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COUNTRY United States of America	REPORT NO. 2-56	(LEAVE BLANK)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT Unidentified Flying Object Report		
AREA REPORTED ON Silver Spring, Maryland	FROM (Agency) Director of Plans and Intelligence, Headquarters Command, USAF, Bolling AFB	
DATE OF REPORT 5 September 1956	DATE OF INFORMATION 4 September 1956	EVALUATION Unevaluated
PREPARED BY (Officer) Major James E. Geurtz	SOURCE 	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) None		

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.)

The following information is reported in accordance with AFR 200-2, Unidentified Flying Objects Report, dated 12 August 1954:


 JAMES E. GEURTZ
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 Assistant Director, Plans
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1. Description of the object:
 - a. Between round and oval
 - b. Basketball
 - c. White
 - d. One
 - e. Negative
 - f. Negative
 - g. Negative
 - h. Negative
 - i. Negative
2. Description of course of object:
 - a. James Blick and a friend were observing the planet Mars, when his friend suddenly pointed up at the object and called Mr. Blick's attention to it.
 - b. Directly overhead
 - c. Disappeared straight up
 - d. Unknown
 - e. Unknown
 - f. 10 seconds
3. Manner of observation:
 - a. Ground-visual
 - b. Negative
 - c. Negative
4. Time and date of sighting:
 - a. 0130Z 14 September 1956
 - b. Night
5. Location of observers:
 - a. 10406 Royalton Terrace, Silver Spring, Maryland
6. Identifying information of observer:
 - a. [REDACTED], age, 15; [REDACTED], Silver Spring, Maryland;
occupation, student
 - [REDACTED], age, 13; [REDACTED], Silver Spring, Maryland;
occupation, student
7. Weather and winds--aloft, conditions at time and place of sighting:
 - a. Clear
 - b. Surface, 090-04K
6000-110-06K
10,000-220-08K
16,000-240-12K
20,000-240-20K
30,000-260-27K
50,000-170-06K
70,000-080-16K

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7. Cont'd

- c. Ceiling - none
- d. Visibility - 12 Miles
- e. Amount of cloud cover - None
- f. Thunderstorms in area - None

8. Negative

9. Negative

10. Negative

11. Position title and comments of the preparing officer:

a. Asst Director of Plans & Intelligence

- b. The youth of the observers, coupled with an apparent interest in celestial-scientific knowledge could have led to an over-imaginative observation. Due to the relative positions of the observers and the planet Mars, they would have been looking almost directly over the City of Washington and it's airport complex. Heavy air traffic and lights in this area could have created a false impression. The observers were sincere in their attitude and they apparently saw something. There was no evidence that they were seeking personal notoriety. The reliability of this report is unknown.

12. Negative

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