

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 6 September 65 07/0300Z	2. LOCATION Indianapolis, Indiana (3)
3. SOURCE Civilians	10. CONCLUSION A/C
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Evaluation tentative. Pending receipt of form 164 & drawing
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 25 minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer sighted a very bright red object with approx 10 separate lights. The object moved to the north, paused for about 10 seconds, then continued on out of sight.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE North	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 20-21 September 65 20/1030Z	2. LOCATION Indianapolis, Indiana
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION SATELLITES ✓
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Multiple (1 Each Time)	Description in accord with this evaluation. Witness informed and ECHO and PEGASUS schedules for the following night given to observer
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Not Reported	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Lights similar to stars moving across sky.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE North	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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

20-21 Sept 65
Indianapolis, Indiana

MEMO FOR THE RECORD

21 Sep 65

Subj: Unidentified Objects over Indianapolis, 20 Sep 65

Received a telephone call from Mrs. [REDACTED] of Indianapolis, Indiana, area code 317, phone [REDACTED]. Mrs. [REDACTED] spoke broken English and would attempt to speak slowly so that Major Quintanilla could understand her. She saw something flying across the sky the morning of 20 Sep 65 around 530 am and then again later that evening and then this morning (21 Sep 65) at around 530 am. It was a bright light, similar to a star, moving across the sky to the South and once to the North. Major Quintanilla explained to her that she was observing an artificial satellite. He gave the times for Echo and Pegasus satellites. He also gave the times that these satellites would be visible this evening for her to observe. She was pleased with this information and was sorry to have bothered Maj Quintanilla. Maj explained that this is why we are here.

6/07/0303 Z

A/C

6 SEPT

FTD (TDEW)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
28 September 1965

Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear [REDACTED]

Reference your recent unidentified observation of 6 Sep 65. The information which we have received indicates that you made a drawing of this object. We would appreciate your forwarding it, if possible, to help in our evaluation. Also request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and return it in the envelope provided.

We wish to thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

Sincerely,



HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book

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07/0300Z - INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

6 SEPT

ECG II 2158 No 7

Send
164
request
drawing

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

6

Day

Sept

Month

65

Year

2. Time of day:

2200 hrs

Hour

10 minutes

Minutes

10001

time

(Circle One):

A.M.

or

P.M.

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One):

a. Eastern

b. Central

c. Mountain

d. Pacific

e. Other

(Circle One):

a. Daylight Saving

b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

Nearest Postal Address

City or Town

State or County

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration)

Hours

Minutes

Seconds

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined?

5.2 Was object in sight continuously?

Yes ☒No ☐

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY

a. Bright

b. Cloudy

NIGHT

a. Bright

b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One):

a. In front of you

b. In back of you

c. To your right

d. To your left

e. Overhead

f. Don't remember

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:

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?
- b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?
- c. Break up into parts or explode?
- d. Give off smoke?
- e. Change brightness?
- f. Change shape?
- g. Flash or flicker?
- h. Disappear and reappear?

☒ Yes

No

Don't know

☒ Yes

No

Don't know

Yes

No

Don't know

Yes

No

Don't know

Yes

No

Don't know

Yes

No

Don't know

Yes

No

Don't know

Yes

No

Don't know

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

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: _____

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 _____

b. Color Red - had approximately 10 separate lights

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?

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 object moved from South to North - paused for about 10 seconds, then continued on out of sight to the North. It was pretty large appeared to reddish in color and looked like it had about 10 port holes.

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? _____

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.

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

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:

Mr & Mrs [REDACTED]

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Street Zone State

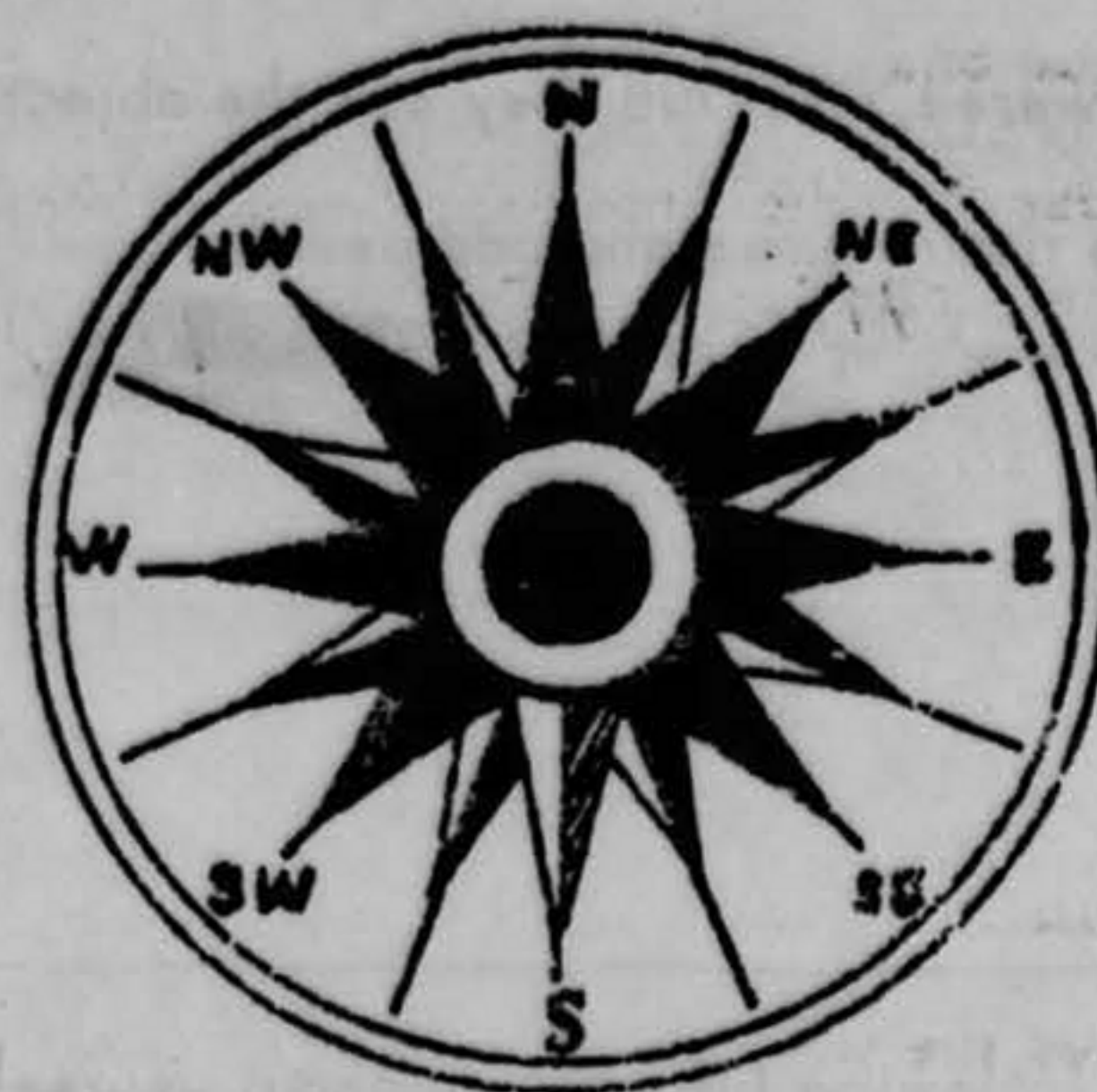
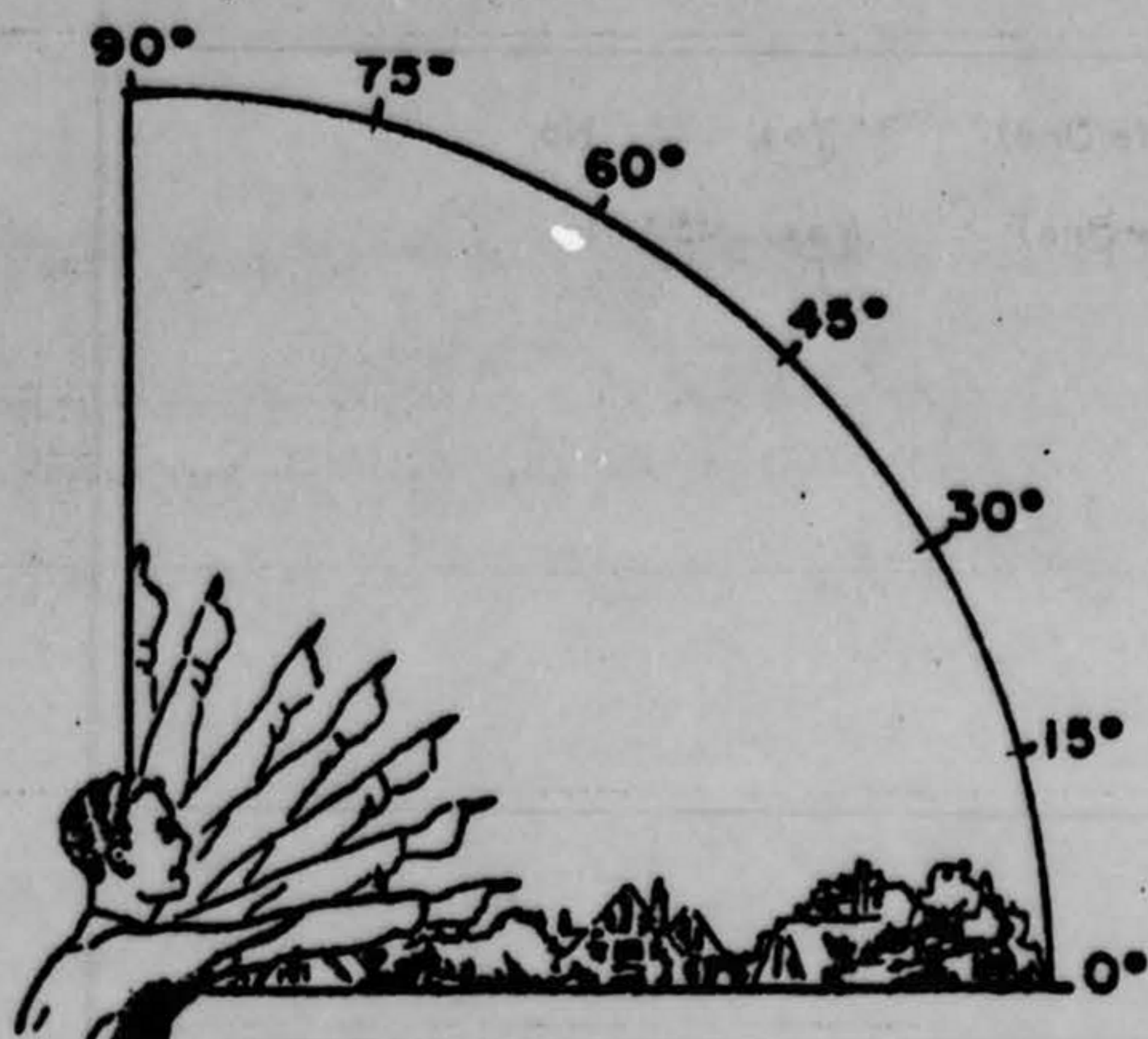
TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED] AGE SEX

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?

Day Month Year

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? _____
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

7 Sept 65
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.

This is second hand information - passed on from the Indianapolis Tower operator - He indicated that Mr Lawrence made a drawing of the object.