

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 12 Jul 58		2. LOCATION Grand Rapids, Michigan Grawn, Wyandotte, " // Warren, O		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other <u>Sputnik III</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>13/0235Z-0240-0300Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 90 secs		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE NNE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 1) White light, blinking off & on, traveling straight, disappeared instantaneously. 2) Rnd white obj size of pinhead. Light was blinking off & on. Obj disappeared instantaneously. 3) Ball shaped obj w/red glow, flashing or pulsating, disappeared instantaneously to NE. 4) Rnd, white obj, about size of a basketball. Appeared suddenly as large bright light in sky, moving in a circular motion.				11. COMMENTS Confirmed as Sputnik.	

2120 local
2140

12 Jul 58

AFCIN-4E4G
24 July 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Captain Miatech - AFCIN-4F3a

SUBJECT: General Orbital-Track Checks for Air Sciences Division.

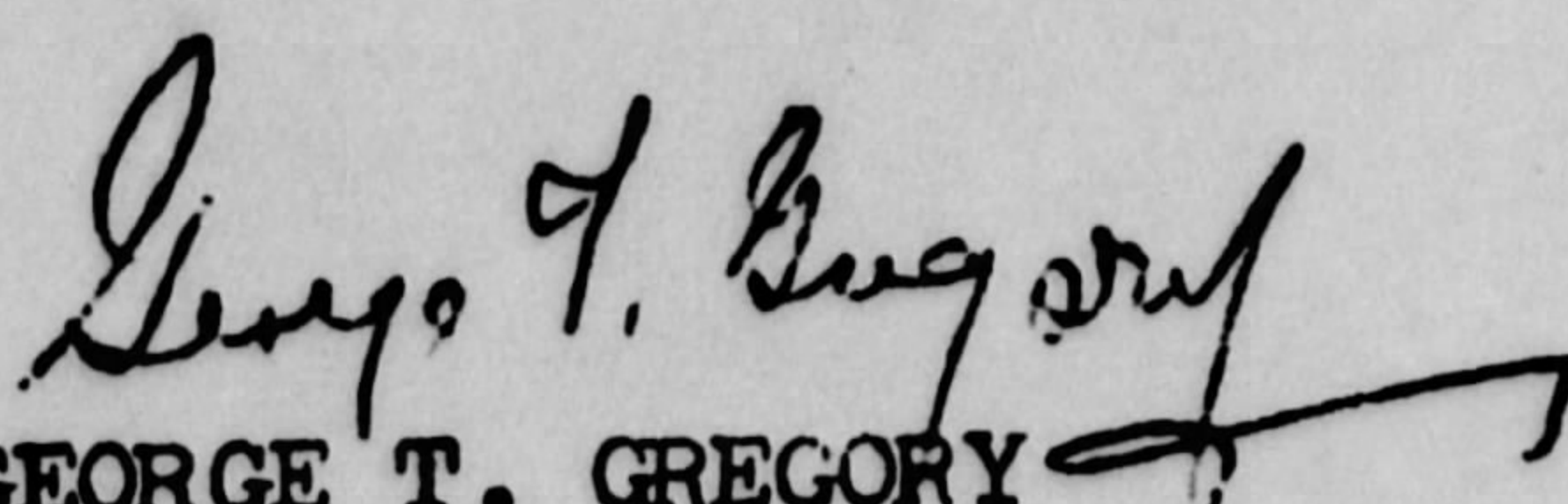
✓ 1. This office has received a number of UFO reports from GOC posts in the Green Bay, Northern Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota areas. A cursory check discloses that these are primarily staffed with high school students now on vacation and elderly people with time on their hands. Their reliability is obvious. However, would appreciate if a check for Satellite be made on the basis of the following observed in that area:

- a. Time: Between 2120 to 2140 hours (local).
- b. Date: 12 July 1958.
- c. General direction: SSW to ENE.
- d. UFO appearance: Very small, white and round.

✓ 2. Just received UFO report from Air Attache, France - there were four military observers. Basic data:

- a. Place: NE France (50 N - 4 E).
- b. Time: 2127 Z (GMT for that area considered 0. Therefore, local time same.)
- c. Date: 11 July 1958.
- d. General direction: ^{180 - 190} 180 - 190 degrees to ⁴⁰⁵⁰ 4050 degrees, estimate, i. e. generally SW to NE.
- e. Appearance: Round, white. In sight approximately one minute.

3. Your comments and results of your computations may be hand written directly on this memorandum. Would appreciate it if you would give us a call.


GEORGE T. GREGORY
Captain, USAF

Comment re sighting No. 1:

Date: 12 July 1958
Hours: 2120 - 2140 local
Place: Area near Greenbay, Wisc.)

13/0220 - 0240 July
88 W, 4500 (Covers area to the North
and West also)

a. 0240 Z on 13 July 1958 Δ_I (Sputnik III rocket) was
over Lake Huron at 135 miles altitude.

Using general observation point of 45 degrees N - 90 degrees West
the satellite (1958 Δ_{II}) of Sputnik III followed the rocket portion
by about 8 minutes at this particular time. Its orbit was about 115 miles
to the West of the rocket's orbit but still pretty much in the visibility
range, i.e. (visible at 45 degrees N and 75 degrees - 80 degrees W) upper
half of lower Michigan. Although the direction of motion is consistent
with that of Sputnik III, neither component seems to have been sufficiently
low off the eastern horizon ^{not} to be seen in the area described.

Comment re sighting No. 2:

Date: 11 July 1958
Time: 2127 Z
Place: NE France (50 N 4 E)

1958 Δ_I (rocket) should have been in the vicinity of the sighting
area (50 degrees N, 4 degrees E) at 2117 Z on 11 July at an altitude of
165 miles traveling in a direction of 25 degrees.

Captain G. Miatech
Astronautics Branch

13/0235Z Jul

Witness

TELEPHONED
To 0110
No. 52121
Time 03 35Z
Date 12/22/51
By: [Signature]

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PTIC

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2-
3-5 4E4
4-4 X 32
9/11/51

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PP RJEDBN RJEDBW RJEDSQ RJEPHQ

DE RJEDFJ 1S

P 131645Z

FM COMDR 661ST ACWRON SAGE

TO RJEDBN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB

RJEDBW/COMDR 30TH ADIV WRAPS

RJEDSQ/COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB

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/UNCLAS/ OFNS 1443 ATTN: THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE IS SUBMITTED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2 AND IS REQUESTED BY CONTROLLER 30TH ADIV

UFO

(A) 1- LANDING LIGHTS

← Clue

2- UNABLE, TOO HIGH

← In other words - too high to define shape - only lights seen.

3- WHITE

4- ONE

5- N/A

6- 40,000 TO 50,000 FT.--1500 TO 200 KTS.

7- NONE

← How did Source
compute or estimate
these speeds with
only a few seconds
in sight.

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8- NONE

9- LIGHTS BLINKING OFF AND ON

NNE DIRECTION

Note. Clouds



(B) 1-SITTING IN BACK YARD

2-2 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON-AZIMUTH NNE

3-45 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON-AZIMUTH NNE

4-STRAIGHT

5-INSTANTANEOUSLY

6-90 SECONDS

(C) 1-VISUAL

2-NONE

3-NONE

Date-Time:

(D) 1-13/0235Z

2-NIGHT

02352-5 = 2035 hrs = 8:35 PM Local
12 July 50

(E) 1-NNE WYANDOTT, MICHIGAN

(F) 1-BLANK

HOME ADDRESS: M

2-11/

CARSWELL, TEXAS

WYANDOTT, MICHIGAN

Location

In the Air Force

(G) 1-BLANK

2-34,000 IS 270 DEGREES, 40 KNOTS; 35,000 IS 260 DEGREES, 50 KNOTS;

Question? - Source is military man - and with the Air Force - what prompted him to report a ^{new} straight, moving blinking light that was climbing - and too high to even give a size (by his own statement)?

There appears nothing hostile, menacing or unusual about the light - or anything about it that would frighten the source.

1.2. Mature?

PAGE THREE RJNDFJ 1S

40,000 IS 200 DEGREES, 40 KNOTS; 45,000 IS 200 DEGREES, 40 KNOTS

50,000 IS 200 DEGREES, 30 KNOTS

3-HIGH THIN SCATTERED

4-10 MILE VISIBILITY

5-1 TO 5 TENTHS

6-NONE

(H) NONE

(I) NONE

(J) NONE

(K) THIS REPORT WAS RECEIVED THROUGH FLIGHT SERVICE FACILITIES.

NO OFFICER OF THIS ORGANIZATION HAS PERSONALLY CONTACTED SGT. MOULSEY. DUE TO THE DELAY IN FORWARDING THIS REPORT TO THIS ORGANIZATION NO CORROLATIO WITH RAIAF OR CAA WAS POSSIBLE. THIS ORGANIZATION CAN NOT OFFER AN OPINION AS TO THE VALIDITY OF RELIABILITY OF THIS REPORT.

(L) NONE

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13/172

Check with computer people - 447
a little surer
that this could be
Salcate

Comment

- ① Resembled landing lights
- ② Too high to give size (100 miles)
- ③ Straight line
- ④ Climbing
- ⑤ 1+ minute in sight
- ⑥ No other info - very meager

Conclusions on basis of limited

Date-Time: 0240 - 5 - 21431m
= 9:40 Local

1. 13 JULY 58 AT 0240Z

2. LIGHT CONDITIONS - NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER

1. NORTH EAST, GRAND RAPIDS (GEOREF EP 2505)

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER

1. CIVILIAN, ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ ADDRESS, ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

N. E. GRAND RAPIDS

2. MILITARY - NEGATIVE

G. WEATHER

1. WEATHER CONDITIONS - CLEAR

2. CEILING - NONE

3. VISIBILITY - GOOD

4. NEGATIVE THUNDER STORMS

H. NO OTHER UNUSUAL ACTIVITY

I. NONE

J. NO KNOWN LOCATION, DIRECTION OR ALTIUDE OF AIR TRAFFIC AT TIME
OF SIGHTING

K. 2LT DPELLIGRINI PREPARING OFFICER . HIS ANALYSIS EITHER VERY
FAST AIRCRAFT OR POSSIBLY ONE OF THE SATTELITES.

L. NEGATIVE PHOTOGRAPHS

. REMARKS - RECEIVED FROM T/SGT LEFEBVRE, GRAND RAPIDS G O C

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13/0359Z JUL RJEDW

*Check with People 4K3
Computer
- a little more
it's the way he
saw it*

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PP RJEDDN RJEDSQ RJEZHQ

DE RJEDEW 1G

P 132340Z ZEL

FM COMDR 781ST ACWON CUSTER AFS

TO RJEDEW/COMDR 32TH ADIV

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/UNCLASSIFIED/OPS 07-054. SUBJECT: UFOE REPORT.

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT

1. SHAPE- ROUND

2. SIZE- PIN HEAD

3. COLOR- WHITE

4. NUMBER-1

5. FORMATION-NONE

6. FEATURES OR DETAILS-NONE

7. TAIL, TRAIL, OR EXHAUST- NONE

8. SOUND- NONE

9. OTHER FEATURES- BLINKING OFF AND ON



extremely small size - especially when seen at night

Clue!

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT

1. WHAT FIRST CALLED ATTENTION OF OBJECT TO OBSERVER - SITTING IN BACK YARD WHEN THEY SIGHTED OBJECT.

2. ANGLE OF ELEVATION, WHEN SIGHTED 32 DEGREES SSW

3. ANGLE OF ELEVATION, WHEN DISSAPPEARED 20 DEGREES NNE

4. DESCRIPTION OF FLIGHTPATH- STRAIGHT FLT. PATH

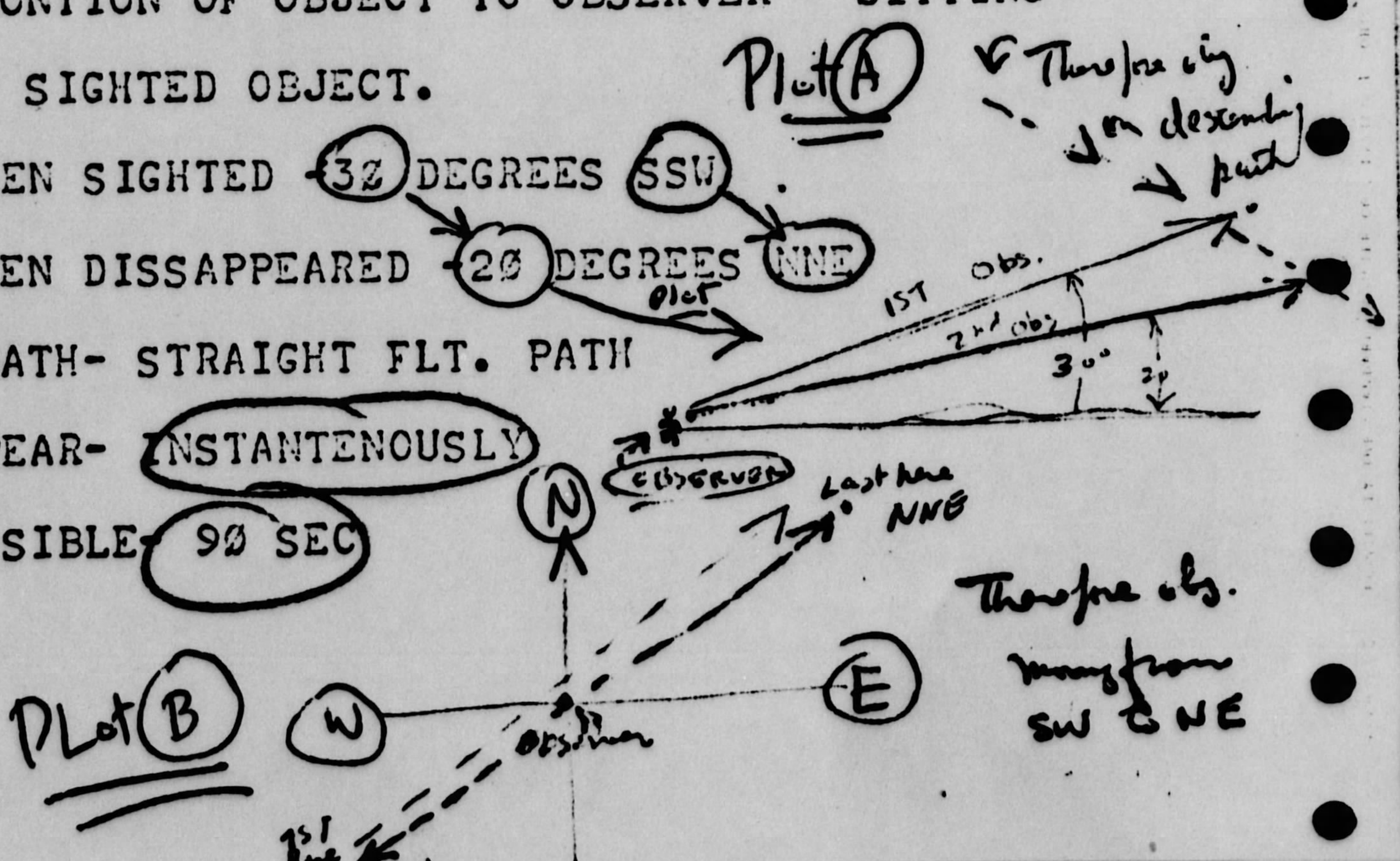
5. HOW DID OBJECT DISSAPPEAR- INSTANTENOUSLY

6. HOW LONG WAS OBJECT VISIBLE- 90 SEC

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION

1. GROUND VISUAL

2. NO OPTICAL AIDS USED



1 Witness

73/0300Z

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17 JUL 58 10 51

11 JUL 58

0:0

RC070

M SQC403 YMC355ZCZCAHA115AE003

RR RJEDDN RJEDSQ RJEPHQ

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R 142045Z

FM COMDR 752ND ACWRON EMPIRE AFS

TO RJEDDN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB

INFO RJDAH/COMDR 37TH ADIV TRUAX FLD

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UNCLAS/EMOPS 1098. INNO COMDR 1006TH AISS ENT AFB. ATTN: INTELLIGENCE

OFFICER TRUAX FLD. IN ACCORDANCE WITH PAR 15 AFR 200-) DATED 5

FEB 1958. AS AMENDED, THE FOLLOWING UFO REPORT IS SUBMITTED.

A. (1) ROUND

(2) ABOUT SIZE OF BASKETBALL, HOWEVER OBSERVER DID NOT HOLD AT
AT ARMS LENGTH.

(3) WHITE

(4) ONE (1)

large, if at arms length!

(6) NONE

7/6 So, would have covered
her entire range.

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(7) NONE

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

B. (1) SUDDEN APPEARANCE ON LARGE BRIGHT LIGHT IN SKY.

(2) VERY HIGH IN THE SOUTH

(3) OVER HARTON IN THE NORTH

(4) MOVED IN A CIRCULAR MOTION

(5) WAS VERY BRIGHT WHEN FADED FROM SIGHT OVER HORIZON

(6) TWO (2) MINUTES

C. (1) GROUND VISUAL

(2) NONE

(3) N/A

D. (1) 13/0300Z

(2) NIGHT

E. 84.25W, 44.52 N, 2 MILES EAST OF INTERSECTION ON MICHIGAN HIGHWAY
137 AND US HIGHWAY 31.

F. (1) MRS [REDACTED] AGE 22 ADDRESS [REDACTED]

OCCUPATION, HOUSE WIFE, ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY-UNKNOWN

(2) N/A

G. (1) WEATHER-CLEAR, VISIBILITY 15 MILES

7/6 high in the South -
was this near
the horizon near overhead?

When 1st Seen - in the South

when last seen - in the North

The upper
moving
from

South to
North

Inconsistent
Statement

Typical balloon motion
often at low altitude

7/6 it moved from far South
to North - in two minutes
must have been on a
straight line, yet Source
says circular travel

0300 - 6 = 2100 hrs
(9:00 PM Local)

Apparently from
the large size given
in A(2) above
object was at
low altitude

Source info.

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(2) CLEAR, VISIBILITY 15 MILES. WINDS ALOFT:

6,000-270-15-14

20,000-280-25-13

10,000-280-20-2

30,000-290-40-42

16,000-280-20-05

50,000-290-35-55

80,000 NOT AVAILABLE

(3) NONE

(4) 15 MILES

(5) NONE

(6) NONE

H. NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY NOTED

I. NO INTERCEPT ACTION

J. N/A

K. 1/LT JAMES S MCCORPIN DIRECTOR ON DUTY, NO FIRM CONCLUSIONS

CAN BE MADE OTHER THAN THE OBJECT BEING A FALLING STAR. ~~THE WERE NO~~

THE WERE NO RETURNS ON THIS UNITS RADAR AT TIME OF REPORTED SIGHTING

L. NONE

OT

15/1930Z JUL RJEDAH

NNNN

No! Not when ascending
large and in sight for 120 seconds!!

① Round
② White
③ Beshel ball size
④ Moved South to North
(in 2 minutes)
Straight line
⑤ moved in a circular
path
Other (Inconsistent info)
although report strongly
suggests a
balloon

⑥ Balloon released
at nearby
Alpina. (the
w/ sp. says)
winds, variable
in the North
mechanical if
seen.

Incl 3

1958 Δ (Rocket)

Passed east of Warren (185 miles)
at approx. 0236 Z 13 July at altitude
of about 140 miles. Could be seen
under normal atmospheric conditions.

Sighting

Warren, Ohio
81°W; 41°N

0240Z 13 Jul 58

1958 Δ (Satellite)

was off the coast of Antarctica at
0240 Z 13 July. (63°S; 110°E).

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1. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON CRYSTAL BALL (C) CRYSTAL BALL

2. LOCATION OF OBSERVATION: (C) WARREN OHIO

NNN

57 JUL 14 15:38

ZCZCSQP044X&1; 6.:097 YYB650ZCZCBWA072

RR RJEDDN RJEDSQ RJEPHQ

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TO RJEDDN/COMDR ADC

0240Z 13 JUL

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/UNCLASSIFIED/ INT 7-608 Cite UFOB REPORT.

A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT: (1) BALL SHAPED (2) SAME AS STAR OF
1ST MAGNITUDE (3) RED GLOW (4) ONE (5) NEG (6) NEG (7) FLASHING OR
PULSATING (8) NEG (9) NEG

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE: (1) UNKNOWN (2) UNKNOWN (3) FADE TO
NORTHEAST (4) SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST (5) INSTANTANEOUSLY TO NORTH
EAST (6) N/A

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION: (1) GROUND VISUAL (2) NEG (3) NEG

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING: (1) 0240Z 13 JULY 1958 (2) NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER(S): (1) WARREN OHIO

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER(S): (1) CIVILIAN,

[REDACTED], N/A, [REDACTED], PART-TIME STARGAZER (2) NEG

G. WEATHER: (1) NEG (2) WINDS ALOFT, 6,000 FEET, 270 DEGREES
AT 12 KNOTS, 10,000 FEET, 280 DEGREES AT 16 KNOTS, 16,000 FEET
280 DEGREES AT 20 KNOTS, 20,000 FEET, 270 DEGREES AT 25 KNOTS,
30,000, 250 DEGREES AT 50 KNOTS, 50,000 FEET, 250 DEGREES AT
40 KNOTS. (3) CLERA (4) 20 MILES (5) NEG (6) NEG

H. UNUSUAL ACTIVITY: NEG

I. NO ACTION TAKEN.

J. LOCATION OF AIR TRAFFIC IN THE AREA: MODERATE

K. 1ST LT. HOWARD H. KELLY, INTELLIGENCE OFFICER.

L. NEG PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

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14/1745Z JUL RJEDBW

Incl #3

Occupation?
Star-gazer!

Incl #2

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3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 14/0255Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 60-90 secs		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one			
		9. COURSE SW to NE			
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Rnd, white obj, size of a quarter, No trail, exhaust or sound. Obj was sighted near zenith & disappeared after moving fm SW to NE for 60 to 90 secs.				11. COMMENTS Limited info. Balloon might possibly account for sighting; however, the duration is rather short & the motion indicated appeared to be smooth rather than a flight that fluctuated. Also possible & more probable that the sighting was Sputnik III, however there is no confirming data. Also possible that the sighting was a/c. Case listed insufficient data.	

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Multi

73/02552 14 Jul

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NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE Mr. [REDACTED]	EVALUATION	SRI NO. CANCELED/INCOMPLETE
		SRI NO. ACTIVE
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON (Date)		

REFERENCES (AIR Subject, previous reports, etc., as applicable)

SUBJECT (Descriptive title. Use individual reports for separate subjects)

An unidentified flying object

SUMMARY (Give summary which highlights the salient factors of narrative report. Begin narrative text on AF Form 112a unless report can be fully stated on AF Form 112. List inclosures, including number of copies)

On the 14th day of July 1958 this station received a call from Grand Rapids Michigan GOC reporting that [REDACTED] - civilian and two other persons had sighted an unidentified flying object. Subject object was sighted on 14 Jul 58 at 0255Z. Description of object as follows:

One round shaped object, the size of a quarter. Color white. No trail, exhaust or sound. Object was sighted near zenith (within 10 deg.) and disappeared after moving from SW to NE for 60 to 90 seconds, then disappeared behind clouds. Location of observer was Grand Rapids Michigan. Weather conditions were as follows:

Broken ceiling.

Winds at 30,000 ft from 240 deg 20 knots.

40,000 ft from 270 deg 30 knots,

50,000 ft from 280 deg 20 knots, visibility 15 miles.

The sighting was reported through GOC, reliability reasonably good.

INCLS

Confirmed

02552-7 = 1955 Local (PM)
Additional Checks Later
Ben released at 2400 (0000 midnight)
from Milwaukee 62 miles away
and SW of Grand Rapids.

Not enough from data to work with. Left as is.

① white round, light - no sound or trail
= this is generally known

② moved SW to NE

③ Weather plot (U.S. Weather Bureau) shows winds were blowing from the SW - to - NE at that time - at 30,000 feet and lower.

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