PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. TIME GROUP

[illegible] 15/0415Z

2. LOCATION

Greenville, Ohio

3. SOURCE

Civilian

4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS

One

5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION

Two - Five minutes

6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

Ground-Visual

7. COURSE

Roughly NE

8. PHOTOS

☐ Yes
XX No

9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

☐ Yes

10. CONCLUSION

OTHER:

Probably (SATELLITE DECAY)

COMMENTS: Two pieces of satellite debris decayed on the 15th. Obj #311--1200Z plus or minus 12 hrs Obj #1485--1200Z plus or minus 12 hrs.

11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS

Observer sighted a round red object that had a large tail of what appeared to be fire. The object was first seen in the south and disappeared in the SE.



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

X	EYEGLASSES		CAMERA VIEWER
	SUNGLASSES	X	BINOCULARS
	WINDSHIELD		TELESCOPE
X	SIDE WINDOW OF VEHICLE		THEODOLITE
	WINDOWPANE		OTHER + OUT STANDING BY THE CAR.

A. DO YOU ORDINARILY WEAR GLASSES? [X] YES [ ] NO

B. DO YOU USE READING GLASSES? USE SAME GLASS [ ] YES [X] NO

18. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE SPEED OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF SPEED

SPEED APPEARED FASTER THAN SATELITE

19. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE DISTANCE OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF DISTANCE

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

A black grapefruit with a reddish glowing front. Leaving a wide + long trail. The trail started immediately behind the fire ball. There didn't seem to be a space then a trail.

Couldn't really tell but very high. In outer space

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

A. DID THE PHENOMENON DISTURB THE GROUND OR LEAVE ANY PHYSICAL EVIDENCE. [ ] YES [X] NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

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

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

A. LIST THEIR NAMES AND ADDRESSES. [redacted] GREENVILLE, O - FIRST SAW IT.

24. GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME [redacted]

ADDRESS (Street, City, State, and ZIP Code) [redacted]

TELEPHONE (Area code and number)	AGE		MALE		FEMALE
[redacted]	43	X	MALE		FEMALE

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

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FORMER AIR FORCE BOMBARDIER
PRESENTLY HOLD PILOTS LICENSE.

25. WHEN AND TO WHOM DID YOU REPORT THAT YOU HAD SIGHTED THIS PHENOMENON?
SENT REPORT TO WPAFB. ALSO TOLD MARCELLA Woodman - ATS Greenville, MRS. TYO AT GREENVILLE ADVOCATE REGISTER

NAME _____ DAY ~~ALSO TO WRIGHT PATTERSON~~ MONTH ~~AFB, OHIO~~ YEAR

26. DATE YOU COMPLETED THIS QUESTIONNAIRE.

DAY 19 MONTH APRIL YEAR 68

4-15-68

MEMO FOR THE RECORD

16 Apr. 68

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There were two decays for the 15th.

3111 debris 1200 Z ± 12 hrs.

1485 " 1200 Z ± 12 hrs.

14 Apr 68

TDPT (UFO) Lt Col Quintanilla/70916/mhs/6 Jun 68

6 JUN 1968

UFO Observation, 14 April 1968

Mr [redacted]
Greenville, Ohio 45331

1. Reference your unidentified observation of 14 April 1968. We contacted the Space Detection Center at Ent AFB, Colorado, and they informed us that two pieces of satellite debris decayed at the approximate time of your observation.

2. Since the exact times of the decays are not known, we can only state that it is very likely that you observed one of the fragments decaying into the earth's atmosphere. Satellite reentry appears similar to that of a fireball except that the debris is much longer than a meteor observation. Satellite decay is usually whitish-blue in front and has an orangish-red fiery tail.

3. Thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

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

TDPT (UFO) OFFICIAL FILE CY

[redacted] AUCTION SERVICE

[redacted]
GREENVILLE, OHIO 45331

April 15, 1968

Wright Field
Dayton, Ohio

Attn: UFO Dept.

Gentlemen:

On April 14, at 11:15 P. M. our family was about 5 Mi. NE. of Piqua, Ohio, on old route 25. The moon was very bright and we were observing it th rough 7X35 binoculars when our younger son Tom observed what he thought was a shootingstar.

Our entire family of 9 observed it by the naked eye and through binoculars. It was an object that moved through the sky at an azimuth of about 80 degrees. It was visible for several minutes. The fore part of it was glowing as if very hot. It left a wide long trail. It definitely was more than just a shooting star. It might have been a huge meteor. It was like a comet and at a very high altitude. However it was moving from west to east. It did not appear to be an aircraft.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

Reentry ?

15 Copy. 0415Z

14 April 68

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

17 APR 1968

REPLY TO ATTN OF: TDPT (UFO)

SUBJECT: UFO Observation , 14 April 1968

TO: Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]et
Greenville, Ohio 45331

Your name has been given to the Aerial Phenomena Office (Project Blue Book) as being a witness to an unidentified flying object. If you were a witness to an UFO sighting on 14 April 1968 would you please complete the attached AF Form 117 and return it in the envelope provided. If you were not a witness to this sighting, would you please make a statement to this effect on the attached form. The information which you provide will be used in evaluating this observation. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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

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AF Form 117 w/envelope

AFR 80-17(C1)

SIGHTING OF UNIDENTIFIED PHENOMENA QUESTIONNAIRE

BUDGET BUREAU APPROVAL NUMBER 21-R399

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

1. WHEN DID YOU SEE THE PHENOMENON? DAY 14 MONTH APRIL YEAR 1968

2. WHAT TIME DID YOU FIRST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON? HOUR 11:40 MINUTES _____ ☐ A.M. ☒ P.M.

3. WHAT TIME DID YOU LAST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON? HOUR 11:45 MINUTES _____ ☐ A.M. ☐ P.M.

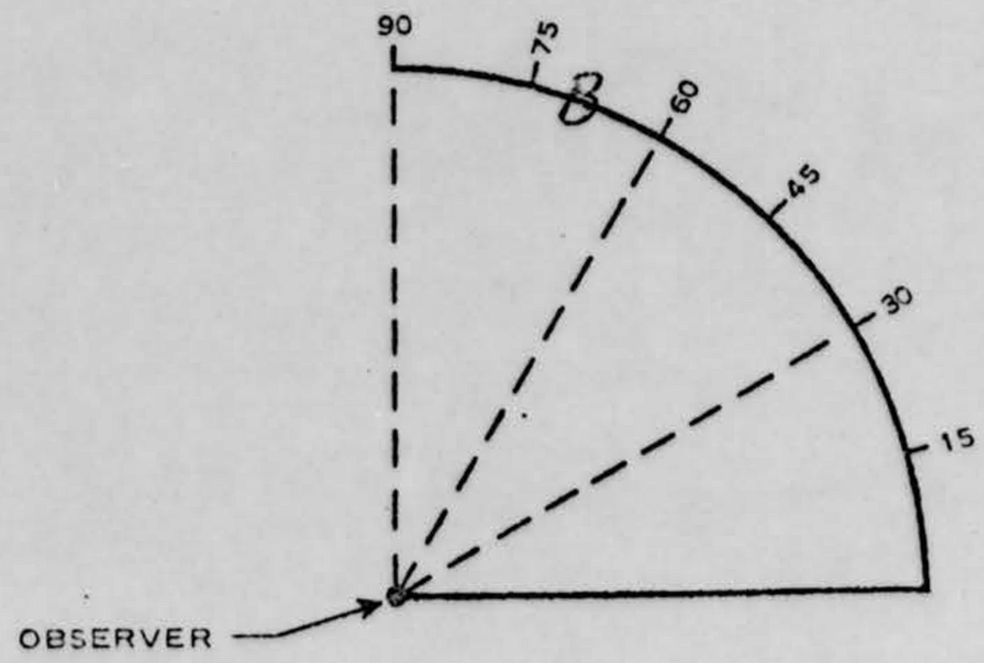
4. TIME ZONE ☐ DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ☒ STANDARD

☒ EASTERN ☐ CENTRAL ☐ MOUNTAIN ☐ PACIFIC ☐ OTHER

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

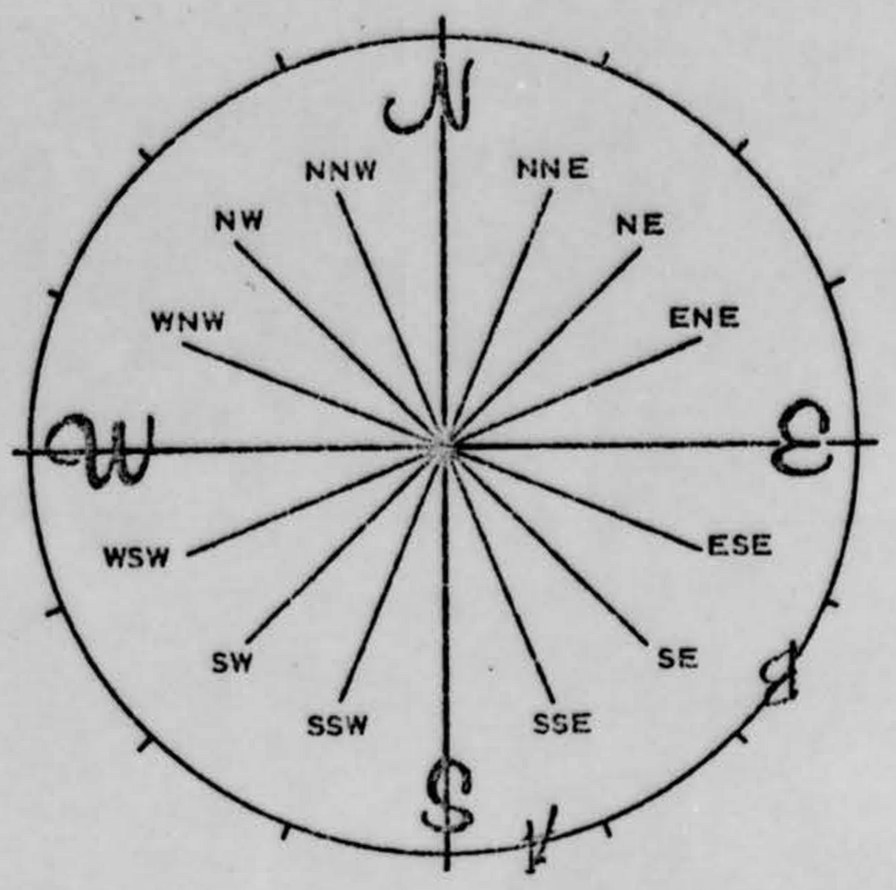
On Old Rt 25 about ½ mi. N. of the big curve that turns north from a westerly direction approximately 2½ mi. N.E. of Piqua, Ohio

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

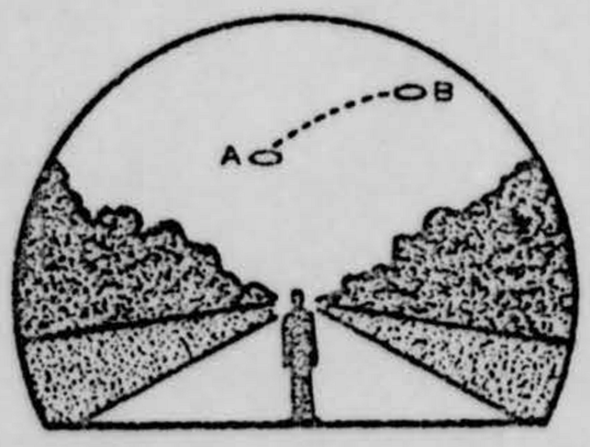


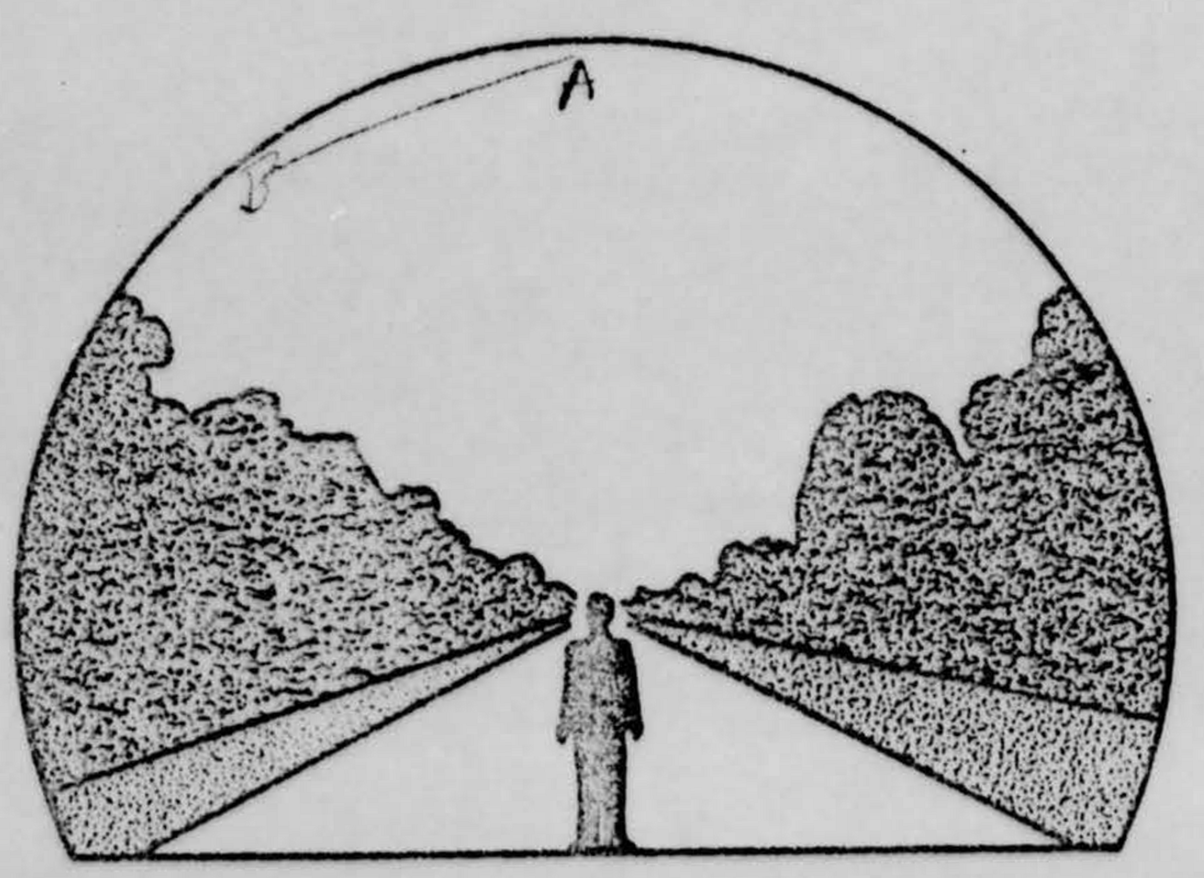
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6A. NOW IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE CENTER OF THE COMPASS ROSE. PLACE AN "A" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN.



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





8. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? *(Check appropriate blocks.)*

	OUTDOORS		IN BUSINESS SECTION OF CITY
	IN BUILDING		IN RESIDENTIAL SECTION OF CITY
X	IN CAR ☐ AS DRIVER ☐ AS PASSENGER	X	IN OPEN COUNTRYSIDE
	IN BOAT		NEAR AIRFIELD
	IN AIRPLANE ☐ AS PILOT ☐ AS PASSENGER		FLYING OVER CITY
	OTHER		FLYING OVER OPEN COUNTRY
			OTHER

A. IF YOU WERE IN A VEHICLE, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

WHAT DIRECTION WERE YOU MOVING?

	NORTH		EAST
	SOUTH		WEST
	NORTHEAST		SOUTHEAST
	NORTHWEST		SOUTHWEST

HOW FAST WERE YOU MOVING?
STOPPED

DID YOU STOP ANYTIME WHILE OBSERVING THE PHENOMENON?
☒ YES ☐ NO

EXPLAIN WHETHER SUCH MOVEMENT AFFECTS YOUR SKETCHES IN ITEMS 5 AND 6.
NO.

DESCRIBE TYPE OF VEHICLE YOU WERE IN AND TYPE OF ROAD, TERRAIN OR BODY OF WATER YOU TRAVERSED DURING THE SIGHTING. STATE WHETHER WINDOWS OR CONVERTIBLE TOP WERE UP OR DOWN.
SITTING IN AUTO WITH WINDOWS DOWN. ON HARD SURFACE ROAD.

HOW MUCH OTHER TRAFFIC WAS THERE?
VERY LITTLE

DID YOU NOTICE ANY AIRPLANES? ☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE WHEN THEY WERE IN SIGHT RELATIVE TO THE TIME OF SIGHTING THE PHENOMENON AND WHERE THEY WERE IN THE SKY RELATIVE TO THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON.

9. HOW LONG WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT?

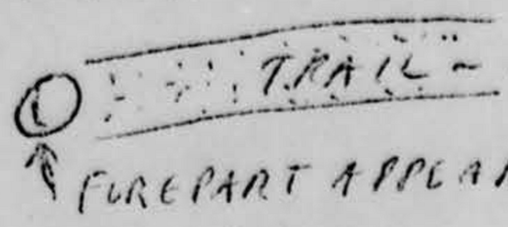
LENGTH OF TIME				
ABOUT 2 - 5 MINUTES	X	CERTAIN OF TIME		NOT VERY SURE
		FAIRLY CERTAIN		JUST A GUESS

HOW WAS TIME DETERMINED?
LOOKED AT WATCH AFTER IT DISAPPEARED.

WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT CONTINUOUSLY? ☒ YES ☐ NO. IF "NO," INDICATE WHETHER THIS IS DUE TO YOUR MOVEMENT OR THE BEHAVIOR OF THE PHENOMENON, AND DESCRIBE SUCH MOVEMENT OR BEHAVIOR. INDICATE DISAPPEARANCES ON PREVIOUS SKETCHES.

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

only one



11. CONDITIONS *(Check appropriate blocks.)*

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

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

(1) STARS		(2) MOON		
	NONE	X	BRIGHT MOONLIGHT -- FULL	NO MOONLIGHT
X	A FEW		MOON WITH HALO	UNKNOWN
	MANY		MOON HIDDEN BY CLOUDS	
	UNKNOWN		PARTIAL *(New or quarter)*	

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

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

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

MOONLIGHT ONLY

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

object appeared to have light red colored front. It seemed to be a rounded object. The back part seemed darker. My impression was that it was solid. It left a wide trail that was very long. The trail seemed to be about the same width and length all the time. The trail was much longer than it was wide. It was about 4 or five times longer than Saturn is on a bright night. It was at a very high altitude.

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

14. WHAT DREW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE PHENOMENON?

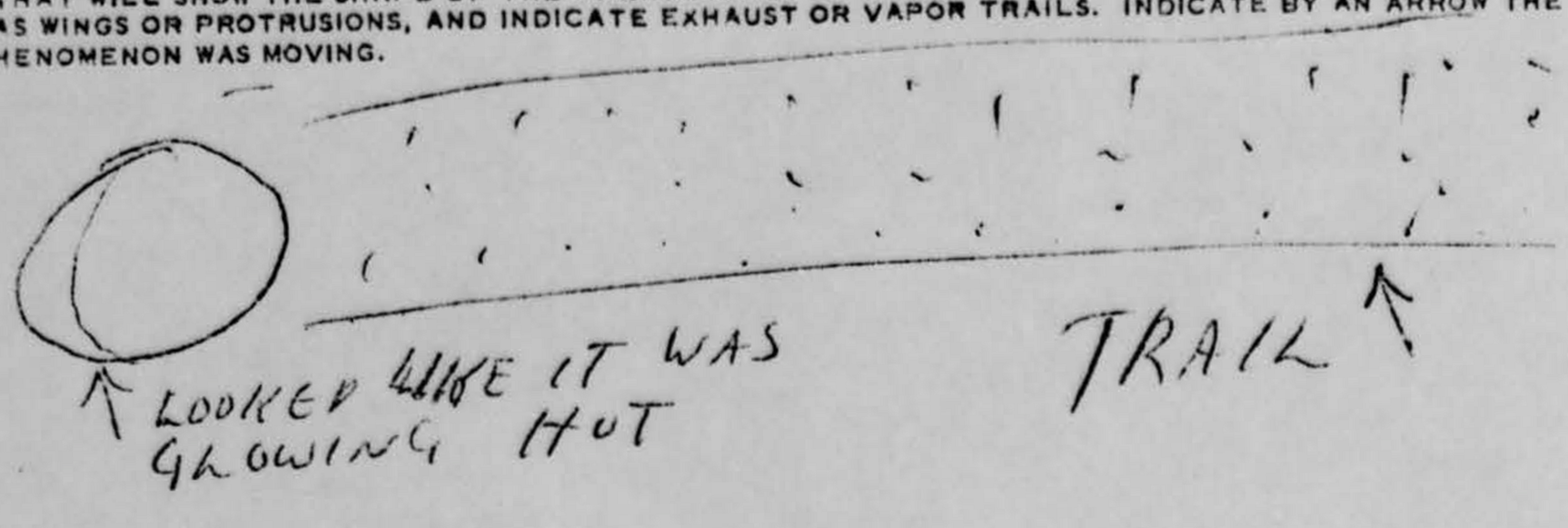
we were parked along the road viewing the moon with a pair of binoculars (7X35) when our son Tom saw it with the naked eye. The objet was visible with the naked eye and more intensely through binoculars. we thought that it was a comet as it looked like a picture of Halleys Comet. Except the trail was straight and not curved, but it moved from west to east. I have been informed that comets only move from East to west.

A. HOW DID IT FINALLY DISAPPEAR?

just faded from sight

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

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



DIRECTION OF TRAVEL

We could make out no wings or protrusions.

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