

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>12 Sep 52</u>		2. LOCATION <u>Greensboro, N.C.</u>		3. CONCLUSIONS	
4. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>2400</u>		5. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
6. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		7. SOURCE <u>AF Pilots</u>			
8. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION		9. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>1</u>		10. COURSE	
11. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Ball of fire - shape. Steady div, high speed.			12. COMMENTS Arched downward, sparks visible, in sight for a few seconds only. 12 Sep meteor sighting throughout EAST coast area.		

At about 7:00 o'clock, on September the 12, in front of [REDACTED] Service Station, in Lumberton, North Carolina, I saw a large, seeming ball of fire traveling from East to West. It seemed to be a bright, glowing mass with a contrasting colored tail at least three times the diameter of the ball. I saw it for approximately two or three seconds traveling on a downward plain. When it got below apparent tree height it seemed to level off, but never came up into view again. It seemed to be traveling at least 600 miles per hour and perhaps more. The mass or object appeared round and flat, with the flat side down.

I have seen many falling stars and meteors, but this was larger, closer, and different from any I have seen before.

The object appeared to be about a mile and a half away and 12 to 15 feet in diameter.

My seeing this object was not a hallucination as I saw it long enough to call [REDACTED]'s attention to it and he saw it also.

s/t/ [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Lumberton, N. C.

[REDACTED] was born in [REDACTED], North Carolina in 1925. He has lived most of his life in Lumberton. He was graduated from Lumberton High School in 1943, served three years in the army, one year overseas, and was graduated from the University of South Carolina in 1950. At present he is [REDACTED] in South Carolina.

A TRUE EXTRACT COPY

F. H. Wilcox, Maj. USAF
for Melvin M. Glass

MELVIN M. GLASS
2d Lt, USAF

On Friday afternoon, September 12, 1952, at dusk my attention was called to an unusual object in the sky. This object was round in shape and white in color with a trailing streamer of a darker color. It was traveling towards the northwest at a very high rate of speed.

s/t/ ~~REDACTED~~

My military service consisted of 3½ years in the Air Corp. One year was spent instructing machine gun and power turret. My overseas duty was 50 missions with the 15th Air Force as Armorer gunner.

A TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

E. H. Willey, Major USAF

for
Melvin M. Glass

MELVIN M. GLASS
2d Lt, USAF

**AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE
OHIO**

1 October 1952

Miss [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear Miss [REDACTED]

Your recent report of unidentified aerial phenomena has been received by the Air Technical Intelligence Center. Inclosed is a questionnaire, which, when completed by you and returned in the inclosed, self-addressed envelope, will aid in standardizing the data and will provide a complete record of the occurrence.

Your interest in reporting the matter and your public spirited desire to be of service are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Kennedy
ROBERT E. KENNEDY
Major, USAF
Air Adjutant General

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a/s

TENTATIVE
OBSERVERS QUESTIONNAIRE - 4781.00

SECTION A

1. When did you see the object:

1.1 Date: 12 Sept. 52
Day Month Year

1.2 Time of Day: 7:45 A.M. or P.M. (Circle One)
Hrs. Min.

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 were you when you saw the object:

[REDACTED] Greensboro N.C. U.S.
Postal Address City or Town State Country

Additional Remarks: _____

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

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

3.1 Were you:

(Circle One): a. In the business section of a city?
b. In the residential section of a city?
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? Feeding The dog -
Heard dog barking, quickly raised up -

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

 Day Month Year

SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? Feeding dog -

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.

Frankly, My Husband + I, had a quarrel
prior to seeing saucer - before -
preparing supper.

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

e. South

b. Northeast

f. Southwest

c. East

g. West

d. Southeast

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 looking when you first saw the object?

(Circle One):

a. North

e. South

b. Northeast

f. Southwest

c. East

g. West

d. Southeast

h. Northwest

8.1 What direction were you looking when the object disappeared?

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

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

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| a. Certain | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Just a guess |
- None of A
North

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 | e. Through theodolite |
| b. Through windshield | f. Through sunglasses |
| c. Through binoculars | g. Through open space |
| d. Through telescope | 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 |

11.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

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

11.2 WIND (Circle One)

- | |
|-------------------|
| a. No wind |
| b. Slight breeze |
| c. Strong wind |
| d. 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

Seconds

35

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

- a. Certain
b. Fairly sure
c. Not very 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? | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.2 | Change speed? | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.3 | Change size? | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.4 | Change color? | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.5 | Break up into parts or
explode? | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.6 | Give off smoke? | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.7 | Change brightness? | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.8 | Flicker, throb, or
pulsate? | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.9 | Remain motionless? | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |

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? Pinkish-Red

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

16.1 Sound No Sound

16.2 Color

17. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there?
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:

13.1 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. <u>Pea</u> | f. Automobile |
| b. <u>Baseball</u> | g. Small airplane |
| c. Basketball | h. Large airplane |
| d. Bicycle wheel | i. Dirigible |
| e. Office desk | j. Other _____ |

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

- | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| a. <u>Certain</u> | c. Not very sure |
| b. <u>Fairly certain</u> | d. Uncertain |

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

20.1 How high above the earth was it? Approx 7 feet.

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

20.3 How fast was it going? Swiftly miles per hour. But not slow

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

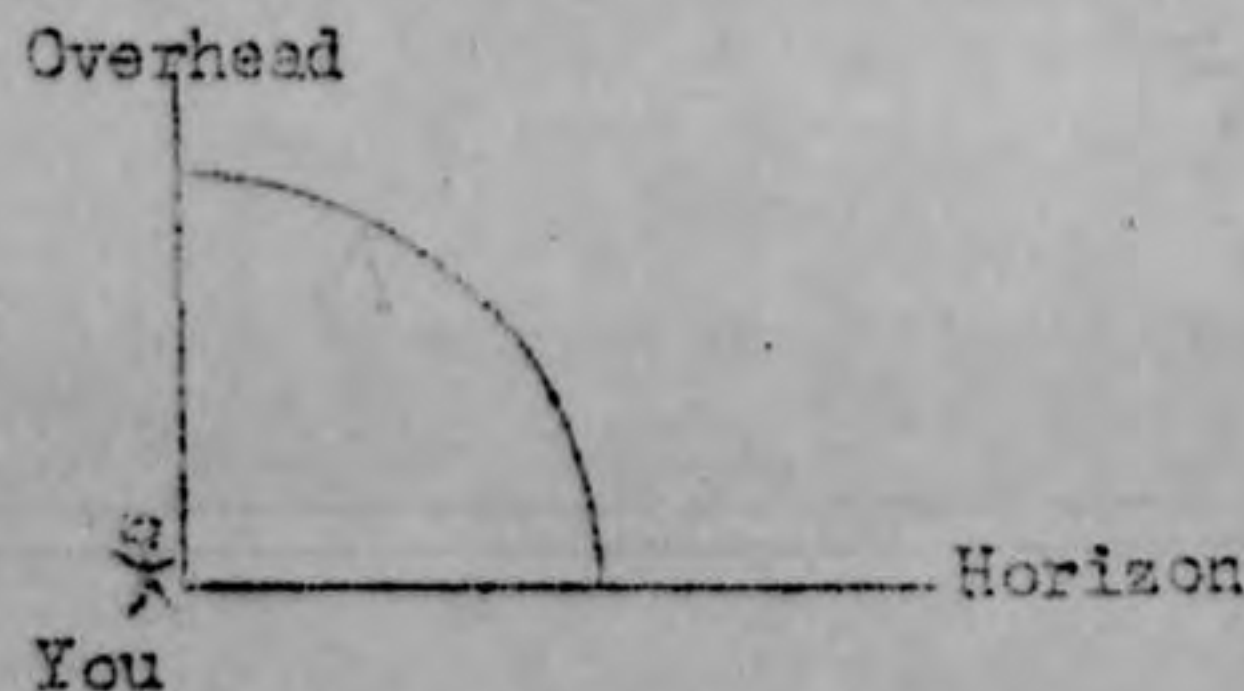
- | | |
|-------------------|-------------------------|
| a. Certain | c. <u>Not very sure</u> |
| b. Fairly certain | d. <u>Just a guess</u> |

21. How did the object disappear from view?

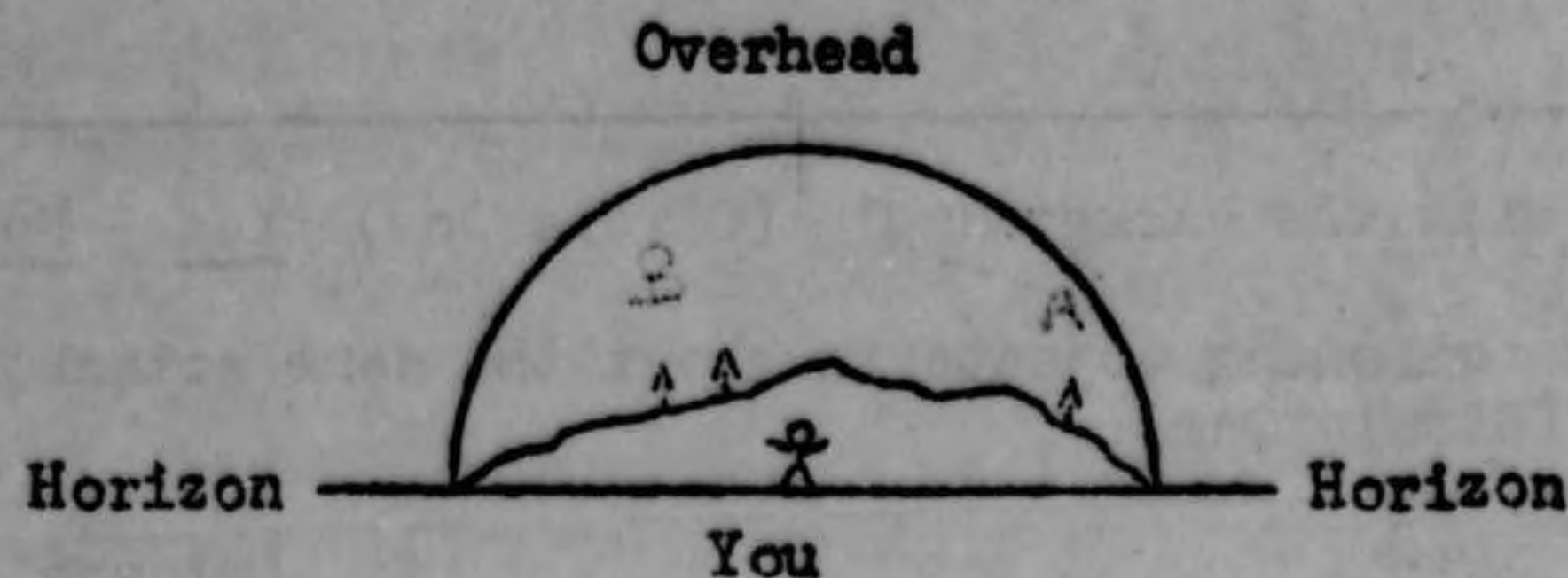
- (Circle One):
- | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| a. <u>Suddenly</u> | c. Other _____ |
| b. Gradually | d. Don't remember |

SECTION D

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 (skyline) when you first saw it. Place a "B" to show where it was 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.

B

A

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 or 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?

Ball of fire, in rotation form,
could be a moon like object from space or
fire! Welder

28. Give the following information about yourself:

NAME
 Last Name First Name Middle Name
ADDRESS Greensboro N.C.
 Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

What is your present job? House-wife

Age 28

Sex Female

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.2 Please list their names and addresses:

PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

12

1. DATE <i>12 Sept '52</i>	2. LOCATION <i>Bremerton N.C.</i>	3. TIME Local: <i>3000 EST</i> Zebra: <i>2400</i>
4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND?		
☐ Yes ☐ Naked Eye ☐ Binoculars ☐ Telescope ☐ Theodolite		☒ No
5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR?		
☐ Yes ☐ By One Set ☐ By Two Sets ☐ By Three Sets		☒ No
6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR?		
☒ Yes ☐ A/C Observed Object ☐ Interception Attempted ☒ No Intercept Attempted		☐ No
7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT?		
☐ Yes ☐ A/C Scrambled ☐ Visual Contact Made ☐ A/I Contact Made ☐ No Contact Made		☒ No
8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME?		
☐ Yes ☐ Normal ☐ Violent		☒ No
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT:		
☐ Blinking ☐ Steady		<i>intermittent - meter</i>
10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT:		
☒ 1-15 Seconds ☐ 1-5 Minutes ☐ Over 10 Minutes		
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address)		
<i>CG 514th Troop Cannon Wing - Medium Mitchell AFB, N.Y.</i>		

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED?		
<i>Yes</i>		
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		☒ No
19. WAS THERE INDICATION OF ACHROMATIC BOISE?		
☐ Yes ☒ No		☐ No
20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION?		
☒ Yes		☐ No

REPORT SHEET FOR SAUCER OBSERVERS

Address [REDACTED]

Date SEP 13, 1954

Time, duration and circumstances of sighting

(day, night, sunrise, sunset)

Give your exact location, altitude above ground, etc.

Describe the appearance of the Saucer(s)

Direction in which you were facing

Weather details and sky conditions, including temperatures and cloud types

Was sun (or moon) shining?

Here draw apparent shape of Saucer

Indicate color

Altitude of Saucer (near horizon, near zenith)

Tenths of way from horizon to zenith

Apparent size of Saucer, like a pea, penny, fingernail, quarter, etc.)

Or compare diameter with moon if moon is in sky

Describe motion of Saucer

Estimate rate of motion—one hand span at arm's length equals approximately 20°

Did Saucer appear to be self-luminous?

To possess a dull finish?

To reflect like a mirror?

To be partially transparent?

The observations confirmed by persons.

Identify these persons by name and address

How did Saucer behave as you moved in various directions?

Was Saucer near sun or moon?

How near?
measured in hand spans at arm's length.

Was there a halo around the sun?

Describe

If possible, attach detailed weather information from your local station, giving detailed vertical distribution of weather, especially presence of temperature inversions, winds, haze or cloud layers, etc.

General remarks

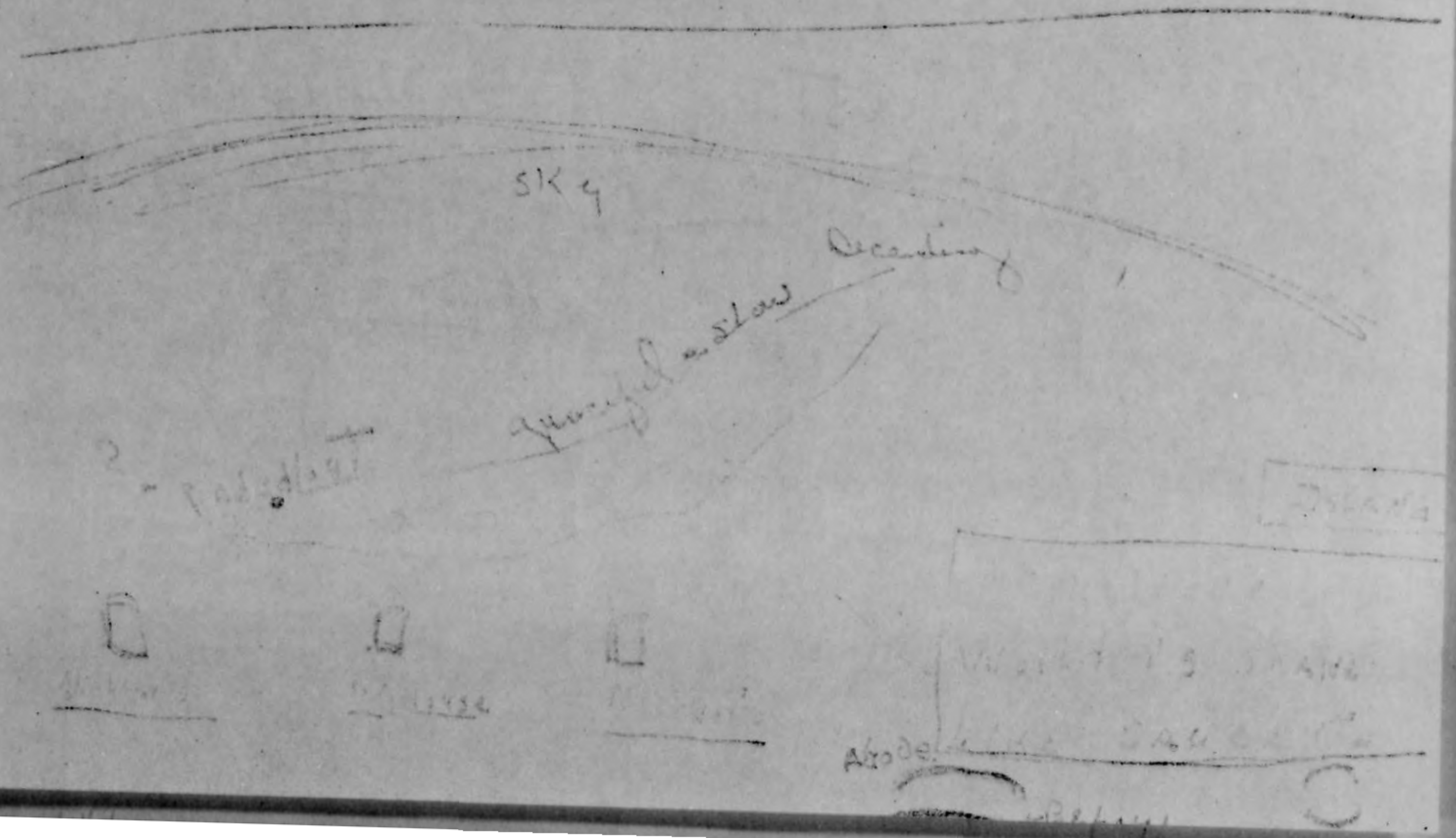
Check for cobwebs?

Does direction of Saucer movement coincide with that of wind?

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

~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Across St. Also saw
same object, same time. She saw a blue
light, preceding the object. She has seen
A fiery ball, before, or her mother -
It traveled close to ground - - 4 years ago

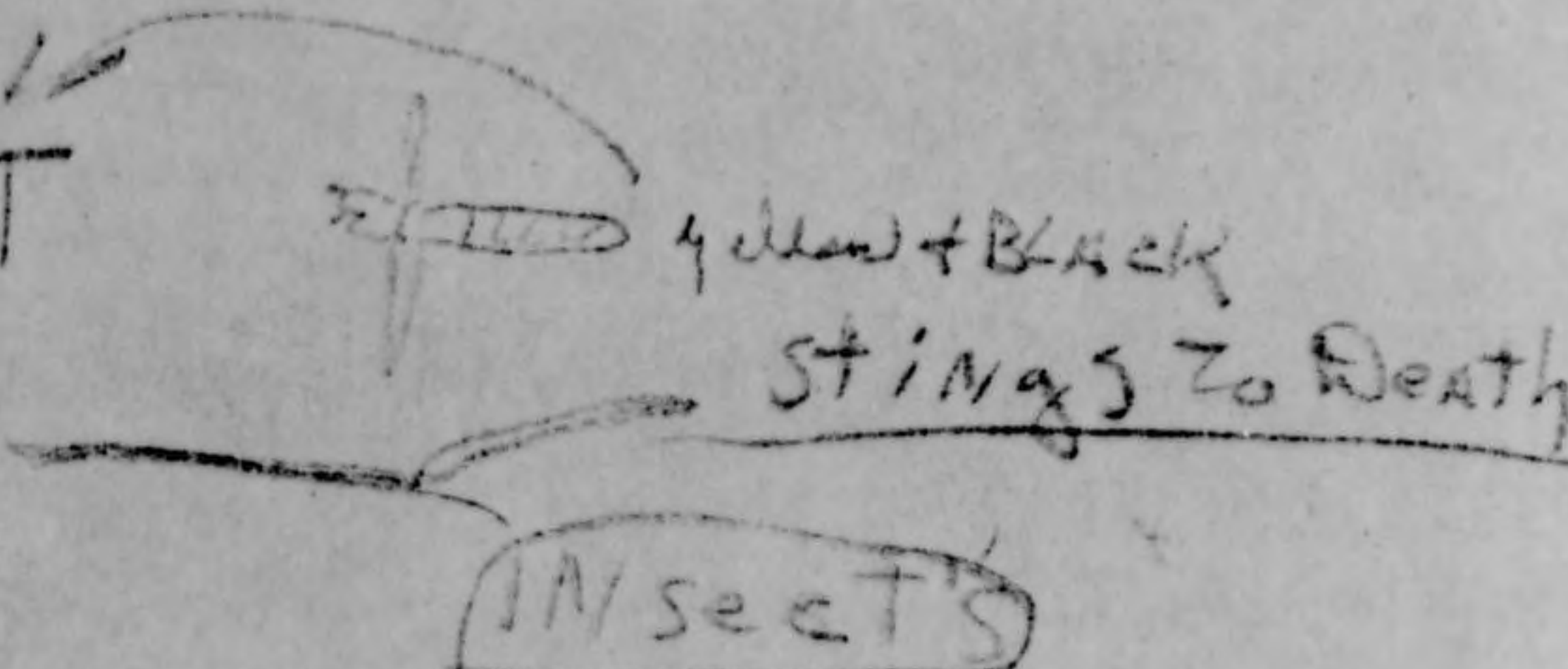
Picture of what I saw



With such large telescopes,
Have you, as of yet, discovered something
or still puzzled, like us ALL?

Yes, I believe there's life on
another planet, but I'm not convinced
There's life on this one, ALSO.

h1cA4ST
?
B1A9



~~yellow + black~~
stings to death
INSECTS

DON'T KNOW WHY I did this,

but you know
Some things could be done by reflections

ACTION

4. Attn
2. Attn
3. C. files

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PPF050

YDC082

TYD085

TDA083

JEPHQ 8091

PP JEDEN JEDWP JEPLG 333

DE JEPHQ 3A

P 130524Z ZNJ

FM HA USAF WASHDC

TO JEDEN/CGAIRDEFCOM ENT AFB COLO

JEDWP/CHIEF ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

JEPLG/CGTAC LANGLEY AFB VA

[REDACTED] FLYOBRPT FROM AFOIN 57784 ATTN CLN ATIAA-20.

ONE OBLONG FIERY OBJECT CMA WHITISH GLOW TRAILING RED SPARKS WAS

OBSERVED FROM B-25 AIRCRAFT CMA 20 MILES SOUTH SOUTH WEST OF GREENSBORO

CMA NORTH CAROLINA BY CAPT. [REDACTED] CMA [REDACTED] SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS

UNIT CMA BOLLING AFB CMA WASHINGTON CMA D.D. OBJECT OBSERVED FOR

APPROXIMATELY 15 SECONDS. OBJECT DISAPPEARED GOING

NORTH VERY FAST. ALTITUDE OF B7-25 WAS 2000 FEET. AIR SPEED 215 MPH.

TIME OF SIGHTING 122023Q. WEATHER CAVU.

13/0535Z SEP JEPHQ

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SEP 13 06 18 1952

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WPD065

YDB054

TYA062

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JEPQW A020

RR JEDEN BEPW JEDWP JESGN 444

DE JEPQW 72

R 152100Z

FM CG 514TH TROOP CARRIER WING MEDIUM MITCHEL AFB NY

TO JEDEN/CG ADC ENT AFB COLO

BEPU/SEC DEF WASHDC

JEDWP/ATTC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB DAYTON OHIO

ZEN/CO MITCHEL AFB NY

INFO JESGN/CG 18TH AF DONALDSON AFB GREENVILLE SC

[REDACTED] 514TH TCW M DO 132 PD ONE PD CIRVIS TWO PD

UNIDENTIFIED AERL OBJ DIRECTLY OVER GREENSBORO CMA NC PAREN 3600

N DASH 07948 W PAREN THREE PD OBSRD ONE UNIDENTIFIED FLY OBJ TVLG ON
HEADING OF APRX 330 DEGREES PD CRSE OF OBJ A STEADY DIVE AT EXTREMELY

HIGH SPEED CMA FROM ALT OF PPRX 7200 OR 7500 FEET TO A PSN BELOW

ALT OF AND IN FRONT OF OBSRG ACFT PD SIZE AND SHAPE OF OBJ IMPOSSIBLE

TO EST DUE TO SPEED AND NIGHT COND PD OBJ APPEARED AT 11 OCLOCK

HIGH APRX 200 DASH 500 FEET ABOVE THE OBSRG ACFT AS A BRILLIANT

STREAK OF FIRE WHICH WOULD BE APRX TWELVE FEET LONG IF THE PROXIMITY

WAS AS ESTD IS CORRECT PD DUE TO THE NON-EXISTENCE OF ANY CK, PT CMA

ACTION

SEP 16 03 43 1952

1. Action
2. Action
3. C. files

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RELATIVE DIS EXTREMELY HARD TO EST PD AFTER OBJ HAS PASSED OBSRG ACFT
IT APPEARED AS A ROUND BALL OF FIRE WHICH THEN ERUPTED INTO SPARKS
ABRUPTLY AND DISSAPPEARED PD OBJ IN VIEW APRX FIVE SECONDS PD FOUR

PD PAREN A PAREN OBSRG ACFT FLY OVER GREENSBORO CMA NC AT 7000
FEET CMA HEADING 65 DEGREES PD AFTER SIGHTING CMA OBSRG ACFT CONTD
ON CRSE PD TIME IN THE VICINITY APRX THREE MINUTES PD SIGHTING VERD
BY TWO CR/MS CMA MAJOR ~~REDACTED~~ CMA CAPT ~~REDACTED~~ PD ALSO OBSRG PHENOMENA
WERE PERS IN CON TWR AT GREENSBORO HIGHPOINT AIRPORT PD PAREN B PAREN
WEA CONDS CAVU PD VEL AND DIR OF WIND UNKNOWN PD PAREN C PAREN
SIGHTING MADE 122400Z PD FIVE PD PAREN A PAREN PLT OF OBSRG ACFT
DASH COL ~~REDACTED~~ PAREN B PAREN ACFT C-46 PD ACFT NO
44-77419 CMA 514TH TRP CARR WG CMA MEDIUM PD
15/2145Z SEP JEPWQ

8400.2
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2000 EST

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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?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
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:

All the characteristics of a meteor - "arched downward", spalls, seen for few seconds only.

PG 10073 WEATHER DATA SHEET

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? (If yes, at what altitude? _____)			☐ Yes ☐ No		
6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? (If yes, at what quadrant? _____)			☐ Yes ☐ No		
7. CLOUD COVER: _____ tenths at _____ feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet.				8. VISIBILITY WAS _____ MILES.	
9. COMMENTS:					

(CLASSIFICATION)

COUNTRY USA	REPORT NO.	(LEAVE BLANK)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT FLYOBREP		
AREA REPORTED ON Lumberton - Fayetteville, N. C.	FROM (Agency) Directorate of Intelligence	
DATE OF REPORT 22 September 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 12 September 1952	EVALUATION B-2
PREPARED BY (Officer) MELVIN M. OLASS, 2d LT, USAF	SOURCE As inclosed	
REFERENCES (Control number, direction, previous report, etc., as applicable) APL 200-5 dated 29 April 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.)

A flying object was reported sighted in the Lumberton, North Carolina area 12 September 1952, at 2359Z.

Four witnesses at four different observation points confirmed its appearance. This report covers sightings from Lake Waccamaw to Fayetteville, North Carolina. The object was traveling SE to NW.

The object was of ball shape with a trail three times the length of the body. The speed was so fast that most witnesses only got a hurried glimpse.

According to the Fayetteville and Raleigh (local) newspapers, a meteor was observed at approximately the same time, day, place, and direction of flight.

APPROVED:

Lester G. Curl

LESTER G. CURL
1st Col, USAF
Director of Intelligence

2 INCL.

2 Statements by Witnesses

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

FROM (Agency)	REPORT NO.	PAGE	2	OF	4	PAGES
Directorate of Intelligence						

(1) A large white object reported to be the size of an automobile giving off a white glowing light at the head and a blue trailing stream at the end. The tail is reported to be of the trail type. This tail was reported by one witness to be 3 times as large as the body of the object. All 3 witnesses described the object traveling at a tremendous speed. In all cases, the object disappeared into the horizon. There is no sound recorded by the witnesses.

(2) Time of sighting - 1900 (2359Z time) Eastern Standard Time, 12 September 1952. Object was only sighted for a very few seconds because of speed.

(3) All the sightings were visual.

(4) & (5) a. [REDACTED] Lumberton, North Carolina, sighted the object at the above time from the [REDACTED] Station located near the Court House in Lumberton, North Carolina. Mr [REDACTED] has had 3½ years in the Army Air Corps during World War II as a Aviator Gunner. Lt Commander [REDACTED], USNR, initially turned the inclosed reports into the Directorate Of Intelligence, Headquarters Ninth Air Force, personally did not see the flying object but stated in a later conference that at least 15 other persons within the Lumberton area had also seen the flying object.

(b) Another witness driving on Highway 301, 3 miles north from Lumberton, North Carolina, reported sighting the object flying directly in front of him crossing his windshield from right to left. The 2 above witnesses said that the angular height of the ground was approximately 30 degrees. In both cases, the object was moving from the South East to the North West.

(c) The third witness, [REDACTED], Lumberton, North Carolina. The above witness was fishing 5 miles East of Elizabethtown, North Carolina. [REDACTED] is a [REDACTED] on the local [REDACTED]. He reported sighting the object immediately after dark. He reported the object to be between 15 and 20 degrees

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of the tail of the flying object.

(d) Another person in the vicinity of Lake Waccamaw, a distance of 45 miles from Lumberton, reported sighting this same object.

General reliability of witnesses seems to be usually reliable with a probably true report.

(6) At 1910 Eastern Standard Time, 12 September 1952, scattered clouds at 4000 feet and 14,000 feet. Estimated ceiling was 25,000 feet, visibility 15 miles. Wind North North East by 4 miles. The last rain reported in the area 1405 Eastern Standard Time and a generally clear condition 2011 until 2300 Eastern Standard Time. No reports were made on the winds aloft conditions because of poor weather.

(7) The newspaper, Fayetteville Observer, reported on 13 September, [redacted] of Fayetteville had seen a huge ball with a tail, heading North West after 1900 Eastern Standard Time 12 September 1952. He reported the color as a greenish-blue; the newspaper reported the object as a meteor. Several newspapers in Raleigh, North Carolina, it is reported, carried articles about the sighting of this meteor.

(8) No further visual evidence or photographs are available.

(9) No interception action taken.

(10) There is no air traffic in the general area at the reporting time.

COMMENTS of Preparing Officer:

1. I have interviewed the 3 witnesses mentioned in the above report. All reports, in my opinion, can be considered reliable. If the report from Lake Waccamaw is true, the path followed by the object checks with all of the observations of the witnesses. This would place the object running South East to North West 15 miles above Lake Waccamaw to a point approximately 10 miles South of Fayetteville, North Carolina. The witness at the point East of Elizabethtown reported the object to have a flat trajectory; whereas the other two said that it was definitely curved

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2. It is the personal opinion of the Reporting Officer, that the flying object sighted by witnesses in and around Lumberton and the meteor report by the Fayetteville paper are the same.

3. The inclosed report by [REDACTED] can not be confirmed by the Reporting Officer since he had left town.

9#Willet, Maj. USAF
to Melvin M. Glass
MELVIN M. GLASS
2d Lt, USAF

[REDACTED]
Lumberton, N. C.

9/16/52

Director of Intelligence
9th Air Force
Pope Air Force Base
Fort Bragg, N. C.

Dear Sir;

Enclosed you will find two reports which are self explanatory, these regard the sighting of a strange object in the sky on the night of September, 12 1952. These people reported this sighting to me because they knew me to be active in the Naval Air Reserve and a Naval Aviator. In reporting this matter they asked me what to do about it so I called your office on Saturday morning September 13th and talked with your Major Reed who in turn asked me to handle the matter and secure written statements which are enclosed.

Since obtaining these statements I have talked with several persons who also saw this object and find that the basic description is about the same with all of them, one of these persons is a Lt.Col. in the Army Reserve Corps. One person in the vicinity of Lake Waccamaw a distance of some forty five miles from Lumberton and another near Bladenboro, N.C. a distance of some twelve miles also reported this object.

If there is any further information you desire me to secure I will be glad to do so.

very truly yours

s/t/ [REDACTED]

A TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

J. H. Wilcox, Maj USAF

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