

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 17 Dec 66 16/0800Z	2. LOCATION Whittier, California (1 witness)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION INSUFFICIENT DATA FOR EVALUATION"
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION None Stated	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS SEE CASE FILE
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	
7. COURSE None Stated	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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Proposed reply to letter from Mrs. [REDACTED] dated 23 January 1967

Dear Mrs. [REDACTED]

Reference your recent letter describing a most unusual experience witnessed by you and your husband on the night of 17 December 1966. To date our office has not received any other sightings which could be related to your observation. The project office at Wright-Patterson AFB has not received any other reports from the San Diego area for the night of 17 December 1966.

Request you and your husband complete the attached FTD Form 164 so that our analysts can study the technical details of your observation.

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the hall towards our bedroom. As I approached the bedroom window I could see what appeared to be reflections of a flaming fire and I thought that either the electric wires were on fire or that there was a huge bonfire in the middle of our backyard. I hurried to the window and looked down at the backyard. The whole yard was bathed in a brilliant orange and everything (fences etc.) looked, as I said before, as something ~~was~~ does when it is reflecting fire. I looked up at the sky and there was a big orange light. I woke my husband up and told him to come and look at the thing in the sky. He got up, came to the window and as I kept saying, "What can it be?" he just kept repeating, "Oh, my God!" It seems like we watched it for about a minute. It was stationary in the sky all that time and seemed to be quite near. There was the sound of aircraft in the distance but glancing around the sky we could see no airplane and we mentioned this to one-another. The light was more powerful than anything we'd ever seen but still we could look right at it. As we watched, the light finally went out - not slowly - but still not as fast as you would turn off an electric

Whittier, Calif.
Jan. 23, 1967

Dear Major Quintanilla,

Having just read the article on U.F.O.s in the 8-6-66 issue of Saturday Review I thought I should tell you of the sighting my husband and I had.

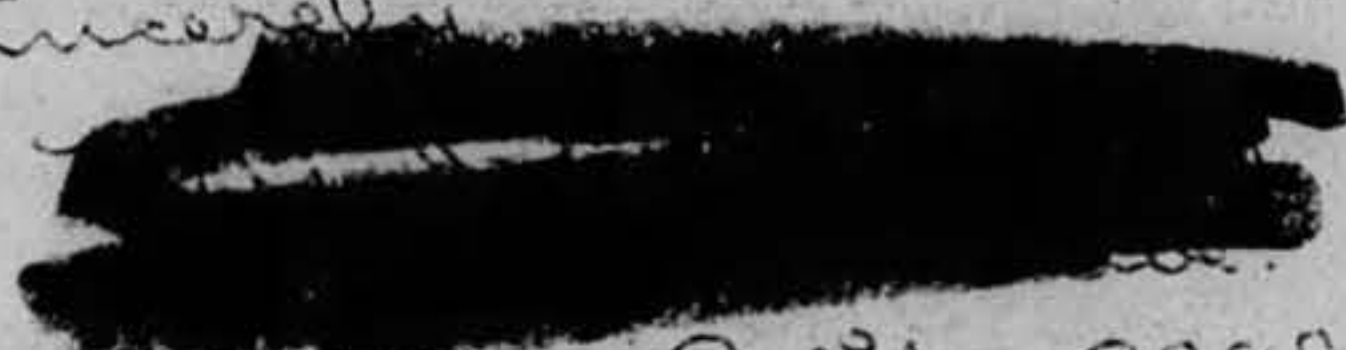
On Saturday, Dec. 17, 1966 around midnight I was in the bathroom of our home preparing for bed (the rest of the family was in bed and asleep and the house was in darkness except for the bathroom light) when I heard two noises just a minute or two apart and they sounded to me like lumber being dropped from a truck - the way it hits the ground with a clap. We were in the process of re-doing our back yard - pool, decking, new fences etc. so we had lots of building materials in our backyard. I thought to myself that someone must be in our backyard and that I would look out our bedroom window (2nd story) and check before going to bed. I turned out the bathroom light - making the house completely dark, and walked through

bulb. All that was left was what looked exactly like a star and it began to move. We stayed at the window and watched it (we live on a hill) as it moved towards the lights of Los Angeles in the distance and then went out of sight.

The next day and evening we checked with several neighbors and no one else had heard or seen anything unusual. One neighbor said that there had been several sightings in San Diego the same night.

If anyone else has contacted you about seeing the same thing that night I would be interested in hearing about it.

Sincerely,



Whittier, Calif. 90601