Incident #274

ATIC NO. - - -

DATE OF INC. 2 Mar 1949

AF NO. - - -

LOCATION Los Alamos, N.M.

REPORT NO. - - -

SOURCE ASSS Inspector

DATE OF REPORT - - -

DATE INC TO ATIC - - -

TIME OF INCIDENT 0010

COLOR - - -

SHAPE - - -

SPEED Very fast

Moving Steady

SIZE - - -

ALTITUDE low

Moving Fading

COURSE N to S

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED 2 sec.

NO. INDIVIDUALS 1

TYPE OF OBSERVATION Tower

SOUND - - -

MANEUVERS - - -

PHOTOS - - - SKETCHES - - -

Supplementary ATIC Form 329
(Rev Jan 54)

Astro(Meteor)

INCIDENT NO. ~~274~~

1. Date of Observation ~~2 March 49~~ Date of Interview ~~2 March 49~~

2. Exact time (local) 0000

3. Place of Observation Los Alamos, N.M. 35° 53 ' 09" North
106° 14' 54" West

4. Position of observer
Ground, Station 103

5. What attracted attention to object - Light

6. Number of objects One

7. Apparent size

8. Color of object

9. Shape

10. Altitude Low in sky

11. Direction from observer

12. Distance from observer

13. Direction of flight of object(s) ~~XXXXX~~ North to South

14. Time in sight Two seconds

15. Speed Very Fast, Covered half of Field of view (90°) in two seconds

16. Sound and Odor

17. Trail

18. Luminosity Self luminous

19. Projections

20. Maneuvers Horizonal flight

21. Manner of disappearance Disappeared behind trees.

22. Effect on clouds

23. Additional information concerning object Dim light constant intensity.

24. Weather conditions Thin overcast at 20,000'

(over)

Astro (meteor)

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[redacted]

TO: Lt. Earle D. Hightower, Operations Officer
Protective Force, AESS

FROM: Inspector [redacted]

TIME: 0010

DATE: 2 March 1949

DIRECTION: Horizontal plane from north to south.

SPEED: very fast

COLOR:

ALTITUDE:

POINT OF OBSERVATION: Station 103

SOUND:

OBSERVER: [redacted]

STATEMENT BY OBSERVER: At approximately 0010, 2 March 1949, while making a foot patrol at Station 103, I observed a light low in the sky. It appeared quite dim and constant in intensity. It was traveling nearly in a horizontal plane from north to south. I saw it for about two seconds when the trees cut off my view. It appeared to be traveling very fast as it crossed one half my line of vision during the time I observed it.

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Incident: 274

Name and address of observer: [redacted]
AEC Los Alamos, New Mexico

Occupation and hobbies: Inspector AESS, Los Alamos, N.M.

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

Requisite for employment with AEC

NARRATIVE SUMMARY: [redacted]

At approximately 0010, 2 March 1949, while making a foot patrol at station 103, I observed a light low in the sky. It appeared quite dim and constant in intensity. It was traveling nearly in a horizonal plane from north to south. I saw it for about two seconds when the trees cut off my view. It appeared to be traveling very fast as it crossed one half my line of vision during the time I observed it.

[redacted]
AESS Inspector
Los Alamos, N.M.

[redacted]

GUIDE TO INVESTIGATION

UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS

UNCLASSIFIED Incident No. _____

1. Date of Observation 2 March 1949 Date of Interview 2 March 1949

2. Exact time of observation (local) 0010 hours

3. Place of Observation: 35 deg 53 min 09 sec N
(Map Coordinates) 106 deg 14 min 54 sec W

4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):

Outdoors: Station 103, Los Alamos, New Mexico

5. What attracted attention to object: Light

6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping: One

7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length): N/S

8. Color of object: N/S

9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object): N/S

10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0° at horizon, 90° overhead): "Low in sky"

11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from north): N/S

12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be): N/S

13. Direction of flight of object (s): North to South, horizontally.

14. Time in sight: Two (2) seconds.

15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance): Very fast; covered half of field of view in two (2) seconds. (90 degrees ?)

16. Sound and odor: N/S

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17. Trail (color, length, width, persistance, etc.)

N/S

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescent, other - degree of brilliance):

Self-luminous

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):

N/S

20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):

N/S

21. Manner of disappearance: Disappeared behind trees.

22. Effect on clouds: N/S

23. Additional information concerning object: Dim light, constant intensity

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

Thin overcast at 20,000 feet.

Name and address of observer: Inspector [redacted], Atomic Energy Security Service, Los Alamos, New Mexico

Occupation and hobbies:

Atomic Energy Security Service Inspector (Guard)

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

CSI requisite for employment.

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material?