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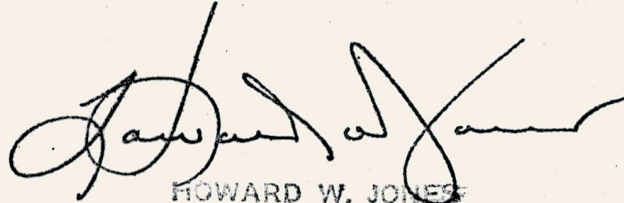
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COUNTRY United States		REPORT NO. 4602-UFOB-55-55	(LEAVE BLANK)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT			
SUBJECT UFOB			
AREA REPORTED ON Wichita, Kansas		FROM (Agency) Wing Intelligence Section, 3520th Combat Crew Training Wing, McConnell AFB	
DATE OF REPORT 5 January 1955	DATE OF INFORMATION 28 December 1954	EVALUATION F-6	
PREPARED BY (Officer) Walter A. Koch, Major, USAF		SOURCE Mrs.	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFR 200-2 and AFR 200-15			

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.)

SOURCE:

On 3 January 1955, Mrs. _____ reported sighting an unidentified flying object in the vicinity of _____ in Wichita, Kansas. The sighting occurred on 28 December 1954. Object was also seen by her son.

Object was observed for approximately one (1) minute in good weather. Object was seen at dusk.

There was only one object. It had a light which apparently revolved around the object, giving it a round appearance. Its size compared to a nickel at arms length, made no sound, and had no tail, trails or exhaust.

Object flew slowly away from source, then ascended vertically at a high rate of speed, then returned toward source, then again change direction and disappeared.

Very little significance is attached, because observation was made six (6) days prior to reporting.

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1. Description of object.

- a. Shape: unknown, however, the light which revolved around object gave it a round appearance.
- b. Size: compared with a nickel at arms length.
- c. Color: very dark.
- d. Number: one (1).
- e. Formation: N/A.
- f. Discernable features and details: negative.
- g. Tail, trail, and exhaust: negative.
- h. Sound: negative.
- i. Other features: object had a round light with a reddish glow which either revolved around the object, or the object itself was revolving.

2. Description of course of object.

- a. Source went to back door to close venetian blinds. She happened to glance out the window.
- b. Angle of elevation and azimuth at first observation: approximately 20 degrees elevation; azimuth, 225 degrees.
- c. Angle of elevation and azimuth at disappearance: approximately 80 degrees elevation; azimuth, 315 degrees.
- d. Flight path and maneuvers: object appeared in the southwest. It moved away from source, toward the southwest slowly. Then it shot up vertically, moving at a very high rate of speed. After the ascent, object changed direction, heading now northeast. Object then came closest to source. Later, it again changed direction and headed northwest out of sight.
- e. Manner of disappearance: flew out of sight over rooftop.
- f. Duration of observation: approximately one (1) minute.

3. Manner of observation.

- a. Type: ground-visual.
- b. Optical aids used: none.
- c. Airborne sighting: N/A.

4. Time and date of sighting.

- a. Zulu time-date group: 282400Z.
- b. Light conditions: dusk.

5. Location of observers: 37°40'N 97°17'W.

6. Identifying information of all observers.

- a. Name: Mrs. , Age: 37; Mailing address: Wichita, Kansas; Occupation: housewife.
- b. Name: , Age: 13; Mailing address: Wichita, Kansas; Occupation: student.

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7. Weather conditions and winds aloft at time and place of sighting.

a. Observers' account of weather: partly cloudy with clear visibility.

b. Report from nearest weather detachment of wind direction and velocity in degrees and knots: at 1729 hrs CST, surface winds 135° at 23 knots with gusts to 33K; at 1500 hrs CST, 7,000 ft, 030° at 25K; 10,000 ft, 010° at 10K; 16,000 ft, 310° at 15K; 20,000 ft, 190° at 60K; 25,000 ft, 200° at 85K.

At 1828 hrs CST, surface winds 135° at 19 knots with gusts to 28K; at 2100 hrs CST, 7,000 ft, 020° at 15K; 10,000 ft, 010° at 15K; 16,000 ft, 040° at 15K; 20,000 ft, 030° at 20K; 25,000 ft, 020° at 10K.

c. Ceiling: at 2100 CST, 20,000 ft.

d. Visibility: at 1500 CST and 2100 CST, 15 miles.

e. Cloud cover: at 1800 CST, eight-tenths.

f. Thunderstorms: negative.

8. Meteorological and astronomical activity: negative.

9. Identification action taken: Negative.

10. Location of any air traffic in area at time of sighting: at 1728 CST a B-25 landed at McConnell AFB, at 1812 CST a C-46 landed at the same base.

11. Position title and comments of preparing officer: Acting Wing Intelligence Officer. Inasmuch as no unidentified objects were sighted by the CCA unit at McConnell AFB or the GCI unit at Hutchinson NAS, and inasmuch as the Wichita Municipal Airport is located to the southwest of the observers' position, the unidentified object sighted conceivably could have been an aircraft maneuvering to enter the Wichita Municipal Airport landing pattern.

12. Physical evidences: N/A.

/s/Walter A. Koch

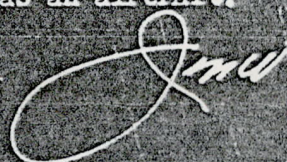
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Major, USAF

Wing Intelligence Officer

COMMENTS of Approving Officer:

Concur in probability that sighting was an aircraft.



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