

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 30 January 65 31/0223Z	2. LOCATION Seward, Pennsylvania
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astronomical (METEOR) ✓ JH
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Duration and direction of entry wrong for Satellite Decay. Probable meteor sighting.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 Seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observation of object entering atmosphere described as a decay by the witness. Large silver glow. Looked like a shooting star except that there was no tail. Carbon arc light effect.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE West	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM
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FTD (TDEW)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
4 February 1965

Mr. [REDACTED]
Seward Post Office
Seward, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. [REDACTED],

Thank you for your recent letters describing possible satellite re-entries. The objects which you have described are similar to either meteor or satellite decay reports.

Satellite decays are distinguished from meteor observations by the direction of flight and duration of the sighting. A satellite re-entry over Pennsylvania would hold an easterly component and the duration would be slightly longer than that described in your letter.

The Air Force appreciates your reported meteor sightings and is interested in observations of this type as the characteristics are very similar to those of satellite decay.

Sincerely,


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

METEOR

Aerial Phenomena
Branch (FDEW)
Wright-Pittsburg, A.P.P.,
Ohio

Dear Lurs; Spotted another
(recently for probable recent) at
9:23 P.M. Saturday 1/30/35 going
due west. Large silver glow lasted
about two seconds. Colored like

[REDACTED]



aerial Phenomena
 Branch (T.D. E.W.)
 Wright-Patterson A.F.B.,
 Ohio

a shooting star; but no tail.
Carbon are light ~~to~~ glow
effect.

Yours Truly

~~[Redacted Signature]~~

Seward, Pa