1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION
26 July 65 27/0230Z	Nashville, Tennessee
3. SOURCE	**10. CONCLUSION**
Civilian	Aircraft (W/ADVERTISING BANNER)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	A/C with electrical lighted banner towing in area. Banner of type that had small lights spelling out words.
One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	**11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS**
1 1/2 Minute	Silver object forty feet in diameter similar to wheel within a wheel had done on top. Orange red and yellow colors. Disappeared behind trees.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	
Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE	
Manuvered	
8. PHOTOS	
☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE	
☐ Yes ☒ No	

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MESSAGE

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
STAFF MESSAGE BRANCH

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AF IN: 39877 (30 Jul 65) S/cge

ACTION: NIN-7

INFO : XOP-1, XOPX-8, SAF-OS-3,DIA-1 (21)

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UNCLAS DO-B 00070 JUL 65. AFSC FOR SCFD, CSAF FOR AFNIN, OSAF FOR SAFOI. IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2 FOLLOWING RPT SUBMITTED IN TWO PARTS. PART I. PARA 14, A(1) ROUND, SIMILAR TO A WHEEL WITHIN A WHEEL WITH A DOME SHAPED TOP. A (2) APPROXIMATELY FORTY FEET IN DIAMETER. A(3) SILVER. A (4) ONE. A (5) NOT APPLICABLE. A(6) THE DOMED TOP WAS LOW IN COMPARISON TO OVERALL WIDTH OF OBJECT. OBJECT APPEARED TO HAVE A BLUE HALO WITH WHITE STRIPES WITHIN THE HALO. HALO WAS FLASHING AND APPEARED TO SPIN. THE FOLLOWING COLORS WERE NOTED ON THE OBJECT LISTED IN ORDER OF INTENSITY: ORANGE, RED, AND YELLOW. A (7) NONE. A (8) NONE. A (9) NONE. B (1)

SAW LIGHTS WHILE DRIVING AND LIGHT APPEARED TO TRAVEL WITH AUTO-
MOBILE. B (2) APPROXIMATELY 15 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON AT 50 FEET
ELEVATION. B (3) DISAPPEARED AT SAME ALTITUDE BEHIND TREES.
B (4) OBJECT FLYING LEVEL IN A SLIGHT LEFT TURN TRAVELING SOUTH. B (5)
BEHIND THREES INSTANTLY. B (6) ONE TO ONE AND ONE HALF MINUTES. C (1)
GROUND VISUAL.
C (2) NONE. C (3) NOT APPLICABLE. D (1) 270230. D (2) NIGHT. E (1) AT
[redacted]ASHVILLE, TENNESSEE. F (1) MRS
[redacted]R, 26, [redacted]NASHVILLE, HOUSEWIFE/ SECRETARY,
MODERATELY RELIABLE. G (1) CLEAR. G (2) 500-350/05, 8000-270/05, 10,000
-270/05, 14,00-300/05, 20,000-290/10, 25,000-290/15, 30,000-300/15, 35,000-
300/15, 40,000-310/25, 50,000-310/30, 80,000-NOT AVAILABLE. G (3) UNDETER-
MINED HIGH SIX TENTHS SKY COVERAGE. G (4) 5. G(5) SIX TENTHS. G (6) NONE.
G (7) NOT AVAILABLE. H. NONE. I. NONE. J. AIRCRAFT FLYING AT 1000 FEET
ATLTITUDE WAS VERIFIED IN AREA BY NASHVILLE TOWER AT TIME OF SIGHTING. PART
II. K. CHIEF MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS BRANCH/SR PILOT CODE TWO, CAPT GERALD N.
MARR. INTERVIEWED BERRY FIELD CONTROL TOWER OPERATOR ON DUTY AT TIME OF
SIGHTING. HE WAS IN RADIO CONTACT WITH CESSNA 13 YANKEE (TOWING AN
ELECTRICAL ADVERTISING BANNER IN THE AREA AT THE TIME OF SIGHTING. AIR-
CRAFT'S POSITION WAS DETERMINED TO BE IN THE SAME GENERAL AREA AS THE

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LOCATION OF OBERVERS. AIRCRAFT WAS FURTHER POSITIVELY IN THE AREA OF THE DESCRIBED OBSERVATION AT THE TIME OF THE OBSERVATION. THE CESSNA 172 TOWED OBJECT WAS MOUNTED BENEATH THE AIRCRAFT AND CAN BE EXTENDED TO 30 FEET IN LENGTH, EIGHT FEET IN WIDTH AND CONSISTS OF MANY SMALL LIGHT BULBS. THE ACTION OF THESE BULBS IS SIMILAR TO THAT OF THE NEWS FLASHER ON THE TIME SQUARE NEWS BUILDING IN THAT WORDS ARE SPELLED OUT IN A CONTINUOUS MOVING MOTION, THEREBY GIVING THE ILLUSION TO A DISTANT GROUND OBSERVER OF AN OBJECT SPINNING. THE LIGHTS ARE CLEAR AND THE AIRCRAFT IS CREAM AND BURNT ORANGE IN COLOR WITH A ROTATING RED BEACON ON THE VERTICAL STABILIZER. THESE PHYSICAL FACTS ACCOUNT FOR THE DIFFERENT COLORS SIGHTED BY THE OBSERVER. THE LOCATION OF THIS AIRCRAFT WAS VERIFIED BY CORSS CHECK WITH POSITION OF OBSERVERS EACH TIME OBJECT WAS SIGHTED BY SEVERAL OBSERVERS, BY BERRY TOWER AS THE OBSERVERS CALLED IN. TOWER HAD CONTINUOUS RADIO CONTACT WITH AIRCRAFT. VISIBILITY ON THE NIGHT OF OBSERVATION WAS FIVE MILES AND HAZE AND CAUSED LIGHTS OF CITY TO REFLECT ON TOWED OBJECT IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO PRESENT AN OBSERVATION SUCH AS SIGHTED BY OVERVERS WAS THE OBJECT UNDER TOW BY THIS CESSNA AIRCRAFT AND THAT NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION IS REQUIRED. A LIST OF OTHER OBSERVERS NAMES AND ADDRESSES FOLLOWS. THEIR SIGHTINGS WERE QUITE SIMILAR IN NATURE BUT NOT

AS COMPLETE IN DETAIL AS THAT OF THE ABOVE NAMED OBSERVER'S DESCRIPTION.

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SUE MAHONEY, [redacted] ST (AND

SIX OTHERS) [redacted] DA (AND TWO

OTHERS) [redacted]

[redacted] 13 YRS OLD). ALL ABOVE ADDRESSES ARE IN NASHVILLE,

TENNESSEE.

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NOTE: ADV CY TO DIA