PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	12. CONCLUSIONS
15 October 1957	a/v over LaJolla, California	☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local_____ GMT 16/0345Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☐ Was Aircraft Helicopter ☒ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No	**6. SOURCE** Military	☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** / **9. COURSE**	☐ Other_____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
30 sec to 3 minutes	pattern / stationary	

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

A pattern of lights seen by navy pilots for from 30 seconds to 3 minutes.

11. COMMENTS

Description of objects, together with the sketch of the co-pilot, indicate probability of object being other helo in area. Initial impression was that object was helo. Reported later as afterthought due to unusual arrangement of lights.

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
San Diego, California	Hq 27th Air Div (Def), Norton AFB, Calif

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
15 November 1957	12 November 1957	

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
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REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

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 113—Part II.)

Attached UFOB report from Commander, Naval Force, Pacific Fleet, U.S. Naval Air Station, North Island, San Diego 35, California, UFOB sighted OCT 16/0345Z at 117-17W 32-47N, is forwarded herewith in accordance with paragraph 7, Air Force Regulation 200-2.

Loren W. Bruner
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Major USAF
Director of Intelligence

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REF CINCPACFLT INST 3820 PT 3 X UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT SIGHTED OCT 160345Z AT 117-17W 32-47N BY HS-4 HELO PILOT AND COPILOT X UNUSUAL GROUPING FIVE OR MORE LIGHTS VARYING COLORS AND INTENSITIES INCLUDING RED CVM WHITE CVM AMBER AND BLUE OR GREEN X LIGHTS APPEARED STATIONARY AT ALT 600 TO 1000 FT X BELIEVED BY PILOT AND COPILOT TO BE NOT HELO OR OTHER CONVENTIONAL ACFT X

ACFT HSS-1 SIDE NO TA-1 BUNO 140134 HOME STA NAAS REA FLD X PILOT LT ROGER G. POWELL USN 521713 FAIRSDIEGO X COPILOT ENS CHARLES K. COLE USN 616144 HS-4 X

DURING SIGHTING OF FROM 30 SEC TO 3 MIN ACFT ADVANCED SOUTH APPROX 400 TO 500 YDS TO SEAWARD OF COAST FROM LA JOLLA PROMONTORY TO MISSION BAY INLET X ALT 1000 FT AT LA JOLLA DESCENDING TO 500 FT AT MISSION BAY INLET CIC SPD 70 TO 80 KTS X ACFT ARRIVED MISSION BAY INLET APPROX 160350Z X

COPILOT SIGHTED UNUSUAL PATTERN OF LIGHTS VERY BRIEFLY APPROX 160330Z AS ACFT PROCEEDED NORTH ON COURSE RECIPROCAL OF ABOVE X UPON RETURN CIC LIGHTS UNDER OBSERVATION FOR APPROX 30 TO 60 SEC X LIGHTS APPEARED EITHER MOTIONLESS OR MOVING SLOWLY NORTH AT ALT 600 TO 700 FT APPROX ONE MILE TO SEAWARD X PATTERN OF LIGHTS SHOWN IN ENCLOSURE ONE REMAINED CONSTANT AS IF LIGHT SOURCE TURNED WITH HELO X TWO OVAL RED LIGHTS PULSED WITH ONE INCREASING IN INTENSITY AS OTHER DECREASED X BTW AND ABOVE RED WERE THREE STEADY ROUND WHITE LIGHTS IN TRIANGLE X LOWER TWO WITH AMBER FINGE WHILE UPPER ONE APPEARED SLIGHTLY GREENISH X IF LIGHT PATTERN WERE ASSUMED TO BE THE SIZE OF HELO RED LIGHTS WERE

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FOUR OR FIVE FT APART X COPILOT QUOTE HAD NO IDEA WHAT IT WAS UNQUOTE X DESCRIPTION CONSIDERED TO BE RELATIVELY ACCURATE STATEMENT OF FACT X

PILOT SIGHTED PATTERN OF LIGHTS AS INDICATED ON ENCLOSURE TWO FOR TWO TO THREE MINUTES DURING PERIOD 160340Z TO 160350Z X FIRST IMPRESSION WAS THAT THE LIGHTS REPRESENTED ANOTHER HELO APPROACHING THUS FIRST REACTION WAS TO DESCEND OUT OF PATH FROM 1000 FT TO 700 FT X FURTHER OBSERVATION RESULTED IN THE BELIEF THAT THE LIGHT GROUP WAS NOT A HELO AND WAS STATIONARY OR HOVERING AT ALT 1000 FT APPROX 1000 YDS TO SEAWARD X MOST SIGNIFICANT WAS ONE RED PULSATING LIGHT AT BOTTOM OF GROUP X ONE WHITE LIGHT AT LOWER LEFT OF GROUP PULSED X APPROX ONE THIRD FROM THE TOP OF THE GROUP OF LIGHTS A BLUE LIGHT MOVED LATERALLY FROM RIGHT TO LEFT IN A MANNER SIMILAR TO AN AIR FIELD ROTATING BEACON X ANOTHER SINGLE RED LIGHT NEAR THE TOP OF THE GROUP AND AN UNDETERMINED NO ORANGE RED PULSATING LIGHTS COMPLETED AN INVERTED TEAR DROP SHAPE WHICH REMAINED APPARENTLY FACING HELO AS IT MOVED SOUTH X PULSATING OCCURRED WITH NO PATTERN X PILOT BELIEVED LIGHTS REPRESENTED VERY UNUSUAL LIGHTING ARRANGEMENT ON HELO THUS MADE NO INVESTIGATION OTHER THAN ABOVE OBSERVATION X AFTER MORE CAREFUL CONSIDERATION PILOT DECIDED LIGHTS WERE NOT THOSE OF CONVENTIONAL ACFT AND CONSULTED INTELLIGENCE OFFICER X DUE TO INCONSISTENCIES IN PILOT DEBRIEF IT IS BELIEVED THAT ONLY RELIABILITY OF DESCRIPTION OF LIGHTS FALLS SOMEWHAT BELOW THAT OF COPILOT X

WEATHER CAVU BUT DARKNESS MADE DETERMINATION OF SHAPE OF OBJECT IMPOSSIBLE X OTHER ACFT POSS IN AREA TEN MI RADIUS INCLUDED ONE P5M CMM 5 AD-5W AND ONE HSS-1 X INVESTIGATION OF POSS ACFT IN AREA INCLUDED ONLY NAS NORIS CMM NAAS REAR FLD AND SAN DIEGO US COAST GUARD X NO

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AVAILABLE INFO CONSIDERED INADEQUATE AND NO ATTEMPT HAS BEEN MADE TO ESTABLISH POSS CAUSE OF SIGHTINGS X PREPARING OFFICER LTJG W. J. FISCHANG USNR 588646 O-IN-C FLTAIRINTELSUPCEN NAS NORIS

FLIGHT EXPERIENCE PILOT CDR COPELAND AS FOLLOWS X LT POWELL TOTAL FLT HRS 1050 TOTAL HRS IN MIGS 700 TOTAL HRS IN NJS 350 CMM 8 YRS FLYING EXPERIENCE CNC VERY FAMILIAR WITH AREA OF SIGHTING X EWS SOLO SALE SEQUENCE 400 CMM 100 CIM 40 CIM 4 ALSO VERY FAM AREA

J. F. HUBER, Jr.
By direction

ENCL: (1) DESCRIPTION BY [redacted]
(2) DESCRIPTION BY LT [redacted]

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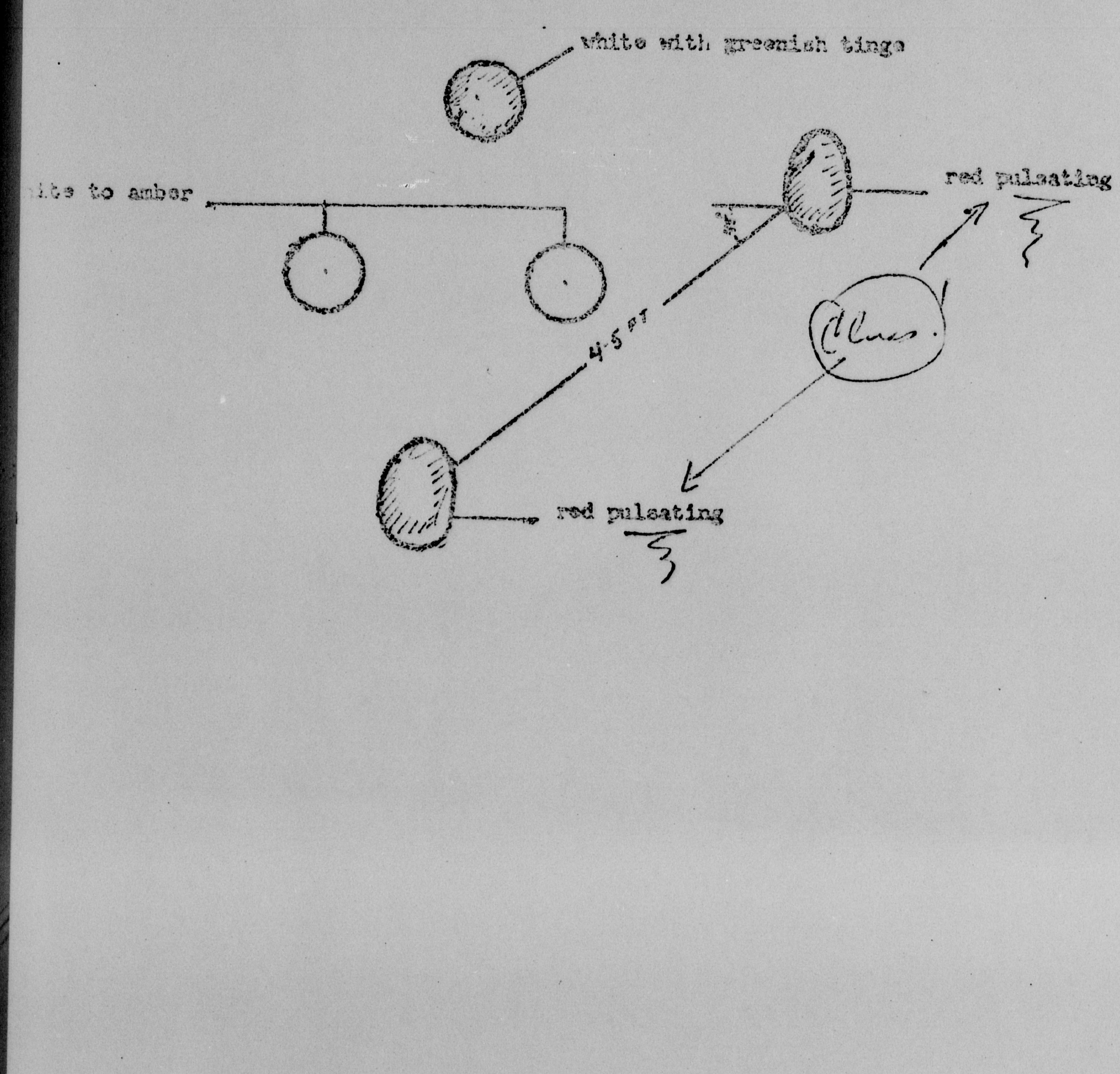

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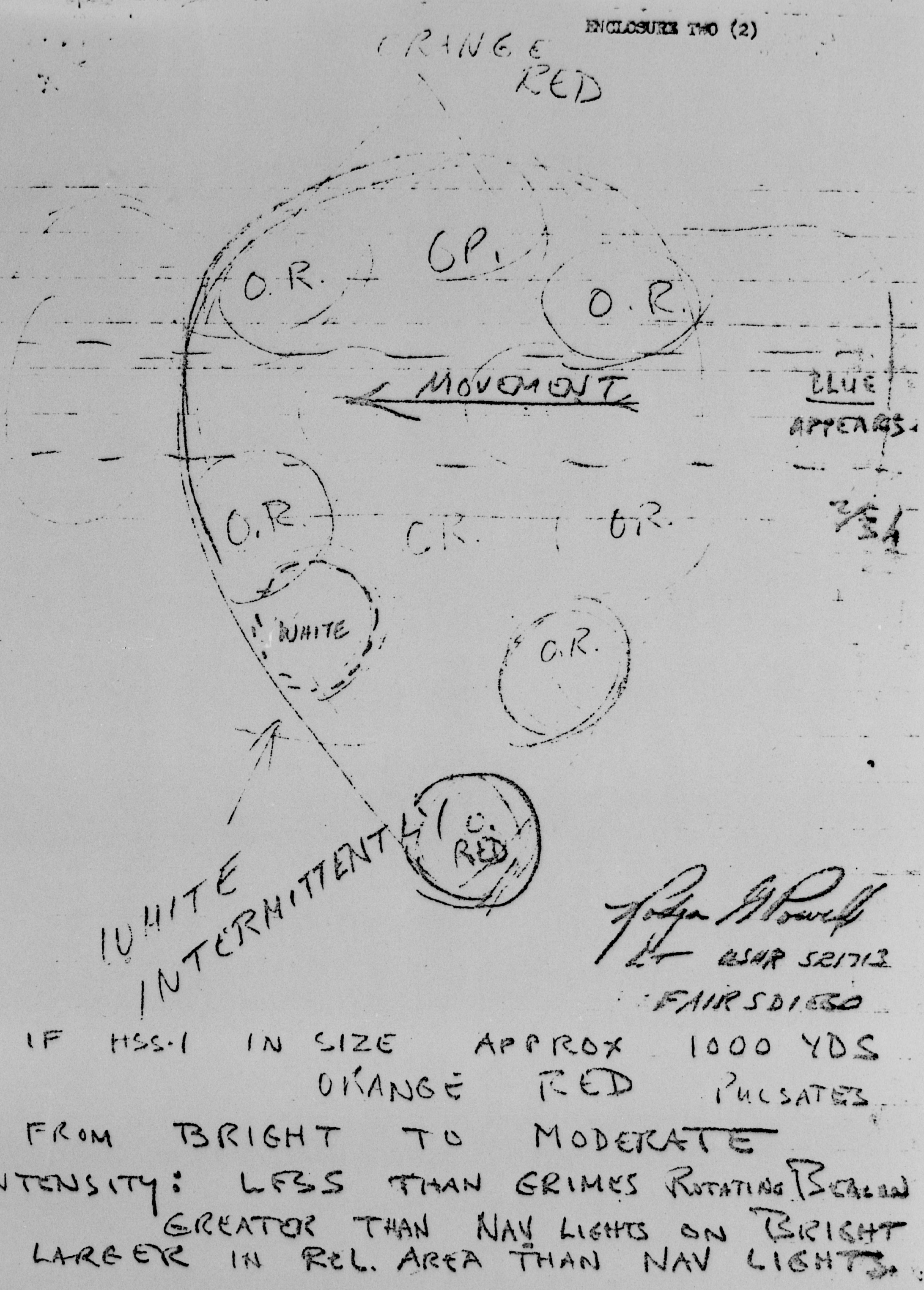

IF HSS-1 IN SIZE APPROX 1000 YDS
ORANGE RED PULSATES
FROM BRIGHT TO MODERATE
INTENSITY: LESS THAN GRIMES ROTATING BEACON
GREATOR THAN NAV LIGHTS ON BRIGHT
LARGER IN REL. AREA THAN NAV LIGHTS.