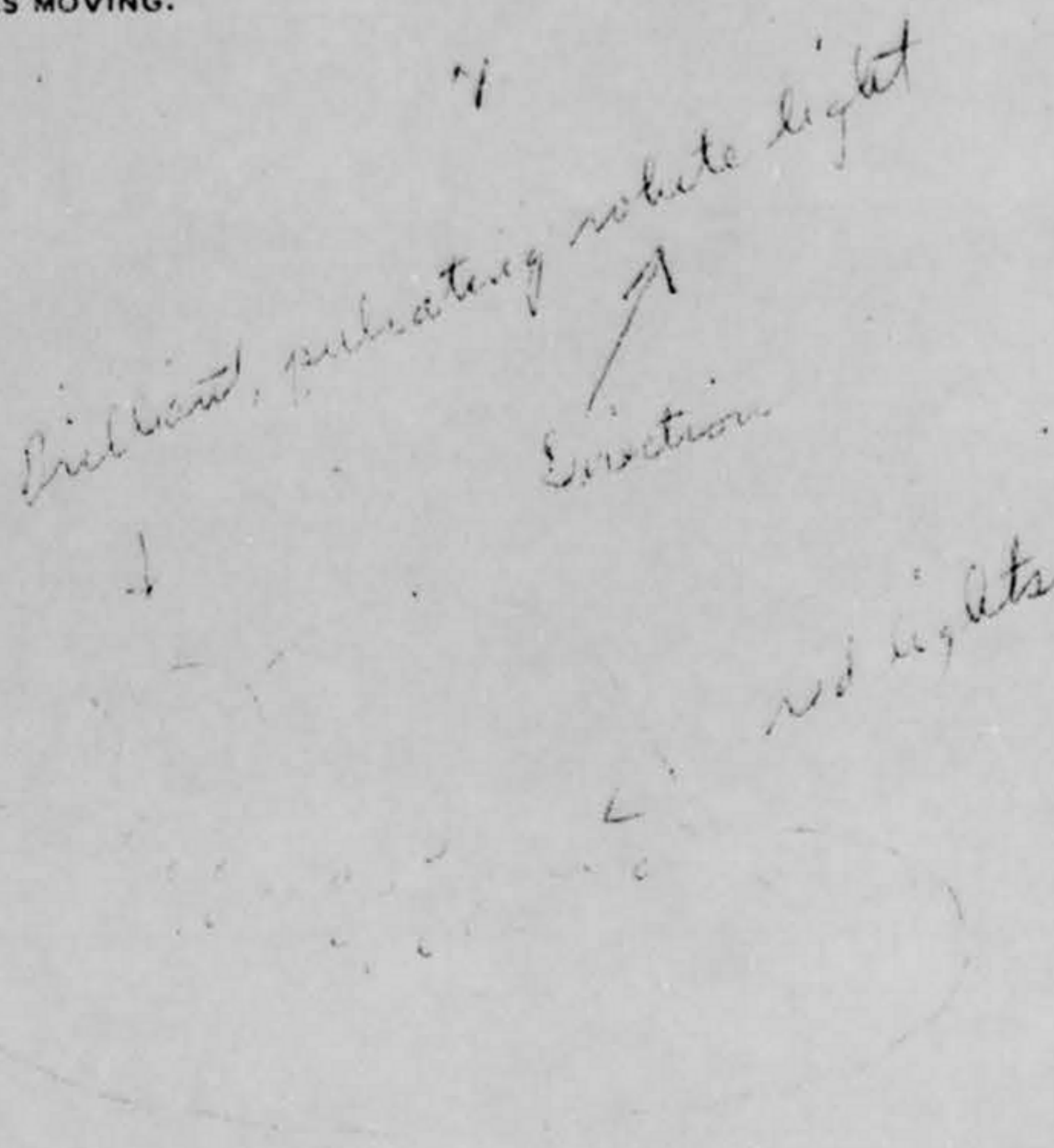


PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 12 April 68 13/0415Z	2. LOCATION Cape Neddick, Maine
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Possible (AIRCRAFT)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION About one minute	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS The observers were watching an eclipse of the moon when they sighted a flat disc shaped object with a dome. It had an extremely brilliant white pulsating light on the "head-on side and clear, brilliant red blinking red lights across the side.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE S to NNE	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	COMMENTS: The description is similiar to that of an aircraft with an electrical advertising sign. One advertiser who operates in the area was contacted but stated that it was not his plane. If the object had continued NNE it would have passed over Biddeford and Saco, Maine. No one reported any UFOs to their police departments. Peace AFB and Portsmouth Airport are only 10 to 15 miles SSW of the sighting and
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

15. DRAW A PICTURE THAT WILL SHOW THE SHAPE OF THE PHENOMENON. INCLUDE AND LABEL ANY DETAILS THAT MIGHT HAVE APPEARED AS WINGS OR PROTRUSIONS, AND INDICATE EXHAUST OR VAPOR TRAILS. INDICATE BY AN ARROW THE DIRECTION THE PHENOMENON WAS MOVING.



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No protrusions nor trail.

16. WHAT WAS THE ANGULAR SIZE? HOLD A MATCH AT ARM'S LENGTH IN FRONT OF A KNOWN OBJECT, SUCH AS A STREET LAMP OR THE MOON. NOTE HOW MUCH OF THE OBJECT IS COVERED BY THE HEAD OF THE MATCH. NOW IF YOU HAD BEEN ABLE TO PERFORM THIS EXPERIMENT AT THE TIME OF THE SIGHTING, ESTIMATE WHAT FRACTION OF THE PHENOMENON WOULD HAVE BEEN COVERED BY THE MATCH HEAD.

Probably $1/20$ or $1/25$ of the object, but as I did not perform this experiment at the time of the sighting, this is an approximation.

17. DID YOU OBSERVE THE PHENOMENON THROUGH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING? INCLUDE INFORMATION ON MODEL, TYPE, FILTER, LENS PRESCRIPTION OR OTHER APPLICABLE DATA.

EYEGLASSES	CAMERA VIEWER
SUNGLASSES	BINOCULARS
WINDSHIELD	TELESCOPE
SIDE WINDOW OF VEHICLE	THEODOLITE
WINDOWPANE	OTHER

A. DO YOU ORDINARILY WEAR GLASSES? ☐ YES ☒ NO

B. DO YOU USE READING GLASSES? ☒ YES ☐ NO

18. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE SPEED OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF SPEED Not known

19. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE DISTANCE OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF DISTANCE Not known

20. IN ORDER THAT WE MAY OBTAIN AS CLEAR A PICTURE AS POSSIBLE OF WHAT YOU SAW, DESCRIBE IN YOUR OWN WORDS A COMMON OBJECT OR OBJECTS WHICH, WHEN PLACED IN THE SKY, SIMILAR TO WHERE YOU NOTED THE PHENOMENON, WOULD BEAR SOME RESEMBLANCE TO WHAT YOU SAW. DESCRIBE SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE COMMON OBJECT AND WHAT YOU SAW.

It looked like an air vehicle that I have ever seen. The only object I can think of that it resembled is a man's derby hat, but a bit higher at the top.

21. DID YOU NOTICE ANY ODOR, NOISE, OR HEAT EMANATING FROM THE PHENOMENON OR ANY EFFECT ON YOURSELF, ANIMALS OR MACHINERY IN THE VICINITY? ☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

A. DID THE PHENOMENON DISTURB THE GROUND OR LEAVE ANY PHYSICAL EVIDENCE. ☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

while I watched it, it moved evenly across the sky and made no movement toward the ground.

22. HAVE YOU EVER SEEN THIS OR A SIMILAR PHENOMENON BEFORE? ☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," GIVE DATE AND LOCATION.

23. WAS ANYONE WITH YOU AT THE TIME YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? ☒ YES ☐ NO. IF "YES," DID THEY SEE IT TOO?
☒ YES ☐ NO.

A. LIST THEIR NAMES AND ADDRESSES

Miss [REDACTED], Cape Neddick, Maine . 03902
Another person, who does not wish to be identified, saw the object from inside the house.

24. GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME

ADDRESS (Street, City, State and Zip Code)

Cape Neddick, Maine 03902

TELEPHONE (Area code and number)

AGE

MALE

☒ FEMALE

INDICATE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION INCLUDING OCCUPATION AND ANY EXPERIENCE WHICH MAY BE PERTINENT.

at home. Worked for the Federal Government for 20 years;
no occupation that would be pertinent.

25. WHEN AND TO WHOM DID YOU REPORT THAT YOU HAD SIGHTED THIS PHENOMENON?

Inject Blue Book } Both
NAME NICAP DAY 19 MONTH April YEAR 1968

26. DATE YOU COMPLETED THIS QUESTIONNAIRE.

DAY 2 MONTH May YEAR 1968

Question 11 A } The moon was in almost total eclipse so
11 B } that there could be no light reflection.



I was facing south while looking at the moon.

The sky was completely free of clouds.

The object was very sharply defined against the dark sky. I could hear no noise and there was no trail. While watching, I particularly looked for alternating red and green lights. There was no green color visible.

The object had no wings or other protrusions.

The color and the lights I saw remained constant throughout the sighting.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION (AFSC)
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO 45433



29 MAY 1968

REPLY TO
ATTN OF:

TDPT (UFO)

SUBJECT:

UFO Observation, 12 April 1968

TO:

Miss [REDACTED]
Cape Neddick, Maine 03902

Your name has been given to the Aerial Phenomena Office (Project Blue Book) as being a witness to an unidentified flying object. If you were a witness to an UFO sighting on 12 April 1968 would you please complete the attached AF Form 117 and return it in the envelope provided. If you were not a witness to this sighting, would you please make a statement to this effect on the attached form. The information which you provide will be used in evaluating this observation. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

④ DIRECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Lt Colonel, USAF
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Office
Aerospace Technologies Division
Production Directorate

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AF Form 117 w/envelope

SIGHTING OF UNIDENTIFIED PHENOMENA QUESTIONNAIRE

BUDGET BUREAU APPROVAL
NUMBER 21-R258

THIS QUESTIONNAIRE HAS BEEN PREPARED SO THAT YOU CAN GIVE THE U.S. AIR FORCE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE CONCERNING THE UNIDENTIFIED PHENOMENON THAT YOU HAVE OBSERVED. PLEASE TRY TO ANSWER ALL OF THE QUESTIONS. THE INFORMATION YOU GIVE WILL BE USED FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES. YOUR NAME WILL NOT BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OF YOUR STATEMENTS OR CONCLUSIONS WITHOUT YOUR PERMISSION. RETURN TO AIR FORCE BASE INVESTIGATOR FOR FORWARDING TO FTD (TDETR), WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, OHIO 45433, IAW AFR 80-17. (IF ADDITIONAL SHEETS ARE NEEDED FOR NARRATIVE OR SKETCHES ATTACH SECURELY TO THIS FORM OR ANNOTATE WITH YOUR NAME FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

1. WHEN DID YOU SEE THE PHENOMENON?

DAY 12 MONTH April YEAR 1968

2. WHAT TIME DID YOU FIRST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON?

HOUR 11 MINUTES 15 ☐ A.M. ☒ P.M.

3. WHAT TIME DID YOU LAST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON?

About HOUR 11 MINUTES 16 ☐ A.M. ☒ P.M.

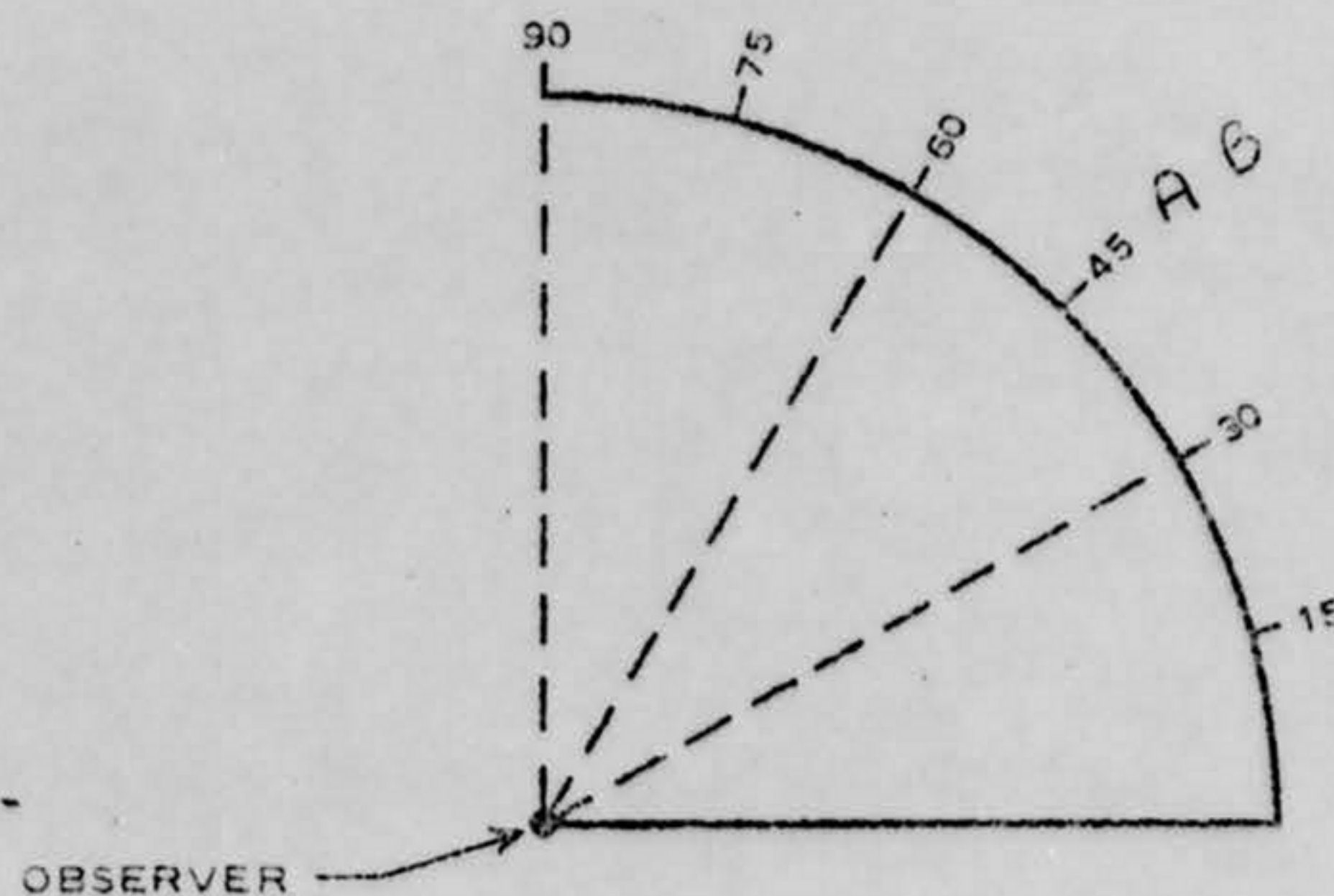
4. TIME ZONE

☐ DAYLIGHT SAVINGS☒ STANDARD☒ EASTERN☐ CENTRAL☐ MOUNTAIN☐ PACIFIC☐ OTHER

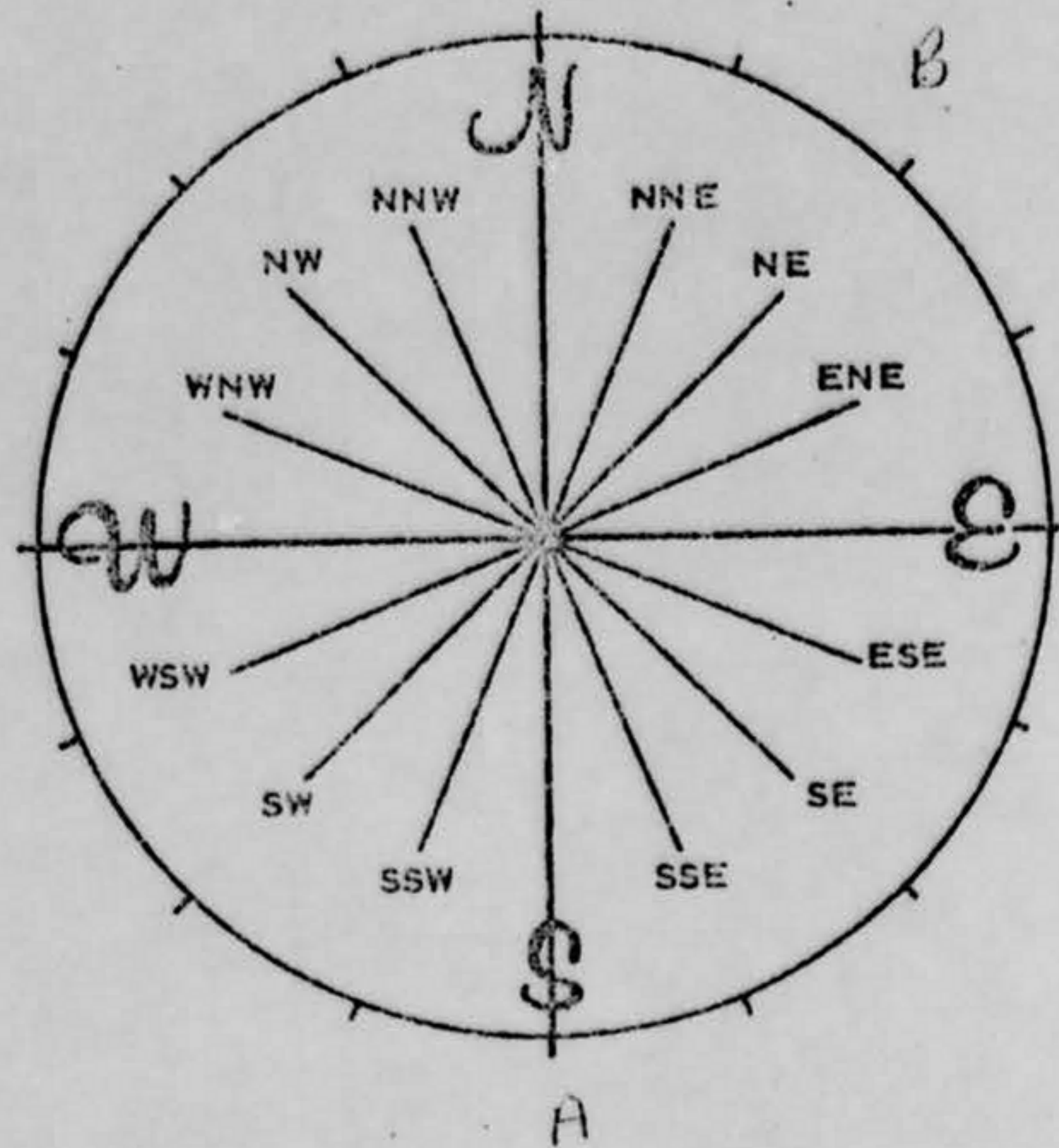
5. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? IF IN CITY, GIVE THE NEAREST STREET ADDRESS AND INDICATE ON A HAND DRAWN MAP WHERE YOU WERE STANDING WITH REFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS. IF IN THE COUNTRY, IDENTIFY THE HIGHWAY YOU WERE ON OR NEAR AND TRY TO FIX A DISTANCE AND DIRECTION FROM SOME RECOGNIZABLE LANDMARK.

50 yards west of U.S. route #1 in Cape Neddick
Maine, approximately 1/4 mile north of the
U.S. Post Office.

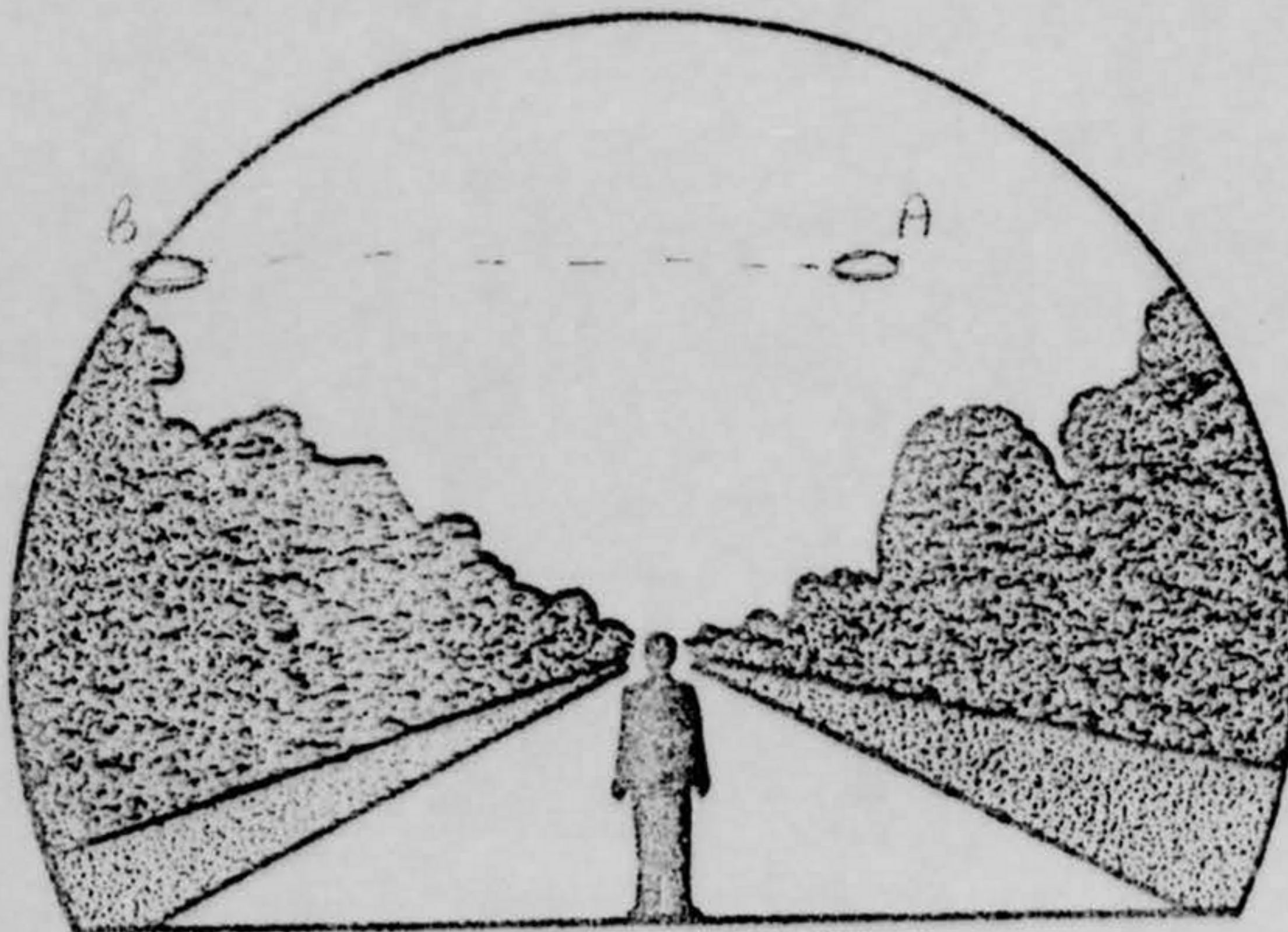
6. IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE POINT SHOWN IN THE SKETCH, PLACE AN "A" ON THE CURVED LINE TO SHOW HOW HIGH THE PHENOMENON WAS ABOVE THE HORIZON, OR SKYLINE, WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE SAME CURVED LINE TO SHOW HOW HIGH ABOVE THE HORIZON THE PHENOMENON WAS WHEN LAST SEEN.



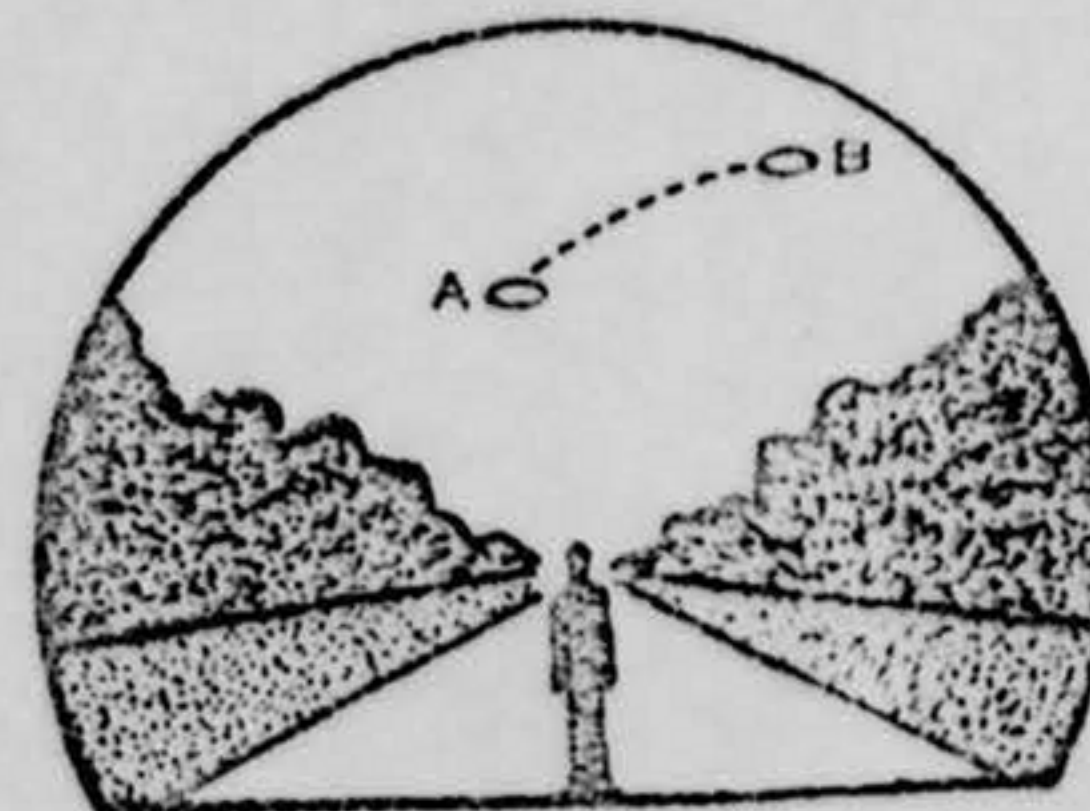
3A. NOW IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE CENTER OF THE COMPASS ROSE. PLACE AN "A" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN.



7. IN THE SKETCH BELOW, PLACE AN "A" AT THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN, AND A "B" AT THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN. CONNECT THE "A" AND "B" WITH A LINE TO APPROXIMATE THE MOVEMENT OF THE PHENOMENON BETWEEN "A" AND "B". THAT IS, SCHEMATICALLY SHOW WHETHER THE MOVEMENT APPEARED TO BE STRAIGHT, CURVED OR ZIG-ZAG. REFER TO SMALLER SKETCH AS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW TO COMPLETE THE LARGER SKETCH.



facing South



8. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? (Check appropriate blocks.)			
☒	OUTDOORS		IN BUSINESS SECTION OF CITY
	IN BUILDING		IN RESIDENTIAL SECTION OF CITY
	IN CAR ☐ AS DRIVER ☐ AS PASSENGER	☒	IN OPEN COUNTRYSIDE <i>not standing near house</i>
	IN BOAT		NEAR AIRFIELD
	IN AIRPLANE ☐ AS PILOT ☐ AS PASSENGER		FLYING OVER CITY
	OTHER		FLYING OVER OPEN COUNTRY
			OTHER
A. IF YOU WERE IN A VEHICLE, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:			
WHAT DIRECTION WERE YOU MOVING?		HOW FAST WERE YOU MOVING?	
☐ NORTH	☐ EAST	DID YOU STOP ANYTIME WHILE OBSERVING THE PHENOMENON? ☐ YES ☐ NO	
☐ SOUTH	☐ WEST		
☐ NORTHEAST	☐ SOUTHEAST		
☐ NORTHWEST	☐ SOUTHWEST		
EXPLAIN WHETHER SUCH MOVEMENT AFFECTS YOUR SKETCHES IN ITEMS 5 AND 6.			
DESCRIBE TYPE OF VEHICLE YOU WERE IN AND TYPE OF ROAD, TERRAIN OR BODY OF WATER YOU TRAVERSED DURING THE SIGHTING. STATE WHETHER WINDOWS OR CONVERTIBLE TOP WERE UP OR DOWN.			
HOW MUCH OTHER TRAFFIC WAS THERE?			
DID YOU NOTICE ANY AIRPLANES? ☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE WHEN THEY WERE IN SIGHT RELATIVE TO THE TIME OF SIGHTING THE PHENOMENON AND WHERE THEY WERE IN THE SKY RELATIVE TO THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON.			
9. HOW LONG WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT?			
LENGTH OF TIME		CERTAIN OF TIME	NOT VERY SURE
<i>approximately 45 seconds</i>		☒ FAIRLY CERTAIN	JUST A GUESS
HOW WAS TIME DETERMINED? <i>approximation - I did not have a watch</i>			
WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT CONTINUOUSLY? ☒ YES ☐ NO. IF "NO," INDICATE WHETHER THIS IS DUE TO YOUR MOVEMENT OR THE BEHAVIOR OF THE PHENOMENON, AND DESCRIBE SUCH MOVEMENT OR BEHAVIOR. INDICATE DISAPPEARANCES ON PREVIOUS SKETCHES.			

10. IF THERE WERE MORE THAN ONE PHENOMENON, HOW MANY WERE THERE? DRAW A PICTURE TO SHOW HOW THEY WERE ARRANGED. DID THIS ARRANGEMENT CHANGE DURING THE SIGHTING?

just one was visible

11. CONDITIONS (Check appropriate blocks.)

A. SKY		B. WEATHER	
☐ DAY		☐ CUMULUS CLOUDS (Low fluffy)	☐ FOG OR MIST
☐ TWILIGHT		☐ CIRRUS CLOUDS (High fleecy or Herring-bone)	☐ HEAVY RAIN
☒ NIGHT		☐ NIMBUS CLOUDS (Rain)	☐ LIGHT RAIN OR DRIZZLE
☒ CLEAR		☐ CUMULONIMBUS CLOUDS (Thunderstorms)	☐ HAIL
☐ PARTLY CLOUDY			☐ SNOW OR SLEET
☐ COMPLETELY OVERCAST			☐ UNKNOWN
		☐ HAZE OR SMOG	☒ NONE OF THE ABOVE

C. IF THE SIGHTING WAS AT TWILIGHT OR NIGHT, WHAT DID YOU NOTICE ABOUT THE STARS AND MOON?

(1) STARS	(2) MOON
☐ NONE	☐ BRIGHT MOONLIGHT
☐ A FEW	☐ MOON WITH HALO
☒ MANY	☐ MOON HIDDEN BY CLOUDS
☐ UNKNOWN	☐ PARTIAL (New or quarter)

D. IF SIGHTING WAS IN DAYLIGHT, WAS THE SUN VISIBLE? ☐ YES ☐ NO. IF "YES," WHERE WAS THE SUN AS YOU FACED THE PHENOMENON?

☐ IN FRONT OF YOU	☐ TO YOUR RIGHT	☐ OVERHEAD (Near noon)
☐ IN BACK OF YOU	☐ TO YOUR LEFT	☐ UNKNOWN

E. SPECIFY THE MAJOR SOURCE OF ILLUMINATION PRESENT DURING THE SIGHTING, SUCH AS THE SUN, HEADLIGHTS OR STREET LAMP, ETC. FOR TERRESTRIAL ILLUMINATION, SPECIFY DISTANCE TO LIGHT SOURCE.

The object was too high to be illuminated by the street lamps on U.S. 1. The moon was in almost total eclipse.

12. GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PHENOMENON, INDICATING WHETHER IT APPEARED DARK OR LIGHT, WHETHER IT REFLECTED LIGHT OR WAS SELF-LUMINOUS AND WHAT COLORS YOU NOTICED. DESCRIBE YOUR IMPRESSION OF WHETHER IT WAS SOLID OR TRANSPARENT, WHETHER EDGES WERE SHARP OR FUZZY. DESCRIBE THE SHAPE OR INDICATE IF IT APPEARED AS A POINT OF LIGHT. INDICATE COMPARISONS WITH OTHER OBSERVED OBJECTS, LIKE STARS, A LIGHT OR OTHER OBJECT IN YOUR FIELD OF VIEW.

The object appeared to be solid and was brightly illuminated by the lights on its surface. It was oval in shape with a more pronounced rounding on the upper side than on the underside, forming a dome-like effect. There was a large, blinking, white light on the front of the object and a random arrangement of smaller blinking red lights over the sides of the object. The outline was quite sharply defined due to the brightness of the object's illumination against a sky in which the moon had reached almost total eclipse. The object appeared to be reddish in color, although it could have been metallic silver with the red color resulting from a reflection of the red light.

13. DID THE PHENOMENON	YES	NO	UNKNOWN
MOVE IN A STRAIGHT LINE?	✓		
STAND STILL AT ANYTIME?		✓	
SUDDENLY SPEED UP AND RUN AWAY?		✓	
BREAK UP IN PARTS AND EXPLODE?		✓	
CHANGE COLOR?		✓	
GIVE OFF SMOKE?		✓	
CHANGE BRIGHTNESS?		✓	
CHANGE SHAPE?		✓	
FLASH OR FLICKER?		✓	
DISAPPEAR AND REAPPEAR?		✓	
SPIN LIKE A TOP?		✓	
MAKE A NOISE?		✓	
FLUTTER OR WOBBLE?		✓	

14. WHAT DREW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE PHENOMENON?

I was outside watching the eclipse of the moon, and noticed the object when it passed beneath the moon.

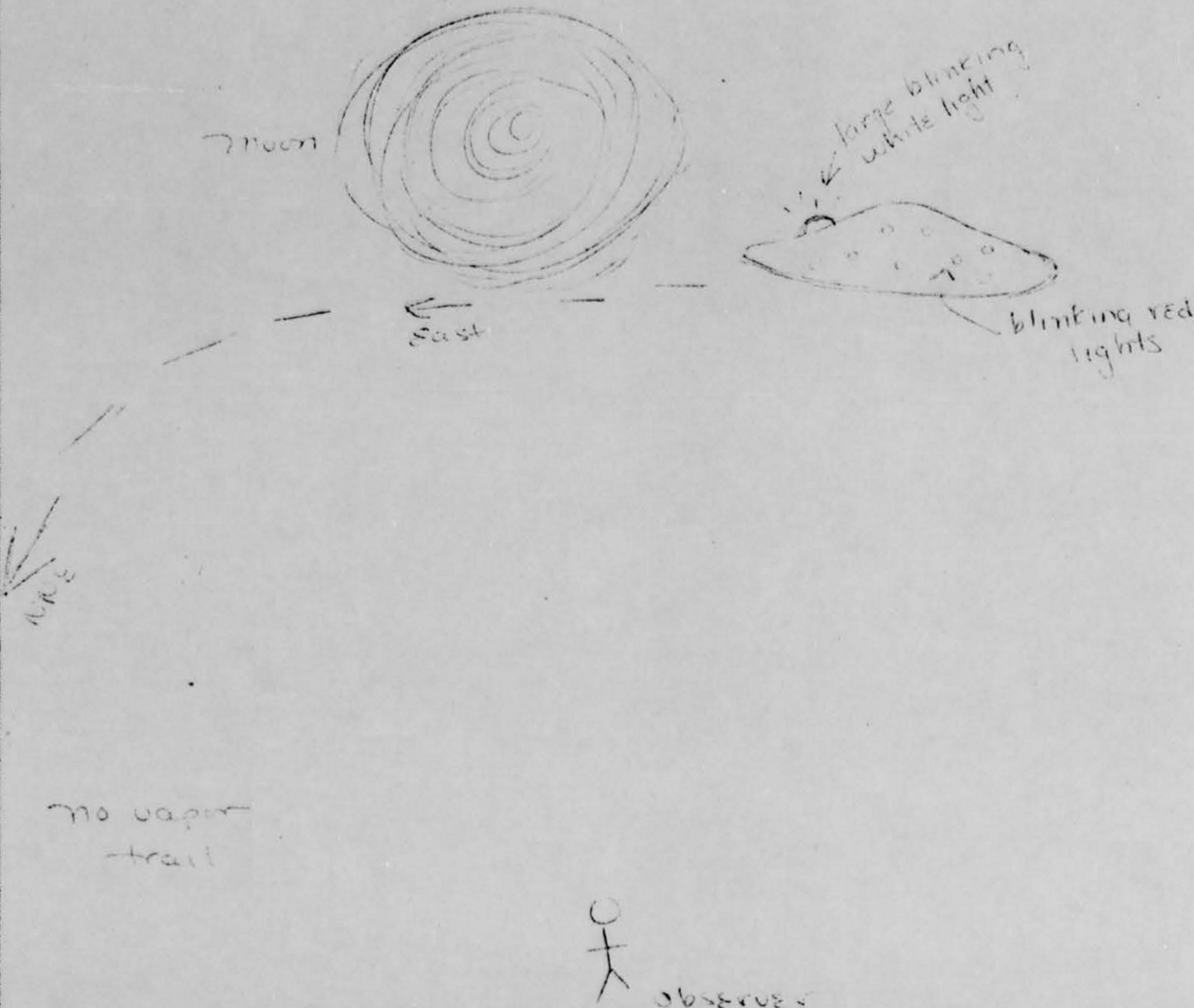
A. HOW DID IT FINALLY DISAPPEAR?

Over the rooftop, in a N.W.E. direction.

B. DID THE PHENOMENON MOVE BEHIND OR IN FRONT OF SOMETHING, LIKE A CLOUD, TREE, OR BUILDING AT ANY TIME?
☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

Portland, which is about 50 miles NNE of observer, has a large airfield. Since we received no other reports from the area and so many people were outside watching the eclipse of the moon, it is felt that the stimulus could be an aircraft.

15. DRAW A PICTURE THAT WILL SHOW THE SHAPE OF THE PHENOMENON. INCLUDE AND LABEL ANY DETAILS THAT MIGHT HAVE APPEARED AS WINGS OR PROTRUSIONS, AND INDICATE EXHAUST OR VAPOR TRAILS. INDICATE BY AN ARROW THE DIRECTION THE PHENOMENON WAS MOVING.



16. WHAT WAS THE ANGULAR SIZE? HOLD A MATCH AT ARM'S LENGTH IN FRONT OF A KNOWN OBJECT, SUCH AS A STREET LAMP OR THE MOON. NOTE HOW MUCH OF THE OBJECT IS COVERED BY THE HEAD OF THE MATCH. NOW IF YOU HAD BEEN ABLE TO PERFORM THIS EXPERIMENT AT THE TIME OF THE SIGHTING, ESTIMATE WHAT FRACTION OF THE PHENOMENON WOULD HAVE BEEN COVERED BY THE MATCH HEAD.

approximately $\frac{1}{10}$ - $\frac{1}{15}$

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☐ YES ☐ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.				

17. DID YOU OBSERVE THE PHENOMENON THROUGH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING? INCLUDE INFORMATION ON MODEL, TYPE, FILTER, LENS PRESCRIPTION OR OTHER APPLICABLE DATA.	
☒ EYEGLASSES	CAMERA VIEWER
☐ SUNGLASSES	BINOCULARS
☐ WINDSHIELD	TELESCOPE
☐ SIDE WINDOW OF VEHICLE	THEODOLITE
☐ WINDOWPANE	OTHER
A. DO YOU ORDINARILY WEAR GLASSES? ☒ YES ☐ NO	B. DO YOU USE READING GLASSES? ☐ YES ☒ NO
18. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE SPEED OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF SPEED <u>7</u>	19. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE DISTANCE OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF DISTANCE <u>7</u>
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It looked like a man's hat with a rounded crown.	
21. DID YOU NOTICE ANY ODOR, NOISE, OR HEAT EMANATING FROM THE PHENOMENON OR ANY EFFECT ON YOURSELF, ANIMALS OR MACHINERY IN THE VICINITY? ☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.	
A. DID THE PHENOMENON DISTURB THE GROUND OR LEAVE ANY PHYSICAL EVIDENCE. ☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.	

22. HAVE YOU EVER SEEN THIS OR A SIMILAR PHENOMENON BEFORE? ☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," GIVE DATE AND LOCATION.			
23. WAS ANYONE WITH YOU AT THE TIME YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? ☒ YES ☐ NO. IF "YES," DID THEY SEE IT TOO? ☒ YES ☐ NO.			
A. LIST THEIR NAMES AND ADDRESSES Mrs. [REDACTED] Cape Neddick Maine 03902			
24. GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF			
LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME [REDACTED]			
ADDRESS (Street, City, State and Zip Code) Cape Neddick Maine 03902			
TELEPHONE (Area code and number) [REDACTED]	AGE 19	MALE ☐	FEMALE ☒
INDICATE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION INCLUDING OCCUPATION AND ANY EXPERIENCE WHICH MAY BE PERTINENT.			
25. WHEN AND TO WHOM DID YOU REPORT THAT YOU HAD SIGHTED THIS PHENOMENON? I did not report the sighting			
NAME _____ DAY _____ MONTH _____ YEAR _____			
26. DATE YOU COMPLETED THIS QUESTIONNAIRE. DAY 8 MONTH June YEAR 1968			

27. INFORMATION WHICH YOU FEEL IS PERTINENT BUT WHICH IS NOT ADEQUATELY COVERED IN THIS QUESTIONNAIRE, ALTERNATIVELY PROVIDE A NARRATIVE EXPLANATION OF THE SIGHTING.

In reference to question 11-C-2, regarding
the condition of the moon;

the sighting took place when the moon
was in almost total eclipse.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION (AFSC)
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO 45433



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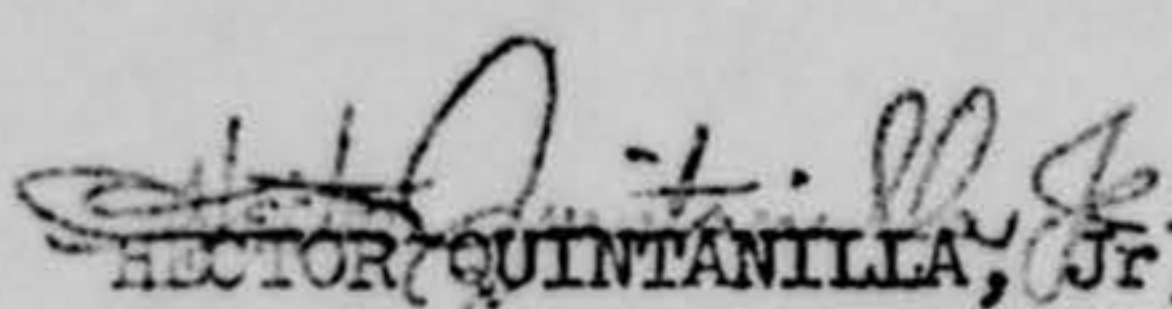
SUBJECT:

UFO Observation, 12 April 1968

TO:

Saco Police Department
Saco, Maine 04072

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HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr., Lt Colonel, USAF
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Office
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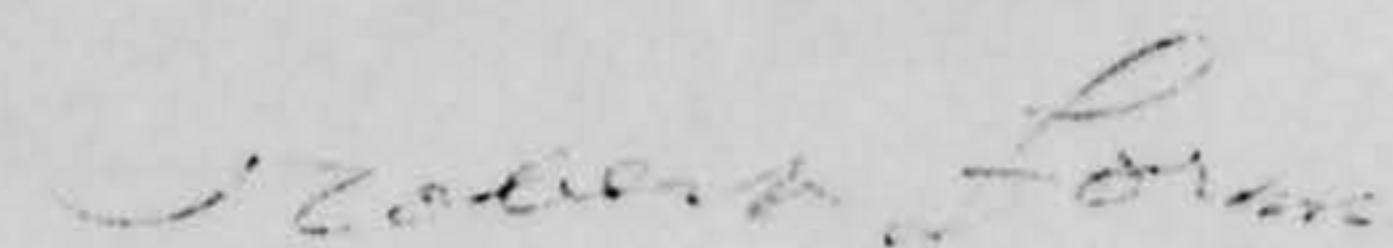
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June 3, 1968

Dear Sir:

Have checked all records & logs and cannot find anything recorded on above.

Yours truly,


Chief of Police
Saco, Maine 04072

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION (AFSC)
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO 45433



REPLY TO
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TDPT (UFO)

29 MAY 1968

SUBJECT:

UFO Observation, 12 April 1968

TO:

Biddeford Police Department
Biddeford, Maine 04005

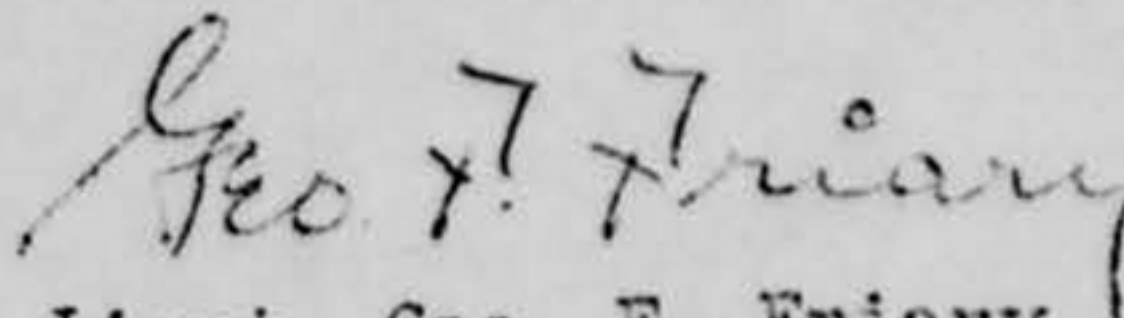
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June 4, 1968.

We had no report nor have we any knowledge of any such incident.


Lieut. Geo. F. Friary
Bureau of Identification
Biddeford Police Dept.

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Burlington Mass. 01803

Air-Vertising

May 20 1968

U.S. Air Force
Aerospace Technologies Div.
Chief, Aerial Phenomena

Dear Sirs;

Reference your letter May 16 1968 regarding if our aircraft was flying that night on April 12 1968.

Checking our records we indicate that first flight this year was conducted with the night equipment in night time May 14 1968. May I say again this was our first flight this season. There is no way our aircraft could create the sighting, on April 12 1968. Gladly to help your organization.

Sincerely

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
Joseph C.
Tech

TDPT (UFO) OFFICIAL FILE CY

Portland has a large Air port. ≈ 40 mi NNE of sighting
Protsmouth ~~Alta~~. must be only 10 or 15 mi SSW of
sighting (Pease AFB)

Cape Neddick
Maine 03902

April 19, 1968

Project Blue Book Information Office
SAFOI
Washington, D. C. 20330

Gentlemen:

On the night of April 12, 1968, there was a total eclipse of the moon. The night, at Cape Neddick, Maine, was cloudless. My niece, [REDACTED], age 19, and I went out into the back yard of our house, which stands about 50 yards from U. S. Highway 1, at about 11:12 p.m. to watch the oncoming total eclipse. We were facing south. There was a thin sliver of light left on the moon from about three to six o'clock. After watching a few minutes (we approximate the time to be 11:15), we saw an object just below the moon moving in an easterly direction; it veered to what appeared to us, to a NNE direction. The object was a flat oval with a dome.

We heard no sound and saw no trail. From our view, we could see what appeared to be a cluster of red, blinking lights across the object, in about the position where a hat band on a man's hat would be, but wider and more concentrated in the center of the object. In front, (on the head-on side and about the middle of the "crown") an extremely bright, pulsating white light was glowing. The almost complete darkness caused by the eclipse made the object especially clear to our view.

I particularly looked for alternating red and green lights like airplanes have, but saw nothing green. The whole object glowed in a dull, mottled red-orange. The object took less than a minute to pass from our view, still going in a NNE direction.

We are not qualified to judge distances, but the object seemed to be passing much lower than most jet planes fly.

Another person, who does not wish to be identified, saw the object fleetingly as it passed beneath the moon. This person was inside the house at the time.

The initial draft of this report was written within 12 hours of the sighting.

This report is being sent simultaneously to NICAP.

My niece and I specifically request that our names not be made public.

Yours truly,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
([REDACTED] y)

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Dear Mrs. [REDACTED]

This will reply to your recent letter in which you reported seeing an unidentified flying object (UFO).

Without additional information, we cannot offer an explanation of the object you saw. However, if you will complete the attached questionnaire and mail it in the inclosed envelope, our technical people at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base will be able to investigate further and make an evaluation.

Should you ever sight another UFO, please report it as soon as possible to the nearest Air Force base. Each base has a UFO investigator, who is in a better position to make an on-the-spot investigation which usually results in a more accurate analysis.

In the meantime, we are sending you some literature that may help you identify the sighting. Thank you for reporting it to the Air Force.

Sincerely,

DAVID L. STILES
Lt Colonel, USAF
Chief, Civil Branch
Community Relations Division
Office of Information

Attachments

Mrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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SIGHTING OF UNIDENTIFIED PHENOMENA QUESTIONNAIRE

BUDGET BUREAU APPROVAL
NUMBER 21-R258

THIS QUESTIONNAIRE HAS BEEN PREPARED SO THAT YOU CAN GIVE THE U.S. AIR FORCE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE CONCERNING THE UNIDENTIFIED PHENOMENON THAT YOU HAVE OBSERVED. PLEASE TRY TO ANSWER ALL OF THE QUESTIONS. THE INFORMATION YOU GIVE WILL BE USED FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES. YOUR NAME WILL NOT BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OF YOUR STATEMENTS OR CONCLUSIONS WITHOUT YOUR PERMISSION. RETURN TO AIR FORCE BASE INVESTIGATOR FOR FORWARDING TO FTD (TDETR), WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, OHIO 45433, 1AW AFR 80-17. (IF ADDITIONAL SHEETS ARE NEEDED FOR NARRATIVE OR SKETCHES ATTACH SECURELY TO THIS FORM OR ANNOTATE WITH YOUR NAME FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

1. WHEN DID YOU SEE THE PHENOMENON?

DAY 12 MONTH April YEAR 1968

2. WHAT TIME DID YOU FIRST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON?

HOUR 11 MINUTES 15 ☐ A.M. ☒ P.M.

3. WHAT TIME DID YOU LAST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON?

HOUR 11 MINUTES 16 ☐ A.M. ☒ P.M.

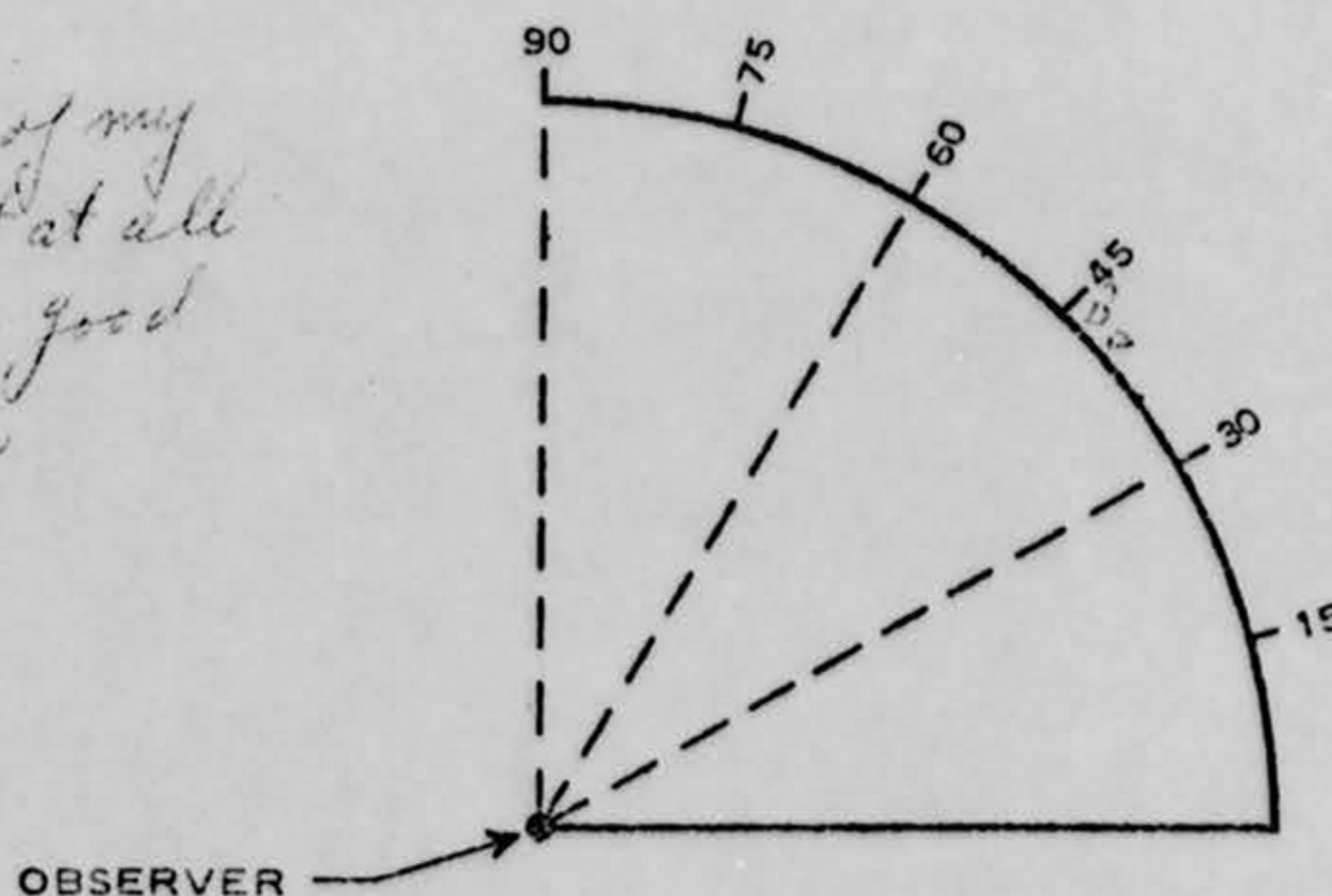
4. TIME/ZONE

☐ DAYLIGHT SAVINGS☐ STANDARD☒ EASTERN☐ CENTRAL☐ MOUNTAIN☐ PACIFIC☐ OTHER

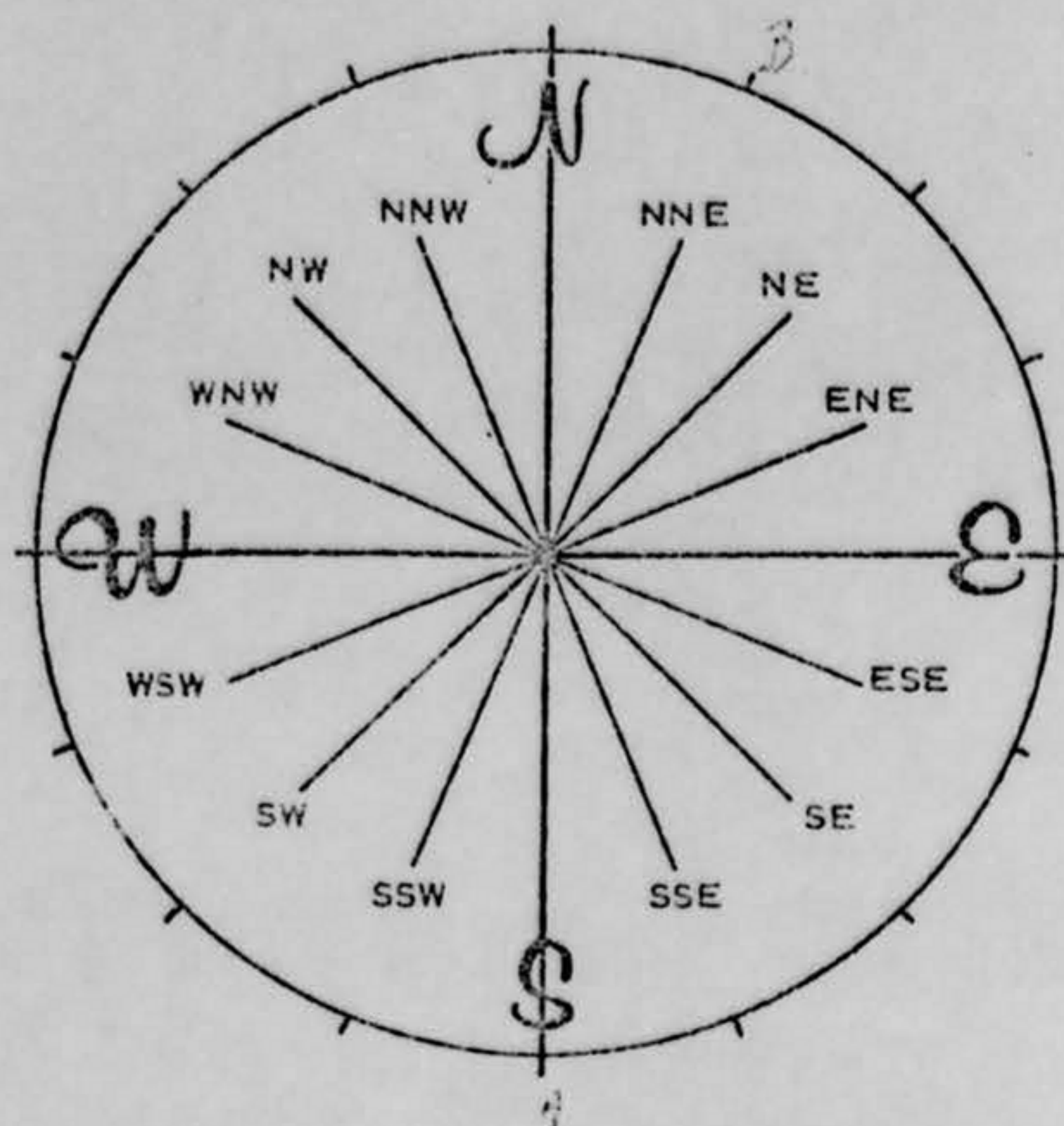
5. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? IF IN CITY, GIVE THE NEAREST STREET ADDRESS AND INDICATE ON A HAND DRAWN MAP WHERE YOU WERE STANDING WITH REFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS. IF IN THE COUNTRY, IDENTIFY THE HIGHWAY YOU WERE ON OR NEAR AND TRY TO FIX A DISTANCE AND DIRECTION FROM SOME RECOGNIZABLE LANDMARK.

about 50 yards from U.S. Highway 1. about 38 miles south of Portland, Maine

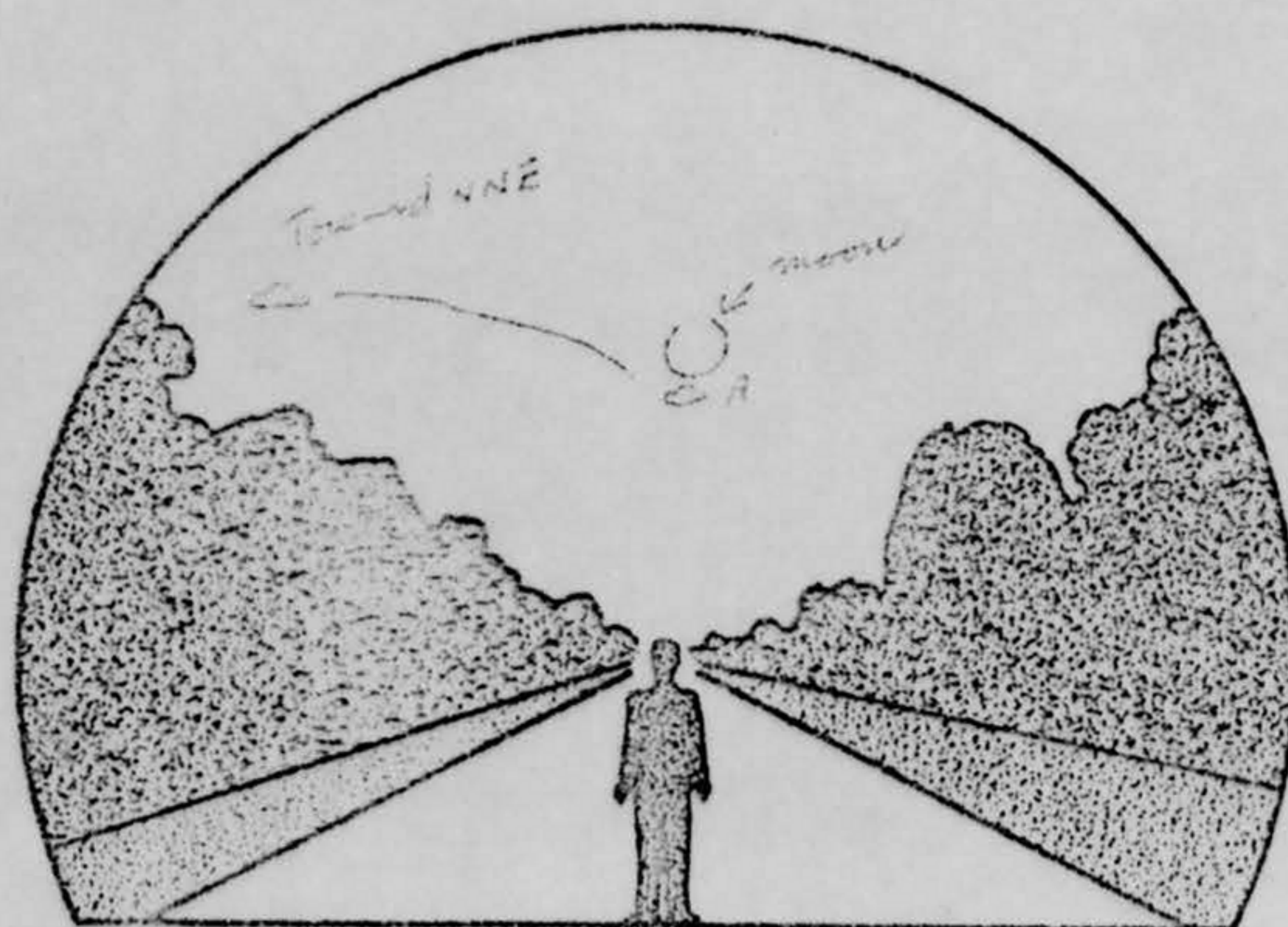
6. IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE POINT SHOWN IN THE SKETCH, PLACE AN "A" ON THE CURVED LINE TO SHOW HOW HIGH THE PHENOMENON WAS ABOVE THE HORIZON, OR SKYLINE, WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE SAME CURVED LINE TO SHOW HOW HIGH ABOVE THE HORIZON THE PHENOMENON WAS WHEN LAST SEEN.



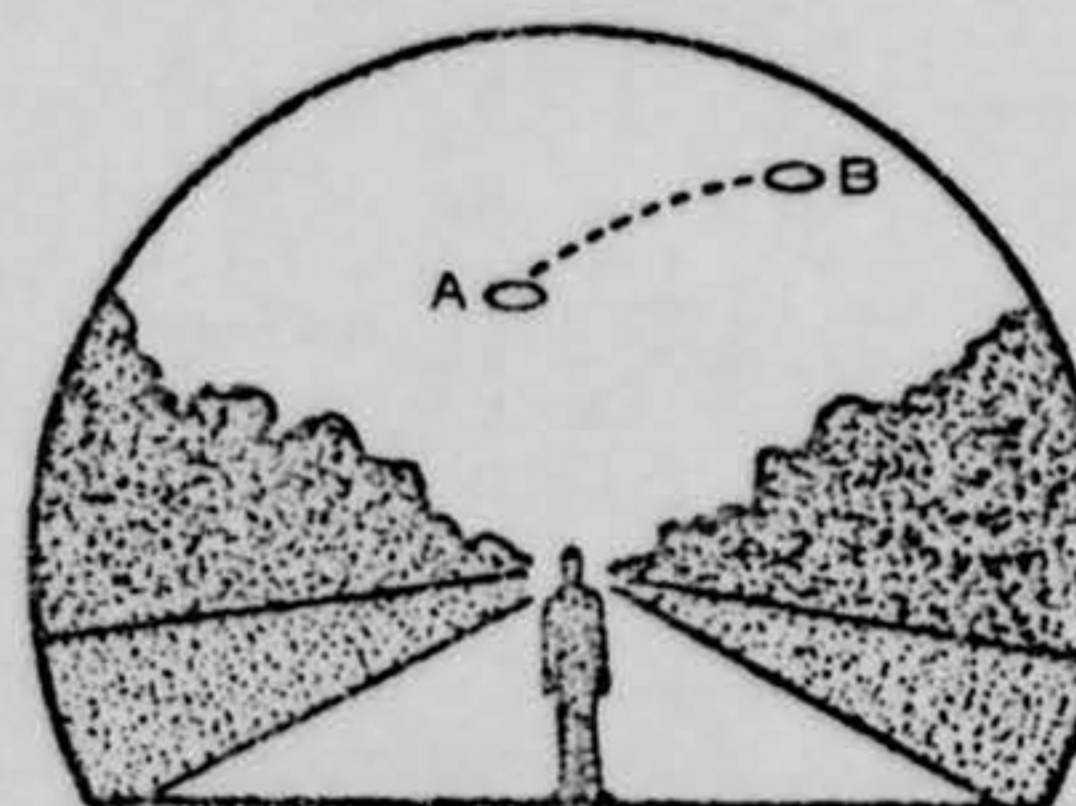
6A. NOW IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE CENTER OF THE COMPASS ROSE. PLACE AN "A" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN.



7. IN THE SKETCH BELOW, PLACE AN "A" AT THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN, AND A "B" AT THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN. CONNECT THE "A" AND "B" WITH A LINE TO APPROXIMATE THE MOVEMENT OF THE PHENOMENON BETWEEN "A" AND "B". THAT IS, SCHEMATICALLY SHOW WHETHER THE MOVEMENT APPEARED TO BE STRAIGHT, CURVED OR ZIG-ZAG. REFER TO SMALLER SKETCH AS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW TO COMPLETE THE LARGER SKETCH.



viewer facing south.



8. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? (Check appropriate blocks.)			
☒	OUTDOORS		IN BUSINESS SECTION OF CITY
	IN BUILDING		IN RESIDENTIAL SECTION OF CITY
	IN CAR ☐ AS DRIVER ☐ AS PASSENGER		IN OPEN COUNTRYSIDE
	IN BOAT		NEAR AIRFIELD
	IN AIRPLANE ☐ AS PILOT ☐ AS PASSENGER		FLYING OVER CITY
☒	OTHER <i>thinly populated area</i>		FLYING OVER OPEN COUNTRY
			OTHER
A. IF YOU WERE IN A VEHICLE, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:			
WHAT DIRECTION WERE YOU MOVING?		HOW FAST WERE YOU MOVING?	
NORTH	EAST	DID YOU STOP ANYTIME WHILE OBSERVING THE PHENOMENON? ☐ YES ☐ NO	
SOUTH	WEST		
NORTHEAST	SOUTHEAST		
NORTHWEST	SOUTHWEST		
EXPLAIN WHETHER SUCH MOVEMENT AFFECTS YOUR SKETCHES IN ITEMS 5 AND 6.			
DESCRIBE TYPE OF VEHICLE YOU WERE IN AND TYPE OF ROAD, TERRAIN OR BODY OF WATER YOU TRAVERSED DURING THE SIGHTING. STATE WHETHER WINDOWS OR CONVERTIBLE TOP WERE UP OR DOWN.			
HOW MUCH OTHER TRAFFIC WAS THERE?			
DID YOU NOTICE ANY AIRPLANES? ☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE WHEN THEY WERE IN SIGHT RELATIVE TO THE TIME OF SIGHTING THE PHENOMENON AND WHERE THEY WERE IN THE SKY RELATIVE TO THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON.			
9. HOW LONG WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT?			
LENGTH OF TIME <i>no more than 1 minute</i>	☒	CERTAIN OF TIME	NOT VERY SURE
	☐	FAIRLY CERTAIN	JUST A GUESS
HOW WAS TIME DETERMINED?			
WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT CONTINUOUSLY? ☒ YES ☐ NO. IF "NO," INDICATE WHETHER THIS IS DUE TO YOUR MOVEMENT OR THE BEHAVIOR OF THE PHENOMENON, AND DESCRIBE SUCH MOVEMENT OR BEHAVIOR. INDICATE DISAPPEARANCES ON PREVIOUS SKETCHES.			

10. IF THERE WERE MORE THAN ONE PHENOMENON, HOW MANY WERE THERE? DRAW A PICTURE TO SHOW HOW THEY WERE ARRANGED. DID THIS ARRANGEMENT CHANGE DURING THE SIGHTING?

Only one.

11. Please see Page 9.

CONDITIONS (Check appropriate blocks.)

A. SKY		B. WEATHER	
☐ DAY		☐ CUMULUS CLOUDS (Low fluffy)	☐ FOG OR MIST
☐ TWILIGHT		☐ CIRRUS CLOUDS (High fleecy or Herring-bone)	☐ HEAVY RAIN
☒ NIGHT		☐ NIMBUS CLOUDS (Rain)	☐ LIGHT RAIN OR DRIZZLE
☒ CLEAR		☐ CUMULONIMBUS CLOUDS (Thunderstorms)	☐ HAIL
☐ PARTLY CLOUDY		☐ HAZE OR SMOG	☐ SNOW OR SLEET
☐ COMPLETELY OVERCAST			☐ UNKNOWN
			☐ NONE OF THE ABOVE

C. IF THE SIGHTING WAS AT TWILIGHT OR NIGHT, WHAT DID YOU NOTICE ABOUT THE STARS AND MOON?

(1) STARS	(2) MOON	Please see page 9.	
☐ NONE	☐ BRIGHT MOONLIGHT	☐ NO MOONLIGHT	
☐ A FEW	☐ MOON WITH HALO	☐ UNKNOWN	
☒ MANY	☐ MOON HIDDEN BY CLOUDS		
☐ UNKNOWN	☐ PARTIAL (New or quarter)		

D. IF SIGHTING WAS IN DAYLIGHT, WAS THE SUN VISIBLE? ☐ YES ☐ NO. IF "YES," WHERE WAS THE SUN AS YOU FACED THE PHENOMENON?

☐ IN FRONT OF YOU	☐ TO YOUR RIGHT	☐ OVERHEAD (Near noon)
☐ IN BACK OF YOU	☐ TO YOUR LEFT	☐ UNKNOWN

E. SPECIFY THE MAJOR SOURCE OF ILLUMINATION PRESENT DURING THE SIGHTING, SUCH AS THE SUN, HEADLIGHTS OR STREET LAMP, ETC. FOR TERRESTRIAL ILLUMINATION, SPECIFY DISTANCE TO LIGHT SOURCE.

The moon in almost total eclipse. U.S. Highway 1 - has few street lights. The object was too high for these lights to reflect on it.

12. GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PHENOMENON, INDICATING WHETHER IT APPEARED DARK OR LIGHT, WHETHER IT REFLECTED LIGHT OR WAS SELF-LUMINOUS AND WHAT COLORS YOU NOTICED. DESCRIBE YOUR IMPRESSION OF WHETHER IT WAS SOLID OR TRANSPARENT, WHETHER EDGES WERE SHARP OR FUZZY. DESCRIBE THE SHAPE OR INDICATE IF IT APPEARED AS A POINT OF LIGHT. INDICATE COMPARISONS WITH OTHER OBSERVED OBJECTS, LIKE STARS, A LIGHT OR OTHER OBJECT IN YOUR FIELD OF VIEW.

The object was sharply defined against a very dark sky. It glowed with a dullish, mottled red-orange color over all, and appeared solid and self-luminous. The shape was a flat disk with a dome. It had an extremely brilliant, white, pulsating light on the head-on side and clear, brilliant, red blinking (or twinkling) red lights across the side visible to my view. These red lights were spread across the object just above the disk, but more concentrated and in a wider band in the middle.

The object looked nothing like a star.

13.	DID THE PHENOMENON	YES	NO	UNKNOWN
	MOVE IN A STRAIGHT LINE?	☒		
	STAND STILL AT ANYTIME?		☒	
	SUDDENLY SPEED UP AND RUN AWAY?		☒	
	BREAK UP IN PARTS AND EXPLODE?		☒	
	CHANGE COLOR?		☒	
	GIVE OFF SMOKE?		☒	
	CHANGE BRIGHTNESS?		☒	
	CHANGE SHAPE?		☒	
	FLASH OR FLICKER? Please see Question #12.	☒		
	DISAPPEAR AND REAPPEAR?		☒	
	SPIN LIKE A TOP?		☒	
	MAKE A NOISE?		☒	
	FLUTTER OR WOBBLE?		☒	

14. WHAT DREW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE PHENOMENON?

I was watching the eclipse of the moon, and first noticed the object as it passed beneath the moon.

A. HOW DID IT FINALLY DISAPPEAR?

Going in a NNE direction

B. DID THE PHENOMENON MOVE BEHIND OR IN FRONT OF SOMETHING, LIKE A CLOUD, TREE, OR BUILDING AT ANY TIME?

☐ YES ☒ NO IF "YES," DESCRIBE.