

UFOB INDEX CARD

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1. DATE 9 28 Aug 56		2. LOCATION Woburn, Mass.		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☒ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP 10/0230Z Aug 56		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Ninety minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One		9. COURSE Relatively Stationary	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One comet or disc shaped yellow object. Object was initially sighted at 30° elevation and 360° azimuth. Motions of object were left and right, up and down. Object disappeared in the same location by fading. Object was viewed visually and through binoculars for 90 minutes.				11. COMMENTS Opinion of this Headquarters is that cause of sighting was possibly a star shining through an acute temperature inversion. Shape, size, color, motions, and stationary position tend to support this hypothesis. However, disappearance of the object in approximately the same location after 90 minutes, is not in agreement with this hypothesis. Therefore, evaluation of this Headquarters is "possibly astronomical".	

Case 182, Ipswich, Mass., Aug. 7, 9, 10, 1956—Mysterious lights were first seen by Edwin Damon and Russell Green Tuesday night. The lights reappeared more brilliantly on Thursday when the skywatchers were joined by two more neighbors. Green who watched till 2:45 a.m. Friday said that it was a ball of light, very bright. He said that it changed shape from a disc to a crescent and faded away only to return. He described it as moving slowly from right to left and up and down. Following it with binoculars Green said that it appeared to have a nimbus or colored light around it. Civil Defense said that radar had been involved in the sightings and that the results were being scrutinized at top headquarters of the Eastern Air Defense Command. Temperature inversion was considered as an explanation.⁸