

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 10 Aug 68 10/2125 10/0325Z	2. LOCATION Tucson, Arizona (2 Witnesses)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Possible (HOT AIR BALLOON) No evidence to indicate the sighting could not have been of a garment bag hot air balloon. At 2100(L), the wind was toward the SW at about 3 knots.
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS The observer sighted a sharp "fire type light". After about 5 minutes the light went out.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 Minutes	
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE SW	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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

I would not have Believed
it, Had I not Seen it
With My Own Eyes!

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



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TDPT (UFO)

SUBJECT: UFO Observation, 10 August 1968

TO:

[REDACTED]
Tucson, Arizona 85719

Reference your recent unidentified flying object sighting which you reported to the Air Force. The information which we have received is not sufficient for a scientific investigation. Request you complete the attached AF Form 117 and return it in the self-addressed envelope. Thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

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

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AF Form 117 w/envelope

TDPIR/Sgt Kist

Request surface weather observations for
Tucson, Arizona, 10 August 1968, 2056 hours,
local (11/0356Z).

TDPT(UFO) Lt Marano

16 Aug 68

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ACTION: RDC-4: INFO: XOP-2, XOX-2, SAFOS-3, DIA-1 (13) ADV CY DIA

SIB E049PTTUZYUW RUWJDBA1024 2272230-UUUU--RUEFHQA.

ZNR UUUUU

P 142213Z AUG 68

FM 12SAD DAVIS MONTHAN AFB ARIZ

TO RUEFHQA/OSAF

RUEFHQA/CSAF

RUWMEVA/ADC

RUWMDSA/27AIRDIV LUKE AFB ARIZ

RUEDFIA/FTD WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

ZEN/UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER COLORADO 80302

ATTN DR CONDON

INFO RUCSAAA/SAC

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UNCLAS/BOB. SUBJECT: UFO. OSAF FOR SAF-OI, CSAF FOR
AFRDC, FTD WPAFB FOR TDETR, SAC FOR DI.

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT:

- (1) LONG CYLINDER SHAPE.
- (2) ABOUT THE SIZE OF A JET AIRCRAFT.
- (3) ORANGE RED LIKE FIRE.
- (4) ONE.

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KIL NA

(6) LARGE FLAME, BUT NOT LIKE A JET AXHAUST.

(7) BALL SHAPED FLAME TRAILING OBJECT AND A PART OF

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THE OBJECT.

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT:

Z(1) FIERY GLOW IN SKY WHILE DRIVING.

(2) ABOUT 5 TO 10 MILES NW OF TUCSON ARIZ TRAVELING TO THE SW AT ABOUT
200 MPH AND ABOUT 2000 TO 5000 FEET HIGH.

(3) BURNED OUT ABOUT 15 MILES SW OF TUCSON, ARIZ

(4) STRAIGHT LINE.

(5) BURNED OUT.

(6) FIVE MINUTES.

C MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) GROUND - VISUAL.

(2) NONE.

(3) N/A

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

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(1) 0356Z, 11 AUG 1968.

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(B) 2056L, 10 AUG 1968.

(2) NIGHT.

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E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER:

(1) PRINCE DRIVE IN THEATER, 2015 E PRINCE RD, TUCSON, ARIZ

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER:

(1) CIVILIAN - HO [REDACTED] AGE 37 [REDACTED], TUCSON, ARIZONA
REAL ESTATE BUSINESS, EDUCATION UNKNOWN, NO ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY.

G. N/A

H. N/A

I. N/A

J. NONE

K. CHIEF, BASE OPERATIONS BRANCH, BILLY B. LANINGHAM, LT COLONEL. NO AIRCRAFT
OPERATING IN THE AREA AT TIME OF SIGHTING. NO BALLOON RELEASES. ONE WITNESS
SAID TO BE WITH SIGHTER. NO OTHER REPORTS OF SIGHTINGS.

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SURFACE OBSERVATION DATA SHEET

Covington, Indiana - November 18, 1967

1900L 32812 74022 18803 ***** 52***
2000L MISSING
2100L 22706 7401* 20002 25700 52110
2200L 22707 7402* 20401 ***** 52***
2300L 02908 74010 20901 ***** 52***
2400L 02705 74000 21401 00900 52314

Iowa City, Iowa - July 28, 1968

2000L 33506 7402* 21221 ***** 12***
2100L 33004 7402* 21218 ***** 12***
2200L 82805 7402* 22316 ***** 11307
2300L 82205 7402* 22315 ***** 11***
2400L 82405 7402* 22315 ***** 11***

Pottstown, Pennsylvania - July 28, 1968

2000L 83108 7402* 11126 ***** 06310
2100L 83106 7402* 11622 ***** 07***
2200L 82705 7402* 12720 ***** 08***
2300L 82903 7402* 13619 ***** 08325
2400L 80000 7402* 14919 ***** 09***

Tucson, Arizona - August 10, 1968

1800L 81810 89029 12825 19762 18632 70420
1900L *1804 9902* 13326 ***** 16***
2000L *2304 9902* 13225 ***** 17***
2100L 30303 9902* 13624 ***** 18308
2200L 81204 9802* 14023 ***** 18***
2300L 81404 9802* 14022 ***** 18***

ETAC Surface History Files

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 10 MONTH Aug. YEAR 1968

2. WHAT TIME DID YOU FIRST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON?

HOUR 9 MINUTES 25 APPROX ☐ A.M. ☒ P.M.

3. WHAT TIME DID YOU LAST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON?

HOUR 9 MINUTES 28 APPROX ☐ A.M. ☒ P.M.

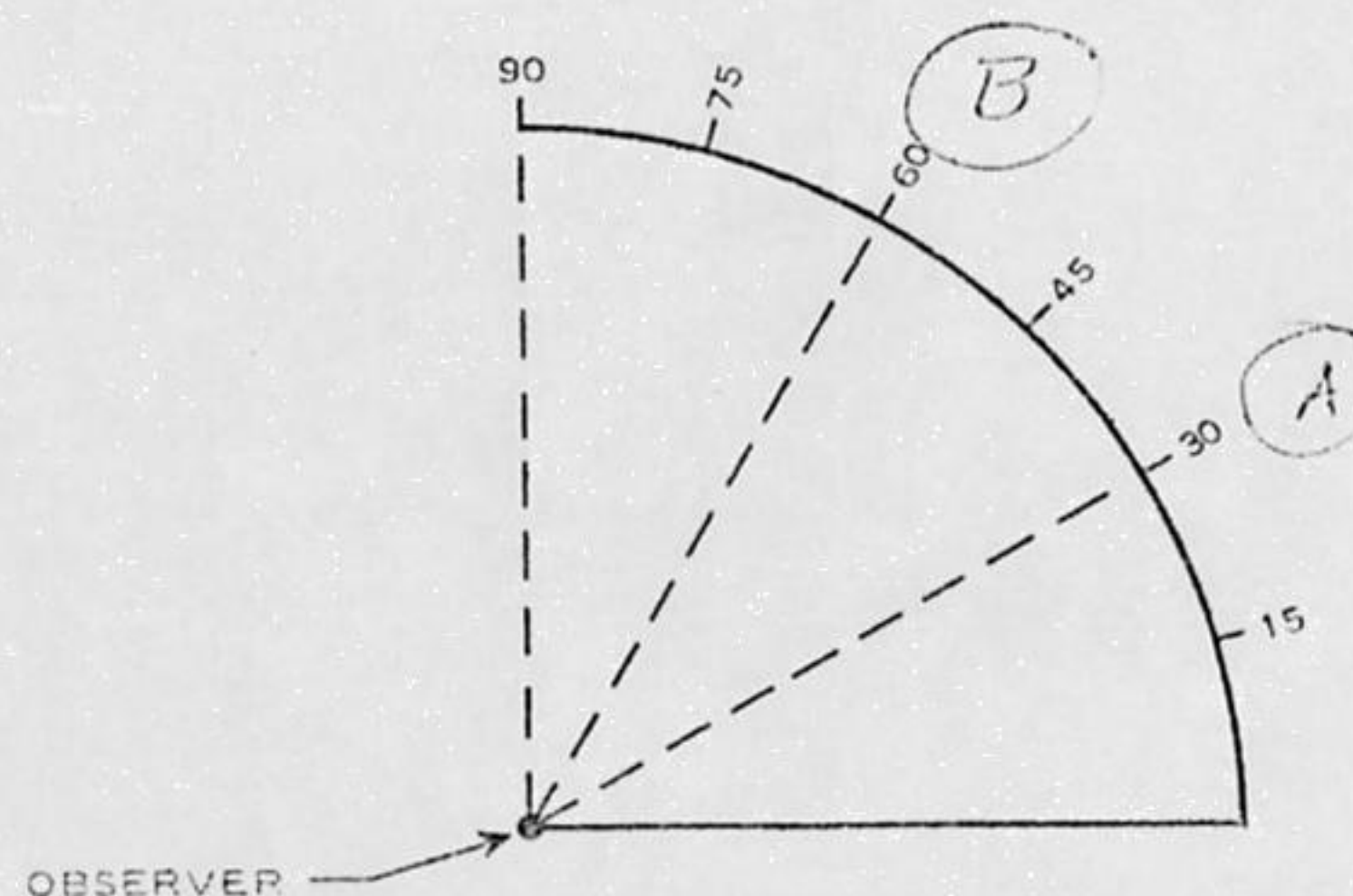
4. TIME ZONE

☐ 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.

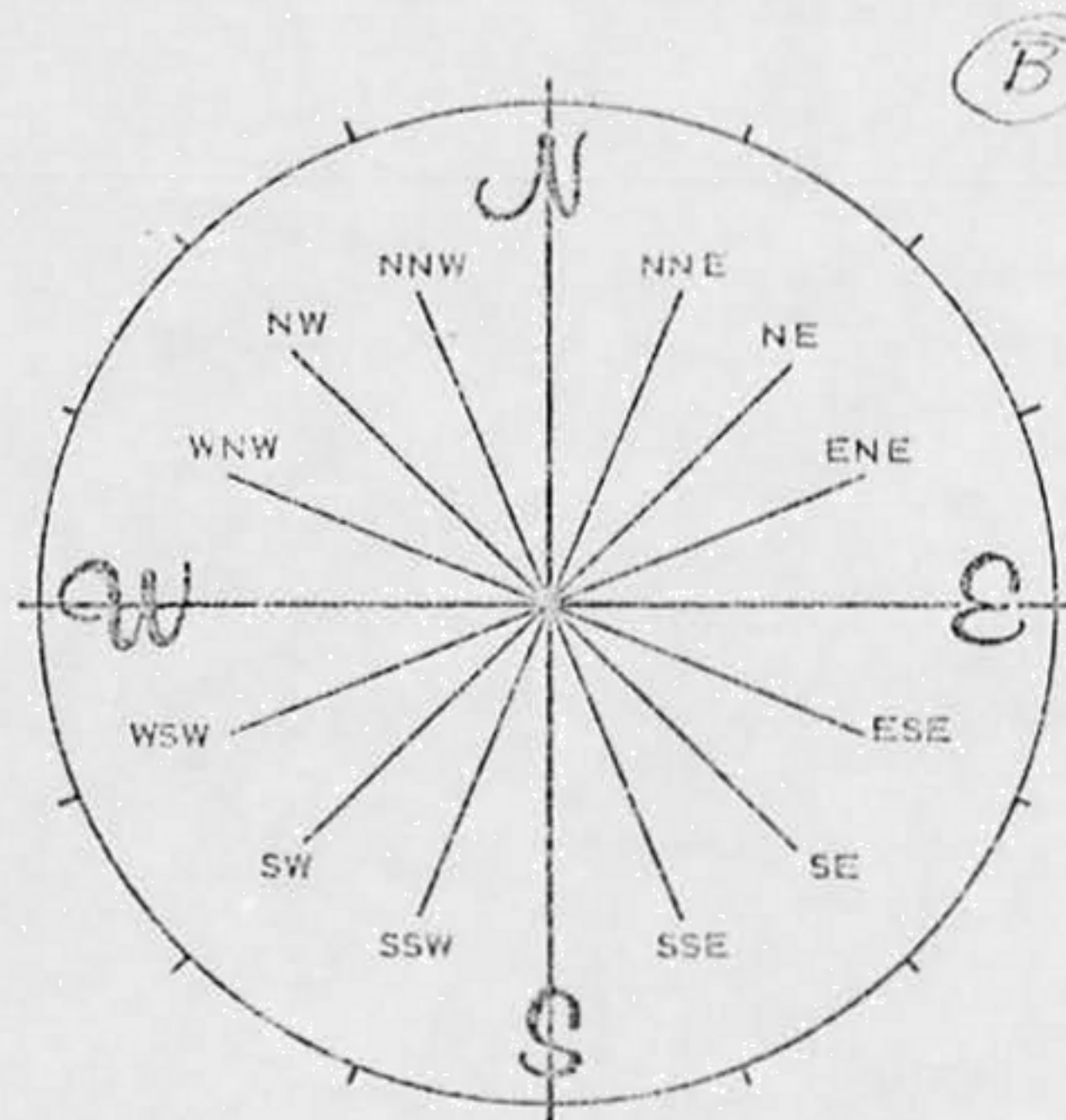
*At the Prince Drive-in Theater
Campbell at Prince Road
Tucson, Ariz.*

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.

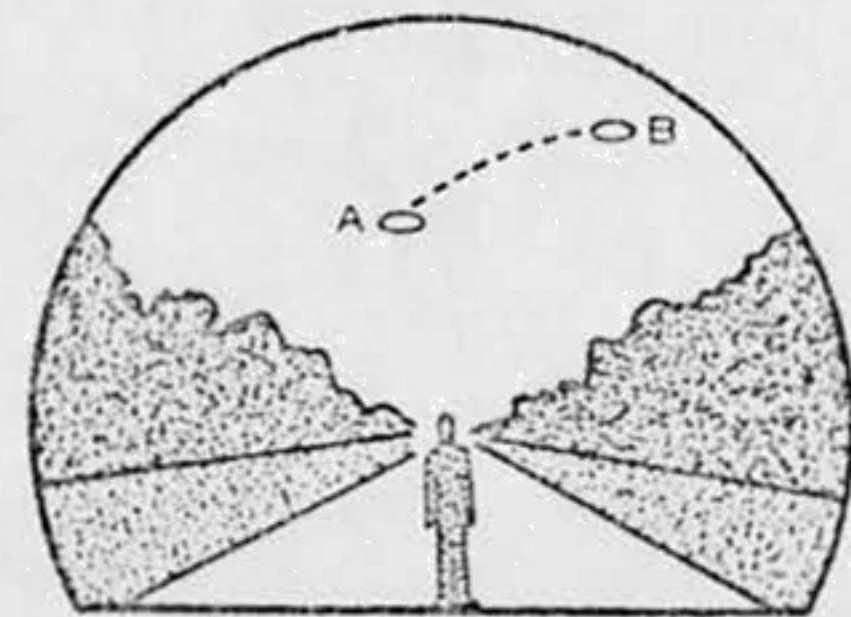
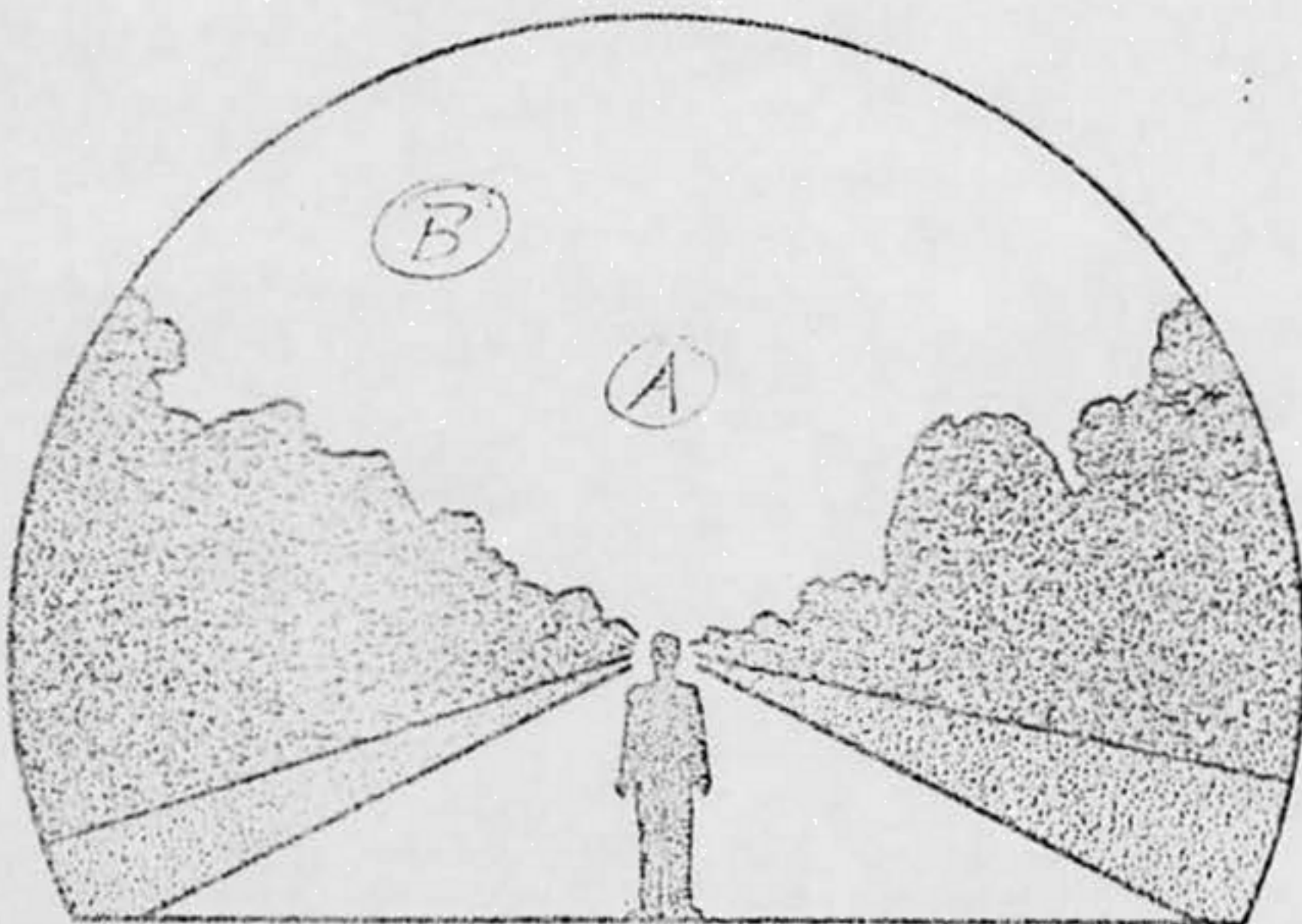


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6A. NOW IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE CENTER OF THE COMPASS ROSE. PLACE AN "A" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN.



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.



8. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? (Check appropriate blocks.)			
<i>Ind</i>	OUTDOORS		IN BUSINESS SECTION OF CITY
	IN BUILDING		☒ IN RESIDENTIAL SECTION OF CITY
<i>Ind</i>	IN CAR ☐ AS DRIVER ☐ AS PASSENGER		IN OPEN COUNTRYSIDE
	IN BOAT		NEAR AIRFIELD
	IN AIRPLANE ☐ AS PILOT ☐ AS PASSENGER		FLYING OVER CITY
	OTHER		FLYING OVER OPEN COUNTRY
	<i>AT A DRIVE-IN THEATRE</i>		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. <i>NA</i>			
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. <i>NA</i>			
HOW MUCH OTHER TRAFFIC WAS THERE? <i>NA</i>			
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>APPROX 5 MINUTES</i>	☒ CERTAIN OF TIME	☐ NOT VERY SURE
		☐ FAIRLY CERTAIN	☐ JUST A GUESS
HOW WAS TIME DETERMINED? <i>WATCH ON ARM</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?

ONLY ONE

11. CONDITIONS (Check appropriate blocks.)

A. SKY		B. WEATHER	
☐	DAY	☐	CUMULUS CLOUDS (Low fluffy)
☐	TWILIGHT	☐	CIRRUS CLOUDS (High fleecy or Herring-bone)
☒	NIGHT	☐	NIMBUS CLOUDS (Rain)
☒	CLEAR	☐	CUMULONIMBUS CLOUDS (Thunderstorms)
☐	PARTLY CLOUDY	☐	HAZE OR SMOG
☐	COMPLETELY OVERCAST	☐	FOG OR MIST
		☐	HEAVY RAIN
		☐	LIGHT RAIN OR DRIZZLE
		☐	HAIL
		☐	SNOW OR SLEET
		☐	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
☐	NONE
☒	A FEW
☐	MANY
☐	UNKNOWN
☐	BRIGHT MOONLIGHT
☐	MOON WITH HALO
☐	MOON HIDDEN BY CLOUDS
☐	PARTIAL (New or quarter)
	NO MOONLIGHT
	UNKNOWN

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.

THEATER PROJECTOR

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.

*SHARP FIRE TYPE LIGHT
FROM OBJECT.*

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

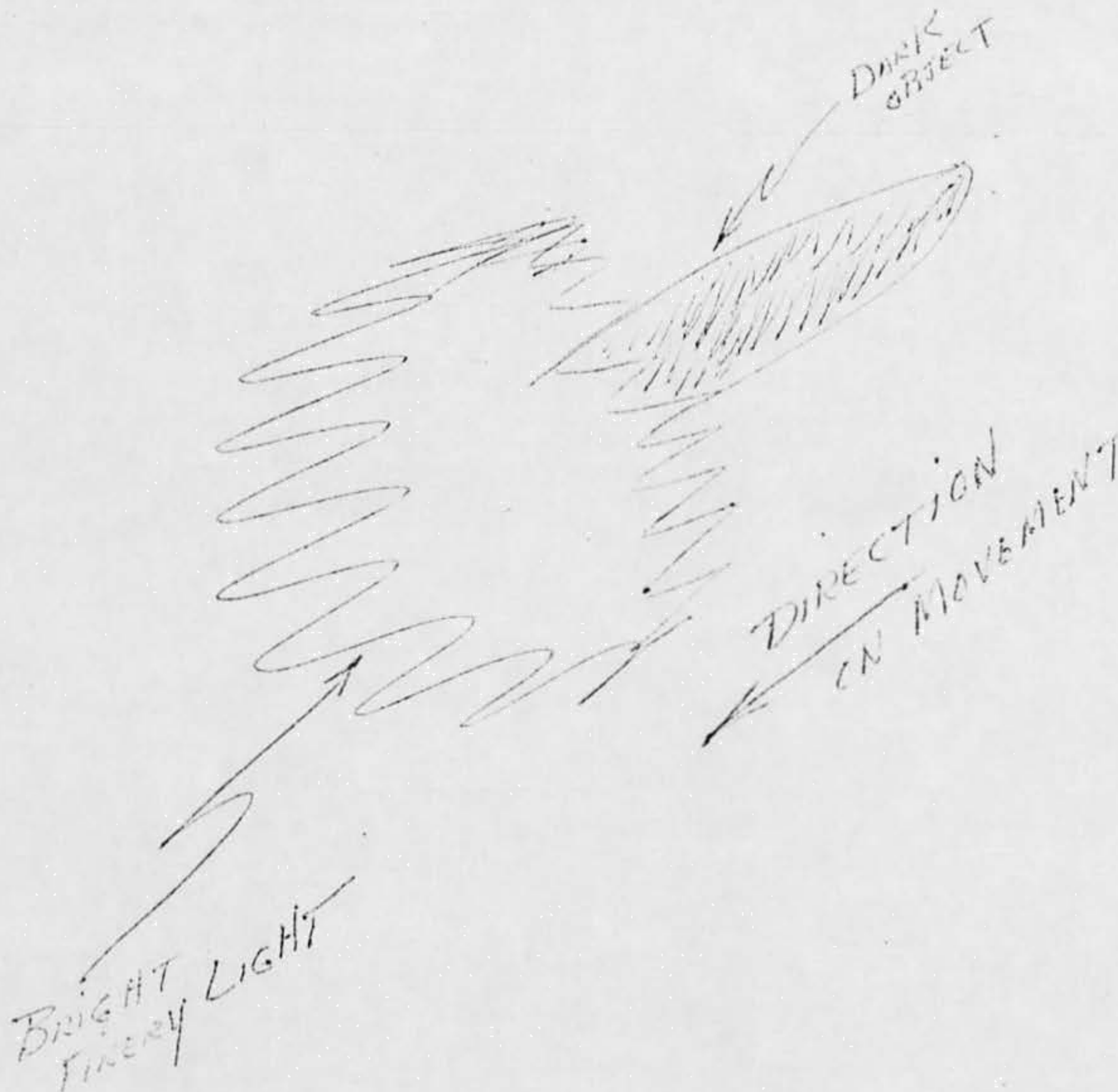
14. WHAT DREW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE PHENOMENON?

BRIGHT LIGHT

A. HOW DID IT FINALLY DISAPPEAR?

*LIGHT WENT OUT*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.

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.

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 <i>AT FIRST</i>	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. *300 mph*

19. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE DISTANCE OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF DISTANCE *5-10 miles*

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.

*A jet fighter flying backwards
However, it was able to hover.*

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

*Miss [REDACTED]
 Tucson, Ariz.*

24. GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF

LAST NAME FIRST NAME

ADDRESS (Street, City, State and Zip Code)

TELEPHONE

AGE

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☒

MALE

☐ FEMALE

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

*— REAL ESTATE COUNSELOR
 & REALTOR
 — Pilot — 19 years
 — Excellent Vision*

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

NAME *Immediately to DM CITRER / Day* DAY MONTH YEAR

26. DATE YOU COMPLETED THIS QUESTIONNAIRE.

DAY *30* MONTH *Sept.* YEAR *68*