

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 12 August, 1960		2. LOCATION Quincy, Massachusetts		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0105 GMT 12/0605Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☒ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	9. COURSE Varied		
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Dark object with red and white lights. Disappeared by fading out. Two to four hundred feet thick and shaped like two plates one inverted on top of the other. Top plate had a bell shaped dome on top of it. Appeared 92 deg from true North 40 deg elevation. Disappeared 102 deg from true North at 30 deg elevation from horizon.			11. COMMENTS Witnesses were probably viewing a helicopter and flashing lights being the anti-collision lights and white lights being the running lights. The fact that this object was viewed with optical aids is not being discounted but the distance and haze could be responsible for lack of identification (or misidentification) not to mention the contribution of excitement of the young witnesses. The movement of the object and the location of a Naval station in the direction of the sighting tends to substantiate this conclusion.		

[REDACTED]

August 13, 1960

Commanding Officer
Hanscom Air Force Base
Bedford, Massachusetts

Dear Sir;

This letter refers to the telephone call that you received on 12 August, 1960, concerning a probable U.F.O. sighting over the Quincy, Massachusetts area. Enclosed is a copy of the U.S. Air Force Technical Information Sheet, Form A.

Would you please forward this report to the Air Technical Intelligence Center. Thank-you.

Sincerely yours

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]ts
August 13, 1960

Air Technical Intelligence Center

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herein is a copy of the U.S. Air Force Technical Information Sheet, Form A.

The U.F.O. was sighted in 12, August, 1960, at 1:05 A.M. in the southeastern quadrant of the sky, approximately 400 above the horizon.

It was sighted by the following 6 persons, while observing the Perseids Meteor Shower:

[REDACTED]

At first the object was thought to be an airplane, but because it lacked both sound and a specific course, we observed it with 7 power, 50 millimeter binoculars, which were being used to observe meteors. In the binoculars, which have a 71° field, the object filled 1/4 of the apparent field of view. At the time, 1:05 A.M., the object was in a darker portion of the sky. The object appeared as 2 bright lights which were red, one on the front of the object, and the other one was on the back of the object. White lights appeared in pairs, on either side of the craft.

The object was then viewed in a 3" F. 10.5 Reflecting Telescope and the same was seen in the binoculars.

It moved steadily at a low angle, about 40° above the horizon, and when it was in the southwestern section of the sky, it stopped, and the red lights on the bottom started to revolve steadily, and increased the number of r.e.m. This was first seen with the binoculars by [REDACTED] and subsequently by the rest of the group. When [REDACTED] observed it, the back right side was tilted up and a portion of a dark disk was seen, also an indication of white light. The object leveled off so the disk was once more invisible.

Then the object gradually speeded up the r.m. of the red lights decreased, and it headed from the west to the north, and then to the east, completing its first circle.

The object then ~~completed~~ headed from the east to south, but this time it was caught in the moon's glare. The reflected sunlight dimmed the red light and also the white light and the profile of the object was visible.

This complete profile was first seen by [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Jr. did not see the profile as by the time they had the binoculars, and telescopes in the area the object had moved out of the moon's glare. I did not see it because I was in the front of the house, under a streetlight setting my camera, so I could take a picture of the object. The object then headed south where I photographed it using a 10 second exposure.

The object then headed west where we tried to signal it with a high powered flashlight. We signaled it in a series of dots and dashes, signaling either faster or slower according to the r.p.m. of the red lights. Then the object headed north and from there it headed east where it faded out rapidly as if by increasing distance.

This extra report was made to give a brief summary of the entire sighting.

I think there is an excellent possibility that I obtained a photograph of the object. If so the object will be elongated as I used a ten second exposure, without tracking, so the object crossed the field. The camera uses 616 film, and has either time or instant exposures.

I will not have the film developed, so that if you need it in the future, you can send for it, and process it yourself, to avoid carelessness.

Yours truly,

[REDACTED]

HEADQUARTERS
3245TH OPERATIONS GROUP
3245TH AIR BASE WING
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
LAURENCE G. HANSCOM FIELD, BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS

REPLY TO
ATTN OF:

CWOB/MSgt McLennan/3309

9 Sep 1960

SUBJECT:

Unidentified Flying Object Report

TO:

Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

The inclosed UFO Report is forwarded for evaluation in accordance with paragraph 14 b, AFR 200-2, for further analysis.

Kenneth J. Benoit

KENNETH J. BENOIT, Major, USAF
Chief, Base Operations Division

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1. USAF Tech Info Sheet
2. Ltr fr [REDACTED]
3. UFO Summary, 12 Aug 1960

U.S. Air Force Technical Information Sheet

Form A

Sighting of U.F.O. on August 12, 1960 by the following:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

COPY

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

FORM A

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes, and will be regarded as confidential material. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that, if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?
13th August 1960
 DAY MONTH YEAR
2. Time of day: 0100 5
 HOUR MINUTES
 (Circle One): A.M. or P.M.
3. Time zone:
 (Circle One): a. Eastern
 b. Central
 c. Mountain
 d. Pacific
 e. Other _____
 (Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
 b. Standard
4. Where were you when you saw the object?
[REDACTED] [REDACTED] Mass.
 NEAREST POSTAL ADDRESS CITY OR TOWN STATE OR COUNTRY
 Additional remarks: In backyard shielded from
artificial light
5. Estimate how long you saw the object. - 10 -
 HOURS MINUTES SECONDS
 5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.
 a. Certain (Wristwatch) c. Not very sure
 b. Fairly certain d. Just a guess
6. What was the condition of the sky?
 (Circle One): a. Bright Daylight
 b. Dull Daylight
 c. bright twilight
 d. Just a trace of daylight
 e. No trace of daylight
 f. Don't Remember
7. If you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, ~~or DAYLIGHT~~ or TWILIGHT, or DAWN, WHERE was the Sun located as you located looked at the object?
 (Circle One): a. In front of you
 b. In back of you
 c. To your right
 d. to your left
 e. Overhead
 f. Don't remember

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
- b. A few
- c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
- b. Dull moonlight
- c. No moonlight - pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

a. Yes

b. No

c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?

b. Several blocks away?

c. A block away?

d. Several yards away?

e. Other _____

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | |
|---|------------|-----------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |

12. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly, a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes No Don't Know. If you answered YES, tell what it moved behind: _____

13. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly, a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes No Don't Know. If you answered YES, tell what it moved in front of: _____

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One): a. Solid? b. Transparent? c. Don't Know

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

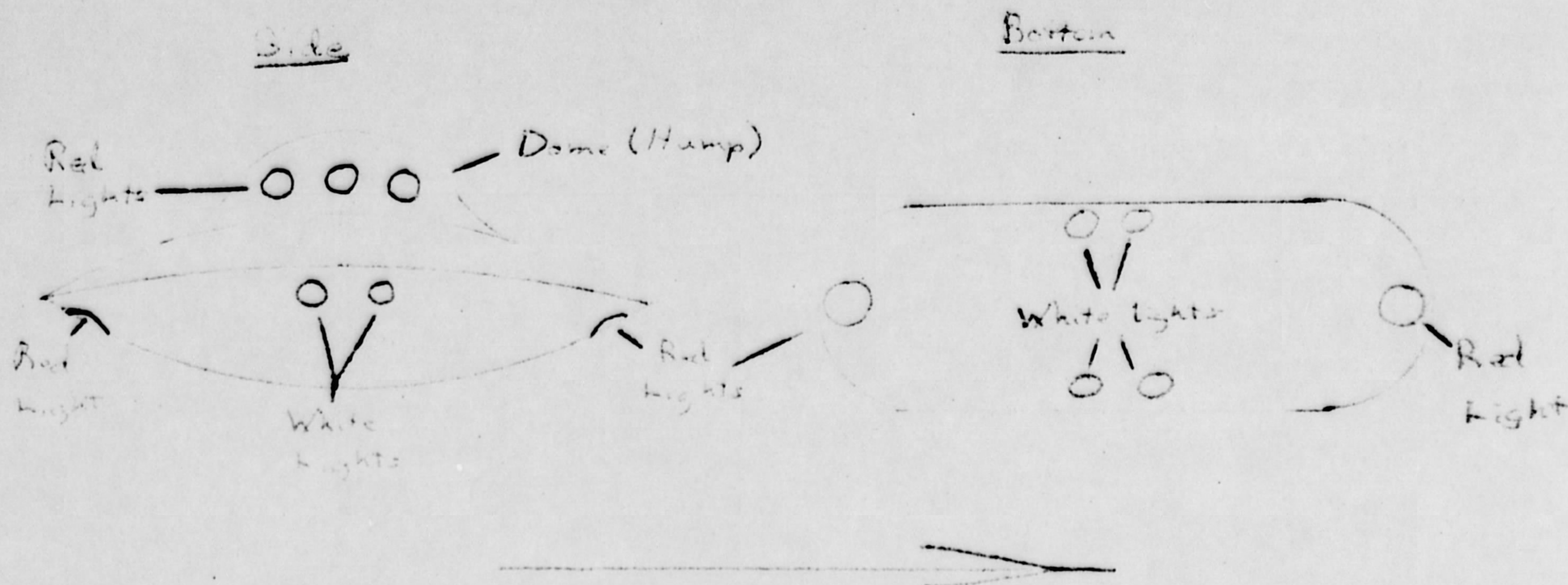
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|-----------------|-----|-----------|---------------|------------------|-----------|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | <u>No</u> | e. Binoculars | <u>Yes</u> | No |
| b. Sunglasses | Yes | <u>No</u> | f. Telescope | <u>Yes</u> | No |
| c. Windshield | Yes | <u>No</u> | g. Theodolite | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| d. Window glass | Yes | <u>No</u> | h. Other | <u>Naked eye</u> | |

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

a. Sound None

b. COLOR Object was dark, Had red + white lights

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include any details of the object that you ~~saw~~ saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



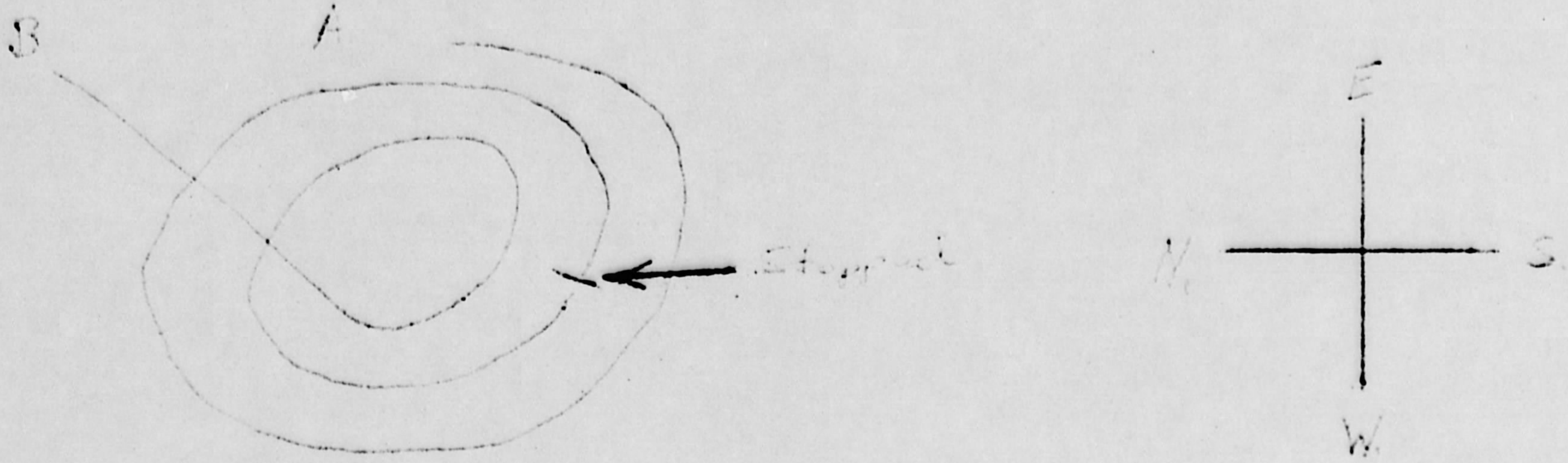
18. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
 - b. Like a bright star
 - c. Sharply outlined
 - d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

19. 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 that they were traveled.

20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension. 200 to 400 feet.
22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects held in the hand and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

- | | |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| a. Head of a pin | g. Silver dollar |
| b. Pea | h. Baseball |
| c. Dime | i. Grapefruit |
| d. Nickel | j. Basketball |
| e. Quarter | k. Other _____ |
| f. <u>Half dollar</u> | |

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 2-22- 22.)

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

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? Faded out

~~22.2~~

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw?

A. Some type of metal. B. Two to four hundred feet long and some fifty to hundred feet thick. It was shaped like two plates, one inverted atop of the other. The plates carried a ball shaped dome on top of it.

25. ~~Where~~ Where were you located when you saw the object? 26. Were you (Circle One):
- a. Inside a building?
 - b. In a car?
 - c. Outdoors?
 - d. In an airplane?
 - e. At sea?
 - f. Other _____
- (26) a. In the business section of the city
- b. In the residential section of the city
- c. In open countryside
- d. Flying near an airfield
- e. Flying over a city.
- f. Flying over open country.
- g. Other _____

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and ~~what~~ how did you happen to notice it? ~~6 of us were watching the Perseid meteor shower and spotted a group of fast moving red lights~~

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

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

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

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?
(Circle One) Yes NO

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

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

30. What direction were you looking when you ~~first~~ last saw the object? (Circle One)

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

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular directions), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

31.1 When it first appeared:

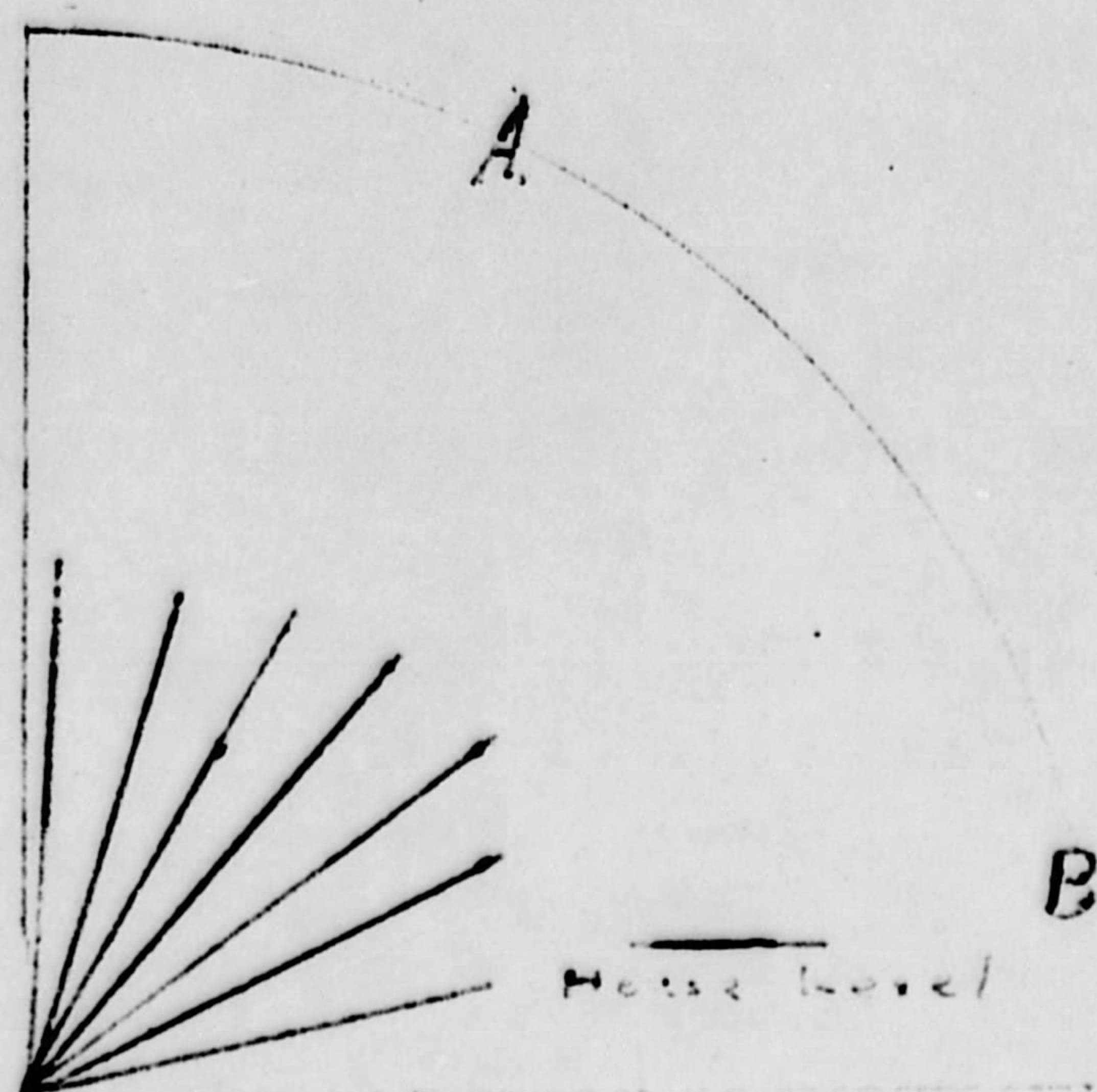
- a. From true North 9.2 degrees.
- b. From horizon 40 degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 14.2 degrees.
- b. From horizon 30 degrees.

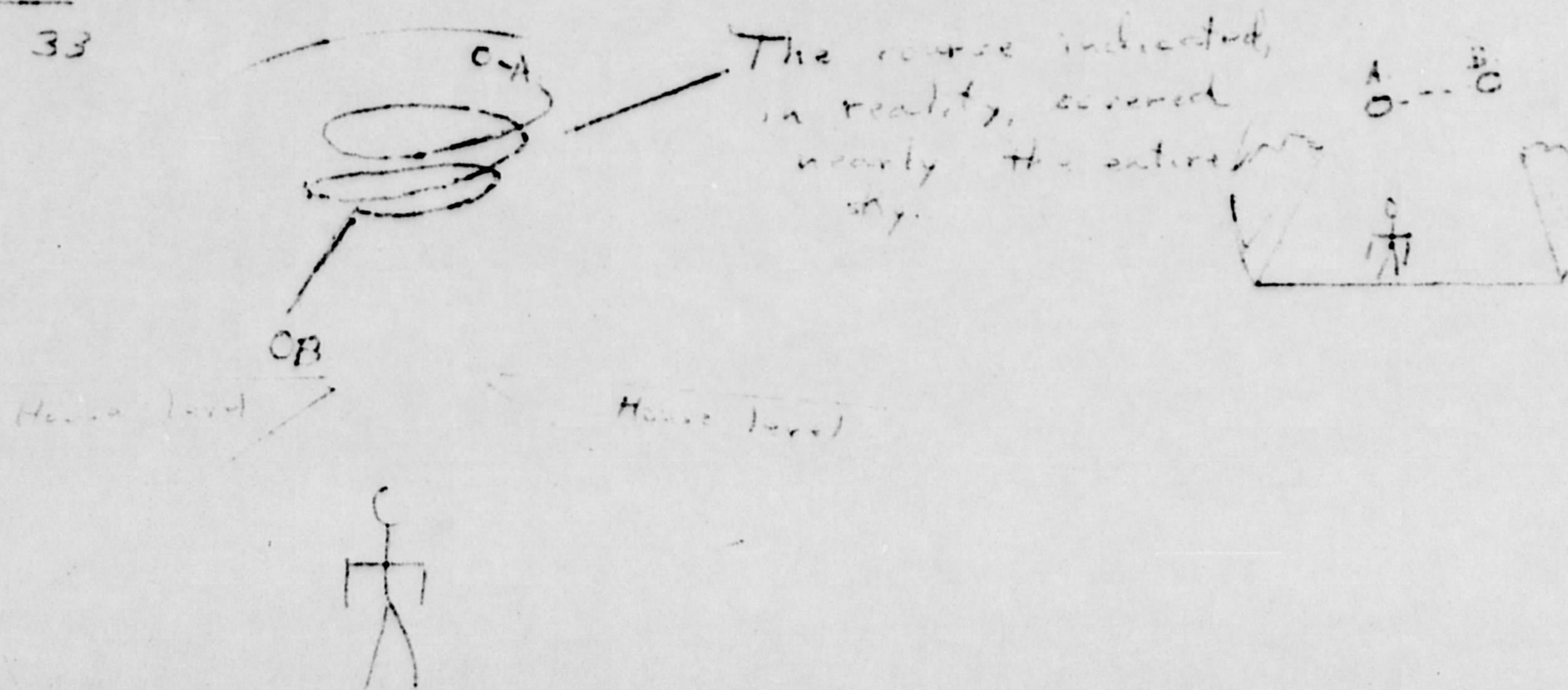
32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you first saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you last saw it.

This is a
rough copy of
question 32 in your
standard information
sheet.



33. In the following larger 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. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.

The following is
a rough copy of
question 33



- We think it was an alien craft for the following reasons:
- A. Abnormal flight: stopping and hovering, ascending &c. It was not following any kind of flight plan whatsoever, such as used by conventional aircraft.
 - B. Light that was variable in speed, sometimes revolving, sometimes steady. This resembles the red lights only.

39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____ m.p.h.

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered Yes, how far away would you say it was? _____ feet

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name
ADDRESS _____
Street City Zone State
TELEPHONE _____

What is your present job? _____

Age 15 Sex Male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school _____ e.e. Technical school _____
b. High school _____ (Type) _____
c. College _____ f. Other Special training _____
d. Post graduate _____

42. Date your completion of this questionnaire: _____

Day

Month

year

Names and Ages of Other Observers

Names	Ages	Phone No.
_____	13 years	_____
_____	8 years	_____
_____	11 years	_____
_____	12 years	_____
_____	14 years	_____

(GR-2, GR-9 = Granite, PR-3 = President)

Note:
As stated in summary I have a possible
magnitude of the UFO which I am hoping to develop,
so that if and when you agree it you can and for
it and because it is possible to avoid a costly
mistake.

UFO ANALYSIS SHEET

Location Quincy, Mass

Date (Local) 12 Aug 60 Hour (Local) 0105

Hour (Z Time Group) 120605Z Aug 60

Satellite: (Det 5 ATIC, Ext 3279) -----

Astronomical Phenomena (Meteor, Comet, Planet, etc) -----

Radar Analysis (AFCIN-4E1) N/A

Natural Phenomena (Ball Lightning, etc) -----

Aircraft, Balloons, Airships, etc. ----- POSSIBLY HELICOPTER

Other Prob overactive imagination

Evaluation of Source Reliability Unknown

Analysis and Conclusions: The sky conditions was reported to be hazy with mist, and dull moonlight with many stars showing. . .

IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THESE WITNESSES WERE VIEWING A HELICOPTER .. THE RED FLASHING LIGHT BEING THE ANTI-COLLISION LIGHT AND THE WHITE LIGHTS THE RUNNING LIGHTS. THE FACT THAT THIS OBJECT WAS VIEWED WITH OPTICAL AIDS IS NOT BEING DISCOUNTED - BUT DISTANCE AND THE HAZE COULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR LACK OF IDENTIFICATION - NOT TO MENTION THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE EXCITEMENT OF THESE YOUNG WITNESSES. THE ANTI-COLLISION OF THE OBJECT, THE LOCATION OF A NAVAL STATION IS THE DIRECTION OF THE OBJECTS FROM THE BOYS TENDS TO SUBSTANTIATE THIS CONCLUSION -

James

Red Bluff Area, California

12-20 Aug 60

Separate Folder