

1602D AISS UFOB LOG

REPORT NUMBER	DATE/TIME OF SIGHTING	RECD AISOP
AISS-UFOB-57-58	03/0720Z Mar 56	7 Mar 56
LOCATION OF SIGHTING		LOGGED BY
Paradise, Michigan		S/Sgt DeRudder
MEANS RECD	ACTION TAKEN	
TT Msg	Limited investigation authorized	
INVES UNIT	DATE INVES ASSIGNED	ASSIGNING OFFICER
Flt 3-A	7 Mar 56	Lt McEntee
DATE IR RECD HQ	DATE IR APPROVED	DATE IR TO ATIC
N/A	N/A	N/A
DATE FORM 5		
7 Mar 56		
COMMENTS		
<p>ADC Weather contacted for balloons and wind information. Winds were from the NW at the time of the sighting at a very high velocity, ruling out the balloon theory. A request made to Flt 3-A asked them to call the observer and complete an ATIC Form 164 with him and then send the 164 to this hq. Results of analysis of returned 164 indicated below.</p>		
CONCLUSIONS		
Probably Balloon		

AISOP FORM 7 (2 APR 55)

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (if any)

DISPOSITION FORM

FILE NO. AIS3A

SUBJECT UFOB, ATIC Form 164 - Paradise Michigan

TO Comdr, 4602d AISS
ATTN: AISOPFROM OIC, Flt 3A 4602d AISS
O'Hare Intl Aprt, IllDATE 7 Mar 56 COMMENT NO. 1
JEP/gl

As directed by Headquarters, a long distance call was made at 07/1745Z Mar 56 to ██████████ in Paradise, Mich to obtain all pertinent info regarding a UFOB sighting. The source is employed by the Conservation Camp, at Paradise, Mich, as an inmate correction officer, on night duty, and was difficult to contact as the phone number ██████████ was of the Conservation Camp. The Source did not have a home phone, and this office did not make contact with the Source until 1955Z. The conversation lasted for 28 minutes, and the following information is submitted on ATIC Form 164 (13 Oct 54) for your review, and dissemination.

Joseph E. Pavesich
JOSEPH E PAVESICH
Maj, USAF
Officer In Charge

AISOP

Long Distance Telephone Call

Comdr, 4602d AISS

AISOP

7 Mar 56
1010 hours
AISS Log #1
S/Sgt DeRudder/4498MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

1. Telephone conversation between S/Sgt DeRudder, this headquarters, and Major Pavesich, Flight 3-A.
2. The undersigned called Flight 3-A to authorize a very limited investigation of a UFOB sighted near Sault Saint Marie, Michigan. It was requested that Flt 3-A complete an ATIC Form 164 telephonically with the SOURCE and then forward the completed form to this headquarters.
3. Major Pavesich requested to talk to Colonel White.

Ronald D. DeRudder, S/Sgt, USAF
AIC, UFOB Program

RGR UR ENO 005

072630Z Mar 56
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RJEDWP/COMDR WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO
RJEPRQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON 25 DC

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/U N C L A S S I F I E D/OPSN 43 PD UFOB REPORT PD ATTN: DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE PD

- (1) A. ROUND
- B. 40-50 FEET IN DIAMETER
- C. BRIGHT RED
- D. ONE
- E. N/A
- F. N/A
- G. N/A
- H. N/A

03/0720Z Mar 56

1010 hrs

FROM NW

LOG #1

SORTS.

PAGE TWO DE RJEDHR 1D

- I. N/A
- (2) A. NEGATIVE
- B. NEGATIVE
- C. HORIZON LINE-AZIMUTH UNKNOWN
- D. OBJECT APPEARED TO BE FLOATING UP AND DOWN GRADUALLY DROPPING OUT OF SIGHT BELOW THE HORIZON PD DRIFTING NORTHWEST PD
- E. DRIFTING BEYOND THE HORIZON
- F. TEN TO FIFTEEN MINUTES

- (3) A. NONE
- B. NONE
- C. N/A

- (4) A. 03/0720Z
- B. NIGHT

- (5) A. EB 3131

(6) A. [REDACTED] CORRECTION CONSERVATION CAMP PARADISE MICHIGAN

- PHONE [REDACTED]
- B. N/A
- (7) A. NONE
- B. NONE
- C. NONE

0300Z
1500Z

PAGE THREE DE RJEDWR 1D

D.15 PLUS

E. NONE

F. NONE

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

(10) NONE

(11) NONE

(12) NONE

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07/0010Z MAR RJEDWR

RGR UR ENO 006 HAD RECEIVED IT BEFORE AS ENO 004

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U. S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes, and will be regarded as confidential material. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that, if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

7th March 1956
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 0700 ^{0200 EST} 45
Hour Minutes(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern
b. Central
c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

Box 53
Nearest Postal Address

Paradise (GKEB 5939)
4639N-8501W
City or Town

Michigan
State or Country

Additional remarks: The conservation camp is on the out-skirts of the town; the town is approximately twelve miles south of Whitefish Point, (GKEB 0745) 4645N-8459W.

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. _____ Fifteen _____
Hours Minutes Seconds

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

- a. Certain
b. Fairly certain
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky? N/A

- (Circle One): a. Bright daylight
b. Dull daylight
c. Bright twilight
d. Just a trace of daylight
e. No trace of daylight
f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object? N/A

- (Circle One): a. In front of you
b. In back of you
c. To your right
d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
b. A few
c. Many
d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
b. Dull moonlight
c. No moonlight — pitch dark
d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

- a. Yes b. No c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

- (Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)? 15 to 20 miles
b. Several blocks away?
c. A block away?
d. Several yards away?
e. Other Reddish Glare

11. Did the object: (Moved slowly up and down)

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | |
|---|-----|-----------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: There were no clouds

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved in front of: There were no clouds

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One): a. Solid? b. Transparent? c. Don't Know.

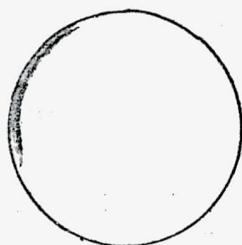
15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----------|--|-----|-----------|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | <u>No</u> | e. Binoculars | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | <u>No</u> | f. Telescope | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| c. Windshield | Yes | <u>No</u> | g. Theodolite | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| d. Window glass | Yes | <u>No</u> | h. Other <u>Source stated naked eye.</u> | | |

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

- a. Sound There was no sound connected with the object or sighting.
- b. Color Source stated that it appeared as a large beachball with a Reddish Glare

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



circular object, similar to a large beachball.

18. The edges of the object were:

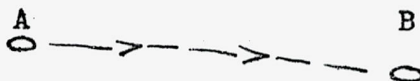
- (Circle One): a. Fuzzy or blurred
 b. Like a bright star
 c. Sharply outlined
 d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? Just one object
 Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

N/A

20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



Moved in a northeasterly direction for approximately two (2) miles, and toward the horizon.

21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.
Thirty feet. in diameter

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects *held in the hand* and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

- | | |
|------------------|---|
| a. Head of a pin | g. Silver dollar |
| b. Pea | h. Baseball |
| c. Dime | i. Grapefruit |
| d. Nickel | j. Basketball |
| e. Quarter | k. Other <u>Source stated it was larger than a beachball.</u> |
| f. Half dollar | |

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.)

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| a. <u>Certain</u> | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Uncertain |

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? Seemed to have a downward motion as though it was being lowered, and until it disappeared behind tree level & horizon.

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

Source stated it would be difficult to determine of what material the object could be constructed, because of its constant reddish glare. Source stated that it was approximately thirty (30) feet in diameter, and its shape was like a large beachball. His opinion as stated to the AC&W personnel that it appeared as though it was a large weather balloon.

25. Where were you located when you saw the object?
(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- b. In a car
- c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane
- e. At sea
- f. Other _____

26. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Flying near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other _____

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

Source stated that he is an Inmate Correction Officer on duty at the Conservation Camp. Source stated that he was on a routine security check between buildings and saw the object when entering one of the buildings from the outside.

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

N/A

- | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

28.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

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|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. <u>North</u> | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

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|---------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. <u>Northeast</u> | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

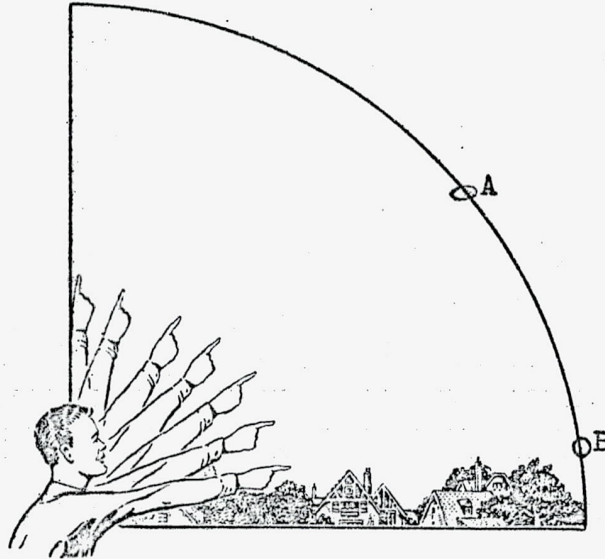
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 0 degrees.
- b. From horizon 45 degrees.

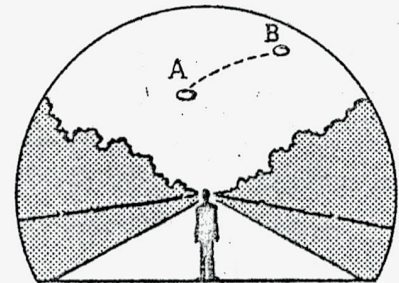
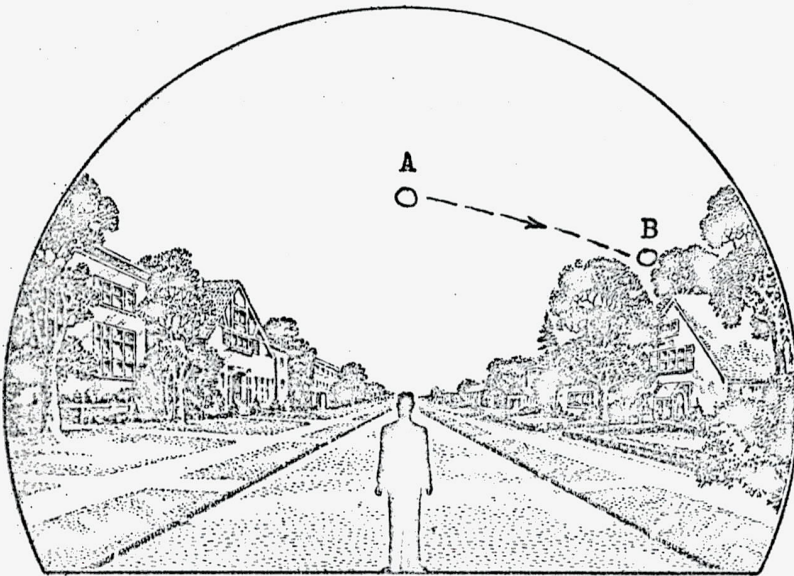
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 30 degrees.
- b. From horizon 10 degrees.

32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the *same* curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.



Source stated it seemed like the object was approximately two (2) miles in elevation from his position on the ground.

34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

34.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND (Circle One)

- a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold +10° F
- b. Cool
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

6th March 1956 within five (5) after observation
Day Month Year

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mr. [REDACTED] Inmate at the Conservation Camp, Paradise, Michigan,
 (GKEB 5939), 4639N-8501W.

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) Yes No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

The opinion of the source was; it probably was a weather balloon, because of the shape, size, and drifting motion.

39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? 5 to 8 m.p.h.

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) Yes No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? 79,000 feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [REDACTED] Last Name [REDACTED] First Name [REDACTED] Middle Name [REDACTED]

ADDRESS [REDACTED] Street Paradise City Michigan Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

What is your present job? Correction Officer for State Inmates

Age 38 Sex Male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

- a. Grade school Yes e. e. Technical school _____
 b. High school Yes (Type) _____
 c. College _____ f. Other special training _____
 d. Post graduate _____

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

7th March 1956
 Day Month Year

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

(SUMMARY DATA)

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME

(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

There is no signature on this observer
 SIGNATURE as this information was obtained by the
 OIC, Flight 3A, 4602d AISS, H'Hare Intl. Airport,
 DATE Park Ridge, Illinois, by telephone on 7th
 March, 1956, as directed.

The source, [REDACTED], a Inmate Correction Officer, who lives in Paradise, Mich. and is employed at the Conservation Camp on the out-skirts of the town, stated that he was in the process of making his hourly security check of the buildings located in the Conservation Camp. Following his routine procedure and entering one building after another, he observed this Reddish Glare directly in front of him in a northerly direction upon leaving one of the buildings. Source stated that he and M [REDACTED] (an inmate at the conservation camp) observed this object for fully fifteen minutes. During this fifteen minute observation the object appeared to be moving up and down, and in a northeasterly direction at a very slow rate of speed. The object was round similar in size to a large beachball at the distance observed and of a very reddish glow, brighter than any stars that surrounded the object. Source stated that it moved in a northeasterly direction slowly downward toward the horizon. After its disappearance behind the tree level, the source immediately called the nearest AC&W site, (665 AC&W SQDN) at Calumet, Michigan, (GKBC 3215) 8827N-4715W. Source was positive in all his statements, and gave his answers without any hesitation. In the concluding statements, source stated he was a little confused at the reddish glare color and thought it advisable to contact the nearest center to forward the information on his observations.