

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 15 September 1963		2. LOCATION Vandalia, Ohio		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other <u>UNIDENTIFIED</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1800 GMT 15/2300Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS two		9. COURSE NE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Two objects observed just after sunset in the West. Looked about as bright as the sun just before setting. Solid. Appeared to be standing still. Changed brightness just before disappearing. Changed shape. Color bright gold. Both objects faded quickly but at different times. Observation momentarily interrupted by tree. No sound. One obj compared to bent banana, other to ear of corn. No wings, protrusions, no vapor trail or exhaust. Banana grew thicker, corn short-lived. Observation from second story porch facing West. No estimate on speed. One object proved stationary, believed to be at least 15 miles away. 2nd object in flight from West to North.				11. COMMENTS Possibility that one object was a/c. However there is insufficient data to confirm this analysis. Case is listed as UNIDENTIFIED.	

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U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

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. 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?

15 Sep 63
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 1800

Hour Minutes

(Sunset)

(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?

(See item 32)

Nearest Postal Address

Vandalia

City or Town

Ohio

State or County

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration)

Hours Minutes Seconds

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain

☒ c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined? Estimated

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes _____ No ☒

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY
☒ a. Bright
b. Cloudy

NIGHT
☒ a. Bright
b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): ☒ a. In front of you
b. In back of you
c. To your right

(just after sunset, during twilight)
d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, 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. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS (Circle One):

- ☒ a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER (Circle One):

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

10. The object appeared: (Circle One):

- ☒ a. Solid
- b. Transparent
- c. Vapor
- d. As a light
- e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? (Circle One):

- ☒ a. Brighter *very much*
- b. Dimmer
- c. About the same
- d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

Sun, just before setting. Bright gold, but one can look at it.

12. 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 _____

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | |
|---|--|---|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time? | ☒ Yes <i>at first</i> | ☐ No | Don't know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No <i>slow</i> | Don't know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No | Don't know |
| d. Give off smoke? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No | Don't know |
| e. Change brightness? <i>increased at the end</i> | ☒ Yes | ☐ No | Don't know |
| f. Change shape? | ☒ Yes | ☐ No | Don't know |
| g. Flash or flicker? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No | Don't know |
| h. Disappear and reappear? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No | Don't know |

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

*faded gradually
Both disappeared or at least faded, but at different times.*

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

(Circle One): Yes ☒ No ☐ Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind:

Observation interrupted by a tree momentarily.

16. 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, then tell what in front of:

Observation momentarily interrupted by a tree.

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

Same

a. Sound *No sound*

b. Color *Gold in color like sun just before setting*

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

One was like a large banana, the other like a large ear of corn in comparison to the match head.

19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you 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.

*Like -
One was large banana, with a slight bend. The other was more like a large ear of corn. No wings, protrusions, or exhaust / vapor trails. The banana-like object later grew thicker. The corn-like object was short-lived in duration.*

20. 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? _____

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

(Circle One)

☒ Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? at least 15 miles

22. Where were you located when you saw the object?

(Circle One):

a. Inside a building

b. In a car

c. Outdoors

d. In an airplane (type)

e. At sea

f. Other Second story porch, facing west

23. 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. Near an airfield?

e. Flying over a city?

f. Flying over open country?

g. Other _____

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

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

a. North

c. East

e. South

g. West

b. Northeast

d. Southeast

f. Southwest

h. Northwest

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

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

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

a. Eyeglasses

Yes

No

e. Binoculars

Yes

No

b. Sun glasses

Yes

No

f. Telescope

Yes

No

c. Windshield

Yes

No

g. Theodolite

Yes

No

d. Window glass

Yes

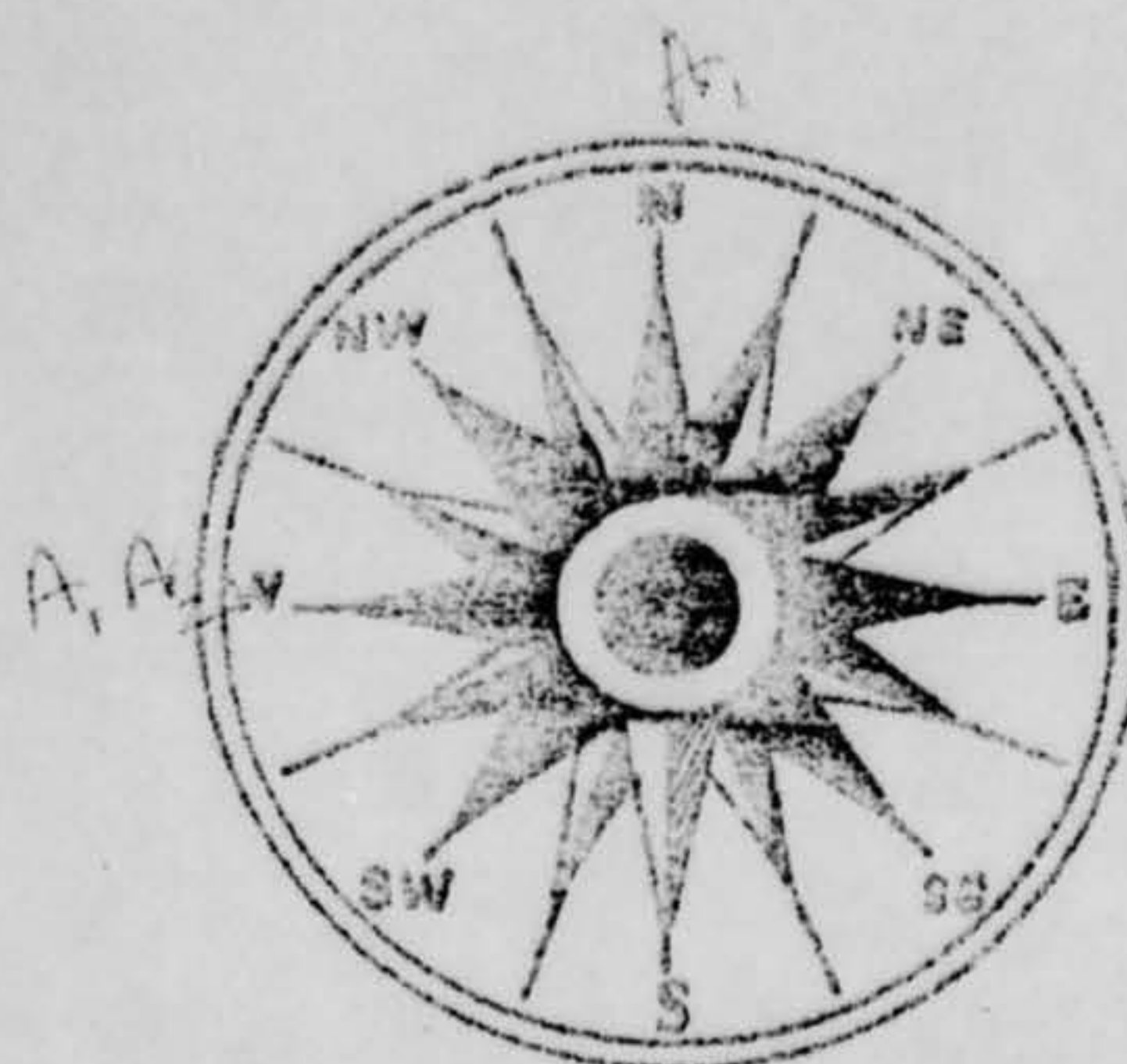
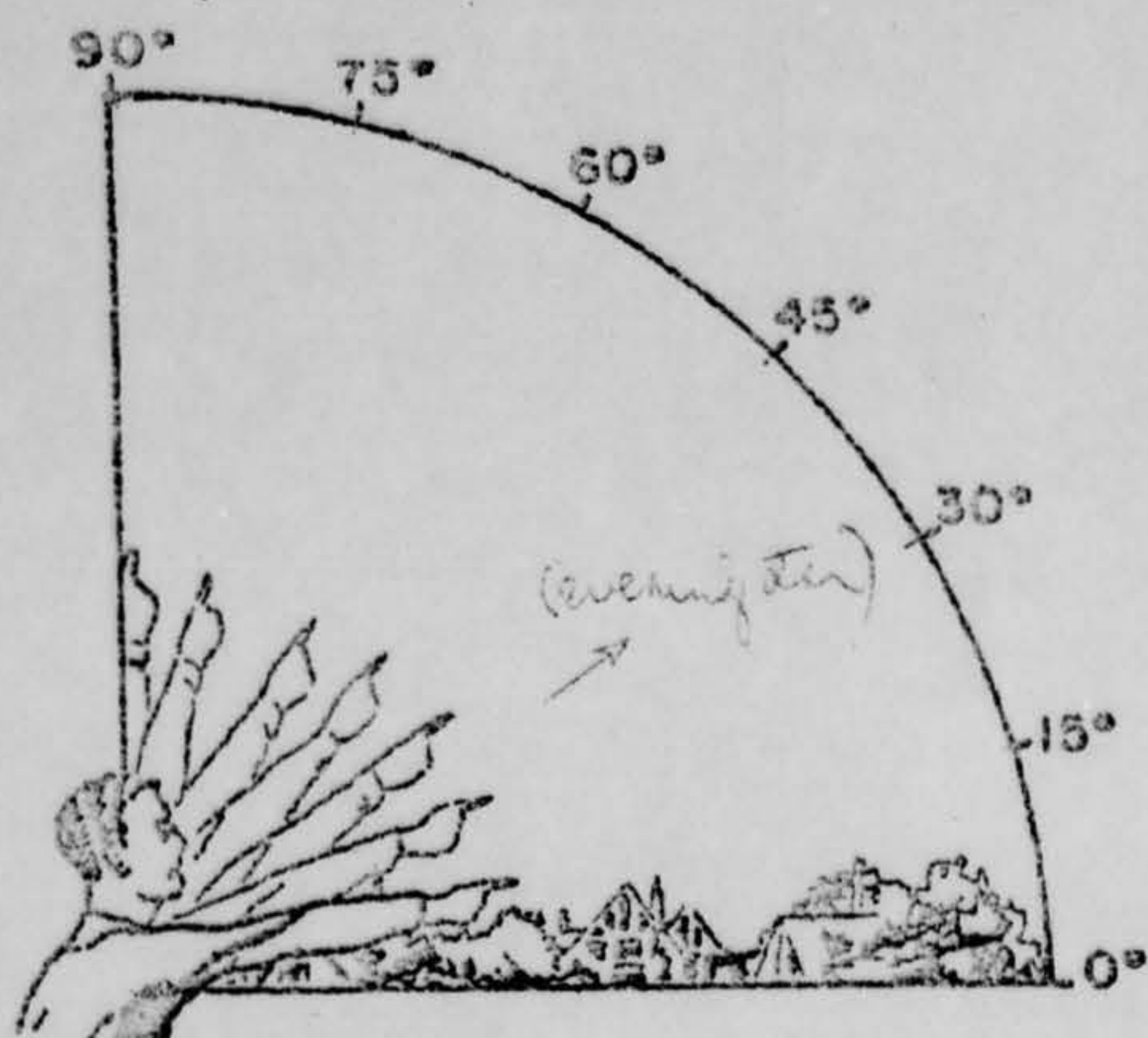
No

h. Other Naked eye

26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, 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.

One was like a large banana, the other like a large car yawn

27. 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. Place an "A" on the compass when you first saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you last saw the object.



28. 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.

29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? two

Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

At first they were close to each other and almost still.
Then as they slowly gathered speed, they crossed ~~on~~ their path.

Shortly afterwards, one of the objects ~~appeared~~ faded from view.

The second object continued on its path toward the north,
being observed for a total period of 10 minutes.

Both first appeared in the vicinity of the one that had just set.

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

No

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? (Circle One) ☒ Yes ☐ No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? (Circle One) ☒ Yes ☐ No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Her granddaughter, [REDACTED] (aged 17), who
lives about a mile from her. (See below, item 32)

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Last Name First Name Middle Name
ADDRESS [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
City Zone State
TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED] AGE 64 SEX Female

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

15
Day

Sep
Month

63
Year

soon after witnessing
incident.

to FID. Duty Agent, by telephone

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

15 Sep 63
Day Month Year

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

This form was filled out by Capt de Leon, the FTD duty officer,
while conversing over the telephone with Mrs. ~~REDACTED~~