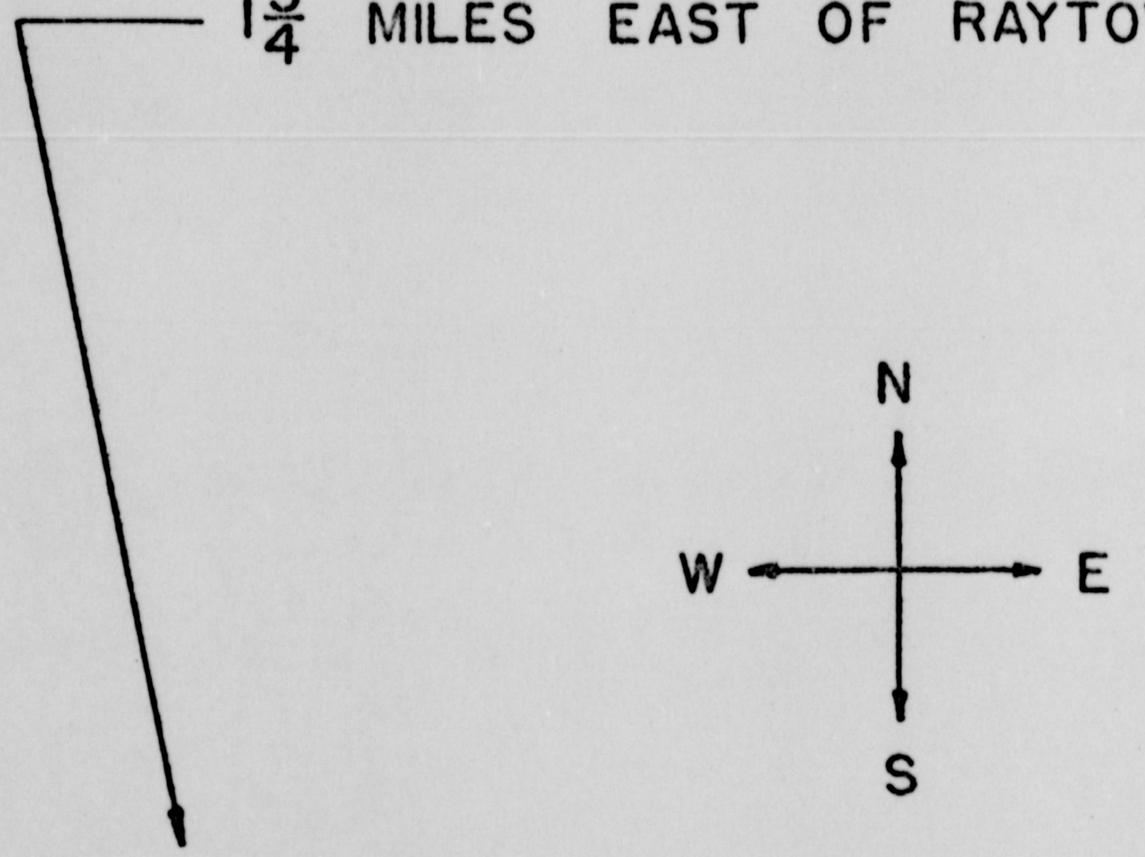
FROM [redacted]

On Thursday, July 10, 1952, about 7:00 P. M., I observed what appeared to me to be a star of as great or greater than the first order of magnitude in size and in brilliance. The light was a brilliant white. I heard no sounds. It was motionless and located almost directly overhead from where I was standing on my lawn at [redacted], Prairie Village, Kansas. The sky was still bright, yet this "star" could be easily spotted. I specifically tried to locate any other early evening star that could be seen but could find none. I watched it for about 5 minutes when I was called to the telephone and it didn't occur to me to check on it again that evening. Checks on subsequent evenings revealed no such "star".

I checked and no large manufacturer in the south part of Kansas City is using balloons for testing purposes.

[redacted]

$1\frac{3}{4}$ MILES EAST OF RAYTOWN MO.



AZMUTH 180°
ELEVATION 55°

AZMUTH 160°
ELEVATION 40°

LEGEND

◎ = POSITION 1. AND 2.

O = POSITION AFTER BREAK

14 JUL 52 12 05

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P 121700Z

FM HQ USAF WASHDC

TO CG AMC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

ACTION

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1952 JUL 12 15:1

FROM AFOIN 37660 PASS TO ATIC THE FOLLOWING CABLE FROM THE NAVAL AIR STATION OLATHE IS QUOTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION. "POSITION. SOUTH OF RAYTON MO. NATURE OF OBJECT. UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT. DETAILED INFORMATION. [redacted] MIDWEST REASEARCH INSTITUTE DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING AND MECHANICS LIVING AT 1 QXW MILES EAST OF RAYTOWN MO AT 0145Z 7/11/52 OBSERVED UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT DUE SOUTH. OBJECT APPEARED ROUND VERY BRILLIANT WITH RED GLOW OR FLASHING RED LIGHT ON BOTTOM AND THERE WAS NO CHANGE IN APPEARANCE WHEN OBSERVED THROUGH TELESCOPE WITH FILTERS YELLOW RED AND GREEN. OBJECT MOVED RAPIDLY 20 DEGREES ARC TOWARD EAST AND THEN REMAINED STATIONARY UNTIL 0230Z AT WHICH TIME IT SEPARATED INTO 4 OBJECTS OF BRILLIANCE EQUAL TO ORIGINAL OBJECT BUT LACKING THE RED COLOR. THESE 4 OBJECTS

REMAINED IN SIGHT FOR 3 MINUTES AND WERE THEN LOST IN THE TELESCOPE.
THEY MOVED IN DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS AND DID NOT APPEAR TO FALL.
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FM HQ USAF WASHDC

TO ATIC WP AFB OHIO

ATTN ATI AA2CPOSITION X SOUTH OF RAYTOWN MO X NATURE OF OBJECT X

UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT X DETAILED INFORMATION X [redacted]

MIDWEST RESEARCH INSTITUTE DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING AND MECHANICS

LIVING AT 1 QXW MILES EAST OF RAYTOWN MO AT 0145Z 7/11/52 OBSERVED

UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT DUE SOUTH X OBJECT APPEARED ROUND VERY BRILLIANT

WITH RED GLOW OR FLASHING RED LIGHT ON BOTTOM AND THERE WAS NO

CHANGE IN APPEARANCE WHEN OBSERVED THROUGH TELESCOPE WITH FILTERS

/YELLOW RED AND GREEN/ X OBJECT MOVED RAPIDLY 20 DEGREES ARC TOWARD

EAST AND THEN REMAINED STATIONARY UNTIL 0230Z AT WHICH TIME IT

SEPARATED INTO 4 OBJECTS OF BRILLIANCE EQUAL TO ORIGINAL OBJECT

BUT LACKING THE RED COLOR X THESE 4 OBJECTS REMAINED IN SIGHT FOR

3 MINUTES AND WERE THEN LOST IN THE TELESCOPE X THEY MOVED IN

DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS AND DID NOT APPEAR TO FALL X ONE MOVED QUICKLY

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FLYOBRPT IR-6-52

Phoenix, Arizona 127th Pilot Training Wg, Luke AFB, Arizona

11 July 1952 10 July 1952 B-6

Captain Stephen D. Rockstroh, Intell O. Local Airfields, Weather Stations, and S/Sgt. Stephen Kuchta

AFL 200-5, FLYOBRPT, our Message Form GB 360G

Report submitted in compliance with AFL 200-5, Department of the Air Force, dated 29 April 1952.

Observation of unidentified flying object by two (2) inhabitants of Phoenix area, Arizona.

No significance is attached to this report unless confirmed by other observers in area.

APPROVED:

None

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Stephen D. Rockstroh

STEPHEN D. ROCKSTROH
Captain USAF
Intelligence Officer
127th Pilot Training Wing

Original - D/I, DCS/O, Headquarters USAF, ATTN: AFOIN-C/CC
1 cc - Chief, ATIC, ATTN: ATIAA-2c, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
2 cc - CG, Air Training Command, Scott AFB, Belleville, Illinois
1 cc - CG, Crew Training Air Force, Randolph AFB, San Antonio, Texas

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Major Lamarc Peterson, AO 430070, Base Weather Officer, reported on 10 July 1952 that S/Sgt. Stephen Kuchta, AF 27055206, an observer in the Weather Detachment, had sighted an unidentified flying object.

A follow-up investigation by this office produced the following information:

1. Sighted object was white ball appearing one (1) to one and a half (1½) inches in diameter. A momentary burst of white trail was observed. Speed was very fast. No sound. Flight was straight and level. Observer stopped watching and lost object.

2. Observation was made at 0215 hours 10 July 1952 for a period of 4 to 5 seconds.

3. Observation was visual from ground.

4. Subject was driving west on Glendale Road. Observation was made one (1) mile east of Glendale. Elevation of object was 30 degrees. Object was very distant at an altitude of less than 20000 feet. It was observed to fly in a straight line from 280 degrees to 260 degrees compass. Course appeared to be due south. Observer placed object between himself and a long band of cirro-stratus cloud due west at 20000 feet. Band of cloud was on same path as object.

5. The observers were S/Sgt. Stephhen Kuchta, AF 27055206, weather observer for the Luke AFB weather unit. He was driving home his date, Miss S.E. Carver, waitress of La Perla Cafe, Glendale, Arizona. Both observed object.

6. Weather conditions on 10 July 1952 were as follows at Luke AFB:

HOUR	CEILING	VISIBILITY	WIND
0125	clear	15 + miles	calm
0225	clear	"	calm
0325	clear	"	calm

High band of cirro-stratus clouds observed northwest at 20000 feet throughout period above.

7. U.S. Weather Station at Phoenix Municipal Airport (Sky Harbor) reports releasing a weather ballon carrying open electric bulb for observation purposes at 0200 hours 10 July 1952

Observation of the ballon from Municipal Airport is as follows:

HOUR	COMPASS	ELEVATION
0210	292°	55°
0215	279°	63°
0220	261°	63.5°

U.S. Weather Bureau reports winds of 2 to 10 knots to 20000 feet. Subject does not recall any street or other ground lights in area.

8. & 9. None

10. Scheduled aircraft coming in from west at 0130 hours, heading northeast

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127th Pilot Training Wing
Luke AFB, Phoenix, Arizona

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STEPHEN D. ROCKSTROH
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127th Pilot Training Wing

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INFO JEDST/CG ATRC SCOTT AFB ILL

JWFDL/CG CTAF RANDOLPH AFB TEX

[redacted] GB36G. ATTN ATIAA-2C. FLYOBRPT

(1) ONE INCH BALL OF WHITE LIGHT SIGHTED. MOMENTARY BURST OF TRAIL ABOUT FOUR INCHES LONG. VERY RAPID FLIGHT.

(2) SIGHTED 0215 HOURS 10 JULY 1952 FOR 4 TO 5 SECONDS.

(3) VISUAL OBSERVATION FROM GROUND.

(4) FROM GLENDALE ROAD, ONE MILE EAST OF GLENDALE. ELEVATION 30 DEGREES. ALTITUDE UNDER 20000 FEET. STRAIGHT FLIGHT FROM 230 DEGREES TO 260 DEGREES ON COMPASS. BETWEEN CLOUDS AND OBSERVER.

(5) S/SGT STEPHEN KUCHTA, AF 27455246, WEATHER OBSERVER FOR DETACHMENT

16-7, LUKE WEATHER UNIT.

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(6) WEATHER AT 0225: CEILING CLEAR, VISIBILITY 15 PLUS MILES, WIND CALM. THICK BAND HIGH CIRRO STRATUS NORTHWEST AT 20/30 FEET.

(7) NONE (8) NONE (9) NONE

(10) [illegible] PHOENIX MUNICIPAL AIRPORT 2[illegible]. NO AIRCRAFT REPORTED.

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Object resembling A/C landing light approached commercial airliner. Object was never closer than 15 miles.

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NATIONAL AIRLINES

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Airline of the Stars

Thomas Imeson Airport
Jacksonville, Florida

July 18, 1952

Colonel Donald L. Bower, USAF
Chief Technical Analysis Division
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

Re: Project Blue Book

Dear Sir:

In reply to your telegram of July 16, 1952, the following is a joint report by Captain [redacted]y and First Office[redacted] who were operating National Airlines flight 42 of July 10, 1952.

The above crew boarded the airplane at Jacksonville, Florida, making stops at Savannah, Georgia - Charleston, South Carolina - Wilmington, North Carolina - Richmond, Virginia - Washington, D.C. - Baltimore, Maryland and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

"On the night of July 10, 1952 at 2018, National Airlines flight 42, we were approximately ten miles south of Potomac River south of Clifton intersection. A strange light caught our attention. At first we thought it was a landing light on an approaching aircraft, but discounted this as it did not get any closer. Then we though it was a military flare but discounted this also because it appeared to rise when flares fall. It was an amber light and appeared to glow somewhat with no tail. The light was of very, very bright intensity. It was not a meteor since meteors generally descend rapidly. This light was in our view approximately ten minutes making no particular pattern of movement. Then suddenly it climbed rapidly in a turning attitude and disappeared into the northwest. Our altitude through this event was 1,500 feet above sea level. In our opinion it could not have been a light reflection due to cloud formations which would have been contrary to such. There was only one light. No photographs were made."

[redacted]
Capt. [redacted]

NO SIMILARITY BETWEEN AIRCRAFT LIGHTS AND OBJECT

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TO JEDWP/CG ATIC WRIGHT PAT AFB OHIO

INFO JEDEN/CG AIRDEFCOM ENT AFB COLO

FROM AFOIN 40257 CG ATIC PASS TO ATIAA-2C LIGHT CMA APPEARED LIKE 500 WATT LIGHT BULB IN SIZE AND BRILLIANCE MOVED WITH APPARENT SLOW SPEED FROM NORTH TO SOUTH IN ARC THROUGH ANGLE OF OBSERVERS VISION. COLOR YELLOWISH CMA NO SOUND CMA NO VISIBLE TRAIL CMA SHAPE CIRCULAR SURROUNDED BY GLOW OR HAZE. NO ALTITUDE ESTIMATE MADE. APPROXIMATELY 0010 EDT 10 JULY 52. OBSERVED FROM SURFACE BY NAKED EYE. ABOUT ONE-HALF MILE EAST OF CAPITOL CMA WASHINGTON CMA D. C. OBJECT APPEARED OVER WASHINGTON AREA TO WEST OF REPORTER. MR. [redacted] CMA CIVILIAN CMA '[redacted] CAPITOL [redacted]T CMA WASHINGTON CMA D. C. ADDIS IS CIVIL DEFENSE RADIO DISPATCHER AT KEYPOINT AIR DEFENSE WARNING CENTER CMA WASHINGTON CMA D. C. AT TIME OF SIGHTING ADDIS WAS ENROUTE HOME FROM PERIOD OF DUTY. WEATHER CLEAR AND WARM. WINDS UNKNOWN. FIVE MINUTES AFTER OBJECT DISAPPEARED REPORTER OBSERVED AIRCRAFT OVERHEAD.

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APPROVED 1 JUNE 1948

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COUNTRY	REPORT NO.	(LEAVE BLANK)
USA—MATS	IR-405-52	

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: FLYOBRPT. Unidentified Flying Object Sighted by Crew of National Airlines Flight 42 near Quantico, Virginia.

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
State of Virginia, USA	Flight Service, MATS, 3800 Newark Street, N.W., Washington 25, D.C.

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
11 July 1952	10 July 1952	B-2

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
Gerald E. Tyler, Major, USAF	Civilian Airline Aircrew Members

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

FLYOBRPT #3 110312Z July 1952 submitted by Olmsted Flight Service Center

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)

Report contains information reference sighting of unidentified flying object near Quantico, Virginia 10 July 1952.

Single object was sighted by aircrew members of National Airlines Flight 42 while in flight approaching Clifton Intersection from the Southwest at 1500 feet altitude. No interception was attempted. Weather at the time of sighting was excellent for observation. Object was apparently at the same altitude as sighting aircraft.

Gerald E. Tyler

GERALD E. TYLER
Major, USAF
Acting Intelligence Officer

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Chief, Air Technical Intelligence Center, ATTN: ATIAA-2c

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

FROM (Agency)	REPORT NO.	PAGE 2 OF 2 PAGES
Flight Service MATS 3800 Newark Street, N. W. Washington 25, D. C.	IR-405-52	

1. One object or light resembling an aircraft landing light was observed from an aircraft in flight 15 miles South of Quantico, Virginia, at 2018E, 10 July 1952. Object increased perceptibly in brilliance as it approached aircraft from the North. Object performed a climbing turn away from aircraft whereupon brilliant white light became similar to light emitted by a red flare. Object reportedly too fast to be an aircraft of known type. Size of the object or light not given. At no time did the object approach closer than 15 miles. Thus, object was nearly over Quantico, Virginia, at approximately 1500 feet altitude.

2. The following civilian aircrew members, in flight aboard National Airlines Flight 42, a Lockheed C-60, observed cited object:

a. Captain [redacted], Pilot, National Airlines Operations, Jacksonville, Florida

b. Leon [redacted], Co-Pilot, National Airlines Operations, Jacksonville, Florida

3. No physical evidence of sighting is known. No interception or identification action was attempted. No air traffic was reported in the general area at the time of sighting.

4. Sighting was reported to the Olmsted Flight Service Center by Washington Air Route Traffic Control Center.

Comments of the Preparing Officer:

1. The observers, due to their flight training and experience, should be well qualified aerial observers.

2. A conjecturable opinion, raised by the general description of the object, is that many pilots, due to the extreme aerial traffic congestion in the Washington area, make a practice of turning on their landing lights prior to entering local traffic patterns. Thus, the description fits any single jet aircraft which might have been flying first toward, then away from, the airliner. A check of Andrews and Bolling Air Force Bases reveals no jet traffic during sighting period. The 121st Fighter Interceptor Squadron, Andrews AFB, could not be contacted for information.

3. It is not known whether sighting was reported to, or investigated by, the intelligence officer of Bolling or Andrews Air Force Bases.

COMMENTS of Intelligence Division, Hq MATS:

1. The sighting was neither reported to nor investigated by the intelligence officers at Andrews and Bolling Air Force Bases.

2. Planes and pilots of the 121st Fighter Interceptor Squadron were located in Delaware at the time of the sighting and subsequently, and have not yet returned to Andrews Air Force Base.

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Harold B. Hinton

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ROUTING

JOINT MESSAGEFORM

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER NO.

SPACE ABOVE FOR COMMUNICATIONS CENTER ONLY

FROM: (*Originator*)

O'MARA, COMMANDING, AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER, WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO

TO:

NATIONAL AIRLINES
JACKSONVILLE, FLA

INFO:

DATE-TIME GROUP

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION: UNCLASSIFIED

PRECEDENCE FOR: ROUTINE 15 July 52

INFORMATION

☐ BOOK MESSAGE

☐ ORIGINAL MESSAGE

☐ MULTIPLE ADDRESS

CRYPTOPRECAUTION ☐ YES ☐ NO

REFERS TO MESSAGE: X

IDENTIFICATION

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FROM: AFOIN-ATIAA-7-63 FOR DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

Reference cirvis report of your pilots Capt [redacted] and Leon [redacted] of Flight 43 on 10 July 1952 near Quantico, Va. Request that if possible these pilots submit written reports including location of their aircraft and object to chief, Air Technical Intelligence Center.

In reply cite Project Blue Book.

DONALD L. BOWER, Colonel, USAF
Chief, Technical Analysis Division
Air Technical Intelligence Center

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DRAFTER'S NAME (*and signature, when required*)

SYMBOL: AFOIN-ATIAA-K. BOWER/lch

TELEPHONE

RELEASING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE

OFFICIAL TITLE: ROBERT E. KENNELY, Major, USAF
Air Adjutant General

DD FORM 1 OCT 49 173 REPLACES NME FORM 173, 1 MAY 48. WHICH MAY BE USED.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

APPROXIMATELY 7 MINUTES. NATIONAL AIRLINES FLT 42 WAS FLYING 15ØØ FT AND TO THE NORTH OF OBJECT AT TIME OF SIGHTING.

E. WEATHER CONDITION 25ØØØ FT THIN SCATTERED VISIBILITY 15 MILES PLUS WINDS CALM.

F. TIME OF SIGHTING 11Ø13ØZ.

G. PILOT CAPT [redacted] COPILOT [redacted] ACFT NATIONAL AIRLINES FLT 42 JACKSONVILLE FLA

12/Ø132Z JUL JEPHQ

1952 JUL 12 02 15

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A. CIRVIS.

B. POSITION OBJECT 15 MILES SOUTH QUANTICO VA 77 DEGREES 20 MINUTES WEST 38 DEGREES 20 MINUTES NORTH.

C. UNKNOWN OBJECT SIGHTED THAT APPEARED LIKE AN ACFT LANDING LIGHT BUT APPROACHED TOO RAPIDLY AND BRIGHTENED PERCEPTIBLY TO BE A LIGHT FROM AN ACFT. OBJECT THEN CLIMBED VERY FAST BEFORE TURNING NORTH WEST AND APPEARED LIKE A RED FLARE BEFORE DISAPPEARING.

D. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OBJECT WAS SIGHTED BY PILOT AND COPILOT OF NATIONAL AIRLINES FLT NBR 42 FOR

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TO ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

[redacted] FROM AFOIN 53555. ATTN ATIAA-2C. THE FOLLOWING FLIGHT SERVICE MESSAGE FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE FLYING OBJECT CMA QUOTE CLN FROM CLN FLT SVC OLMSTEAD AFB PA TO SEC OF DEF CMA WASH D C. CIRVIS CLN 1. OBJECT NORTH APPEARED LIKE HEADLIGHT OF ACFT BUT APPROACHED TO RAPIDLY TO BE ACFT THE LIGHT BRIGHTENED PERCEPTIBLY ON APPROACH CMA THEN CLIMBED VERY FAST BEFORE TURNING NORTH WEST AND APPEARED LIKE A RED FLARE BEFORE DISAPPEARING PD

2. 10 JULY 2015 EASTERN PD

3. 2015 EASTERN UNTIL 2025 EASTERN PD

4. VISUALLY FROM AIR CMA NATIONAL AIRLINES FLIGHT 42 LOCKHEED C-60

1500 FEET AIR SPEED APPROXIMATELY 170 MILES PER HOUR PD

5. A. 15 MILES SOUTH OF QUANTICO CMA VA. APPROACHING CLIFT ON INTER SECTION PD PAGE TWO JEPFF 12

B. OBJECT NORTH NEVER CLOSER THAN 15 MILES APPEARED SAME ALT AS ACFT PD 6-7. OBSERVERS CAPT [redacted] AND [redacted] CMA PILOT AND CO PILOT RESPECTIVELY NATIONAL AIRLINES FLIGHT 43 NATIONAL AIRLINES OPERATIONS JACKSONVILLE FLORIDA PD

8. WEATHER REPORTED AT QUANTICO VA 2030 EASTERN CMA 25000 THIN SCTD . VS BY 15 MILES PLUS REPORTED TO OLMSTEAD FLT SVC PD BY WASH ARTC PD

UNQUOTE

11/2311Z JUL JEPHQ

FLYOBRPT 3

1. ONE OBJECT TO NORTH APPEARED LIKE HEADLIGHT OF AIRCRAFT BUT APPROACHED TO RAPIDLY TO BE AIRCRAFT LIGHT BRIGHTENED PERCEPTIBLY ON APPROACH THEN CLIMBED VERY FAST BEFORE TURNING NORTHWEST AND APPEARED LIKE A RED FLARE BEFORE DISAPPEARING.

2. VISUALLY FROM AIR NATIONAL AIRLINES FLIGHT 42 LOCKHEED C-6Ø AT

15ØØ FEET. AIRSPEED APPROXIMATELY 17Ø MILES PER HOUR.

23. FROM 2Ø18E UNTIL 2Ø25E

4. 1Ø JULY 2Ø18E

5. 15 MILES SOUTH QUANTICO VA APPROACHING CLIFFTON INTERSECTION

2. OBJECT NORTH NEVER CLOSER THAN 15 MILES APPEARED SAME ALTITUDE AS AIRCRAFT.

6. 7.

OBSERVERS WERE CAPT [redacted] AND [redacted] PILOT AND CO-PILOT RESPECTIVELY NATIONAL AIRLINES FLIGHT 42. NATIONAL AIRLINES OPERATIONS JACKSONVILLE FLA.

8. WEATHER REPORTED AT QUANTICO VA. AT 2Ø3ØE 25ØØ THIN SCTD VSBY 15 MILES. PLUS. REPORTED TO OLMSTED FLIGHT SERVICE BY WASHINGTON ARTC.

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FLYOBRPT. Unidentified Flying Object Sighted by Civilian Observers Near Van Nuys, California

State of California, USA

Flight Service, MATS, 3800 Newark Street, N.W., Washington 25, D. C.

14 July 1952 | 11 July 1952 | C-2

Gerald E. Tyler, Major, USAF

CAA Airport Traffic Control Tower Operator and civilian engineer of Van Nuys, Calif.

FLYOBRPT (111500Z) from March Flight Service Center via electrical means and SPOTREP #1, March FSC, dated 11 July 1952.

Report contains information reference sighting of unidentified object near Van Nuys, California, 11 July 1952.

Single object was sighted by two civilian observers. First sighting at 0416 Zulu, 11 July 1952, length of sighting two to three seconds. Weather at time of sighting excellent for observation. Variation of opinion exists between observers as to whether or not the object was a meteor. Stationary position of object prior to its reported movement slants report toward indication of non-meteoric origin of object. However, stated speed of ten degrees per second lends credence to meteoric possibility. Report is considered fairly reliable. Both observers, from job descriptions, should be experienced aerial observers.

GERALD E. TYLER
Major, USAF
Acting Intelligence Officer

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Chief, Air Technical Intelligence Center, ATTN: ATIAA-2c

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Flight Service, MATS
3800 Newark Street, N. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

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1. A round object, approximately one degree in diameter, with dark spots near the center and an appearance of fuzz on the outer area; no visible system of propulsion and emitting no sound, was observed at 0h16 Zebra 11 July 1952. Object was observed from 12952 Houston Street, Van Nuys, California (Coordinates 34 degrees, ten minutes North, 118 degrees, twenty minutes West), and from San Fernando Valley Airport Control Tower. The object was stationary when first sighted, then began moving at a speed of ten degrees per second. The object first appeared about ten degrees south of the constellation Ursa Major.

2. The following civilian observers reported the incident:

a. [redacted], Van Nuys, California. Mr. [redacted] is an engineer with the Hughes Aircraft Corporation and an amateur astronomer.

b. [redacted] San Fernando Valley Airport, Van Nuys, California. Mr. [redacted] is a CAA Airport Traffic Control Tower Operator and was on duty at the time of sighting.

3. No physical evidence of sighting is known. No interception or identification action was attempted. No air traffic was reported. No meteorological or other conditions or activities which might account for the sightings are known.

Comments of Preparing Officer:

1. The observers, due to their stated duties and/or hobbies, should be qualified aerial observers. Observers were not contacted.

2. It is not known whether sighting was reported to the intelligence officer at March AFB.

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JEPEN/CGENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLO

JEPHQ/COMDR MATS WASH DC

JEPRS/COMDR FLT SV WASH DC

[redacted] FOR ATIAA-2C, FOR INTELLIGENCE DIV: DMZ 8156 PD FLYOBRPT PD AN OBJECT APPEARED NEAR CONSTELLATION OF URSA MAJOR AT TEN DEGREES SOUTH OF URSA MAJOR PD OBJECT WAS STATIONARY AND STARTED MOVING AT TEN DEGREES PER SECOND FOR THREE SECONDS PD OBJECT APPEARED ONE DEGREE IN DIAMETER PD THERE WERE DARK SPOTS IN CENTER AREA WITH VFUZZ ON OUTER AREA PD OBJECT TRAVELED HORIZONTALLY PD LIGHT FROM OBJECT WAS VERY STEADY PD OBJECT SIGHTED AT Ø416 ZEBRA 11 JUL 52 PD OBJECT OBSERVED VISUALLY PD OBSERVER [redacted] WAS AT HIS HOME [redacted] VAN NUYS CALIF PD COORDINATES 34 DEGREES TEN MINUTES NORTH 118 DEGREES TWENTY MINUTES WEST PD OBSERVER IS AN ENGINEER

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FOR HUGHES AIRCRAFT CORPORATION AND IS ALSO AN AMATEUR ASTRONOMER PD OBJECT WAS ALSO SIGHTED FROM SAN FERNANDO VALLEY TOWER BY JAMES G SHAERK CMA TOWER OPERATOR CMA SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AIRPORT VAN NUYS CALIF PD Ø33ØZ ZEBRA WEATHER AT VAN NUYS WAS CLEAR VISIBILITY FIFTY MILES TEMPERATURE 71 DEGREES DEW POINT 43 WINDS SOUTHEAST SEVEN MPH ALTIMETER 2989 WINDS ALOFT AT TEN THOUSAND FEET EIGHTEEN MPH FROM 22Ø DEGREES CMA TWENTY THOUSAND FEET SEVENTEEN MPH FROM 25Ø; DEGREES CMA THIRTY THOUSAND FEET 24 MPH FROM 23Ø DEGREES CMA FORTY THOUSAND FEET 49 MPH FROM 24Ø DEGREES CMA FIFTY THOUSAND FEET TWENTY MPH FROM 22Ø DEGREES CMA SIXTY THOULSAND FEET THIRTEEN MPH FROM FIFTY DEGREES PD END GRIFFING CO MARCH FLT SV CEN MARCH AFB CALIF
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Air Adjutant General

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OBSERVERS QUESTIONNAIRE

SECTION A

Astro (METEOR

1. When did you see the object:

1.1 Date: 10 (Day) JULY (Month) 1952 (Year)

1.2 Time of day: 9 (Hrs.) 16 (Min.) A.M. or (P.M.) (Circle One)

1.3 Time Zone: (Circle One):

a. Eastern
b. Central
c. Mountain
d. (Pacific)
e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. (Daylight Saving)
b. Standard

1.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above question 1.2:

a. (Certain)
b. Fairly certain
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

2. Where did you see the object?

[redacted] (Postal Address) VAN NUYS (City or Town) CALIF. (State) U.S.A. (Country)

3. Where were you located when you saw the object:

(Circle One): a. Inside a building
b. In a car
c. (Outdoors)
d. In an airplane
e. At sea
f. Other _____

3.1 Were you:

(Circle One): a. In the business section of a city?
b. (In the residential section of a city?) (DARK AND QUIET NEIGHBORHOOD)
c. In open countryside?
d. Flying near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other _____

4. How did you happen to notice the object? OBJECT APPEARED AT FIRST AS BRIGHT STAR 10° BELOW URSA MAJOR (BIG DIPPER). NOTICED WHILE SCANNING NORTH HORIZON.

5. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

10 (Day) JULY (Month) 1952 (Year) (ABOUT 9:30 PM PDST - CALLED CAA TOWER IN VAN NUYS, CALIF.)

SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? SCANNING SKY FOR CELESTIAL OBJECTS (See 4 above)

6.1 What had you been doing for the 30 minutes before you saw the object? Try to list the activity or activities, and the approximate amount of time spent on each.

HAD BEEN WATCHING TELEVISION IN HOUSE FOR AT LEAST ONE HOUR PRIOR TO SIGHTING.

7. Were you moving at any time while you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or (No.)

IF you answered YES, then complete the following questions.

7.1 What direction were you moving?

(Circle One):

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

7.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

7.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One): Yes or No

8. What direction were you facing when you first saw the object?

(Circle One):
a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

(SAW OBJECT IN N.W. DIRECTION)

8.1 What direction were you facing when the object disappeared?

(Circle One):
a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

8.2 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above two questions. (8 and 8.1).

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

9. Were you wearing eye glasses when you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or No

10. How was the object seen?

(Circle One):
a. Through window glass
b. Through windshield
c. Through binoculars
d. Through telescope
e. Through theodolite
f. Through sun glasses
g. Through open space
h. Other _____

11. What do you remember about the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

11.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

a. Clear sky
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds
e. Don't remember

11.2 WIND (Circle One)

a. No wind
b. Slight breeze
c. Strong wind
d. Don't remember

SLIGHT WIND IF ANY

11.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

a. Dry
b. Fog, Mist, or light rain
c. Moderate or heavy rain
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

11.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

a. Cold
b. Cool
c. Warm
d. Hot
e. Don't remember

SECTION C

12. Estimate how long you saw the object? _____ Hours _____ Minutes 3 Seconds

12.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 12:

a. Certain (†20%) c. Not very sure
b. Fairly sure d. Just a guess

13. Did the object look: (Circle One) Solid or Transparent?

14. Did the object at any time:

(Circle One for each question)

14.1	Change direction?	Yes	No	Don't know
14.2	Change speed?	Yes	No	Don't know
14.3	Change size?	Yes	No	Don't know
14.4	Change color?	Yes	No	Don't know
14.5	Break up into parts or explode?	Yes	No	Don't know
14.6	Give off smoke?	Yes	No	Don't know
14.7	Change brightness?	Yes	No	Don't know (FAINT AT START)
14.8	Flicker, throb, or pulsate?	Yes	No	Don't know
14.9	Remain motionless?	Yes	No	Don't know

15. Did the object give off a light? (Circle One): Yes No Don't know

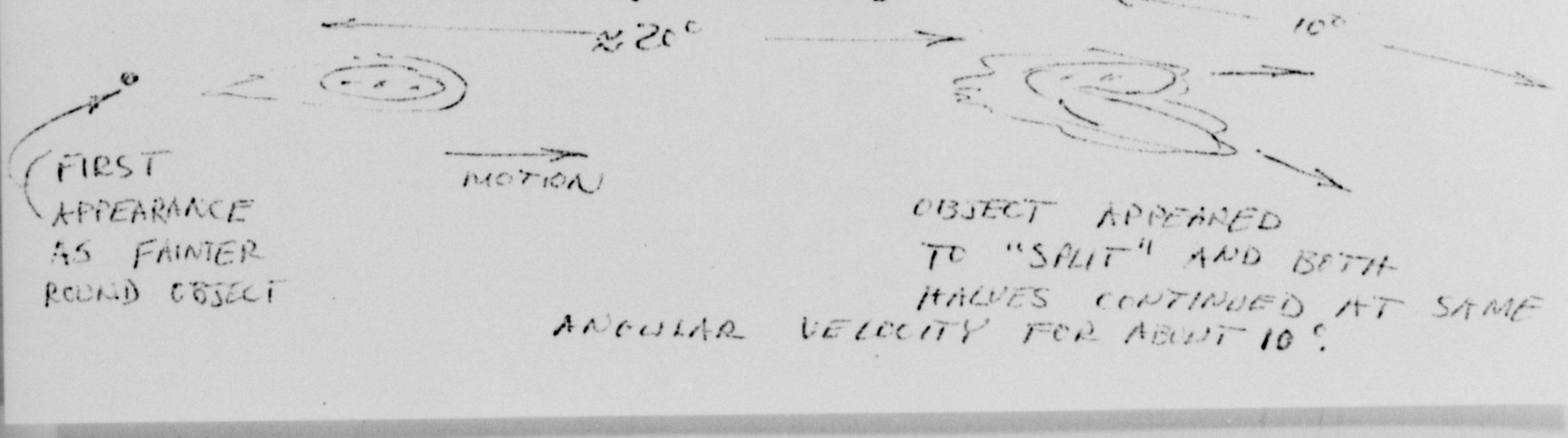
15.1 IF you answered YES, what was the color of the light? YELLOW-(LUMINESCENT) [ABOUT AS BRIGHT AS FULL MOON.]

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object?

16.1 Sound NONE. ABSOLUTE SILENCE FROM FIRST SIGHTING UNTIL AT LEAST 2 MIN. AFTER DISAPPEARANCE

16.2 Color SIMILAR TO FULL MOON IN COLOR. (AND BRILLIANCE)

17. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? (2)
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction they were traveling.



18. Did the object at any time:

18.1 Move behind something? (Circle One) Yes (No) Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind.

18.2 Move in front of something? (Circle One) Yes (No) Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved in front of.

18.3 Blend with the background? (Circle One) Yes (No) Don't know

19. Which of the following objects is about the same actual size as the object you saw? (Circle One):

a. Pea
b. Baseball
c. Basketball
d. Bicycle wheel
e. Office desk
f. Automobile
g. Small airplane
h. Large airplane
i. Dirigible
j. Other ABOUT ½" (FULL MOON) (CENTRAL PORTION ABOUT ¼°)

19.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 19.

a. Certain
(b. Fairly certain (±20%))
c. Not very sure
d. Uncertain

20. Try to tell the following things about the object:

20.1 How high above the earth was it? ? feet.

20.2 How far was it from you? ? feet or ? miles

20.3 How fast was it going? 10 DEGREES/SEC ~~miles per hour~~. (30 degrees for 3 sec) (±20%)

20.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above questions:

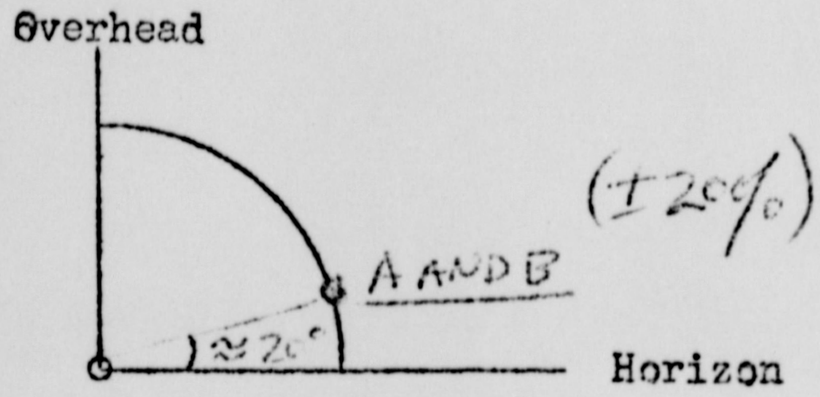
a. Certain
(b. Fairly certain (±20%))
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

21. How did the object disappear from view?

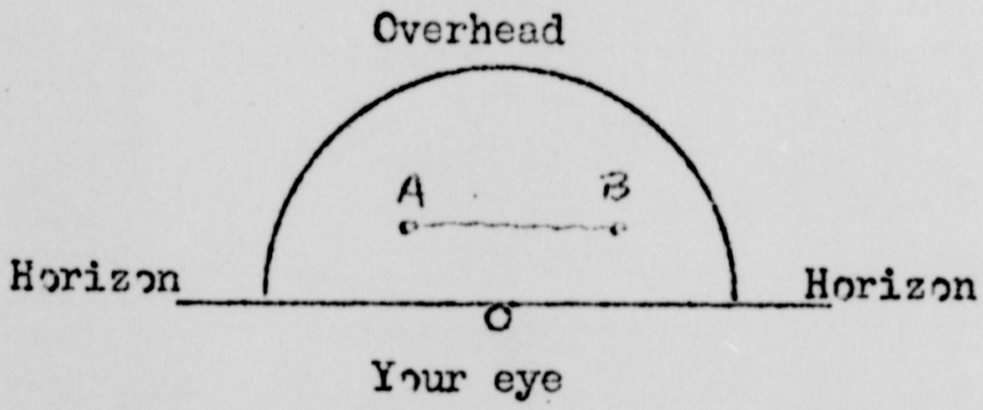
(Circle One): (a. Suddenly VERY!)
b. Gradually
c. Other _____
d. Don't remember

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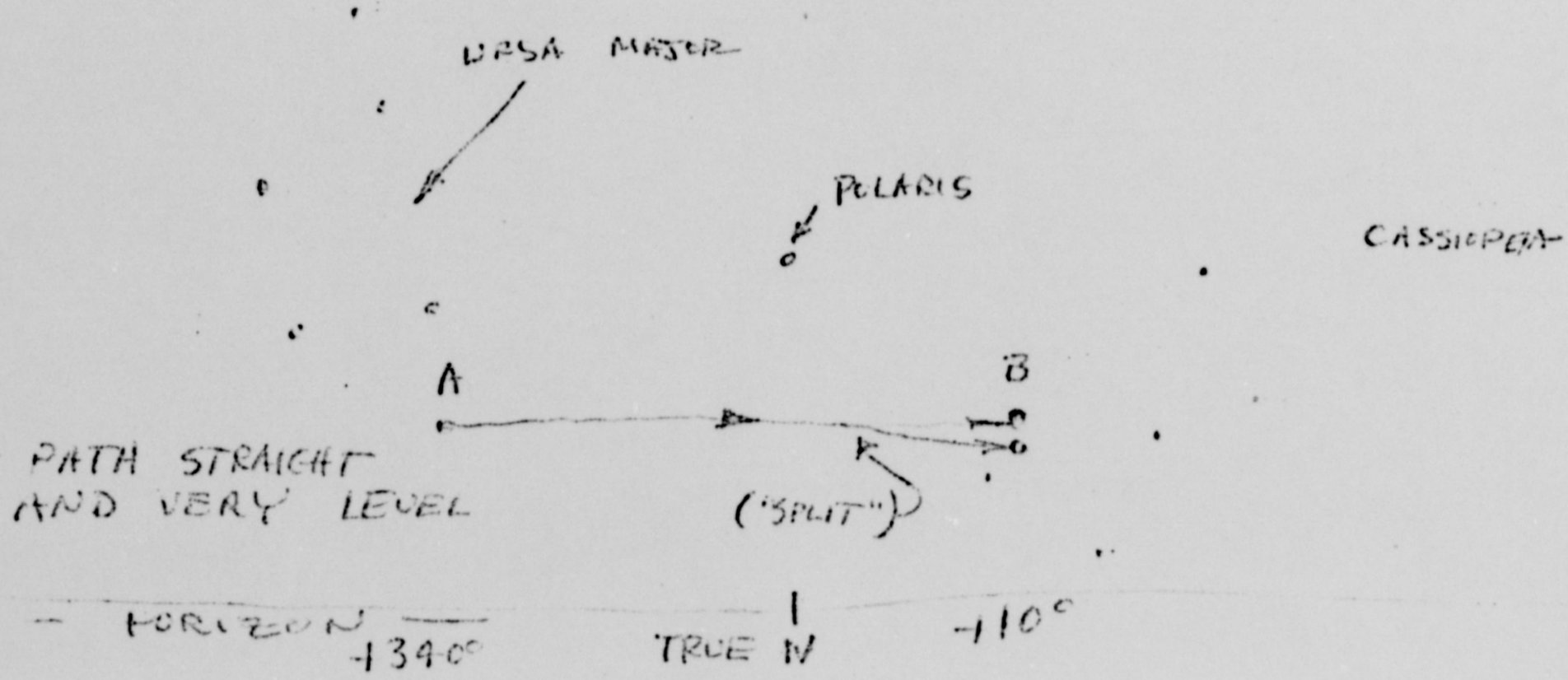
22. In the following sketch, imagine your eye at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon when you first saw it. Place a "B" to show where it was when when you last saw it.



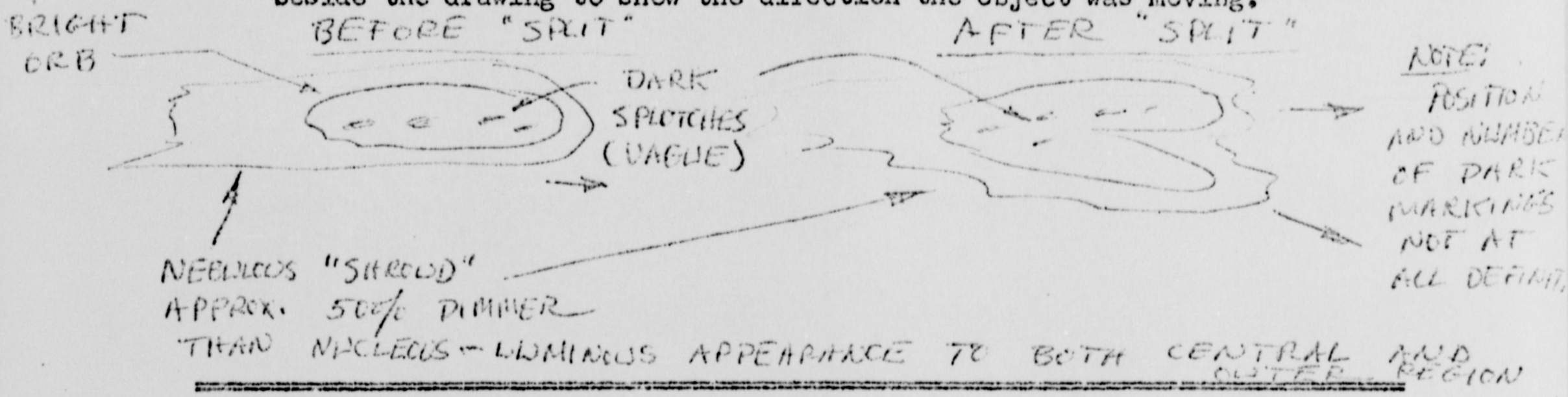
23. In the following sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you first saw it, and a "B" at its position when you last saw it.



24. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object made. Place an "A" at the beginning of its path and a "B" at the end of its path.



25. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw, and place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



SECTION E

26. Was this the first time that you have seen an object like this?
(Circle One): (Yes) No

26.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what conditions did you see other ones? _____

27. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

POSSIBLY A BOLIDE OR FIRE BALL. I HAVE SEEN A FEW LARGE, SLOW METEORS, BUT NEVER ONE SO LARGE OR HAVING SUCH UNIFORM, SILENT MOTION AND UNIFORM BRILLIANCE. "SPLOTCHES" ON BODY ARE INTERESTING. "SPLIT" MAY BE A CLUE TO METEORIC ORIGIN.

28. Give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] W
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [redacted] VAN NUYS CALIFORNIA
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted]

What is your present job? RESEARCH ENGINEER (ELECTRONICS) AT HUGHES AIRCRAFT CO., CULVER CITY, CALIF.

Age 27

Sex MALE

Last School Attended U. OF CALIFORNIA (BERKELEY)

Year of last attendance at this school 1950

29. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One): (Yes) or No (WIFE WAS IN LIVING ROOM OF HOUSE)

29.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One): (Yes) or No (SAW THROUGH FRONT DOOR)

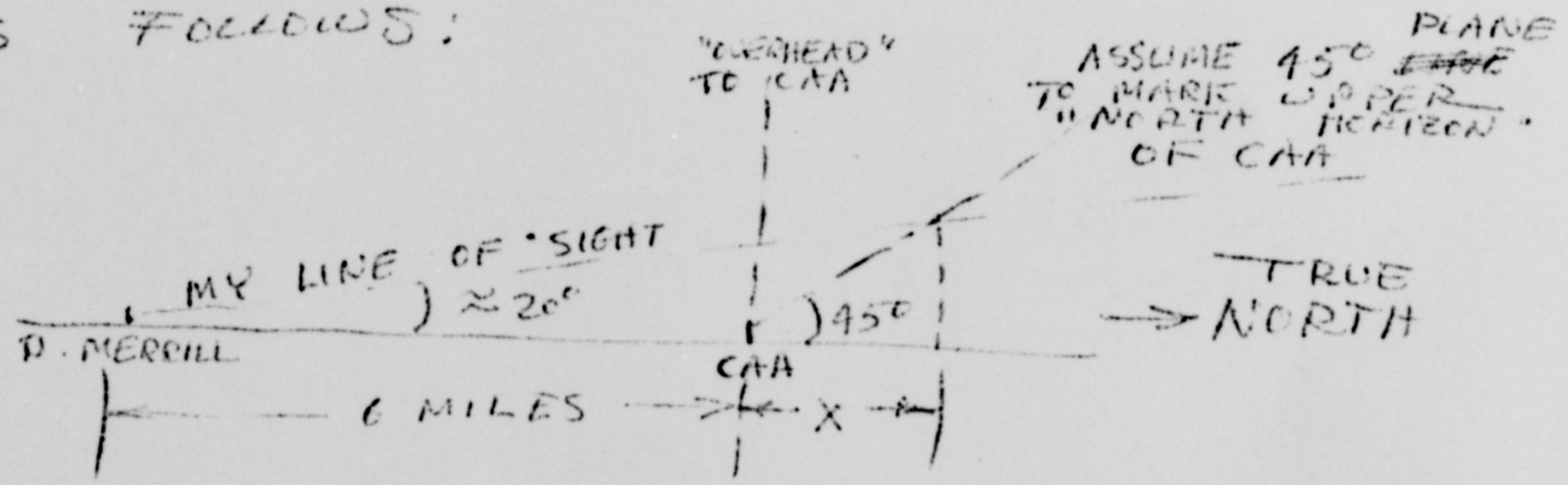
29.2 Please list their names and addresses:

1) [redacted] (SAME ADDRESS)

2) ~~CC~~ CAA TOWER OP. (VAN NUYS, CALIF. — METROPOLITAN AIRPORT) CLAIMS HE SAW BRIGHT OBJECT IN "NORTH HORIZON" ABOUT 9:15 P.M. PDST. (MOVING N.E.)

30. Please add here any further comments which you believe are important. Use additional sheets of the same size paper if necessary.

IT IS INTERESTING TO ASSUME THAT THE CAA OPERATOR SAW THE SAME OBJECT AS THE ONE I HAVE JUST DESCRIBED. SINCE HE IS SITUATED ABOUT (6) MILES N.W. OF MY HOME IT IS POSSIBLE TO ASSIGN AN ARBITRARY MINIMUM RANGE TO THE OBJECT AS FOLLOWS:



COMPUTATION GIVES $X \cong 2.5$ MILES

THEREFORE RANGE WOULD BE $\approx (6+X) \cong 8.5$ MILES

THEN SINCE THE RANGE (R) WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE LESS THAN THE 8.5 MILES, MINIMUM DIAMETER AND LINEAR VELOCITY OF THE OBJECT CAN BE APPROXIMATED AS FOLLOWS:

ANGULAR VELOCITY = $10 \frac{deg}{Sec} \cong \frac{1}{6} \frac{radian}{Sec}$

ANGULAR DIAMETER OF CENTRAL ORB = 0.25 DEGREE

IF R = 8.5 MILES

LINEAR VELOCITY =	5100 MILES/HR
DIAMETER =	198 feet

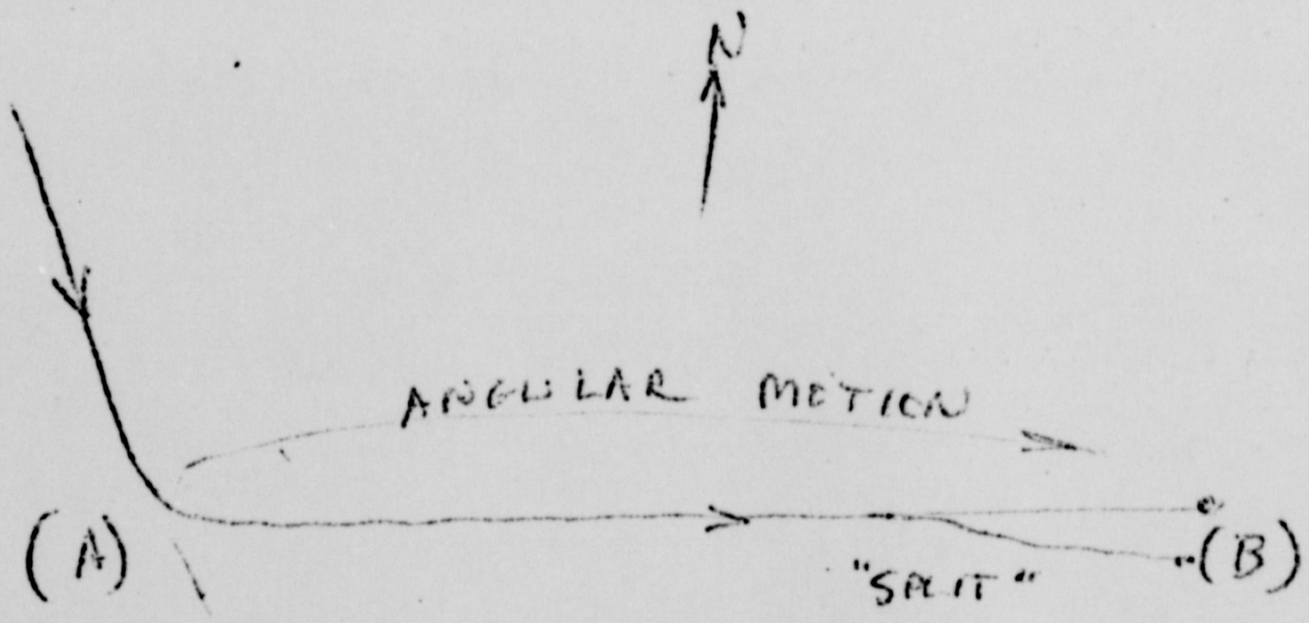
IF R = 75 MILES
(TYPICAL METEOR)

LINEAR VELOCITY =	45,000 MILES/HR
DIAMETER =	1750 feet

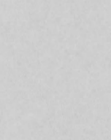
NOTE THAT THE VELOCITIES COULD BE METEORIC, BUT SUCH A COLOSSAL METEOR SHOULD NOT STOP OXIDIZING, IT SHOULD FALL TO EARTH, UNLESS THIS OBJECT ENTERED AND THEN PASSED OUT OF THE ATMOSPHERE AND ONLY APPEARED TO "DISAPPEAR" AS NOTED EARLIER.

(OVER) →

ANOTHER PECULIAR FEATURE OF THE MOTION WAS THE INITIAL APPEARANCE OF "HOVERING" BELOW URSA MAJOR. THE OBJECT WAS CERTAINLY NOT (1/10) AS BRIGHT AT THIS TIME. THIS ALL COULD BE EXPLAINED AS A "PROJECTION" AS FOLLOWS:



SUCH A CURVED COURSE WOULD BE UNUSUAL FOR A METEOR PATH!



I HOPE THE ABOVE CONJECTURE IS OF SOME VALUE TO YOUR INVESTIGATION.

[redacted]

August 9, 1952

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: FLYING OBJECTS REPORT - FLYOBRPT

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
Orlando, Florida	Pinecastle Air Force Base, Orlando, Fla.

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
16 July 1952	10 July 1952	F-6

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
WOJG BARTON F. KING	Frank Lemire

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

AFL 200-5, 29 Apr 52, and Msg GA 168G, Pinecastle AFB, dated 15 July 1952

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)

An unidentified object was observed at 1615 hours 10 July 1952 over Lake Mann, Orlando, Florida, flying south.

B. F. King
B. F. KING
WOJG, USAF
Reporting Officer

Approved: 16 July 1952.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

Q. F. Martorelli
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Major, USAF
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FROM (AFSAC) 3940th Flying Training Wing Pinecastle Air Force Base Orlando, Florida	REPORT NO. IR-19-52	PAGE 2 OF 2 PAGES

At 1615 hours 10 July 1952, an unidentified object was observed by [redacted], Orlando, Florida. Observer was on the north shore of Lake Mann, facing southeast at time of sighting.

The object came from behind a thunderhead, flying south, was in sight 5 to 10 seconds, and appeared to fly into another thunderhead. The object was aluminum colored and appeared to be the shape of a football, perfectly smooth in appearance. The size and speed were approximately the same as a T-33 type aircraft. There was no audible sound and no visible exhaust.

Weather at time of sighting was CAVU with scattered thunderheads in the area.

The observer has had no previous experience in aircraft observation.

No interceptions were made, and no photographs were taken.

T-33 type aircraft from this base and Naval aircraft from Sanford Naval Air Station were flying in the vicinity during period of observation from 1500 to 30000 feet. No aircraft from Macdill Air Force Base or Patrick Air Force Base were reported in this area at time of observation.

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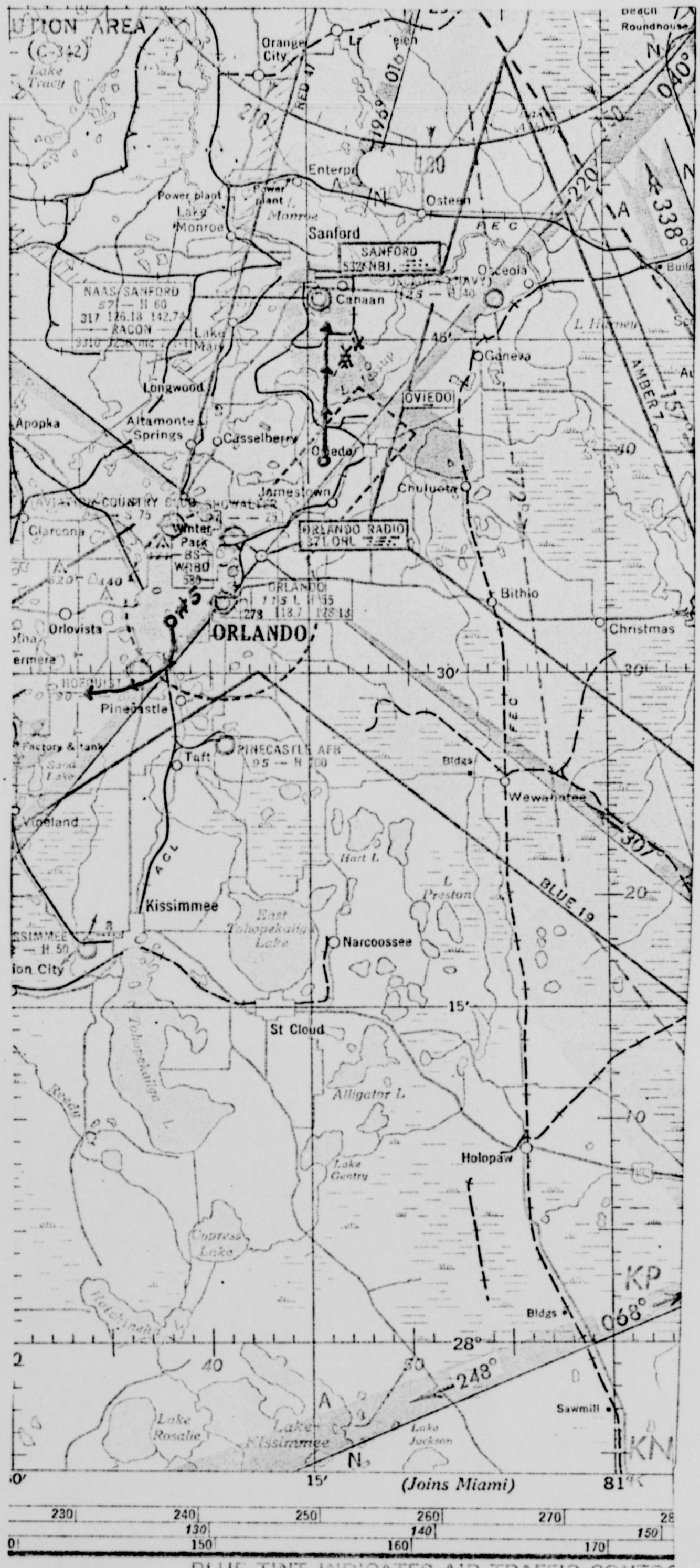
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O= POSITION OF OBJ WHEN FIRST SIGHTED

→ = FLIGHT PATH OF OBJ.

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT
Unidentified Aerial Object

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
Goose Air Base, Labrador	Dir/Int, NEAC

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
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PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
TRUETT V. CANTRELL, Major, USAF	CO, Goose AB, Labrador

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

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1. The following report is of interest to the Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio.

2. On 10 July 1952 an unidentified aerial object was sighted at Goose Air Base, Labrador. Object seemed to be two lights or stars close together appearing whitish in color then turning orange before fading from vision.

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FOR FRED W. GILBERT
Lt. Colonel, USAF
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1. Statements of the observers are as follows:

a. At approximately 0429Z 10 July 1952 Lt. Kapitan, 24th Signal Service Battalion sighted what appeared to be two lights very close together. The lights moved in a wobbly manner and in an up and down motion. These movements occurred about every 30 seconds. The lights were whitish in color and as they moved away from the observer they seemed to turn an orange color. The object traveled due west and left the range of vision. The object was observed for about two (2) minutes.

b. At approximately 0430Z Captain Frank Rhomberg, 373rd Transport Major Port observed an object which appeared to be a star with a smaller star attached. The two lights seemed to merge. The object moved north slightly and hovered for a few seconds, then started erratic motion. The object appeared to drop sharply to the right and left alternately and remain at each time. This occurred five (5) or six (6) times. The object was bluish white in color and gradually turned to orange. The object traveled due west and left the range of vision. Object was under observation for about two minutes.

COMMENTS of the Preparing Officer:

1. The following pertinent information was not given in the initial report and will be submitted on receipt:

a. Manner of observation (visual - electronic).

b. Location of observer (coordinates, distance, altitude, location with reference to object, reference to landmarks).

c. Weather and winds aloft.

d. Meteorological condition.

e. Location of air traffic in the general area.

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PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	3. TIME
10 Oct. '52	Goose AFB, Labrador	Local: Zebra: 0439

4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND? ☑ Yes ☐ No
- ☑ Naked Eye
- ☐ Binoculars
- ☐ Telescope
- ☐ Theodolite

5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR? ☑ Yes ☐ No
- ☐ By One Set
- ? ☐ By Two Sets
- ☐ By Three Sets

6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR? ☐ Yes ☑ No
- ___ A/C Observed Object
- ☐ Interception Attempted
- ☐ No Intercept Attempted

7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- ___ A/C Scrambled
- ☐ Visual Contact Made
- ☐ A/I Contact Made
- ☐ No Contact Made

8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- ☐ Normal
- ☑ Violent

9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT:
- ☐ Blinking
- ☑ Steady

10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT:
- ☐ 1-15 Seconds
- ☑ 1-5 Minutes
- ☐ Over 10 Minutes

11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address)

Director of Intell., NEAC, Goose AFB, Labrador

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED?

13. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO ARCH DOWNWARD?	☐ Yes	☑ No
14. DID OBJECT HAVE A TAIL?	☐ Yes	☑ No
15. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO DISINTEGRATE?	☐ Yes	☑ No

16. TIME OF SIGHTING RELATIVE TO SUNRISE OR SUNSET (Data From Air Almanac)
- ☑ Night
- ☐ Day
- ☐ Sunrise
- ☐ Sunset

III. AIRCRAFT DATA

17. WERE AIRCRAFT NOTED IN AREA?	☐ Yes ☐ One Aircraft ☐ More Than One Aircraft	☑ No
18. WAS ANY SOUND HEARD?	☐ Yes	☑ No
19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE?	☐ Yes	☑ No
20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION?	☑ Yes	☐ No

IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA? ☐ Yes ☐ No

22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: ____ Minutes

23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:

	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted? Yes	Lighted? No	Describe Lighting
a.						
b.						
c.						
d.						

(attach overlay)

V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE:

- ☐ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☑ Fair
- ☐ Poor
- ☐ Unreliable
- ☐ Extremely Doubtful
- ☐ Hoax

22. DETAILS OF REPORT:

- ☐ Good
- ☐ Fair
- ☐ Poor
- ☑ Insufficient to Evaluate

23. FINAL EVALUATION:

- ☐ Was Balloon
- ☐ Probably Balloon
- ☐ Possibly Balloon
- ☐ Was Aircraft
- ☐ Probably Aircraft
- ☐ Possibly Aircraft
- ☐ Was Astronomical
- ☐ Probably Astronomical
- ☐ Possibly Astronomical
- ☐ Other: _____
- ☑ Insufficient Data For Evaluation
- ☐ Unknown

24. COMMENTS:

(ROJECT 10073 WEATHER DATA SH

1. DATE OF OBSERVATION	2. TIME OF OBSERVATION	3. STATION OBSERVING

4. WINDS ALOFT:

ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)	ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)
0			25,000		
1,000			30,000		
2,000			35,000		
3,000			40,000		
4,000			45,000		
5,000			50,000		
6,000			55,000		
7,000			60,000		
8,000			65,000		
9,000			70,000		
10,000			75,000		
12,000			80,000		
14,000			85,000		
16,000			90,000		
18,000			95,000		
20,000			100,000		

5. WAS AN INVERSION LAYER NOTED? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(If yes, at what altitude? _____)

6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(If yes, at what quadrant? _____)

7. CLOUD COVER:

_____ tenths at _____ feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet.
_____ tenths at _____ feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet.

8. VISIBILITY WAS _____ MILES.

9. COMMENTS:

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