

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 4 September 1954		2. LOCATION Butler, Mo		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other <u>UNIDENTIFIED</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☒ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>04/0900Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE CIVILIAN			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1½ minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 20-30	9. COURSE SW		
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING String of 20 to 30 white lights together in formation. No sound. Straight and level flight to SW. Observed overhead at estimated 40-50,000 ft. Disappeared in distance after 1½ minutes. Sighted previous evening by 2 other civilians. Radar check negative. Act check negative.				11. COMMENTS	

2. 3518 N 94 29 W

6. (A) [REDACTED] AGE 34 423 W OHIO BUTLER MO AIRWAYS
OPERATIONS SPECIALIST IN COMMUNICATIONS CAA

(B) N/A

7. (A) CLEAR AND UNLIMITED

(B) 1 6,200 - 240/40

13,000 240/40

16,200 250/20

20,000 250/25

30,000 90/15

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(C) CLEAR

(D) UNLIMITED

(E) NONE

(F) NONE

8. NONE

9. NONE

10. TWO GCI SITES ALERTED W AREA OF SIGHTING WITH NEGATIVE RADAR
CONTACT OF ALLEGE OBJECT

11. ONLY KNOWN TRAFFIC AT TIME FO OBSERVATION WAS EASTBOUND

12. OPERATIONS OFFICER

SIGHTING WAS RELAYED THROUGH KANSAS CITY ARTC. OBSERVER STATED
THAT TWO OTHER CIVILIANS HAD SIGHTED AN UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT OF THE
SAME DESCRIPTION ON THE PREVIOUS EVENING. NO COMMENT

34/1506Z SEP JFAM

4 SEP
Witness
-7 SEP 1954 07 21

ATIC-IN

04/69002 Butler
no

1 ATIA

3 Reading File

4 ATIA

Called OD
04/1600

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RE125

WPG164

YDC135

WYA232

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OO JEDEN JEDWP 222

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O 341450Z

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INFO JEDWP/COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT-PATTERSON OHIO

1. (A) STRING OF LIGHTS

(B) FINGER WHEN EXTENDED AT ARMS LENGTH OBSCURED OBJECT

(C) WHITE LIGHTS

(D) 20 TO 30 LIGHTS TOGETHER OR IN FORMATION

(E) UNDERTERMINED

(F) NEG

(G) NOT SURE OF TRAIL

(H) NEGATIVE SOUND

(I) N/A

2. (A) TAKING A WEATHER OBSERVATION

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(B) OVERHEAD - HEADING 240 DEGREES ESTIMATE 40-50 THSD

(C) SW HEADING 240 DEGREES

(D) STRAIGHT AND LEVEL

(E) DISAPPEARED IN DISTANT

(F) ONE AND A HALF MINUTES

3. (A) GROUND VISUAL

(B) NAKED EYE

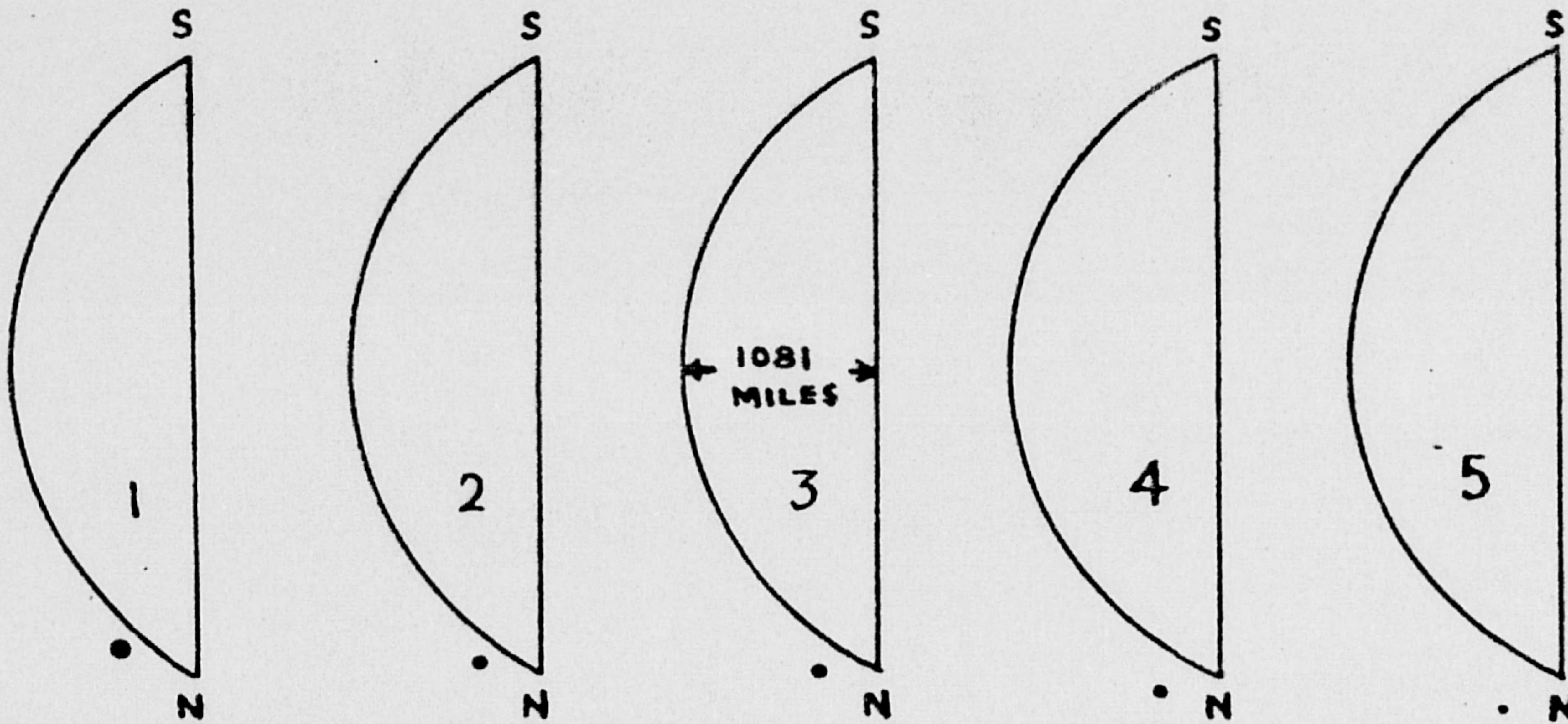
(C) N/A

4. (A) 04/0900Z

(B) NIGHT

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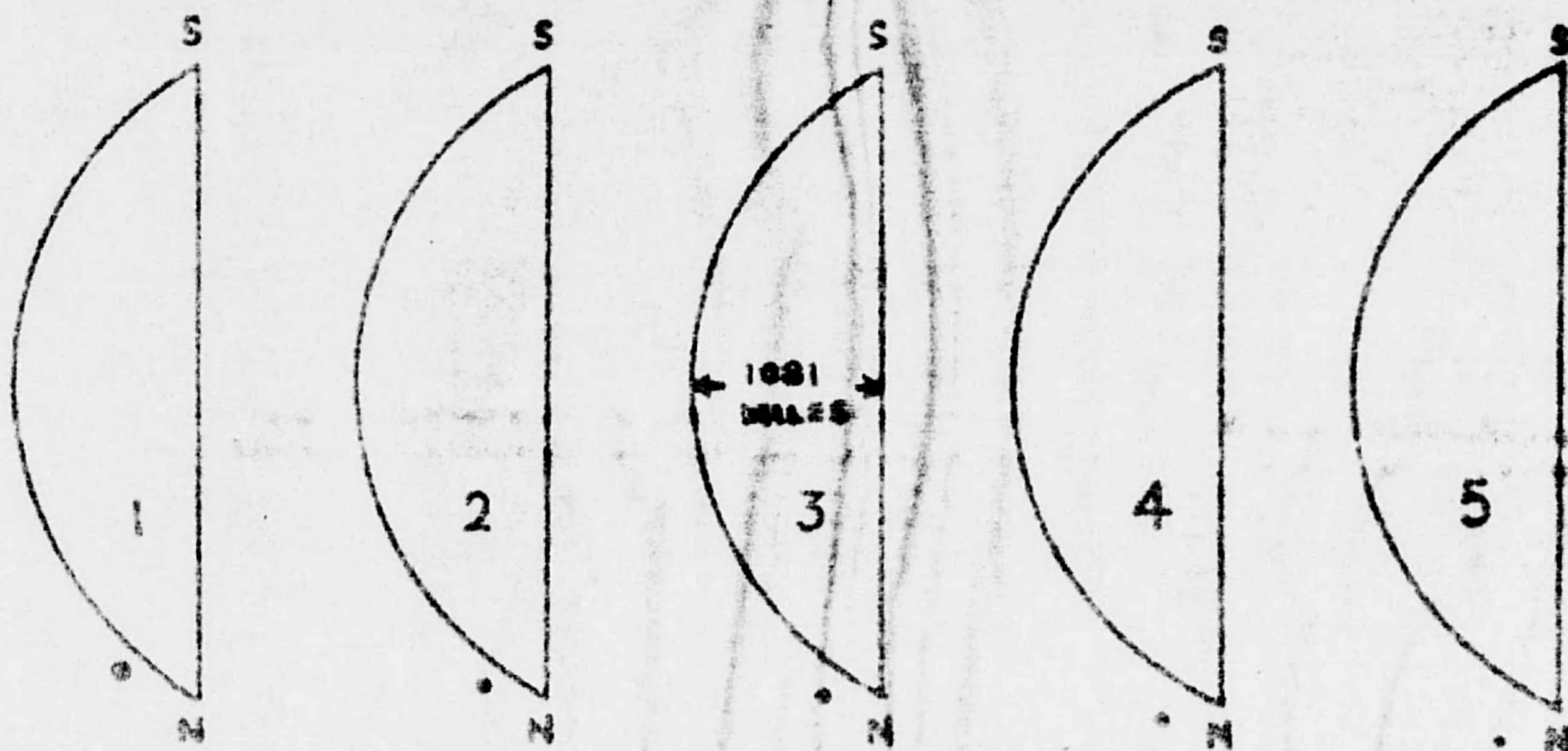


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CASE FILE REVIEW: Space does not permit the use of all the excellent material received. Sightings in the U.S., Europe and Australia are continuing and will be used in forthcoming issues of the Newsletter.

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7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 25 - 30 Seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1			
9. COURSE					
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Silver to white. Slight sweep back line. Exhaust following object. Initial observation overhead flight to SW veering to S and disappearing. Object Witness observed object on previous night. Straight and level flight. B-47 in area at time 34,000 to 39000 ft, heading NE.				11. COMMENTS UNIDENTIFIED	

1 Witness

ACTION

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BUTLER, MO 53114

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ATIC-IN 5818

1 ATIA
2 ATIA
3 Readoffile
4 ATIA 2

RC 1.1

UPF 55

YDB 44

WYA 132

WDC 41

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DE JUFAM 335 ✓

O 051100Z ✓

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TO JEDEN/COMDR AIR DEFENSE COMMAND ENT AFB COLO

JEDWP/COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO ✓

1. (A) UNABLE TO DETERMINE SHAPE. LEADING EDGE OF OBJECT HAD SLIGHT
SWEEP BACK LINE.

(B) LENGTH OF FINGER

(C) SILVER TO WHITE IN COLOR

(D) ONE LIGHT (FAINT)

(E) ONE OBJECT

(F) NONE

(G) APPEARANCE OF EXHAUST FOLLOWING OBJECT

(H) NONE

2. (A) TAKING A WEATHER OBSERVATION

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(B) ANGLE OF ELEVATION NINETY DEGREES AZMUTH THREE HUNDRED DEGREES

(C) ANGLE OF ELEVATION UNKNOWN AZMUTH TWO HUNDRED TWENTY DEGREES

(D) STRAIGHT AND LEVEL HEADING SW TWO HUNDRED FORTY DEGREES

(E) HEADING SW THEN VEERED TO THE SOUTH AND DISAPPEARED

(F) TWENTY FIVE TO THIRTY SECONDS

3. (A) GROUND VISUAL

(B) NAKED EYE

(C) N/A

4. (A) 05/0623Z

(B) NIGHT

5. 3316N 0429W

6. (A) [REDACTED] 34 400 W OHIO BUTLER MO. AIRWAYS

OPERATIONS SPECIALIST IN COMMUNICATIONS CAA

7. (C) CLEAR-VISIBILITY 12 MILES

(D) 6, - 10/3

11, - 20/3

16, - 23/15

21, - 200/20

31, - 220/3

(C) CLEAR

(D) UNRESTRICTED

(E) NONE

(F) NONE

8. NONE

9. NONE

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10. GCI SITES PICNIC AND MASTIFF ALERTED AND REPORTED ONE B-47 IN AREA AT TIME OF SIGHTING TWENTY MILES WEST OF BUTLER, MISSOURI HEADING NE 50 DEGREES AT THIRTY FOUR THOUSAND FEET.

11. KANSAS CITY ARTC REPORTED ONE B-47 EASTBOUND AT AN AIRSPACE BLOCK BETWEEN THIRTY FOUR AND THIRTY NINE THOUSAND FEET AT TIME OF OBSERVATION OF UFOB.

12. OPERATIONS OFFICER

SAME PERSON REPORTED SEEING A UFOB ON THE PREVIOUS NIGHT WITH DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT UNDER SAME CURCUMSTANCES BUT OBJECT WAS DIFFERENT IN SHAPE AND NUMBER OF LIGHTS OBSERVED PREVIOUS REPORT

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