

3 October 1956

Mr. [REDACTED]

Saint Petersburg, Florida

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

This organization is responsible for analysis and preliminary investigation of unidentified flying object sightings within the boundaries of the United States. We appreciate your cooperation in reporting your sighting; however, additional information is needed for analysis of this sighting.

The inclosed ATIC Form No. 164 (U.S. Air Force Technical Information Sheet) is forwarded for your convenience in supplying this squadron with the needed information. Again our thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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CHARLES W. GODSEY
Captain, USAF
Assistant Adjutant

18 October 1956

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Sometime ago, this organization sent you an ATIC Form 164 (U. S. Air Force Technical Information Sheet).

As of this date, the completed form has not been received at this organization.

The information asked for in this form is essential to completing our evaluation of your sighting and to our statistical compilation of Unidentified Flying Object sightings within the boundaries of the United States.

If you have already found out what caused your sighting, please complete the ATIC Form and send it to us, so that we shall be able to close our file on your sighting.

If the form has been lost or misplaced, please write to us, and we will be happy to send you another form. Again our thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

CHARLES W. GODSEY
Captain, USAF
Assistant Adjutant

660TH AIRCRAFT CONTROL AND WARNING SQUADRON
MacDill Air Force Base
Tampa, Florida

27 September 1956

SUBJECT: Report of Unidentified Flying Objects

TO: ~~Commander~~
~~Air Defense Command~~
~~Ents Air Force Base~~
~~Colorado Springs, Colorado~~
ATTN: ~~Int Officer~~

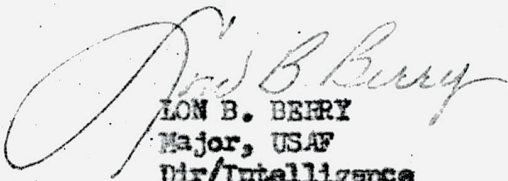
Inclosed are reports of unidentified flying objects by this squadron,
and Director/Intelligence 305th Bomb Wing (M), MacDill Air Force Base,
Tampa, Florida.



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COUNTRY OF ACTIVITY REPORTING United States		REPORT NO. 1-56	(Leave blank)	
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT				
COUNTRY OR AREA REPORT CONCERNS St. Petersburg, Florida		DATE OF INFORMATION		
ACTIVITY SUBMITTING REPORT Dir/Intelligence, 305th Bn Wg (M)		DATE OF COLLECTION 24 Sept 1956		SRI STATUS (If applicable)
PREPARING INDIVIDUAL B. R. Cowan, Capt., USAF		DATE OF REPORT 26 Sept 1956		SRI NO. CANCELED/COMPLETE
NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE Mr. [REDACTED] (Civilian)		EVALUATION F-2		SRI NO. CANCELED/INCOMPLETE
REFERENCES (BAIR Subject, previous reports, etc., as applicable)		SRI NO. ACTIVE		
First Report. TWX report was not sent reference this report due to time lag - time of sighting till observer was interrogated.				
SUBJECT (Descriptive title. Use individual reports for separate subjects)				
UFOB				
SUMMARY (Give summary which highlights the salient factors of narrative report. Begin narrative text on AF Form 112a unless report can be fully stated on AF Form 112. List inclosures, including number of copies)				
1. UFOB report forwarded under AFR 290-2, dated 12 Aug 1954. 2. The manager of a restaurant in St. Petersburg, Florida called the MacDill AFB Officer of the Day on Saturday morning, 22 September, stating that an employee had observed a "flying saucer" early that morning. An appointment was arranged for a 305th Bn Wg Intelligence Officer to interview this person, identified as Mr. [REDACTED] Petersburg. A detailed report of this Unidentified Flying Object sighting is included on AF Form 112a.				
 Lon B. BERRY Major, USAF Dir/Intelligence 305th Bn Wg (M)				
<u>One</u> INCLS Sketchs of object observed.				
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TO: Commander, Air Defense Command, Ent AFB, Colorado				

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An Unidentified Flying Object sighting in the vicinity of St. Petersburg, Florida was reported to MacDill AFB, Florida on 22 Sept 56. Object was sighted at 0426 EST (0926Z) by a young man, [REDACTED] and his mother, who reside at [REDACTED] in St. Petersburg. Sighting was observed for approximately seven (7) minutes by both persons from a second floor screened porch. Binoculars of 8 X 56 power were utilized during most of sighting period.

Object was described as first appearing as shown in attached sketch #1 (Incl #1) when first viewed by the naked eye, then as shown in sketch #2, when first looking through binoculars prior to focusing the binoculars. After the glasses were properly brought into focus, the object appeared as shown in sketch #3. Toward end of sighting period, [REDACTED] thinking that porch screen possibly could be distorting his view, moved to another vantage point on second floor side porch with no screen and object appeared the same. Then as he watched, it appeared to grow smaller and take on form originally viewed with naked eye and gradually became smaller and smaller until it disappeared completely. A no time did object appear to be moving in any direction. Object was estimated to be approximately 1500' in the air and not more than one to two miles at a slant range from point of observation, which would place position of the object about over the beach along Gulf of Mexico to the West of St. Petersburg (estimated position of sighting by coordinates: 27 44N 82 44W).

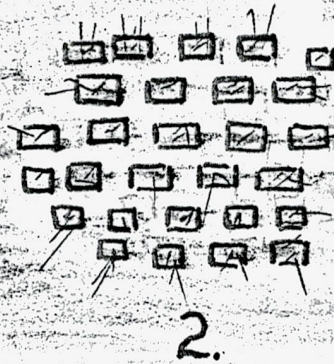
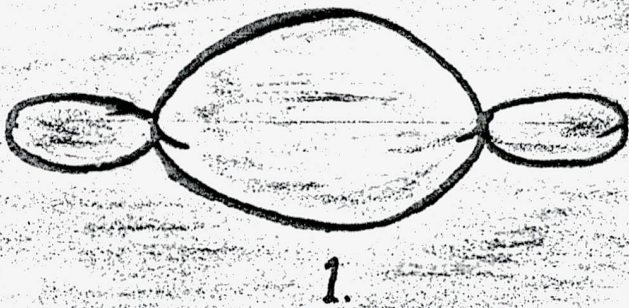
Object appeared to have no distinct outline, but because of the difference in size of the individual windows from which a white light radiated, gave the impression that overall, the object was round in shape. Object appeared to hang motionless in the sky with white light coming from windows or port-hole type openings which were definitely counted to be in a line of four (4) on the horizontal and six (6) on the perpendicular. Moon and stars were visible during time of sighting, but not in a position to interfere with line of sight to object. Light from bottom row of windows seemed to radiate downward through the openings appearing as windows, and light from the top windows glowed upward until diffused by cloud layer several hundred feet above altitude of the object. A hazy glow of diffused light appeared to penetrate the sky surrounding the object at all times during the sighting.

Apparently, the sighting made a deep impression on both observers and during interrogation by Intelligence Officer, [REDACTED] stated that he was actually frightened and at the same time fascinated by what he saw.

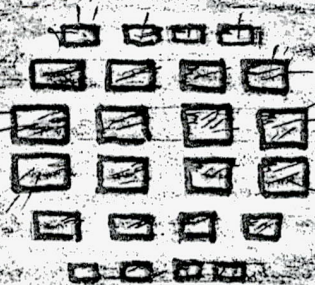
No other sightings were reported to this installation during period concerned. A check with 660th AC & W Sqdn revealed no unusual activity or information of coincidental value.

Lon B. Berry
LON B. BERRY
Major, USAF

Dir/Intelligence
305th Bn Wg (M)



A.



B.



3.

Object appeared as shown in sketch 3A part of the time, and as shown in 3B part of the time. Observer believed these two sketches to be good examples of how object looked through focused binoculars. Light diffusion could possibly have caused observer's uncertainty as to positive shape of openings.

WEATHER INFORMATION

WINDS:

Surface/ESE/4
6,000/110/20
10,000/140/14
16,000/120/15
20,000/110/6
30,000/280/28
50,000/280/42

CEILING: 3,000 feet

VISIBILITY: Ten miles

CLOUD COVER: Broken .6

THUNDERSTORMS: None

TEMPERATURE INVERSION: At 1,750 feet and 3,200 feet.

HEADQUARTERS
35TH AIR DIVISION (DEFENSE)
Dobbins Air Force Base
Marietta, Georgia

REPORT ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. A brief description of the object (s): It was round, with both round and square portholes.

a. Shape: Round

b. Size (Compare with known Object):
Negative

c. Color White or light color

d. Number: one

e. Formation (if any more than one):
N/A

f. Any discernable features or details:
Portholes or Windows with light shining thru.

g. Tail, trail, or exhaust, including size of same compared to size of object (s)
Negative

h. Sound (If heard, describe sound):
None

i. Other pertinent or unusual features:
Negative

2. Description of course of object (s):
Stationary

a. What first called the attention of observer (s) to the object (s):
Chance observance

b. Angle of elevation and azimuth of the object (s) when first observed:
30° Angle of Elevation 230° Azimuth from point of observation

c. Angle of elevation and azimuth of object (s) upon disappearance:
30° Angle of Elevation 230° Azimuth from point of observation

d. Description of flight path and maneuvers of object (s):
None

e. Manner of disappearance of object (s):
Faded (Condensed) at same spot

f. Length of time in sight:
7 minutes

3. Manner of observation:
Naked eye and power glasses

a. Use one of any combination of the following items: (Ground Visual, ground electronic, air-electronic, If electronic, specify type of radar):
Ground Visual

Ames

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d. Visibility:

Negative

e. Amount of cloud cover:

Negative

f. Thunderstorms in area and quadrant in which located:

Negative

8. Any other unusual activity or condition, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting:

Negative

9. Interception or identification action taken (such action may be taken whenever feasible, complying with existing air defense directives:

None

10. Location of any air traffic in the area at time of sighting:

Negative

11. Position title and comments of the preparing officer, including his preliminary analysis of the possible cause of the sighting (s):

Assistant Operations Officer, 660th ACWRON, MacDill AFB, Tampa, Fla.--
None.

12. Existing of physical evidence, such as material and photographs:

None.

305th Bomb Wing, MacDill AFB, sent in their report, AF Form 112, # 1-56 to Commander, ADC. Their report was not preceded by an electrical message because of time delay. Report was made out by Capt. Cowan, who was O.D. on the 22nd of Sep 56. Capt. Cowan drove to St. Petersburg on 24th Sep 1956 to interview the observer. The 660th ACWRON was not notified until the 26th of Sep 1956.

35th ADD Form 98,
Replaces DI Form 5
21 Feb 55

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Frank J. Seidl
FRANK J. SEIDL
1st Lt. USAF
Assistant Operations Officer

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- b. Statement as to optical aids (telescopes, binoculars, and so forth) used and description thereof:

Binoculars

- c. If the sighting is made while airborne, give type aircraft, identification on number, altitude, heading, speed, and home station:

N/A

4. Time and date of sighting:

0426 EST

22 September 1956

- a. Zulu time-date group of sighting:

0926 Z

- b. Light conditions (use one of the following terms): Night, day, dawn, dusk:

Night

5. Locations of observer (s). Exact latitude and longitude of each observer or Georef position, or position with reference to a known landmark:

2744 N. 8244 W.

6. Identifying information on all observers:

- a. Civilian:

NAME	AGE	MAILING ADDRESS	OCCUPATION
[REDACTED] and Mother	20	[REDACTED] St. Petersburg, Fla.	Resturant Employee and House Keeper

- b. Military:

NAME	GRADE	ORGANIZATION	DUTY	ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY
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7. Weather and winds-aloft conditions at time and place of sightings:

Negative

- a. Observer(s) account of weather conditions:

Moon and Stars Visible

- b. Report from nearest AAS or U.S. Weather Bureau Office or wind direction and velocity in degrees and knots at surface, 6,000', 10,000', 16,000', 20,000', 30,000', 50,000', and 80,000' if available:

Negative

- c. Ceiling:

Negative

PROB ASTRO: MARS

NOTE that general tone and comments of source indicate opinion - Mars was sighted out source

jam

cause of sighting

FOR 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?

22 Sept. 1956
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

4

Hour

15

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?

Nearest Postal Address

City or Town

State or Country

Additional remarks:

St. Petersburg Florida
We will change our Address in a few days.
unknown right now

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

Hours

Seven

Minutes

2

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

BRIGHT
MOONLIGHT

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?:

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

When it disappeared
☒ 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? *flames*

☒ Yes

No

Don't Know

e. Change brightness?

☒ Yes

When it No

disappeared 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: *the clouds when it disappeared and became smaller and smaller*

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: *the clouds and the light was reflected from the clouds. stood*
The clouds were moving, but the object stayed.

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

☒ a. 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

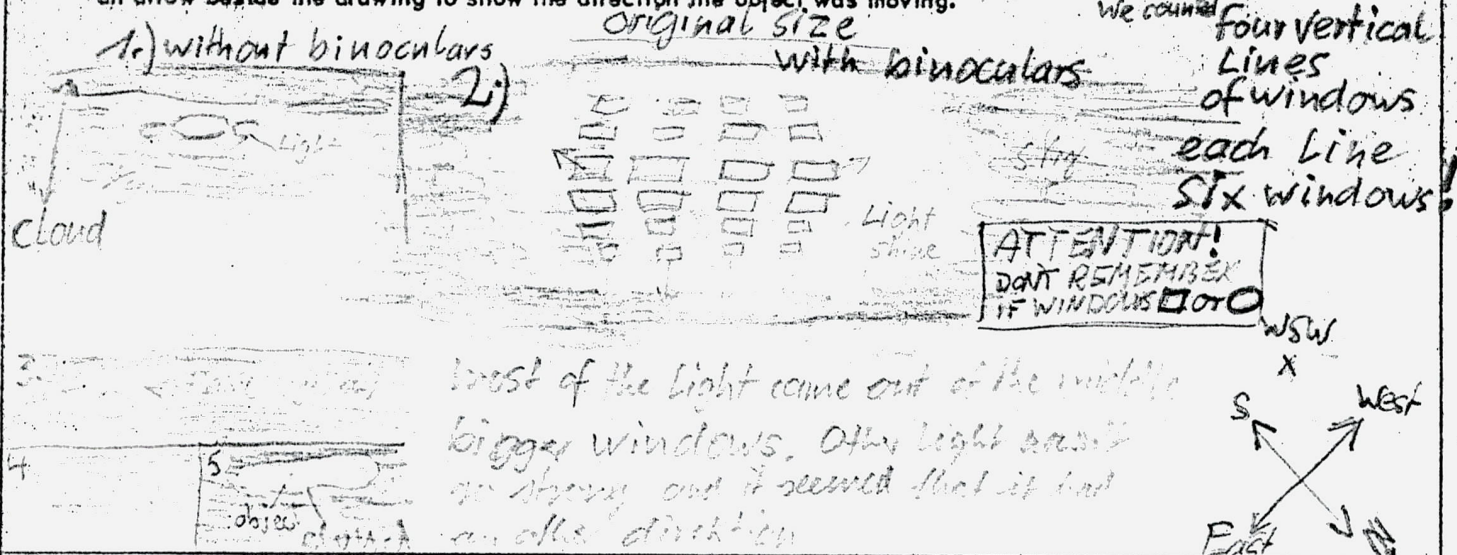
h. Other _____

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

a. Sound No sound

b. Color Yellow Light

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 brighter as a star but not outlined. — only windows with a bright shine round it.

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there?

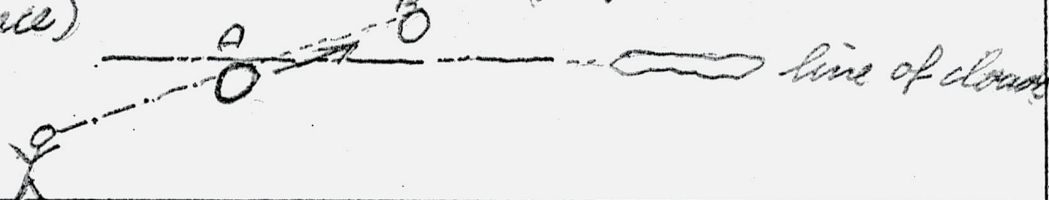
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

Without the binoculars there were three Lights; one big and two small on each side. (look NW) But with the binoculars we could see only one big building with many windows. The object had no direction because it wasn't moving at all. Only when it disappeared we got the impression that it became more and more farer because it was shrinking together at the same place. Finally some clouds passed in front of the object and the shine lost its brightness.

(First the clouds had been sharply ^(above) behind the object.)

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.

It didn't moved at all. — Only possibility of moving
could be when it disappeared (shrinking together at the same
place)



21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.
about sixty feet. (small building)

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.

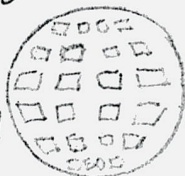
- a. Certain
- ☒ b. Fairly certain

- c. Not very sure
- d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? staying at the same spot it
became smaller and smaller, finally from clouds ^{in front of} ~~in front of~~ the light.
But before the object had been under the clouds because its light was
reflected by the clouds.

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.

It looked like
a ball we
use to
discover and
to explore
deep places
in the ocean.



- 1) Light steel, Lithium, Aluminum
and an unburning synthetic stuff
like a kind of Bakelit.
- 2) Radius 30 feet; Round because
of outside pressure;
- 3) a big balloon with many such lights.

} Only an idea

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

- and ☒ 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?

We wanted to go to bed, when we saw the shine through the screens of our porch.
It was not moving but still in the sky, so it couldn't be a plane. So I became curious
and got my binoculars. 8X56 "Galilei" Bush Co.

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 | 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)

- | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | 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)

- | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | 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:

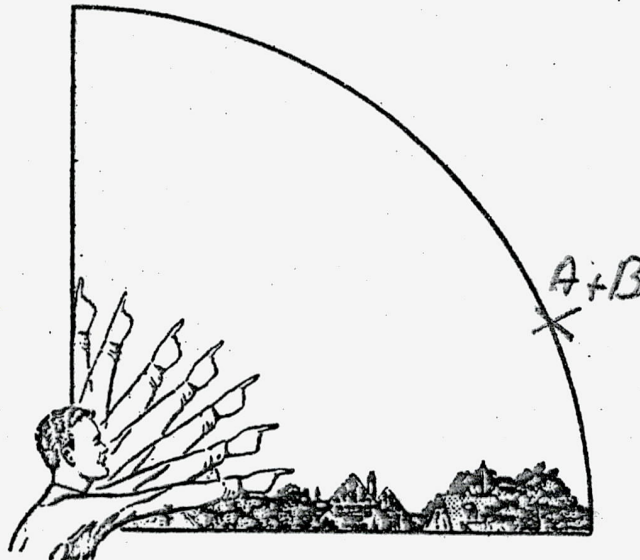
- a. From true North 240 degrees.
b. From horizon 30-35 degrees.



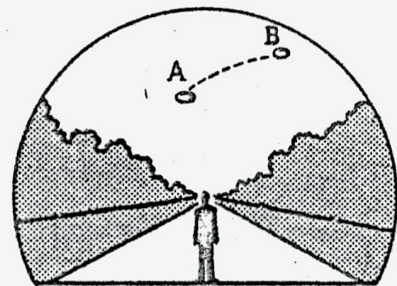
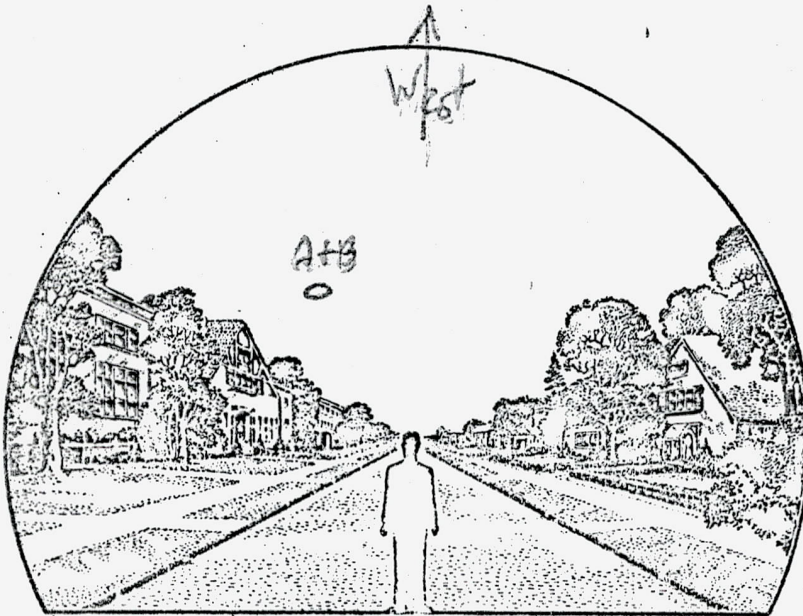
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 240 degrees.
b. From horizon 30-35 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?

_____ Day _____ Month _____ Year 1956

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 mother

When we saw the object we heard a small plane (piped) we were sure that we wouldn't be the only people who would see that.

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?

*a secret plane construction of any government
or — a space ship.*

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? _____

about
2 miles and 1200 ft high
feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

[Redacted]
Last Name

[Redacted]
First Name

[Redacted]
Middle Name

ADDRESS

We are moving
[Redacted]
Street

St Petersburg
City

South
Zone

Florida
State

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

What is your present job? _____

Bus boy

Age

19

Sex

masculine

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 *Technical school*

d. Post graduate _____

European Reorganization
graduation

42. Date you completed this questionnaire: _____

10
Day

Oct.
Month

1956
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)

CODE:

SIGNATURE [REDACTED]

DATE 10 October 1956

Mother and didn't want to sleep at that night.

We had been dancing from 9 PM to 1 AM in the Coliseum at a ball of the Sertoma Club. When we came home at about 20 min past One, we had a few cups of coffee with some friends. It was a nice conversation till 4 o'clock. Then the friends went home with their cars, and we wanted to sleep on the porch. The light was turned out. I just wanted to stretch down on the couch when I saw a big Light shining through the screens. It was not looking like a star — but what could it be. I showed it mother. A plane? — Impossible it would move. So I went to get the binoculars. The different picture showed us only the middle light. The two side lights were missing. The middle Light showed 24 light points, which looked like windows. There were 4 vertical lines and each contained six (windows). The light in the center were bigger as the other ones. We got the

Impression that the "thing" must be round.
 Now I went to the bathroom, to dress myself
 again. I wanted to phone the airport, but we
 had no phone and so I was going to try at our
 neighbors place. Running through the outdoor
 I looked for the light again. But what was that?
 Slowly but surely it became smaller and smaller
 and it seemed as if a little flame was moving on top
 of the object.

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 Then some clouds moved in front

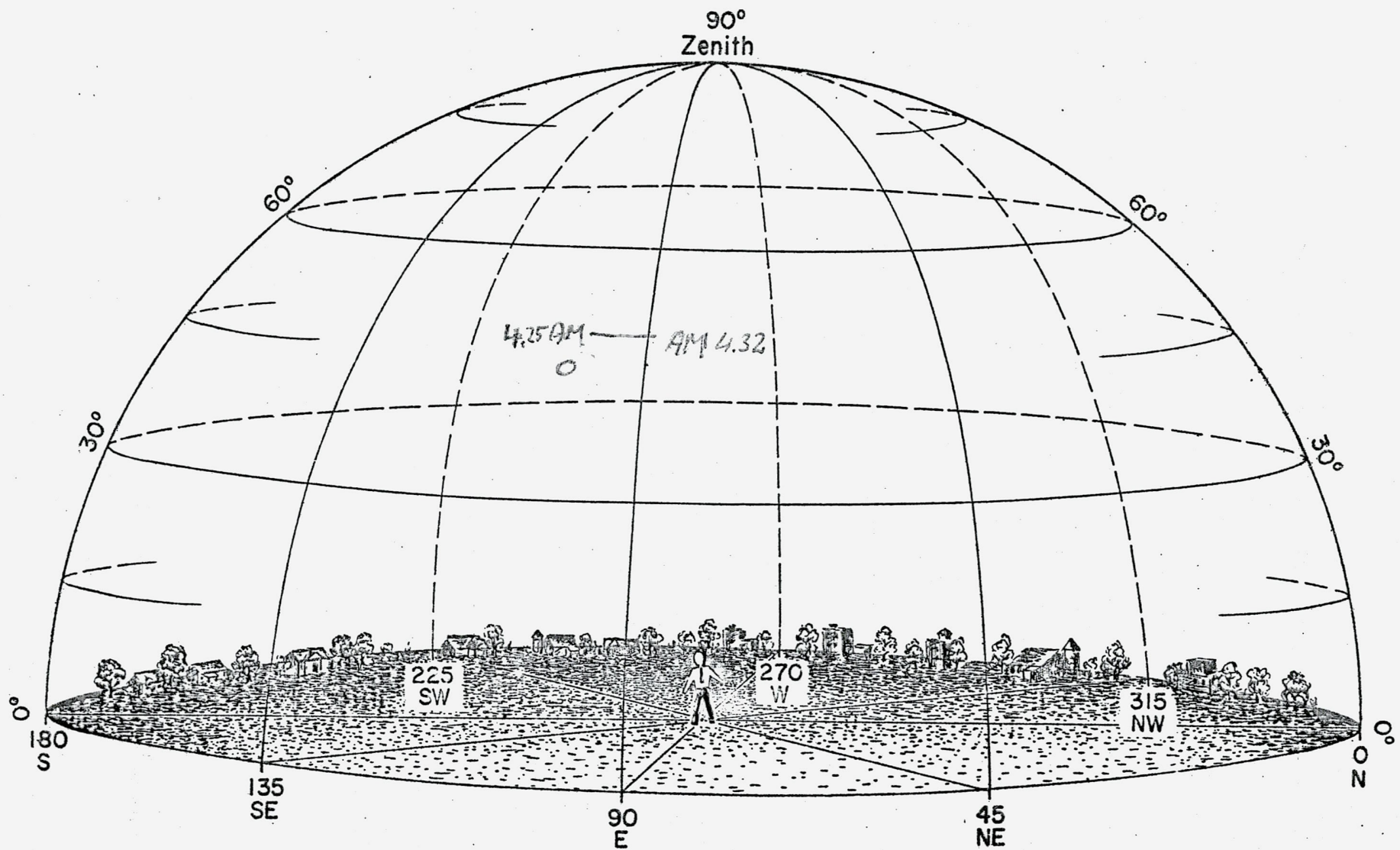
of this light. After they had passed, only a very, very small point
 was the rest of this big light. Finally I couldn't see anything
 but some stars, the clouds and the moon light brightness. — From
 the beginning to the end (time) the object had remained at
 the same spot. Only when it disappeared, I had the feeling that
 it was gaining distance. — So far the story itself.

PS. This sheet was filed out four four days

Last day 10 Octobre. The reason why I didn't
 sent it to you right away was that we moved
 and changed our adress. That was the time
 when it got lost, but my mother looked for it
 and found it again after receiving your letter.
 Reading it trough, she was so upset about my
 bad English that he didn't wanted to send it
 all. I hope to help you with my informations
 and wish you good luck.

our new adress

St. R.



UFO OBSERVERS INSTRUCTION SHEET (Sky Diagram)

1. GENERAL:

a. The diagram represents all of the sky normally visible to the observer, who is pictured standing under the center of the "dome" of the sky. It is designed to show a three-dimensional view of the area centered around the observer at the time of the UFO sighting.

b. The position of any object in the sky can be described by giving its elevation, or angle upward from the horizon, and its bearing or angle along the horizon, eastward from north.

(1) Illustrations:

(a) Elevation is 0 degrees for an object on the horizon, and 90 degrees for the point directly over the observer (zenith). Thus, an object half-way up from the horizon to the zenith has an elevation of 45 degrees.

(b) Bearing (or "azimuth") is the angle along the horizon, starting from north and moving clockwise eastward. Thus, an object directly toward the east, no matter what its elevation is above the horizon, has a bearing of 90 degrees, an object in the south has a bearing of 180 degrees; toward the west, 270 degrees and so on. North is, of course, zero.

EXAMPLE: An object is seen in the northeast and one-third way up from horizon to overhead. Thus, the object has a bearing of 45 degrees, and elevation of 30 degrees. Similarly, an object having a bearing of 180 degrees and an elevation of 60 degrees would be seen directly south and two-thirds of the way up from the horizon.

2. PLOTTING THE COURSE OF AN OBJECT ON THE SKY DIAGRAM:

a. The path of an object across the sky can be shown completely on this diagram simply by connecting with a curved or straight line the various positions the object successively occupies (see example sheet). To aid visualization, the path on the western side of the sky is represented by broken lines; the eastern side in solid lines. Direction of the object is indicated by arrows. The duration of the sighting can be shown by indicating the time at the position, where the object was first and last observed. Where possible, the time at various intermediate positions occupied by the object should also be shown.

b. The diagram can be made a more effective investigative and analytical tool by making the lines (showing the path of the object) thicker or thinner to indicate any varying brightness of the object observed. This is especially valuable when the object appeared only as a moving light at night. Thus, if a light becomes brighter and then gradually fades, it can be represented by a line becoming increasingly thicker and then gradually thinning out to nothing.

c. Use of colored pencils is especially recommended if the object changes color or hue during the sighting.

3. EXAMPLE OF DIAGRAM USE:

a. Verbal Description of Example Sighting: Object was first sighted in the southeast, about half-way up from the horizon to overhead, at 10:45 PM local time. Its shape or outline was hazy, but appeared round and about the size of a pea (at arm's length) from where observed. It was dim at first but brightened considerably as it got higher in the sky. Its color at this point was bluish white. After about two minutes it crossed to the western part of the sky a little to the north of overhead (zenith) and continued its flight toward the west. At this point its color appeared yellowish white. The light went dim when it got two-thirds of the way to the horizon. It then stopped and hovered for about one minute and then climbed rapidly, going toward the southwest and getting brighter. In less than thirty seconds, it had climbed to an elevation of approximately 60 degrees, and then the light went out abruptly.

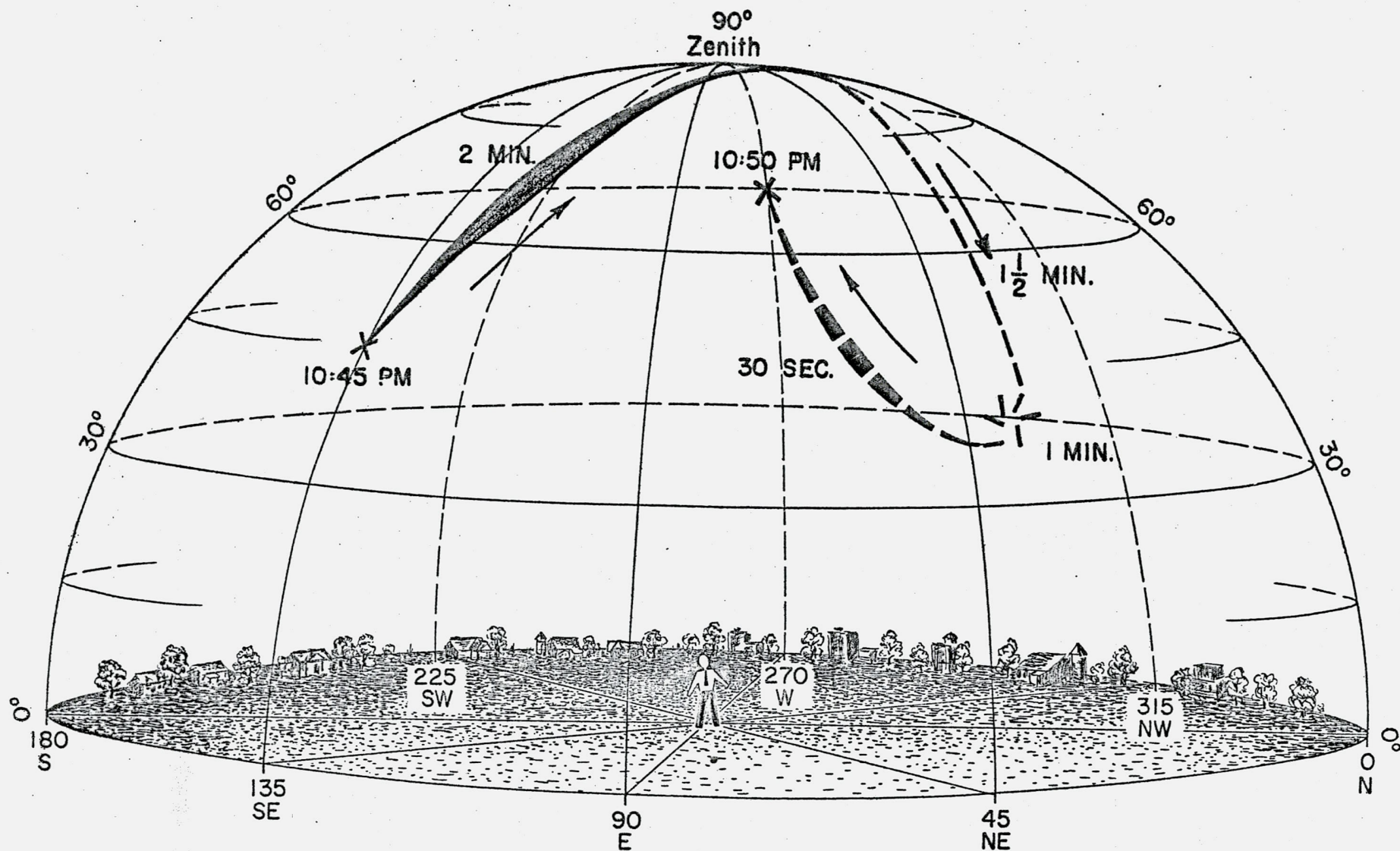
b. Pictorial Description of the Sighting: By referring to the example sheet, notice how simply the above sighting can be portrayed and described, without words, on the example diagram attached here. Note the starting point at bearing 135 degrees (southeast) and elevation 45 degrees (half-way up from the horizon) at 10:45 PM (military time, 2245), and the arrow marking direction of flight. Note also the varying thickness of the line to denote changes in brightness, and the use of the dotted line to indicate its path in the western part of the sky. The "time indications" along the path - 2 minutes to get to the meridian (the north-south overhead line), the hovering for 1 minute, and the ascent in 30 seconds to its complete disappearance, are all shown with a few lines. Thus, the entire sighting can be represented easily on one diagram.

4. FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION:

a. Relatively complex trajectories can easily be shown on a diagram of this type. A number of objects sighted can also be indicated, as can any changing formation. The apparent size and shape of the object should be drawn in, preferably by the observer. In the case of an object changing shape or color, this likewise can be drawn in. As previously pointed out, the use of colored pencils to indicate change of color is very desirable.

b. The landscaping in the sky diagram is placed there to help visualization. If any prominent landmarks such as known mountains, buildings, water towers, or specific installations, trees, etc., are part of the sighting area, they should be incorporated into the drawing. These landmarks may later prove to be invaluable as location, plotting or reference points.

c. If you are familiar with the constellations or other heavenly bodies, indicate if possible, the relationship (and movements) of the object with respect to these bodies. This can be sketched on either page 6, item 33 or pages 9-10 of "Summary Data" sheet. Typical examples that can be easily illustrated: "...The object seemed to pass very slowly between the two bottom stars on the handle of the Big Dipper, which was in a vertical position, with the handle pointing down," or "...Object was about the size of a tennis ball -- and remained slightly below and about 15 degrees to the left of the moon."



(EXAMPLE SHEET)