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| 1. DATE - TIME GROUP<br>18 January 65 18/2300Z                                                 | 2. LOCATION<br>Duchman, Virginia                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 3. SOURCE<br>Civilian                                                                          | 10. CONCLUSION<br>UNRELIABLE REPORT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS<br>One                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION<br>2 - 5 Minutes                                                      | 11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION<br>Ground-Visual                                                        | <p>Found object with three rings, like donuts. Stacked one on the other. Observed at 45 deg elevation in North. Flight directly overhead disappeared at 45 deg elevation 180 deg azimuth. White color with circle of red lights between first and second ring, circle of green lights between second and top ring and a white light on the top. When object was directly overhead it was a brighter white. When overhead the object paused and descended slightly before continuing on course. Disappeared at a fast rate of speed. Exact duration estimated at 2-5 minutes. WX clear and visibility 15 miles plus. Heavy air traffic in area.</p> <p>COMMENTS: 3 Children. Heavy air traffic in area. Radar screened area and no unusual returns noted. In view of ages of the youths, lack of additional witnesses, and no reports from any of the A/C in the area. As well lack of Radar returns. Sighting is listed as unreliable report.</p> |
| 7. COURSE<br>South                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 8. PHOTOS<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

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UFO Sighting

26 JAN 1965

Commander  
649 Radar Squadron  
Bedford AFB, Virginia

Reference your message 64900P-13, Jan 65, subj UFO Sighting.  
We wish to thank you for your comprehensive report on the  
reported sighting in the Buchanan, Virginia area. We concur  
with 1st Lt Francis X Kelley's evaluation.

FOR THE COMMANDER

HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr  
Major, USAF  
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Branch

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FM 649 RADARON BEDFORD AFS VA

TO RUEGALE/ADC

RUEAKN/26 ADIV STEWART AFB NY

RUEAGL/AFSC

RUEAHG/HQ USAF

RUEAHQ/OSAF WASH DC

INFO RUEAAM/WAADS FT LEE AFS VA

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FOR: ADC (ADGIN); 26AIRDIV (26GIN); AFSC(SCF), HQ USAF (AFNIN);  
OSAF (SAFIO); WAADSB KWAODC-1) SUBJ: UFO SIGHTING.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2 THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS  
SUBMITTED:

A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT:

(1) ROUND, WITH THREE RINGS, / LIKE DONUTS, STACKED ONE ON  
THE OTHER.

(2) LIKE A PEA WHEN FIRST SIGHTED THEN LARGER THAN A  
BASKETBALL WHEN OVERHEAD.

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(3) BASICALLY WHITE, HAD A CIRCLE OF RED LIGHTS BETWEEN THE FIRST AND SECOND RING, A CIRCLE OF GREEN LIGHTS BETWEEN THE SECOND AND THIRD RING AND A WHITE LIGHT ON THE TOP RING. WHEN THE OBJECT WAS DIRECTLY OVERHEAD, IT WAS A BRIGHTER WHITE.

(4) ONE

(5) N/A

(6) SHAPED LIKE A BEE HIVE WITH THE TOP RING SHAPED LIKE A DOME.

(7) NONE OBSERVED.

(8) NONE HEARD.

(9) NONE REPORTED.

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT:

(1) OBSERVER JUST HAPPENED TO LOOK UP.

(2) ANGLE APPROXIMATELY 45 DEGREES, AZIMUTH APPROXIMATELY 360 DEGREES.

(3) ANGLE APPROXIMATELY 45 DEGREES, AZIMUTH APPROXIMATELY 180 DEGREES.

(4) APPEARED TO BE HIGH WHEN FIRST SIGHTED TO THE NORTH, WHEN DIRECTLY OVERHEAD, IT PAUSED MOMENTARILY, APPEARED TO DESCEND SLIGHTLY, WHEN ASCEND AND CONTINUE ON COURSE TO THE SOUTH./

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KTL AT A FAST RATE OF SPEED TO THE SOUTH, FADED FROM  
SIGHT.

(6) EXACT PERIOD OF TIME UNKNOWN, ESTIMATED TO BE FROM  
APPROXIMATELY TWO TO FIVE MINUTES.

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) GROUND-VISUAL

(2) NONE

(3) N/A

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

(1) 18/2300Z

(2) DUSK

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVERS: LATITUDE 37 DEGREES 35 MINUTES  
NORTH, LONGITUDE 78 DEGREES 30 MINUTES WEST. BETWEEN 1ST STREET  
NORTH AND 2 ND STREET NORTH IN THE TOWN OF BUCHANAN, VA.

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OBSERVERS:

[REDACTED], BUCHANAN,  
VA., STUDENT [REDACTED] NORTH, BUCHANAN, VA.,  
STUDENT; [REDACTED] BUCHANAN, VA.,  
STUDENT. ALL THREE CHILDREN APPEARED TO BE SINCERE AND WHEN  
ASKED QUESTIONS DID NOT TRY TO INFLATE OR BUILD UP A STATEMENT.

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BKWL N/A

G. WEATHER:

(1) CLEAR

(2) OBTAINED FROM THE DUTY FORECASTER, DET. 41, 12TH  
WEATHER SQUADRON LOCATED AT THE WASHINGTON AIR DEFENSE SECTOR

|         |                  |
|---------|------------------|
| SURFANE | 300 DEGREES 15 K |
| 6,000   | 290 DEGREES 25K  |
| 10,000  | 290 DEGREES 40K  |
| 16,000  | 30 DEGREES 45K   |
| 20,000  | 300 DEGREES 50K  |
| 30,000  | 300 DEGREES 80K  |
| 50,000  | 300HDEGREES 50K  |
| 80,000  | NOT AVAILABLE    |

(3) CLEAR

(4) 15 PLUS

(5) NONE IN THE AREA OF THE SIGHTING, HOWEVER THERE WERE  
BROKEN CLOUDS AROUND THE 649TH RADAR SQUADRON LOCATED APPROXIMATELY  
16 MILES SOUTH EAST OF BUCHANAN, VA.

(6) NONE

(7) OBTAINED FROM THE DUTY FORECASTER, DET. 41, 12TH

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WEATHER SQUADRON AT THE WASHINGTON AIR DEFENSE SECTOR:

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|---------|---------------|------------|
| SURFACE | PLUS          | 22 DEGREES |
| 6,000   | PLUS          | 7 DEGREES  |
| 10,000  | PLUS          | 7 DEGREES  |
| 16,000  | MINUS         | 13 DEGREES |
| 20,000  | MINUS         | 27 DEGREES |
| 30,000  | MINUS         | 45 DEGREES |
| 50,000  | MINUS         | 62 DEGREES |
| 80,000  | NOT AVAILABLE |            |

H. ANY OTHER UNUSUAL ACTIVITY OR CONDITION: NONE ACCOUNTED  
FOR.

I. INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEN: N/A

J. THE DUTY FORECASTER, DET. 41, 12TH WEATHER SQUADRON AT  
THE WASHINGTON AIR DEFENSE SECTOR STATED THAT WEATHER BALLOONS  
WERE RELEASED AT 18/2300Z FROM HUNTINGTON, W.VA., GREENSBORO,  
N.C. AND DULLIS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

K. POSITION, TITLE AND COMMENTS OF THE PREPARING OFFICER:  
FRANCIS X. KELLY, 1ST LT., ASSISTANT CEM SUPERVISOR.

(1) A CHECK WITH THE WASHINGTON AIR DEFENSE SECTOR  
REVEALED NO AIRCRAFT UNDER THEIR OPERATIONAL CONTROL AT THE TIME  
OF THE SIGHTING.

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(2) THE SUPERVISOR AT LEESBURG, VA. STATED  
THAT BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 2230Z AND 2330Z, EACH DAY, THERE IS  
HEAVY TRAFFIC IN THE APPROXIMATE AREA OF THE SIGHTING.

(3) MRS. [REDACTED], MOTHER OF TWO THE CHILDREN, STATED  
THAT NO INFORMATION HAD BEEN RELEASED TO ANY NEWS AGENCY, ONLY  
THE ONE CALL WAS MADE TO THE AIR FORCE RADAR SQUADRON AT BEDFORD,  
VA. SHE FURTHER STATED THE CHILDREN WERE EXCITED WHEN THEY FIRST  
CAME INTO THE HOUSE AFTER THE SIGHTING.

(4) AN AN/FPS-6 HEIGHT FINDER RADAR WAS OPERATED IN THE  
MANUAL MODE FOR A PERIOD OF 15 MINUTES TO "SEARCHLIGHT" THE AREA

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OF THE SIGHTING. NO ABNORMAL AIRBORNE OBJECTS WERE OBSERVED AS A  
RESULT OF THIS OPERATION, HOWEVER, THE CALL WAS RECEIVED, AND THE  
AREA SCANNED AT 2345Z, 45 MINUTES AFTER THE SIGHTING.

(5) IN VIEW OF THE CHILDREN'S AGES, THE ABSENCE OF  
CORROBORATING EVIDENCE AND INDEPENDENT TESTIMONY, THIS SIGHTING  
DOES NOT SEEM TO WARRANT FURTHER INVESTIGATION. I DO NOT  
ZISH TO QUESTION IN ANY WAY THE VARACITY OF THE CHILDREN OR THE  
POSSIBILITY OF SUCH SIGHTING. HOWEVER, THE FACTS ARE NOT  
SUFFICIENT TO FORM A DEFINITE EVALUATION.

L. EXISTENCE OF PHYSICAL EVIDENCE: NONE

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