PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 21/0030Z	2. LOCATION LIMA, OHIO
3. SOURCE CIVILIAN	10. CONCLUSION INSUFFICIENT DATA FOR EVALUATION
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS ONE	COMMENTS: See reverse side.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION THREE-FOUR MINUTES	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS At 10:25 pm the observer spotted what she thought was a falling star. However the object maintained a constant pattern back and forth across the sky. The observer tried to show it to a friend but was then unable to locate it. About 10 minutes later she sighted another object that looked something like a hugh train engine. This object disappeared toward the City of Lima. At 11:00 pm the observer sighted another UFO in the N.E. COMMENTS: The city police and the control tower personnel at Lima did not receive any calls about UFO's on this night. The alleged witness was requested to complete
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION GROUND-VISUAL	
7. COURSE NE to SSW	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM
FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

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

REPLY TO ATTN OF: TDPT (UFO)

5 AUG 1968

SUBJECT: UFO Observation, 19 July 1968

TO: Lima Airport
Lima, Ohio 45802

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3. The description is very similar to that of an aircraft with an electrical advertising sign, however, we do not know of any in your area. Do you have records that would indicate if any aerial advertiser was operating in the area that night.

4. Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

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

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August 19, 1968

Gentlemen:

We have no knowledge of this, and have not been able to locate anyone here at the airport who has information regarding this either.

Sorry we cannot be of any assistance to you.

Yours truly,

LIMA AVIATION CORP.
1902 Baty Road
Lima, Ohio 45807

WILLIAM K. DAVENPORT
CHIEF OF POLICE
RONALD C. COOK
INSPECTOR
ROBERT L. CLEMENS
INSPECTOR

LIMA POLICE DEPARTMENT

217 EAST HIGH STREET
LIMA, OHIO 45801

August 9, 1968

Lt. Colonel Hector Quintanilla, Jr.
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Office
Aerospace Technologies Division
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio 45433

ATT: TDPT (UFO)

RE: UFO Observation, July 19, 1968

Dear Sir:

In checking the log of the Lima Police Department for the period around July 19, 1968, we find there to be no unidentified flying objects reported to this department during that period.

Very truly yours,

William K. Davenport
Chief of Police

Ronald C. Cook
Inspector

RCC:brn

19 Jul 68

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TDPT (UFO) Lt Col Quintanilla/70916/mhs/2 Aug 68

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4. Did you receive any reports of unusual objects for this date? We would appreciate your comments as to a possible cause for this sighting.

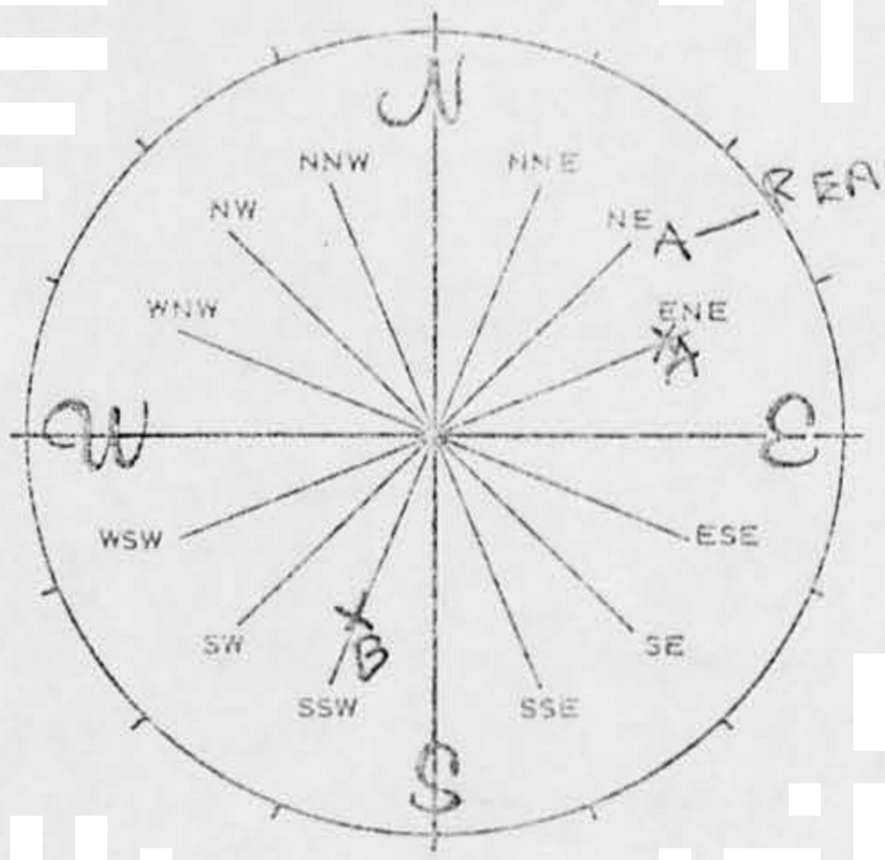
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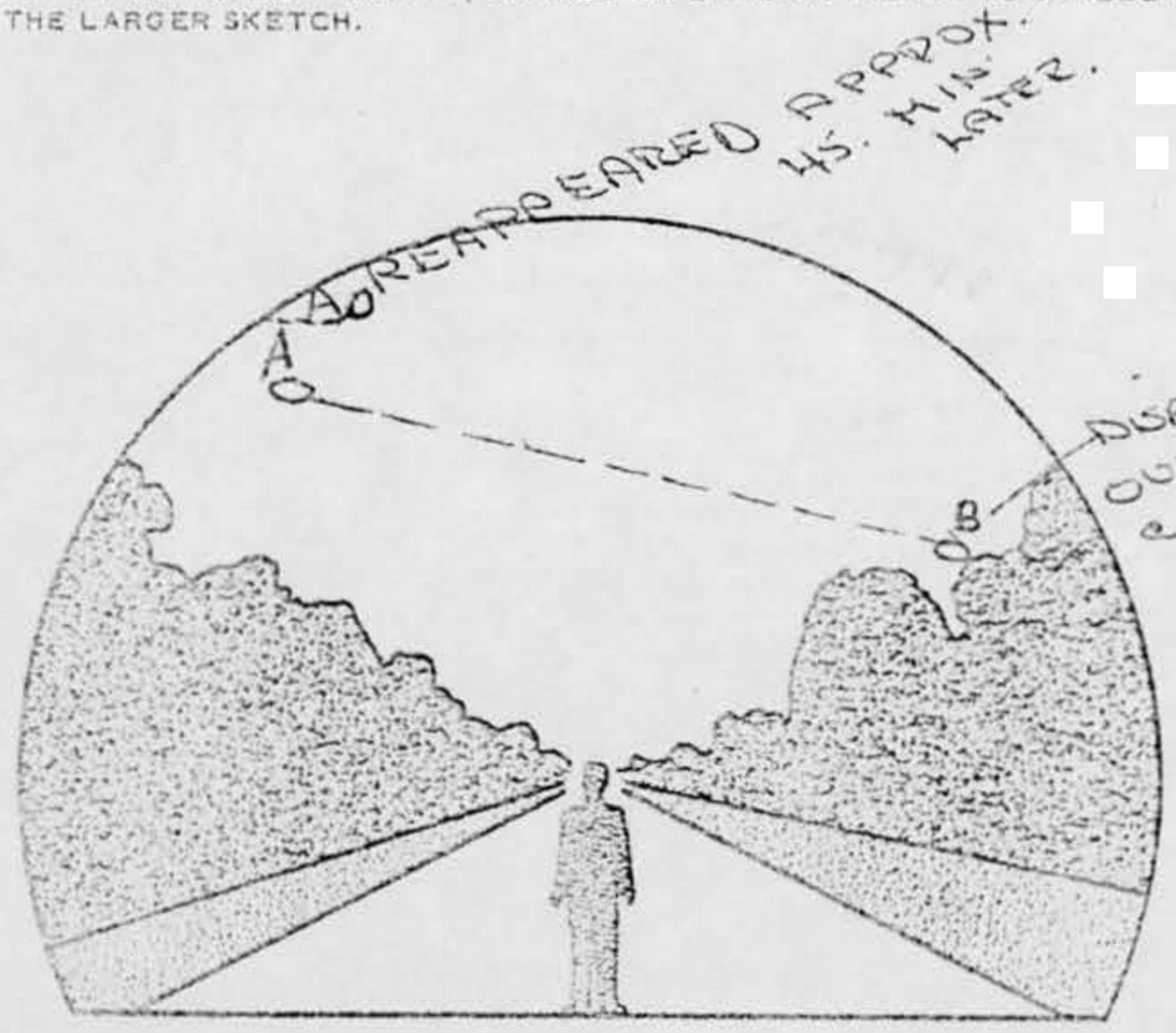
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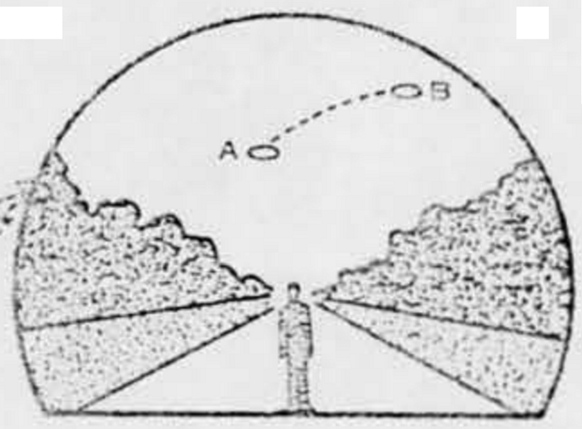
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6A. NOW IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE CENTER OF THE COMPASS ROSE. PLACE AN "A" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN.



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.*





SIGHTING OF UNIDENTIFIED PHENOMENA QUESTIONNAIRE

BUDGET BUREAU APPROVAL NUMBER 21-R252

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.)*

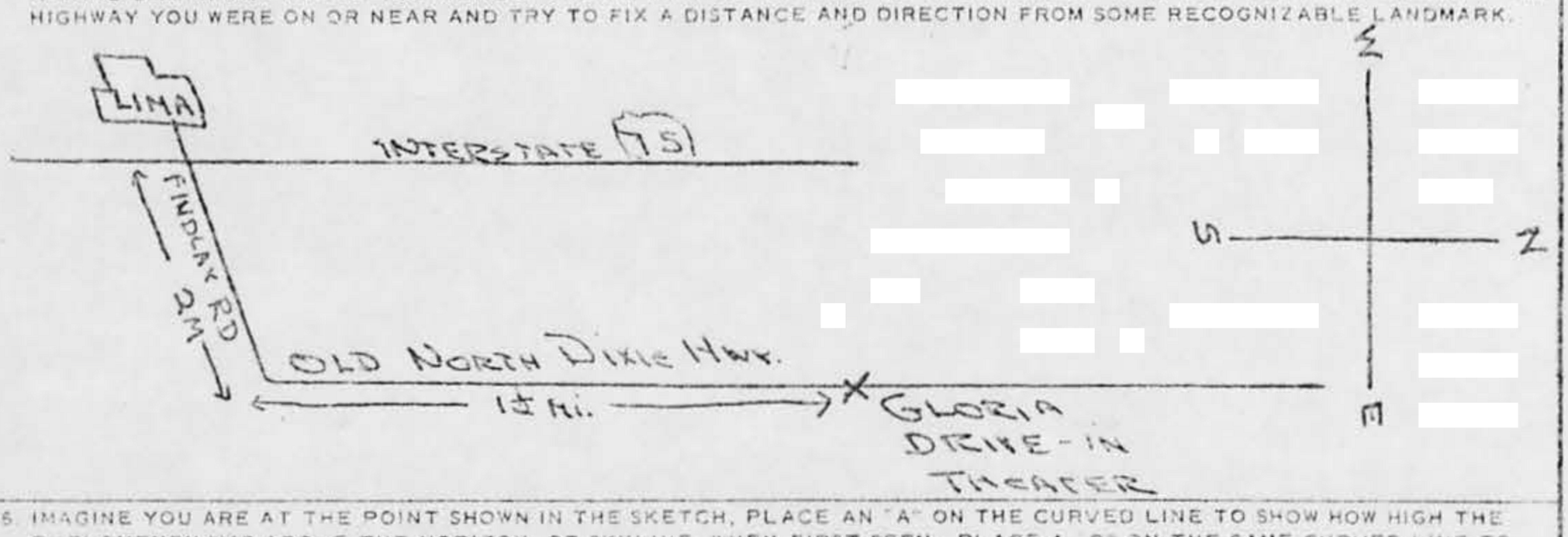
1. WHEN DID YOU SEE THE PHENOMENON? DAY JULY 19 MONTH FEB YEAR 1968

2. WHAT TIME DID YOU FIRST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON? HOUR 10 MINUTES 24 ☐ A.M. ☒ P.M.

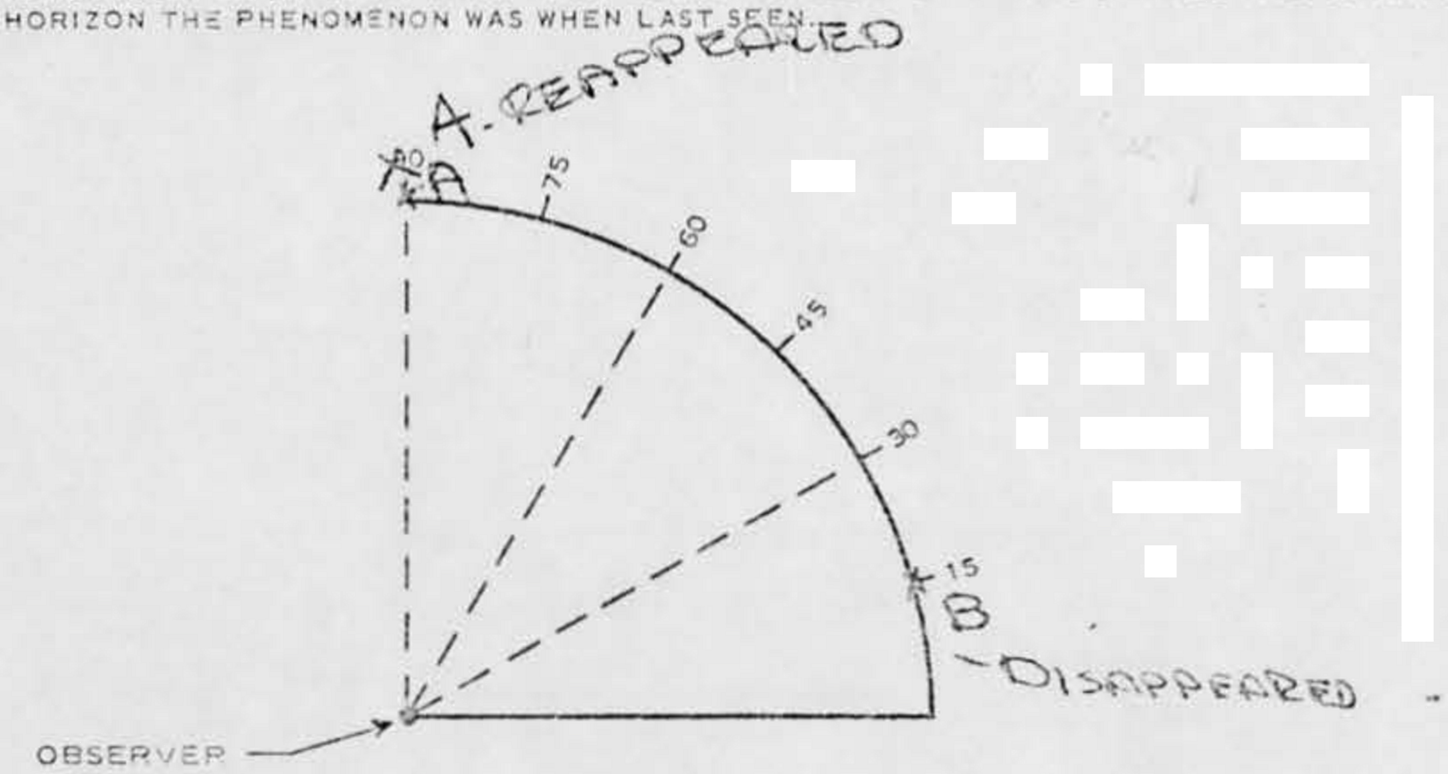
3. WHAT TIME DID YOU LAST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON? HOUR 11 MINUTES 31 ☐ A.M. ☒ P.M.

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.



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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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?

NO - COULD HAVE BEEN THE SAME OBJECT

11. CONDITIONS *(Check appropriate blocks.)*

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

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

	(1) STARS		(2) MOON		
	NONE		BRIGHT MOONLIGHT	X	NO MOONLIGHT
	A FEW		MOON WITH HALO		UNKNOWN
X	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.

A SPOT LIGHT - APPROX 25 FT FROM CAR.

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.

LIGHT - SELF - LUMINOUS - PULSATING GLOW OF AN AMBER SHADE. IT SEEMED TO BE SOLIDLY CONSTRUCTED WITH SHARP EDGES. AS IT CAME CLOSER THE LIGHT SEEMED TO BECAME DARKER AND THEN BRIGHTEN - CONTINUOUSLY DOING THIS UNTIL GOT OF SIGHT

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

X	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? VEHICLE WAS IN "PARK" POSITION

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

EXPLAIN WHETHER SUCH MOVEMENT AFFECTS YOUR SKETCHES IN ITEMS 5 AND 6.

DESCRIBE TYPE OF VEHICLE YOU WERE IN AND TYPE OF ROAD, TERRAIN OR BODY OF WATER YOU TRAVERSED DURING THE SIGHTING. STATE WHETHER WINDOWS OR CONVERTIBLE TOP WERE UP OR DOWN.
1964 IMPERIAL CHRYSTLER - WINDOWS WERE DOWN.

HOW MUCH OTHER TRAFFIC WAS THERE? APPROX- 60-75 OTHER VEHICLES AT DRIVE-IN

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.

~~1964~~ IMPERIA

9. HOW LONG WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT?

LENGTH OF TIME				
3-4 MIN.		CERTAIN OF TIME		NOT VERY SURE
	X	FAIRLY CERTAIN		JUST A GUESS

HOW WAS TIME DETERMINED?
BY WATCH

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.
DUE TO BEHAVIOR OF PHENOMENON. IT TRAVELED IN STRAIGHT LINE UNTIL IT DISAPPEARED. LATER IT REAPPEARED IN ALMOST SAME POSITION AS IT FIRST APPEARED AT. THE SECOND APPEARANCE THE PHENOMENON MOVED BACK AND FORTH ACROSS THE SKY - IN THE DIRECTION OF "NE" TO "ENE".

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



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

1/2 of the OBJECT WOULD BE COVERED

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?		X	
CHANGE BRIGHTNESS?	X		
CHANGE SHAPE?		X	
FLASH OR FLICKER?	X		
DISAPPEAR AND REAPPEAR?	X		
SPIN LIKE A TOP?	X		
MAKE A NOISE?	X		
FLUTTER OR WOBBLE?		X	

14. WHAT DREW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE PHENOMENON?

I WAS LOOKING AT THE STARS. AND I THOUGHT THAT ONE SEEMED BRIGHTER AND THEN IT BEGAN TO MOVE

A. HOW DID IT FINALLY DISAPPEAR?

IT JUST KEPT GOING OUT OF IT IT WAS OUT OF 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.

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

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

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

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

18. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE SPEED OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF SPEED 125 MPH

19. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE DISTANCE OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF DISTANCE 1500 FT ABOUT

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

IT RESEMBLED A TRAIN ENGINE (DIESEL) BUT A MUCH LARGER MODEL. IT HAD WINDOWS-LIKE OPENINGS ON THE SIDE FACING ME - AND IT SEEMED TO TAPER OFF IN BACK

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

THERE SEEMED TO BE KIND OF A WHIRRING NOISE AT A HIGH IN-TENSITY

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

AF Form 117 but has not done so as of 24 Sept 68. Because of the number of sightings involved and the each of corroborating witnesses, the sighting is being carried as Insufficient Data.

19 July 68

AFR 80-17(C1)

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

[redacted] KENTON, OHIO - 08 Ry 68.

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

A. LIST T[redacted]ME - BETHEL PARK, PA. 15102

24. GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF

LAST NAME, FIRST [redacted]

ADDRESS (Street, City, State and Zip Code) [redacted] LIMA, OHIO - 45804

TELEPHONE (Area code and number) [redacted]

AGE		MALE		FEMALE
17			X	

MEDICA[redacted]IONAL INFORMATION INCLUDING OCCUPATION AND ANY EXPERIENCE WHICH MAY BE PERTINENT.

TELEPHONE SOLICITOR - OLAN MILLS STORE LIMA

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

NAME Geneva Marshall DAY Fri 19 MONTH July YEAR 1968

26. DATE YOU COMPLETED THIS QUESTIONNAIRE.

DAY THURS 25 MONTH July YEAR 1968

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

IT LEFT NO SIGN OF EXHAUST OR ANY SMOKE. IT SEEMED TO LOOSE A LITTLE ALTITUDE AS IT CAME CLOSER. BUT THEN WENT BACK UP.

19 July 68

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
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REPLY TO ATTN OF: TDPT (UFO)

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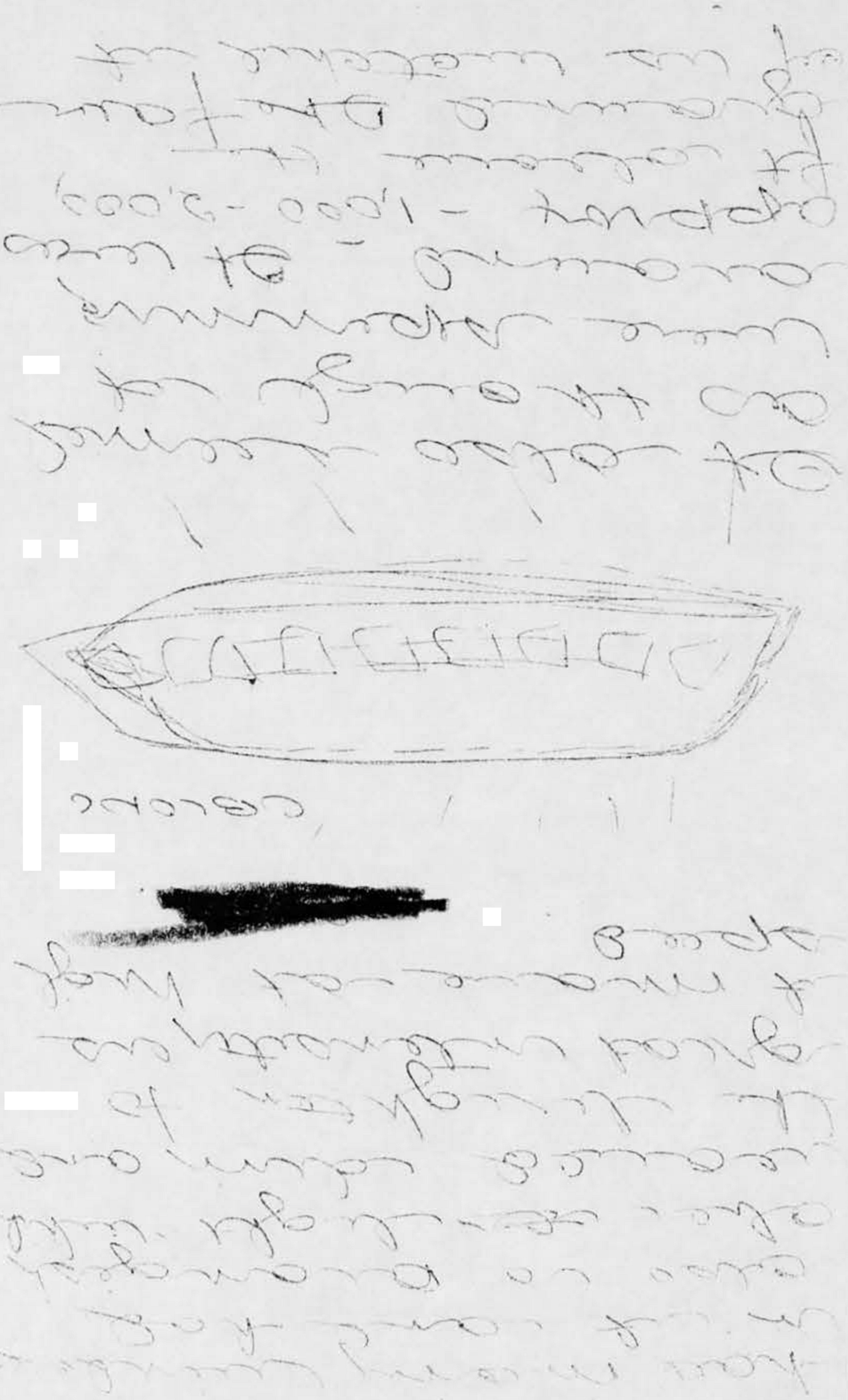
SUBJECT: UFO Observation, 19 July 1968

TO: Miss [redacted]
Lima, Ohio 45804

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

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

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AF Form 117 w/envelope



in to back and
forth pattern.
I cannot Nod
to much of UFO,
only the Model
flying Saucers are
Serious Businessmen
Frank Edwards and
Leo is the address
to which UFOs are
to be reported. Quite
strange things have
been seen in Lima
in the past 3 wks
and no one has
reported them.
Thanking you

[redacted]

HS804

[redacted]

PS Does any one
so attracted the
attention of Lincoln
as the murder of
the Princess but
they obviously
did not know
what it was
either

19 July 68

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

REPLY TO ATTN OF: TDPT (UFO)

22 AUG 1968

SUBJECT: UFO Observation, 19 July 1968

TO: [redacted]
Bethel Park, Pennsylvania 15102

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 19 July 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, Lt Colonel, USAF
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