

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 16 April 66 17/0330Z	2. LOCATION Columbus, Indiana
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Possible (AIRCRAFT)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Five	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 20 Seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer noted 5 whitish glowing objects traveling toward the east. The objects were compared to five baseballs and having a stable flight path. The object did not make any sound or leave any type of trail.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE E	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

Columbus, Ind

16 Apr 66

Mrs Hunt/SAFOICC/72842/5 Jul 66

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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE LIAISON, SAFOS
ATTN: Lt Colonel Burdette

SUBJECT: UFO

Attached is a proposed reply to [redacted] of
Columbus, Indiana, who wrote to Colonel Poe on the above
subject.

SAFOI action officer is Mrs Hunt, 72842.

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Proposed Reply

GERALD R. JORGENSEN
Colonel, USAF
Chief
Community Relations Division
Office of Information

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This is in reply to your report of aerial objects which you observed and were unable to identify on the night of April 16, 1966.

I am inclosing a copy of FTD Form 164 which is used for making such reports to the Air Force. This form should be completed as fully as possible and returned to the following address for evaluation:

Hq USAF (SAFOICC)

Pentagon, Room 4A 120

Washington, DC, 20330

Your interest in Air Force matters is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Jun 14 66

Dear Sir

I would like to thank you for your letter and the booklet Project Blue Book. I found them very interesting.

At approximately 9:30 April 16, 1966, three friends and I were outside when five objects flew over our heads traveling SW N. The objects were easy to see against the sky. They had a white glow and they move very fast.

Friends: [REDACTED] Ave, Columbus Ind (15)

[REDACTED] Ave Columbus, Ind (15)

[REDACTED] Ave Columbus, Ind (14)

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
Columbus, Ind

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?

16 April 1966
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

9 30
Hour Minutes

(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?

[REDACTED] Avenue Columbus Indiana
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or County

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

0 0 20
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 X 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? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| d. Give off smoke? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| e. Change brightness? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| g. Flash or flicker? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| h. Disappear and reappear? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |

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

No

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: _____

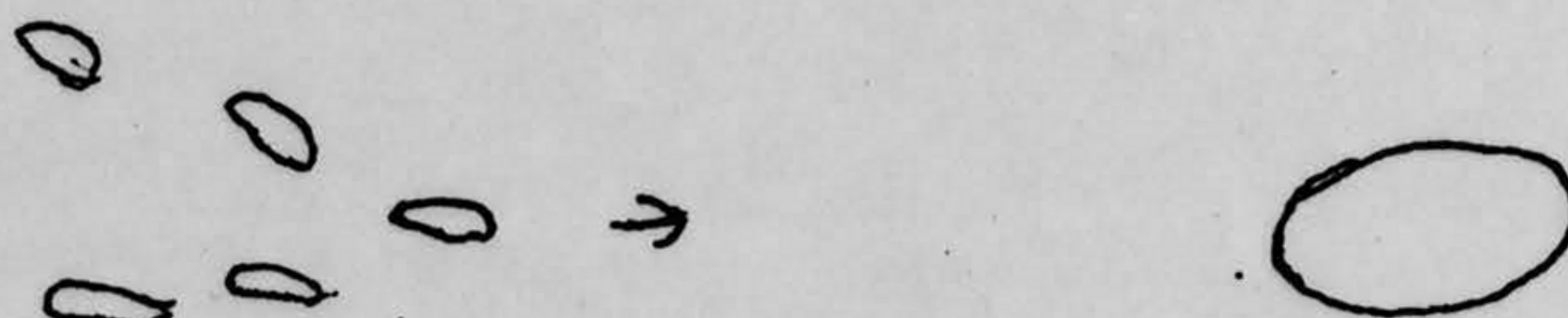
17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound none

b. Color whitish ~~go~~ glow

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.



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

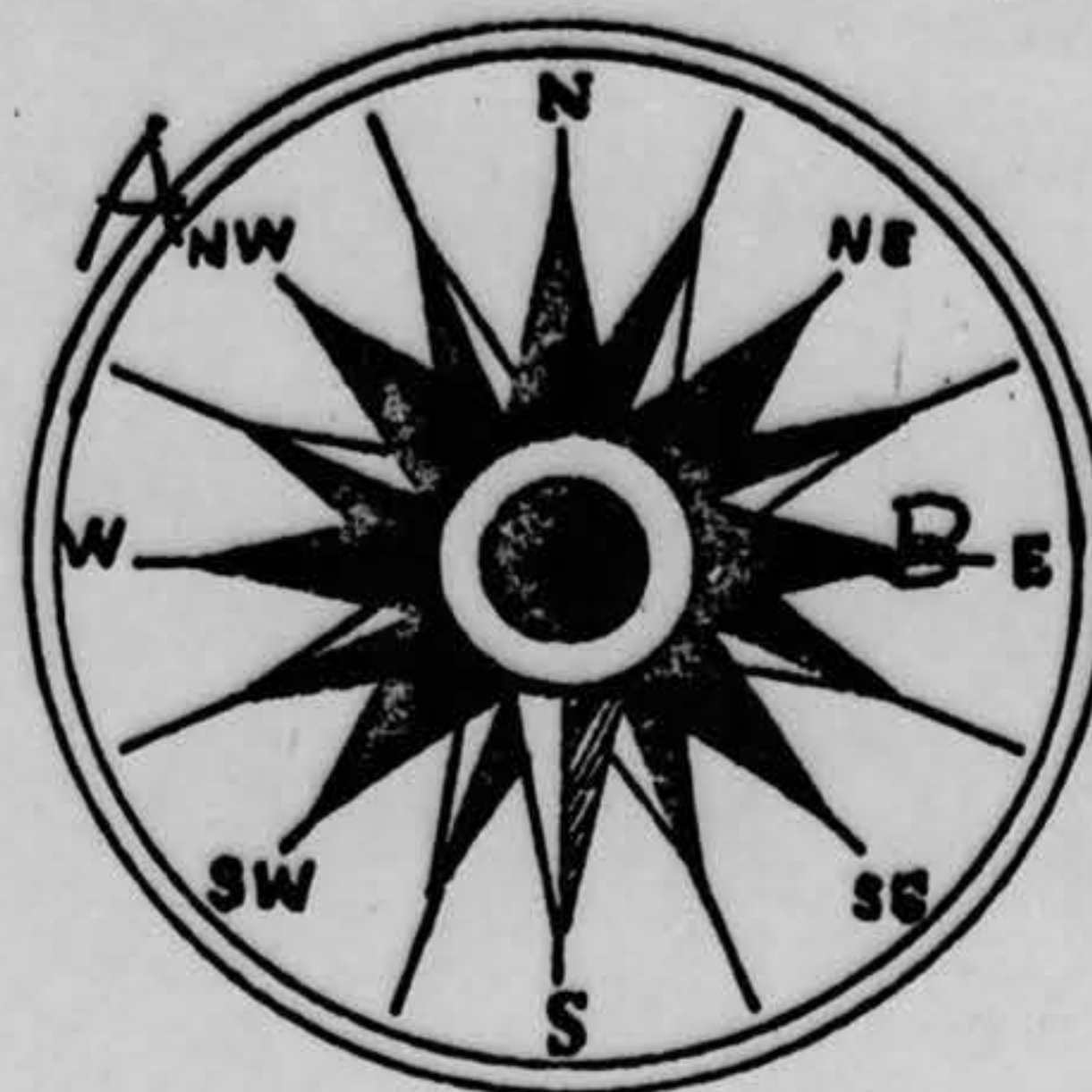
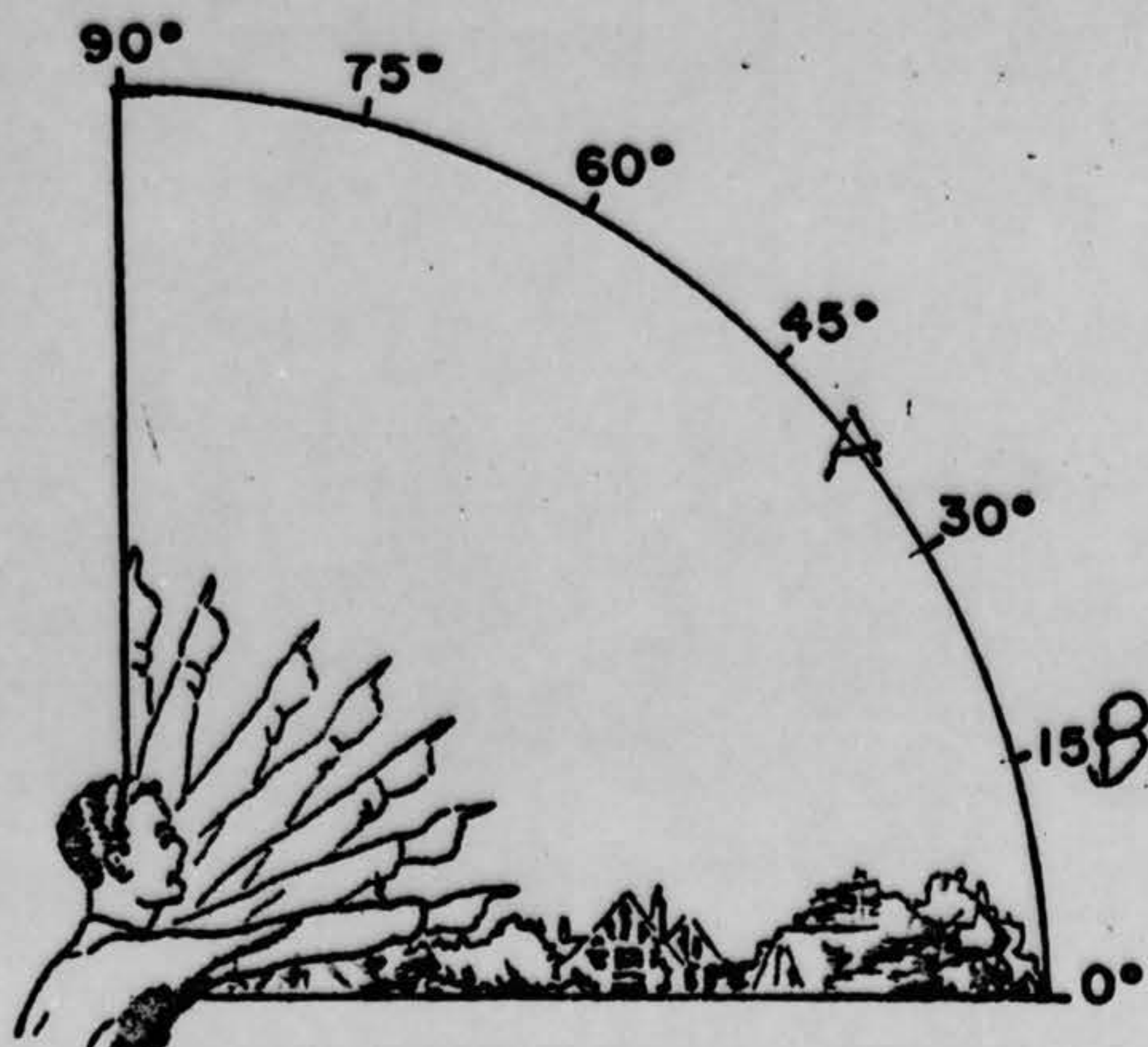
No

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.

five baseballs

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.

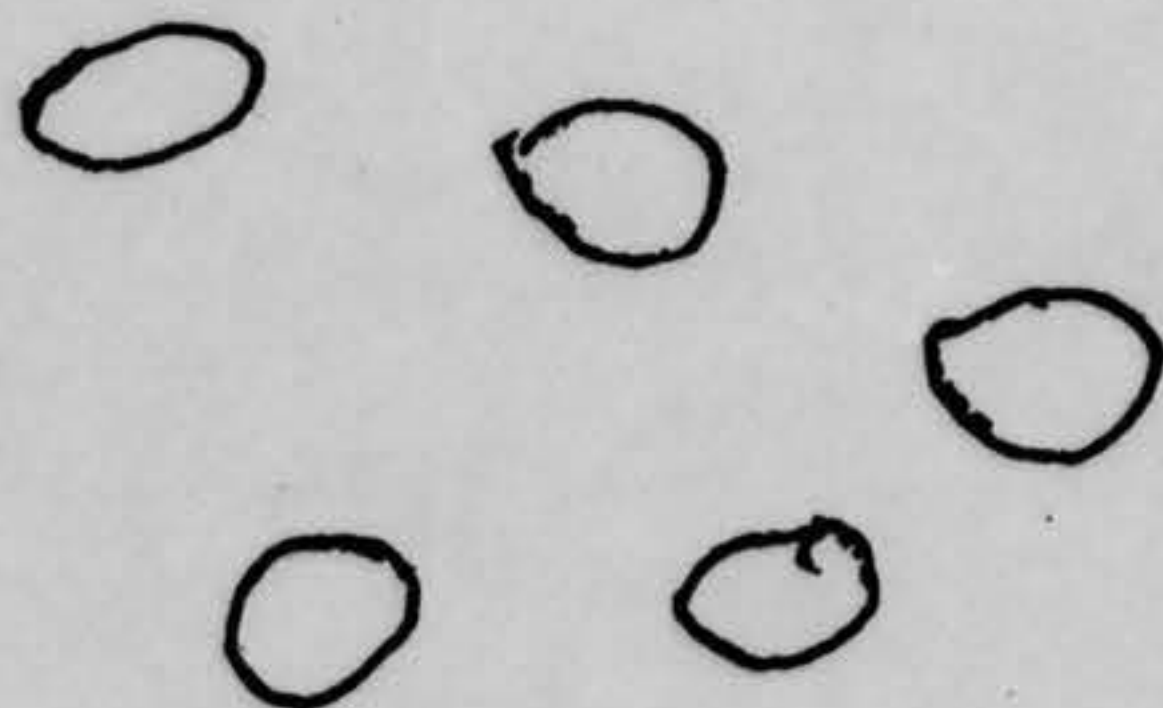


28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? 5

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



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

No

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:

[REDACTED]

Av.

[REDACTED]

Griffa Av.

[REDACTED]

All - Columbus Indiana

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

AGE

12

SEX

Male

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?

Parents

16

Day

April

Month

1966

Year

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

16 June 1966
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.

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3. SOURCE CIVILIAN	10. CONCLUSION INSUFFICIENT DATA FOR EVALUATION FTD Form 1614 forwarded to witnesses, however, not returned after 30 days, will re-evaluate if received.
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS five	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Witnesses were outside when five obj's flew over their heads traveling SW N. The obj's were easy to see against the sky. They had a white glow and the moved very fast. This is all info available in letter report.
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6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ground visual	
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9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☐ No	