

San Diego 17, Calif.
October 20, 1956

Commander Kenney
Eleventh Naval District
San Diego, Calif.

Re: U.F.O. Code 32. In answer to oral request by Commander
Gallon of the Eleventh Naval District.

Naval Instructions 3820.1 of Nov. 4, 1952

I. Brief Description.

- A. Physical description - Of the same brilliance as a very bright star on a clear night in a location such as the desert where the air is clear. The object glowed with a reddish light and appeared to have a slight oscillating movement as it moved across the sky.
- B. Sound - None that was discernable to us. We were camped in a quiet and secluded area about one mile from the highway.
- C. Size - Possibly the size of a conventional aircraft although under the conditions of night and distance it would be difficult to say.
- D. Aerodynamic features - no idea.

II. Time - date - etc.

- A. Time of day - 19:45 hours.
- B. Date - September 29, 1956.
- C. Length of time U.F.O. was observed - 35 to 45 seconds. This we feel to be a conservative estimate. We have since re-enacted our movements at the time of sighting and timed them and this is our conclusion.

III. Maneuvers - speed - altitude.

- A. Maneuvers - Level, straight flight in relation to the horizon with the exception of the slight oscillation.

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B. Speed - This can be calculated. It was observed approximately 30 degrees above the horizon in the north, traveling east, covering an arc of approximately 80 degrees. This took 35 to 45 seconds. Distance that was covered was no less than fifty miles and possibly much more.

C. Altitude - 20,000 to 30,000 feet if approximately the size of known aircraft.

D. Type - no idea.

IV. Location.

A. Physical location - Eight miles northeast of Prescott, Arizona at the Miwanis campground.

B. From us - Observed in the north, traveling east. We were relaxing in hammocks and watching the stars.

V. Observers - Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED]

A. [REDACTED] - I was raised around airplanes. My father was a barnstorming pilot in the twenties and flew a great deal until recently. We owned [REDACTED] airport in San Diego for eleven years. I hold a commercial pilot's license and served in the Army Air Corps at Williams Field, Arizona. I was a mechanic on the first P-80's (P-80's). Worked recently at March Field, Calif. where I observed the B-47's and other aircraft. Have also watched many F-102's leaving San Diego and live near Miramar Air Station. I feel that I could identify an object in the sky as to whether or not it were a conventional aircraft.

B. [REDACTED] - No particular qualification as an observer other than seeing aircraft in the sky every day and night. Also living at [REDACTED] airport for some time.

VIII. Photos - none.

IX. Identification of object - no idea.

X. Other aircraft - none.

Note: We made a written note of these facts right after the sighting in an attempt to be accurate.

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