

4602D AISS UFOB LOG

1 REPORT NO. AISS-UFOB-94-55		
2 DATE RECD HQ 4602D AISS 26 February 1955	3 DATE/TIME RECD IN OPS	4 LOGGED BY A/IC DeRudder
5 DATE/TIME OF SIGHTING 26/0200Z February 55		
6 LOCATION OF SIGHTING Snowhill, Maryland	7 GEOREF	
8 MEANS RECD 9 INITIAL ACTION TT Msg Limited Investigation		10 INVES UNIT Flt. 3-H
11 INVES ASSIGNED BY Phone	12 DATE INVES ASSIGNED 26 Feb 55	13 ASSIGNING OFFICER Capt Bronstein
14 DATE IR RECD AT HQ N/A	15 DATE IR APPROVED N/A	16 DATE IR SENT TO ATIC N/A
17 AISOP FORM 5 FILED 1 June 1955		
18 COMMENTS Definitely identified as an aircraft flare by Flight 3-H.		
19 CONCLUSIONS Aircraft Flare		

3TP 01P
 ENA236 YDD188 TYA278 TMB204U
 TTB108NLA033
 PP JEDEN JEDWP JEPNY JEPHQ JEPNL
 DE JEPNL 8E
 P 261445Z
 FM COMDR 647TH ACWRON MANASSAS VA
 TO JEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLO
 JEPNY/COMDR 26TH AIR DIV DEF ROSLYN NY
 JEDWP/COMDR AIR TECH INTEL CTR WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO
 JEPHQ/DIR OF INTEL HQ USAF WASHDC
 INFO JEPNL/COMDR 4710TH ADW WILM DEL
 BT

/ U N C L A S / ACCMO 5-188 PD ATTN DIRECTOR INTEL PD UFOB

1. A. NO DEFINITE SHAPE
- B. SIZE OF APEA
- C. YELLOW
- D. ONE
- E. NO
- F. SOMETHING FELL OFF FLICKERING LIKE FLARE
- G. NO
- H. NO
- I. NONE

Ops
26/1833Z

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RBC
Check this -
what action taken?
Verified by phase
Zone 6 to ATIC

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2. A. FIRST THOUGHT IT WAS A STAR
B. 1,500 TO 20,000 FT
C. UNK (WENT IN HOUSE TO GET JACKET - WHEN HE RETURNED CMA OBJECT HAD DISAPPEARED)
D. NONE
E. NONE
F. TWO MINUTES
3. A. GROUND VISUAL
B. NONE
C. NO
4. A. APPROX 0200Z CMA 26 FEB 55
B. NIGHT
5. A. THREE NILES NE OF OBJECT - GJQJ 3308
6. A. [REDACTED] - [REDACTED] MARYLAND - [REDACTED]
B. N/A
- U. A. SKY COND CLEAR CMA SLIGHT BREEZE CMA BEG PRECIPITATION CMA NO OTHER ACFT VISIBLE IN AREA
B. ADW AFB WX OBSERVATION
6,000 - 290 DEGREES - 50 KTS
10,000 - 280 DEGREES - 20 KTS

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- 15,000 - 290 DEGREES - 45 KTS
 - 20,000 - 290 DEGREES - 60 KTS
 - 30,000 - 280 DEGREES - 85 KTS
 - 40,000 - 280 DEGREES - 100 KTS
 - C. CLEAR INLIMITED
 - D. VARIABLE 5 - 10
 - E. NONE
 - F. N/A
 8. N/A
 9. NONE
 10. NONE
 11. NONE
 12. NONE
- 26/1720Z FEB JEPNL

RGR UR 3TP 01P

I have heard that experimental work with parachute flares was going on in connection with the Navy Air Station at Chincoteague Va.

The best that I can get my directional bearings from my home, the Air Station is slightly south of where I saw the light.

I don't drink & I haven't had a night-mare for twenty-five years.

I hoped when I reported this to the Civil-Air-Spotting post here in Snow Hill that I may have been helping pin-point a plane in distress.

Yours Truly,



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?

25th Feb 1955
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

8 : 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?

Snow Hill Md. Snow Hill MARYLAND
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

NO 4
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?

(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?

(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?: NO.

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?

b. Several blocks away?

c. A block away?

d. Several yards away?

e. Other _____

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

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

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, than tell what

it moved in front of: _____

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 | No | e. Binoculars | Yes | No |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | No | f. Telescope | Yes | No |
| c. Windshield | Yes | No | g. Theodolite | Yes | No |
| d. Window glass | Yes | No | h. Other _____ | | |

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

a. Sound no sound at all

b. Color like a yellow flame from a match

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.

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? _____
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

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.

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

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
- b. Pea
- c. Dime
- d. Nickel
- e. Quarter
- f. Half dollar

- g. Silver dollar
- h. Baseball
- i. Grapefruit
- j. Basketball
- k. Other _____

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

- a. Certain
- b. Fairly certain

- c. Not very sure
- d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? _____

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.

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?

Riding home in my car. It attracted my attention by being an unusual silver color from a star for the moon.

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)

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

28.2 How fast were you moving? 35 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)

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

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

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

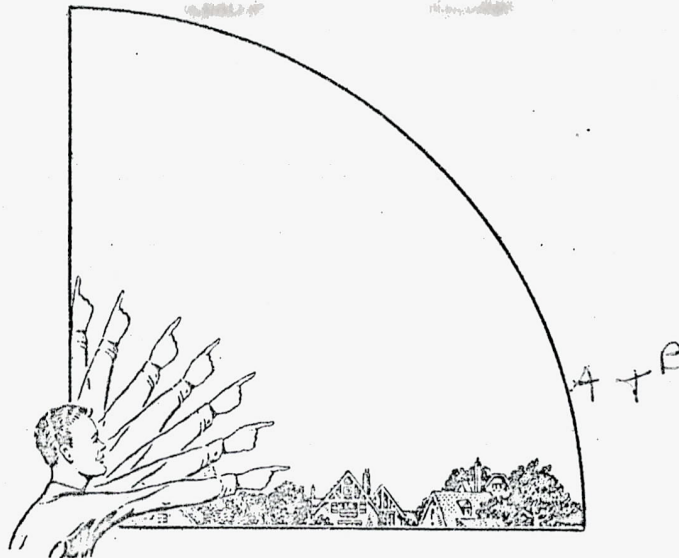
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

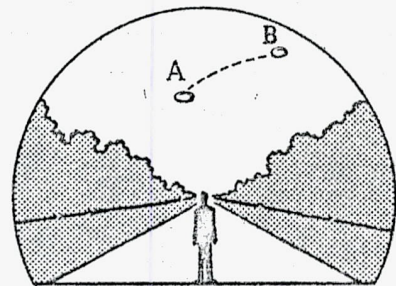
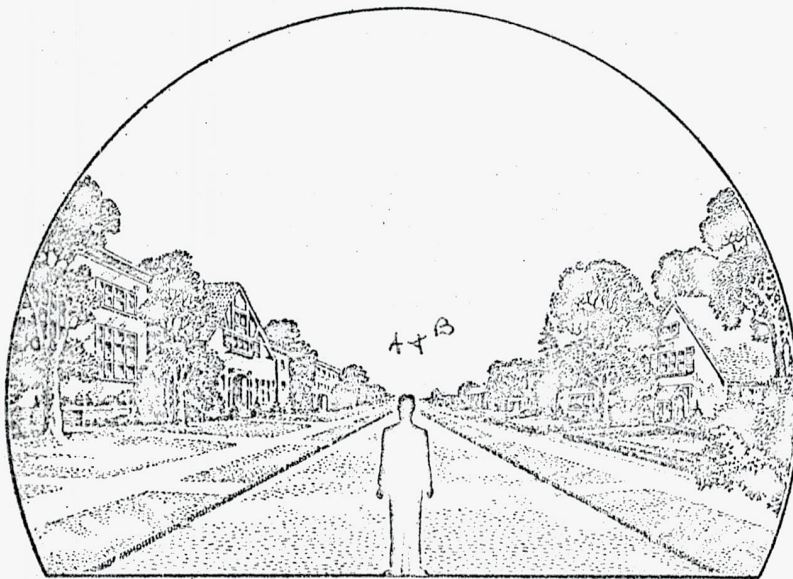
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ 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.



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
- b. Cool
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

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

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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:

my two small sons age

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?

*1944, 45 in France & Germany I saw planes
go down in flames.*

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

*I think that what I saw was an airplane on
fire.*

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? _____ 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? _____ feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

MD.
State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

NONE

What is your present job?

Age

32

Sex

male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school _____

e. e. Technical school _____

b. High school _____

(Type) _____

c. College _____

f. Other special training _____

d. Post graduate _____

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

3rd.
Day

March
Month

1955
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 [REDACTED]
(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

SIGNATURE [REDACTED]

CODE:

DATE March 3rd 1955

I was returning to my home from Snow Hill, which is about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile in distance my two small sons were with me. The size & brightness of this light I saw is what attracted my attention & I mentioned it to the boys. I probably had this in my view for $\frac{3}{10}$ ths of a mile when I reached home & got out of the car & looked at it with no glass or obstruction of any kind. I judge that I looked at this light for a minute in my car & three minutes

after I got out.

I served over seas with the 9th Air Force Service command in world war II. I was in an advance supply sqdn. & had seen several air-craft on fire in day light and also at night.

To me this is what I think I saw.

A multi-engine plane from 3 to five miles away with one engine or another part of the plane on fire.

The night I saw this was cold & I only had on a light shirt. I ran into the house to get a jacket & when I came out the light was gone. I have my conclusion that the plane was a multi-engine plane that probably extinguished the fire & proceeded to its destination.