

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 5 June 65 06/0150Z .	2. LOCATION Sutersville, Pennsylvania
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION BALLOON
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Description of sighting similar to balloon with package bursting. Antennas could be radar reflector.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 15-20 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual (TX)	Object assumed to be Satellite observed in Northwestern sky. Blew up into little bits of silver, which slowly floated down. Object was round and silver with three small antennas.
7. COURSE Hovering	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM
FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

Mrs Hunt/man/SAFOICC/72842/10 Aug 65

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Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

The object which you observed through a telescope on 5 June 1965 could not be a satellite. The description of the object and its explosion resembled a balloon carrying an instrument package bursting.

Satellites appear much dimmer and are similar to stars in appearance. Visual features of satellites cannot be observed through a telescope.

Sincerely,

JOHN F. KPAHLING
Lt Colonel, USAF
Chief, Civil Branch
Community Relations Division
Office of Information

Starville, Pennsylvania 15083

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UFO Sighting, 5 Jun 65, Sutersville, Pennsylvania

Hq USAF SAFOICC (Mrs Hunt)
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Reference the attached letter from [redacted] reporting an unidentified observation on the night of 5 June 1965. The following is a suggested reply:

a. Dear Mr. [redacted]

The observation on 5 June 1965 which you made through a telescope could not be a satellite. The description of the object and its explosion resembles a balloon with an instrument package, such as a radiosonde or a rawinsonde, with the balloon bursting.

Satellites appear much dimmer and are similar to stars in appearance. Visual features of a satellite, such as antenna, can not be observed even with a telescope.

FOR THE COMMANDER

E. L. de J.
ERIC L. de JONCKHEERE
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology
and Subsystems

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Ltr from [redacted]

ORIGINATOR:

M. H. Quintanilla, Jr.
TDEW/UFO Maj H Quintanilla, Jr

date 29 July 65

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HEADQUARTERS
9th AEROSPACE DEFENSE DIVISION (ADC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
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REPLY TO
ATTN OF: 9CIO

SUBJECT: Unidentified Object Report

22 Jul 65

TO: TDE-W
Foreign Technology Division
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

1. Reference the attached correspondence, dated 5 Jun 65, subject as above. Letter is forwarded for action as appropriate.
2. This office, in cooperation with USAF SPACETRACK, was unable to correlate this observation with any event of which we have record. All foreign and domestic satellite decays during the period were well documented and the event closest to the stated time of observation was the GT 4 sustainer body, SPADATS Object number 1391; this decay occurred approximately 16 hours from his window and was to the southeast of his location rather than northwest. In addition, there is no record of any satellite fragmentation during this period.
3. We consider the possibility of the visual sighting of antennae at orbital or decay altitude as being extremely unlikely.
4. Any assistance you can provide Mr. [REDACTED] will be appreciated.

FOR THE COMMANDER

Ray K. Schleeter
RAY K. SCHLEETER, DAFC
Actg Director of Information

copy to:
Mr. [REDACTED]

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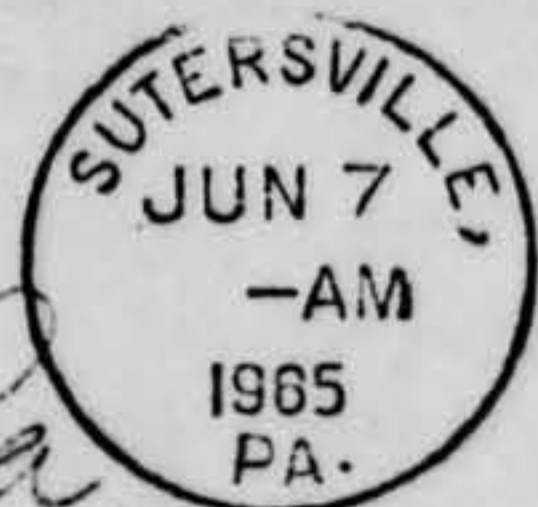
Also, do you have any
information on where the planets
are and which ones can be
seen with a 40-175 power telescope.

Thankyou,

address

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Sutersville, Pa. 15083

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Forwarded. Air Defense Command
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Suttsville, Pa.
June 5, 1965

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H. T. Christman BG-2
Industry Assistance Officer
Procurement & Contracts Division
NASA - Manned Spacecraft Center
Houston 1, Texas 77058

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sight of
I caught
sight of a satellite in the north-
north western part of the sky.
I sighted it at approximately 8:50 P.M.
and watched it for about 15-20 min-
utes. Then I was startled because it
blew up, then there was bits of
silver, slowly floating down, then
completely out of sight. It blew
up at about 9:05 P.M. From what
I saw of it, it was round and silver
and had three small antennas
coming out from the bottom. I was
surprised to see a satellite, let
alone blow up in front of my
eyes. If it isn't a secret, could
you please tell me which satellite
this was I saw and was it ex-