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SUBJECT UFOB		
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 112a.) On 7 December at 1655Z, observer [REDACTED], a student at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst Massachusetts, contacted A/2C Edward G. Thomas AF 23986343, HQ 4050th Air Refueling Wing, Westover AFB, Massachusetts by long distance telephone to report an Unidentified Flying Object observed on 5 December 1956 at approximately 2205Z. Preliminary investigation was conducted by S/SGT William C. Jordan AF 11074471, HQ 4050th Air Refueling Wing on the 7th and 8th of December 1956 in accordance with Paragraph 6a of Air Force Regulation 200-2. <i>Frank Wojtasiek</i> FRANK J. WOJTASIAK, MAJOR, USAF Director of Intelligence.		
INCL. Do NOT CONCUR BELIEVE PROB METEOR 6602D AISS UFOB REPT. 493 DATE/TIME GROUP 05/2205Z DEC 56 AMHERST, MASS.		
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1.) Description of the object:

- A. Shape - Round
- B. Size - Basketball
- C. Color - Dark
- D. Number of objects - One(1)
- E. Formation - N/A
- F. Any discernible features or details - None
- G. Exhaust - Ball sized tapering to pencil thin.
- H. Sound - not audible.
- I. Other pertinent features - None

2.) Description of course of the object:

- A. The orange exhaust caught the observers attention.
- B. Angle of elevation at time of sighting - 030°
- C. Azimuth at time of sighting - 132°
- D. Angle of elevation at disappearance - 030°
- E. Azimuth at disappearance - 035°
- F. Description of flight path - Straight
- G. Manner of disappearance - Orange-yellow puff of explosion.
- H. Length of time in sight - 1 to 3 seconds.

3.) Manner of observation:

- A. Type of observation - Ground-visual.
- B. Optical aids - None.

4.) Time and date of sighting:

- A. Zulu time-date group of sighting - 052205Z Dec56.
- B. Light conditions - Night, dark.

5.) Location of Observer: HJCN 2823

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6.) Identifying information of observer:

A. Name - [REDACTED]

B. Age - 26

C. Occupation - Student

D. Mailing address - University of Massachusetts

Amherst, Massachusetts

7.) Weather conditions and wind direction:

A. Wind direction - NNE

B. Wind velocity - 250° at 30 knots

C. Visibility - Seven (7) miles

8.) Any other activities which might account for sighting - None

9.) Interception or Identification action taken:

Mr Stephen Dehl called the GOC post, Charley November 2-2 Red Amherst, Massachusetts and they immediately notified the Albany Filter Center, Detachment II 4670th Ground Observer Squadron, Albany New York.

10.) List any air traffic in the area at that particular time.

A. Information recieved from Radar Site Egglog indicates that there was Jet aircraft traffic in that area at that particular time.

11.) Comments: Possible cause of the sighting could be sunspots or exhaust blast from jet aircraft known to be in that area.

12.) Physical Evidence - None

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