

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 14 December 64 14/0655Z	2. LOCATION Falls Church, Virginia
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astronomical (MOON)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 20 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS 20 minutes observation of a sharply outlined object fading into a dull red glow returning and appearing to be in two sections. Color of match light or gas flame. Extremely large. Thought to be 1/2 to 3/4 mile away. Looked like the top of a mushroom without the stem.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE Setting	COMMENTS: Object setting. Haze in area. Shape is consistnat with Moon evaluation. Moon at 1h 08.12 just above horizon in West. 1st quarter on 12 Dec and full on 19 Dec. Witness did not report Moon as being in sight and was looking in the general direction of the Moon. Case regarded as a Moon observation distorted by the atmospheric conditions. Witness did not observe the object on succeeding nights.
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

15 December 1964
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.

Falls Church, Virginia



Department of The Air Force
Office of The Secretary
United States Air Force
Washington D.C. 20330

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Dear Mrs. ██████:

Reference is made to the recent UFO report which you submitted to the Air Force for evaluation.

Your observation has all the characteristics of an observation of the moon due to refraction. Since the moon was not reported as being visible and all other data presented is consistent with an observation of the moon, the object which you observed is regarded by the Air Force as the moon.

The reported position of the object was just above the trees to the southwest. The moon was sitting in this approximate position at the time of the sighting. The moon was at first quarter on 12 December, reaching a full stage on the 15th. You did not complete section 3 of FTD Form 16a which would indicate the presence of the moon. Your report indicated that the weather was hazy and no stars were visible. The sequence of changes both in shape and color of the object is consistent with a distortion of the setting moon due to haze or an inversion.

Sincerely,

JOHN P. SPAULDING
Lt Colonel, USAF
Chief, Civil Branch
Community Relations Division
Office of Information

Mrs. ██████
Falls Church, Virginia

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f. Don't remember

HEADQUARTERS
FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION
AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TDEW

SUBJECT: UFO Sighting, 14 Dec 64, Falls Church, Virginia

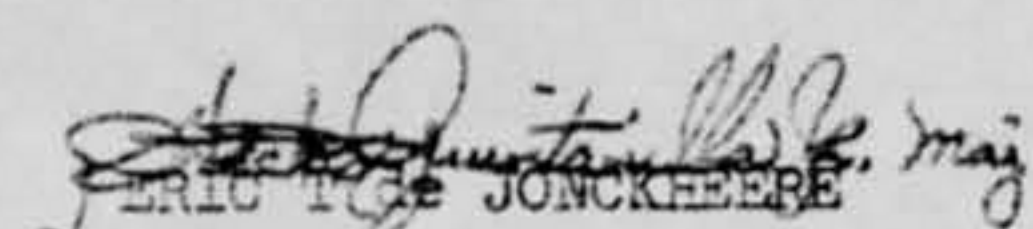
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TO: Hq USAF SAFOI-CC (Mrs Hunt)
Wash D C 20330

1. The observation reported by Mrs ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~, Falls Church, Virginia, on the morning of 14 December 1964 has all the characteristics of an observation of the moon due to refraction. Since the moon was not reported as being visible and all other data presented is consistent with an observation of the moon, her sighting is regarded as an observation of this astronomical body.

2. Reported position of the object was just above the trees to the southwest. The moon was setting in this approximate position at the time of the sighting. The moon was at first quarter on 12 December reaching a full stage on the 19th. Mrs Straus did not complete section 8 of FTD Form 164, therefore, **INDICATE** ~~we assume~~ the presence of the moon in her observation. Weather as reported by the observer, indicates that it was hazy and she stated that no stars were visible. The sequence of changes both in shape and color of the object is consistent with distortion of the setting moon due to haze or an inversion.

FOR THE COMMANDER


ERIC T. JONCKHEERE
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology and Subsystems



YOU - THE NUCLEUS OF SECURITY!

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
- b. Dimmer
- c. About the same
- d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

Many Elmer's sign bulbs

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? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| d. Give off smoke? | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| e. Change brightness? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| f. Change shape? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| g. Flash or flicker? | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| h. Disappear and reappear? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |

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

Faded into a dull red glow, and then returned and appeared to be in 2 sections, one above the other, finally emerging into a single object again

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: *was at first above tree level, then*

sank slowly below tree top level

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: _____

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

a. Sound *none*

b. Color *match light, or gas flame*

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?

Larger than the length of roof tops

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.

The drawings indicated in question 29 would all be what looked like a side view from where I was - this object when illuminated was very bright - and looked like a multi-series of bulbs (electric lights) I have since looked for a re-appearance of this object - in the same spot - It has at no time re-appeared.

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? 1/2 to 3/4 mile

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 _____

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

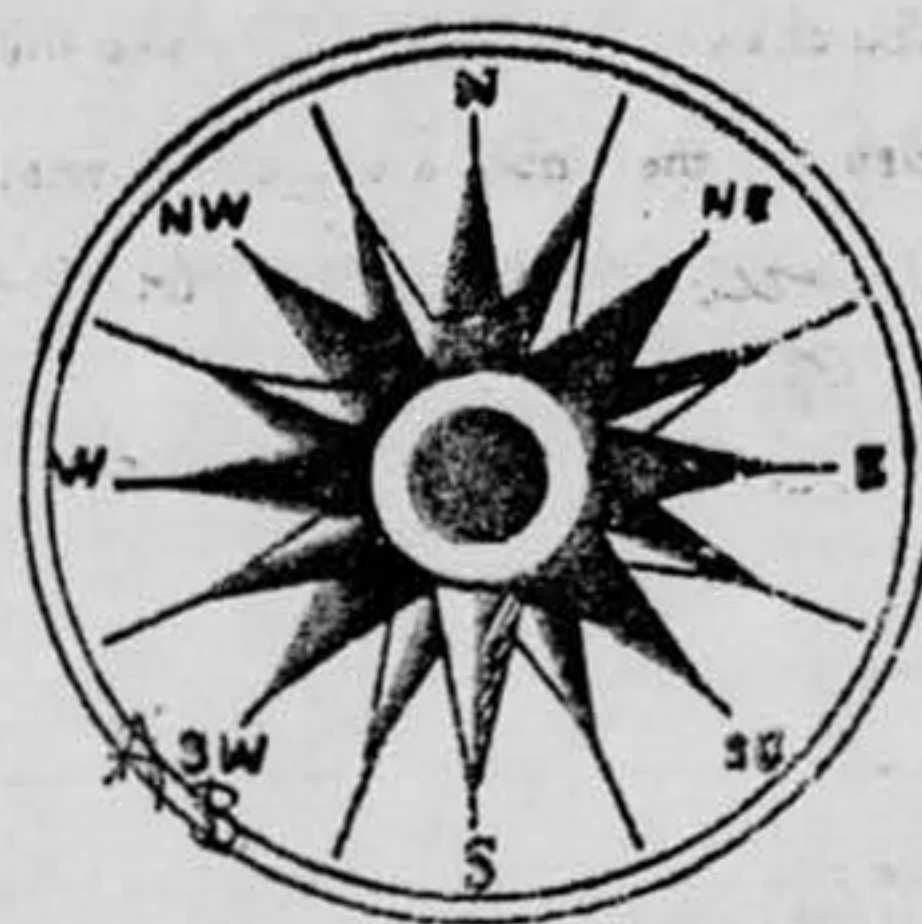
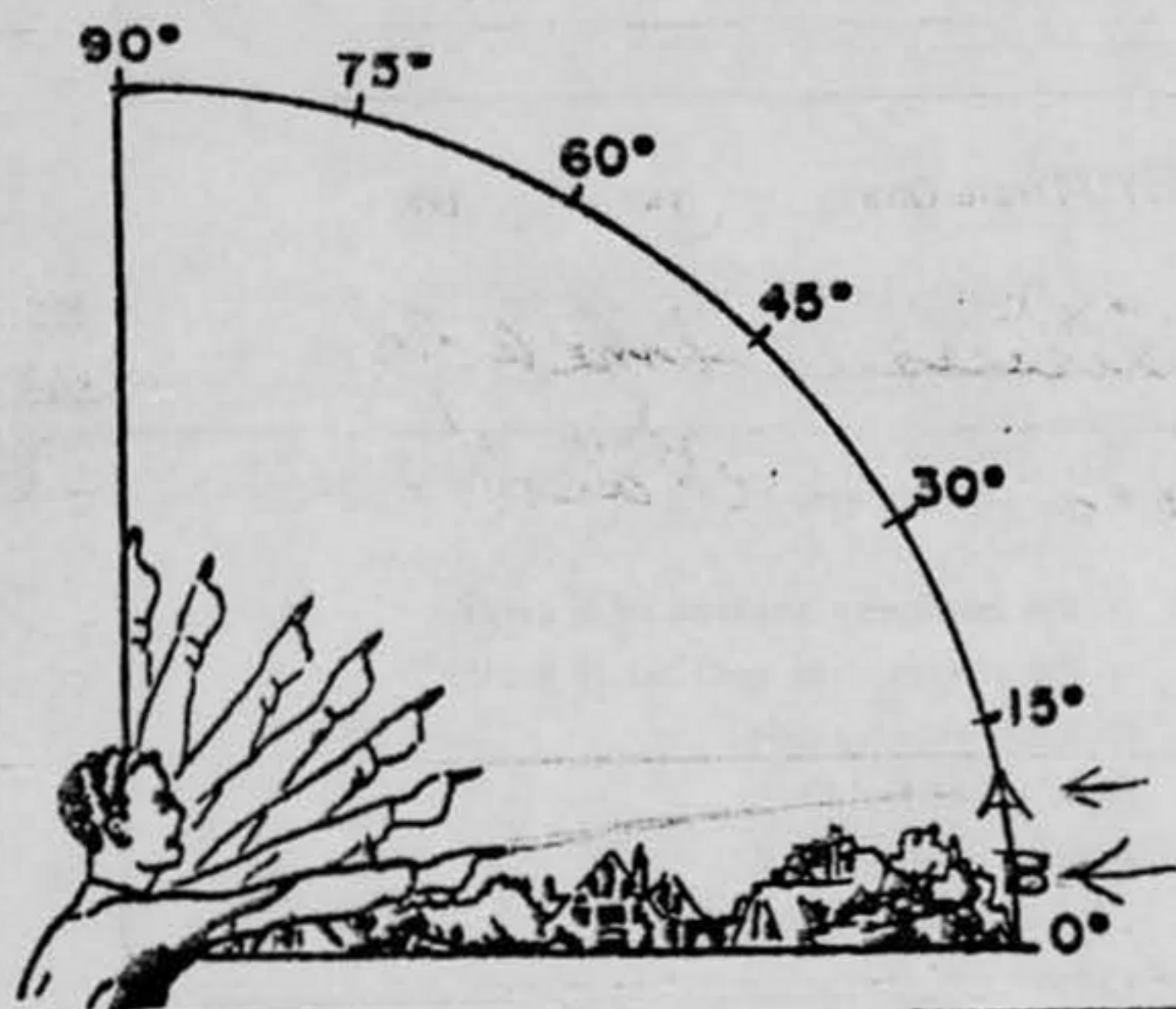
No

h. Other _____

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

Top of a mushroom turned bottom side up
without the stem

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.



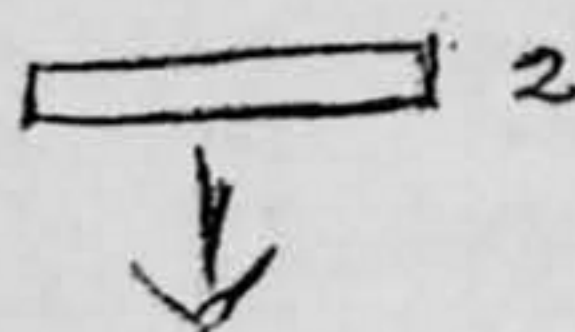
28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



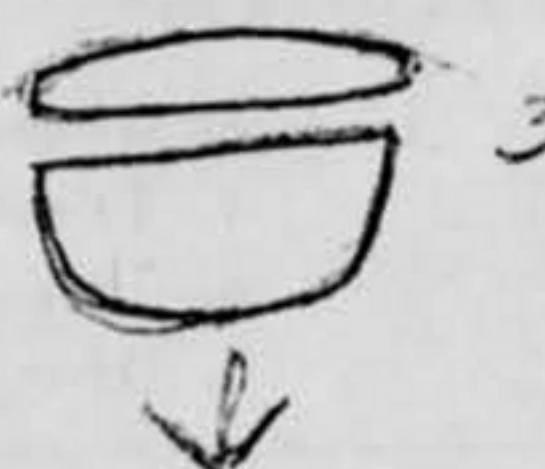
29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? 2
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.



AT THIS POINT
A SINGLE
BRIGHT OBJECT
ABOVE TREE
TOPS



AT THIS POINT
BLACKED OUT
EXCEPT FOR
A VERY DEEP
DULL RED
GLOW



AT THIS
POINT WHAT
LOOKED LIKE
~~TWO~~ SEPARATE
OBJECTS AS
PICTURED -
AND VERY BRIGHT



AT THIS POINT
BOTH OBJECTS
SEEMED TO MERGE
AS SHOWN - STILL
BRIGHTLY LIT -
FINALLY SINKING
BELOW TOPS OF

TREES - AND AFTER
SEVERAL MINUTES
BLACKING OUT.

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

Never

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:

*my Husband - [REDACTED], same address
my husband had glasses on - I did not.*

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

[REDACTED]

Last Name

[REDACTED]

First Name

[REDACTED]

Middle Name

ADDRESS

[REDACTED]

Street

Falls Church

City

Virginia

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

[REDACTED]

AGE

50

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?

Mon - 14

Day

December

Month

1964

Year

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