

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE, TIME GROUP 2 May 1964	2. LOCATION Sumner, New Mexico
3. SOURCE	10. CONCLUSION
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	INFORMATION ONLY
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	This case was reported in March-April 1966. Since the actual sighting had occurred some time ago it is almost impossible to check it out. Also due to the time lag the pertinent data has probably become distorted. Therefore this case is considered <u>Information Only</u>.
7. COURSE	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☐ No	

8. The estimate of times, angles, and speeds places the lights about 10,000 feet in the air moving at 130 mph: is there any reason to think they could not have been, say, at 50,000 feet moving at 650 mph?

9. What was the sky condition? Was the moon out?

Finally, a few questions relating to the witnesses:

1. Where were you and who was with you at the time of the sighting?
2. Have you since heard of anyone else who saw the same things?
3. Have you seen anything similar since the original sightings?

It is probably true that the above questions have left out items which you may consider important; that is why you are being asked, not to fill out a standard report form again, but to relate the events in your own words and in your own way, using the questions as a guide.

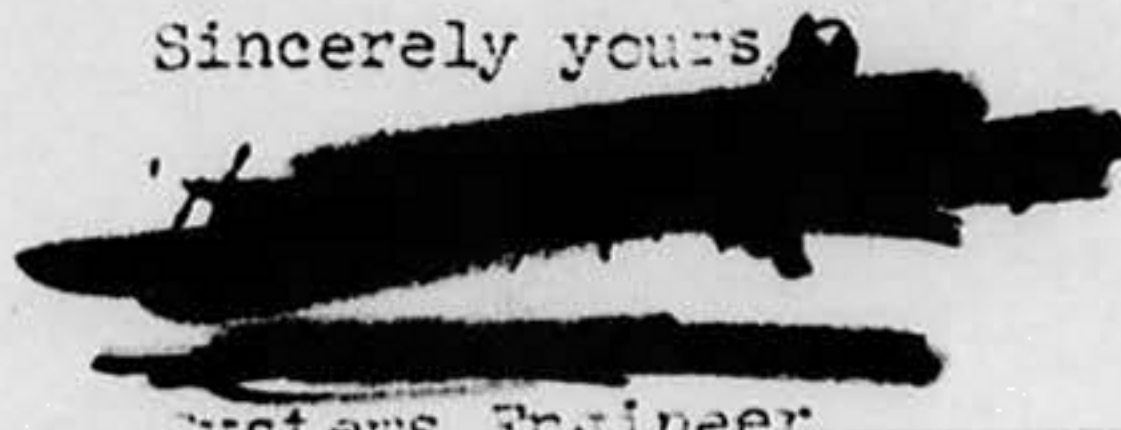
I assure you that your reports will be treated seriously: on the TWX report I have here, there is the notation, "Witnesses to the sightings appeared to be reliable." There is also the concluding comment, "The sightings are presently unexplainable."

One of the commonest experiences of people who have actually seen a UFO is that they find, on talking to others, that a surprising number of people will suddenly admit to having seen one themselves, or to knowing someone who has. While many of these sightings are quite old by the time the witness is moved to reveal them to someone who will not think he is crazy, it is still of statistical interest to us to obtain information about them. If any of you have had an experience like this, we would greatly appreciate you giving the person or persons the return address on this letter and asking them if they would mind sending us a full description of their sighting. We must rely on responsible members of the public to help us in matters of this kind, as we simply have neither the personnel nor the budget to carry on this kind of data-gathering ourselves.

I hope that all the six witnesses who receive this letter (pardon the strange salutation "Dear Witnesses," but that's the only way I could think of to address six people) will take the time to write individual responses: nothing can surpass several independently-made-out reports for reliability and complete coverage of details. Each respondent will receive a brief report on our conclusions ("guesses," if you prefer) after we have had a chance to evaluate the full reports.

I should mention that this letter is part of the official Air Force investigation, and that Dr. Hynek, for whom I am writing this letter, is a scientific consultant to the Air Force on UFO investigations.

Sincerely yours,



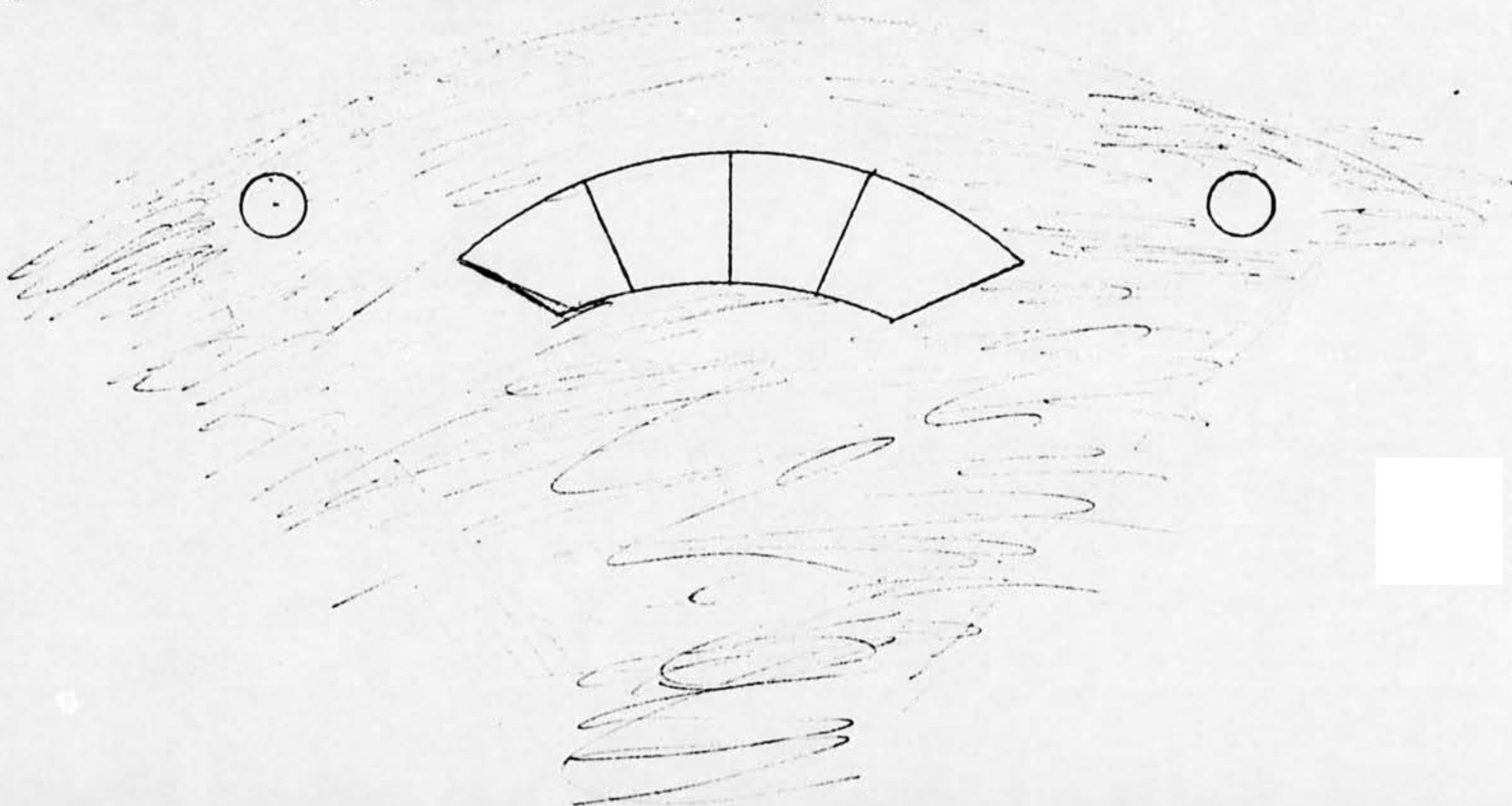
Waters Engineer

First Sighting - Questions Answered in Order

1. Sketch attached.
2. All lights involved seemed to shine from their own source. The "cabin" or "gondola" lights were normal for room or cabin lighting. No noise whatsoever - either piston or jet. Height seemed to be 800 to 1,000 feet.
3. The "landing" lights (2) appeared as a distant auto headlight except much brighter.
4. The brightness of a landing light except it projected no beam.
5. As if seen through a haze due to the brightness of the lights involved and a bright street light nearby. The object appeared to have delta wing construction but not clearly outlined.
6. Refer to sketch - windows were definitely outlined as shown.
7. Traveling in a straight line (northerly) about 50 to 80 MPH. No spinning or rotating could be seen.
8. Due to the fact that it made absolutely no noise, also at the low altitude and with both commercial and Air Force airports close by, it had no high intensity red rotating lights on nor did it have any running lights at all. In all normal type of aircraft that I am familiar with, the cockpit lights would be off so that the pilot may see plus the fact all cockpit windshields are normally on the top side of the (known) aircraft, this particular craft was beneath as it would be on a blimp or a larger type lighter-than-aircraft.
9. As stated in Answer #4, no beams were projected from any of the lights. I have hardly ever seen a night so clear that some projections would be noticed, but there were none on this sighting. I did not notice any illumination on the ground or surrounding houses and it was directly overhead.
10. Slowly, in a northerly direction. After it passed over and I was looking at it from the rear - only the "landing" lights could be seen as apparently the "cabin windows" were only on the end in the direction in which it was heading. As it headed northward, a plane was observed coming towards us at eleven o'clock high (4 to 5 thousand feet) with the normal compliment of running lights. The engine (piston) of this plane could easily be heard.
11. I do not believe it was any type of aircraft normally used by any country on this planet.

First Sighting: Question #1

The windows and "landing lights" looking from beneath appeared like the sketch below. Nothing was seen in the windows which were softly lighted. The round lights were very bright and prevented seeing the main body except as shaded.



Second Sighting - Questions Answered in Order

1. See attached sketch. As the lights proceeded on a southerly course (again no sound at all), object No. 2 in sketch peeled off towards the east and seemed to lose altitude and went "out" all at once. The rest of them just disappeared in the same direction which should have taken them almost over the Air Force Base located there.
2. Very bright bluish-white.
3. They moved as though in formation approximately 4,000 ft. high.
4. About the same intensity except for the bluish color.
5. They were similar except much larger.
6. Answered in #1.
7. No beam, just as a light bulb except much brighter.
8. Due to the comparison with the horizon and the angle that I saw them, I would say they were 4 to 5 thousand feet high moving at 350 - 400 MPH.
9. Conditions were clear - the moon was not visible to me at the time.

Final Questions Asked

1. I was with my son, [REDACTED] at the time. We also were talking to his neighbors who saw the object before we did. They were an Air Force Sergeant and his Mother.
2. My son says he has heard and talked to several who saw the same thing.
3. No.

Being a private pilot myself and having seen other UFO's several years ago, I usually watch the sky for any unusual objects. I had a very good view of the objects in question, was not excited and with the first object had a good chance to try to evaluate it as it flew over. I know of nothing on this planet that flies without any noise except a glider and this flight could not be duplicated with a glider especially at night. A blimp could be drifting along - but it would have its proper lights on - plus the fact that Air Force would know it was there. I also believe from what "good" facts I have read and what I myself have seen over the past years, that these objects are from some other planet. The only thing that I can't understand is if they are that far advanced - what are they waiting for? They most certainly are not afraid of us and should land and make themselves known.

I am not worried about what people think, as they thought Fulton was a nut, but the steamboat did not do too bad. We also have a few objects in space that may puzzle the same ones who puzzle us????

Second sighting
Question #1



Just very bright "balls of light", no
noise, headed south.

[REDACTED]
Pitman, New Jersey
December 22, 1964

Mr. William T. Powers
Dearborn Observatory
Northwestern University
Evanston, Illinois

Dear Mr. [REDACTED],

Please forgive me for not answering your letter before this late date, but it was unavoidable.

I have tried to answer your questions in the order asked on the attached sheets. If I can be of any further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to request it.

Very truly yours,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

ILH/mnl
Enc.

Box-like object

The *Pretoria News* of May 6 reported:

"A mysterious glowing flying object which has been puzzling Pretorians for about three weeks, made another appearance over the city last night. This time, powerful binoculars were trained on the object, and residents of Chamfuti Street, Moregloed, saw that it took the form of a box-like structure surrounded by an orange glow. The object was in view for about 20 minutes between 7.30 and 8 p.m.

"Mrs. J. F. J. van Rensburg and her neighbours saw the object switch from an east-west direction to the north-east, where it disappeared over the horizon. 'We saw it stop and then continue,' said Mrs. Van Rensburg today. 'I immediately telephoned the Radcliffe Observatory and, although they scanned the sky, they could not see it. Because we thought, at first, that it may have been a meteorological experiment we also telephoned the Weather Bureau and the Meteorological Office at Jan Smuts Airport. They did not see it,' Mrs. van Rensburg said.

"Recently, Mr. H. B. Hansen, of 482 Frederick Street, West End, saw an orange glowing object, at 5.20 in the morning. It was moving towards the north, and then veered eastwards.

"Mr. Hansen said: 'The object was stationary for some minutes and then disappeared only to reappear soon after. It was definitely not a shooting star.' Several other reports about the object have been received at various times. Technicians at the Hartebeesthoek space station, near Pretoria, do not know what it is!

(Credit to Mr. Philipp J. Human)

Information Only
Source:

Dublin, Ireland
6 May 1964

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Strange objects over Dublin

From the Dublin *Evening Herald* of May 6:

"It was bright, silent and travelling low at a great speed from West to East."

"This was a report left on the pad of Raheny Garda station to-day, about a mysterious object which passed over the area at 4.30 a.m. The object was described as 'like a flying saucer,' but no further details regarding its description or size are given. It was not seen from the control tower of Dublin airport, and Dunsink Observatory said it was probably a small meteorite."

OBJECT SEEN IN NEW JERSEY

Hillsborough, New Jersey, May 7 - Douglas DeCicci of Meadowbrook, reported a UFO at around 1:30 a.m., when glancing out of his car window.

He had parked his car in the driveway upon returning home, and was preparing to leave the vehicle, when he noticed a luminous object at an altitude of about 100 feet, moving gently towards him. A slight vacillation was described.

The UFO was of a spherical shape and glowed with a soft blue light. It was estimated to be about six feet in diameter, with a ruby red light blinking at its base. There were no visible protuberances, vents, or jets.

The object came to a halt about 30 feet from DeCicco's car, directly above the roof of a sleeping neighbor's home. It was motionless for about 20 seconds, the ruby red light still blinking.

DeCicco had, by now, left his car, and entered his home to awaken his wife to inform her of the strange object outside. She accompanied him to their yard and reported the object disappearing with great speed.

Western Sightings

Spring '64 Flap

Several sightings which took place in the west during the Spring of 1964 UFO activity, were crowded out of fall bulletins by more detailed accounts of other incidents. We take this opportunity to list these incidents with pertinent details:

Mrs. G. L. Kriger, of S. New Mexico Highway 10, Tijeras, reported to authorities and the Albuquerque Tribune that

agents of the FBI and New Mexico reported speedy mystery objects. Mrs. J. M. Watkins of Summit Ridge (north of Cortez, Colorado) told a reporter that she saw 2 cylindrical-shaped objects with fins flying at about 200 feet altitude. They appeared to be about 50 feet long. A neighbor also viewed the objects.

A similar report came from a Mancos, Colorado man who said he saw two objects (description correlates with object seen by Mrs. Watkins) flying in the vicinity of Mesa Verde National Park. Same date.

Later in the afternoon a report was made to the Federal Aviation Agency at Farmington, New Mexico of a cylindrical object flying in the area. This report and another made at Farmington a short time later said the object appeared to be "tumbling in the air" as it flew at low altitude.

Two Albuquerque men who refused to identify themselves in print told the Albuquerque Tribune that they watched a small, flat-bottomed egg-shaped object for about 5 minutes through binoculars at 1:40 p.m. on 11 May. It was metallic-appearing, noiseless and flew near the base of the Manzano Mountains. They first thought the object was a jet but it was flying too slow. It disappeared after 5 minutes, then a jet flew over. They had no trouble identifying the jet and said the object definitely was not a conventional aircraft. The Manzano Mountains, incidentally, are a highly sensitive classified military area.

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we first heard a noise over
head and I said that sounds
like bullets at high altitude
The sound did not last over
three seconds, we heard
them three times at about
five minutes intervals.

but by the time we looked
up they were out of sight,
so my wife layed on her
back to look up, and
and she soon said there
goes four bright objects, and
by the time I looked up they
were gone, but then we
heard them.

We could not imagine why
we could hear them at such
high altitude, unless it was

Information Only
Source:

Mogadore, Ohio
9 May 1964

Three young children claim that another landing occurred at 11 a. m. on May 9th near Mogadore, Ohio. They described the craft as round and silvery, with a dome. The saucer, seen at a distance of about 150 yards, was 10 feet in diameter, according to the children.

NO CASE (Information Only)

Source: APFO Bulletin, May & Jun 65

11, 12 May 64
Grangeville, Idaho

Grangeville, Idaho residents watched an oblong-shaped object which appeared to hover near the Cottonwood Air Force radar installation on the nights of May 11 and 12, 1964, from 9:30 to 11:15 p.m. Sheriff James Fuzzell and others watched the object through binoculars as it moved "back and forth" on a horizontal plane.

Colonel Luis Zendeguy, Station Commander, at the Radar station, said several of his men reported sighting a bright object. "Whether it was a star or what I don't know and neither do they. We are buffaloed. I have forwarded our report to higher headquarters," he told newsmen.

The object was in the north from Grangeville and appeared overhead at the radar site, ruling out a star as an explanation. The object made no noise, appeared on two consecutive nights at the same time and was not seen again.

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Sussex saucer

From the *Bognor Regis Observer* of May 15:

"A 'brilliantly coloured' unidentified object was spotted by three guests at a Bognor Regis hotel on Tuesday evening (May 12), hovering in clouds in the western sky.

"The three people were standing on the front lawn of Black Mill House,

Princess Avenue, soon after 9 o'clock, when a woman in the party pointed to what she had thought was a bright star until it moved. Another guest, the Rev. Father Matthew, of Mitcham, Surrey, said 'I'm certain it was a flying saucer. It appeared from behind a cloud and moved slowly from right to left.'

"The object was very bright and seemed to be moving nearer. The edges were sharply defined and it had a long tail.'

"Father Matthew said 'I would have recognised an aircraft and I have seen a satellite which was much smaller than this. It was about twice the size of the evening star and much brighter.'

"He called out other guests to see the object, which he says was visible for about ten minutes, moving as if it was floating.

"A spokesman at R.A.F. Tangmere said no unidentified objects had been reported."

Information Only
Source:

Rio Vista, California
13 May 1964

On the night of May 13th, many persons in Rio Vista, California, saw a UFO touch down near the local airport. Scorched earth was found at the spot, which was subsequently visited by crowds of curious residents. According to one witness, the UFO was "in the shape of a banana," flattened and thin, and was belching fire streaks along its underside. It had two white lights, and touched the ground before taking off in a red haze at great speed. By the time the local newspaper printed the story, someone had covered the charred area with canvas. A Rio Vista police squad as well as Air Force officers reportedly investigated the incident, but as usual, no conclusions were given to the public.

Air Ministry excels itself

From the *Evening Standard*, May 13:
"Air Ministry officials are baffled by reports of an 'unearthly' flying object which several people have seen high in the sky over Bedfordshire during the night. One eye-witness, taxi driver Mr. John Hodges, of Turners Road, Luton, said: 'It looks like a car headlamp in the sky, sometimes hovering and sometimes moving. I have seen it fade and come on again and I have seen beams of light radiating from it.'

"Mr. Hodges said it could not be a star, because it is much too big. It could also not be a satellite, since it stays still for long periods. Mr. Jack Foreman, of Hayhurst Road, Luton, has also seen the mystery object.

" 'It was definitely something out of the ordinary,' he declared. 'I used to be in the R.A.F. and I know this thing was definitely not an aircraft.'

"Yet another witness, Mr. William Hughes, of Abbey Drive, Luton, said: 'As I watched it, the thing began to move like a pendulum with a gentle swinging motion.'

"An Air Ministry official said he was unable to give any explanation.

" 'It might be a weather balloon with lights on—or it might even be the planet Venus, which does sometimes move in an extraordinary manner,' he said.

VERY CLOSE SIGHT-
ING IN NEW JERSEY: According to a news report dated May 14th, a Meadowbrook, N. J. barber named Douglas DeCicco made an unusually detailed sighting of a flying saucer while on his way home at 1:30 that morning. According to the newspaper account, DeCicco first saw the object while parking his car in the driveway of his home, but in a subsequent telephone interview with Boston radio station WBZ, he said that the UFO followed him part of the way home from a bowling alley he had just left. In either case, the startling part of the story is that DeCicco saw the object move slowly toward him at an altitude of only about 100 feet above the driveway. It was spherical in shape and glowed with a soft blue light, according to the witness. It appeared to be about six feet in diameter, and had a ruby red blinking light in its base. There were no windows, nor were there any vents, jets, or other protrusions of any kind. The UFO finally came to a slow stop about 30 feet away from his car, right over the roof of a sleeping neighbor's home. It stood absolutely motionless for about 20 seconds, during which time the ruby red light kept blinking. A minute or so later the thing "took off in a hurry," just as DeCicco was summoning his wife to see it.

Information Only
Source:

Geneva, Ohio
15 May 1964

UFO LANDINGS IN OHIO: At about 11:50 on the night of May 15th, a California motorist named Bill Mitchell reported seeing a flying saucer on the ground just a few yards from Interstate Route 90, near the town of Geneva, Ohio. The man, who told his story by telephone to the Ohio State Highway Patrol, said that the object was sitting in the bushes on the south side of the eastbound traffic lane. The UFO was the size of a large trailer truck, and changed color while he watched. It hovered for a moment about eight feet off the ground and then soared to a height of 300 to 400 feet. Finally, it zoomed away and disappeared into the night sky. The motorist claimed that the driver of a trailer truck also saw the object, and that both vehicles stopped to investigate. The call to the police was made from a nearby pay telephone.

No Case, Information Only
Source: FSIC Bulletin, Vol 2, #1

15 May 1964
Geneva, Ohio

That same night (May 15, 1964), at 11:51 P.M., EST, a trucker and a motorist reported seeing a huge object rise from alongside IS Rte. 90, near Geneva, Ohio. It hovered, changing to a brilliant orange, over the roadway, then shot upward and disappeared. The startled observers notified the Ohio State Patrol Office in Ashtabula. Pl. Gary Betzler went to the scene and made a thorough search for radioactivity — and found it, near a small man-made lake.

In the Akron area, unpublicized sightings which were nevertheless promptly reported, were made that same May 15th night. Two observers saw two very slow-moving objects moving N-S in the clear western sky. At the moment when they were becoming invisible, one of them increased tremendously in white brilliance which lasted a full minute. Then it dimmed quickly into invisibility. Seen for 11 minutes — time: 10:40-10:51 EDST.

15 May, 1964
Ashtabula, Ohio

Flying Object Zoomed Across Patrol Told

ASHTABULA, O., May 16—

—The State highway patrol today was investigating reports that an unidentified flying object was seen last night seven miles southwest of Ashtabula.

The patrol said a motorist from Long Beach, Calif., and a truck driver reported seeing the object shortly before midnight as they were driving on Interstate 90.

THE ORANGE-colored object, about the size of a tractor-trailer rig, was on the ground when first spotted and then it zoomed into the air, the patrol said it was told. The motorist and truck driver asked that their identities be withheld.

A patrolman, who also asked that he not be identified by name, said a crew was sent to the area with a geiger counter and radio active reading was obtained, but it was not established that the reading resulted from the flying object.

"You also can get a reading from your watch," the patrolman said.

Ashtabula, Ohio . . . The object seen near I.S. 90 on May 15th was estimated to be 65 feet long (or diameter). A gas station attendant saw a great flash of light at the same time. A boy whose home has a clear view of the area said he saw the object but was restrained from answering questions. An amateur astronomer and

his son, driving on Rte. 20, saw an unusual object. A person known to the editor had a good look at the object.

Ptl. Betzler checked for background radiation before finding a small area where the number counts suddenly mounted and steadily sounded away.

He backed away in a large arc, the counts reducing to ordinary low background intensity, but upon reaching the "hot spot", the counts would suddenly rise as before noted. He repeated this procedure several times with the same result.

The corrected time when the object was seen: 2352 EST or 0052 EDST. (12:52 A.M.) More in the next FSIC Bulletin.

Cloria, New Mex.
April. 1st / 1966.

Project Blue Book Information Office
S. A. F. O, I.

Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

We have read and heard
in the news about flying
objects being seen lately.
The one we especially noted
were the four white objects
seen at high altitude by a
commercial pilot from Las.
Vegas, Nevada. They seem to
be identical to what my wife
and I heard and she saw
them looking straight up,
just after sun up on May 2nd
1964 while we were fishing
at Llamogordo Lake near
Ft. Sumner, New Mexico.

A/C

16 - 31 MAY 1964 SIGHTINGS

DATE	LOCATION	OBSERVER	EVALUATION
15	Salem, Oregon	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
16	Dayton, Ohio	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
16	Brownsville, Texas	[REDACTED]	Satellite
16	Heber City, Utah	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
16	Dayton, Ohio	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
17	38.02N 42.38W (Atlantic)	Military	Insufficient Data
17-21	Camden, New Jersey	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
17	New York, New York	[REDACTED]	Satellite
17	Canton-Akron, Ohio	Multiple Civilian	Aircraft
17	Wilmington, Ohio	[REDACTED]	Other (MISINTERPRETATION OF CONVENTIONAL OBJECTS)
17	Tipton, Indiana	[REDACTED]	Satellite
17	30N 140W (Pacific)	[REDACTED]	Satellite
18	34.00N 164.00E (Far East)	Military (RADAR)	Aircraft
18	Mt Vernon, Virginia	[REDACTED]	UNIDENTIFIED
18	Woodburn/Hubbard, Oregon	[REDACTED]	Other (UNRELIABLE REPORT)
18	Kokomo, Indiana	Multiple Police	Satellite
19	Indianapolis, Indiana	[REDACTED]	Satellite
20	Andover, Massachusetts	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
20	Lansing, Michigan	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
20	Macon, Georgia	Military and Civilian	Aircraft
20	Glasgow AFB, Montana	Military	Astro (VENUS/REGULUS)
20-23	Hartford, Indiana	Civilian	Astro (VENUS)
20-25	Lansing, Michigan (FLODER)	Multiple	Aircraft
21	Lansing, Michigan	Multiple Civilians	Other (SIREN & FLASHER)
21	Altus, Oklahoma	[REDACTED]	1. Insufficient Data 2. Satellite
21	Marion, Indiana	Multiple Civilians	Aircraft
21	Ontario, Canada	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
22	Lansing, Michigan	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
22	Elmhurst, Illinois	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
23	East Lansing, Michigan	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
23-24	Budd Lake, New Jersey	[REDACTED]	Satellite
23	Clovis, New Mexico	Military & Civilians	Astro (VENUS)
23	Clearfield, Utah	[REDACTED]	Satellite
23	31.30N 175.30W (Pacific)	Military Air	Satellite
24	Washington, D. C.	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
24	Millinocket, Maine	[REDACTED]	Astro (BALL LIGHTNING)
25	Bay City, Michigan	[REDACTED]	Satellite
25	Ansted, West Virginia	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
26	Cambridge, Massachusetts	[REDACTED]	UNIDENTIFIED
26	East Lansing, Michigan	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
26	Lansing, Michigan	[REDACTED]	Other (UNRELIABLE REPORT)
26	Pleasantview, Pennsylvania	[REDACTED]	UNIDENTIFIED
27	Lansing, Michigan	[REDACTED]	Astro (VENUS)
28	Thibodaux, Louisiana	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
28	Los Angeles, California	[REDACTED]	Other (SEARCHLIGHTS)
29	Gagetown, New Brunswick	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
29	44N 174W (Pacific)	Military Air	Insufficient Data
29	Palmetto, Florida	[REDACTED]	Other (BIRD)
30	19.13N 171.48E (Far East)	Military Air	Astro (METEOR)
30	Dorchester, Massachusetts	[REDACTED]	Satellite
30	COMANVSUP for Antarctic	Military	Insufficient Data
30	Orangevale, California	[REDACTED]	Satellite
31	Wheaton, Maryland	Civilian (Multiple)	Balloon

16 - 31 MAY 1964 SIGHTINGS

ADDITIONAL REPORTED SIGHTINGS (NOT CASES)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>EVALUATION</u>
16	Painesville, Ohio	Newsclipping	
17	Stockholm, Sweden	Newsclipping	
17	N Lawrence, Ohio	Newsclipping	
18	Terre Haute, Indiana	Newsclipping	
19	Grangeville, Idaho	Newsclipping	
22	Ft Wayne, Indiana	[REDACTED] (Ltr & Newsclipping)	
22	Phoenix, Arizona	Newsclipping	
24	Holloman AFB, New Mexico	Newsclipping	
24	Tucson, Arizona	Newsclipping	
27	Wakefield, England	Newsclipping	
29	Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio	Newsclipping	
29	Las Villas Province, Cuba	Newsclipping	
30	Phoenix, Arizona	Newsclipping	

Because it was such a
clear quiet morning.

They were traveling in a
west ward direction.

He always wondered what
they could have been,

But did not know where
to write to until we saw
the address in the paper

Hope you can give us an
explanation.

Yours truly

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Mrs ~~_____~~

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Clavis, New Mexico 88101

Information Only
Source: The UFO Reporter, Summer, 1964

West Cameron Township,
Shamokin, Pennsylvania
2 May 1964

May 2: West Cameron Township, Shamokin, Pennsylvania - At around 8:30 p.m., a UFO was reportedly observed by witnesses driving to Gowen City. The object was described as brilliant and oval, with an exhaust extension protruding from it.

Information Only
Source:

Shamokin, Pennsylvania
2 May 1964

A flying saucer with a dome and an exhaust-type extension on it was seen near Shamokin, Pennsylvania, on the night of May 2nd. The witnesses were Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kerstetter, who watched the brilliantly-illuminated oval-shaped object for several minutes before it finally disappeared at tremendous speed over a nearby range of hills....

OHIO POLICEMEN REPORT UFO

Mentor, Ohio, May 3 - A bright UFO was reportedly seen over Lake Erie from Mentor. Witnesses included John D. Hadden, Lake County deputy sheriff, and Manager of Mentor Park, and 2 Mentor policemen, who have, fearing ridicule, declined to give their names.

Hadden first saw the object in the east, travelling slowly in a north to south direction. The UFO then halted and hovered for an estimated five minutes. All of a sudden, it appeared to expand or come nearer in its approach, and, after about one minute, once again diminished to its former size.

The UFO then shot away southward at an extremely high velocity. The object passed behind the tree tops and then emerged into the clear, describing a curving path which ended abruptly in less than 10 seconds.

The object was described by Hadden as circular, a yellowish white in color, with a soft glow.

A woman near Painesville, a town near Mentor, reportedly observed an object in the north at around the same time. Shortly thereafter, Patrolman Don Janz viewed the object in the south from Mentor. On The Lake.

The craft was judged to be similar in size to an 11" object held edge to edge at arm's length.

DEARBORN OBSERVATORY
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

EVANSTON, ILLINOIS 60201

19 November 1964

5 May 1964

Mr. HAND, Sr.

Mr. [REDACTED] Sr.
[REDACTED] Avenue
Pitman, New Jersey

Dear Witnesses:

This letter is a follow-up to a report made by Mr. [REDACTED] Sr. to the U. S. Air Force on 8 May 1964, in connection with an unidentified flying object sighted on 7 May 1964. We have begun a new program aimed at clarifying reports in the files on which investigators were not able to reach a satisfactory conclusion; that is the principal reason that this inquiry comes so long after your report was made.

As is often the case, the final material filed on the basis of your UFO report contains very little information that would help a person going through the files understand why the object was reported to the Air Force. By the time your report reached my hands, the following information was approximately all that was left:

The first object was shaped like a blimp gondola; the second looked like a diamond. One object seen first, five seen second time. Four to five windows in "blimp gondola," also what looked like landing light shining straight down. One witness saw swept-back wings like a jet. Second sighting consisted of large bright center light and four smaller lights in diamond formation.

There follows information on estimated speeds and ground track.

You can see that anyone re-reading the report would get very little of the original incident out of it, and that is what we are trying to correct. The purpose of this letter is to ask you for a re-statement of the sighting, so that we can have on hand something against which to compare other similar reports. One reason for particular interest in more information is that there have been reports of two objects, each resembling to some extent one or the other of the objects reported by you. A clearer description of what you saw would help me and others working on this problem to make comparisons.

I am going to indicate some points we need to have cleared up, and ask a number of questions: feel free to answer in any way you please, the best way being simply to write as clear and complete a report as you can, referring to the questions to make sure you have talked about all we need to know.

Let us take the two objects one at a time. First, the "blimp gondola."

1. Can you make a sketch of it?
2. Did it shine with its own light, or did there appear to be some other source of light illuminating it?
3. The "landing light" was reported as shining straight down: did the source of light appear to have a large diameter, like a searchlight, or a small diameter, like a distant automobile headlight?
4. Did the "landing light" seem to be of a brightness normal for an aircraft landing light? What about its color?
5. Was the object itself clearly outlined all the way around, or was it seen as if through a haze?
6. Could the shape of the "four or five windows" be seen? What made them look like windows instead of, for example, lights mounted on the object?
7. Did the object appear to be spinning or rotating, or was it travelling in a straight line? How was it oriented?
8. Clearly, the witnesses are familiar with the appearance of airplanes: how did this object differ from an aircraft, that made you think it was definitely not a familiar object?
9. Did the light illuminate the ground, surrounding trees, or houses?
10. How did the object disappear - suddenly or slowly?
11. Have you had any thoughts on what it might have been?

Now to the second sighting. There is less information available on this one, so it appears that the primary information to be developed further concerns the formation in which the lights were seen and the relationship in brightness and color.

1. Can you sketch the formation? Did it change?
2. What were the colors of the lights?
3. Did the lights move as if they were all attached to the same object or invisible framework, or did they move relative to one another?
4. How bright were the lights in comparison with the first object?
5. How bright were the lights in comparison with bright stars, or Jupiter (in the eastern skies right after sunset this fall)?
6. Was the light which veered off one of the four that had been in diamond formation, or was it a completely new light?
7. Did the lights appear to throw a beam of light, or were they more like bright light-bulbs seen at a distance?