

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 23 Aug 60		2. LOCATION Wichita, Kansas		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 Local 0324 GMT 23/0924Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Large sphere shape with 3 triangular lights, size of golf ball. Yellow lights from 3 light sources (windows) 1/10 size of sphere. Overall color of sphere--dull orange. Appearance similar to a Japanese lantern. Sighted 040° fm a northerly direction. Disappeared 045° fm a northerly direction. The object flew a pursuit curve on Echo.				11. COMMENTS Witness could see light sources well enough to determine exact shape and indicate the size to be 1/10 that of the object, but was unable to give any real detail concerning other portions of object. Witness indicates object was very close or very large--it is hard to understand how this obviously trained witness would not have made a better rpt. Object of this sighting was probably an a/c. ie tanker with its special lights on while the crew was trying for a better view of Echo. In view of fact that this witness should have been familiar with such an object, this case classed Unidentified.	

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OSAF FOR SAFIS. CSUSAF FOR AFCIN. SUBJECT: UFO. FOLLOWING
REPORT IS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 15, AFR 200-2.

- A. (1) LARGE SPHERE THREE TRIANGULAR LIGHTS. (2) GOLF BALL
(3) YELLOW LIGHTS FROM THREE LIGHT SOURCES. OVERALL COLOR OF
SPHERE DULL ORANGE. (4) ONE (5) ONE (6) LARGE SPHERE WITH
THREE LIGHT SOURCES (WINDOWS) WINDOW SIZE APPROXIMATELY ONE
TENTH SIZE OF SPHERE. (7) NONE (8) NONE 9) APPEARANCE SIMILAR
TO A JAPANESE LANTERN. B. (1) LOOKING FOR SATELLITE ECHO.
(2) 343 DEGREES (3) 245 DEGREES. (4) PURSUIT CURVE ON ECHO.

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(5) NORMAL SPEED ABOUT FIVE MINUTES BEFORE ECHO. (6) TWO MINUTES. C. (1) GROUND VISUAL (2) NONE (3) N/A. D. (1) 0324 HOURS TO 0326 HOURS 23 AUGUST 1960. (2) NIGHT. E. WICHITA, KANSAS. F. CIVILIAN ~~CHAS. J. WILSON~~, AGE 37 YEARS, ~~WICHITA~~ WICHITA 20, KANSAS. OCCUPATION AERONAUTICAL ENGINEER PRIMARY DESIGN, BOEING AIRCRAFT CORPORATION. G. (1) CLEAR. (2) SURFACE WIND SOUTHEAST 6 TO 7 KNOTS. 6,000 FEET 180 DEGREES AT 30 KNOTS. 10,000 FEET 340 DEGREES AT 5 KNOTS. 16,000 FEET 360 DEGREES AT 10 KNOTS. 20,000 FEET 300 DEGREES AT 20 KNOTS. 30,000 FEET 310 DEGREES AT 30 KNOTS. 40,000 FEET 300 DEGREES AT 35 KNOTS. 60,000 FEET 200 DEGREES AT 10 KNOTS. (3) UNLIMITED (4) 15 NM (5) NONE (6) NONE (7) 78 DEGREES F. H. NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY. K. NONE. J. NONE. K. PREPARING OFFICER: CHIEF, PREDICTION AND INTERPRETATION BRANCH, INTELLIGENCE DIVISION. POSSIBLE SATELLITE OTHER THAN SATELLITE ECHO. L. NONE.

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ATIC, W-P AFB

TO:

McCONNELL AFB, KANSAS

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/UNCLASSIFIED/FROM: AFCIN-4E2x 8-2570-E

HQ 4347TH CCRTNGWG. YOUR MSG DCOI 5308, DTD 23 AUG 60, RPTG THE SIGHTING OF AN UFO. THE INFO RPTD IS LIMITED IN NATURE, THEREFORE REQ A FURTHER INVESTIGATION BE MADE AND MORE DETAILED INFO BE FWD TO ATIC. ALSO REQ A CHECK BE MADE TO DETERMINE IF THERE WERE ANY OTHER WITNESSES TO THE SIGHTING. IF THERE WERE, REQ THE INFO BE RPTD IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2, DTD 14 SEP 59.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

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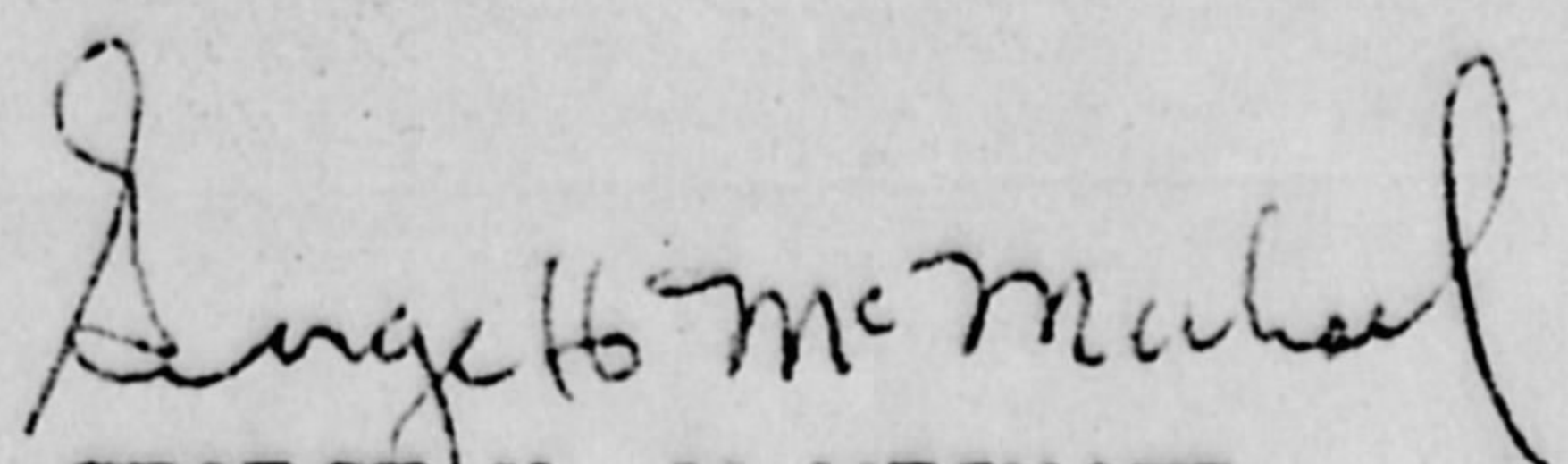
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SUBJECT: UFO

TO: ATIC
Wright-Patterson AFB
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The attached report is submitted in response to your message, AFCIN-4E2X3-2570-E, dated 26 August 1960.

FOR THE COMMANDER



GEORGE H. McMICHAEL
Lt Col, USAF
Chief, Intelligence Division

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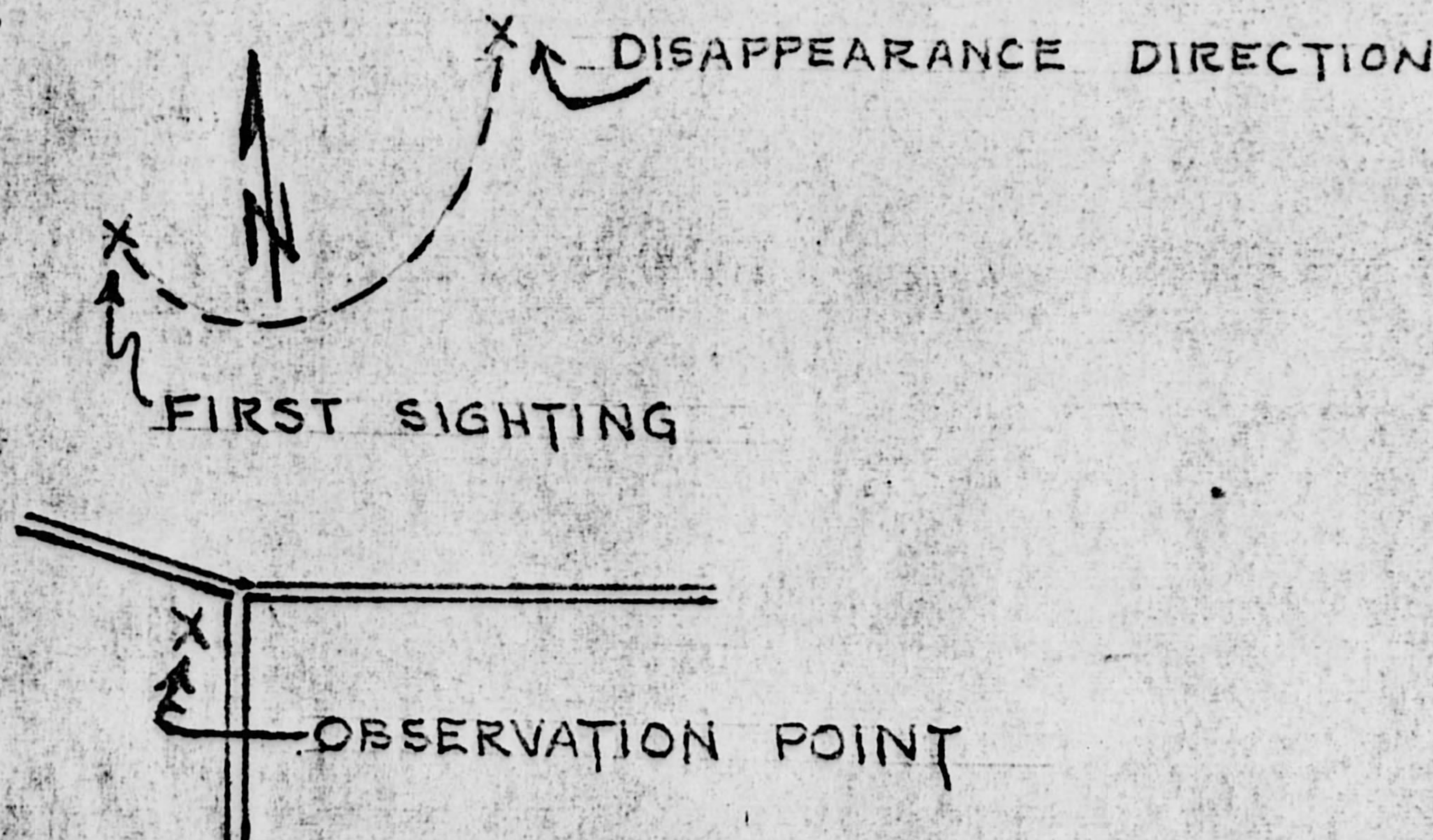
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AREA REPORTED ON		FROM (Agency) Commander, 4347 CCRTNGWG McConnell AFB, Kansas
DATE OF REPORT 30 August 1960	DATE OF INFORMATION 23 August 1960	EVALUATION F-6
PREPARED BY (Officer) FRANK A. PFEFFER, Major, USAF		SOURCE Civilian
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)		

HQ 4347TH CCRTNGWG Msg DCOI 5308 dated 23 Aug 60.

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.)

1. Reference your message 4E2X8-2570E, 26 August 1960. A further investigation as to other sightings and witnesses regarding UFO seen 23 August 1960 has been completed with negative results. (The first investigation included interrogation of B-47 crew members airborne at time of Mr. [REDACTED] sighting and a check with ground radar site in the Hutchinson, Wichita area).

21 [REDACTED], age 37 years, and family ([REDACTED]-wife-age 34 years) ([REDACTED] daughter - age 12) and ([REDACTED] daughter-age 10) were on the front lawn of their home, [REDACTED], Wichita 20, Kansas, observing satellite Echo on the night of 23 August 1960 when they noticed an object coming from approximately a northerly direction at an angle of 040° elevation. They reported that UFO turned slowly in a large radius and disappeared about 005° north of satellite Echo at an angle of 045° elevation. The course of the UFO was smooth with no accelerations, power spurts, etc. The UFO was observed for a period of two minutes (0324 hours to 0326 hours) and appeared to be in the shape of a sphere about the size of a golf ball when held at arms length. Three triangular shaped lights, each about one tenth the size of the sphere, were seen which created an aurora in their direction. The remainder of the sphere was dark and the three lights although yellow in nature gave the sphere an overall effect of a dull orange color.



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SHAPE AND LOCATION OF TRIANGULAR LIGHT SOURCE

4. It is the opinion of the preparing officer that the UFO was another satellite other than satellite Echo.

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SUBJECT: UFO

1. The following report is submitted in accordance with paragraph 15, AFR 200-2.

a. Description of the Object:

- (1) Shape: Large sphere - three triangular lights.
- (2) Size: Golf ball.
- (3) Color: Yellow lights from three light sources. Overall color of sphere - dull orange.
- (4) Number: One
- (5) Formation, if more than one. N/A
- (6) Any discernable features or details: Large sphere with three light sources (windows). Window size approximately one tenth size of sphere.
- (7) Tail, trail or exhaust: None.
- (8) Sound: None.
- (9) Other pertinent or unusual features: Appearance similar to a Japanese lantern.

b. Description of Course of Object:

- (1) What first called attention of observers to object: Observer was looking for satellite Echo.
- (2) Angle and azimuth of object when first observed: 040° from a northerly direction.
- (3) Angle and azimuth of object upon disappearance: 045° from a northerly direction.
- (4) Description of flight path and maneuvers of object: The object flew a pursuit curve on Echo.
- (5) How did the object disappear: Normal speed about five minutes before Echo.
- (6) How long was the object visible: Two minutes.

c. Manner of Observation:

- (1) Ground-visual.
- (2) Optical aids used: None
- (3) N/A

d. Time and Date of Sighting:

- (1) 0324 hours to 0326 hours 23 August 1960.
- (2) Light conditions: Night.

e. Location of Observers: Wichita, Kansas

f. Identifying Information on Observers:

- (1) Civilian-██████████, age 37 years, ██████████, ██████████, Wichita 20, Kansas. Occupation: Aeronautical Engineer (Primary Design), Boeing Aircraft Corporation. Object was also observed by his wife ██████████, age 34 and daughters, ██████████, age 12 and ██████████, age 10. Reliability cannot be judged.
- (2) N/A.

g. Weather and Winds:

- (1) Observers account of weather conditions: Clear.
- (2) Surface wind southeast 6 to 7 knots.

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g. Weather and Winds (Continued)

6,000' 180° at 30 knots. 16,000' 360° at 10 knots.
 10,000' 340° at 5 knots.
 20,000' 300° at 20 knots.
 30,000' 310° at 30 knots.
 40,000' 300° at 35 knots.
 60,000' 200° at 10 knots.

- (3) Ceiling: Unlimited
- (4) Visibility: 15 NM
- (5) Amount of cloud cover: None
- (6) Thunderstorms in area and quadrant in which located: None
- (7) Temperature: 78° F.

h. Any other unusual activity: None

i. Interception or identification action taken: None

j. Location, approximate altitude, and general direction of flight of any air traffic or balloon releases in the area which could possibly account for the sighting: None.

k. Preparing officer: Chief, Prediction and Interpretation Branch, Intelligence Division.

Comments: Possible satellite other than satellite Echo.

l. Existence of physical evidence, such as materials and photographs: None.

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INDICATES THE OBJECT WAS VERY
CLOSE OR VERY LARGE BY ITS
ESTIMATE OF A GOLF BALL
AT ARMS LENGTH IT IS
HARD TO UNDERSTAND HOW THIS
OBVIOUSLY TRAINED WITNESS WOULD
NOT HAVE MADE A BETTER REPORT.
IT IS PROBABLE THAT THE OBJECT
OF THIS SIGHTING WAS AN
AIRCRAFT, I.E. TANKER, WITH ITS
SPECIAL LIGHTS ON WHILE THE
CREW WAS TRYING FOR A BETTER
VIEW OF ECHO. HOWEVER IN
VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THIS
WITNESS SHOULD HAVE BEEN FAMILIAR
WITH SUCH AN OBJECT THIS CASE
IS CLAIMED "UNIDENTIFIED."

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UFO ANALYSIS SHEET

Location WICHITA, KANSAS

Date (Local) 23 August 60 Hour (Local) 0324

Hour (Z Time Group) _____

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. _____

Other _____

Evaluation of Source Reliability POSSIBLY GOOD —

Analysis and Conclusions:

THIS REPORT CONTAINS MUCH INFORMATION BUT SOME IS RATHER HARD TO ACCEPT. THE WITNESS COULD SEE THE LIGHT SOURCES WELL ENOUGH TO DETERMINE THEIR EXACT SHAPES, INDICATED THEIR SIZE TO BE $\frac{1}{16}$ THAT OF THE OBJECT, BUT WAS UNABLE TO GIVE ANY REAL DETAIL CONCERNING OTHER DETAILS OF THE OBJECT. THE OBJECT WAS IN SIGHT TWO MINUTES AND MUST SURELY HAVE BEEN TRAVELING AT GREAT SPEED, BUT THE WITNESS DIDN'T MENTION THIS FACT. (THE OBJECT MUST SURELY HAVE FADED IN THIS TIME AFTER BEING CLOSE ENOUGH FOR THE SHAPE OF THE