Declassification Authority NND 923007

4602D AISS UFOB LCG

1 REPORT NO.	2 DATE/TIME OF SIGHTING	3 RECD HQ 4602D
AISS-UFOB-37-55	16/0047Z February 1955	

4 LOCATION OF SIGHTING
New Orleans, Louisiana

5 MEANS RECD	6 ACTION	
	Investigation Authorized	
7 INVES UNIT	8 DATE INVES ASSIGNED	9 ASSIGNING OFFICER
Flight 2-C	16 February 1955	

10 DATE IR RECD HQ	11 DATE IR APPROVED	12 DATE IR TO ATIC
13 AISOP FORM 5		
3 June 1955		

14 COMMENTS
Investigation by Flight 2-C with the following conclusions:

15 CONCLUSIONS
Contributed to Mardi Gras activity: Escaped Balloon

AISOP FORM 7 (2Apr 55)

Declassification Authority NND 923007

ENO 004
KFF058
KBB038
RR JEDEN
DE JESKB 62
R 182200Z
FM FLIGHT 2-C 4602D AISS 35TH ADIV DOBBINS AFB GA
TO COME 4602D AISS ENT AFB COLO
BT
/U N C L A S S I F I E D/AIS2C 21 PD REF MSG AIS2C 19 AND MSG COMD FLT SVC CENTER MAXWELL AFB ALA SUBJ CLN UFOB DTD 26/0326Z FEB 55 PD TP CALL FR A/1C GLEB R MOLICKI FR NEW ORLEANS LA INDC INVES NEAR COMPL PD ALL OBSR OF THE OBJ WERE AT THE SAME LOC PD OBJ KMULD NOT BE CFM BY OTHER SOURCES INCL ILCT CMM MET OR ASTRONOMICAL PD FULL REPT FOL PD END
BT
18/2152Z FEB JESKB

OPS 19/1722Z

Put with regular information

SECT	INIT	ACT. TO	COPY TO
AISCR			
AISDC			
AISAJ			
AISAD			
AISDR			
AISDD			
AISOP			
A/UP			
T/SGT			
O CLK			
DITS			
FLTS			
FILE			

Declassification Authority NND 923007

AF FORM 112
APPROVED 1 JUNE 1948

UNCLASSIFIED
(CLASSIFICATION)

COUNTRY	REPORT NO.	(LEAVE BLANK)
USA	2C-UFOB-2-55	

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: UFOB

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
21 February 1955	16 February 1955	

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
RICHARD C. VAUGHN, 1st Lieutenant, USAF	See contents below

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)
AFR 200-2, dtd 12 Aug 54. TT MSG COMMD FLT SVC CENTER MAFB DTG 26/0326Z FEB 55

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)

I. CONTENTS

PART ONE: Report of UFOB sighted by:

Observer Number 1: [redacted]

Observer Number 2: [redacted], civilian, Age 26, [redacted]

Observer Number 3: [redacted], civilian, Age 35, [redacted]

Observer Number 4: [redacted], civilian, Age 30, [redacted]

II. SUMMARY: One unidentified flying object was sighted ENE of NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA (FHAP 5858), 110 degrees from true north, 85 degrees above the horizon. Information contained herein was obtained from an investigation conducted to determine the possible cause of this sighting.

III. INVESTIGATOR: A/1C GLEB R. MOLICKI, AF 13 440 804.

RICHARD C. VAUGHN
First Lieutenant, USAF
Officer in Charge

7 INCLS (See Individual Reports)

APPROVING OFFICER:

JOHN M. WHITE JR
Colonel, USAF
Commander

DISTRIBUTION BY ORIGINATOR:

D/I USAF; Comdr ATIC; D/I 33rd ADiv; OIC, Flt. 2-C, 4602d AISS; Comdr, 4602d AISS;

NOTE: THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ESPIONAGE ACT, 50 U.S.C. 31 AND 32, AS AMENDED. ITS TRANSMISSION OR THE REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS IN ANY MANNER TO AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. IT MAY NOT BE REPRODUCED IN WHOLE OR IN PART, BY OTHER THAN UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AGENCIES, EXCEPT BY PERMISSION OF THE DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE, USAF.

UNCLASSIFIED
(CLASSIFICATION)

16—85808-2 U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 2 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

1. Description of Object:

a. The object appeared to be a round shaped light.

b. Observers 1, 2, and 3 estimated the size of the object to be comparable to a pea held at arm's length. Observer 4 estimated the object to be comparable to a pinhead held at arm's length. No estimate of dimensions were given.

c. Observer 1 reported the object to be orange in color. Observers 2 and 4 indicated the object to be yellowish-orange. Observer 3 indicated he did not know the color of the object.

d. One object was sighted.

e. N/A

f. No discernible features or details were noted.

g. No tail, trail or exhaust was noted.

h. No sound was heard.

i. No other pertinent or unusual features were noted.

2. Description of Course of Object:

a. Observer 1 was standing in the back yard of the home of relatives [redacted] LA (FHAP 5858). He called Observers 2, 3, and 4, who were inside the house, to come outside and view the object.

b. Object was first sighted at approximately 110 degrees from true north and 85 degrees above horizon.

c. Object disappeared at 95 degrees from true north, 15 degrees above horizon.

d. The object appeared to move slowly away from the Observers in a northeasterly direction weaving form side to side in a falling leaf motion and changing alternately from orange to yellow.

e. Object faded from sight.

f. Observers had the object in sight for a period of four to five minutes.

3. Manner of Observation:

a. Ground visual

b. N/A

c. N/A

WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U.S.C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 3 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

4. Time and Date of Sighting

a. Time of sighting was approximately 16/0047Z Feb 55.

b. Light condition was dusk.

5. Location of Observers

a. [redacted], NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA (FHAP 5858).

6. Identifying Information of All Observers

a. Civilian

(1) [redacted]

(2) [redacted]

(3) [redacted]

(4) [redacted]

b. N/A

7. Weather and Winds Aloft

a. Weather at time and place of sighting was as follows: Scattered clouds, slight breeze, dry and warm.

b. Surface from 225 degrees 12 knots.

6000 from 230 degrees 17 knots.

10,000 from 240 degrees 18 knots.

16,000 from 290 degrees 23 knots.

20,000 from 290 degrees 29 knots.

30,000 from 295 degrees 31 knots.

c. 5,000 feet.

d. Fifteen (15) miles.

e. Scattered clouds at 5,000 feet.

f. None.

WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U. S. C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 4 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

8. The following agencies and/or persons were contacted with results as indicated:

a. Weather Stations

(1) The Weather Station at Moisant International Airport revealed that no balloons were released, and no meteorological phenomena was recorded which could account for the sighting.

(2) Weather Station at the New Orleans Airport stated that no weather balloons were releaseddon the 15 Feb 55, nor any unusual meteorological phenomena recorded which could account for the sighting.

(3) Weather Station at U. S. Naval Air Station at New Orleans stated that no weather balloons were released nor any meteorological phenomena recorded on the 15 Feb 55 which could account for the sighting.

(4) U. S. Weather Station at New Orleans stated that they released weather balloons on 15/0900Z and 15/2100Z Feb 55. These balloons could not have been in the vicinity at the time of the sighting. No unusual meteorological phenomena was noted which could account for the sighting.

(5) A check with the U. S. Naval Station and Coast Guard Station in New Orleans revealed that these stations had no weather (forcasting) facilities and received weather information from the New Orleans Weather Station.

b. No Observatories in vicinity.

c. Electronics Personnel

(1) The Electronics Engineer in Charge, Moisant Airport, stated that no unusual radar blips were picked up that could account for the sighting. He further stated that no reports of unusual sightings or aerial activities were recorded.

(2) The radar station at the U. S. Naval Air Station in New Orleans stated that no unusual radar blips or reports of such, or other unusual aerial activities were reported or picked up on 15 or 16 Feb 55.

(3) A check with the New Orleans Airport revealed that this facility did not have radar installations.

(4) Operations Officer at Keesler AFB, Miss. was contacted. He checked with Keesler AFB radar and reported no unusual blips, sightings or activities were recorded.

d. A check with local Civil Defense officials revealed no reports of unusual sightings had been received...It was also pointed out that the Ground Observer Corps was in the process of being organized and was not yet operational in the area.

WARNING- This documents contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U. S. C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 5 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

9. N/A

10. Air Traffic

a. A check was made with the control towers at the following airports:

Moisant International Airport, New Orleans, La.

Naval Air Station, New Orleans, La.

New Orleans Airport, New Orleans, La.

All of the above control towers reported no aircraft was airborne in the area of sighting. They further indicated that they had received no reports of unusual sightings or aerial activities.

11. Comments of Preparing Officer

The Observers' description of the course of the object reveals the possibility that the object might have been an aircraft flying away from the Observers. This would account for the relatively slight change in azimuth and the considerable change in elevation. The alternate blinking of an aircraft's running lights might also explain the blinking, falling leaf motion of the object. The sound of an aircraft flying in the manner described would be audible for approximately one minute. This sound could be absorbed in or drowned out by normal urban noises.

The possibility exists also that the object could have been an escaped balloon or other object from the Mardi Gras festivities which were in progress at the time of the sighting. It is significant to note that the location of the Observers [redacted] of the section of Canal Street where Mardi Gras activities are greatest and that the winds were moving to the northeast at 12 knots. It is conceivable that a brightly colored balloon of a variety that might be found at a festival such as the Mardi Gras would reflect sufficient light from a lighted city to be visible for an extended period. Air currents would make its flight path somewhat erratic.

In view of the information obtained by the investigator, the balloon solution appears to be the most logical.

Richard C. Vaughn

RICHARD C. VAUGHN
1st Lt., USAF
Officer in Charge

7 Incls
1. Statement of Morris M. Rogers.
2. Statement of Milton J. Mulholland.
3. Statement of Robert J. Mulholland.
4. Statement of Ralph L. LeGaux.
5. Memory Sketch of Flight Pattern of Object (Observer 1).
6. Memory Sketch of Flight Pattern of Object (Observer 2)
7. Memory Sketch of Flight Pattern of Object (Observer 4).

WARNING- This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U.S.C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

Declassification Authority NND 923007

AF FORM 112—PART IE
APPROVED 1 JUNE 1948

(CLASSIFICATION)

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

FROM (AMSIC)	REPORT NO.	PAGE 5A OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 1602D AISS	2c-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

COMMENTS OF APPROVING OFFICER:

A check with the Control Center for System 119 L reveals that the project had no activity in the area at the time. Concur in the hypothesis of the Preparing Officer that the sighting could possibly have been caused by Mardi Gras activity in the area.

NOTE: THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ESPIONAGE ACT, 50 U.S.C. 31 AND 32 AS AMENDED. ITS TRANSMISSION OR THE REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS IN ANY MANNER TO AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. IT MAY NOT BE REPRODUCED IN WHOLE OR IN PART, BY OTHER THAN UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AGENCIES, EXCEPT BY PERMISSION OF THE DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE, USAF.

(CLASSIFICATION)

16—66870-1 ☆ U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE : 1955—O-351332

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
(CLASSIFICATION) (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 6 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602d AISS	PART ONE 2C-UFOB-2-55	

Incl #1, PART ONE, Rept. #2C-UFOB-2-55
Statement - [redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

Went outside at about 18:46. Saw a light which at first appeared to be an airplane. Then I noticed it had no sound and only one yellow-orange blinking light. I called the three other observers-They came out and observed the same thing. Before calling them I am fairly certain the object was turning around. It dissapeared into the mist above the horizion about four minutes after I first sighted it-Still blinking-as it was through the whole sighting.

[redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

TRUE COPY:

Richard C. Vaughn
RICHARD C VAUGHN
1st Lt., USAF

WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U.S.C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE	OF	PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602d AISS	PART ONE 2C-UFOB-2-55	7	12	

Incl. #2, PART ONE, Rept. #2C-UFOB-2-55
Statement of [redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

What I saw is a light a yellowish Orange and it went off and on very slowly and moved left to wright very slowley. I would say about a foot each way it looket that way frome where I was standing. It looked to me like a light that was burning out and then it would come on agen.

[redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

TRUE COPY:

Richard C. Vaughn
RICHARD C VAUGHN
1st Lt., USAF

WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U. S. C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

AF FORM 1 OCT 52 112a REPLACES AF FORM 112-PART II, 1 JUN 48., WHICH MAY BE USED. CLASSIFICATION. UNCLASSIFIED (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16—68470-1

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 8 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602d AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

Incl. #3, PART ONE, Rept. #2C-UFOB-2-55
Statement of [redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

Called out of the house - but didn't see enough of the object to report accurately.

[redacted]D

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

TRUE COPY:

Richard C. Vaughn
RICHARD C VAUGHN
1st Lt., USAF

WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U.S.C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

AF FORM 112a 1 OCT 52 REPLACES AF FORM 112-PART II, 1 JUN 48, WHICH MAY BE USED.

CLASSIFICATION UNCLASSIFIED (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16—66470-1

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 9 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602d MISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

Incl. #4, PART ONE, Reptt #2C-UFOB-2-55
Statement of [redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

I was called by Morris to see this object, The object appeared to be a light, yellow-orange in color, and round in shape. It was going in one general direction but weaved from side to side. It was foing on & off. After watching the object a little while, returne inside.

[redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

TRUE COPY:

Richard C. Vaughn

RICHARD C VAUGHN
1st Lt., USAF

WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U. S. C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

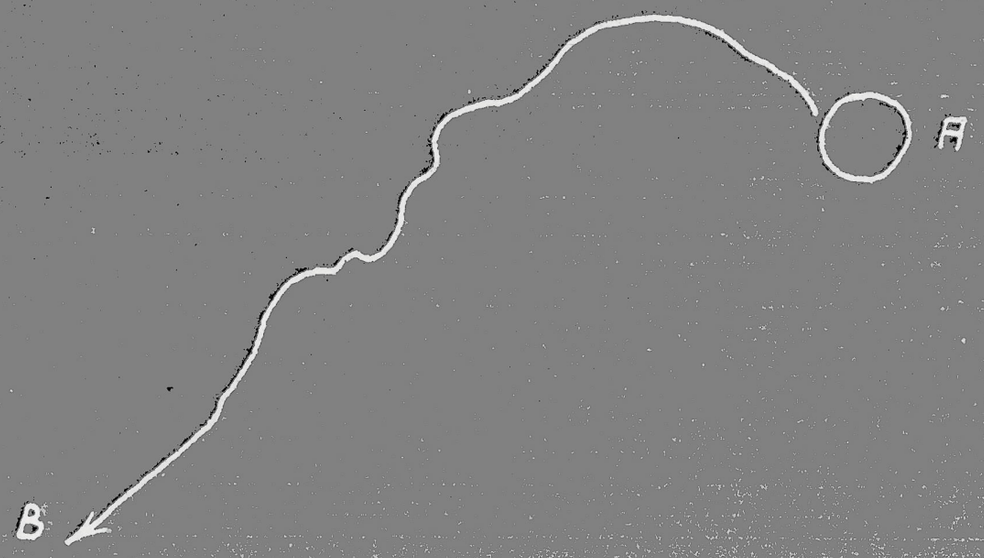
Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 10 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

Incl. #5, PART ONE, Rept. #2C-UFOB-2-55
Memory Sketch of Flight Pattern of Object (Observer 1)



WARNING- This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U. S. C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

AF FORM 1 OCT 52 112a REPLACES AF FORM 112-PART II, 1 JUN 48, WHICH MAY BE USED.

CLASSIFICATION UNCLASSIFIED (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16—68470-1

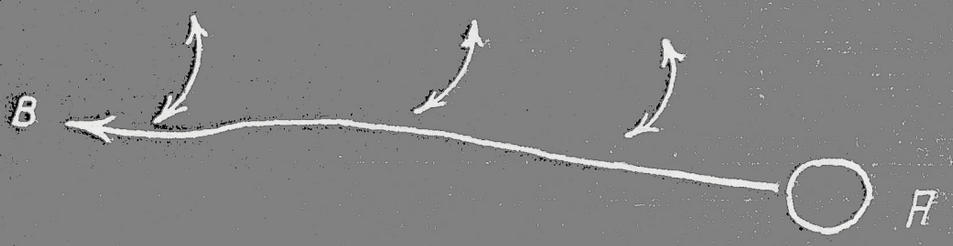
Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 11 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

Incl. #6, PART ONE, Rept. #2C-UFOB-2-55
Memory Sketch of Flight Pattern of Object (Observer 2)



WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U. S. C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

AF FORM 112a 1 OCT 52 REPLACES AF FORM 112-PART II, 1 JUN 48, WHICH MAY BE USED.

CLASSIFICATION UNCLASSIFIED (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

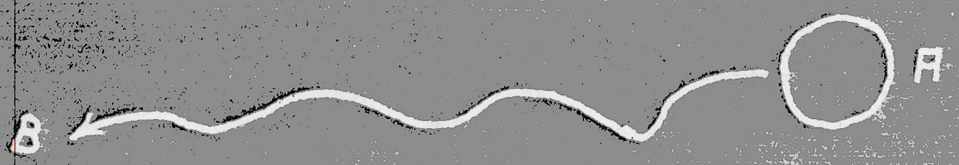
U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16—68470-1

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 12 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

Incl. #7, PART ONE, Rept. #2C-UFOB-2-55
Memory Sketch of Flight Pattern of Object (Observer 4)



WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U.S.C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

Declassification Authority NND 923007

Declassification Authority NND 923007

AF FORM 112
APPROVED 1 JUNE 1948

UNCLASSIFIED
(CLASSIFICATION)

COUNTRY	REPORT NO.	(LEAVE BLANK)
USA	2C-UFOB-2-55	

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: UFOB

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
21 February 1955	16 February 1955	

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
RICHARD C. VAUGHN, 1st Lieutenant, USAF	See contents below

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

AFR 200-2, dtd 12 Aug 54. TT MSG COMMD FLT SVC CENTER MAFB DTG 26/0326Z FEB 55

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 113—Part II.)

I. CONTENTS

PART ONE: Report of UFOB sighted by:

Observer Number 1: [redacted] civilian, age 15, [redacted]

Observer Number 2: [redacted] civilian, Age 26, [redacted]

Observer Number 3: [redacted] civilian, Age 35, [redacted]

Observer Number 4: [redacted] civilian, Age 30, [redacted]

II. SUMMARY: One unidentified flying object was sighted ENE of NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA (PHAP 5858), 110 degrees from true north, 85 degrees above the horizon. Information contained herein was obtained from an investigation conducted to determine the possible cause of this sighting.

III. INVESTIGATOR: A/1C GLEB R. MOLICKI, AF 13 440 804.

Richard C. Vaughn
RICHARD C. VAUGHN
First Lieutenant, USAF
Officer in Charge

7 INCLS. (See Individual Reports)

APPROVING OFFICER:

John M White Jr
JOHN M WHITE JR
Colonel, USAF
Commander

DISTRIBUTION BY ORIGINATOR

D/I USAF; Comdr ATIC; D/I 33rd ADiv; OIC, Flt. 2-C, 4602d AISS; Comdr, 4602d AISS;

NOTE: THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ESPIONAGE ACT, 50 U.S.C. 31 AND 32, AS AMENDED. ITS TRANSMISSION OR THE REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS IN ANY MANNER TO AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. IT MAY NOT BE REPRODUCED IN WHOLE OR IN PART, BY OTHER THAN UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AGENCIES, EXCEPT BY PERMISSION OF THE DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE, USAF.

UNCLASSIFIED
(CLASSIFICATION)

16—65569-2 U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 2 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

1. Description of Object:

a. The object appeared to be a round shaped light.

b. Observers 1, 2, and 3 estimated the size of the object to be comparable to a pea held at arm's length. Observer 4 estimated the object to be comparable to a pinhead held at arm's length. No estimate of dimensions were given.

c. Observer 1 reported the object to be orange in color. Observers 2 and 4 indicated the object to be yellowish-orange. Observer 3 indicated he did not know the color of the object.

d. One object was sighted.

e. N/A

f. No discernible features or details were noted.

g. No tail, trail or exhaust was noted.

h. No sound was heard.

i. No other pertinent or unusual features were noted.

2. Description of Course of Object:

a. Observer 1 was standing in the back yard of the home of relatives [redacted] NEW ORLEANS, LA (FHAP 5358). He called Observers 2, 3, and 4, who were inside the house, to come outside and view the object.

b. Object was first sighted at approximately 110 degrees from true north and 85 degrees above horizon.

c. Object disappeared at 95 degrees from true north, 15 degrees above horizon.

d. The object appeared to move slowly away from the Observers in a northeasterly direction weaving form side to side in a falling leaf motion and changing alternately from orange to yellow.

e. Object faded from sight.

f. Observers had the object in sight for a period of four to five minutes.

3. Manner of Observation:

a. Ground visual

b. N/A

c. N/A

WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U. S. C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 3 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

4. Time and Date of Sighting

a. Time of sighting was approximately 16/0047Z Feb 55.

b. Light condition was dusk.

5. Location of Observers

a. [redacted], NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA (FHAP 5858).

6. Identifying Information of All Observers

a. Civilian

(1) [redacted]

(2) [redacted]

(3) [redacted]

(4) [redacted]

b. N/A

7. Weather and Winds Aloft

a. Weather at time and place of sighting was as follows: Scattered clouds, slight breeze, dry and warm.

b. Surface from 225 degrees 12 knots.

6000 from 230 degrees 17 knots.

10,000 from 240 degrees 18 knots.

16,000 from 290 degrees 23 knots.

20,000 from 290 degrees 29 knots.

30,000 from 295 degrees 31 knots.

c. 5,000 feet.

d. Fifteen (15) miles.

e. Scattered clouds at 5,000 feet.

f. None.

WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U. S. C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 4 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

8. The following agencies and/or persons were contacted with results as indicated:

a. Weather Stations

(1) The Weather Station at Moisant International Airport revealed that no balloons were released, and no meteorological phenomena was recorded which could account for the sighting.

(2) Weather Station at the New Orleans Airport stated that no weather balloons were releaseddon the 15 Feb 55, nor any unusual meteorological phenomena recorded which could account for the sighting.

(3) Weather Station at U. S. Naval Air Station at New Orleans stated that no weather balloons were released nor any meteorological phenomena recorded on the 15 Feb 55 which could account for the sighting.

(4) U. S. Weather Station at New Orleans stated that they released weather balloons on 15/0900Z and 15/2100Z Feb 55. These balloons could not have been in the vicinity at the time of the sighting. No unusual meteorological phenomena was noted which could account for the sighting.

(5) A check with the U. S. Naval Station and Coast Guard Station in New Orleans revealed that these stations had no weather (forcasting) facilities and received weather information from the New Orleans Weather Station.

b. No Observatories in vicinity.

c. Electronics Personnel

(1) The Electronics Engineer in Charge, Moisant Airport, stated that no unusual radar blips were picked up that could account for the sighting. He further stated that no reports of unusual sightings or aerial activities were recorded.

(2) The radar station at the U. S. Naval Air Station in New Orleans stated that no unusual radar blips or reports of such, or other unusual aerial activities were reported or picked up on 15 or 16 Feb 55.

(3) A check with the New Orleans Airport revealed that this facility did not have radar installations.

(4) Operations Officer at Keesler AFB, Miss. was contacted. He checked with Keesler AFB radar and reported no unusual blips, sightings or activities were recorded.

d. A check with local Civil Defense officials revealed no reports of unusual sightings had been received...It was also pointed out that the Ground Observer Corps was in the process of being organized and was not yet operational in the area.

WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U. S. C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 5 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

9. N/A

10. Air Traffic

a. A check was made with the control towers at the following airports:

Moisant International Airport, New Orleans, La.

Naval Air Station, New Orleans, La.

New Orleans Airport, New Orleans, La.

All of the above control towers reported no aircraft was airborne in the area of sighting. They further indicated that they had received no reports of unusual sightings or aerial activities.

11. Comments of Preparing Officer

The Observers' description of the course of the object reveals the possibility that the object might have been an aircraft flying away from the Observers. This would account for the relatively slight change in azimuth and the considerable change in elevation. The alternate blinking of an aircraft's running lights might also explain the blinking, falling leaf motion of the object. The sound of an aircraft flying in the manner described would be audible for approximately one minute. This sound could be absorbed in or drowned out by normal urban noises.

The possibility exists also that the object could have been an escaped balloon or other object from the Mardi Gras festivities which were in progress at the time of the sighting. It is significant to note that the location of the Observers ([redacted] of the section of Canal Street where Mardi Gras activities are greatest and that the winds were moving to the northeast at 12 knots. It is conceivable that a brightly colored balloon of a variety that might be found at a festival such as the Mardi Gras would reflect sufficient light from a lighted city to be visible for an extended period. Air currents would make its flight path somewhat erratic.

In view of the information obtained by the investigator, the balloon solution appears to be the most logical.

Richard C. Vaughn

RICHARD C. VAUGHN
1st Lt., USAF
Officer in Charge

7 Incls
1. Statement of Morris M. Rogers.
2. Statement of Milton J. Mulholland.
3. Statement of Robert J. Mulholland.
4. Statement of Ralph L. LeGaux.
5. Memory Sketch of Flight Pattern of Object (Observer 1).
6. Memory Sketch of Flight Pattern of Object (Observer 2)
7. Memory Sketch of Flight Pattern of Object (Observer 4).

WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U.S.C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

Declassification Authority NND 923007

AF FORM 112—PART II
APPROVED 1 JUNE 1948

(CLASSIFICATION)

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

FROM (Agency)	REPORT NO.	PAGE	OF	PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS	2c-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	5A	12	

COMMENTS OF APPROVING OFFICER:

A check with the Control Center for System 119 L reveals that the project had no activity in the area at the time. Concur in the hypothesis of the Preparing Officer that the sighting could possibly have been caused by Mardi Gras activity in the area.

NOTE: THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ESPIONAGE ACT, 50 U. S. C. — 31 AND 32, AS AMENDED. ITS TRANSMISSION OR THE REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS IN ANY MANNER TO AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. IT MAY NOT BE REPRODUCED IN WHOLE OR IN PART, BY OTHER THAN UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AGENCIES, EXCEPT BY PERMISSION OF THE DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE, USAF.

(CLASSIFICATION)

16—66870-1 ☆ U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1952—O-918332

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 6 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602d AISS	PART ONE 2C-UFOB-2-55	

Incl. #1, PART ONE, Rept. #2C-UFOB-2-55
Statement of [redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

Went outside at about 18:46. Saw a light which at first appeared to be an airplane. Then I noticed it had no sound and only one yellow-orange blinking light. I called the three other observers-They came out and observed the same thing. Before calling them I am fairly certain the object was turning around. It dissapeared into the mist above the horizion about four minutes after I first sighted it-Still blinking-as it was through the whole sighting.

[redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

TRUE COPY:

Richard C. Vaughn

RICHARD C. VAUGHN
1st Lt., USAF

WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U.S.C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE	OF	PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602d AISS	PART ONE 2C-UFOB-2-55	7	12	

Incl. #2, PART ONE, Rept. #2C-UFOB-2-55
Statement of [redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

What I saw is a light a yellowish Orange and it went off and on very slowly and moved left to wright very slowley. I would say about a foot each way it looket that way frome where I was standing. It looked to me like a light that was burning out and then it would come on agen.

[redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

TRUE COPY:

Richard C. Vaughn
RICHARD C VAUGHN
1st Lt., USAF

WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U. S. C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 8 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602d AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

Incl. #3, PART ONE, Rept. #2C-UFOB-2-55
Statement of [redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

Called out of the house - but didn't see enough of the object to report accurately.

[redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

TRUE COPY:

Richard C. Vaughn
RICHARD C VAUGHN
1st Lt., USAF

WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U.S.C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 9 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602d MISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

Incl. #4, PART ONE, Reptt #2C-UFOB-2-55
Statement of [redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

I was called by [redacted] to see this object, The object appeared to be a light, yellow-orange in color, and round in shape. It was going in one general direction but weaved from side to side. It was foing on & off. After watching the object a little while, returne inside.

[redacted]

S-T-A-T-E-M-E-N-T

TRUE COPY:

Richard C. Vaughn
RICHARD C VAUGHN
1st Lt., USAF

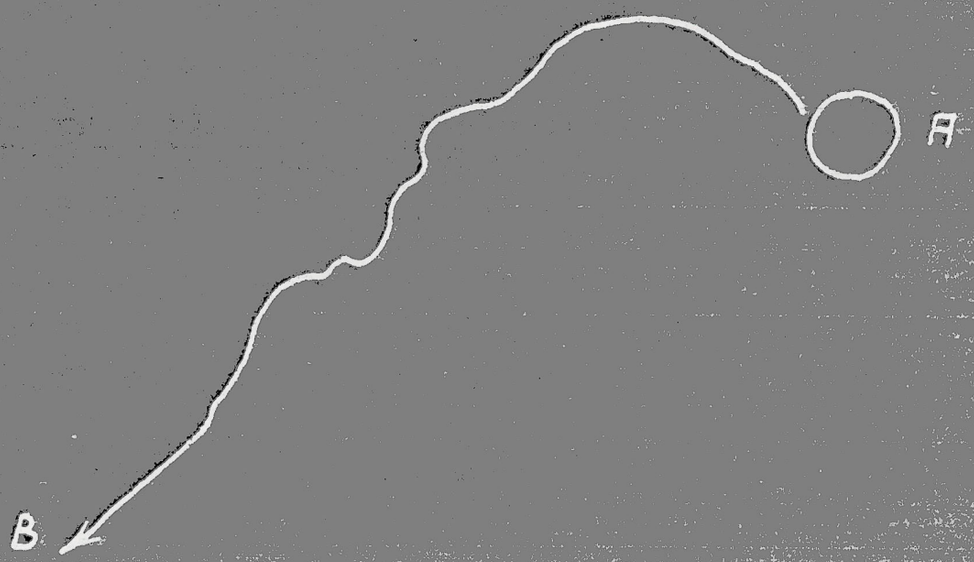
WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U.S.C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 10 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

Incl. #5, PART ONE, Rept. #2C-UFOB-2-55
Memory Sketch of Flight Pattern of Object (Observer 1)



WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U. S. C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

Declassification Authority NND 923007

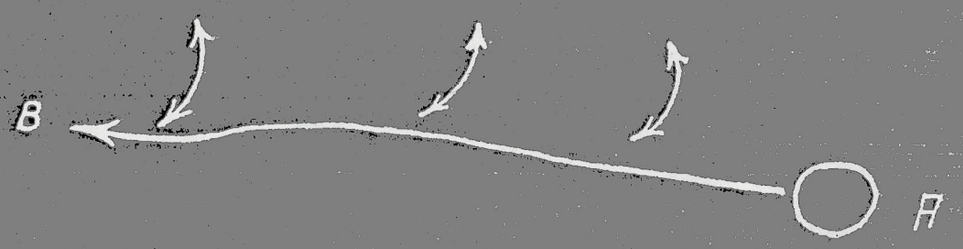
Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 11 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D AISS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

Incl. #6, PART ONE, Rept. #2C-UFOB-2-55
Memory Sketch of Flight Pattern of Object (Observer 2)



WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U. S. C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

AF FORM 1 OCT 52 112a REPLACES AF FORM 112-PART II, 1 JUN 48, WHICH MAY BE USED. CLASSIFICATION

UNCLASSIFIED (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16—68470-1

Declassification Authority NND 923007

UNCLASSIFIED
CLASSIFICATION (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORGANIZATIONAL AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 12 OF 12 PAGES
Flight 2-C, 4602D ATSS	2C-UFOB-2-55 PART ONE	

Incl. #7, PART ONE, Rept. #2C-UFOB-2-55
Memory Sketch of Flight Pattern of Object (Observer 4)



WARNING: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U.S.C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. It may not be reproduced in whole or in part, by other than United States Air Force Agencies, except by permission of the Director of Intelligence, USAF.

AF FORM 112a OCT 52 REPLACES AF FORM 112-PART II, 1 JUN 48, WHICH MAY BE USED. CLASSIFICATION: UNCLASSIFIED (SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16—68470-2

Declassification Authority NND 923007

AISS UFOB REPT # 87
CLOSED + FILED
2 MARCH 55

END DIT

Ops
16/2029Z

RGR UR Ø1P
WIM3TP Ø15P
ENA233
VYD175KBAØ75
RR JEDEN
DE JESKB 54
R 162100Z
FM FLIGHT 2C 4602D AISS 35TH ADIV DEF DOBBINS AFB GA
TO COMDR 4602D AISS ENT AFB COLO
BT
/U N C L A S S I F I E D/AIS2C 19 PD REF MSG COMMD FLT SVC CENTER MAXWELL AFB ALA SUBJ CLN UFOB DTD 26/03267 FEB AND TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION FROM MAJ THRASHER ON 16 FEB 55 PERTAINING TO UFOB INVESTIGATION PD FOL INFO IS SUBMITTED CLN A/1C GLEB R MOLICKI AF 13440804 DUE TO DEPT DAFB VIA MIL ACFT AT 16/2230Z FEB FOR KEESLER AFB MISS PD ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE WITH KEESLER AFB OPERATIONS OFF TO PROVIDE QTRS CMM VEH AND DVR CMM AND RTN AIR TRANSPORTATION PD PROGRESS OF INVESTIGATION W/B REPTD WHEN AVAL PD
BT
16/2109Z FEB JESKB

Declassification Authority NND 923007

New Orleas, La.

E

3TP 004P
NC075 YDC078
VYB069
VMA029TYQA016
PP JEDEN JEDAP JEPHQ JESKB JWFNK 555
DE JESYQ 02B
P 260326Z
FM COMMD FLT SVC CENTER MAXWELL AFB ALA
TO JEDEN/COMMD AIR DEFENSE ENT AFB COL
JEDWP/COMMD AIR TECH INT CNT W-PATTERSON AFB OHIO
DEPHQ/DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE HQ USAF WASH 25 DC
JESKB/COMMD 35 AIR DIVISION DOBBINS AFB GA
JWFNK/COMMD 33 AIR DIVISION TINKER AFB OKLAHOMA
/ U F O B /
1.
A. A YELLOWISH ORANGE LIGHT WITH NO SPECIFE SHAPE
B. THE SIZE OF A PEA
C. YELLOWISH ORANGE GLOW
D. ONE
E. N/A
F. NONE
G. NONE
H. NONE
I. NONE

Declassification Authority NND 923007

3TP Ø04P
NCØ75 YDCØ78
VYBØ69
VMAØ29TYQAØ16
PP JEDEN JEDAP JEPHQ JESKB JWFNK 555
DE JESYQ Ø2B
P 26Ø326Z
FM COMMD FLT SVC CENTER MAXWELL AFB ALA
TO JEDEN/COMMD AIR DEFENSE ENT AFB COL
JEDWP/COMMD AIR TECH INT CNT W-PATTERSON AFB OHIO
DEPHQ/DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE HQ USAF WASH 25 DC
JESKB/COMMD 35 AIR DIVISION DOBBINS AFB GA
JWFNK/COMMD 33 AIR DIVISION TINKER AFB OKLAHOMA
/ U F O B /
1.
A. A YELLOWISH ORANGE LIGHT WITH NO SPECIFE SHAPE
B. THE SIZE OF A PEA
C. YELLOWISH ORANGE GLOW
D. ONE
E. N/A
F. NONE
G. NONE
H. NONE
I. NONE

2.
A. THE GLOW OF THE OBJECT.
B. MOVING EAST NORTH EASTERLY DIRECTION AT 45 DEG.
C. LOST ON HORIZON IN SAME DIRECTION
D. MOVING IN ONE DIRECTION WAVERING TO ONE SIDE
NO NOTICEABLE MANEVERS.
E. BLINKING AND FADING FROM VIEW.
F. FOUR MINUTES.
3.
A. GROUND VISUAL
B. NONE
C. N/A
4.
A. 16/ØØ47Z
B. DUSK
3ØØ13N 9ØØ43W
6.
A. CIVILIAN
MR. [redacted], AGE 15, STUDEN[redacted], NEW ORLEANS LA.
MR. [redacted]
MR. [redacted]
MR. [redacted]
B. MILITARY
N/A

Declassification Authority NND 923007

7.
A. CLEAR EXCEPT SOME SCATTHERED CLOUDS.
B. 180 DEGRESS 9 KNOTS
230 DEGRESS 15 KNOTS
250 DEGREES 20 KNOTS
260 DEGREES 30 KNOTS
280 DETREES 30 KNOTS
290 DEGREES 40 KNOTS
270 DEGREES 60 KNKTS

320 DEGREES 80 KNOTS
NNNNTHOUSANNNN