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DUB to the similarity of this sighting with UFOB's 202 and 203 an investigation was authorized. Flight 1-C investigated this sighting with the following conclusions:

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LOS ANGELES & RIVERSIDE COUNTIES, CALIF. DATE OF INFORMATION

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20 July 1955

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PATRICK O. SHERE, Captain, USAF

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Observer Post, Arlington (EJCD 3055), California.

Description of sighting by Albert Delong, Hollywood Ground PART THREE:

Observer Post, Hollywood (EJBE 3806), California

Supplementary Investigative Efforts. PART FOUR:

PART FIVE: Comments of Preparing Officer.

SUMMARY: This report contains information and possible conclusions

about three sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects on the night of 9 July 1955. The information was obtained from the observers of the sightings and from an investigation

conducted to determine their possible cause.

III. INVESTIGATOR: M/Sgt. RICHARD A. HOLM AFSC: 20570 AF16046203

Captain

USAF

Officer-in-Charge

Statements (I, 2 & 3 parts)

JOHN M WHITE JR

Colonel, USAF

Commander

APPROVED:

D/I, USAF; Comdr, ATIC; D/I, 27ADiv; Comdr, 4602d AISS; CIC, Flight 1-C, 4602d AISS

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I. SOURCE: Ernest L. Dunn

Address: 6559 Lorena Street, Mira Loma, California.

Age: 25 yrs.

Occupation: Reliefman in a canning factory and odd shift ground observer.

Education: Completed High School and a Radio-Electronics Course

Qualifications: Member of the Ground Observer Corps.

in a Technical School.

II: RELIABILITY: In a personal interview in. Dunn displayed a He seemed to be rather hesitant and unsure of himself although he was relaxed during the interview.

- III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING: Source was on duty at the Glen Avon Ground Observer Post at the time of sighting which was 090545Z July 1955. The night was dark, dry and clear, with many stars out but no moon nor wind. The single object appeared very bright like an automobile headlight a few feet away.
  - A. The object did not appear to make any erratic movements, nor change shape or flicker.
  - B. The object appeared to be solid and did not move behind anything but source was not sure if it moved in front of anything while being observed without any visual aids.
  - C. Source insisted that he could see the earths curvature, and described the objects flight path as a flat horizontal plane above the earths curvature. (source did not wear glasses).
  - D. Source's opinion of objects size changed from his original estimated size of a half-dollar to that of a quarter held in the hand at arms length. It continued on out of observers' range of vision at a proximately 40° from the horizon. This elevation was maintained during the complete sighting.
  - E. Source stated that at one time before he had reported a star to be an unidentified flying object but was fairly certain that the object he saw on 9 July 1955 was not a star.

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Inclosure #1, Part One, Report #1C-UFOB-10-55. Statement of Ernest L. Dunn.

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

While looking in a Southeasterly direction, I saw an object which appeared to be a meteor, but in the thirty-five (35) seconds of which it was observed, it traveled on a horizontal plain. I considered this to be unusual.

I reported this to the Filter Center, Pasadena, California (EJBE 5705) immediately. Object was brilliant white and seemed to have a slight tail which while traveling changed colors from white to red to a hazy light blue. It covered a four mile span in thirty (30) seconds - approximately 4,800 miles per hour. I lost sight of object in the extreme Southwest.

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Captain USAF

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I. SOURCE: Larry C. Spears

Address: 5943 Noble Street, Arlington, California

Age: 13 yrs.

Occupation: Student and Ground Observer.

Education: Completed seven years of grade school.

Qualifications: Member of the Ground Observer Corps.

II. RELIABILITY: At apersonal interview Larry Spears appeared to be sincere and positive of the sighting that he had seen. His age, and the which he exhibited during the interview, places him as a

III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING: Source was on duty at ground level outside of the Arlington Ground Observation Post at the time of the sighting (090648Z July 1955). The night was dark, clear, dry and cool with a slight breeze blowing. There was dull moonlight and many stars were out. The single object was observed for four to five seconds and appeared brighter than the background. The object seemed close but the distance could not be judged by source.

- A. The object did not appear to stand still nor suddenly speed up and rush away at any time. Source did not know if the object exploded but stated that it faded out fast. It did change brightness and gave off smoke or fumes in the form of a tail or trail but did not change shape nor flicker during sighting.
- B. The object appeared to be solid and did not move in front of nor behind any object at any time. Source does not wear glasses and no visual alds were used for the sighting.
- C. Source was indefinite in his estimation of the objects size. It varied between the size of a half-dollar to that somewhat larger than a volley ball held in the hand at arms length. Object traveled in a downward arc from Northwest to Northeast. The arc decreased from 60° to 45° elevation above the horizon.
- D. Source stated that he had seen meteors before but never at such close range. He believed this object to be a meteor.

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I saw a bright object orangish yellow in color coming from the West and traveling to the East. It traveled across the sky in a downward arc. I observed it for 4 to 5 seconds. I believed it to be a meteor, but reported it immediately as I had never seen one that close and was not sure that it was a meteor. The tail changed in color from orange to red and then to blue.

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I. SOURCE: Albert J. DeLong

Address: #9, 1815 North Bronson, Hollywood 28, California

Age: 49 yrs.

Occupation: Song writer, Entertainer and Ground Observer

Education: Completed High School; a course in Stenography and general office work; and is a College of Journalism graduate.

Qualifications: Member of the Ground Observers Corps.

- II. RELIABILITY: Poor. During a personal interview, Mr. Delong spoke of having once reported a sighting which turned out to be a pelican flying over. He seemed to be and placed importance on reporting everything without as was evident in errors in giving observation time and size of object in his original report.
- Observation Post at the time of the sighting (090615% July 55).

  The night was clear, dark, dry and cool, with a slight breeze blowing. There was no moon and many stars were out. A single object was observed for a period of three (3) to four (4) seconds. This is contrary to Source's original report, which stated that it was a 30 second sighting.
  - A. The object did not appear to stand still nor suddenly speed up and rush away at any time. The object faded out at its disappearance. The object appeared overhead at approximately 70 to 80 degrees from the horizon to the north, and traveled to the north, fadeing out of view at 60 to 70 degrees, not behind any object.
  - B. Source changed the original estimate of size in his initial report from that of a silver dollar to that of a dime held in the hand at arms' length. Source does not wear glasses and did not use any visual aids for this sighting.
    - C. Source believed this sighting to be a meteor.

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While facing north I noticed a bright object high in the sky traveling straight north. Object was observed for three to four seconds and seemed to be moving on a level plane. Its' size compared with a dime held in the hand at arms' length. Object was round in shape and had a light green tings of color surrounding its' body which was a brilliant white.

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#### SUPPLIMENTARY INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS:

- 1. A check with 6th Weather Group, Det 7, Norton AFB, San Bernardine, California, the Long Beach and Riverside, California, weather stations contained the following information:
  - e. A temperature inversion of five (5) degrees Centigrade existed at this time between the altitudes of 1800 feet and 4700 feet. The temperature at 1800 feet was 15 degrees C. and the temperature at 4700 feet was 20 degrees C.
  - b. Winds aloft are are indicated below:

ALTITUDE (in fact)	WIND DIRECTION (In degrees)	WIND SPEED (In knots)				
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- Astronomer of the Mt. Wilson Observatory was interviewed to check on the possibility of meteors in the Hollywood and Riverside areas. Dr. explained that all of their observers are inside the observatories and the field of vision of their equipment is extremely limited. Therefore, the possibility of sighting such objects would be highly improbable. There were no sightings of meteors at any time during the night of 9 July 1955 from Mt. Wilson or Palemar Observatories, nor could any astronomical conclusions explain the three reported sightings in question.
- interviewed to determine the possible conclusions of the sightings in this report. He could offer no help as the information, in his opinion, was contradictory and unreliable in all three sightings with this exception: the mean was rising during the time period of these three sightings and a possible optical phenomena might explain the sighting reported by Mr. DUNN.

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#### CCIAMENTS OF THE PREPARING OFFICER:

- 1. It is the opinion of the Preparing Officer that the reliability of the observers in these three sightings varied from and that these were three separate and distinct sightings. No clear-cut conclusions can be made about any one of the three sightings because there were only single observer sightings of each of the objects in question.
- 2. The following possibilities are given: Sighting referred to in Part One is a possible optical phenomena (refer to paragraphs a and b below). The sightings referred to in Parts Two and Three are possible meteorites (refer to paragraph c below).
  - a. The fact that a five (5) degree temperature inversion did exist during the time of the sightings, (refer to paragraph 1 of Part Four of this report) can account for possible optical phenomena.
  - b. The moon rise during this period could have caused reflections and adds to the theory of an optical phenomena.
  - c. The time span of the observations cited in Parts Two and Three can be correlated with the length of time during which a meteor is normally observed, thus lending weight to the possibility that these observations were of meteors.

PATRICK O. SHEAR
Capt USAF
Officer in Charge

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COMMENTS of Approving Officer:

1. Concur with the opinion of the Preparing Officer that the three (3) sightings described above are separate and distinct sightings, with conclusions of each as indicated below:

a. Sighting by Ernest L. Dunn, Glen Avon Ground Observer Post, Riverside, California: Possibly optical phenomena.

b. Sighting by Larry C. Spears, Arlington Ground Observer Post, Arlington, California: Possibly astronomical.

c. Sighting by Albert DeLong, Hollywood Ground Observer Post, Hollywood, California: Possibly astronomical.

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