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TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

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Mr Phillip Herlihy
25 Cooper Street
CURRAJONG

Dear Sir,

As discussed with you earlier, a proforma is enclosed for your completion and return.

Thank you for your report and completion of this proforma.

Yours faithfully,

(J.V. NORTH)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer Phelihy T. Bower Age 19

Address 25 Cooper St Currajong

State QLD Postcode 4812

Occupation QGR act Fireman

Phone (Home) 795543 Business

2. Exact location of observer Between Oak Valley - Antel Plains. First sighted above the hills at Oak Valley

3. Start of observation: Date 18-1-79 Time 4 am app am/~~pm~~

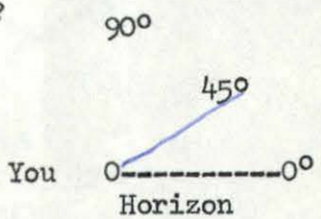
End of observation: Date 18-1-79 Time 4.05 app am/~~pm~~

4. Accuracy of date Times

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. Moon light and very clear sky

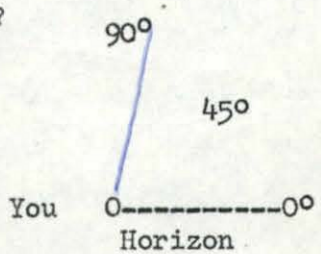
6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? north-west

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? Southern direction

At what angle to the horizon?



/8. Estimate

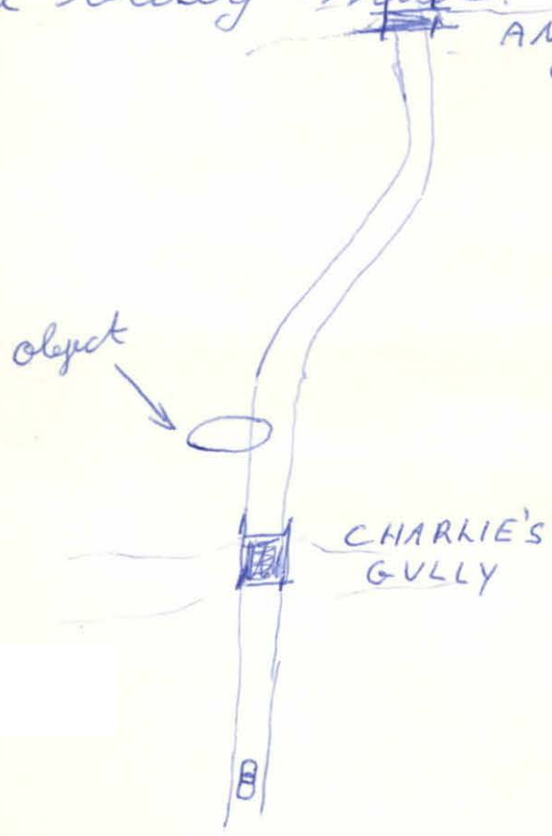
8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer

200 yards – 300 yards roughly

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

Only (1) orange (like stout light) – roughly 12' to 14' by 5'; It appeared to be oblong shape. a lot brighter than moon or stars It appeared to be hovering above roadway The only sound we could hear was from my own car (We were travelling at high speed) It disappeared into what seemed to be a blurry mist.



/10. Have

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ANNEX A TO
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Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer MS MAY PERRY Age 68 YRS

Address 39 EVANS ST ATHERTON QLD

State QLD Postcode 4883

Occupation HOUSEWIFE

Phone (Home) 911830 Business NIL

2. Exact location of observer GILLIES HIGHWAY (AT INTERSECTION BRUCE & GILLIES HIGHWAY GORDONVALE

3. Start of observation: Date 7 DEC 78 Time 2000HRS ~~am~~/pm

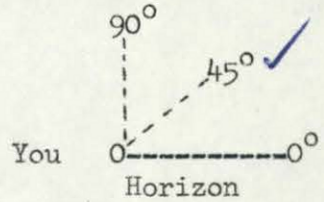
End of observation: Date 7 DEC 78 Time 2005HRS ~~am~~/pm

4. Accuracy of date _____ Times _____

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. DARK SKY AND OVERCAST

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? APPROX HALF WAY DOWN PYRAMID MOUNTAIN (TO THE LEFT)

At what angle to the horizon?

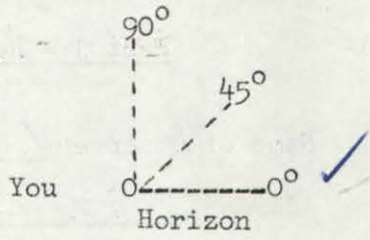


7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? OVER THE HORIZON (TRAVEL LEFT FROM PYRAMID MT)

/At what

ANNEX A

At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer DISTANCE - 600 METRES.

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

" HUGE BRIGHT LIGHT WITH THE APPEARANCE OF 'JUST FLOATING' AND WITH NO SOUND WHATEVER

/10. Have

ANNEX A

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? No

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) HUSBAND - JOHN PERRY - 39 EVANS ST ATHERTON Q

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

"We have been up & down this highway for last 20 years and have never seen anything like this before.

Above details taken by SGT EVANS 1505 hrs WED 13 DEC 78

15-Dec 78

R Evans

/Part 2

UFO RESEARCH (FNQ)

PO BOX 1585, CAIRNS, QLD. 4870
PHONE. 531919...

REF. – MR. R. BOUNDY.
6.6.78

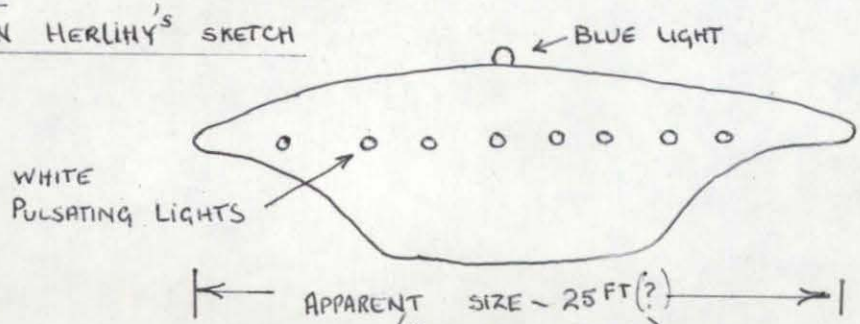
THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER.,
FLT. LT. REED,
RAAF. BASE,
GARBUTT 4814. TSV.

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed U.A.S report form for sighting at Kaban – 11.5.78 – 19.30 HRS.
There were two witnesses, Mrs H. Herlihy and Son Warren (19).
The Herlihy family are caretaking a farm property at Kaban (peanuts & Maize). isolated area.
A compass reading taken at site showed that the object was slightly north of West, (W.N.W) not W.S.W as shown on report form. – (Witnesses had no compass).
The object was veiwed through binoculars and while nearby allegedly produced effects on the two dogs and possibly the T.V. set.
Ive included, below, Warren Herlihy's sketch of the object from our forms.
Mrs Herlihy was a little unsure as to the bottom half of the object, probably something between the two would be more correct.

Yours Sincerely.
Russell Boundy.
for U.F.O.R.-(FNQ)

COPY OF –
MR. WARREN HERLIHY'S SKETCH



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REF. MR. R. BOUNDY.

THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
R.A.A.F. BASE
GARBUTT TOWNSVILLE. 4814.
ATTN: FLT. LT. REED.

Dear Sir,

Recently our organization received a report of an incident which occured in Sept. 1977 involving a comonercial aircraft and an "unknown aerial object" at Goondiwindi airport at (app) 03.00 hrs.
The exact date was either 10TH OR 17TH SEPTEMBER 77 a Saturday.
I have enclosed part copy of the report, as you will see the reporter is an aircraft engineer. There were at least 6 witnesses total including 2 pilots (one as passenger)
The aircraft involved aborted its "final approach" as the "unknown" appeared to be on a collision course with it.
The reporter said that the incident was never reported to authorities in D.O.T. or the R.a.a.f.
Duration of the sighting was probably more than the 30 mins STATED.
We feel your office may be able to help us in our investigation of this report, to which the most plausable explanation seems to be that of a helicopter.
The witness stated however that Bris/Sydney Air Traffic Control confirmed no other traffic in the area at the time, also that he heard no "chopping sound" associated with the unknown object.
What we would like to know is - (i) is it possible that conventional aircraft could have 2 orange-white beacons and (ii) if so could your office find if any military helicopters were in the area at the said date and time if possible.
Our information concerning descriptions of the object is minimal as the reporter only ever saw these two beacons which he described as -

Contin:-

– being a "psychodelic orange then white" colour.

U.F.O. RESEARCH Q'ld. would be gratefull if you could assist in any way with information on this report.

Our organization has also been asked to find if the R.A.A.F.; or Dept of Air's "Sumary of Unusual Aerial Sightings" has any record of a sighting reported to the R.A.A.F. by a mr John Moss of Brisbane.
This sighting occured 1·1·68 at George St; Rockhampton at (app) 10·PM (22·00 hrs) involveing several objects triangular in shape and light brown in colour.
We do know that the report was <u>not</u> <u>classed</u> as "<u>unknown</u>" by the "Department" that year, any further information would be welcomed.

Thanking you for your anticipated assistance

Yours Sincerely

Russ Bowdy

for U.F.O.R.F.N.Q.

AUSTRALIAN UFO REPORT FORM

Copy Only.

Investigating body:
U.F.O. RESEARCH F.N.Q.
PO BOX -1585
CAIRNS PH. 531919.
Reference no: QB 78022

This form has been designed to assist us in the interpretation of the phenomenon observed by yourself. Your assistance in completing and returning it would be appreciated.

1. Full name. Mr, ~~Mrs~~, ~~Miss~~, ~~Master~~....H.R. HARVEY.....Age 55.
2. Address..15. CLEGG..PARADE.....NEWMARKET.....
.....BRISBANE.....Postcode 4051..Phone.....
3. Date of sighting. 10TH..-..SEPT-1977. Day of week. SATURDAY...
Time of sighting.....3..AM/~~PM~~
4. Duration..30. MINUTES...How did you estabish time and duration....
From the time it took to land-refuel-load and take-off again.....
5. What was your exact position and location.....
.....
6. Occupation Aircraft Maintenance Engineer For how many years..34.....
7. Please relate your experience below in your own words. Print or type. If extra space is needed please use a separate sheet of paper

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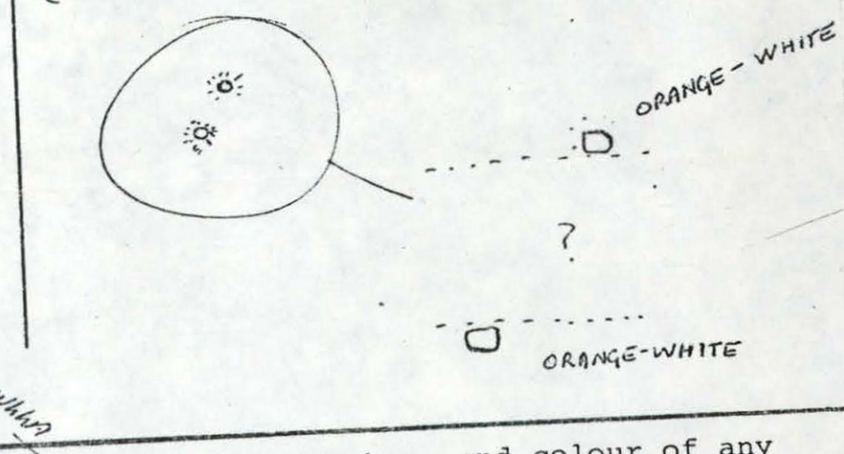
WHILST RETURNING FROM CUNNAMULLA VIA COONDIWINDI IN THE EARLY HOURS OF THE MORNING, ON APPROACH TO COONDIWINDI AIRSTRIP I SAW A FLYING OBJECT APPROACHING THE STRIP TURNING IN ON FINAL AND APPARENTLY ON A COLLISION COURSE WITH US. I WAS RETURNING FROM CUNNAMULLA AFTER HAVING RECTIFIED ENGINE TROUBLE ON A TRISLANDER AIRCRAFT. THE BASIC FAULT BEING CAUSED BY A U/S MAGNETO. I WAS RIDING IN THE RIGHT HAND COCKPIT SEAT BESIDE THE CAPTAIN OF THE AIRCRAFT. THE OBJECT I SAW WAS TRAVELLING AT ABOUT THE SAME SPEED AS US (ABOUT 95 KNOTS) AND HAD A REVOLVING BEACON ABOVE AND BELOW ITS FUSELAGE FLASHING ALTERNATE ORANGE AND WHITE. - I REMARKED TO THE CAPTAIN THAT THERE WAS ANOTHER AIRCRAFT THERE - HE REPLIED - YES I KNOW AND CALLED BRISBANE AIRRADIO ON VHF TO ASK IF ANY KNOWN AIRCRAFT IN COONDIWINDI AREA. - THE ANSWER CAME BACK - NO KNOWN TRAFFIC. WE DID NOT DESCEND ANY FURTHER. THE OTHER A/C APPEARED TO PASS OVER THE STRIP WHICH WAS LIT BY RUNWAY LIGHTS AND PASSED TOWARDS THE S/WEST AND APPEARED TO HOVER THERE. I THEN THOUGHT IT MAY BE A BIG HELICOPTER. WE THEN WENT IN AND LANDED. - WHILE WE REFUELLED AND LOADED SEVERAL MORE PEOPLE WHO SAW SOMETHING GO OVER THE STRIP - BUT SAID IT WAS NOT MAKING ANY NOISE? - WE TOOK OFF IN THE OTHER DIRECTION TOWARDS BRISBANE.

WHILST ON CLIMB TO 7000 FEET THE THING WITH THE ORANGE ROTATING BEACONS CLIMED SLOWLY TOWARDS US THEN TURNED AWAY IN A BIG ARC TOWARDS THE SOUTH EAST OVER WHERE I REKONED THE N.S.W BORDER TO BE. WE CONTINUED OUR FLIGHT PATH OVER TOOWOOMBA TO BRISBANE ARRIVING THERE ABOUT 5.15 AM WITHOUT FURTHER SIGHTINGS. I AM STILL COMPLETELY BAFFLED AS TO WHAT IT WAS BUT AT NO TIME DID IT DISPLAY ANY HIGH SPEEDS.

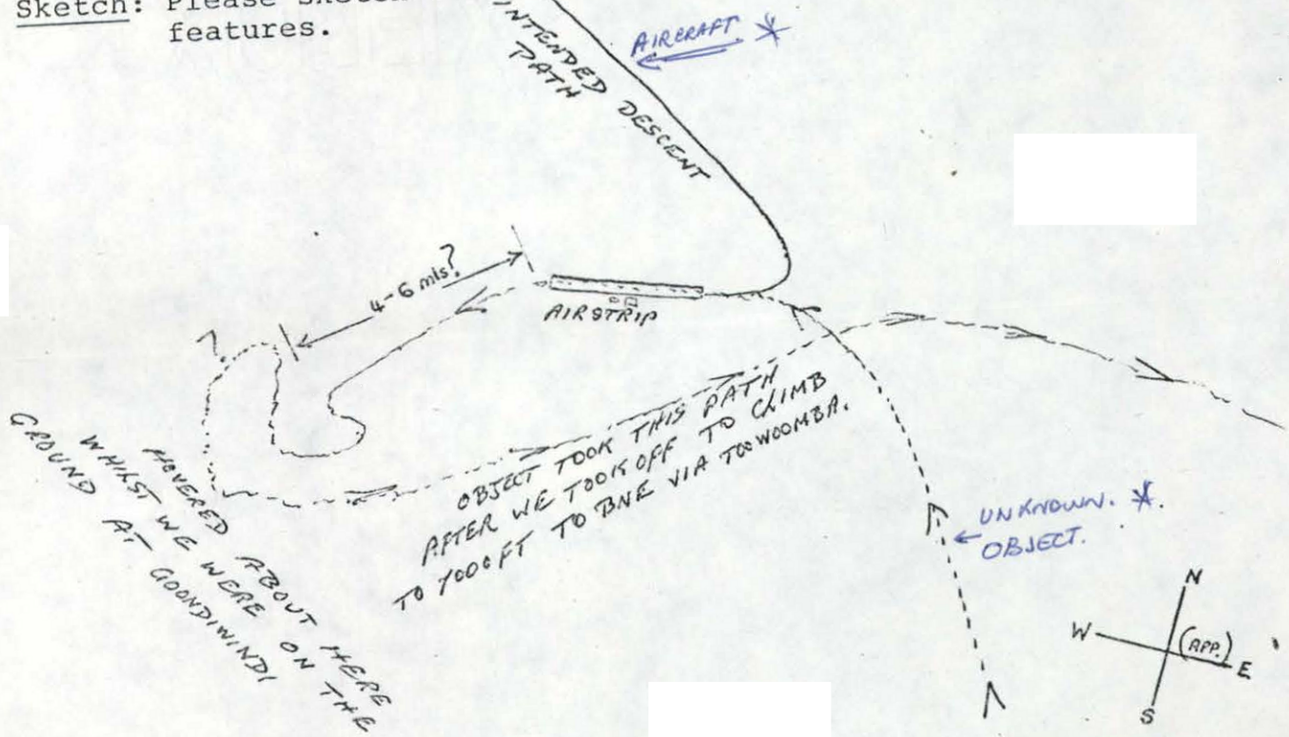
Copy only

I STILL THING IT SEEMED LIKE A BIG CHINOOK TYPE HELICOPTER
BUT THE PEOPLE WAITING TOBOARD OUR A/C HEARD NO NOISE.
THE WEATHER WAS FINE - COMPLETELY CLOUDLESS AND NO WIND.
THERE WAS NO MOON - VISIBILITY WAS UN LIMITED.
ALTHOUGH I HAD BEEN ON DUTY SINCE 3PM ON THE EVENING BEFORE
I WAS COMPLETELY ALERT AND NOT FATIGUED. I HAD SLEEP AT
THE CUNNAMULLA AGENTS OFFICE FROM 10PM - 1 AM AFTER COMPLETE
ING MY JOB THAT NIGHT.

WITNESS SKETCH OBJECT, LIGHTS.
(COPY).



Sketch: Please sketch the object including shape and colour of any features.



ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer MRS G. MALCOLM Age 28

Address 15 DOUGLAS ST MANUNDA

CAIRNS. State Postcode

Occupation HOUSEWIFE

Phone (Home) 532706 Business

2. Exact location of observer IN HOUSE - OUT BACK DOOR

3. Start of observation: Date 23/9/78 Time 8.40 am/pm

End of observation: Date 23/9/78 Time 8.47 am/pm

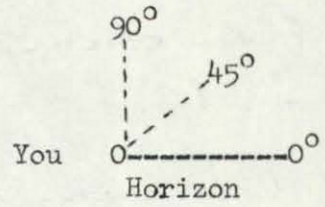
4. Accuracy of date Times MOD

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. CLD. - NIL

VIS > 10 KM.

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? WEST

At what angle to the horizon?



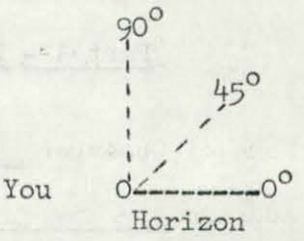
15°/20°

7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? WEST

/At what

ANNEX A

At what angle to the horizon?



20° / 30°

8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer —

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

HUGE STAR 10 - 20 x NORMAL.

M-IN-LAW OVAL.

RAYS RADIATING. AS PER CHRISTMAS STAR.

~~FADED GRADUALLY~~

BRIGHT MOST OF TIME

FADED QUICKLY TOWARDS END - AS THOUGH SPEEDING AWAY.

3 LITES IN ROW - THROUGH WINDOW

5 LITE THRU BACK DOOR.

/10. Have

ANNEX A

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations?

NO

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) 2.

HUSBAND JAMES MALCOLM.

M-IN-LAW MRS PONTICELLO - 29 MARTIN ST. CAIRNS.

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

/Part 2

Part 2 - Unit Report ANNEX A

1. a. Details of military aircraft activity in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA

Source of Information _____

b. Details of civil aircraft activity, including light private aircraft and international flights, in the area at the time of the sighting.

NIL.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA

Source of Information _____

2. Give the bearing, elevation and movement of any planets or major stars that were in that portion of the sky at the time of the sighting.

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Source of Information _____

3. Details of any predicted satellites, rockets, comets or meteorite activity in the area at the time of the sighting ___

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Source of Information _____

/4.

4. Details of any meteorological, research or radar balloons known to have been in the area at the time of the sighting (refer to point of release, size, colour, ROC, wind profile and whether it was known to have burst _____

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Source of Information _____

5. Details of any unusual radar traces or images, which may relate to the sightings, as recorded by military or civil networks

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Source of Information _____

6. Provide the following information relating to the weather and atmospheric conditions at the time of the sighting:

Temperature (dry bulb) 22 °C (wet bulb) _____ °C Relative Humidity _____ % Cloud Cover NIL Type _____

Temperature inversion of _____ °C at _____ ft measured at _____ hrs from _____

Wind direction CALM. at _____ ft

_____ at _____ ft

_____ at _____ ft

_____ at _____ ft

Pollution level _____

7. Details of terrain and natural and/or man-made features in the area. (Attach map with significant points marked, if possible).

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/Part 3

ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer JOYCELYN SMITH. Age 18 YRS.

Address c/- MAREEBA HOSPITAL NURSES QUARTERS

State Q. Postcode 4880

Occupation NURSE.

Phone (Home) _____ Business NURSING QUARTERS.

2. Exact location of observer 5 HOAD ST EARLVILLE. CAIRNS.

3. Start of observation: Date 12/9/78. Time 2030 am/pm

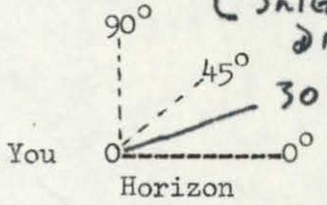
End of observation: Date 12/9/78. Time 2035. am/pm

4. Accuracy of date YES. Times YES.

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. CLOUDY

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? TOWARDS KURANDA. RANGE. (SLIGHTLY TO RIGHT OF DIRECTION OF HOAD ST)

At what angle to the horizon?

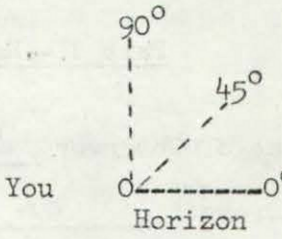


7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? AS. ABOVE

/At what

ANNEX A

At what angle to the horizon?



DISAPPEARED THEN REAPPEARED BEHIND MOUNTAINS.

8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer NOT KNOWN.

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9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

White light. Bright, larger than star, (glowed on clouds) Moved down behind Mountain then up again NOT WATCHING when object disappeared.

/10. Have

ANNEX A

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations?

No.

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible)

Mrs. Mya Smith 5 Road St Carlisle (mother)
David Smith (16yrs) " " " (Brother)

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

Like someone waving a Torch.
(~~but~~ looked like it was swaying in breeze.)

/Part 2

Part 2 - Unit Report ANNEX A

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Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA

Source of Information _____

b. Details of civil aircraft activity, including light private aircraft and international flights, in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
DC3	ON ILS @	3700 ↘	120KTS	LOCKHART RIV	[redacted]	CS.	2037.
DC9.	331°M	CCT FROM TL	≈140KTS	TOWNSVILLE.	2010	CS	2039.

Source of Information ATC CAIRNS TOWER.

2. Give the bearing, elevation and movement of any planets or major stars that were in that portion of the sky at the time of the sighting.

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Source of Information _____

3. Details of any predicted satellites, rockets, comets or meteorite activity in the area at the time of the sighting ___

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Source of Information _____

/4.

4. Details of any meteorological, research or radar balloons known to have been in the area at the time of the sighting (refer to point of release, size, colour, ROC, wind profile and whether it was known to have burst _____

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Source of Information _____

5. Details of any unusual radar traces or images, which may relate to the sightings, as recorded by military or civil networks

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Source of Information _____

6. Provide the following information relating to the weather and atmospheric conditions at the time of the sighting:

Temperature (dry bulb) 22 °C (wet bulb) ? °C Relative Humidity ? % Cloud Cover 6/8 Type STCU

Temperature inversion of ? °C at ? ft measured at _____ hrs from _____

Wind direction L*V at 0 ft

_____ at _____ ft

_____ at _____ ft

_____ at _____ ft

Pollution level _____

7. Details of terrain and natural and/or man-made features in the area. (Attach map with significant points marked, if possible).

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Town of Kuranda Kuranda - Cs Road.

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/Part 3

81 - 2484

Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

HQTVL 5/40/Air

31 August 1978

Mr H. Pearde
BOX 129
DIMBULAH QLD 4872

Dear Sir,

As discussed on 31 August 1978 I have enclosed a proforma for your completion and return. I have also included a copy of the page from the 'Air Almanac' which shows the position of the planet Venus. As advised, I confirm that your sighting was Venus.

Thank you for your report and for the completion of the proforma.

Yours faithfully,

(B.J. READ)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

FILE

Rx car at 1924.

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Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer MR. J. BOWER. Age /

Address TELEPHONE KAJABBI 15

State Postcode

Occupation

Phone (Home) KAJABBI 15 Business

2. Exact location of observer COLLOOLLAH TO KAJABBI ROAD.

3. Start of observation: Date 10 SEPTB Time 1840 ~~am~~/pm

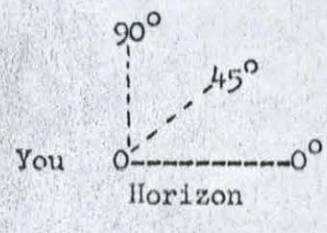
End of observation: Date 1 Time 1845 am/pm

4. Accuracy of date Times

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc.

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? WEST

At what angle to the horizon?



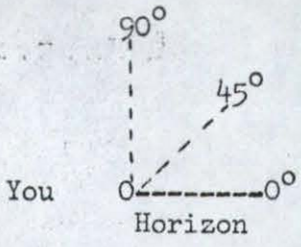
7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? WEST

NOT moving just disappeared.

/At what

ANNEX A

At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer _____

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9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

Large red object in the west.
No movement.
Just disappeared.

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10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? _____

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11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) _____

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12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

/Part 2

ANNEX A TO
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REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer HAZEL HERLIHY Age 45

Address P.O. BOX 163 RAVENSHOE

State Q.L.D Postcode 4872

Occupation HOUSEWIFE. EX NURSE.

Phone (Home) KABAN 9 Business —

2. Exact location of observer KABAN ROAD
8 MILES FROM RAVENSHOE

3. Start of observation: Date 11-5-78 Time 7-30 am/pm

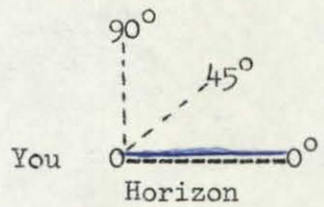
End of observation: Date 11-5-78 Time 8-15 am/pm

4. Accuracy of date WATCH Times WATCH

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. CRYSTAL CLEAR NIGHT
WITH A MOON.

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? W-S-W

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? W-S-W

/At what

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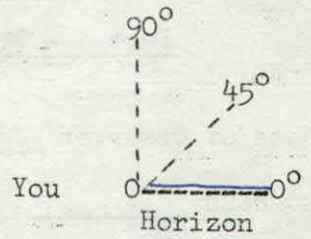
At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer ¼ MILE - 50 FT.

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9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

It was dome shaped. A number of yellowish - white along the side and one bluish light on the top. Shiny silver. It was large. There was no engine sound.



/10. Have

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10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? NO.

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) WARREN. V. HERLIHY KABAN ROAD. P.O. Box 163. RAVENSHOE. I have never seen anything like this before.

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

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ANNEX A TO
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REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer KEITH GOODALL Age 49

Address LOT 2 ABBOTT RD OONOOMBA

State QLD Postcode 4810

Occupation USED CAR DEALER

Phone (Home) 78 1041 Business 79 0311

2. Exact location of observer AT HOME LOT 2 ABBOTT RD

3. Start of observation: Date ~~23 JUN 78~~ 24 JUN 78 Time ABOUT 8.30 ~~am~~/pm

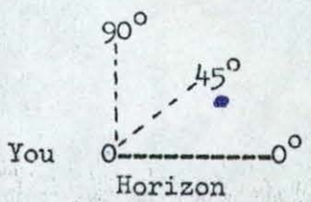
End of observation: Date 24 JUN 78 Time 8.50 ~~am~~/pm

4. Accuracy of date 24 JUN 78 Times Call received 8.55 pm.

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. SKC No cloud good vis

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? NORTH WEST A FEW ° WEST OF MT LOUISA (NOT THE BEACON)

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? DISAPPEARED BEHIND MT LOUISA GOING NW TO INGHAM

/At what

The object appeared to move slightly L to R and back again.

The object appeared to be sinking (ref the horizon) however the ~~obj~~ observer thinks it was because it was moving away behind Mt Louisa.

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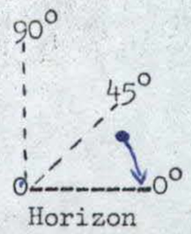
At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer SEEMED A LONG WAY. ABOUT OVER TOP MT LOUISA. 3 TIME HT MT LOUISA.

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. · If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

Night 23 JUN it appeared suddenly. Night of 24 JUN the object was in the same place. The object looked like a big amber (naked light) coloured star, but closer, with 1 red and 1 green colour faintly visible. On inspection with binoculars (1x750 and 1x2050) The object appeared to be saucer shaped, with 3 different lights. A red light at the bottom and to the left hand side, a green light to the top which gave off a halo, and the amber light. No distinct structure was visible due to the bright nest (sheet light)

8 < While watching another portion appeared at the top. The bottom section appeared bigger, then merged with the top. While the object was being watched through the binoculars it appeared to be spining very rapidly. the object did not appear to move with the naked eye, however, through the binoculars it appeared to slowly move up and down and left and right ↕ ↔ The object remained in the same position for 13 minutes. No sound was heard. Speed was not able to be determined. No method of propulsion was seen. It disappeared beneath the horizon, (probably because it was moving away.) behind Mt Louisa. About height of the evening star, but much brighter and bigger.

merged like 2 drops of water.

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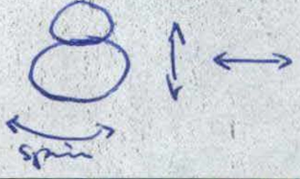

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10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? NIL

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) TOM OLSEN & WIFE CHRISTINE 22 NEVADA COURT KIRWAN.

MARGARET CASHMAN 2 ABBOTT RD. GOONOOMBA

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

FRIGHTENING. EERIE. WOMEN SAW MOST OF IT. THIS EVENING and were very frightened.

/Part 2

(Mrs.) E. Kaddatz,
16 Albatross Street,
Slade Point. 4741.
Mackay. Q.

3rd. July, 1978.

Flight Lieutenatnt B. J. Read,
ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE,
Headquarters,
RAAF Base, Townsville. Q.

Dear Sir,

Ref: 4Q 5/40/AIR C48.

I trust you find the enclosed completed to your satisfaction.

Would it be possible to obtain information beforehand, regarding future sightings.

The Slade Point State School Grade sixB is intending to study the stars in their science programe and information such as this will give impetus to their studies. When I spoke to you on the telephone you mentioned a chart which you had for reference, could you tell me whom I could contact to obtain same or some such material to assist them.

Hoping to have a reply at your earliest.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(Mrs.) E Kaddatz

(Enc.3)

ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer (MRS) EVELYN KADDATZ Age 45

Address 16 Albatross St. SLADE PT.

MACKAY State QLD Postcode 4741.

Occupation HOME DUTIES.

Phone (Home) 551430 Business same.

2. Exact location of observer AS ABOVE.

3. Start of observation: Date 29th MAY. Time APPROX. 6 PM – APPROX. 7-45 ~~am~~/pm

End of observation: Date 30th MAY / 31st MAY / 1st JUNE. Time ~~am~~/pm

4. Accuracy of date Times

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wind visibility etc. Very clear 29th-30th – some cloud 31st-1st.

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? N.W. JUST AFTER SUNSET UNTIL APPROX 8 P.M.

At what angle to the horizon?

90°

45°

You 0----------0°
Horizon

7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? until objects dropped below horizon.

At what angle to the horizon?

90°

45°

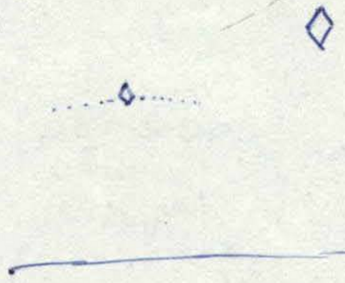
You 0----------0° horizontal.
Horizon

/8. Estimate

8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer unable to estimate. EK

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object



I observed two stars in N.W. sky just after sunset that were obviously different to other stars appearing at this time. These lights didn't twinkle and were moving slowly towards the horizon.
We have a mounted "Universe" telescope fitted with lens strength 20X. Upon inspection I could see these two lights were satellites or U.F.O's. I kept observing from time to time until they disappeared below the horizon at about 8 p.m. We live on Slade Point itself, a vantage point 100' above sea level overlooking the ocean with a 360° view.
The object on the left was the smaller of the two and appeared to have two ropes or rays of some kind extending fromit. The object on the right was much larger and twards the end of the observation (the last ½ hour) was clearly seen to be painted red. There was also a smaller light below and to the right of the larger object not visible to the naked eye. This was reported to Townsville R.A.A.F. on Tuesday 30th May, 1978 to Flt. Lt. B. Read who explained that what I saw was "American Sky Lab." and "Pegasus".

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10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? _____

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11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) _____

MR + MRS. B. AVIS.
ALBATROSS ST.
SLADE POINT. QLD. 4741.

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

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REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer MRS G. BYRNE Age 36.

Address 15 M'QUILLAN TULLY.

QLD State Postcode 4854.

Occupation SHOP PROPRIET

Phone (Home) 681383 Business 681486

2. Exact location of observer GOLF COURSE.

3. Start of observation: Date 26.7.78. Time 0644 am/~~pm~~

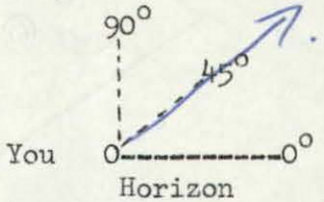
End of observation: Date " Time 0648 am/pm

4. Accuracy of date fixed Times approx.

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. clear

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? TO WEST.

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? SOUTH. EAST.

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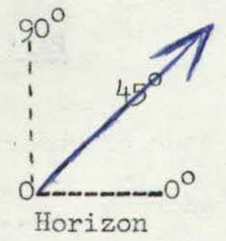
At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer unknown.

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9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

Long silver cylinder (definately no wings) approx 30-40 feet. from West to SE very slowly. no sound. or obvious method of propulsion. ~~went~~ faded out into distance.

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10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations?

Nil

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible)

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Tully 68157L

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

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Part 2 - Unit Report ANNEX A

1. a. Details of military aircraft activity in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA

Source of Information _____

b. Details of civil aircraft activity, including light private aircraft and international flights, in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
A31	331°	6600	170KTS	TOWNSVILLE	0621	CAIRNS	0717

Source of Information CAIRNS FLIGHT SERVICE

2. Give the bearing, elevation and movement of any planets or major stars that were in that portion of the sky at the time of the sighting.

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Source of Information _____

3. Details of any predicted satellites, rockets, comets or meteorite activity in the area at the time of the sighting ___

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Source of Information _____

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4. Details of any meteorological, research or radar balloons known to have been in the area at the time of the sighting (refer to point of release, size, colour, ROC, wind profile and whether it was known to have burst _____

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Source of Information _____

5. Details of any unusual radar traces or images, which may relate to the sightings, as recorded by military or civil networks

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Source of Information _____

6. Provide the following information relating to the weather and atmospheric conditions at the time of the sighting:

Temperature (dry bulb)_____°C (wet bulb)_____°C Relative Humidity_____% Cloud Cover _____ Type _____

Temperature inversion of _____°C at _____ft measured at _____hrs from _____

Wind direction _____at_____ft

_____at_____ft

_____at_____ft

_____at_____ft

Pollution level _____

7. Details of terrain and natural and/or man-made features in the area. (Attach map with significant points marked, if possible).

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10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? _____

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11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) _____

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12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

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REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer MRS KADDATZ Age _____

Address 16 Albatross St SLADE POINT

MACKAY State QLD Postcode _____

Occupation HOME DUTIES

Phone (Home) 551430 Business _____

2. Exact location of observer As

3. Start of observation: Date 30 May 78 Time 6.00 ~~am~~/pm

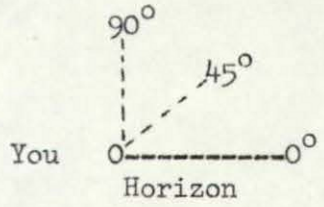
End of observation: Date 30 May 78 Time 7.30 ~~am~~/pm

4. Accuracy of date _____ Times _____

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. _____

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? _____

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? _____

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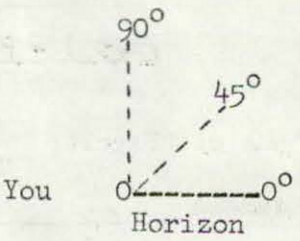
At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer _____

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9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

/10. Have

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RE FLARE REPORTS:-

TO INTELLO RING @ 0930K.

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1. MRS VENN (TOWNSVILLE) TIME 0805 PRECISE SAW 2 YELLOWISH LIGHTS DESCENDING IN CAPE CLEVELAND DIRECTION - ROUGH BEARING 055 T
2. NOEL MURPHY AND TERRY CROSS AT MORANBAH AD SAW BRIGHT YELLOW LIGHT NE OF MRB 5 DEG ELEVATION AT 0805 APPROX, THE LIGHT SPLIT IN TWO, SECOND SECTION YELLOWISH GREEN, DESCENT ANGLE 45 DEG.
3. BRUNO SATORI (AYR) SAW LIGHT WEST TO EAST ACROSS SKY AND EXPLOSION SUBSEQUENTLY HEARD IN OCEAN CREEK AREA.
4. JIM SHAW (BURDEKIN AIR SEA RESCUE SQUAD) SAW WHAT HE TOOK TO BE METEORITE WITH GREENISH TINGE TO TAIL CROSS SKY AND FRAGMENT WITH WHITISH SECTION GOING UP AND THEN DESCENDING ABOUT 6 PM.
5. CPL MADSEN (RAAF RFF AITL) SAW WHITE LIGHT, 0800 APROX BEARING ABOUT 080 DEG, 30 DEG ELEVATION, 60 DEG DESCENT ANGLE, DISAPPEARED BEFORE IT REACHED THE HORIZON - RECKONED IT WAS METERRITE. ALL AIRCRAFT ACCOUNTED FOR, AYR POLICE HAVE CHECKED ALL BOATS AT OCEAN CREEK AREA - NIL SIGHTING THERE

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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

7 June 1978

HQ 5/40/Air (48)

Mrs Kaddatz
16 Albatross Street
Slade Point
MACKAY QLD 4740

Dear Mrs Kaddatz,

As discussed, enclosed is a proforma for your completion. Your assistance is appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

(B.J. READ)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

Phone message recd 1025 p.m.

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Part 1 - Report by Observer

Adv Lt.

1. Name of Observer DAVEY Age

Address 24 Noland Ave Cranbrook

State Postcode

* Occupation Met Observer

Phone (Home) 732315 Business 795999

2. Exact location of observer Kings Rd. (Facing Sth?)

3. Start of observation: Date 2 May Time 10 approx am/pm

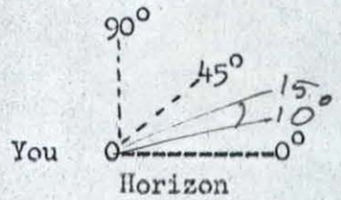
End of observation: Date Time am/pm

4. Accuracy of date Verg Times very.

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. Sky clear

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? Due South.

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? South?

Bright light, lighter centre, blue extremities

/At what

10-15° initially down to 5°

Witness:
E. Millett 6 Purves St. Hermit Park.

Appeared to be extraordinarily bright meteorite.

N.B. Did observer make a wish?

FCIO.

[illegible] Rich.

35 Sqn.

UFO RESEARCH (FNQ)

PO BOX 1585, CAIRNS, QLD. 4870
PHONE ..... (53 1919)
(61 1279)

THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER,
C/O FLT. LT. REED.,
RAAF BASE
GARBUTT. 4810.

Dear Sir,

Your predeseсor Flt Lt. Hodges may have informed you of arrangments made between your office and our organisation.

If not we are a civilian organisation formed to investigate reports of the phenomenon known as "Unidentified Flying objects" or U.A.S's as termed by the RAAF.

It was suggested we obtain from witnesses, a seperate report for the R.A.A.F. on those reports which are of a higher strangeness than the usual point of light type report.

Since January it has been our policy to ask such witnesses to file a report of U.A.S's with the RAAF.
Enclosed is one of the reports plus our investigation notes on the sighting, (in future we will forward these reports earlier).
There have been some interesting sightings up this way recently, although lately there seems to be a drop in reported sightings We are still receiving a few from the DEC, JAN, FEB Period.
In the near future I hope we can send some info on these.

Yours Sincerely
MR. Russell Bundy. (TREAS.)
UFO RESEARCH F.N.Q.

INVESTIGATION NOTES FOR REPORTS QB 70008 & ~~QB 7000~~
INVESTIGATATED BY: R. Boundy for U.F.O.R.F.N.Q.
DATE OF SIGHTING: 23/3/78 DAY: Thursday
TIME: 11.30 pm (23.30 hrs EST) approximately. DURATION: 1 minute approx.
LOCATION: Corner of Charles and Sheridan Streets, Cairns. Qld.
WITNESSES: Two; Mr. A. Sprowat and Miss L. Gusmeroli.
INVESTIGATION: Initial reports: 25/3/78 (Cairns Post). Witness interview and report forms: 29/3/78.

SIGHTING: Miss Lorrain Gusmeroli and Mr. Arthur Sprowat were walking to a friends house shortly before 11.30pm. While passing through a park on Sheridan Street they sat on the double swings for a moment. About a minute after doing this they both noticed something strange appearing in the sky to the north-east. At the same time both witnesses spotted a huge black cross appearing in the sky.
The object appeared slowly (i.e. faded in) and was described as a black cross which seemed superimposed on a hazy glowing background, roughly circular. The two witnesses watched this for about a minute , after which it began to fade away until nothing could be seen. Both witnesses were highly upset at seeing this occurence.

INVESTIGATION: Anyone reading the press release (see attached) of this occurrence may have doubts on the witnesses sanity, but the two people involved seemed quite sensible and to be relating a real occurrence.
It is thought by the investigator that if this in fact was connected with the UFO phenomena, it seems religiously orientated. (i.e. the bh shape of the object and the fact that the sighting occurred just before Easter).
It seems possible that this was not an object in the sense of the word, but some sort of projection. The object was described as a large black cross (crucifix) shape in the centre of a soft white haze (such as that which surrounds the moon at times) roughly circular. The object itself was not glowing, the lighted area seemed behind the cross and not surrounding it, (the cross seemed superimposed).
At the time of the sighting winds were very calm below, aloft averaging about 2 - 3 knots south-east. Cloud was approximately 12,000ft. very light (stratus cloud). Miss Gusmeroli noticed that the object did not affect this cloud. (There was cloud to eather side of, or above the object.)
Thursday night was a busy night at the Cairns airport with several turn-around flights, but there were no aircraft around the time of the sighting.
The object was above or north of the airport.
After observing the object the two witnesses went on to their friends, and the next day both visited Father Lizzio at St. Monicas church (Mr. Sprowat is a Catholic) and described the event to him.

CONCLUSIONS: Even under the guise of a UFO this sighting seems unusual. Of the possible explanations examined none seemed to have contributed to the cause of this sighting. It is therefore classed as.....
UNIDENTIFIED — TYPE: NOCTURNAL LIGHT (NL)

No REPORT FROM MALE WITNESS.

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Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer Miss LORRAINE GUSMEROLI Age 35

Address FLAT 8 / 239 SHERIDAN ST. CAIRNS.

State QLD. Postcode 4870

Occupation HOUSEWIFE.

Phone (Home) _____ Business _____

2. Exact location of observer CORNER OF CHARLES & SHERIDAN ST. CAIRNS. LOOKING N/E.

3. Start of observation: Date 23·3·78 Time 11·30 ~~am~~/pm

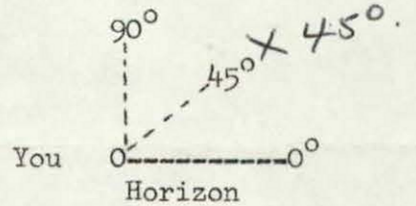
End of observation: Date 23·3·78 Time 11·31 ~~am~~/pm

4. Accuracy of date CORRECT. Times APPROX.

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. CLEAR PARTLY CLOUDY.

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? NN-E

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? NN-E

~~/At what~~

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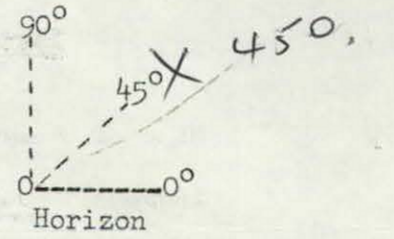
At what angle to the horizon?



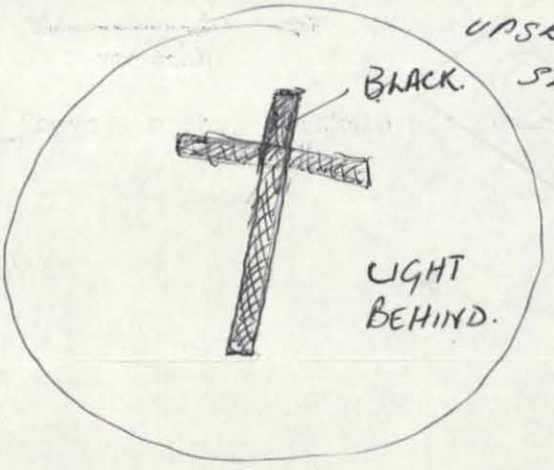
8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer _____

OVER. 1000 FT APP.

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

WHILE WALKING TO A FRIENDS PLACE WITH ANOTHE FRIEND WE REACHED THE CORNER PARK AND SAT ON THE SWINGS FOR ABOUT A MINUTE WHEN SUDDENLY APPEARING IN THE SKY APPEARED. A BLACK CROSS WE BOTH SAW THIS AT THE SAME TIME. IT LASTED FOR A MINUTE. WE WERE BOTH VERY UPSET. AT THE TIME ON SEEING THIS. AND DECIDED TO SEE THE PRIEST. ABOUT. IT.



/10. Have

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10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations?

NO.

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible)

ONE MR. A. SPROWAT.
32. O'KEFFE ST
CAIRNS. 4870.

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

OBJECT FADED ON (APPEARED).
AND FADED OUT (DISSAPEARED).

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ANNEX A TO
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REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer MIKE SCOTT Age 30's

Address 13 SOLAGER ST

GYMORE State QLD Postcode

Occupation FITTER & TURNER

Phone (Home) — Business VIC TONKIN CAIRNS

2. Exact location of observer HOME.

3. Start of observation: Date 12APR78 Time ~~8.00~~ 7.45 am/pm

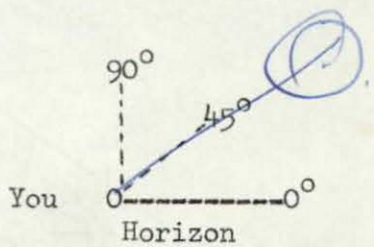
End of observation: Date 12APR78 Time 8.15 am/pm

4. Accuracy of date YES Times APPROX.

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. FINE & CLEAR.

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? 070°

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? 070°

red to green light /At what

& back

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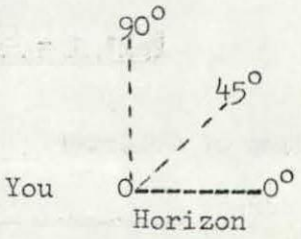
At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer _____

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

/10. Have

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10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? No.

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) No.

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

Reported by Noel Gibson
Ops in Cairns
Control Tower.

/Part 2

Please Read.

Vico.

VCIO.

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UFO REPORT

MRS JACKIE SPRINGER OF FLADE POINT MACKAY WAS IN THE BACKYARD OF HER HOME WHEN SHE SAW A BRIGHT FLASHING LIGHT TRAVEL FROM A N-E DIRECTION TO THE SW, ABOUT 3/4 ACROSS THE SKY, OBJECT APPEARED TO SLOW, WAS JOINED BY A SECOND SIMILIAR OBJECT, THEN BOTH ACCELERATED AWAY TRAILING A COMET TYPE TAIL. BOTH OBJECTS APPEARED TO BE TRAVELLING VERY FAST & HIGH. TIME 1935 09APR78

(Duty ops. Jim Keeley.)
J. ADMINI.

VCIO.

1. Are discussed. 10 APR 78.

2. Above recorded by Duty ops whilst O/O engaged with RAP [illegible] arrival

3. Duty operation from J. KEELEY.

10 APR 78.

J ADMINI

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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

12 April 1978

HQ/5/40/Air(42)

Department of Defence (Air Force Office)(Attn: DAFI:IR)

For Information:

Headquarters Operational Command (Attn: CIO)

UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING
TOWNSVILLE - 6 APRIL 1978

1. Enclosed are four reports of an unusual aerial sighting at Townsville on 6 April 1978.

2. A verbal report was also received from a Mrs Collins at the Rosella Plains Station located 1826S/14428E. This report indicated that numerous people had told Mrs Collins, over two-way radio, that they had heard several large explosions at 0930K on 6 April 1978. The location of these reports are spread over a diameter of 90 nautical miles and are located at:

a.	Greenvale	1858S/14507E
b.	St Ronans	1803S/14445E
c.	Mt Redcap Area	1815S/14414E
d.	Talaroo	1808S/14358E
e.	Spring Creek	1838S/14435E

3. The Investigating Officer discussed possible causes with the observers but made no conclusions.

B. Read

(B.J. READ)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

Enclosure: 1. Four Reports of Unusual Aerial Sightings.

ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer TERRY SMITH Age 31

Address 9 FRENCH STREET PIMLICO

State QLD Postcode 4810

Occupation Council Surveyor

Phone (Home) 795297 Business

2. Exact location of observer Cnr Crawford and Harold Street WEST END

3. Start of observation: Date 6 Apr 78 Time 0930 am/~~pm~~

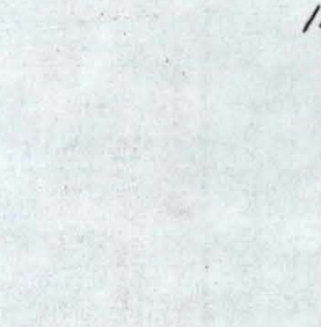
End of observation: Date (35 seconds) Time am/pm

4. Accuracy of date ± 5 minutes Times

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. Fine

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? 265° Magne

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? 265° Mag

/At what

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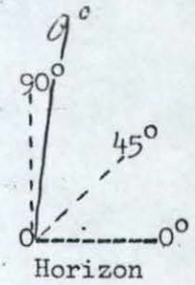
At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer 20 Miles plus

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9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

Bright white light with a long tail
Tail had a darker tone (no smoke)
Tail dissappeared when approaching the ground
Travelling very fast - faster than a jet

/10. Have

ANNEX A

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? N/A

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) N/A

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

No

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ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer Sim ~~Ken~~ AHLERS Age _____

Address Depart Primary Industry

_____ State Qld Postcode 4810

Occupation PUBLIC SERVANT.

Phone (Home) 19 2673 (Business) 11 4145

2. Exact location of observer S/R TIVOLE

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3. Start of observation: Date 6. 4 78 Time app 9.30 am/~~pm~~

End of observation: Date 6. 4 78 Time approx 3 seconds ~~am/pm~~

4. Accuracy of date Confirmed Times + or - 2 minutes.

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. Very Clear - no Cloud

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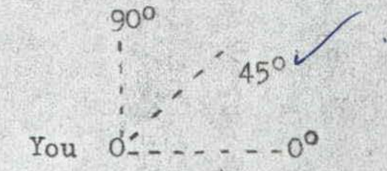
6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? —

At what angle to the horizone?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? North East

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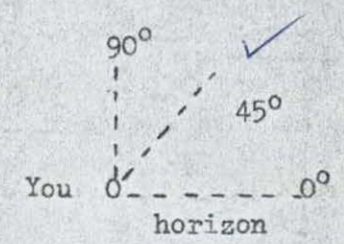
At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer Unknown

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

One object Silver colour, about half the size of a mirage fighter plane. Rounded in front followed by long trail of fiery tail (Red-orange Colours) Object & tail brilliant Colours. Movement - very fast - Didn't hear any sound due to being in a moving Car. Disappeared behind the outline of Castle Hill.



SKETCH.

ANNEX A

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? No

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) No

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

No

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HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer KEN HUNTER Age —

Address 321 BAYSWATER ROAD

TOWNSVILLE State QLD Postcode 4810

Occupation ~~SALES~~ ~~REP~~ SALES REPRESENTATIVE

Phone (Home) _____ (Business) 790277

2. Exact location of observer WARRINA SHOPPING CENTRE
CURRAJONG TOWNSVILLE
~~BAYSWATER~~ ~~BAYSWATER~~ → ~~To North of Bayswater~~

3. Start of observation: Date ~~6 April 78~~ 6 April 78 Time 9.30 am/~~pm~~

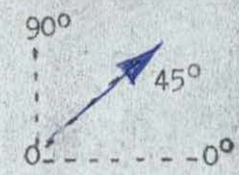
End of observation: Date ~~6 April 78~~ 6 April 78 Time 9.30 am/~~pm~~ (2-3 Seconds)

4. Accuracy of date Confirmed Times +or- 2 minutes

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. fine

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? West

At what angle to the horizone?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? West

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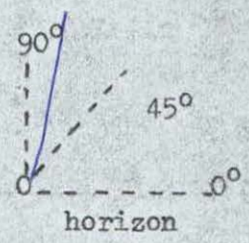
At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer Fairly close

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9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

Small jet - yellowish flame - more intense flame + trail became white - No Smoke Trail

Burn out before impact

Faster than a falling star

ANNEX A

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? NO

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible)

SIRKKU THILONIUS
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VINCENT

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

NO

ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer ALFRED WRIGHT Age 43

Address 75 ~~New~~ Cay Stret Saunders Beach

~~_____~~ State _____ Postcode _____

Occupation Fitter Welder QLD Nicol

Phone (Home) 786324 (Business) _____

2. Exact location of observer ~~At Home~~ 75 Cay Street SAUNDERS BEACH ~~via~~ TOWNSVILLE

3. Start of observation: Date 6 Apr 78 Time 9.30 am/~~pm~~

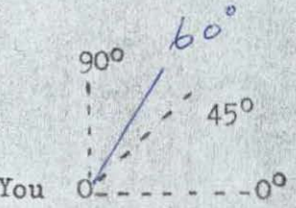
End of observation: Date 6 Apr 78 Time 9.30 am/pm for 2.3 Seconds.

4. Accuracy of date Confirmed Times +or- 2 minutes

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. Fine

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? Due West

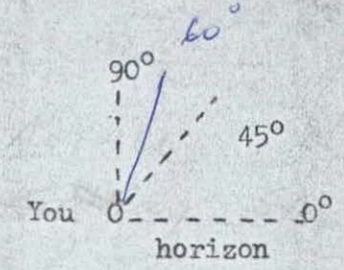
At what angle to the horizone?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? Due West

ANNEX A

At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer No idea - But a long way off

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

White/Blue fire with a streaking tail. ~~tail~~ length of object

Tail 5-6 times ^

Approx Dia 1-0

ANNEX A

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? No

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) NIL

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

NIL

ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer ANDREW MORRIS Age 25

Address 1/19 RYAN ST., BELGIAN GDNS.

State QLD Postcode ~~7 55999~~

Occupation METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVER

Phone (Home) —— Business 795999

2. Exact location of observer James Cook University

Near Stevenson Screens (white weather screens)

3. Start of observation: Date 6/3/78 Time 0930 am/~~pm~~

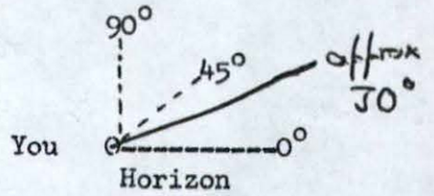
End of observation: Date 6/3/78 Time 0930 + 4 secs am/~~pm~~

4. Accuracy of date ABSOLUTE Times ± 2 minutes.

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. Fine Conditions

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? West

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? West.

/At what

This report received after compilation and typing of covering letter.

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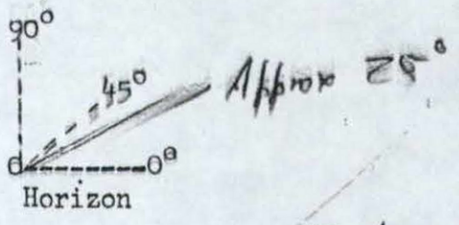
At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer I thought it was only a mile away & was several thousand feet high

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object



The object had a distinct spherical ~~ball~~ shaped fiery ball followed by a trail of fire as above. It was bright yellow-white, much brighter than a full moon but not blinding.

/10. Have

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations?

NO

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible)

AT LEAST ONE

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

/Part 2

Part 2 - Unit Report ANNEX A

1. a. Details of military aircraft activity in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
CC08	123 Rad	9,500'	130K	Townsville	0925K	Rockhampton	1031K

Source of Information Base Operations

b. Details of civil aircraft activity, including light private aircraft and international flights, in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
NOMAD	SOUTH.?	9500	100K	TOWNSVILLE	0935 23	OAKEY ?	N/K.

Source of Information A.T.C.

2. Give the bearing, elevation and movement of any planets or major stars that were in that portion of the sky at the time of the sighting. N.I.

Source of Information The Air Almanac

3. Details of any predicted satellites, rockets, comets or meteorite activity in the area at the time of the sighting N.I.

Source of Information WRE Satellite Prediction Centre.

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4. Details of any meteorological, research or radar balloons known to have been in the area at the time of the sighting (refer to point of release, size, colour, ROC, wind profile and whether it was known to have burst TOWNSVILLE AERODROME — 8-10FT DIA WHITE ROC 300m/min WIND E'LY/15K BELOW 10000 & BETWEEN 10000' & 24000' SWly/10K. RELEASED @ 9.30K. BURST 1 HR LATER @ 53000'

Source of Information - MET OFFICE TOWNSVILLE.

5. Details of any unusual radar traces or images, which may relate to the sightings, as recorded by military or civil networks

Nil

Source of Information ATC

6. Provide the following information relating to the weather and atmospheric conditions at the time of the sighting: 6 Apr

Temperature (dry bulb) 26 °C (wet bulb) 18 °C Relative Humidity 61 % Cloud Cover 1/8 Type CU 3000 1/8 SC 6000 1/8 AC 16000 1/8 CI 20000

Temperature inversion of ½ °C at 6000 ft measured at 2330 hrs from

Wind direction 090/15K at BELOW 10000 ft
210°/10K at ABOVE 10000 ft
180/5 at SFC ft
at ft

Pollution level

7. Details of terrain and natural and/or man-made features in the area. (Attach map with significant points marked, if possible).

Hills only.

/Part 3

Part 3 - Investigating Officer's Evaluation

1. a. Date of interview 6 and 7 April 1978

b. Place of interview By Phone

2. Names and addresses of persons interviewed (include phone numbers where applicable).

1. Terry SMITH
9 French St PIMLICO
795297 (Work)

2. KEN HUNTER
321 Bayswater Rd Townsville
790277

3. Jim AHLERS
Dept of Primary
Industry Townsville
792673 714145

4. Alfred WRIGHT
75 Cay St SAUNDERS BEACH
786324

3. Narrative evaluation of personalities of witnesses (include any relationship with UTO organisations and their interest in subject matter).

All personnel interviewed gave sound convincing and consistant information. Mr T. Smith is a council surveyor and took exact bearings with equipment he had at hand. Discussions were also had with the Geological Department at the James Cook University in Townsville.

4. Investigating officer's evaluation of possible cause(s).

Entry and possible impact of a small meteorite.

HQTVL (Unit) B. J. READ (Name)

11 Apr 78 (Date) [illegible] (Rank)

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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

12 April 1978

HQ/5/40/Air(41)

Department of Defence (Air Force Office)(Attn: DAFI-IR)

For Information:

Headquarters Operational Command (Attn: CIO)

UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING
MELLISH PARK - MT ISA AREA
11 MARCH 1978

References: A. HQTVL A080 of 12 March 1978

B. HQOC AI044/INTEL 2 of 13 March 1978

Introduction

1. On 11-12 March 1978 several phonecalls were received by the Orderly Officer at RAAF Base Townsville of an unusual aerial sighting in the Mellish Park - Mt Isa area of western Queensland. Most of these calls were from duty personnel at the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) at Mt Isa. One call was from the Mt Isa police. The RFDS reports indicated that they had received approximately twenty transmissions from outback homesteads by two-way radio. These reports were spread out over an extensive area including Burketown, Mornington Island, Gregory Downs and Doomadgee Mission.

2. The Captain of Luthansa flight 693 overhead Alice Springs at 35,000 feet also reported this sighting.

Description of Sighting

3. All reports indicate that the object was sighted between 1830K and 1845K hours on the 11 March 1978. Observers state that they saw a bright flaming orange light with a greyish smoke trial. There were reports of six to eight explosions and people at Doomadgee Mission reported ground

/vibrations

vibrations. The object travelled from north to south. Weather conditions at the time were clear with 3/8 cumulus at 8000', visibility 40 km, surface winds as light to variable with South Easterlies at high levels.

Observer Reports

4. Observer reports required by HQOC AS1 3/A/5 have not been requested in this instance. All of the reports were received by two-way radio and the RFDS have advised that the remoteness of the area is such that mail delivery and pick up to outback stations takes up to three months. A verbal report over the telephone with the RFDS and Police is therefore the basis for this information.

Public Interest

5. The sighting of this object created considerable interest within the North Queensland Area. Considerable coverage over radio and other media outlets was generated. The Division of Meteorology of the CSIRO in Sydney expressed an interest in this matter. Dr R. Binns (Telephone 02-8881666) represented the CSIRO and indicated that he had received information that movie film of the object had been taken by a property owner. If this is true it will be the first such film of this nature.

Possible Explanation

6. The most probable explanation, as agreed by the CSIRO, is the entry and probable landing of a meteorite.

B. Read

(D.J. READ)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

MESSAGE FORM

RAAF COMMCEN

NOTE: General instructions for message writing are contained in JSP(AS)102 Chapter 6

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Line 1	RESERVED FOR COMMCEN/SIGNALS USE 30 3 19	Security Classification and Special Handling Instructions: UNCLAS
Line 2		
Line 3		
Line 4		
Line 5		

Precedence – Action	Precedence – Info	Date – Time Group	Message Instructions
Priority	ROUTINE	300352Z MAR 78	TAB ~~ATE~~

Routing Indicators

FROM HQTVL

WRITE ONLY ONE ADDRESSEE PER LINE THE PROWORD 'INFO' IS TO BE INSERTED BEFORE THE FIRST INFORMATION ADDRESSEE

TO ~~HQOC~~ DEFAIR CANBERRA

HQOC

Orig No: AC 8/HQ

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DEFAIR FOR DAFI-IR, HQOC FOR CIO

~~AND~~ SOOPS.

UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT REPORT

A. HQTVL A940/OPS OF 29 MAR 78 NOTAL

B. SUMMARY OF UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT SIGHTINGS IN TOWNSVILLE, MACKAY, BRISBANE AREA ON 29 MAR 78.

2900497Z UNIDENTIFIED PAINT ~~SIGHTED~~ OBSERVED ON RADAR POSITION 050° 40 NM TOWNSVILLE TRACKING SOUTH TOWARDS TOWNSVILLE. PAINT OBSERVED TO TURN SLOWLY LEFT TO HEADING APPROX 130° PARALLELING CTA BOUNDARY. TOWNSVILLE FIS ADVISED NO KNOWN TRAFFIC. OPS ADVISED NO KNOWN MILITARY TRAFFIC.

2900557Z PAINT DISAPPEARED FROM RADAR SCREEN AT POSITION 095°M 50NM TOWNSVILLE STILL TRACKING SOUTH EAST SPEED ESTIMATED AS QUOTE, FASTER THAN F27.

2901027Z SOC DOT ADVISED HE HAD DECLARED INCERFA ON UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT AND REQUESTED ANY KNOWN TRAFFIC FROM COCOC.

2901057Z COCOC ADVISE NO KNOWN MILITARY TRAFFIC.

2901107Z HMAS CAIRNS ADVISE NO KNOWN RAN AIR TRAFFIC.

2907027Z MET RADAR TRACKING OBJECT AND WILL CONTINUE TO PLOT.

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2904507 MACKAY MET RADAR LOST CONTACT SE OF MACKAY ○ CUSTOMS ACFT AIRBORNE FROM GLADSTONE ON SEARCH ○

2905407 SECOND UNIDENTIFIED PAINT OBSERVED 060° M 38 NM TOWNSVILLE TRACKING APPROX 180° M ○ TOWNSVILLE FIS ADVISE NO KNOWN TRAFFIC ○ PAINT AGAIN OBSERVED TO TURN SOUTH EAST APPROX 180 KTS

2905457 FROM SOC DOT FIRST UFO UNDER RADAR COVERAGE ~~CONTACT~~ ○ BRISBANE AND VISUALLY IDENTIFIED AS AIRCRAFT BY SEVERAL SHIPS ○ CUSTOMS INTEND LAUNCHING ACFT FROM MACKAY TO INTERCEPT SECOND UFO ○
OC TVL ADVISED AOC OC OF SITUATION AND APPROVAL RECEIVED TO USE C130E (NUB ATS088620) TO INTERCEPT AS REQUIRED ○

2905517 SECOND PAINT DISAPPEARED AT POSITION 095° M 51 NM TVL TRACKING APPROX 130° M AND APPEARED TO INCREASE SPEED IN LAST 10 NM ○

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2906177 NUB AIRBORNE TVL TRACKED TO POSN 095° M 51 NM TVL THEN TO TRACK APPROX 110° M TO WHITSUNDAY PASSAGE ○

2906207 CUSTOMS TVL ADVISED OF C130 TASK ○

2906597 FROM SOC BN - INCERFA ON FIRST UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT CANCELLED ○ NO FORTHER INFO RECEIVED ○

290846 FROM ACCC 540 NUB AT NAMBOUR DISCONTINUING SEARCH, NOTHING FOUND ○

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OC FROM SATCO. - AIR4 HAS RECT of PAPERWORK.

0049 ~ UNIDENTIFIED PAINT OBSERVED ON RADAR POSITION 050° 40 MILES TOWNSVILLE TRACKING SOUTH TOWARDS TOWNSVILLE. PAINT WAS OBSERVED TO TURN SLOWLY LEFT TO TAKE UP A HEADING APPROX 130° PARALLELLING THE CONTROL AREA BOUNDARY. TL FLIGHT SERVICE ADVISED THEY HAD NO KNOWN TRAFFIC IN AREA + OPS ADVISED NO KNOWN MILITARY ACTIVITY.

0055 PAINT DISAPPEARED FROM RADAR SCREEN AT POSITION 095 TOWNSVILLE 50 MILES STILL TRACKING SOUTH EAST SPEED ESTIMATED F27 +

0102 SOC DOT ADVISED HE HAD DECLARED INCERFA ON THE UNIDENTIFIED ACFT AND REQUESTED ANY KNOWN TRAFFIC FROM COCOL.

0105. COCOL ADVISE NO KNOWN MILITARY TRAFFIC

0110 HMAS CAIRNS (CDR HALL) ADVISE NO RAN ACFT IN AREA.

0202 MET RADAR TRACKING ACFT AND WILL CONTINUE TO PLOT.

0450 MACKAY MET RADAR LOST CONTACT SE OF MACKAY CUSTOMS ACFT AIRBORNE FROM GLADSTONE ON SEARCH.

0540 SECOND UNIDENTIFIED PAINT OBSERVED 060°/38 MILES TOWNSVILLE TRACKING APPROX 180°.
FLIGHT SERVICE - NO KNOWN TRAFFIC
PAINT AGAIN OBSERVED TO TURN SOUTH EAST SPEED APPROX 180 KNOTS

0545 FROM DOT SOC FIRST UFO UNDER RADAR COVERAGE OF BRISBANE AND HAS BEEN SIGHTED BY SEVERAL SHIPS - CUSTOMS INTEND LAUNCHING ACFT FROM MACKAY TO INTERCEPT SECOND UFO

~0545. OC advised AOC of situation & received approval to use C130 (NUB54/6A) ~~[illegible]~~ required

0551 – SECOND UFO PAINT DISAPPEARED AT POSITION 095°/ 51 MILES TOWNSVILLE TRACK APPROX 130° APPEARED TO INCREASE SPEED IN LAST 10 MILES.

0617 C130 NUB AIRBORNE TOWNSVILLE TRACKED TO POSITION 095 TOWNSVILLE 51 MILES THEN TO TRACK APPROX 110 TO WHITSUNDAY PASSAGE.

0620 Customs TNL advised of C130 track

0659 FROM SOC BN – INCERFA ON FIRST UFO CANCELLED – NO FURTHER INFO RECEIVED.

0846 FROM ADCC SYD NUB AT NAMBOUR DISCONTINUING SEARCH – NOTHING FOUND

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TJA042 0131
SS ATTLYV ATTLYW ATMKZT ABBNYU ABRKYV
290128 ATTLYU'''''
RE 668 UNIDENTIFIED ACFT - COR LAST LINE - INITIAL CONTACT 050/40NM

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TJA040 0118
SS ATTLYV ATTLYW ATMKZT ABBNYU ABRKYV
290115 ATTLYU'''''
INCERFA TPD 29030100 UNIDENTIFIED ACFT/OBJECT LOCATED BY RADAR
EAST OF ATTL IN R765 SOUTHBOUND UNKNOWN UNKNOWN ADS IN AREA BEING
CHECKED RADAR PAINT ABOUT F27 SPEED OR BIT FASTER - INITIAL CONTACT
050/40NM CAME TO 35NM ATTL LOST AT 090/50NM

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UNIDENTIFIED ACFT/OBJECT.
FOLLOWING MESSAGE RECIEVED FROM DOT OPERATIONS TOWNSVILLE AT 290115Z
QUOTE INCERFA TPD 29030100 UNIDENTIFIED ACFT/OBJECT LOCATED BY RADAR EAST OF ATTL IN R765 SOUTHBOUND UNKNOWN ADS IN AREA BEING CHECKED RADAR PAINT ABOUT F27 SPEED OR BIT FASTER, - INITIAL CONTACT 050/40 NM CAME TO 35NM ATTL LOST AT 090/50NM. UNQUOTE. COCOC AND HMAS CAIRNS ADVISE NO KNOWN AIRCRAFT IN TVL AREA. FOLLOW UP ACTION WITH DOT AIRFIELD STAFF, MET RADARS AND FS STAFF SOUTH OF TOWNSVILLE CONTINUES. CUSTOMS TVL ADVISED BY SOC.

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HQTVL FOR OC, DEFAIR FOR DAFI IR

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING 11MAR78

REF A. HQTVL A080 OF 121045Z MAR 78

B. TELECON OCTVL/HQOC INTEL 1 OF 13MAR78

1. INITIAL ANALYSIS OF REPORTS RECEIVED INDICATES SUBJECT SIGHTINGS MAY BE OF METEORITE INPACT IN VICINITY OF MELLISH PARK. REGIONAL METEORULOGICAL AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN ALERTED AND WILL RELAY RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION WHEN DATA HAVE BEEN PROCESSED.

2. THIS HQ WILL FORWARDED AMPLIFICATION OF DATA WHEN RECEIVED

BT

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RECEIVED 13 MAR 1978 HEADQUARTERS RAAF TOWNSVILLE

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UFO RESEARCH (FNQ)

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A member organisation of the Australian Co-Ordination Section (ACOS), Centre for UFO Studies, USA.

Report for 1977, May —January 1978.

1977: May 1977 saw the official formation of UFO Research (FNQ), and since that month we have had some changes in the organisations' committee. Our original Co-Ordinator, Mr. Max Dickson moved back to Sydney, and our Liaison Officer and founder Mrs. Di Van Wijk, left for a short period in the Solomons but has now returned to Cairns.
The existing committee is now — Co-Ordinator — Mr. Daryl Knowles: ph. 671242
Liaison Officer - Mrs. P. Sandercock: ph.
Assistant Liaison Officer - Ms. Holly Goriss: ph. 671297
Treasurer —— Mr. Russ Boundy: ph. 531919

Membership: At the start of January 1978, UFOR(FNQ) had a membership of 19. We hope with continued support of our existing and future members to issue a newsletter regularly in the near future, and we remind our members that many people are interested in 'UFOs' and if you know someone who is, 'sign em up'.

In line with other member organisations in the Australian Co-Ordination Section (ACOS), we have a continuing co-operation from Government Departments and Local Media. The RAAF, Dept. of Transport, Meteorology Dept., Weapons Research, and Local Police all give assistance on investigations which is essential in sorting out the IFOs from the UFOs. And the local Media have proved more than helpful on several occasions relating to sightings.

U.F.O.R.(F.N.Q.) is now represented in Cairns, Babinda, and Cardwell, and it is hoped more members will join from other centres.

The year 1977 and January 1978 have proved that UFOs are present in North Queensland and probably more numerous than we realise. It has been the experience of the Investigators of UFOR(FNQ), that many more sightings occurred and were not reported to us for various reasons, some relating to the possibility of ridicule, which on occasions still rears its head when it comes to UFOs.

During the period of May 1977 to January 1978, UFOR(FNQ) recieved 20 reports of 'Unidentified Flying Objects'.
Six of these were sightings up to two to three years old, most of which are very interesting but past proper investigation.

Of the remaining cases, a large majority of which are Nocturnal Light reports, four are still being investigated. These came from Innisfail, and Holloways Beach , from which there were three sightings within a month.
QB 77002 (NL) — 7:12:75. In the early hours of Sunday morning, Mr. and Mr. A. Bell were driving north to Cairns from Townsville, when approximately 65 miles south of Cairns they noticed a glowing yellow-white light to their right travelling parallel to them up the coast. On several occassions the object passed behind mountains along the coast to the east. After arriving in Cairns (60 minutes later), they noticed the object was still to the east and had changed shape; it had flattened out and widened and was now a greenish colour. When the couple arrived at their house, Mr. Bell watched for another five minutes, while the object seemingly hovered just south of Cairns airport. After this he went to bed and did not see the object again.
QB 77014 (NL) On monday 10/10/77, two Swiss girls hollidaying at Misson Beach, were lying on their backs watching the stars when they noticed a starlike light move across the sky in an arc. The light approached erraticly from the north-east — west, at about 90° above the horizon it suddenly turned and flew to the east, dissapearing soon after at approximately 45° to the horizon. They had another sighting that night, which was identified as a satellite.
QB 78001. 21.50hrs, 24/12/77 (CE1). Georgetown: On Christmas Eve Mrs. Hughes and her two daughters, plus two other children from next door watched a bright orange light surrounded by a blueish haze hover over a gum tree 100yds. away from their yard. After watching it for about three minutes, they said the object rose vertically then headed away to the north-west passing the witnesses. Mrs. Hughes said, as the object moved away the shape changed to an oblong shape with the orange light at the front.
In another report a family at Brampton Beach saw an object make a close

approach and a possible landing; other reports came from Palmeston Highway, Babinda, South Gordonvale, Kamerunga, and Holloways Beach. Several other x reports came as rumours and through the Media, these could not be traced. Many sightings have not come to our attention because of the Publics' lack of knowledge of our existance, and that relitively new thought that many people treat the sighting of a U.F.O. as a common and everyday occurrence.

As expected, reports of UFOs received by UFOR(FNQ) have been very much the same as those reported form other parts of Australia.

Contact International, in addition to UFO Research F.N.Q., has a representative investigator for the British UFO Organisation Contact International in Cairns. He is Mr. Charles Winter and may be contacted through UFORFNQ.

All reports received by UFOR(FNQ) are being entered on the ACOS computer file from which patterns should emerge, enlarging our knowledge of UFOs, and it is hoped that in the future we can contribute the data needed, and our ideas on the subject of UFOs.

Any readers who have observed anything unusual in the sky or on land or sea are asked to contact UFO Reasearch, Far North Queensland through P.O. Box 1585, Cairns. Information will be kept confidential if required.

Meetings of the group are held on the first sunday of every month, at the Adult Education Rooms, in the Cairns Railway Building, at 7.00 p.m.

All correspondance to P.O. Box 1585, Cairns. 4870.
All sightings please phone 53 1919 or 671297.(070)

UFO RESEARCH F.N.Q.

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THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER,
FLT. LT. HODGES,

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PO BOX 1585
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Del No. MI/323.

Inspector of Police
- 9 JAN 1978
No 385.M.
MOUNT ISA

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Mount Isa District,
Burketown Police Station,
2nd January 1978.

Relative to:- Sightings by persons within the Burketown Police Division of Unidentified Flying Objects.

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Sir,

I have to report with reference to the above that on the 25.12.77, a fisherman by the name of Rudolph BEIER came into the Burketown Police Station and reported to me that while on a fishing expedition in the company of another fisherman, Barry TAYLOR he saw an Unidentified Flying Object.

Regional Superintendent, Northern Police Region, TOWNSVILLE.

Forwarded for your information

He stated to me that on the 24.12.77 at about 9.40pm as he was coming down the Albert River just near the Landsborough Channel when he saw a bright light coming from the east, as the light drew closer it became clearer. He stated that it was probably the size of a house, it was a white colour, completely round with mist coming from the under side of the object. In the mist he could see a powerful bright light.

W.J. O'Brien
Inspector.
6/1/1978.

The object came in their direction and when it was about two miles away it appeared as if it was going to land. Then it suddenly took off up into the sky at a tremendous speed to a height where it could only be seen as a cloud in the night sky. The bright light could still be seen in the cloud. The object then disapeared into the Western sky. BEIER stated that he saw this object for at least ½ and hour and at one stage was only approxiametely 20,000 metres away. He stated that at no time did the objectnemit any noise.

Barry TAYLOR who accompanied BEIER on the fishing trip was interviewed but stated that he was in the wheel house for most of the sighting and only came out when his partner called out to him. He stated that when he came out of the wheelhouse the light was just going up into the air. He stated that it appeared to be a bright light with a haze around it. When he saw it, it was a long way into the air. It went into the air and just faded out. He said it didn't look like a plane or any natural phenomenon that he knew of. It appeared to be one light inside another. It made no sound that he could hear.

Both fisherman were sober at the time and stated that they had had no alcohol to drink in the preceding twenty-four hours to the sighting of the object.

On the 30.12.77, I was contacted by Doomadgee Mission on frequency 5110 of the Royal Flying Doctor radio. The aboriginal Police Sergeant stated to me that at about 9.30pm on the 23.12.77, himself and most of the aboriginal community at the Doomadgee Mission saw an object which he described as a fire cloud in the sky shaped like a football.

Inspector of Police
MOUNT ISA DISTRICT.

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He said that the object came from the south at a very low altitude as if it was about to land. The object suddenly sped off to the north like a satilite seen at night. He went on to describe it as being a bright light with a greyish cloud around it. The object made no noise and was seen at a distance of about one mile from the observers. As the object travelled it seemed to follow the course of the river.

As no alcohol is allowed on Doomadgee Mission it is impossible to explain this sighting to alcohol. As I personally know the Aboriginal Police Sergeant, Michael DIAMOND to be an honest person and not the type of person to make up such a story.

On both occassions during these sightings the witnesses noticed no atmospheric changes before, during of after the sightings.

M.J. KELLY
Constable

The,
Inspector of Police
MOUNT ISA DISTRICT.

Submitted,

E.J. BILLING
SGT 27C

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1. Mount Isa Police
   Father Dalton — Julia creek 64 (Phone)
   Mr Malone — Kynuna 7D (Phone)
   Denis Bauer — Kajabbi Hotel
   — — Lake Nash Station
   — — Mary Kathleen
   John Read — Kynuna 11 (Phone)

2. At address above.

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4. Personal watches.

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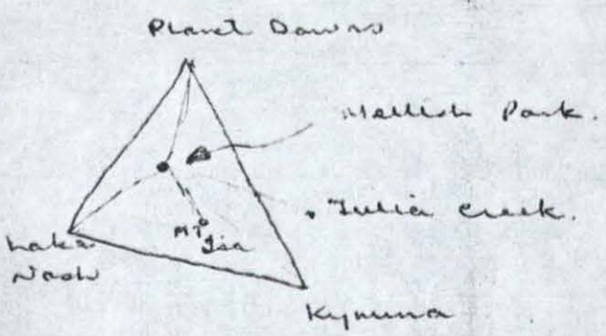
6. NNW of Mount Isa - 100NM.



9. Bright orange light with smoke trail. Followed by a vapour trail of a regular zig-zag pattern.
   Northern observers heard claps like thunder.

12. Mt Isa air traffic control suggest that all observers were looking towards the Mallick Park area.

1. Captain of Lufthansa flight 693.

2. Overhead ~~at 5000~~ Alice Springs F350 - F400.

3. 11MAR78 0838Z. Watched for sometime.

3. Clear skies.

6. aircraft flying in NW'ly direction.
Observation NE of Alice Springs.
70° above the horizon.
Moved backward reference the aircraft.

9. Bright object with smoke trail.
Described as a re-entry object.

1. Mr Logan (Observer) Creevy

Phone Tangorin 11K.

Reported by Mr Chevalier Hughendon 234.

2. East of the sighting.

3. 11MAR78 0840Z

9. Bright flaming object moving vertically downwards, having a greyish smoke trail. Lasted 3/4 hours. (smoke trail)

1. Many reports to the RFDS.
Mr Peter Boddington RFDS. Phone 077 432800.

3. 0815Z 11MAR78.

9. Observers saw flashes and heard a sound which was like a jet coming into land and crashing.

12. Observers suggest the area of impact was at Gregory Downs (100NM north of Mount Isa).

1. Mellish Park
Norfolk Island.
Burketown
Floraville
Doomagat Mission
Thorntonia
Nardoo
Punjaub
Almora
Planet Downs
Mornington Island

3. 11MAR78 0830Z - 0845Z.

9. All observers saw great flashes and heard many explosions (6-8). Left a broken vapour trail. The natives at Doomagat Mission saw a black object which exploded and felt vibrations when it hit the ground. All observers consider the impact area to be Gregory Downs / Mellish Park.

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HQOC FOR CINTELO (?) DEFAIR FOR DAFI (.)
REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING
A(.) TELECON ORDERLY OFFICER HQTVL / DUTY OPSO HQOC 12 MARCH 78
B(.) HQOC ASI 3/A/5 ANNEX A
1(.) NUMEROUS REPORTS OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THIS HQ SINCE 111830K MAR 78 (.) SIGHTINGS HAVE GENERATED CONSIDERABLE INTEREST AND MAY CREATE WORTHWHILE NEWS APPEAL (?)
2(.) APPROX TIME OF SIGHTING 0830Z MAR 78 TO 0845Z MAR 78
3(.) SIGHTINGS CONSISTED OF A BRIGHT FLAMING OBJECT (?) ORANGE IN COLOUR AND HAD A BROKEN VAPOUR TRAIL (.) NUMEROUS EXPLOSIONS WERE REPORTED (.)
4(.) TWENTY TWO SEPERATE REPORTS WERE RECEIVED FROM WITHIN A 200 MILE RADIUS OF THE SUGGESTED IMPACT AREA.
5(.) APPROX CRASH SIGHT OF OBJECT LOCATED IN THE MELLISH PARK AREA 100 MILES NORTH OF MOUNT ISA (.) (MELLISH PARK 18585/13916E) (.)

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6 ⊙ REPORTS FROM DOOMADGEE MISSION STATE THAT IMPACT OF OBJECT CAUSED SEISMIC VIBRATIONS ⊙ AS DOOMADGEE MISSION IS APPROX 70 MILES FROM CRASH SITE, THE OBJECT MUST BE QUITE LARGE ⊙

7 ⊙ ONE REPORT RECEIVED FROM THE CAPTAIN OF LUFTHANSA FLIGHT 693 ⊙ OVERHEAD ALICE SPRINGS AT 35000 FEET PROCEEDING IN A NW DIRECTION REPORTED SIGHTING A BRIGHT OBJECT WITH SMOKE TRAIL WITH COMMENT THAT IT LOOKED LIKE A RE-ENTRY OBJECT ⊙ OBJECT OBSERVED AT 70 DEGS ABOVE HORIZON AND HEADING IN OPPOSITE DIRECTION TO AIRCRAFT ⊙ VISIBILITY WAS GIVEN AS CLEAR SKIES ⊙

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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

HQFVL/5/40/Air (30)

13 February 1978

Department of Defence (Air Force Office) (ATTN: DAFI-IR)

For Information:

Headquarters Operational Command (ATTN: CIO)

UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING
TOWNSVILLE 1 FEBRUARY 1978

1. Enclosed for your information is a report of an unusual aerial sighting at Townsville.

2. The Investigating Officer discussed possible natural causes with the observer but made no conclusions.

B. Read

(B.J. READ)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

Enclosure: 1. Report of Unusual Aerial Sighting.

ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer HEATHER MINCHER Age 35

Address 4 CROCKER ST, HEATLEY.

TOWNSVILLE State QLD. Postcode 4814

Occupation HOUSEWIFE

Phone (Home) 732137 Business

2. Exact location of observer 4 CROCKER ST, HEATLEY, TOWNSVILLE.

3. Start of observation: Date 1/2/78 Time ~~8~~ 7.40 ~~am~~/pm

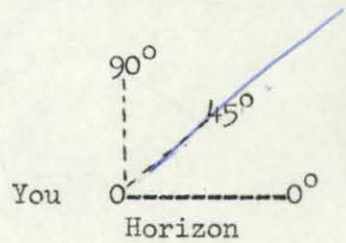
End of observation: Date 1/2/78 Time 7.41 ~~am~~/pm

4. Accuracy of date Times APPROXIMATE + 5 MINS.

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. CLEAR, SLIGHT CLOUD HAZE LATER.

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? NORTH

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? SOUTH

/At what

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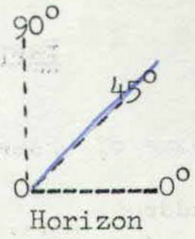
At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer HIGH ALTITUDE

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9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

BRIGHT ORANGE LIGHT, SIZE OF LARGE STAR LIGHT WENT TWICE ITS SIZE FOR ABOUT 4 or 5 SEC. ROUND IN SHAPE, NO SOUND, SPEED OF JET PLANE. DISAPPEARED OVER MOUNTAIN, INTO CLOUD HAZE.

/10. Have

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10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? NO

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) 3.

PETER MINCHER, 4 CROCKER ST, HEATLEY. (12)

DAVID " " " (7)

SAMANTHA " " " (8)

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

NO.

/Part 2

1940 ± 5

Part 2 - Unit Report ANNEX A

1. a. Details of military aircraft activity in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
			NIL				

Source of Information RAAF/DOT AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL

b. Details of civil aircraft activity, including light private aircraft and international flights, in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
DC9	331°M	CLIMBING TO 20,000	300KTS	TOWNSVILLE	1948Z	CAIRNS	
2 x CHEROKEE	CONTINUOUS CIRCUITS ON RUNWAY 01 (LEFT-HAND)						

Source of Information RAAF/DOT AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL

2. Give the bearing, elevation and movement of any planets or major stars that were in that portion of the sky at the time of the sighting.

Only known planet was Venus which was setting on horizon in Western sky.

Source of Information The Air Almanac

3. Details of any predicted satellites, rockets, comets or meteorite activity in the area at the time of the sighting

Ago-3 Rocket 1945hrs 322 Azimuth, 16 Elevation 54° Heading

Source of Information Satellite Prediction Centre W.R.E.

/4.

4. Details of any meteorological, research or radar balloons known to have been in the area at the time of the sighting (refer to point of release, size, colour, ROC, wind profile and whether it was known to have burst

NIL

Source of Information MET OFFICE TOWNSVILLE

5. Details of any unusual radar traces or images, which may relate to the sightings, as recorded by military or civil networks

NIL

Source of Information MET OFFICE TOWNSVILLE

6. Provide the following information relating to the weather and atmospheric conditions at the time of the sighting:

Temperature (dry bulb) 28 °C (wet bulb) 25 °C Relative Humidity 84 % Cloud Cover 1/8 Type Strato-cumulus

Temperature inversion of NIL °C at _____ ft measured at _____ hrs from _____

Wind direction 350/3 at 1000 ft

_____ at _____ ft

_____ at _____ ft

_____ at _____ ft

Pollution level NIL

7. Details of terrain and natural and/or man-made features in the area. (Attach map with significant points marked, if possible).

Nil man made features. Terrain, flat plains with perimeter of hills on southern end.

/Part 3

ANNEX A

Part 3 - Investigating Officer's Evaluation

1. a. Date of interview 2 Feb 78

b. Place of interview 4 Crocker Street Heatley (Townsville)

2. Names and addresses of persons interviewed (include phone numbers where applicable).

1. Mrs H. Mincher
4 Crocker Street
Heatley

2.

3.

4.

3. Narrative evaluation of personalities of witnesses (include any relationship with UTO organisations and their interest in subject matter).

Nil relationship with UTO organisations. Limited interest in matter.

4. Investigating officer's evaluation of possible cause(s).

Unknown.

HQTVL (Unit) B J. READ (Name)

9 Feb 78 (Date) FLTLT (Rank)

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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

12 October 1977

HQTVL 5/40/Air(29)

The Liaison Officer
UFO Research For North Queensland
13 Carolyn Close
YORKEYS KNOB QLD 4871

Dear Miss Goriss,

1. With reference to your letter of 14 September 1977 which requested our co-operation in the investigation of unusual aerial sightings, we wish to advise you that, as work load and time permits, the RAAF is prepared to co-operate with your organization within the parameters stated in paragraph four of your letter.

2. We would like to emphasize however, that the RAAF will not enter into any discussion with regard to the results of any investigation which was initiated by your forwarding to us details of sightings.

3. Please find enclosed a supply of standard RAAF Report of Unusual Aerial Sightings pro-forma.

Yours faithfully

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

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AUSTRALIA

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE

(Air Force Office)
RUSSELL OFFICES
CANBERRA, A.C.T. 2600

Telephone: Canberra 65 4233

IN REPLY QUOTE: AF554/1/30 Pt 3 (29)

27 September 1977

Headquarters RAAF Townsville (Attn: AIR4)

For Information:

Headquarters Operational Command (Attn: SOINTEL)

REQUEST FOR CO-OPERATION WITH
UFO RESEARCH ORGANIZATION

Reference: A. HQTVL 5/40/Air Pt 3 (27) of 20 September 1977

1. With regard to Reference A, Mr Griesberg of ACOS had a meeting with Mr H.R. Rayner, Director of Public Relations, and DAFI-ILO on 8 March 1976. Mr Griesberg appeared to be a fairly common sense sort of character who did not believe in little green men in flying saucers, and his organization seemed to be making a genuine effort to investigate 'UFOs' with the aim of providing a rational explanation.

2. Having spent some time impressing on Mr Griesberg that the RAAF did not confiscate photographs or classify investigations Top Secret, it would have been pointless to then turn around and refuse to co-operate at all with ACOS. Therefore, as part of this public relations exercise, it was agreed that, work load and time permitting, if ACOS did forward any reports to the nearest RAAF Base then they would be informed of the results of the RAAF's investigation. It was emphasised that the RAAF would not enter into any discussion with regard to the results of an investigation.

3. Whilst this policy may create a little more work at both Air Force Office and Formations, it is felt that in the long run it could make life a lot easier.

4. In your reply to Miss Goriss we suggest that you enclose the report forms she has requested, and reiterate the relevant parts of paragraph 2 of this letter concerning work load and non-discussion of findings.

A.J. White

(A.J. WHITE)
Squadron Leader
for Chief of the Air Staff

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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

20 September 1977

HQTVL 5/40/Air Pt3(27)

Department of Defence (Air Force Office) (ATTN: DAFI-IR)

For Information:

Headquarters Operational Command (ATTN: SOINTEL)

REQUEST FOR RAAF CO-OPERATION WITH UFO RESEARCH ORGANIZATION

1. Enclosed is a letter requesting this Headquarters to liaise directly with a UFO research organization based near Cairns North Queensland.

2. In view of the co-operation requested in para 4 of Miss Gorise' letter your advice is requested. Your attention is also drawn to the statement at para 5 of that letter which asserts that the RAAF will co-operate with UFO organizations.

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

Enclosure: 1. Letter and attachment from UFO Research (TNQ)

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UFO RESEARCH FAR NORTH QUEENSLAND,
13 Carolyn Close,
Yorkeys Knob. 4871.
Phone: 55 7204
14/9/77

B/F OC on file.

The Intelligence Officer,
RAAF Base ,
GARBUTT.
TOWNSVILLE. 4814.

AIR 4
Please check HQOC re the assertion at para 5.

Dear Sir,

This letter is to inform you of the formation of UFO RESEARCH - FAR NORTH QUEENSLAND (UFOR-FNQ) in Cairns.

We are a civilian organisation investigating and researching unusual aerial sightings (UFOs) and are a member organisation of the AUSTRALIAN CO-ORDINATION SECTION (ACOS) of the CENTRE FOR UFO STUDIES (USA). Attached please find a circular informing you of the function of ACOS and its member organisations.

We mainly function as a body to which members of the public can report sightings of UFOs to, and then set out to investigate them and find a natural explanation if one is possible. As you are well aware, approximately 85 - 90% of all sightings can be identified as being such common items as planes, weather balloons, planets, meteors, birds etc.

The reason for this letter is to ask for your co-operation in investigating such reports, by us supplying you with details of any reports we receive and you advising us of any outcome of your investigations, as we will advise you should we find an explanation to any report forwarded to you.

One of the Co-Ordinators of ACOS, Harry Griesberg, had a meeting with Mr. H. R. Rayner, Director of Public Relations RAAF at the Russell Offices in Canberra early last year, and it was agreed that the RAAF would co-operate with UFO organisations affiliated with ACOS in this way.

Would you therefore, kindly forward a supply of RAAF report forms which witnesses to Unusual Aerial sightings could fill out and which we would then forward on to you for your investigations.

Looking forward to hearing from you,
and hoping for a good working relationship,

Yours sincerely,

H. I. Goriss

(Miss H. I. Goriss,)
Assistant Liaison Officer,
UFO Research Far North Queensland,



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H. GRIESBERG
D. SEARGENT
Co-Ordinators

P.O. Box 546 Gosford N.S.W. 2250
Australia

THE AUSTRALIAN CO-ORDINATION SECTION (A.C.O.S.)

ACOS was established in November 1974, at the request of Professor Dr. J. Allen Hynek, who is the Director of the Center for U.F.O. Studies in Illinois U.S.A.

Some of our main functions include to act as a 'Clearing Point', to which all Australiam UFO reports are sent by the major UFO organisations throughout Australia, as well as several independent investigators, to represent the Australian organisations whenever necessary, to organise national conferences, and to disseminate information to all the organisations.

Several hundred reports of unusual aerial sightings are received by each of the organisations annually, which are thoroughly investigated from all scientific aspects. Approximately 85 - 90% of the reports received, can be explained in natural terms by the investigators of these organisations as being such common items as satellites, meteors, stars, planets, aeroplanes, weather balloons etc. It is the remaining 10 - 15% which are unidentifiable, and are therefore referred to as UFO reports. It is these reports which are then forwarded to ACOS. One copy of these is forwarded to the Center for UFO Studies in the United States, and one copy is retained by ACOS to form a central Australian library of UFO reports, as well as being coded into an Australian Computer File for research and study purposes. This UFO library is open to all the participating organisations and individuals.

A Bulletin is published by ACOS every three months, and besides being sent to our member organisations who pass the information contained therein on to their public members, this Bulletin is now available for public subscription for $3 (Australia) and $4 (overseas) annually. The Bulletin contains news from the Center, news from around Australia, latest developments in the field, articles of interest to the investigator/researcher, and a summary of Australian UFO reports etc.

The Center for UFO Studies, as mentioned previously, is directed by eminent astronomer, Dr. Hynek, who for 20 years has been the astronomical advisor on UFO matters to the United States Air Force. Over these years, Dr. Hynek has become one of the leading experts in ufology in the world today. Together with other eminent scientists, Engineers, Faculty members, Technicians and several hundred investigators throughout the United States, reports are studied in detail from all over the world. All the reports received by the Center are coded into UFOCAT, a modern electronic computer operated by Dr. David Saunders.
The Center also has the full co-operation of Police Departments, F.B.I., Airline Pilots Associations, as well as institutions such as Universities, and the Smithsonian Institution.

Australia therefore, is playing its part in contributing information to this phenomenon which has been puzzling mankind over the centuries, so that one day, science can possibly find the solution.

It is estimated that approximately 20% of all actual UFO sightings are actually reported to the organisations in Australia. One of the main reasons being that the majority of the Australian public do not know to whom to report their experiences.

We therefore, ask you, the reader of this article, to assist us by contacting your nearest UFO organisation (a list of which is attached to this article) and notifying them of any sighting made by someone you know or heard of, no matter whether it was a recent sighting or years old.

The Center for UFO Studies' definition of a UFO is as follows:

> "A UFO is the reported perception of an object or light, seen in the sky or upon the land, the appearance, trajectory, and general dynamic and luminescent behaviour of which do not suggest a logical, conventional explanation and which is not only mystifying to the original percipients, but remains unidentified after close scrutiny of all available evidence by persons who are technically capable of making a common sense identification, if one is possible."

So far, Australia has seen three conferences, the first, UFOCON ONE was held in Terrigal N.S.W., UFOCON TWO in Mount Gambier South Australia, and UFOCON THREE in Surfer's Paradise Queensland, at which representatives of all organisations and our scientific consultants have met over three days to discuss standard procedures in investigation and research, exchange ideas and information, and set plans for future projects and co-operation.

For further information, please feel free to contact A.C.O.S. or any of the organisations listed herein at any time. Furthermore, should you be aware of any sighting, please notify your nearest UFO organisation, and be assured that names and addresses of witnesses will be treated strictly confidential if so desired.

H. Griesberg & D. Seargent
Co-Ordinators
A.C.O.S.

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Participating Organisations in A.C.O.S.

U.F.O. Research (S.A.) Inc.	2A Castle Ave, Prospect South Australia 5082.
U.F.O. Research (W.A.)	84 Acton Ave, Rivervale West Australia 6103.
U.F.O. Research (N.S.W.)	P.O. Box 6, Lane Cove New South Wales 2066.
U.F.O. Research (QLD)	P.O. Box 111 North Quay Queensland 4000.
U.F.O. Research (Far.Nth QLD)	13 CAROLYN CLOSE, YORKEYS KNOB ~~21 John St, North Cairns~~ Queensland 4870.

Victorian U.F.O. Research Society P.O. Box 43 Moorabbin Victoria 3189.

Tasmanian U.F.O. Investigation Centre G.P.O. Box 1310N, Hobart Tasmania 7001.

Unidentified Phenomena Investigations Bureau P.O. Box 261 Bunbury West Aust. 6203.

Individuals and Liaison Organisations.

Mr. K. Blackman	9 Dent Cres, Lighthouse Beach Port Macquarie N.S.W. 2444.
Mr. W. Tarplee & D.Owen	20 Kingstone St. Evatt A.C.T. 2617.
Mr. T. Bishop	P.O. Box 332 Orange New South Wales 2800.
Mr. G. Little & W. Stapleton	32 Tobruk Cres, Williamstown Victoria 3016.
Special Phenomena & Celestial Exploration Research Society (SPACERS)	P.O. Box 296 Elizabeth South Australia 5112.

Scientific Consultants.

Dr. G. Stevens	-	Sydney	-	Soil etc., analysis.
Dr. R. Molnar	-	Sydney	-	Anatomy.
Dr. D. Herbison-Evans	-	Sydney	-	Computer analysis.
Mr. W. Chalker	-	Sydney	-	Chemical analysis.
Mr. F. Gillespie	-	Adelaide	-	Photographic analysis.
Mrs.F. Smyth	-	Sydney	-	Psychology.
Mr. A. Cole	-	Sydney	-	ACOS computer.
Dr. P. Delin	-	Adelaide	-	Psychology.
Mr. V. Rendall	-	Adelaide	-	Chemical Engineering.
Dr. R. Clay	-	Adelaide	-	Physics.
Mr. B. J. Perry	-	Adelaide	-	Hypno-Therapy.

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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE Q 4810

15 July 1977

HQTVL/S/40/AIR PT3(25)

Department of Defence (Airforce Office) (Attention: DAFL-IR)

For Information:

Headquarters Operational Command (Attention: CIO)

UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT FORMATION - MEIPA 22 JUNE 1977

1. Enclosed for your information is a report of an unidentified formation of three aircraft near Meipa made by a Flight Service Officer on 22 June 1977.

2. The Intelligence officer has offered no explanation for the sighting to the observer.

(D.E. GALLETT)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

Enclosure: Report of Unusual Aerial Sighting

ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer ALFRED RADCLIFFE TAYLOR Age 39

Address 1 WALLANA COURT WEIPA

State QLD Postcode 4874

Occupation FLIGHT SERVICE OFFICER - DEPT OF TRANSPORT.

Phone (Home) ~~(Home)~~ Business 733137

2. Exact location of observer STANDING ON LOCAL BEACH (RED BEACH) APPROX 1½ MILES NW OF ROCKY POINT TOWNSHIP OF WEIPA

3. Start of observation: Date 22.6.77 Time 1.30 am/pm

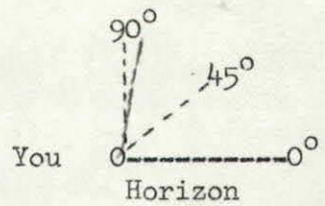
End of observation: Date 22.6.77 Time 1.30 + 10 SECONDS am/pm

4. Accuracy of date CONFIRMED Times + OR - 15 MINUTES

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. FINE - SCATTER STRATOCU AT APPROX 7000 FT - VISIBILITY IN EXCESS OF 10 KM.

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? SE OF OBSERVATION POINT

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? AS ABOVE - ACFT WERE MOVING FROM S TO N

/At what

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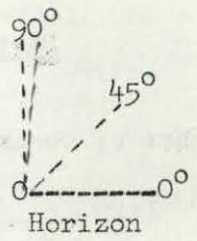
At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer THE ACFT WERE IN EXCESS OF 20000 FT BUT NO CONTRAIL WAS OBSERVED.

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

The three acft were light coloured, either white or silver in perfect arrowhead formation, it was the sound that attracted my attention & I saw the aircraft almost immediately, they were under my observation for less than 10 seconds as I was only satisfying my own curiosity as to the source of the sound, they disappeared behind cloud tracking from South to North, they appeared to be smaller than matchbox size & were conventional in shape, ie the wings were 90° to the fuselage & the nearest aircraft that I could compare them with would be the Canberra. The winds that day were SE at 18 knots at ground level and according to the met forecast on that day were the prevailing winds at higher altitude which could account for my hearing them. They were jet propelled.

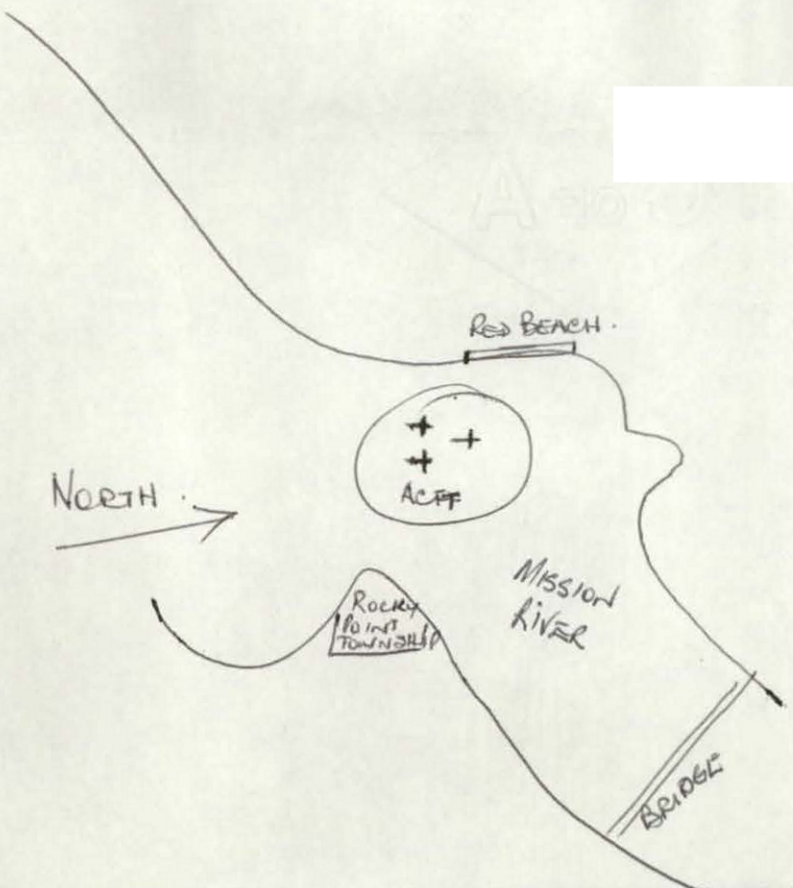
/10. Have

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? none.

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) One other, my 5 year old daughter who couldn't possibly provide any information

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

I have served at various locations throughout Queensland & my job has made it possible for me to observe hundreds of aircraft a high altitudes. In retrospect, I have thought that the aircraft were tracking on the Weipa, Thursday Island track, the speed seemed to be that of a commercial jet aircraft at high altitude ie not excessive.



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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

HQTVL/5/40/AIR Pt3 (24)

27 June 1977

Mr A. Taylor
Flight Service Section
WEIPA QLD 4874

Dear Mr Taylor,

Your report of unidentified aircraft over Weipa last Wednesday 22 June 1977 has been passed to this Headquarters. In order to assist us with our investigations you are requested to complete the attached proforma and return it to the above address at your earliest convenience.

If possible written statements describing the sighting from any other witnesses should be included.

Yours faithfully,

(D.E. GALLET)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

Attachment: 1. Proforma

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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

HQTVL 5/40/AIR PT3 (23)

2 May 1977

Mr I. Gray
Public Relations Officer
Mt Isa Mines
MT ISA QLD 4825

Dear Mr Gray,

Your report of an unusual aerial sighting by Mr McNamara and two others on the 23 April 1977 has been passed to this Headquarters. In order to assist us with our investigations you are requested to arrange completion of the attached proforma and return it to the above address at your earliest convenience.

If possible, written statements describing the sighting from the three witnesses should be included.

Yours faithfully,

(D.E. GALLET)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

Attachment: 1. Proforma

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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

HQTVL 5/40/Air Pt3 (23)

29 April 1977

Department of Defence (Air Force Office) (Attention: DAFL-IR)

For Information:

Headquarters Operational Command (Attention: CIO)

UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING
EAST OF SAUNDERS BEACH/TOWNSVILLE 25 APRIL 1977

1. Enclosed for your information is a report of an unusual aerial sighting east of Saunders Beach some ten miles north of Townsville.

2. The Investigating Officer offered his evaluation of the cause to the observer. This explanation was accepted.

(D.E. GALLET)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

Enclosure: 1. Report of Unusual Aerial Sighting

ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

+ WIFE O SGH

1. Name of Observer GORDON WILLIAMSON Age

Address CAY ST SWINDERS BEACH

State Postcode

Occupation

Phone (Home) 786184 Business

2. Exact location of observer FROM HOUSE

3. Start of observation: Date 25APR77 Time 5.14 am/pm

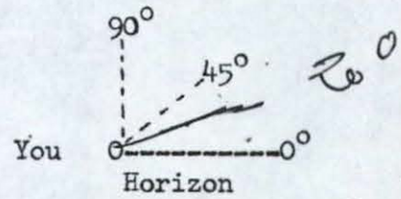
End of observation: Date 25APR77 Time 5.26 am/pm

4. Accuracy of date / Times /

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. WIND CALM 3/8 CU 3000
3/8 AC 7000 VIS > 10KM

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? SWINDERS BA - WEST P

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? STRAIGHT UP

/At what

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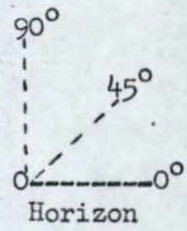
At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer _____

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9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

VERY BRIGHT LIGHT ACROSS WATER — COULD NOT LOOK AT. STATIONARY EXCEPT FOR LAST 2 MINS WHEN IT ROSE & TURNED BLUE AS CT DID SO UNTIL IT DISAPPEARED

NO ACFT AT TIME

TOWER SAW NOTHING.

/10. Have

ANNEX A

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? NO

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible)

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

/Part 2

Part 2 - Unit Report ANNEX A

1. a. Details of military aircraft activity in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
No	known	traffic					

Source of Information Base ops

b. Details of civil aircraft activity, including light private aircraft and international flights, in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
No known traffic - however a DC 10 passed over head							
townville on route Djarakta - Noumea at approx							
0530 Local							

Source of Information Tower/civil ops flight data

2. Give the bearing, elevation and movement of any planets or major stars that were in that portion of the sky at the time of the sighting. Venus position 14700 E 1900 S

Elevation 12°44' Bearing 079° T

Source of Information Almanac

3. Details of any predicted satellites, rockets, comets or meteorite activity in the area at the time of the sighting

Bright satellite moving roughly North - south

Source of Information Met observers

/4.

4. Details of any meteorological, research or radar balloons known to have been in the area at the time of the sighting (refer to point of release, size, colour, ROC, wind profile and whether it was known to have burst

No balloons in area

Source of Information Met office

5. Details of any unusual radar traces or images, which may relate to the sightings, as recorded by military or civil networks

N/A

Source of Information —

6. Provide the following information relating to the weather and atmospheric conditions at the time of the sighting:

Temperature (dry bulb) 20 °C (~~wet bulb~~ Dew Pt) 16 °C Relative Humidity 80 % Cloud Cover 5/8 Type Cu/Sc

Temperature inversion of 5 °C at 9000 ft measured at 0530 K hrs from met office

Wind direction _____ at _____ ft

calm at _____ ft

vis 50 km at _____ ft

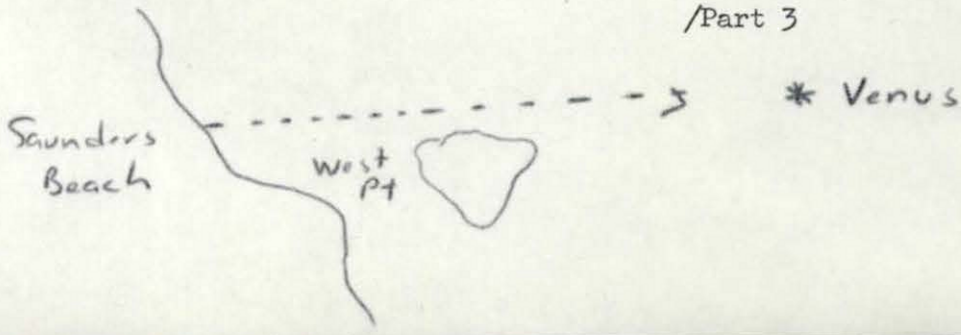
_____ at _____ ft

Pollution level _____

7. Details of terrain and natural and/or man-made features in the area. (Attach map with significant points marked, if possible).

Position of venus was in direction of reported sighting 10 nm east of Magnetic Island

/Part 3



ANNEX A

Part 3 - Investigating Officer's Evaluation

1. a. Date of interview 27 APR 77

b. Place of interview via telephone

2. Names and addresses of persons interviewed (include phone numbers where applicable).

1. Mrs Gordon Williamson
Cay St Saunders Beach
Phone 786184

2. Mr David Harris
Met office Townsville

3.

4. Mr Greg Boyd
Met office Townsville

3. Narrative evaluation of personalities of witnesses (include any relationship with UFO organisations and their interest in subject matter).

No known relationship with UFO organisations. Harris and Boyd both trained meteorologists.

4. Investigating officer's evaluation of possible cause(s).

Unusually bright and low Venus

NQTVL (Unit) D E CALLIET (Name)

27 APR 77 (Date) FLT LT (Rank)

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81-2111

Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

HQTVL 5/40/Air Pt3 (22)

26 May 1976

Mr Robertson
Criterion Hotel
CAIRNS QLD 4870

Dear Mr Robertson,

Your report of an unusual aerial sighting on 23 May 1976 has been passed from Cairns to this Headquarters. In order to assist us with our investigations you are requested to complete the attached proforma and return it to the above address at your earliest convenience.

If possible, written statements describing the sighting from yourself and the other five witnesses should also be included.

Yours faithfully,

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

No reply received.

*4. Details of any meteorological, research or radar balloons known to have been in the area at the time of the sighting (refer to point of release, size, colour, ROC, wind profile and whether it was known to have burst

No Balloons

Source of Information CAIRNS TOWER

*5. Details of any unusual radar traces or images, which may relate to the sightings, as recorded by military or civil networks Not On At Time. The Only Radar At Cairns Is A Met Radar.

Source of Information Cairns Tower.

*6. Provide the following information relating to the weather and atmospheric conditions at the time of the sighting:

Temperature (dry bulb) 28 °C (wet bulb) 21 °C Relative Humidity ____ % Cloud Cover 2-3/8000 Type Cu

Temperature inversion of 5 °C at 4000 ft measured at 1000K hrs from Daylight Hours.

Wind direction ENE/3KTS. at Surface ft
110/07 at 5000 ft
120/15 at 10000 ft
200/05 at 15000 ft

Pollution level 4000'

7. Details of terrain and natural and/or man-made features in the area. (Attach map with significant points marked, if possible).

Range of hills to west of observers position.

/Part 3

FLT. LT. HODGE.

CAIRNS / MOORDABOOL AREA

1722K 27NOV75

Part 2 - Unit Report

ANNEX A

1. a. Details of military aircraft activity in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
No	Known	Traffic					

Source of Information _____

b. Details of civil aircraft activity, including light private aircraft and international flights, in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
No	Known	Traffic					

Source of Information Base OPS

2. Give the bearing, elevation and movement of any planets or major stars that were in that portion of the sky at the time of the sighting.

NIL

Source of Information PLT OFF GOODWIN (NAV)

3. Details of any predicted satellites, rockets, comets or meteorite activity in the area at the time of the sighting NIL

Only predictions for Townsville available.

Source of Information _____

/4.

ANNEX A

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? NO.

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) ONE.

JOHN WARREN BERZINSKI (husband)

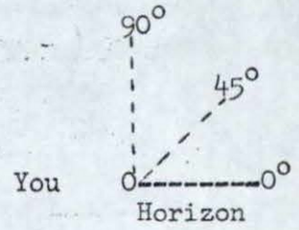
6 CHAIRWAY ST, MCCROSKOCK

CAIRNS.

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

I would not have seen it, but for our pet galah, he started screaming very loud, & when I went out to him, could tell, he was petrified, all the time, he was looking up into the sky, & it was only a few seconds before I saw it. I believe these birds do have very keen eyesight.

At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer unknown.

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9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

There was one object, a solid, white round shape, very bright & resembling the moon, on ~~a~~ smaller scale less than about half the size of the full moon.
Moving steadily towards sun, but at same time a long way from the sun, no vapour trail, no sound.
It just disappeared behind the clouds, which were v. terribly high.

Appeared approx size of an object 18" in diameter at arms length.

Object was above the hills to the west of observers position.

Object moved across sky at a steady pace which appeared to be slower than a jet aircraft leaving Cairns airport.

10. Have

ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer WILMA BERZINSKI Age 36

Address 6 CHATAWAY ST, MOOROOBOOL

CAIRNS State QLD Postcode 4870

Occupation HOUSEWIFE

Phone (Home) 54-1658 Business

2. Exact location of observer AT ADDRESS ABOVE

3. Start of observation: Date 27-11-75 Time 5-25 ~~am~~/pm

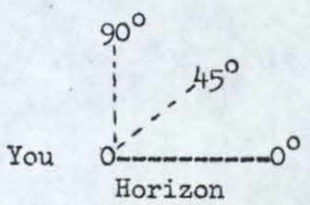
End of observation: Date 27-11-75 Time 5-45 ~~am~~/pm

4. Accuracy of date ~~AS PER~~ NOTE CORRECT Times APPROXIMATE

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. Clear until 5.45pm, then cloud came over quickly

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? N. N.W. 45°

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? W. S.W. 45°

/At what

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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

HQTVL5/40/AIR Pt3(21)

17 December 1975

Department of Defence (Air Office) (Attn: DAFI-IR)

For Information

Headquarters Operational Command (Attn: CIO)

UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING
WEST OF MOOROOBOOL/CAIRNS 27 November 1975

1. Enclosed for your information is a report of an unusual aerial sighting in the sky west of the Cairns suburb of Mooroobool.

2. The investigating officer has offered no explanation for the sighting to the observer.

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

Enclosure: 1. Report of Unusual Aerial Sighting.

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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

28 November 1975

Mrs W. Berzinski
6 Chattaway Street
Mooroobal
via Cairns QLD 4870

Dear Mrs Berzinski,

Your report of an unusual aerial sighting on 27 November has been passed from Cairns to this headquarters. In order to assist us with our investigation, you are requested to complete the attached pro forma to the best of your ability, and return it to the above address at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

ISSUING OFFICER _____ COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF METEOROLOGY FORECAST OF EN ROUTE CONDITIONS PILOT _____ A 58

ISSUED BY ATTL M.O. AT 0100 GMT, DATE 30/3/75 ,VALID FROM 0500 TO 1100 ,FOR NEPTUNE ATTL/21S 153E THEN AREA 21S 153E-

ROUTE SECTIONS	ATTL-22S	22S-25S											23S 151E - 21S 155E - 23S 155E - 25S 154E -							
TIME PERIODS																				
PRESSURE LEVEL (FEET) FLIGHT LEVEL	WIND °T/KT	TEMP. °C	WIND °T/KT	TEMP °C	WIND °T/KT	TEMP. °C	WIND °T/KT	TEMP. °C	WIND °T/KT	TEMP. °C	WIND °T/KT	TEMP. °C	WIND °T/KT	TEMP. °C	WIND °T/KT	TEMP. °C	WIND °T/KT	TEMP. °C	WIND °T/KT	TEMP. °C
10000	250/15	+07	280/30	+04																
7000	VRB/10	+14	260/20	+11																
5000	040/15	+18	VRB/10	+17																
2000	060/10	+18	100/15	+16																

ROUTE SECTIONS	ROUTE																			
TIME PERIODS																				
CLOUD AMOUNT	SCT	Loc	BKN																	
TYPE	CU		SC (21S/23S)																	
LEVEL OF BASE	2000		3000																	
LEVEL OF TOP	8000		6000																	
SURFACE VISIBILITY	30KM TO 15KM																TAF ATTL 05/14			
WEATHER	AREAS SMOKE																030/08 VIS 30KM SMOKE 3/8 CU 3000 FT GRADU 08/09 CALM VIS 20KM SMOKE			
FREEZING LEVEL ICING (TYPE AND LEVELS)	14000 - 12500 FT																			
TURBULENCE (TYPE AND LEVELS)	FBL																2/8 ST 2000 FT QNH 1012/1013/1014			
LOWEST MSL PRESSURE (MB)	1012																			
REMARKS	SEAS SMOOTH TO SLIGHT																			

ALL TIMES ARE GIVEN IN GMT

September 1969

ANNEX A

Part 3 - Investigating Officer's Evaluation

1. a. Date of interview 1 SEP 75

b. Place of interview RAAF TOWNSVILLE

2. Names and addresses of persons interviewed (include phone numbers where applicable).

1. _____ 2. _____

_____ _____

_____ _____

3. _____ 4. _____

_____ _____

_____ _____

3. Narrative evaluation of personalities of witnesses (include any relationship with UTO organisations and their interest in subject matter).

BOTH MEN ARE RELIABLE AND TRAINED OBSERVERS.

4. Investigating officer's evaluation of possible cause(s).

HQNL (Unit) P. J. HODGE (Name)

16 SEP 75 (Date) FLT LT (Rank)

4. Details of any meteorological, research or radar balloons known to have been in the area at the time of the sighting (refer to point of release, size, colour, ROC, wind profile and whether it was known to have burst UNKNOWN. BUT DESCRIPTION DOES NOT FIT BALLOON ACTIVITY. OBSERVERS COULD NOT IMAGINE BALLOON AS CAUSE. WIND GENERALLY E - NE UP TO 5000 FT. (SEE POOR WEATHER ATTACHED)

Source of Information _____

5. Details of any unusual radar traces or images, which may relate to the sightings, as recorded by military or civil networks

NIL RADAR TRACES NOTED BY JOSON AIRCRAFT RADAR OPERATOR.

Source of Information RADAR OPERATOR

6. Provide the following information relating to the weather and atmospheric conditions at the time of the sighting:

Temperature (dry bulb)_____°C (wet bulb)_____°C Relative Humidity_____% Cloud Cover _____ Type _____

Temperature inversion of _____°C at _____ft measured at _____hrs from _____

Wind direction _____at_____ft

_____at_____ft

_____at_____ft

_____at_____ft

Pollution level _____

7. Details of terrain and natural and/or man-made features in the area. (Attach map with significant points marked, if possible).

OVER WATER

/Part 3

Part 2 - Unit Report ANNEX A

1. a. Details of military aircraft activity in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
			NIL				

Source of Information BASE OPS

b. Details of civil aircraft activity, including light private aircraft and international flights, in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
			NIL				

Source of Information BASE OPS

2. Give the bearing, elevation and movement of any planets or major stars that were in that portion of the sky at the time of the sighting.

UNLIKELY BECAUSE OF REPORTED HIGH ANGULAR VELOCITY

Source of Information

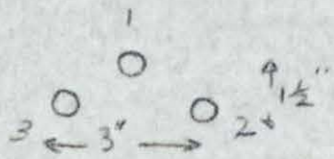
3. Details of any predicted satellites, rockets, comets or meteorite activity in the area at the time of the sighting NIL

ROCKET, COMET, METEORITE ACTIVITY REPORTED. SATELLITE PREDICTIONS FOR MISTY NOT HELD.

Source of Information

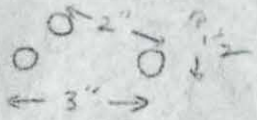
/4.

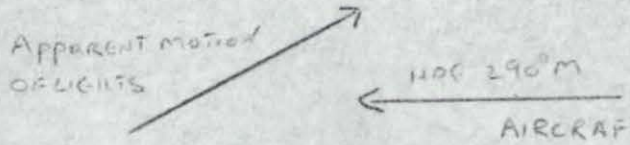
I was the co-pilot of a Neptune transiting up the Queensland coast on the 30AUG75. The aircraft was at 3,000ft flying straight and level. The weather was scattered cloud with occasional rain showers. At 1233Z the Captain, FLTLT Ware, drew my attention to a group of lights. They were readily identified and consisted of three lights grouped as shown in the following diagram. The lights appeared to be the size of one of the planets, eg Venus, but not as bright.



They were white/yellow lights and shone steadily. They appeared to be level with the aircraft and moving on a course of 080° (approx) with a high angular velocity. A diagram of their apparent movement is contained at the bottom of the page.

The captain commenced a left turn believing a midair collision to be imminent. The lights passed down the starboard side of the aircraft. As the lights approached the two o'clock position relative to the aircraft they dissappeared as though they were switched out or flew into very heavy cloud. The lights changed position gradually till they were in the following position when they dissappeared. Duration of the observation was approx 10-15 seconds.





G. Hyde.

(G.A. HYDE)
FLGOFF

On 30AUG75 I was the captain of a Neptune aircraft which was returning to Townsville from seawards. Weather at the time was sky clear above and some cloud(EU/SC) below. The aircraft was occasionally running through the tops of the EU/SC. I was in the left pilot seat.

2. At 301233Z, aircraft heading 290^{0}M position 2036S 15110E, I saw three white lights, two in the same horizontal plane, and one positioned halfway between and above the plane(see Fig 1).

The lights were about the same intensity as average stars, and were moving horizontally just above the horizon(the horizon was visible as the horizontal limit of visible stars).

3. When just sighted the lights appeared to be at the aircraft height, 12.30 relative to the aircraft and moving left to right. My first reaction was to exclaim "look" and the co-pilot immediately confirmed the sighting.

4. The lights continued to move to the right of the aircraft, and to close the aircraft. At that point I banked left and commenced climbing as the lights passed down the starboard side of the aircraft. The lights appeared to dissappear into cloud abeam the cockpit.

5. My assessment of the movement of the object was

a. In the horizontal plane; and

b. Initially at an angular velocity of 20 degrees per second accelerating as they passed down the starboard side of the aircraft.

(P.A. WARE)
FLTLT

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? NO

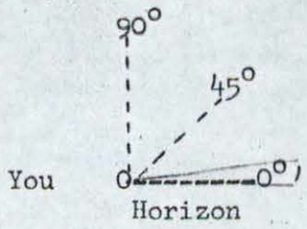
11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) ~~FIVE~~ ONE

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

/Part 2

ANNEX A

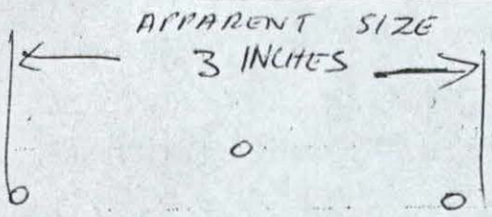
At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer UNKNOWN DISTANCE BUT ALT APPEARED SAME AS AIRCRAFT.

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object



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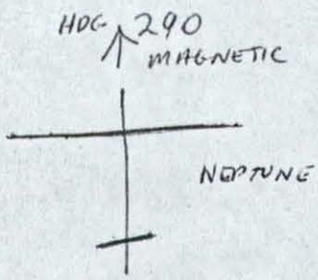


(SEE NARRATIVE ATTACHED)

/10. Have

ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer FLT LT R.A. WARE FLGOFF G.A. HYDE Age 29/23

Address 10 Squadron RAAF Base TOWNSVILLE

State QLD Postcode 4810

Occupation RAAF Pilots (both)

Phone (Home) _____ Business 795666

2. Exact location of observer 2036 S 15110E at altitude 3000 ft (115 NM ENE MACKAY)

3. Start of observation: Date 30 AUG Time 1233Z am/pm (10 SECS DURATION)

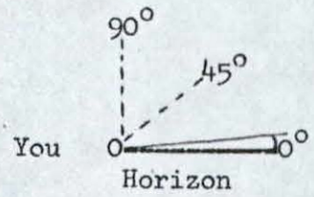
End of observation: Date _____ Time _____ am/pm

4. Accuracy of date GOOD Times GOOD

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wind visibility etc. Strato Cu scattered tops 3000, Night.

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? 300 deg magnetic

At what angle to the horizon?



On or slightly above horizon

7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? Approx 020 deg

/At what

79-5666

Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

16 September 1975

HQTVL 5/40/Air Pt3(19)

Department of Defence (Air Office) (Attention: DAFI-IR)

For Information

Headquarters Operational Command (Attention: CIO)

UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING - EAST NORTH
EAST OF MACKAY NORTH QUEENSLAND 30 AUGUST 1975

1. Enclosed for your information is a report of an unusual aerial sighting made by the pilot and co-pilot of a 10SQN aircraft on 30 August 1975.

2. The investigating officer has offered no explanation for the sighting to the two observers.

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

F/Lt. Lt. Read,

The reporting of the matter to you is offered, but the supply of the report copy is not.

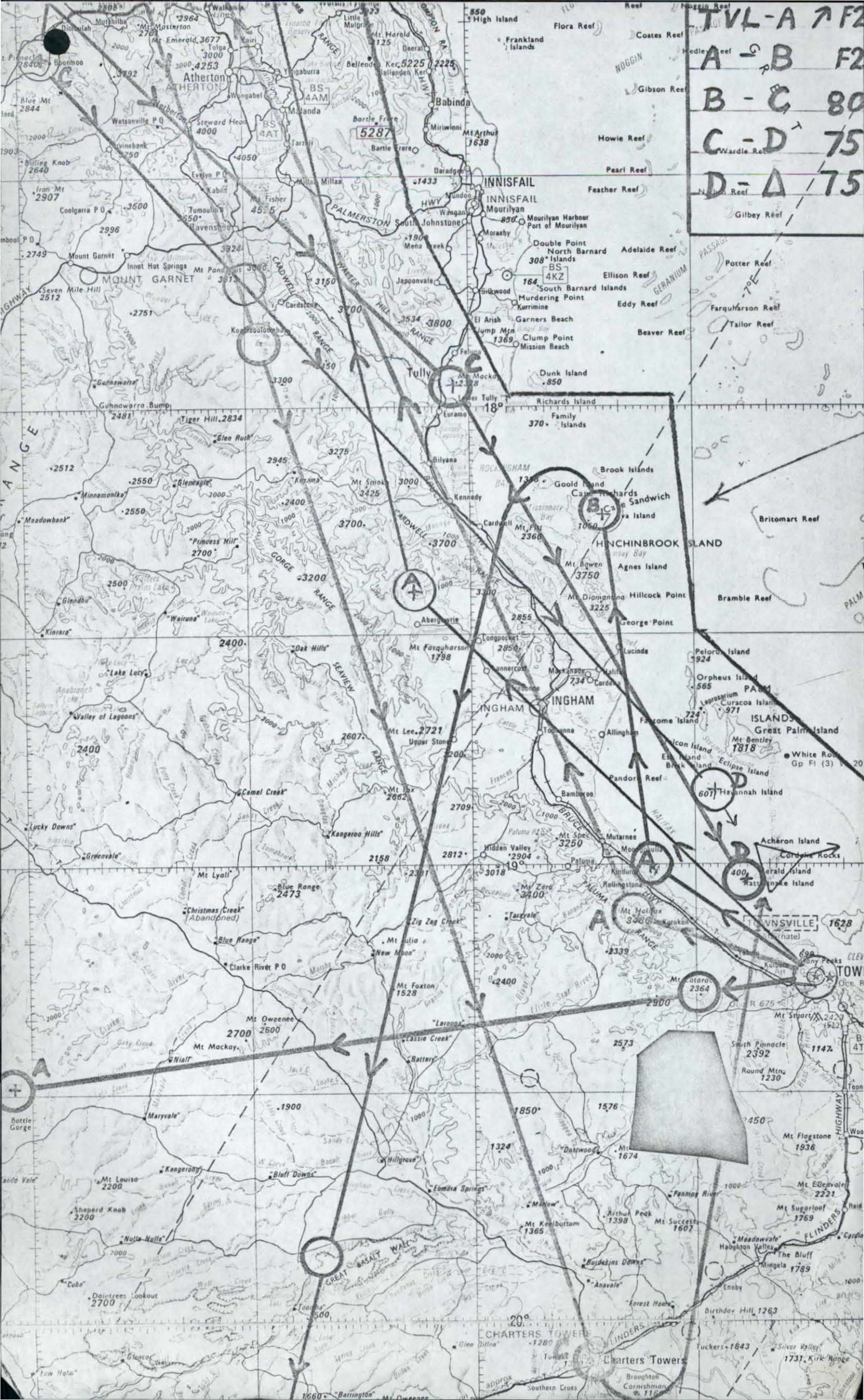
Please keep it to yourself

Regard

Dave Lee

13 MAR 1978

LEET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Pandora Reef
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Acheron Island
Cordelia Rocks
Gilbey Reef
Potter Reef
Farquharson Reef
Tailor Reef
Beaver Reef
Eddy Reef
Ellison Reef
Adelaide Reef
Howie Reef
Pearl Reef
Feather Reef
Gibson Reef
Coates Reef
Flora Reef
High Island
Frankland Islands
Babinda
Atherton
ATHERTON
MOUNT GARNET
Innot Hot Springs
Herberton
Millaa Millaa
Malanda
Yungaburra
Kairi
Tolga
Walkamin
Mutchilba
Dimbulah
Mt Mastertan
Mt Emerald 3677
Mt Harold 3125
Bellenden Ker 5225
Bartle Frere 5287
Mt Arthur 1638
Miriwinni
Daradgee
Mundoo
Wangan
South Johnstone
Mena Creek
Japoonvale
Silkwood
Murdering Point
Kurrimine
El Arish
Garners Beach
Clump Mtn 1369
Clump Point
Mission Beach
Dunk Island
Family Islands
Richards Island
Euramo
Bilyana
Kennedy
Cardwell
Mt Fitz 2360
Goold Island
Brook Islands
Agnes Island
Mt Bowen 3750
Mt Diamantina 3225
Hillcock Point
George Point
Lucinda
Pelorus Island
Orpheus Island
Curacoa Island
Fairfax Island
Allingham
Tooramina
Abergowrie
Longpocket
Mt Fardquharson 1798
Oak Hills
Lake Lucy
Valley of Lagoons
Mt Lee 2721
Upper Stone
Mt Fox 2662
Camel Creek
Lucky Downs
Greenvale
Kangaroo Hills
Bamboroo
Mt Spec 3250
Mutarnee
Hidden Valley 2904
Paluma
Mt Zero 3400
Rollingstone
Mt Lyell
Blue Range 2473
Christmas Creek (Abandoned)
Zig Zag Creek
Tarrvale
Mt Julia
New Moon
Clarke River P O
Mt Foxton 1528
Mt Owenee 2600
Mt Mackay
Nialf
Lassie Creek
Battery
Laroona
Maryvale
Bottle Gorge
Hillgrove
Bluff Downs
Kangerong
Mt Louise 2200
Shepherd Knob 2200
Nulla Nulla
Cuba
Daintrees Lookout 2700
Toonpan
Glencoe
Low Hills
Mt Leonard 1660
Barrington
Mt Owenee
Mt Halifax 3486
Kirrama
Mt Smoko 3425
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Minnamoolka
Meadowbank
Princess Hill 2700
Glendhu
Wairuna
Kinrara
Seaview Range
Gorge Range
Cardwell Range
Palmerston Highway
Bruce Highway
Flinders Highway
Great Basalt Wall
Mt Leonard
Mt Catarac 2364
Mt Stuart 2429
South Pinnacle 2392
Round Mtn 1230
Mt Flagstone 1936
Mt Elleuvale 2221
Mt Sugarloaf 1769
Meadowvale
Haughton Valley
The Bluff
Mingela 1789
Eneby
Birthday Hill 1263
Forest Home
Anavale
Burdekins Downs
Mt Keelbottom 1365
Arthur Peak 1398
Mt Success 1602
Manlow
Fanning River
Eomara Springs
Dartwood
Mt 1674
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Kirrama
Mt Smoko 3425
Glenesgle
Minnamoolka
Meadowbank
Princess Hill 2700
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Wairuna
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Gorge Range
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Flinders Highway
Great Basalt Wall
Charters Towers
Tuckers 1843
Silver Valley
Kirk Range
Broughton
Cornishman
Southern Cross
Glen Dillon
Toonpan
Daintrees Lookout 2700
Cuba
Nulla Nulla
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Mt Louise 2200
Kangerong
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Goold Island
Bilyana
Kennedy
Cardwell
Mt Fitz 2360
Euramo
Richards Island
Family Islands
Dunk Island
Clump Point
Mission Beach
El Arish
Garners Beach
Silkwood
Murdering Point
Kurrimine
Japoonvale
Mena Creek
South Johnstone
Wangan
Mundoo
Daradgee
Miriwinni
Mt Arthur 1638
Bartle Frere 5287
Mt Harold 3125
Bellenden Ker 5225
Babinda
Flora Reef
Coates Reef
Gibson Reef
Howie Reef
Pearl Reef
Feather Reef
Gilbey Reef
Potter Reef
Farquharson Reef
Tailor Reef
Beaver Reef
Eddy Reef
Ellison Reef
Adelaide Reef
Britomart Reef
Bramble Reef
Pandora Reef
Eclipse Island
Havannah Island
Acheron Island
Cordelia Rocks
Great Palm Island
Palm Islands
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Kairi
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Walkamin
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Dimbulah
Mt Mastertan
Mt Emerald 3677
Mt Harold 3125
Bellenden Ker 5225
Bartle Frere 5287
Mt Arthur 1638
Miriwinni
Daradgee
Mundoo
Wangan
South Johnstone
Mena Creek
Japoonvale
Silkwood
Murdering Point
Kurrimine
El Arish
Garners Beach
Clump Point
Mission Beach
Dunk Island
Family Islands
Richards Island
Euramo
Bilyana
Kennedy
Cardwell
Mt Fitz 2360
Goold Island
Brook Islands
Agnes Island
Mt Bowen 3750
Mt Diamantina 3225
Hillcock Point
George Point
Lucinda
Pelorus Island
Orpheus Island
Curacoa Island
Fairfax Island
Allingham
Tooramina
Abergowrie
Longpocket
Mt Fardquharson 1798
Oak Hills
Lake Lucy
Valley of Lagoons
Mt Lee 2721
Upper Stone
Mt Fox 2662
Camel Creek
Lucky Downs
Greenvale
Kangaroo Hills
Bamboroo
Mt Spec 3250
Mutarnee
Hidden Valley 2904
Paluma
Mt Zero 3400
Rollingstone
Mt Lyell
Blue Range 2473
Christmas Creek (Abandoned)
Zig Zag Creek
Tarrvale
Mt Julia
New Moon
Clarke River P O
Mt Foxton 1528
Mt Owenee 2600
Mt Mackay
Nialf
Lassie Creek
Battery
Laroona
Maryvale
Bottle Gorge
Hillgrove
Bluff Downs
Kangerong
Mt Louise 2200
Shepherd Knob 2200
Nulla Nulla
Cuba
Daintrees Lookout 2700
Toonpan
Glencoe
Low Hills
Mt Leonard 1660
Barrington
Mt Owenee
Mt Halifax 3486
Kirrama
Mt Smoko 3425
Glenesgle
Minnamoolka
Meadowbank
Princess Hill 2700
Glendhu
Wairuna
Kinrara
Seaview Range
Gorge Range
Cardwell Range
Palmerston Highway
Bruce Highway
Flinders Highway
Great Basalt Wall
Mt Leonard
Mt Catarac 2364
Mt Stuart 2429
South Pinnacle 2392
Round Mtn 1230
Mt Flagstone 1936
Mt Elleuvale 2221
Mt Sugarloaf 1769
Meadowvale
Haughton Valley
The Bluff
Mingela 1789
Eneby
Birthday Hill 1263
Forest Home
Anavale
Burdekins Downs
Mt Keelbottom 1365
Arthur Peak 1398
Mt Success 1602
Manlow
Fanning River
Eomara Springs
Dartwood
Mt 1674
Mt Fox 1324

ENCLOSURE I TO
HQTVL 5/40/Air (18)
DATED 14JUL75

INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S EVALUATION PARA 4

1. Mr Cattoni senior, was contacted on 9 July 1975 and asked to confirm his son's report. He stated that the object appeared to be approximately the size of a marble to the naked eye when it was overhead. He said that the smaller object appeared to be the same colour as the larger object (son says "olive green") and was not a jet aircraft like a Mirage.

2. No reports of an unusual object in the area were made by Mirage Pilots flying in the area at the time of the alleged sighting.

3. The investigating officer is unable to offer an explanation to the observers' of the possible cause of this sighting.

ENCLOSURE 1 TO
HQTVL 5/40/Air (18)
DATED 14JUL75

UNIT REPORT PARA I

1. Two Mirage aircraft left Townsville at 0047Z24JUN75 climbing to FL 260 overhead Abergowrie heading 308°; turned over Abergowrie to a more northerly heading to fly to turning point B at FL 260. (See map) There was no other service aircraft activity in area at time of sighting.

2. The detailed movements of the Piper Aztec which departed Townsville for Ingham are unknown, but according to observers' report it is unlikely that the alleged object was that aircraft.

ANNEX A

Part 3 - Investigating Officer's Evaluation

1. a. Date of interview 24 JUN 75 + 9 JUL 75

b. Place of interview TELEGON (BOTH)

2. Names and addresses of persons interviewed (include phone numbers where applicable).

1. _____ 2. _____

_____ _____

_____ _____

3. _____ 4. _____

_____ _____

_____ _____

3. Narrative evaluation of personalities of witnesses (include any relationship with UTO organisations and their interest in subject matter).

UNKNOWN

4. Investigating officer's evaluation of possible cause(s).

SEE NARRATIVE ATTACHED

HQTVL (Unit) P.S. HODGE (Name)

14 JUL 75 (Date) FLT LT (Rank)

ANNEX A

4. Details of any meteorological, research or radar balloons known to have been in the area at the time of the sighting (refer to point of release, size, colour, ROC, wind profile and whether it was known to have burst

NIL

Source of Information T'VILLE MET

5. Details of any unusual radar traces or images, which may relate to the sightings, as recorded by military or civil networks

NIL No radar cover

Source of Information

6. Provide the following information relating to the weather and atmospheric conditions at the time of the sighting:

Temperature (dry bulb) 24 °C (wet bulb) 18 °C Relative Humidity 69 % Cloud Cover 5/8 Type SC at 3000

Temperature inversion of 3 °C at 3500 ft measured at 0100Z hrs from TOWNSVILLE

Wind direction 265° 46kt at 23500 ft
235° at 66kt at 30000 ft
250° at 52kt at 34000 ft
255 at 50kt at 38500 ft

Pollution level Negligible - Slight Haze at low level

7. Details of terrain and natural and/or man-made features in the area. (Attach map with significant points marked, if possible).

SEE MAP

/Part 3

0105 - 0110Z 23JUN75
WEST OF INGHAM.

Part 2 - Unit Report ANNEX A

1. a. Details of military aircraft activity in the area at the time of the sighting.

	Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
2x	MIRAGE	308	26000	465	T'VILLE	0047Z	CROSS COUNTRY	0217Z
		Pass over	Abergowrie			0056Z		

Source of Information Base Ops

b. Details of civil aircraft activity, including light private aircraft and international flights, in the area at the time of the sighting.

	Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
AWB	PA32	308°	4000'	90 KTS	TOWNSVILLE	0055	INGHAM	0130
(Civil	TRAINING	AREA	ABOVE THIS	AREA)		Unconfirmed		
Air	Space	(PA=Piper	Aztec)					

Source of Information TOWNSVILLE Civil Ops

2. Give the bearing, elevation and movement of any planets or major stars that were in that portion of the sky at the time of the sighting.

NIL

Source of Information

3. Details of any predicted satellites, rockets, comets or meteorite activity in the area at the time of the sighting

NIL

Source of Information

/4.

ANNEX A

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations?

NIL

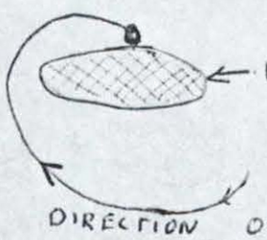
11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible)

VIC CATTONI (FATHER)
M.S 102, INGHAM, 4850.

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

AS CRAFT REMAINED MOTIONLESS OVER HEAD A SMALLER, DARKER (OLIVE GREEN) OBJECT DID A TIGHT SEMI-CIRCLE ABOUT THE CRAFT THEN CAME INTO CONTACT WITH IT.

LOOKING FROM BENEATH U.F.O



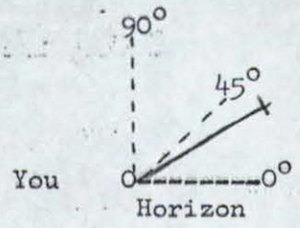
DIRECTION OF SMALLER OBJECT (SIMILAR IN COLOUR TO LARGER OBJECT BUT NOT MIRAGE)

NOTE: THE SOUND OF JETS AIRCRAFT COULD BE HEARD AT THE TIME OF THE OBJECT'S FIRST SIGHTING BUT THESE QUICKLY FADED INTO THE DISTANCE. THERE IS NO DOUBT IN MY MIND THAT THIS OBJECT COULD IN ANY WAY BE MISTAKEN FOR A JET AIRCRAFT.

/Part 2

ANNEX A

At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer 6,000 ft.

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9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

(i) NO LIGHTS OBSERVED.

(ii) OVAL TO CIRCULAR IN SHAPE.

(iii) SIZE COULD NOT BE DETERMINED. (APPEARED TO BE SIZE OF MARBLE WHEN OVERHEAD.)

(iv) BRIGHTNESS — SHON AS WHITEHOT METAL WOULD. eg SUN

(v) REMAINED STATIONARY OVERHEAD FOR APPROXIMITELY ONE MINUITE THEN SUDDENLY GATHERED SPEED AS IT DISAPPEARED IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION.

(vi) THE SPEED OF THE CRAFT WAS UNBELIEVABLY FAST. AND ONCE ITHAD GATHERED SPEED, WAS OUT OF SIGHT IN NO TIME.

(vii) WHILE THE CRAFT TRAVELLED, IT DID SO IN PERFECTLY STRAIGHT LINES.

/10. Have

ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer EDDIE CATTONI Age 18 YRS.

Address M.S. 102, INGHAM

State QLD. Postcode 4850

Occupation STUDENT TEACHER

Phone (Home) ABERGOWRIE 774632 Business

2. Exact location of observer ABERGOWRIE - PARENT'S CANE FARM.

3. Start of observation: Date 24-6-75 Time 11.05 am/~~pm~~

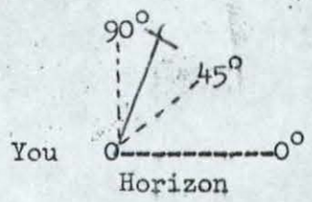
End of observation: Date 24-6-75 Time 11.10 am/~~pm~~

4. Accuracy of date CERTAIN Times WITHIN MINUTES

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. NO CLOUD, PERFECT VISIBILITY NO WIND.

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? NORTH

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? WEST

/At what

(18)

79-5666

Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

14 July 1975

HQTVL 5/40/Air (18)

Department of Defence (Air Office)(Attention:DAFI-IR)

For Information:

Headquarters Operational Command (Attention: CIC)

UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING REPORT -
ABERGOWRIE NORTH QUEENSLAND
24 JUNE 1975

1. Enclosed is a report of an Unusual Aerial Sighting by two observers at Abergowrie (18295 14552E) on 24 June 1975.

2. No explanation for the sighting has been passed by this Headquarters to the observers.

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

Enclosures: 1. Unusual Aerial Sighting Reports Pts I & II
2. Map of Area with Mirage Routes

HQTVL 5/40/Air (16)
11JUN75

UNIT REPORT PARA 4

Investigating Officer's Comments

1. The investigating officer is not completely satisfied that the object described by Mr Simich, the pilot, was the planet Saturn, but there is a possibility that the light described by the ground observer, Mr Lucas, may have been that planet.

2. The times of observation by both observers and their descriptions of the sighting discount the possibility of the light being caused by a known aircraft in flight.

HQTVL 5/40/Air (16)
11JUN75

UNIT REPORT PARA 1

Details of Aircraft Movements

1. At 1919K 4APR75 a DC3 enroute from Groote Eylandt was at 6000 ft passing over BIBOOHRA (143-25E 16-55S). The aircraft continued along the 049 radial from that station to intercept the Cairns 330 radial at Buchan Point (145-42E 16-45S) 10DME Cairns at 1930K. The aircraft turned onto the landing heading and landed at approximately 1940K.

2. A Friendship from Weipa joined the Cairns 330 radial direct at 30 miles DME, passed over Buchan Point at 3700 feet, and landed at 1945K.

3. The Heron aircraft piloted by one of the observers to this sighting, passed over BIBOOHRA at approximately 1948K and flew along the 049 radial from that station to Buchan Point where it joined the lading heading and landed at approximately 2010K.

ANNEX A

Part 3 - Investigating Officer's Evaluation

1. a. Date of interview Reports by mail

b. Place of interview _____

2. Names and addresses of persons interviewed (include phone numbers where applicable).

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

3. Narrative evaluation of personalities of witnesses (include any relationship with UFO organisations and their interest in subject matter).

UNKNOWN

4. Investigating officer's evaluation of possible cause(s).

SEE ATTACHED NARRATIVE

HQTVC (Unit) P S HODGE (Name)

11 JUN 75 (Date) FLT LT (Rank)

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4. Details of any meteorological, research or radar balloons known to have been in the area at the time of the sighting (refer to point of release, size, colour, ROC, wind profile and whether it was known to have burst

NIL

Source of Information CAIRNS AIRPORT TOWER

5. Details of any unusual radar traces or images, which may relate to the sightings, as recorded by military or civil networks

NIL

Source of Information CAIRNS AIRPORT TOWER

[illegible] 22437
TJAD34 2235
[illegible] ATTLY
[illegible]233 ATCSYM
[illegible]ER FOR FRIDAY 4TH PE E 4TH APRIL 1975
[illegible] WIND 150/10 VSI 30KM FINE CLD 3/8 CU 2200 4/8 SC6000 TEMP
[illegible]/24/ [illegible]P21

Pollution level

7. Details of terrain and natural and/or man-made features in the area. (Attach map with significant points marked, if possible).

See Map of Area

/Part 3

4. Details of any meteorological, research or radar balloons known to have been in the area at the time of the sighting (refer to point of release, size, colour, ROC, wind profile and whether it was known to have burst

NIL

Source of Information CAIRNS AIRPORT TOWER

5. Details of any unusual radar traces or images, which may relate to the sightings, as recorded by military or civil networks

NIL

Source of Information CAIRNS AIRPORT TOWER

6. Provide the following information relating to the weather and atmospheric conditions at the time of the sighting:

Temperature (dry bulb) 24 °C (wet bulb) _____ °C Relative Humidity 83 % Cloud Cover 9/8-4/8 Type U-SC CUTX RANGES

Temperature inversion of _____ °C at _____ ft measured at _____ hrs from _____

Wind direction 150/10 ~~120°/10/F~~ at SURFACE ft

_____ at _____ ft

_____ at _____ ft

_____ at _____ ft

Pollution level _____

7. Details of terrain and natural and/or man-made features in the area. (Attach map with significant points marked, if possible).

See Map of Area

/Part 3

Part 2 - Unit Report ANNEX A

1. a. Details of military aircraft activity in the area at the time of the sighting.

NIL

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
NIL							

Source of Information TVL BASE O/S

b. Details of civil aircraft activity, including light private aircraft and international flights, in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA
DC-3	SEE			[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	ATTACHED			[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]
HERON	NARRATIVE			ALICE SPRINGS		[illegible]	[illegible]

Source of Information [illegible]

2. Give the bearing, elevation and movement of any planets or major stars that were in that portion of the sky at the time of the sighting.

4 PARTS SATURN - 1900 K BRG 347°/ELEV 50° 1920 K 340°/48°

1900 K 334°/45° : 29 APR 75 SATURN 1900 - 1940 K 306°/25-52°

Source of Information FLIGHT BASE FLIGHT COMMS TO SON

3. Details of any predicted satellites, rockets, comets or meteorite activity in the area at the time of the sighting

NIL

Source of Information

/4.

ANNEX A

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? NO

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) NO.

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

DURING THE LAST OBSERVATION, SMOKE, CLOUD OR SOME OPAQUE SUBSTANCE APPEARED IN THE BEAM. IT APPEARED SOMEWHAT DARKER & DENSER THAN CLOUD.

POSSIBLY DUE TO CLOUD ACTIVITY, VHF CONTACT CS TOWER WAS SEVERELY DISTORTED PRIOR TO RECEIVING THE MESSAGE OF A (illegible) FOREIGN OBJECT IN THE AREA.

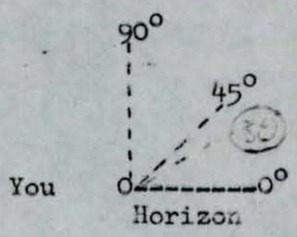
COCKPIT DUTIES TERMINATED THE OBSERVATION.

PLEASE MAKE FURTHER CONTACT AS YOU SEE FIT

N.T. Smith

/Part 2

At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer 30 NM & 15,000 FT.

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

A LIGHT ONLY WAS VISABLE. NOT THE USUAL AIRCRAFT LIGHT (LANDING) BUT QUITE POWERFUL WITH A YELLOW COLOURING, & WITH A WIDE BEAM.

FOR SEVERAL SECONDS IT WOULD OSCILLATE THROUGH 10° TO 15° OF HORIZONTAL & VERTICAL PLANES GENTLY BUT MAINLY APPEARED STATIONARY

THE VERTICAL OSCILLATION APPEARED TO MOVE IN AN ARC, ASIF OFF-CENTRE OF THE LONGITUDINAL AXIS OF AN AIRCRAFT.

THE SCOURCE OF LIGHT WAS NOT VISIBLE ~~EC~~ UNLESS POINTING DIRECTLY TOWARD THE /10. Have OBSERVER, APPEARING THEN WITH A LENS APPROX. 3 TIMES DIAMETER OF A ~~(Boin)~~ BOEING 727 LANDING LIGHT LENS

(CONT 12)

14/4/75.

ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

HQS/40/AIR (12)

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer SIMON NT Age 23

Address BOX 1201, ALICE SPRINGS

State NT Postcode 5750

Occupation PILOT

Phone (Home) ———— Business 521 755

2. Exact location of observer 9 NM BRG 315 CS &
15 NM BRG 049 BIR

3. Start of observation: Date 4/4/75 Time 0759 am/pm

End of observation: Date 4/4/75 Time 0805 am/pm

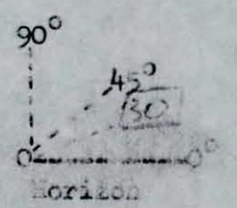
4. Accuracy of date CORRECT Times ± 2 MINS

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. 2 OKTAS CU VIS 50 NM
OR GREATER

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? BRG 340-350 CS

At what angle to the horizon?

(ANGLE & TO DIST
& DIST HARD TO ESTABLISH)



You

7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? [illegible]

/At what

ANNEX A

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? NO. OBJECT DID NOT LAND WHEN I SAW IT

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) THERE WERE TWO OTHER PEOPLE STOPED THEIR CAR & SAW SAME SORRY I DONT KNOW THEIR ADDRESS OR NAMES

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

(THEY DID RING THE SAME AS I DID FOR THE CHAP I TALKED TO ON THE PHONE SAID SO. ON NIGHT OF FIRST SIGHTING.

PLEASE NOTE

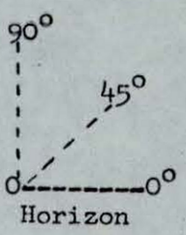
ON THE 29th (29) 4. 75. THE SAME LIGHT WAS AGAIN TO BE SEEN FURTHER NORTH ABOVE THE RANGE SKY WAS CLEAR OF CLOUDS. AT ABOUT 8-15 PM I STOPED & LOORED AT IT FOR A SHORT WHILE (3 MINS.) THEN IT APPEARED TO GROW DIM & VANISH. IT (DID LOOK LIKE THE SAME OBJECT AS LAST TIME.) (SIZE IE & COLOUR.)
P.S. I WORK LATE ABOUT 3 NIGHTS A WEEK IN MY JOB THUS (THE LATE TIMES OF SIGHTING.)

NOTE AT ONE OTHER TIME BEFORE THESE TWO SIGHTINGS. I THOUGHT I ONCE SAW A LIGHT AS THE ONE I HAVE DESCRIBED ON THE SIDE OF THE RANGE AROUND THE SAME SPOT OF SIGHTING ABOUT ± WAY DOWN RANGE SIDE. - SIDE OF RANGE IS ALL BUSH & VERY STEEP. I NOTICED THIS DRIVING BUT AT OTHER TIME DID NOT STOP CAR TO LOOK

Part 2

ANNEX A

At what angle to the horizon?

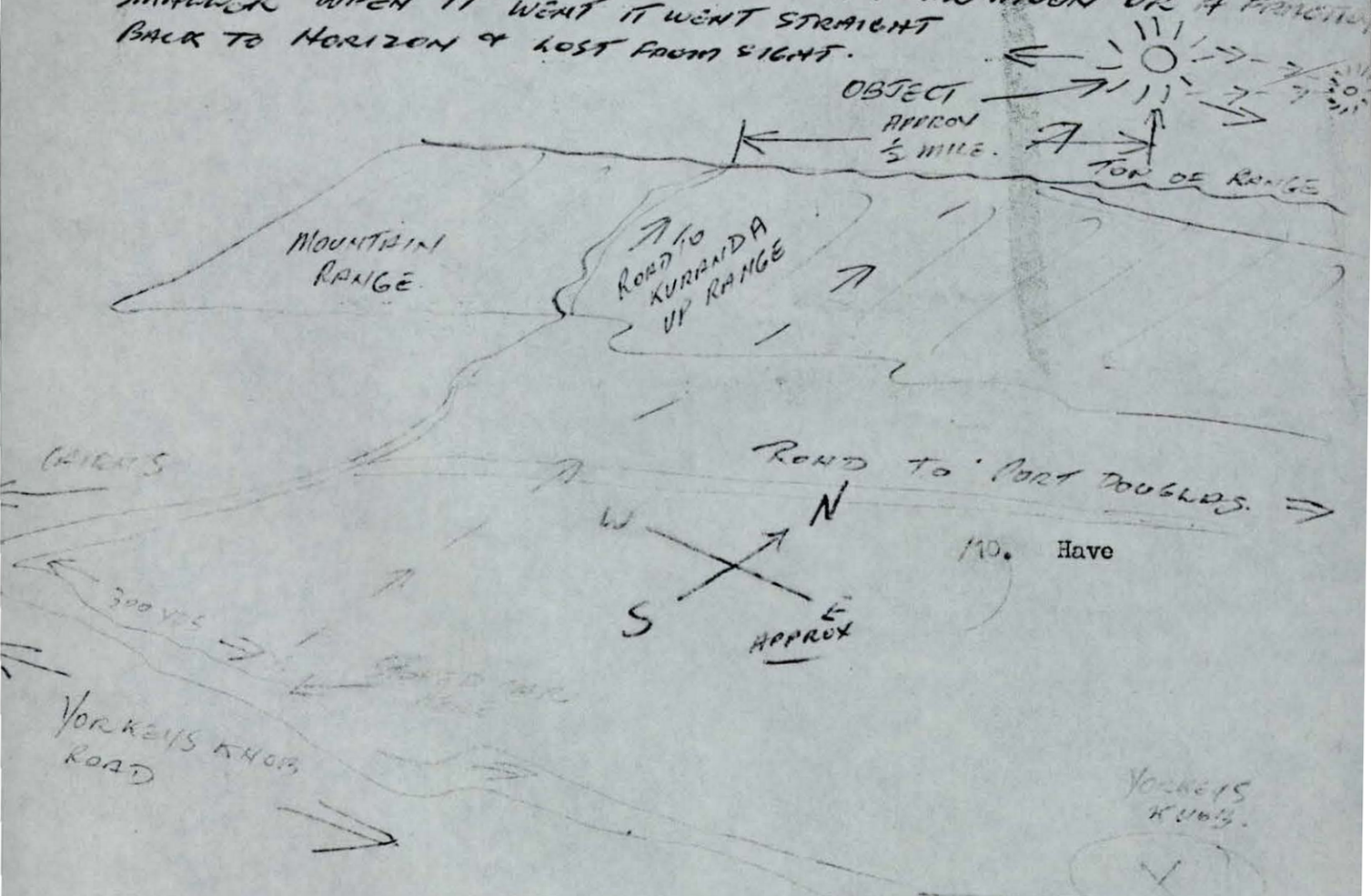


8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer 3-4 miles. 2,000 FT OR LESS.

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

THE OBJECT WAS IN THE FORM OF A VERY BRIGHT YELLOWISH LIGHT IT WAS IN THE SKY ABOVE THE RANGE IT MOVED FROM SIDE TO SIDE A FEW TIMES AT ONE STAGE IT SEEMED TO MOVE OFF TO THE FAR @ HORIZON & JUST AS QUICKLY RETURN THE SIZE WAS ABOUT ¼ THE SIZE OF A FULL MOON OR A FRACTION SMALLER WHEN IT WENT IT WENT STRAIGHT BACK TO HORIZON & LOST FROM SIGHT.



10. Have

ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

RECEIVED

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer ANTONY LUCAS Age 29.

Address 32 MORGAN ST YORKEYS KNOB QLD

State QLD. Postcode 4870.

Occupation A.M.P. SOCIETY AGENT.

Phone (Home) 557242 Business 571211

2. Exact location of observer 300 YDS ALONG YORKEYS KNOB ROAD FROM ENTRANCE.

3. Start of observation: Date 4-4-75 Time 7 APPROX. ~~am~~/pm

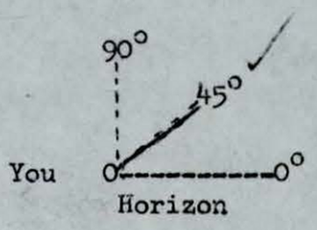
End of observation: Date 4.4.75 Time 7.20 APPROX am/pm

4. Accuracy of date RIGHT Times APPROX

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. PATCHES OF CLOUD. CLEAR AT THE TIME OF SIGHTING.

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? NORTH.

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? NORTH.

/At what

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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

11 June 1975

HQTVL 5/40/Air (16)

Department of Defence (Air Office) (Attention:DAFI-IR)

For Information

Headquarters Operational Command (Attention: CIO)

UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING - CAIRNS 4 APRIL 1975

1. On 4 April 1975 a report of an unusual aerial sighting was received at RAAF Townsville from a controller at Cairns airport tower. The initial report was made to Cairns by three ground observers, and the object was also observed by the pilot of an aircraft approaching Cairns airport from the west after he had been asked by the tower to look out for an unidentified object to the north of Cairns.

2. Reports on the sighting by one of the ground observers, the pilot, and the Unit Report are enclosed.

3. This Headquarters has offered no explanation of the sighting to the observers. This report is forwarded for your further analysis.

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

Enclosures:
1. Sighting Report - Mr A. Lucas
2. Sighting Report - Mr N.J. Simich
3. Unit Report
4. Map of Area (Not on file)

79-5666

Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

24 June 1975

HQTVL 5/40/Air (17)

Mr E. Cottoni
MS 102
INGHAM QLD

Dear Sir,

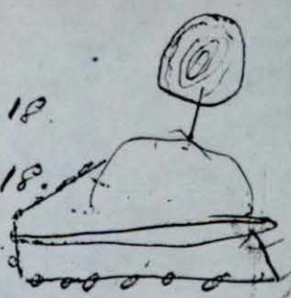
Enclosed is an Unusual Aerial Sighting Report form for your completion. A full and detailed description of the sighting will assist us in investigating your report.

Please complete the form and return it to this Headquarters at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

Michael Ronald Kreher. 18.
Donald. Christopher. 18.
Maxine Oliver 16.
Sally Jean Kreher 16
Caroline Kay Kreher. 12.



I did not measure the actual size of each mark, but I would estimate the large mark to be about 18 inches long and about 1 foot across. Each half moon mark would have been about fifteen inches long and about four inches across

Whilst at the scene I mentioned to Caroline Kreher, aged 12 years, that if we waited for a bit the U.F.O. might return. The child became quite upset and was obviously frightened. She continued to be disturbed whilst and the location and constantly looked all around as if she expected something to return.

Attached hereto is the actual drawing of the U.F.O. made by Michael Kreker when he reported the matter to me.

P. L. Curley

P.L. CURLEY.
Sen. Const. No. 6856.

Flight Lieutenant. P. HODGE.
H.Q.
R.A.A.F Base
Townsville . 4810.

Mackay District.
Nebo Station. 4741.
16th April, 1975.

119/75.

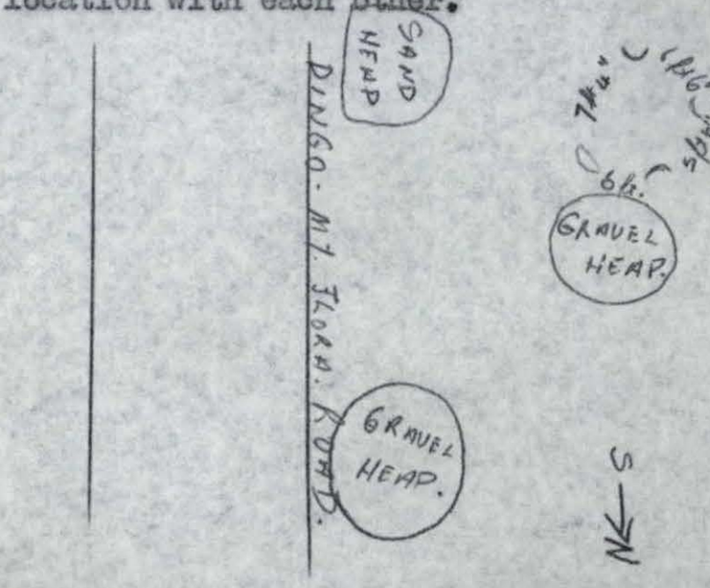
Relative to= Unidentified Flying Object sighted whilst landed on the Dingo-Mt. Flora Road, at a point 1.3. miles South of Emmerdale Station at about 10-30 p.m. on the 22/3/1975.

Sir,

I have to report with reference to the above and advise that at 4 p.m. on the 23/3/75, Michael Ronald Kreher of Bartheaston Station, Nebo, reported to me that he and Donald CHRISTOPHER, Maxine OLIVE, Sally Jean Kreher and Caroline Kay Kreher were travelling inx.a Northerly direction along the Dingo Mt. Flora Road and they observed an object about 30 yards off the left hand side of the road. The vehicle was turned around and they drove slowly past the object. They observed a ring of lights attached around the object. The object did not appear to be round. They also observed a large disc shaped object above the U.F.O. This object had purple coloured rings within it they decreaced in size, and in the centre was a black central disc about 6 inche across. The vehicle was by then past the U.F.O. The vehicle was again turned around and drove back and stopp opposite the U.F.O. on the roadway. The lights that circled the U.F.O. increased in brightness and blinked on and off quite quickly. Michael Kreher and Donald Christopher were going to get out to have a closer look. Just about that time there was a very loud bang that came from the U.F.O.

Michael Kreher informed me that after the bang one of the girls locked all the doors and onother one grabber the driver around the neck so they could not get out of the vehicle. The girls were very frightened and told the driver to get going. They then droveto the Main Roads camp at the Issac River and got a camera and returned to the location, however the U.F.O. was gone.

I immediately proceeded to the location and observed marks on the gound, where the U.F.O. was situated. There was one large round shape mark and three half moon shaped marks on the ground. The marks appeared to be quite fresh. The half moon marks were not flat on the ground. The inside edge went into the ground about ¼ of an inch. The diagram below indicates shape size and location with each other.



called in to see the tracks that left in the ground. They were something like this.



It was about 30 feet in from the road. The big round light on top looked to be about 13 inches wide. I never want to see one of them again.

All about what I saw.

I didn't see the lights of the object untill we were almost at it. As it was I was sitting in the back seat and I am only 5 ft 1 inch high, so the didn't see much of it at first untill we got into the clear then I saw it. To me it looked to be at least 8 feet tall and by the prints which it left on the ground it must have been at least 9 feet wide.

It all started by taking my brother out to a drowsing trip that night. The object wasn't there on the way down. On the way back but, we were wondering how it got there so quickly. We drove past it once and we turned around and went back to have another look, because we thought someone was playing tricks on us. and as we stopped in front of it it let of a bank which seemed to shake the car. After the bank went off the little lights began to flash faster. The bluey green round light at the top did not flash at all, but as we drove up the road again it seemed to be watching us. The two boys wanted to get out and have a look but we wouldn't let them. We ~~left~~ locked the doors and made them keep on going. Three of them and a friend went back later (6 mins) but it was gone. Sally and I didn't go with. I.

The little lights seemed to be shaped like this  . Both lots of lights were very bright.

The next day Michael Dad and myself went to town in the truck and on the way in we

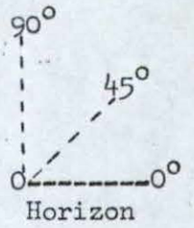
10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? There ~~were~~ where marks, on the ground where the object landed

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) 4. Sally Kreher "Bathcastle" Nebs 640 4741 and Michael Kreher of the same adress

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

/Part 2

At what angle to the horizon?



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8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer 30.

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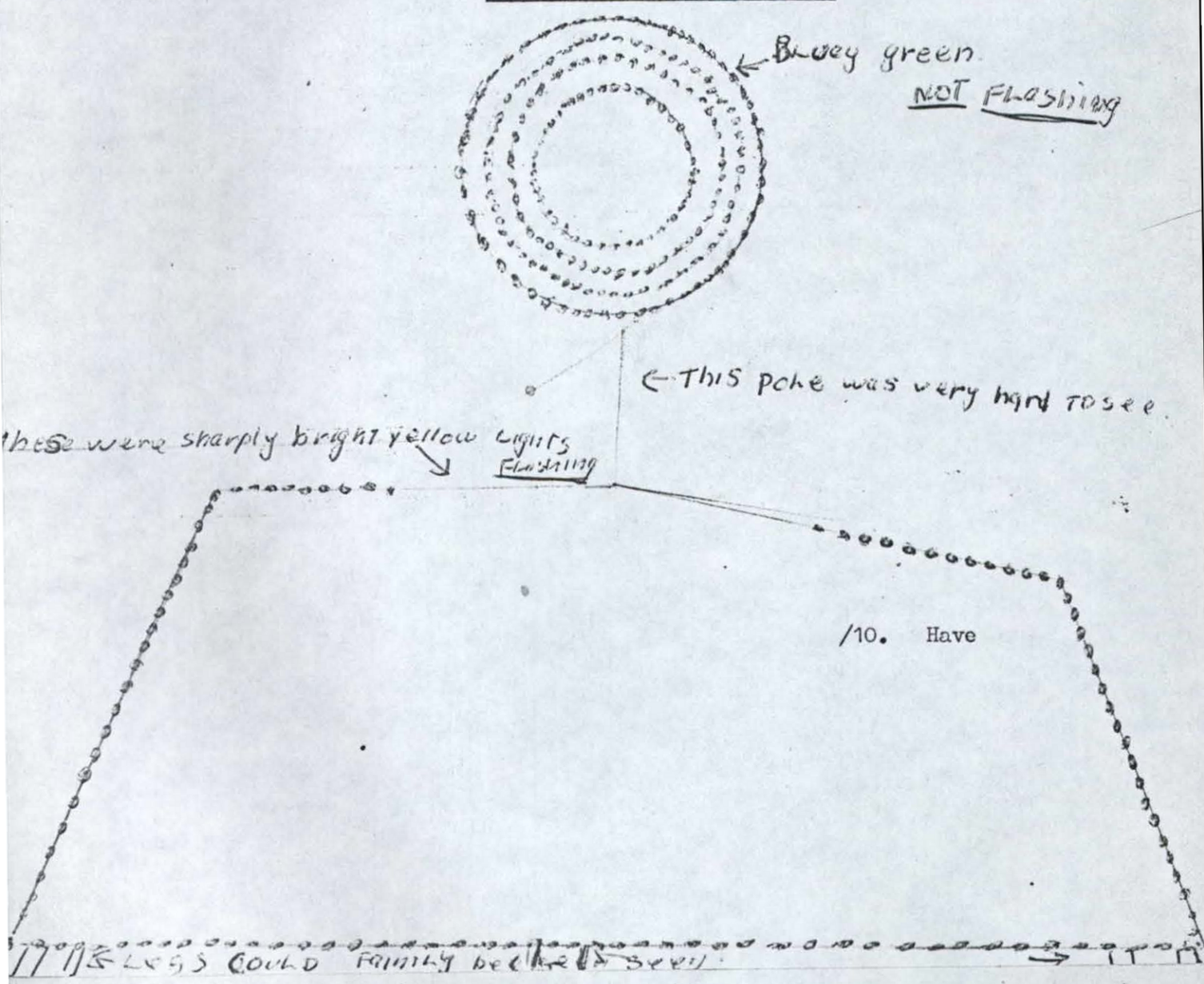
9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object



ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer Caroline Kay Kreher Age 12

Address "Bathcaston" Nebo

State Q.L.D Postcode 4741

Occupation School girl

Phone (Home) — Business none

2. Exact location of observer 1-3 miles from Emadale

3. Start of observation: Date 22/3/75 Time 10 ~~am~~/pm approx

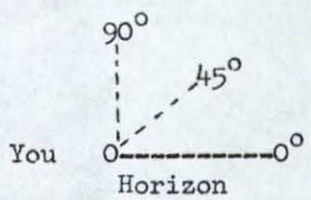
End of observation: Date 22/3/75 Time 10:05 ~~am~~/pm approx

4. Accuracy of date _____ Times _____

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. Overcast

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? To right

At what angle to the horizon?



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7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? To right

/At what

Report on Object.

I did not see the object until we were fairly close to it, because of my bad eyesight. As we drove passed it I noticed that it had green lights in circles that fitted inside of each other. They were a bluish-green after you I looked at them for a minute or two. These lights seemed to follow us ~~the~~ as if they were keeping us under observation. There was a faint light that led down to the main body. I suspected that this was the antaner. The main body was a series of yellow lights that all flashed off and then on in a sequence of approximately one second between each beat. Being a curious race like all humans, we went back for a second look. We were only driving slow. As we almost came to a halt there was a tremendous "Bang". It was just like standing right beside a shot gun when it is fired. Because we weren't prepared or expecting it, we all got a fright. The boys wanted to get out and have a close look at it, but all of us girls, who were in the back seat, were hitting the driver to get going as we were still scared. Once we reached the main Roads camp. the boys decided that they were going back to have another look. I stayed at the camp.

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? There are only ground indentations in the spot where located, but I didn't see the marks.

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) ~~Five~~ Four: Michael Kreher "Bathiaston" Nebo; Caroline Kreher "Bathiaston" Nebo; Maxine Olive, Gladstone; Don Christopher Gladstone.

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

MY EYESIGHT IS NOT VERY GOOD.

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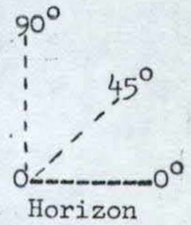

8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer approx 30 ft.

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9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

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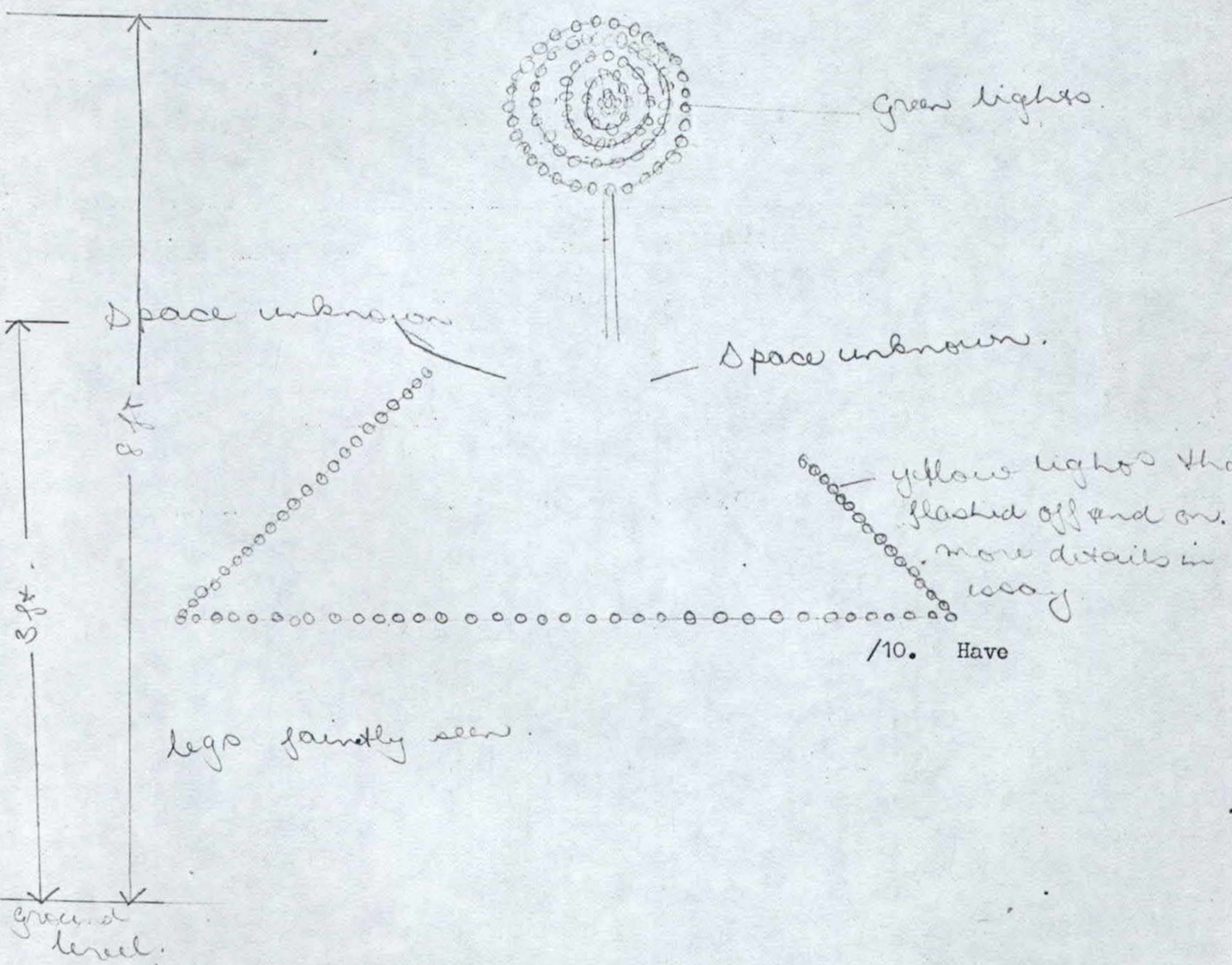

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REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer SALLY KRENER Age 16

Address "BATHERSTON" P.O. BOX

State QLD Postcode 4741

Occupation HOME HELP

Phone (Home) ——— Business NONE

2. Exact location of observer 1.3 miles from Annandale

3. Start of observation: Date 22/3/75 Time 10.00 am/pm approx

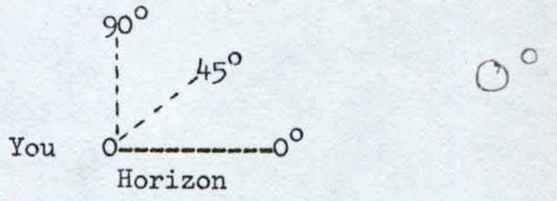
End of observation: Date 22/3/75 Time 10.05 am/pm approx

4. Accuracy of date accurate Times Approx

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. OVERCAST

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? TO RIGHT

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? TO RIGHT.

/At what

The only thing we did see were four indentations in the screening. We then all went home. The following day My father, Caroline, and I went into town and ~~rand~~ rang the D.C.A.

Also we saw the Counstable in Nebo (EATON) ~~PA~~ and he was the one who advised us to ring the D.C.A. He also went out and had a look.

M. Kreher.

(M. R. Kreher).

Inconsistency: 1. Policeman from ~~EATON~~ EATON advised Kreher to ring DCA. (Info Constable Curley from NEBO)

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MICHAEL RONALD KREHER.

On the 22nd of March at 10 30 PM I was traveling from Doug Pauls Property to My home Bathearton. On the way about 58. miles from Nebo I (or (we) sighted a strange light in amoungst the Timber. We drove on until we saw what we thought was a system of warning light for some explosives. So we stopped and turned around to go back and have a good look at it. Just as we stopped there was this one big bang as if someone shot of a shotgun. The girls in the car then panniced and told us to move on and go home. So we then went up a little further and turned arround again. We stopped again to have another look. Only this time there was no explosion. My Mate Don and I wanted to get out and take a closer look at all the lights. The first set of lights were about 3 feet above ground level. These lights were flashing on and off. There couler was a very dull white But you couldnot see anything above the lights except for the Blueish Green Sauser type light. This light was not on big light. It was ring oppon ring. In the center of this light it was black. This black circle was about four inches wide. The Blueish Green part of the light was about 12 to 18 inches accross. The length of the object seemed to be about ten foot long. We could not see all of the bottom lights. They seemed to be blocked off from our point of view wear we were. Below these flashing lights we could see some sort of what looked to me to be a box. We then left and went down along further to the Main Roads Camp. We got somebody to come along back with us to the sight. But we left the girls back at the Main Roads Camp. When we arrived back at the sight there was no sign of it.

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? There were no indentations on the ground at the spot where the object was sighted. There appeared to be lower [illegible].

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) Donald Christopher Wayne Caline (Bath) Tawarri Sally Kreher Bathurston Caroline Kreher Bathurston

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

TAWARRI. STATION. MARLBOROUGH.

There was one big bang like a shot gun being stot off at us just as we stopped to have a look at the object.

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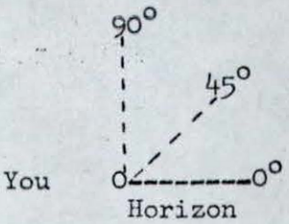
At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer _____

F.S. Dogarden Real Ground

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

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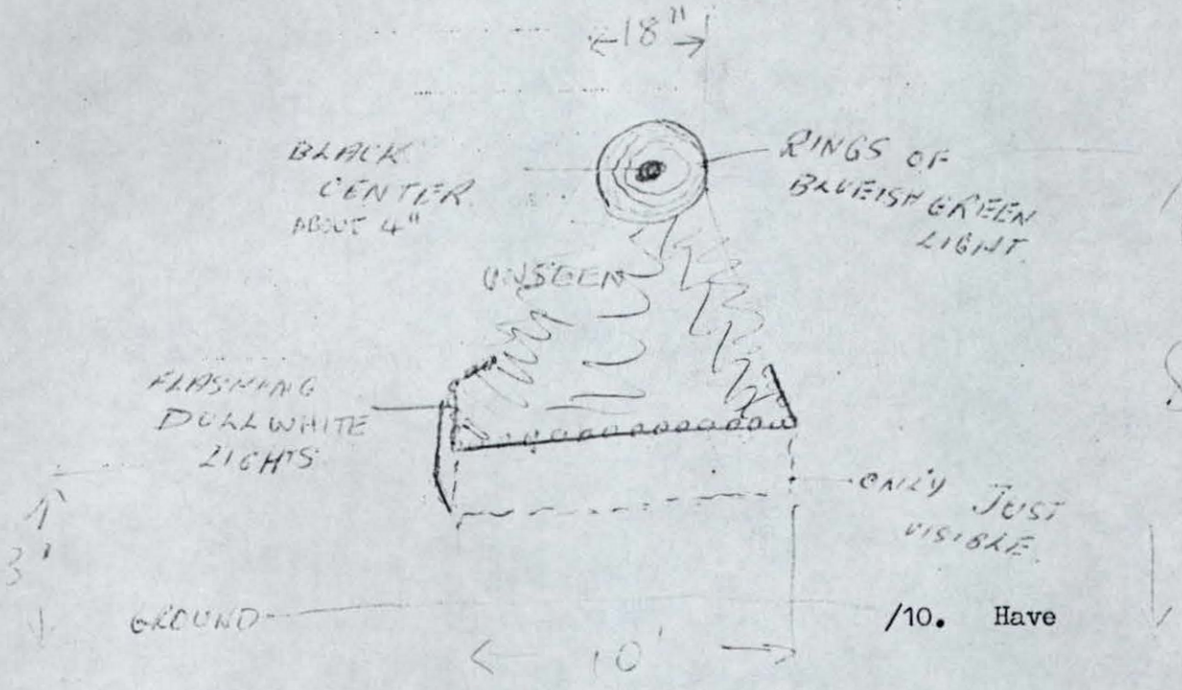

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ANNEX A TO
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REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer [illegible] Age 18

Address [illegible]

State QLD Postcode [illegible]

Occupation [illegible]

Phone (Home) _____ Business _____

2. Exact location of observer _____

3. Start of observation: Date [illegible] Time [illegible] am/pm

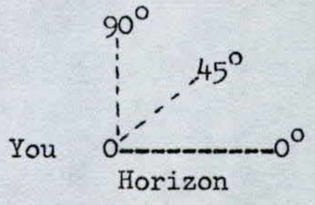
End of observation: Date [illegible] Time 1036 ~~am/pm~~ Pm

4. Accuracy of date Accurate Times Accurate

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. Night - Cloudy

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? N/A

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? N/A

/At what

ANNEX B
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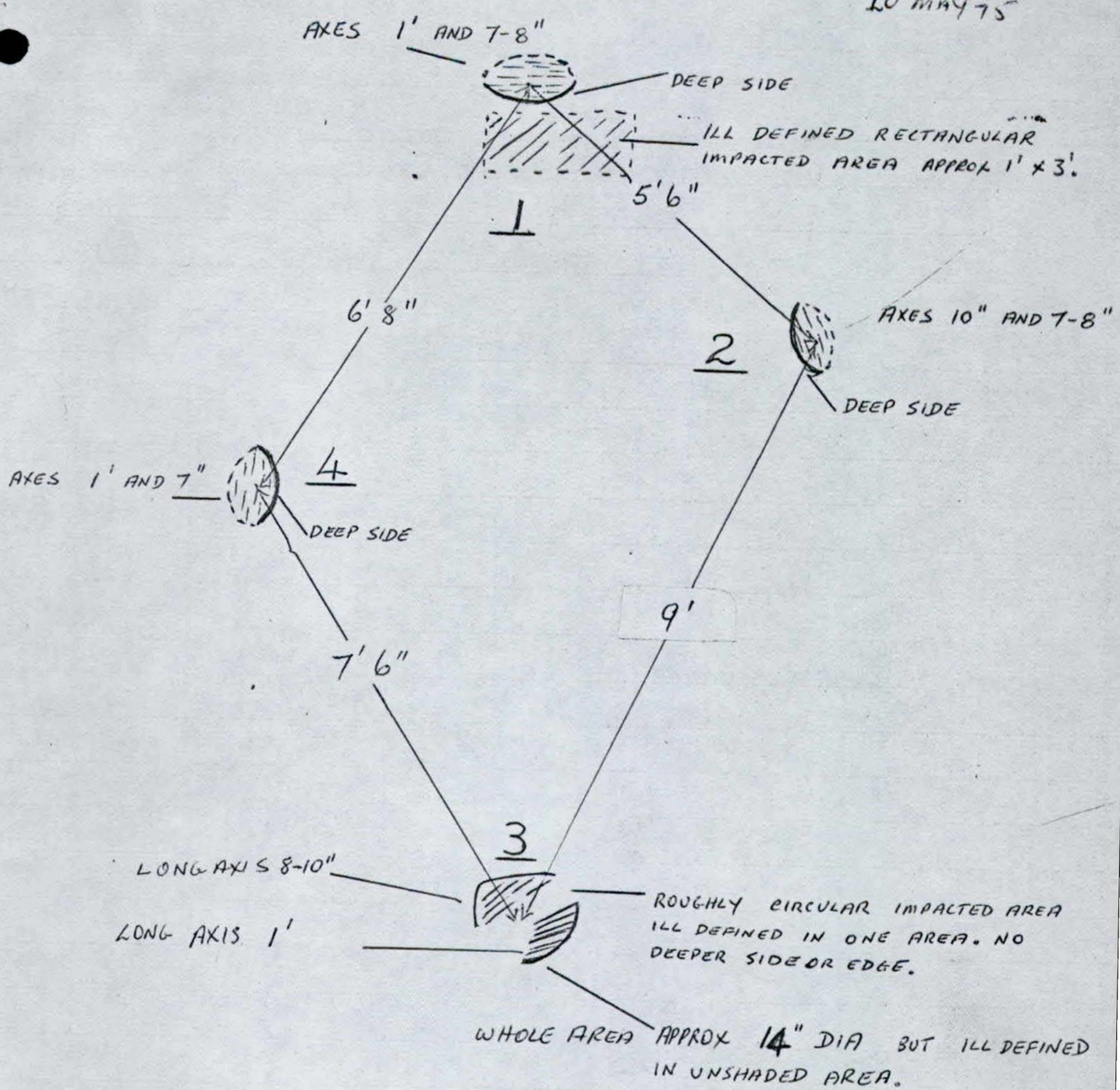

ALL DEEP SIDES APPROX 1-2" BELOW LEVEL OF IRREGULAR SURROUNDING SURFACE.

ALL DIMENSIONS BETWEEN CENTRES ARE APPROXIMATE, WITH ACCURACY VARYING 2-3".

DIMENSIONS OF IMPACTED AREAS MEASURED TO EXTENT OF CLEARLY DEFINED IMPACTING/INDENTATION.

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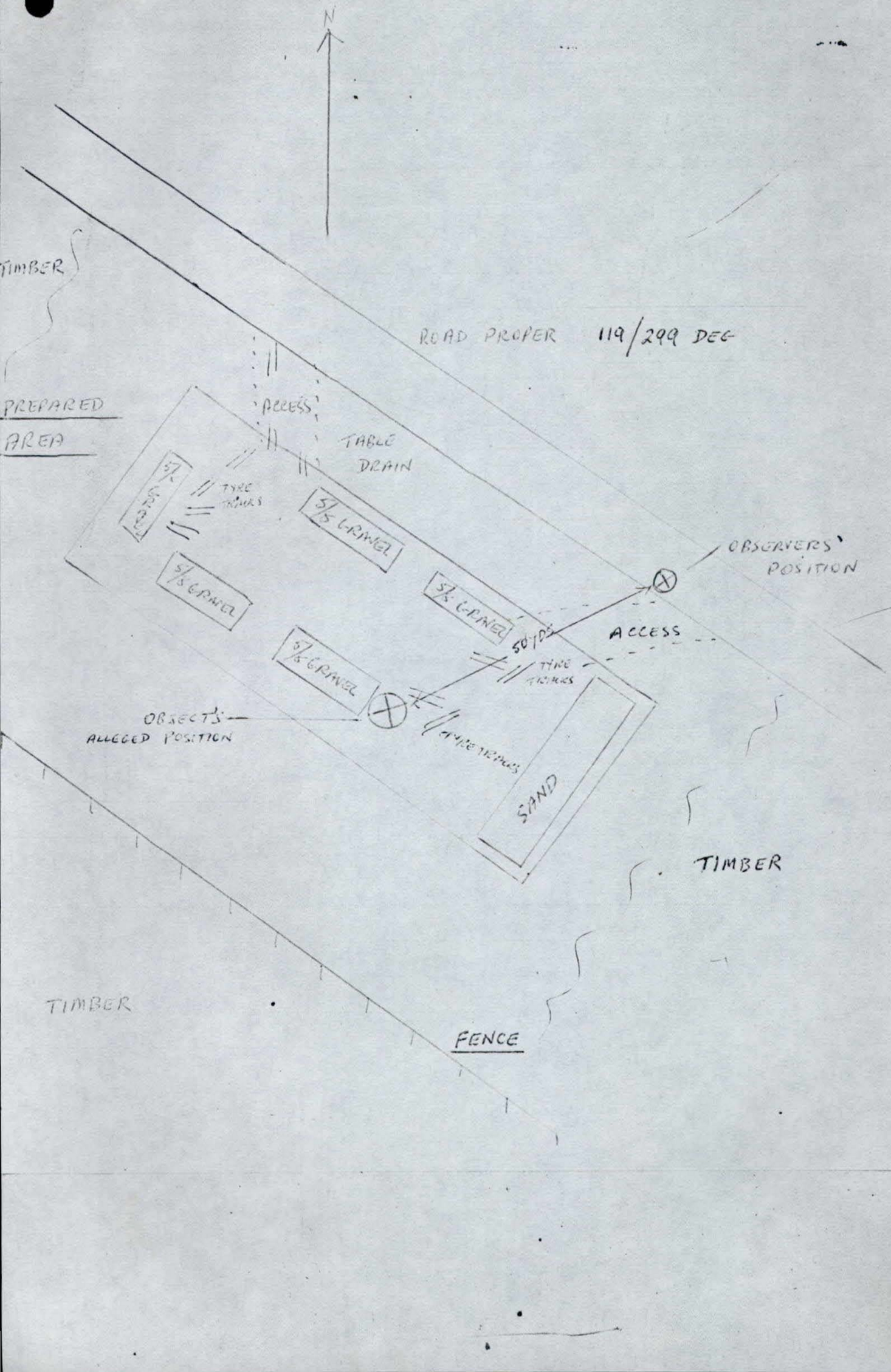
HQTVL 5/40/Air Pt 3 (15)
20 MAY 75



18. The pads on this tractor are rectangular, and measure 1 foot x 1 foot 3 inches, and are 5 feet 6 inches between centres. The centres of the pads on this type of back-hoe are non adjustable. The base of the pads are equipped with cruciform shaped anti skid devices which are part of the pad moulding. These mouldings are about 1 inch deep and run diagonally, corner to corner, across the pads.

19. It is the opinion of the investigating officer that the impacted areas at the site were not made as a result of back-hoe operations because:

a. the size and shape of the impacted areas are not consistent with the size and shape of the back-hoe employed at this site, nor are the dimensions between centres of the impacted areas consistent with the dimensions between centres of the back-hoe's feet;

b. the operator states that he did not work the gravel heap adjacent to the object's alleged position when he was last in the area on the 14 March, nor did he use the stabilizing pads on that occasion.

Previous Sightings in This Area

20. Our 5/40/Air Pt2(82) of 19 April 1974 described an unusual aerial sighting on 24 February 1974 by observers at Iffley station. Iffley station is approximately 8 miles NNW of the position of this sighting, and it's co-ordinates are 22-15S 148-26E. (Our report erroneously gave the co-ordinates of another Iffley station further north when it was submitted.) The object sighted on 24 February 1974 was reported by observers to be positioned "about the Beef Road boundary, some 8 miles away", but due east of Iffley, which would place it about 7 miles north of this sighting.

Investigating Officer's Findings

21. The investigating officer is unable to explain the nature of the alleged object, or the cause of the unusual ground markings which may or may not have been associated with the sighting.

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

Annexes: A. General Map of Gravel Storage Area
B. Plan of Unusual Ground Markings
C. Map Clermont/St Lawrence 1:250,000 (Not on file)

Enclosures:
1. Report - Michael Ronald Kreher
2. Report - Sally Kreher
3. Report - Caroline Kay Kreher
4. Report - Constable Curley, Nebo Police
5. Eight Photographs
6. Two packets of gravel (Not to HQOC)

10. Tyre Marks. Throughout the storage area there was evidence of heavy truck/plant movements. All of these vehicle tracks appeared weathered where they crossed the grey loam covering of the area, and where they passed through the accesses over the table drain. The unusual markings in the area of interest, with the exception of the rectangular shaped area, did not appear to have been made by vehicles.

11. Cattle Hoofprints. There were numerous cattle hoofprints throughout the storage area and the surrounding area. These prints were well dried out, and were probably made by a mob of cattle which, according to construction workers on the road, passed through the area on or about the 21st March. None of the unusual impacted areas were consistent with them being made by cattle hooves.

Weather

12. The last rain prior to the sighting was on 18 March. Both Mr Kreher and road workers independently reported that heavy rain had fallen on the 18th but no rain had fallen in the district between then and the afternoon of the 25 March. Heavy rain began falling just as the investigating officer had completed his inspection of the area on 25 March.

Details of Interview with Construction Workers

13. On 25 March the investigating officer interviewed two members of the construction gang working on the beef road. Both of these men live at a camp about 10 miles south of the storage area where the sighting took place, and they were interviewed out of the hearing of Mr Kreher.

14. Mr Ken Smith stated that late on the evening of 22 March he was relaxing with a few friends at the camp when a vehicle containing Mr Kreher, another man, and three girls, drove into the camp. They told him that they had seen a strange object with lights on it about 10 miles back along the road in the gravel storage area. Mr Kreher and the other man asked him if he would come back with them to have a look. The girls insisted on staying at the camp. Mr Smith said they appeared to be quite frightened, and insisted that they did not want to return to the site. He returned to the site with the two men but they saw nothing. Mr Kreher then drove Mr Smith back to the camp, picked up the girls, and as far as he knows, they then continued on home to Eatheaston Station about 6 miles away.

15. Mr Smith said that all the occupants of the car appeared to be sober. The description of the object given to Mr Smith by the witnesses agrees in detail with that submitted by Mr Kreher in his report.

16. Mr Vic Palmer, foreman of the construction gang, was not present at the camp on the evening in question. When asked about vehicle movements/ work in the gravel storage area, he said that to his knowledge the only vehicle that had operated on the site recently was a back-hoe, and that was about two weeks ago.

Back Hoe Operation in Storage Area

17. A small Massey Ferguson back-hoe/front end loader had last operated in the storage area on the 14 March, four days prior to the heavy rain of 18 March, but the driver states that he did not work the gravel heap adjacent to the spot where the object is alleged to have been, nor at any time did he use the stabilizing pads on the rear of the tractor.

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5. The investigating officer was accompanied to the area by a RAAF photographer as it was claimed that there were unusually shaped indentations in the ground at the spot where the object was sighted. Photographs of the area of interest are enclosed.

Gravel Storage Area

6. Location. The gravel storage area where the sighting is alleged to have taken place is situated on the right hand side of the new Mt Flora to Dingo beef road, 32½ miles from the turn off from the Peak Downs Highway. It's approximate co-ordinates are 22-22S 148-30E. (See enclosed map. Route of new beef road is not marked on map.)

7. General Description. The storage area is a rectangular shaped prepared area about 100 yards long x 50 yards wide. A layer of grey sandy loam 2 to 3 inches thick has been spread over the red subsoil and this was covered in places with 3/8 inch screened gravel. The depth of these screenings, probably the remains of previous stock piles, ranged in depth from 0 - 2 inches over the grey loam base. A number of large heaps of crushed cover aggregate 5/8 inch nominal for road surfacing were piled about the prepared area as shown at Annex A. A large stockpile of sand was located at the southern most end of the area.

8. Area of Interest. The area where the object is alleged to have been sighted is in the largest clear area on the southern end of the storage site adjacent to one of the large heaps of 5/8 aggregate, above an area covered by the probable remains of a 3/8 aggregate stock pile. Depth of the 3/8 aggregate was Ø to about 2 inches.

Ground Markings

9. Unusual Markings. The unusual marks on the ground consisted of: three oval shaped areas; one roughly circular area; and a rectangular area. Detailed dimensions of the marks, and approximate distances between centres are shown in plan form at Annex B. The shaded areas shown in the plan indicate areas where gravel had been impacted into the softer subsoil by a heavy weight, or pressure. The impacting appeared to be very recent with no weathering of the particular areas in question. Some gravel in the areas, particularly areas one, two and four, on plan at Annex B, was freshly fragmented in the areas defined as "deep sides". This was quite obvious to the eye as the bright colours of the unweathered exposed centres of the gravel, stood out among the surrounding weathered stones in the immediate vicinity. Samples of these crushed stones were removed from the impacted areas, along with a sample of stones from the surrounding area for comparison and to obtain other opinions on their appearance. A number of RAAF officers were asked to view the samples on the investigating officer's return to Townsville, and without exception all agreed that the stones appeared to be freshly broken when compared with the weathered sample from the surrounding areas. Samples of the stones are enclosed with this report. The gravel area was photographed from various angles as was each individual area numbered one, two, three and four. (See photographs and Annex B). No test for residual radiation was conducted at the site. The police constable from Nebo also measured the distances between centres of the ground markings. His measurements with the exception of distance 2-3 agree with the investigating officer's measurements. His report on the alleged sighting is enclosed.

/10. Tyre

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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

21 May 1975

HQTVL 5/40/Air (15)

Department of Defence (Air Office) (Attention: DAFI-IR)

For Information:

Headquarters Operational Command (Attention: CIO)

INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT OF UNUSUAL SIGHTING ON MT FLORA TO DINGO BEEF ROAD - QUEENSLAND

1. A report of an unusual sighting in a gravel storage area beside the new Dingo to Mt Flora beef road on 22 March 1975 was received at this Headquarters on 23 March via Department of Transport, Air Transport Group (DOT, ATG) channels in Mackay. The alleged sighting was reported to DOT Mackay by a Mr M.R. Kreher of 'Batheaston' station (22-28S 148-47E) and passed by telephone to the Orderly Officer.

2. Mr Kreher also reported the incident to the police constable at Eton, near Mackay, who advised him to report the sighting to DOT Mackay; and to the constable at Nebo, 68 miles south west of Mackay. The constable from Nebo visited the scene of the sighting with some of the witnesses on 23 March. His report is enclosed.

3. Mr Kreher stated that there were five witnesses to the sighting. Only Mr Kreher was interviewed personally by the investigating officer as the other witnesses were not in the area during the officer's visit. Both of Mr Kreher's sisters submitted their report by mail, but the remaining two witnesses have to date failed to submit their account of the sighting.

4. Mr Kreher is an average individual whose experience has been mainly limited to rural affairs. He was educated to 8th grade (2nd year high school NSW). He appeared to be genuinely concerned by the alleged sighting, and went to great pains to bring it to the attention of the authorities and the RAAF. His account of the sighting was always the same when related to the various individuals concerned, and his sisters' accounts; although these may not be considered to be wholly independent accounts under the circumstances, ~~to~~ corroborate his story. He does not belong to any UFO organization, but believes that there may be other intelligence in the Universe. The police constable from Nebo knows the family, and in his opinion Mr Kreher is a reasonable person and a well behaved member of the community. The investigating officer gained the impression that Mr Kreher was not publicity or attention seeking, and felt that his story was related with sincerity.

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Headquarters
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14 April 1975

HQTVL 5/40/Air (14)

Department of Transport (ATG)(Attention: OIC/ATC)
P.O. Box 824
Cairns QLD 4870

Dear Sir,

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Reference: A. Telephone request from ATC Cairns to BOR RAAF Townsville 12 April 1975

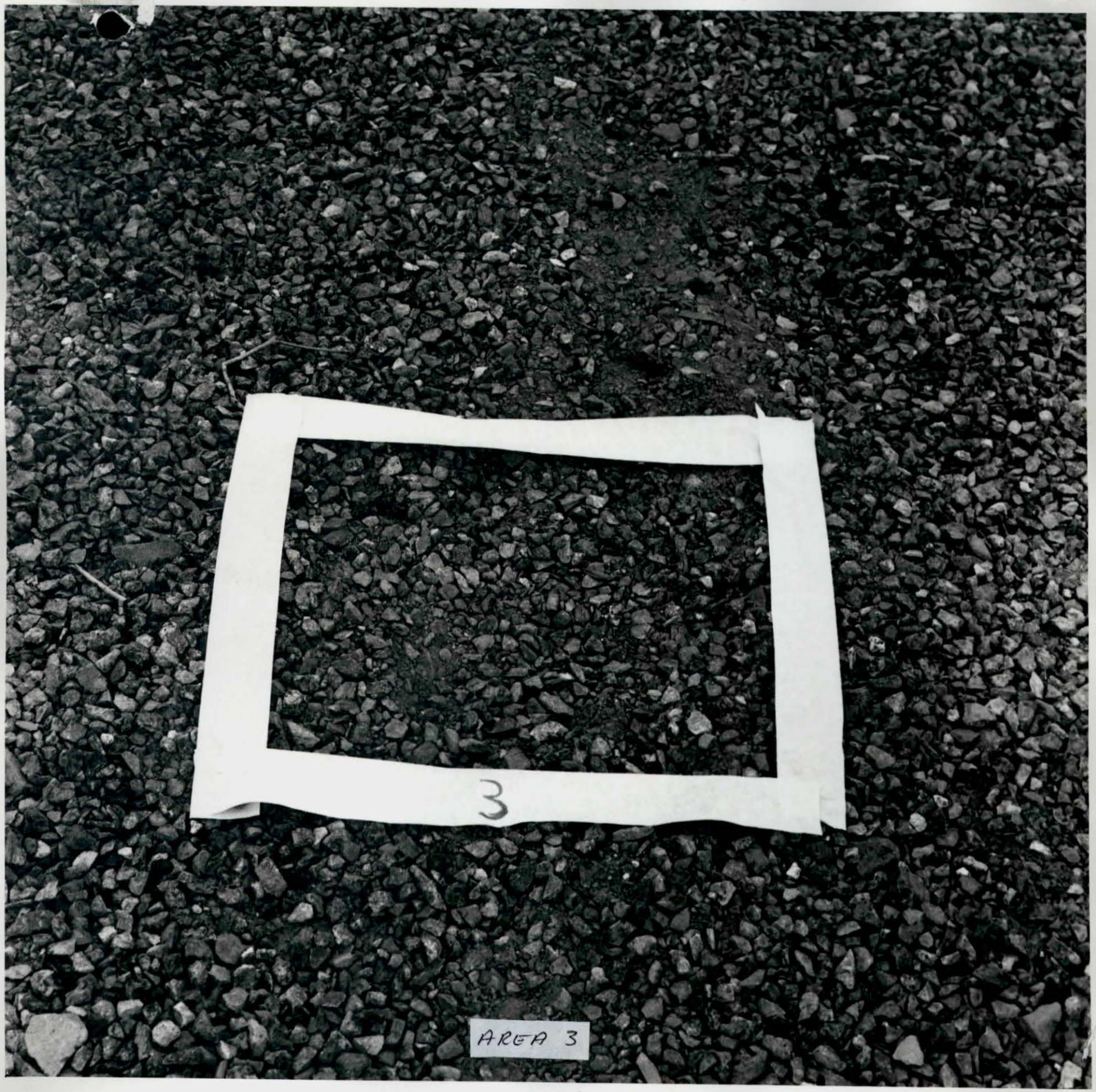
1. Enclosed are 12 copies of Part 1 and 2 of the RAAF's standard Unusual Aerial Sighting Report Form as requested by Reference A.

2. The form is self explanatory in that Part 1 provides for information to be given by the observer to the officer taking the report, and Part 2, except paras 2 and 3, is information which can be provided by the local ATC and Meteorological offices. On completion the form should be forwarded to RAAF Townsville, or alternatively, the details rung through to the BOR or to the Intelligence Officer on ext 363. As in the past, immediate notification by telephone of a report to the BOR will be appreciated.

3. We trust that these report forms will be of assistance to your officers when dealing with reports of this nature.

Yours faithfully,

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding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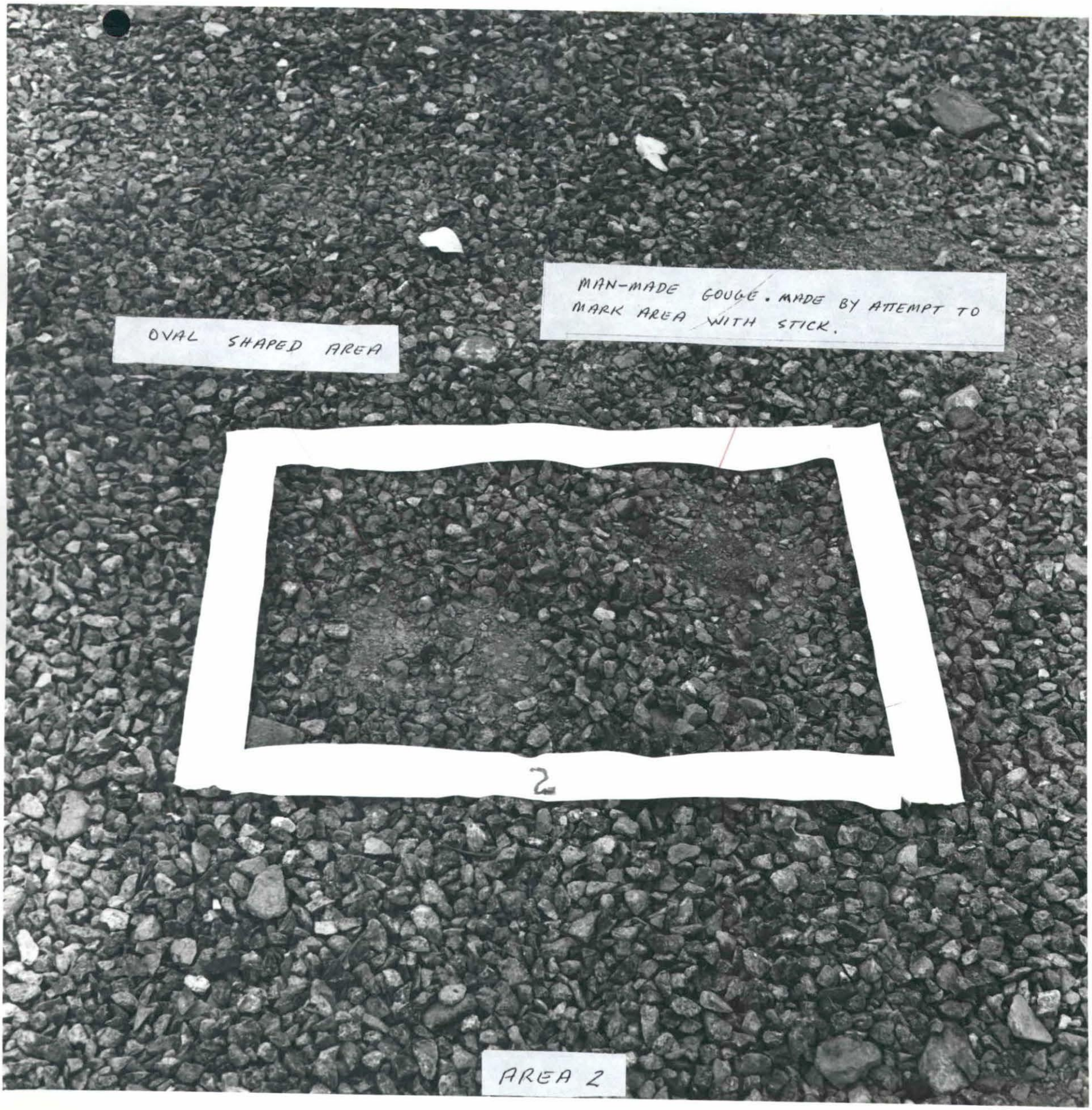
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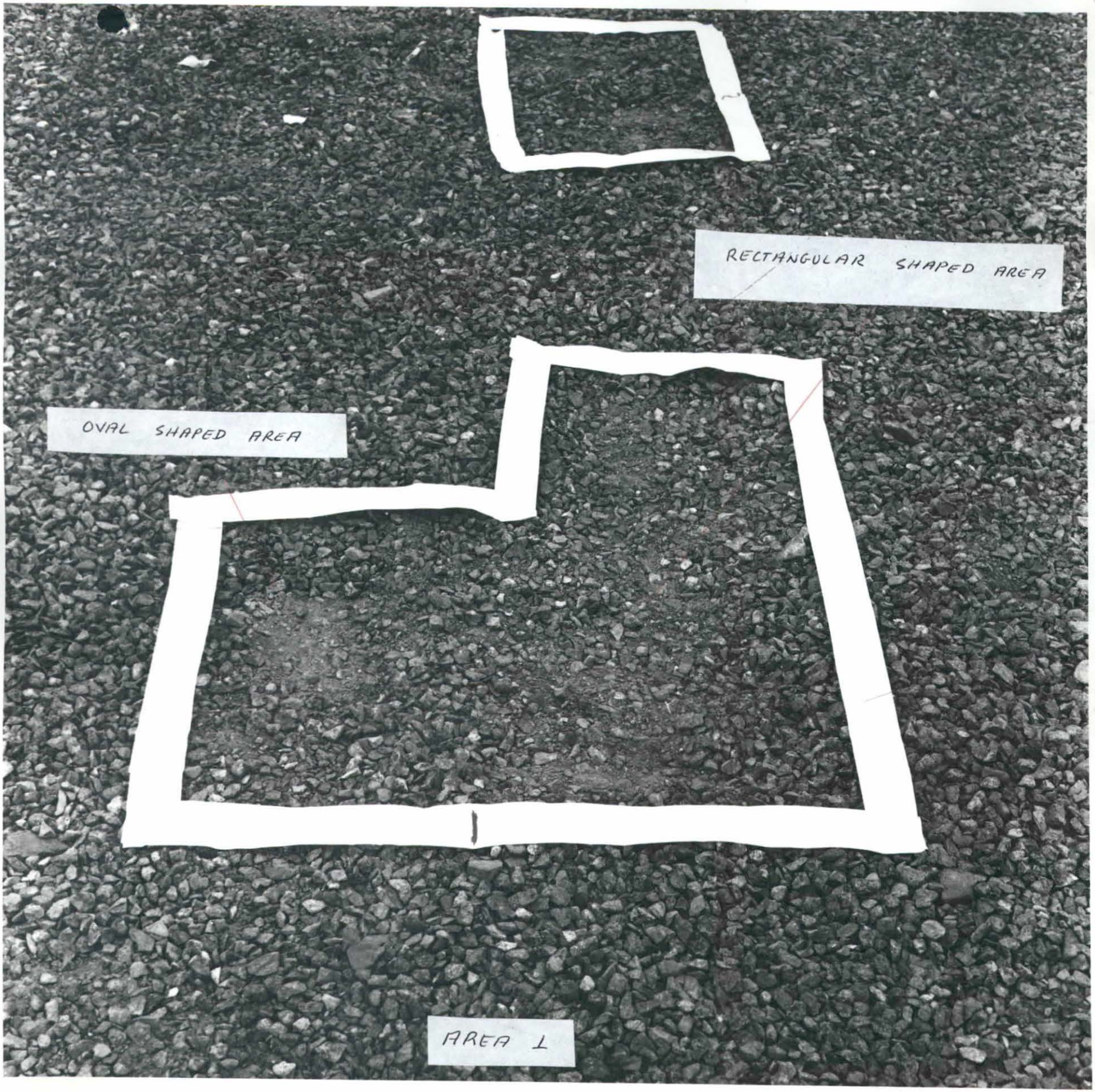
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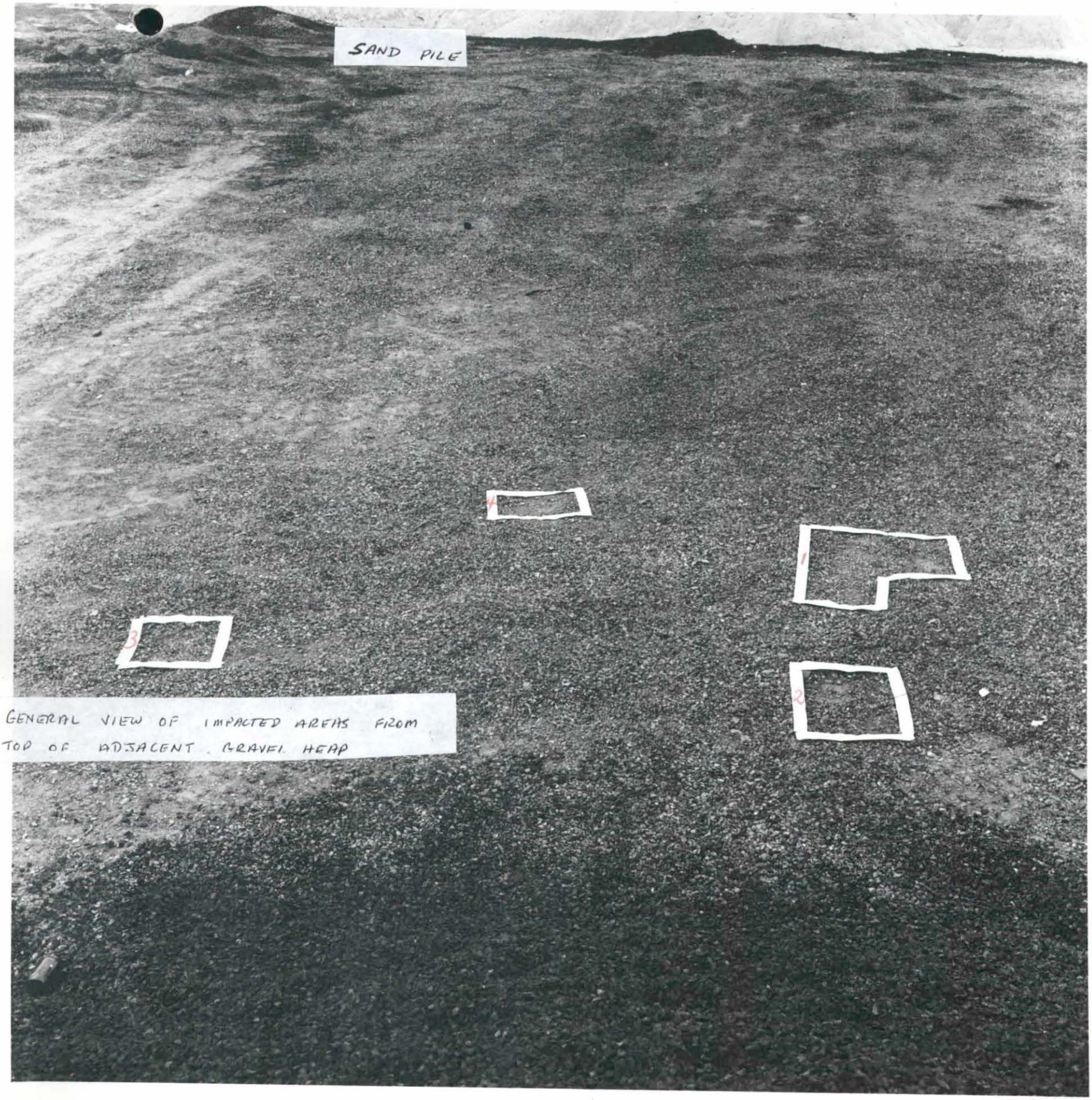

GENERAL VIEW OF IMPACTED AREAS FROM TOP OF ADJACENT GRAVEL HEAP

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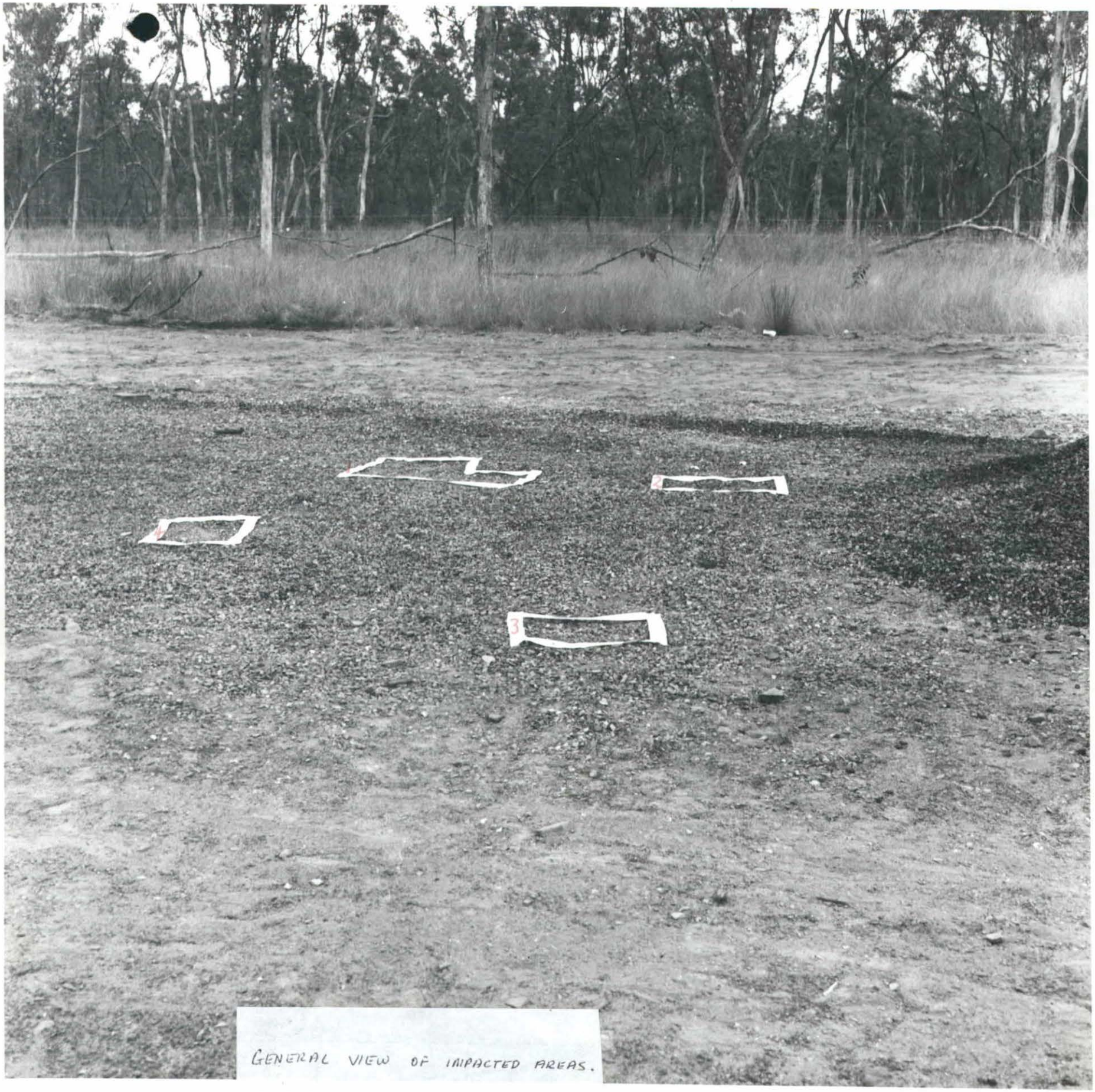

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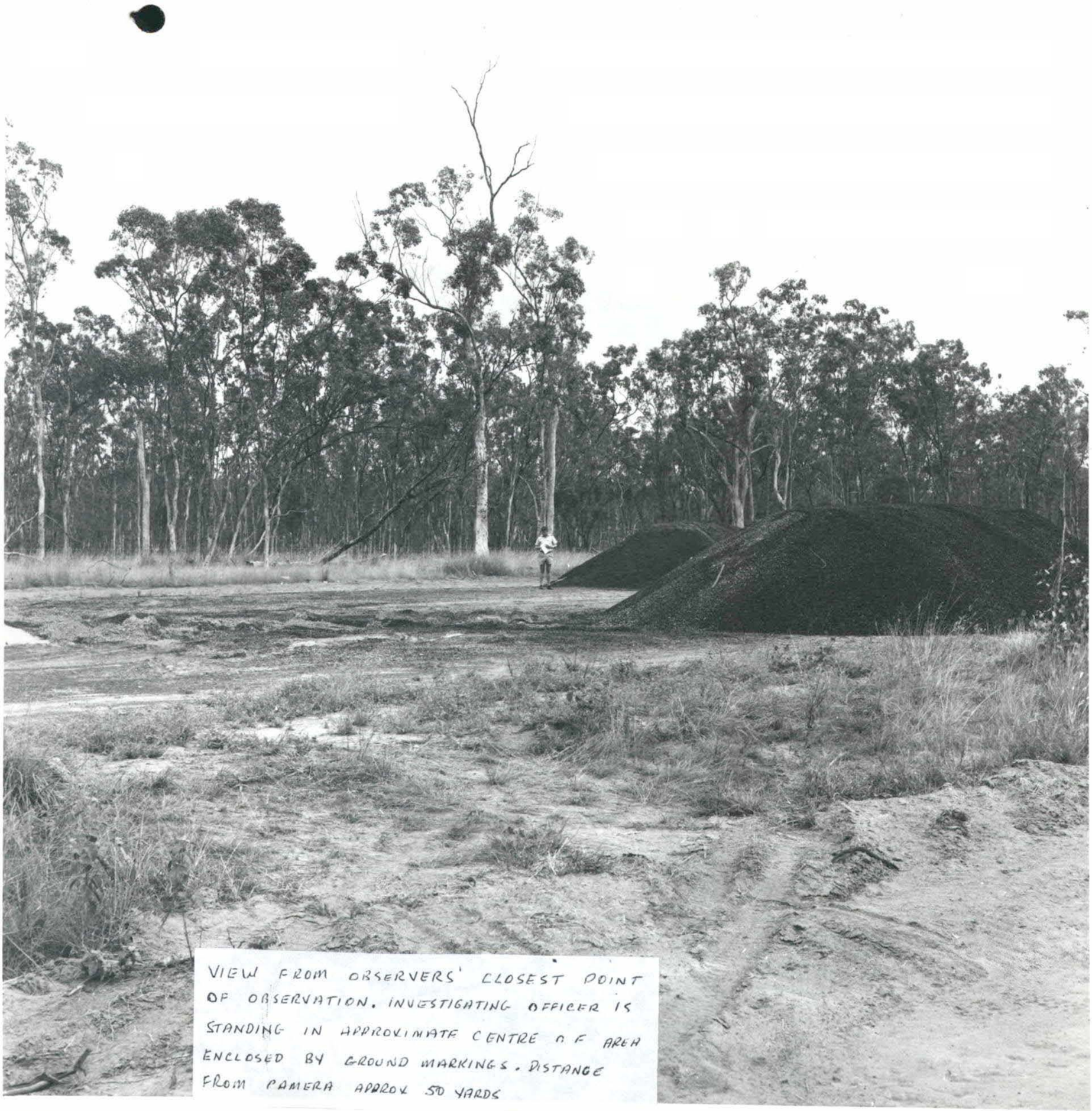

VIEW FROM OBSERVERS' CLOSEST POINT OF OBSERVATION. INVESTIGATING OFFICER IS STANDING IN APPROXIMATE CENTRE OF AREA ENCLOSED BY GROUND MARKINGS. DISTANCE FROM CAMERA APPROX 50 YARDS

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VIEW LOOKING FROM APPROX POSITION OF OBSERVERS' VEHICLE WHEN LIGHT FROM GRAVEL STORAGE AREA FIRST NOTED.

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Date 25/3/75 Ref No. G 52/9

Subject

79-5666

Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

8 April 1975

HQTVL 5/40/Air (13)

Mr A. Lucas
Morgan Street
Yorkeys Knob
Cairns Qld

Dear Sir,

Reference your report of an unusual aerial sighting near Cairns on the evening of 4 April 1975, a more detailed account and description of the sighting is required to assist us in our investigations.

Enclosed is a pro-forma for completion by you which will clarify your report if completed at all parts. A full description and sketch of the object, as well as names and addresses of the other witnesses will be appreciated.

Please complete and return the form to RAAF Townsville at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer T/Commanding

79-5666

Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

HQ 5/40/Air (12)

7 April 1975

Mr N. Simich
C/- Connair
Alice Springs N.T.

Dear Sir,

Your report of an unusual aerial sighting near Cairns on the 4th April 1975 has been passed by telephone to this Headquarters.

Enclosed is a pro-forma for completion by you which will assist us in our investigations. This form should be completed at all parts paying particular attention to accuracy of details. Your own description of the object, and details of your flight path from about 1900 hours on that date as well as any additional information will be appreciated.

Please complete and return the form to the above address at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

Royal Australian Air Force

A273 – MEMORANDUM

May 72 Stock No 7530-66-052-8064

FROM	FILE	DATE	REFERENCES
HQTNL	5/40/Air/P13(11)	21MAR75	HDOC 60/Air (6) 9SEP74

TO DEFAIR ATTENTION DAFI-1R

SUBJECT UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING REPORT

Enclosed for your information and record purposes, is an Unusual Aerial Sighting Report; Unit Investigation Report; and reply to observers.

Enclosures: 1. Unusual Aerial Sighting Report
2 Unit Investigation Report
3. HQTNL 5/40/Air P13 (9) 21MAR75

SIGNATURE	NAME	RANK	APPOINTMENT	PHONE NO
Peter Hodge	P.J. HODGE	FLTLT	Air 4	363

Royal Australian Air Force
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Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

Telephone: 79 5666

5/40/AIR Pt3(9)

21 March 1975

Mr. & Mrs. S. Finocchiano
PO Box 429
INGHAM QLD 4850

Dear Sir & Madam,

Thank you for completing the Unusual Aerial Sighting Report and returning it to this Headquarters.

Our investigations show that both of your observations were undoubtally of the planet SATURN. The apparent colour changes were most likely the result of the high luminosity of the planet and the high moisture content of the earth's atmosphere in this area at this time of the year. This same colour change effect of the planet was observed by both the investigating officer and another observer situated in Townsville on the evening of 17 March 1975.

At 12.30 a.m. 5 March SATURN was actually 23 degrees above the horizon, at an azimuth of 305 degrees (WNW), and by 1 a.m. had set in the west north west.

At 10.50 p.m. on the 11 March, SATURN was 30 degrees above the horizon, at an azimuth of 312 degrees (WNW) and was setting.

We trust that this explanation is satisfactory.

Yours faithfully,

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

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ANNEX A TO
HQOC ASI 3/A/5

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of Observer Josephine FINOCCHIARO Age 29

Address Box 429 INGHAM

State QLD. Postcode 4850

Occupation HOUSEWIFE

Phone (Home) 77 1309 Business CANEGROWER

2. Exact location of observer AT RESIDENCE
STONE RIVER ROAD. TREBONNE. VIA INGHAM

3. Start of observation: Date 5-3-75 Time 12:30 am/~~pm~~

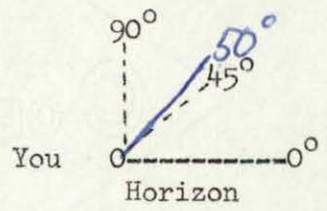
End of observation: Date 5-3-75 Time 1:00 am/~~pm~~

4. Accuracy of date _____ Times _____

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wing visibility etc. CLEAR NIGHT.

6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? N.W.

At what angle to the horizon?

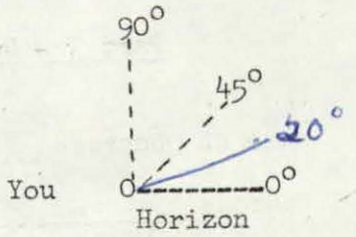


7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? N.W.W. (W N W)

/At what

ANNEX A

At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer _____

DISTANCE IN EXCESS OF 30 MILES

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.

Description/Sketch of Object

On first observation the object appeared to be a large moving star. On closer observation I noticed a flashing red light, & also every now & then flashing a blue light. Most of the time it appeared stationary.

/10. Have

10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations?

NO.

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) MY HUSBAND

SALVATORE FINOCCHIARO.

STONE RIVER ROAD. TREBONNE.

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

I further observed the object on the 11th March, at 10:50 p.m. in a N.N.W. direction, at approx. at an angl of 30°. It appeared to be moving in no definite direction. I observed it for about 8 minutes. + then left. Approximately 15 minutes later I rechecked + it had dissappeared. My husband observered the second sighting as well.

~~At 10.50 K~~

(At 11 1050 K Mar 75 Saturn was 30°12' in altitude ~~bearing~~ with an azimuth of 312°.)

Above are Investigating Officers Notes

[illegible]

/Part 2

Part 2 - Unit Report ANNEX A

1. a. Details of military aircraft activity in the area at the time of the sighting.

NIL

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA

Source of Information Operations

b. Details of civil aircraft activity, including light private aircraft and international flights, in the area at the time of the sighting.

NIL

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed From	ATD	Destination	ATA

Source of Information Operations

2. Give the bearing, elevation and movement of any planets or major stars that were in that portion of the sky at the time of the sighting.

SATURN - ALT 22°36' AZIM. 305° for 041400Z MARCH. VIS MAG 0

SATURN not visible at 041500Z No other planets/major star systems visible in North western quadrant at these times

Source of Information PLT OFF BUCHANAN 10 SQN.

3. Details of any predicted satellites, rockets, comets or meteorite activity in the area at the time of the sighting

NIL

Source of Information Investigating Officer

/4.

4. Details of any meteorological, research or radar balloons known to have been in the area at the time of the sighting (refer to point of release, size, colour, ROC, wind profile and whether it was known to have burst

BALLOON RELEASED 041115Z } FROM TVL
BALLOON RELEASED 041715Z }

NOT APPLICABLE.

Source of Information MET SECTION TVL

5. Details of any unusual radar traces or images, which may relate to the sightings, as recorded by military or civil networks

NIL COVER

Source of Information RAAF

6. Provide the following information relating to the weather and atmospheric conditions at the time of the sighting:

Temperature (dry bulb) 25 °C (wet bulb) 20+ °C Relative Humidity 78 % Cloud Cover SKC Type —

Temperature inversion of NIL °C at — ft measured at — hrs from —

Wind direction CALM at GROUND ft
140/15-20 at 3000 ft
120/52 at 5000 ft
135/22 at 10000 ft

Pollution level NIL

7. Details of terrain and natural and/or man-made features in the area. (Attach map with significant points marked, if possible).

/Part 3

ANNEX A

Part 3 - Investigating Officer's Evaluation

1. a. Date of interview Conducted by letter + telephone

b. Place of interview _____

2. Names and addresses of persons interviewed (include phone numbers where applicable).

1. _____ 2. _____

_____ _____

_____ _____

3. _____ 4. _____

_____ _____

_____ _____

3. Narrative evaluation of personalities of witnesses (include any relationship with UTO organisations and their interest in subject matter). **Mrs Finocchiaro (Australian by birth) appeared to be an intelligent person genuinely interested in knowing what she and her husband had observed. She stated that she did not think that what she had seen was an UFO.**

4. Investigating officer's evaluation of possible cause(s).

In spite of some small anomalies between observers estimated azimuth and altitude, the sightings of both the 5th and 11th March were undoubtably of the planet SATURN. On the evening of 17th March the same planet was seen apparently flashing red and blue by both the investigating officer and a 10 Sqn pilot. Both were located in Townsville.

HQTVL (Unit) **P.J.HODGE** (Name)

21MAR75 (Date) **FLTLT** (Rank)

Tel: 79-5666

Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

5/40/Air/Pt 3(7)

5th March 1975

Mr and Mrs Finnocchiaro
PO Box 429
INGHAM QLD

Dear Sir and Madam,

Enclosed is a report form which, when filled in as accurately as possible by you, will help us in our investigation of the aerial sighting reported by you to this Headquarters on the 5th March 1975.

Please fill in the form as soon as possible while the sighting is still quite fresh in your mind, and return it to the above address. Any extra comments or descriptions you wish to make, including sketches, should be done on the space available on the pro-forma, or on additional sheets of paper.

Yours faithfully,

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding

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RAYUC/HQEDN

RAYPPCX/5ACS

RAYWGN/AJASS

RAYWHA/COMPNGFOR

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REVISED POLICY UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS PD REFERENCE HQOC

60/AIR(10) OF 010CT74 PD AMEND BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING CLN

REFERENCES A HQOC ASI 3/A/5 VOL 1

B HQOC 60AIR(6) OF 09SEP74

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TOWNSVILLE

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ANNEX A TO
60/Air(6)
DATED 9 SEP 74

INFORMATION PRO-FORMA

The investigation of reports of unusual aerial sightings in Australia is carried out by the Royal Australian Air Force. Preliminary investigation of the reports is conducted at the nearest Royal Australian Air Force base. The reports are then forwarded to the Department of Defence (Air Office) where an investigating team completes the investigation.

Between January 1960 and December 1973 815 sightings were reported to the Royal Australian Air Force. 90 per cent of the sightings were attributed to causes which included aircraft, satellites, meteors, space debris re-entry, meteorological balloons, stars and planets. Seven per cent of reports were either received too late or did not provide sufficient information to permit proper analysis and evaluation. Three per cent of reports were attributed to unknown causes.

The United Kingdom Air Ministry has stated that on an average, 90 per cent of the sightings it investigates are explainable by causes ranging from meteorological balloons and meteors to aircraft lights. The other 10 per cent probably remain unexplained because of lack of reliable information.

The University of Colorado, under contract to the USAF, spent two years processing and investigating all American reports. The findings were published in 1968, by Bantam Books, as the 'Condon Report'. The general conclusion was that 'nothing has come from the study of UFOs in the past 21 years that has added to scientific knowledge' and that 'further extensive study of UFOs probably cannot be justified in the expectation that science will be advanced thereby'. A panel of eminent scientists, chosen by the US National Academy of Sciences, has examined and endorsed the Condon Report.

The USAF 'Project Blue Book' investigation of unidentified aerial objects between 1953 and 1965 analysed 7,641 UFO reports. The conclusions were:

a. 80 per cent of sightings were natural phenomena, hoaxes, birds or man-made objects;

b. 17 per cent of sightings provided insufficient data to permit thorough analysis and evaluation; and

c. three per cent were unidentified.

United States and Soviet space exploration has found no evidence to support the theory of life on planets in our solar system. The Mariner series of space exploration to Mars appears to have proved it a 'dead' planet. The only other source of extra-terrestrial life, therefore, would have to be in another solar system. The nearest visible star to Earth is Alpha Centauri which is about 25 million million miles away. Even if life forms existed there and were capable of space travel at speeds currently known to man ie about 25,000 mph they would take about 115,000 years to reach Earth. Consequently, the probability of extra-terrestrial life forms visiting Earth is extremely remote.

Enclosed are five summaries of unusual aerial sightings for the period January 1960 to December 1973.

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PENRITH 311311

Headquarters Operational Command
RAAF
PENRITH NSW 2750

6Q/Air (10)

1st October 1974

Headquarters RAAF DARWIN
Headquarters RAAF TOWNSVILLE
Headquarters RAAF AMBERLEY
Headquarters RAAF WILLIAMTOWN
Headquarters RAAF RICHMOND
Headquarters RAAF FAIRBAIRN
Headquarters RAAF EDINBURGH
Headquarters Operational Command Unit RAAF PENRITH
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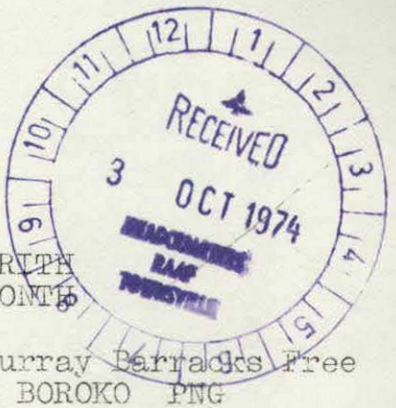

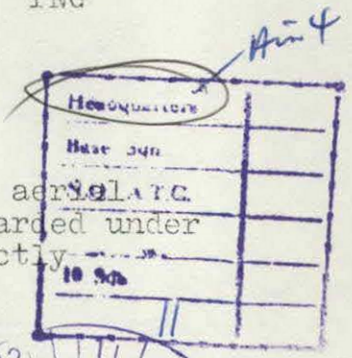

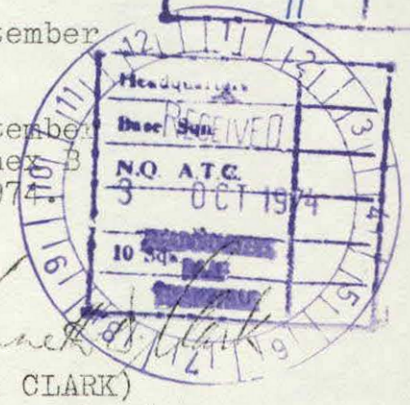

REVISED POLICY - UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

REF A HQOC ASI 3/A/5 Vol I
B HQOC 60/Air(6) of 9 SEPT 74

Policy relating to investigation of unusual aerial sightings is at Reference A. Revised policy was forwarded under Reference B. The annexes to Reference B were incorrectly identified and are to be amended as follows:

a. Annex A to 6Q/Air (6) of 9th September 1974 is enclosed.

b. Annex C to 6Q/Air (6) of 9th September 1974 is to be amended to read Annex B to 6Q/Air (6) of 9th September 1974.

(K.D. CLARK)
Squadron Leader
for Air Officer Commanding

Encl: 1. Annex A to 6Q/Air (6) of 9th September 1974

representation is approved, the text at Annex B to this letter is suggested as a guideline. The Directorate of Air Force Intelligence will periodically issue new summaries and revised texts for presentations.

4. Investigating officers occasionally apply the security classification 'Restricted' to unusual aerial sighting reports. In most cases, correspondence relating to unusual aerial sightings should be unclassified, unless the content warrants higher classification under the provisions of AAP 810 (March 1974 issue) Chapter 6.

(K.D. CLARK)
Squadron Leader
for Air Officer Commanding

Annexes: A. Information Pro-forma

B. Text of Lecture on the Investigation of Unusual Aerial Sightings in Australia

Enclosure: 1. Summaries of Unusual Aerial Sightings No 1 - No 5

Annex B + Enclosure removed to loose folder for convenience sake.
AH 26/6/74

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RECEIVED 23 SEP 1974 HEADQUARTERS RAAF TOWNSVILLE

Penrith: 311311

Headquarters Operational Command
RAAF
PENRITH NSW 2750

6Q/Air(6)

9th September 1974

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Base Sqn
N.Q. A.T.C.
10 Sqn. 48

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Headquarters Operational Command Unit PENRITH
No 5 Airfield Construction Squadron LEARMONTH
Australian Joint Anti-Submarine School NOWRA
Senior Air Force Officer HQPNG Defence Force Murray Barracks Free Bag
BOROKO PNG

REVISED POLICY - UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Reference: A. HQOC ASI 3/A/5

1. Policy relating to investigation of unusual aerial sightings is at Reference A. Paragraphs 1-6 remain valid, paragraph 7 and 8 are replaced by the following:

'7. Local investigating officers may reply to reports, either orally or in writing, providing they are completely satisfied that their investigation has determined the most probable cause of the sighting. When reports are dealt with locally, a copy of the report and reply is to be forwarded to the Directorate of Air Force Intelligence and parent Command Headquarters for record purposes. If any doubt exists regarding the cause of the sighting, or if the observer is not satisfied with the investigating officer's explanation, the report is to be forwarded to the Directorate of Air Force Intelligence for further investigation and reply.

'8. Commands and Formations are authorized to release to the public copies of Annex **B** (issued with this letter) and summaries of unusual aerial sightings when it is considered appropriate.

2. Annex A enclosed with this letter replaces Annex B of Reference A. Also enclosed are summaries of UFO sightings occurring in Australia between January 1960 and December 1973.

3. Requests for speakers at symposiums, conferences, club meetings etc are to be forwarded to the Director of Air Force Intelligence, copy to the parent Command Headquarters, for approval. In the event that official

/representation

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

FORM A 209
SEPT 54
7530-66-048-1916

ASTRO SIGHT PRE-COMPUTATION PRO-FORMA

(FOR USE WITH A.P.3270 VOLS. 1, 2 OR 3)

GREENWICH DATE		29 JUL 74	AIRCRAFT ALTITUDE	
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	LONGITUDE	148 15	GROUND SPEED	
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WATCH CORRECTION				
G.M.T. (START OF SIGHT)				
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INCREMENT ♈ OR BODY				
S.H.A. (✱ ONLY)				
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CORRECTIONS TO TABULATED ALTITUDE — d' CORRECTION FOR DIFF. (TABLE 5)	−29 / −18	+22 / +8	−27 / −9	
MOTION OF OBSERVER (TABLE 1)	8 M LATER	4 M LATER		
ATMOSPHERIC REF'N (TABLE 6)	+4	+1	+5	
INSTRUMENT ERROR (CHANGE SIGN)				
DOME REFRACTION (CHANGE SIGN)				
PARALLAX IN ALT. (P. IN A.) (CHANGE SIGN)				
TOTAL CORRECTIONS	+14	+8	−4	
PRE-COMPUTED ALTITUDE	12°51'	43°22'	11°22'	
SEXTANT ALTITUDE				
INTERCEPT (IF PRE-COMPUTED ALTITUDE GREATER, INTERCEPT AWAY)				

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EXTRACT FROM A.P.3270

ENTER VOL 1

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CORRECT ASSUMED POSITION (OR FIX) FOR				
PRECESSION (TABLE 4)	DISTANCE	′	DIRECTION	°
CORIOLIS (TABLE 7)	DISTANCE	′	AT 90° PORT / STARBOARD OF TRACK	

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

FORM A 209
SEPT 54
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ASTRO SIGHT PRE-COMPUTATION PRO-FORMA

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GREENWICH DATE		29 JUL 74	AIRCRAFT ALTITUDE	
D.R. POSITION	LATITUDE	20 10 S	TRACK	
	LONGITUDE	148 15 E	GROUND SPEED	
ASSUMED LATITUDE		20 S		LAT.

CELESTIAL BODY	VENUS		JUPITER		SATURN.	
WATCH TIME (START OF SIGHT)						
WATCH CORRECTION						
G.M.T. (START OF SIGHT)						
G.M.T. (MID TIME)	1900	-4M	1900	+4M	1900.	FIX TIME
G.H.A. ♈ OR BODY						
INCREMENT ♈ OR BODY						
S.H.A. (* ONLY)						
G.H.A. ♈ OR BODY	130.49		243.24		128.59	
ASSUMED LONGITUDE (+E) (-W)	148.11		147.34		148.01	
L.H.A. ♈ OR BODY	279	-1°	~~39~~ 031		+1° 277	L.H.A.
STAR (VOL. 1 ONLY)						
DECLINATION	N22.38		56.20.		N22.21.	DEC.
TABULATED AZIMUTH (Zn) OR (Z)	114		111		113	
CORRECTED AZIMUTH (Zn)	066°T		291°T.		067°T.	
TRACK (TR)						
RELATIVE BEARING (Zn - TR)						
TABULATED ALTITUDE	00 28		56.48		-1.15	
CORRECTIONS TO TABULATED ALTITUDE: d' CORRECTION FOR DIFF. (TABLE 5)	+22/-14		+28/+9		-22/-8.	
MOTION OF OBSERVER (TABLE 1)	8 M LATER		4 M LATER			
ATMOSPHERIC REF'N (TABLE 6)	+30		+1		+40.	
INSTRUMENT ERROR (CHANGE SIGN)						
DOME REFRACTION (CHANGE SIGN)						
PARALLAX IN ALT. (P. IN A.) (CHANGE SIGN)	JUST ABOVE				JUST BELOW	
TOTAL CORRECTIONS	00.58		56.57		-0.35'	
PRE-COMPUTED ALTITUDE	HORIZON				HORIZON	
SEXTANT ALTITUDE						
INTERCEPT (IF PRE-COMPUTED ALTITUDE GREATER, INTERCEPT AWAY)						

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PRECESSION (TABLE 4)	DISTANCE	'	DIRECTION	°
CORIOLIS (TABLE 7)	DISTANCE	'	AT 90° PORT STARBOARD OF TRACK	

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GREENWICH DATE		29 JUL 74	AIRCRAFT ALTITUDE	
D.R. POSITION	LATITUDE	20 10 S	TRACK	
	LONGITUDE	148 15 E	GROUND SPEED	
ASSUMED LATITUDE		20 S.		LAT.

CELESTIAL BODY	VENUS	JUPITER	SATURN	
WATCH TIME (START OF SIGHT)				
WATCH CORRECTION				
G.M.T. (START OF SIGHT)				
G.M.T. (MID TIME)	1800 −4M	1800	+4M 1800	FIX TIME
G.H.A. ♈ OR BODY	115.50			
INCREMENT ♈ OR BODY				
S.H.A. (* ONLY)				
G.H.A. ♈ OR BODY	115.50.	228.22	113.57	
ASSUMED LONGITUDE (+E) (−W)	148.10	147.38.	148.03	
L.H.A. ♈ OR BODY	264 −1°	316	+1° 262	L.H.A.
		016		
STAR (VOL. 1 ONLY)				
DECLINATION	N22.38.	56.20	N22.21.	DEC.
TABULATED AZIMUTH (Zn) OR (Z)		130.		
CORRECTED AZIMUTH (Zn)		310 T		
TRACK (TR)	NOT VISIBLE		NOT VISIBLE.	
RELATIVE BEARING (Zn − TR)				
TABULATED ALTITUDE		69.05		
CORRECTIONS TO TABULATED ALTITUDE: d' CORRECTION FOR DIFF. (TABLE 5)		+41/+14		
MOTION OF OBSERVER (TABLE 1)	8M LATER	4M LATER		
ATMOSPHERIC REF'N (TABLE 6) — CHANGE SIGN		Ø		
INSTRUMENT ERROR — CHANGE SIGN				
DOME REFRACTION — CHANGE SIGN				
PARALLAX IN ALT. (P. IN A.) — CHANGE SIGN				
TOTAL CORRECTIONS		+14		
PRE-COMPUTED ALTITUDE		69.19	Elevation	
SEXTANT ALTITUDE				
INTERCEPT (IF PRE-COMPUTED ALTITUDE GREATER, INTERCEPT AWAY)				

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EXTRACT FROM A.P.3270

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CORRECT ASSUMED POSITION (OR FIX) FOR				
PRECESSION (TABLE 4)	DISTANCE	'	DIRECTION	°
CORIOLIS (TABLE 7)	DISTANCE	'	AT 90° PORT STARBOARD OF TRACK	

INSTRUCTIONS IN RED APPLY TO VOLS. 2 AND 3 ONLY

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ASTRO SIGHT PRE-COMPUTATION PRO-FORMA

(FOR USE WITH A.P. 3270 VOLS. 1, 2 OR 3)

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GREENWICH DATE		29 JUL 74	AIRCRAFT ALTITUDE	
D.R. POSITION	LATITUDE	20 10 S	TRACK	
	LONGITUDE	148 15 E	GROUND SPEED	
ASSUMED LATITUDE		20 S.		LAT.

CELESTIAL BODY	VENUS	JUPITER	SATURN	
WATCH TIME (START OF SIGHT)				
WATCH CORRECTION				
G.M.T. (START OF SIGHT)				
G.M.T. (MID TIME)	1700 −4M	1700	+4M 1700	FIX TIME
G.H.A. ♈ OR BODY	100·51	213·19	98·55	
INCREMENT ♈ OR BODY				
S.H.A. (✱ ONLY)				
G.H.A. ♈ OR BODY	100·51	219·19	98·55	
ASSUMED LONGITUDE (+E) (−W)	148·09	~~247·41~~	148·05	
L.H.A. ♈ OR BODY	249 −1°	~~361~~ 001	+1° 247	L.H.A.

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STAR (VOL. 1 ONLY)			
DECLINATION	N 22·38.	S 6·20.	N. 22·21. DEC.

EXTRACT FROM A.P. 3270

TABULATED AZIMUTH (Zn) OR (Z)	~~180~~	180	
CORRECTED AZIMUTH (Zn)	~~181°.1~~	181° T.	H
TRACK (TR)	NOT VISIBLE		NOT VISIBLE.
RELATIVE BEARING (Zn − TR)			
TABULATED ALTITUDE	~~76·00~~	76·00	
d' CORRECTION FOR DIFF. (TABLE 5)	~~+60/+38~~	+60/+38	
MOTION OF OBSERVER (TABLE 1)	8M LATER	4M LATER	
ATMOSPHERIC REF'N (TABLE 6)	~~0~~	0	
INSTRUMENT ERROR			
DOME REFRACTION			
PARALLAX IN ALT. (P. IN A.)			
TOTAL CORRECTIONS	~~+38~~	+38	
PRE-COMPUTED ALTITUDE	~~76·38'~~	76·38°	Elevation
SEXTANT ALTITUDE			
INTERCEPT (IF PRE-COMPUTED ALTITUDE GREATER, INTERCEPT AWAY)			

CORRECTIONS TO TABULATED ALTITUDE — CHANGE SIGN

CORRECT ASSUMED POSITION (OR FIX) FOR				
PRECESSION (TABLE 4)	DISTANCE	'	DIRECTION	°
CORIOLIS (TABLE 7)	DISTANCE	'	AT 90° PORT / STARBOARD OF TRACK	

INSTRUCTIONS IN RED APPLY TO VOLS. 2 AND 3 ONLY

580/1/1 Pt 34(18a)

- 2 SEP 1974

Mr B. C. Davies,
3 Devon Street,
GULLIVER,
TOWNSVILLE, QLD. 4810.

Dear Sir,

Your report of an unusual aerial sighting on 23rd February, 1974 has been received and the investigating team considers that two separate light sources were sighted.

The initial sighting was probably the star Rigel Kentaurus which was visible with a magnitude of 0 at an elevation of about 60° on a bearing of about 165°. The second sighting was probably the planet Venus which was visible with a magnitude of -4 at an elevation of about 20° on a bearing of about 95°. Two factors are considered to have caused the apparent movement of the light sources. Firstly, whilst travelling in a car, the relative position of the lights, because of their distance from you, would not change when compared with much closer objects, thus creating the illusion of movement. Secondly a phenomenon known as atmospheric scintillation, caused by changes in atmospheric density, can produce apparent rapid movement of stars and planets, and can also cause increased magnitude of such light sources.

The disappearance of the two lights was probably due to either cloud or natural objects obscuring them from view.

We regret the delay in replying and trust that this explanation is satisfactory.

Yours faithfully,

G. J. Odgers

(G. J. ODGERS)
Director of Public Relations

Royal Australian Air Force
A273 – MEMORANDUM
May 72 Stock No 7530-66-052-8064

FROM	FILE	DATE	REFERENCES
HQTVL	5/40/Air A3(4)	25SEP74	HQOC 60/Air (6) 9 SEP 74

TO	ATTENTION
HQOC	CCIO

SUBJECT
UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

1. Annex A, Information Pro Forma, which is to replace Annex B of HQOC AS1 3/A/5, was not included with reference.

2. It would be appreciated if Annex A to reference could be forwarded as soon as possible

SIGNATURE	NAME	RANK	APPOINTMENT	PHONE NO
	P.J. HODGE	FLT LT	Air 4	363

Royal Australian Air Force

A273 – MEMORANDUM

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FROM	FILE	DATE	REFERENCES
DEFAIR	580/1/1 Pt 34 (185)	3 SEP 74	HQTVL 5/40/AIR(79) OF 28 FEB 74

ATTENTION

TO

HQTVL F10

SUBJECT

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Enclosed, for your records, is a copy of a letter to Mr B.C. Davies in reply to his report of an unusual aerial sighting.

ENCLOSURE Copy of letter to Mr B.C. Davies.

SIGNATURE	NAME	RANK	APPOINTMENT	PHONE NO
M. Cretton	M. CRETTON	FLG OFF	IR. 2	2408

39. When an aircraft is a possible identification, include radar trace if available, and ascertain which of the aircraft lights were operating .....

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40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting can*/cannot* be determined.

41. The object reported probably was*/may have been* (delete as required)

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.....Unit.....(name)

.....Date.....(rank)

Part 2 - Unit Evaluation

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time: NIL.

A/C type .....(1) .....(2) .....(3)

Heading .....T.....T.....T

Height .....000ft.....000ft.....000ft

Speed .....K.....K.....K

ATD/ATA*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time: NIL.

A/C type.....(1).....(2).....(3)

Heading .....T.....T.....T

Height.....000ft.....000ft.....000ft

Speed.....K.....K.....K

ATD/ATA*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA.

34. Observer's Location: Latitude .....Longitude.....

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that portion of the sky at that time. By day, give location of Venus only .....

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36. A meteorological baloon was released from .....NIL.....

at .....Z colour ..... Weight .....gm

Radio-sonde **/radar **/Candle **/battery ** (** delete as required)

General wind profile SE 10/15 up to 10000 THEN SW ABOVE

Maximum height tracked .....000ft at .....Z

Was it known to have burst? .....

37. The first significant temperature inversion was of ..2.....°C at..3000.....ft measured at approx time of sighting Z hrs from ..TUL.....station.

38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, comets, meteorites etc. relevant to the sighting .....

23. Where was object last observed:

a. relative to your surroundings .....

b. angle of elevation .....

c. compass angle bearing .....

24. What was the manner of its disappearance? .....

25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching, ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity etc) TOOK PHOTOGRAPHS. THREE PEOPLE WATCHING 12 - 33 - 13 YEARS OLD.

26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity

N/C.

27. How many witnesses to the sighting? THREE

28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area? NO

29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to explaining your observation? Someone with a large bright kite suspended on a kite

30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation?

31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate, sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your surroundings. Use back of form if needed.

observer talking on phone while watching. Now it looks like it has moved over HOBBERTON ISLANDS.

Signature ..... Date .....

Now lots of falling star all over the area around the object.

TELCON AGAIN 30600 K.

1ST OBJECT NE LOWER

2ND - NW HIGHER Shows a tail when it moved away from 1st. same size.

Small very bright lights moving towards the large light & from the different directions towards large Light

All the natural stars are now almost faded however depot remains bright with the small pin heads of very bright light moving towards large lighted depot.

More photos taken.

Still watching at end of TELCON.

10. What first attracted observer's attention? MOVEMENT OF THE OBJECT. THEN THE STRANGE BEHAVIOUR OF THE ANIMALS. ESPECIALLY THE DOGS WHICH WERE EXCITED AND BEHAVING AS IF FRIGHTENED. NO NOISE WAS HEARD

11. If there was more than one light/object:

a. how many were there? INITIALLY TWO - THEN MERGED INTO ONE LATER SPLIT-UP INTO TWO AGAIN

b. in what formation were they? ONE NE THE OTHER NW STATIONARY AFTER SPLIT.

12. What was the colour of the light or object? LIKE LOOKING INTO TORCH CHANGING COLOUR SLIGHTLY

13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, eg, ordinary street light at 100 yards) VERY STRONG AND BRIGHT. DID NOT SHOW BEAM OF ANY KIND JUST A BRIGHT SQUARE OF LIGHT WITH INTENCITY CHANGING.

14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach:

a. relative to Venus or Moon CLOSE [LIKE A TORCH IN SUSPENSION]

b. relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from the eyes) 4"-5"

15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed?

16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? No. HOWEVER WHEN OBJECTS MOVED APART THE NW ONE SHOWED TAIL AS IT MOVED HORIZ ACROSS SKY.

17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity No SOUND. DOGS BEHAVING VERY STRANGELY WHINING AND CRAWLING, JUMPING ARROUND, SHOWING SIGNS OF FRIGHT.

18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)? STAYED AT SAME HEIGHT WHEN STATIONARY

19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances MOVED SLOWLY THEN REMAINED STATIONARY

20. Give duration of any stationary phases ½ - 2 HRS.

21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres HOVER. MOVING UP/DOWN, CIRCULAR.

22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen NOT WHILE STATIONARY, ~~NO~~ WHEN OBJECTS SEPARATED TAIL SHOWED ON N.W. ONE

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ANNEX B TO
HQOC 5/15/Air(36)
DATED 27JUL72

TELCON 300500.K

REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

PART 1 - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form).

1. Name of observer MRS D.C. ANDERSON MRS. HUBBARD + DAUGHTER Age 33

2. Address of observer WEST ENRI CREEK ROAD DELTA 6MLS NORTH MIRINDA Phone 99W DELTA

3. Occupation of observer H.W. (FARMER.)

4. Date and time of start of observation 30th JULY 74 0400 - 0545AM

How certain is the date? WATCHING OBJECT WHILE TALKING ON PHONE.

How accurate is the time of start? +- 5 MIN

5. Duration of observation STILL OBSERVED AT COMPLETION OF TELCON

How accurate is your estimate? ACCURATE +- 5 MIN.

6. Observer's location at time of sighting HOME STEAD — OBJECT MOVED FROM BOWEN IN GENERAL DIRECTION OF TVL THEN HOVERING CLOSE TO HOMESTEAD

How familiar is observer with this locality? MRS ANDERSON LIVED IN AREA 72 years (Never seen anything like it before)

7. Weather conditions at time of observation CLEAR

8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation NIL (PHOTOGRAPHS OF OBJECT TAKEN)

9. Where was object first observed:

a. Relative to your surroundings APPEARED FROM THE SEA OVER BOWEN

b. angle of elevation JUST ABOVE TREES AND UP TO 2ft to Meal — 45°.

c. compass angle bearing NE — NW

d. how accurate are these estimates ROUGH [No COMPASS.]

Tel: 79-5666

Headquarters
RAAF Base
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

5/40/Air/Pt 3(1)

2nd August 1974

Mrs Hubbard
West Euri Creek Road
Delta
via MERINDA QLD 4805

Dear Mrs Hubbard,

It would be appreciated if you would complete the attached pro-forma to the best of your knowledge in order that your report of an unusual aerial sighting can be fully investigated.

In your initial report by telephone, you stated that photographs were taken. If possible, these photographs, negatives or the undeveloped film, with details of exposure time and camera lens aperture, forwarded with your report would be most helpful in our investigation. All care will be taken and any personal photography on the film will be treated in confidence. All material will eventually be returned to you.

You are also invited to describe the sighting in your own words and to draw a sketch of the object's movements.

Yours faithfully,

(P.J. HODGE)
Flight Lieutenant
for Officer Commanding