

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 25-26 Feb 58	2. LOCATION <u>GANDER,</u> <u>Glenwood, Newfoundland</u>		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☒ Possibly Astronomical <u>Arcturus</u>
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>25/0410Z, 26/0405Z</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 1 hr 25 mins, still in sight	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE stationary	☒ Other <u>Hoax</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Disc like obj on fire fell fm sky. Obj landed & then hovered at 1,000 ft. still glowing. Estimated 8 ft in diameter. Later visited "scene" & found trees uprooted & clearing 1/4 mile X 1,000 ft with snow cleared in a perfectly rectangular shape. No tracks, no metal, no melted snow.		11. COMMENTS RCMP & local investigation revealed that witness could not find location where saucer landed. Observers local reputation was one of exaggeration. When informed that the incident would receive no publicity witness lost all interest in finding landing site. Star Arcturus was in rptd location. Case is evaluated as the star Arcturus w/subsequent fabrication of events in an effort to perpetrate a hoax.	

NOTE

This is a follow-up msg. Original
UFO msg never recd
by ATIC.

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FM DIR 64TH CONAD CC

TO RJEPHQ/DIR OF INTEL HQ USAF

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RJEDWP/COMDR ATIC

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UNCLAS UFOB 1668 FOR AOC ADC A COC/INTE

FOLLOW UP REPORT REF. UFOB MSG 1594. MR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OF GLENNWOOD NEWFOUNDLAN D INVESTIGATED AREA 18 MILES SOUTH OF
GANDER WHERE OBJECT BELIEVED TO HAVE LANDED. FOUND A CLEARING BETWEEN
TREES ONE QUARTER MILE BY 1000 FT, TREES UPROOTED, SNOW CLEARED IN
PERFECT RECTANGULAR SHAPE. SNOW WAS DEPRESSED AND PLOWED UP AT ONE
END. NO TRACKS, NO EVIDENCE OF ANY METAL, NO SIGN OF MELTED SNOW.

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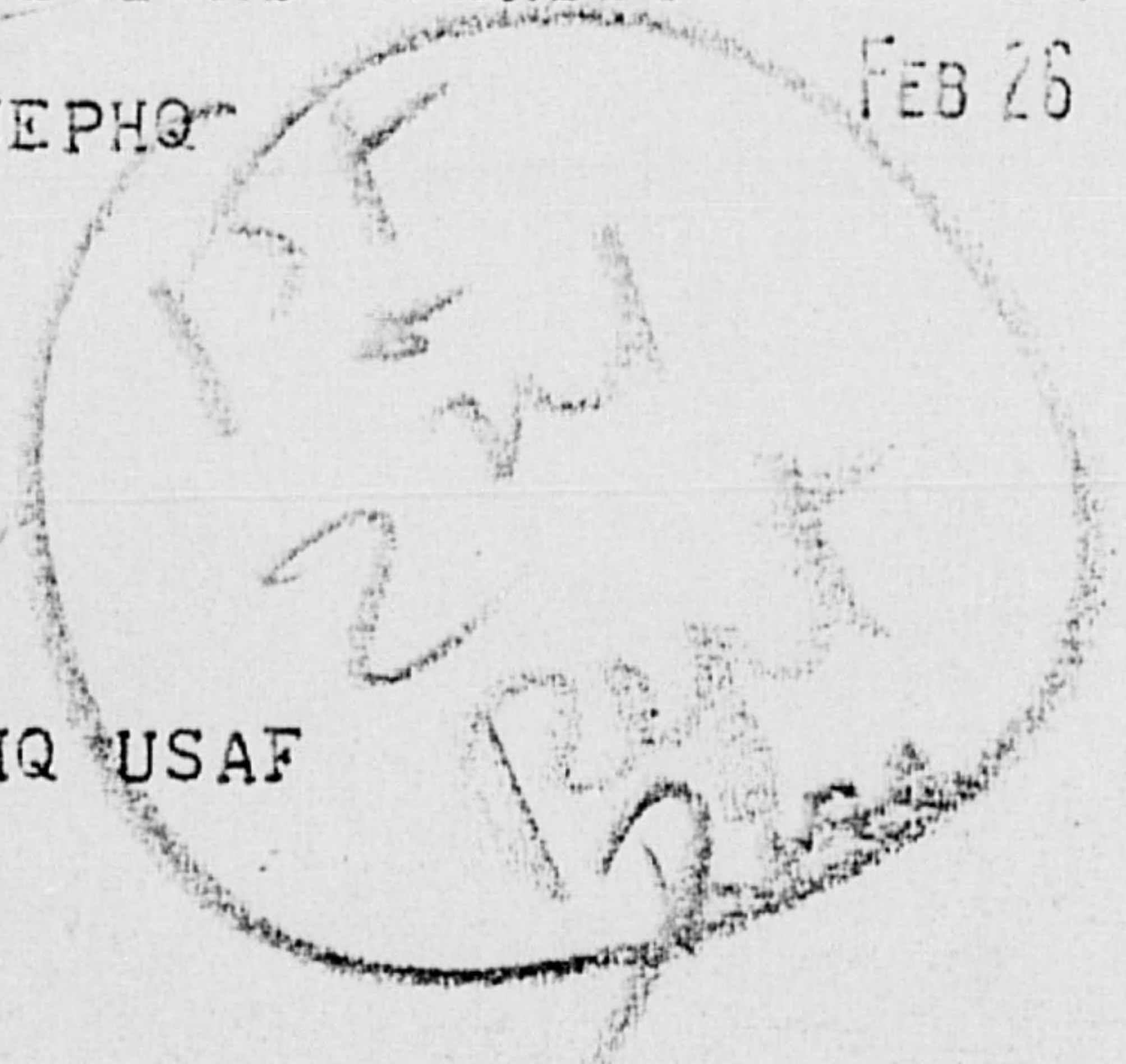
26/0205Z FEB RJENFX

Follow-up action:

Info. from GOC Post in

area - Civilian obs - Mr. [REDACTED]

Object appearing to be 8ft,
spherical and having an orange
light observed. About 500
ft above ground. Seen from
about 2 miles away. Cannot
definitely say connection same.



Have not recd

Recd by ATIC

1) 4E4
2) 4-4X2C
3) [REDACTED]

This is not
orig. msg -
msg. Burns
recd by [REDACTED]
to [REDACTED]

Three way conference
held - Maj. Burns, HQ USAF -
Major Randall - Newfoundland -
and Capt. Gregory discussing
the incident and course of
action to pursue.

0220 (AM) hrs.
25 Feb 1958

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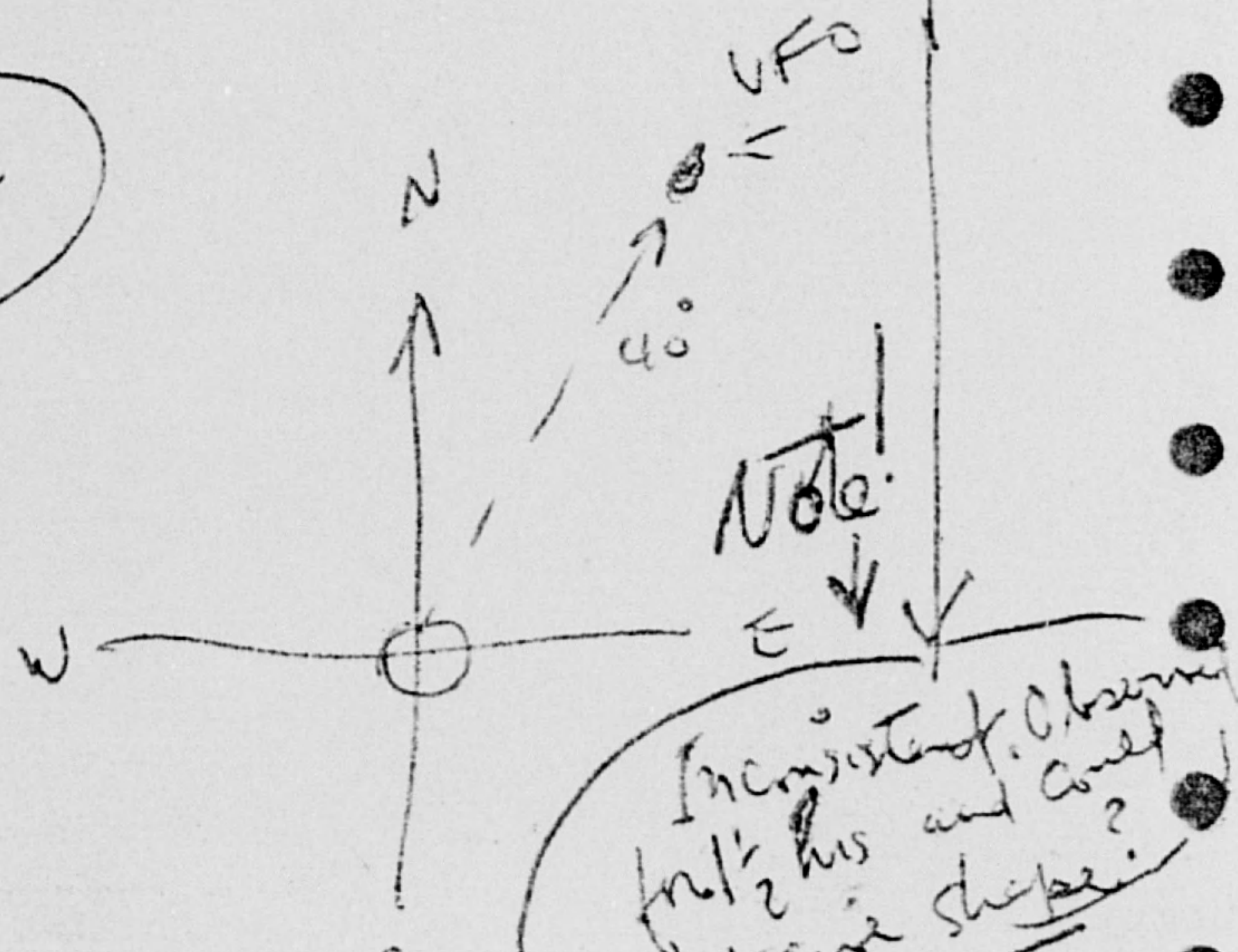
/UNCLAS/ CONAD CC 1674

1. A. GLOWING OBJECT, UNABLE TO DETERMINE SHAPE.
B. ESTIMATED 8 FEET IN DIAMETER.
C. ORANGE.
D. ONE.
F. OBJECT CAST GLOW ESTIMATED 500 TO 1000 FEET.
G. NONE.
I. NONE.

2. A. GLOW IN HORIZON.

Apparently object was on or near the horizon

This was the elevation therefore



D. N/A.

E. STILL IN SIGHT.

F. AT 0530Z, OBJECT HAD BEEN IN SIGHT FOR 1 HOUR AND 25 MIN.

3. A. GROUND VISUAL.

B. NONE.

C. N/A.

4. A. 26/0405Z.

3:30
0035

Local time

25 Feb. 1958

TIME
DATE

B. NIGHT.

5. A. OBSERVERS POSITION, 2 MILES SOUTH OF GLENWOOD, NF. GLENWOOD IS LOCATED 18 MIL SOUTH OF GANDER NF.

GY. A. [REDACTED] FORMER SERVICEMAN, RECENTLY RELEASED FROM RCAF AT THE RANK OF LAC.

SOURCE

B. N/A.

7. A. HIGH OVERCAST CONDITION WITH GOOD VISIBILITY, ESTIMATED 15 MILES.

B. 150/10

190/10

220/25

240/30

240/35

250/60

230/30

Apparently not
balloon for object
remained fixed for
1 1/2 hrs.

1. Sky was overcast at
around 7000 feet. The
refractive, magnification, and
often illusory properties of
sighting through ice a
Ray is well known to
VFO analysts (See F.115 Report)

2. Bright reddish star ARCTICUS
was in the general
direction given by
observer (40°) (H.B. and
computer check)
I apparently
over it.

0900/10

C. 7500 OVERCASTGM

D. 15 MILES.

E. NIL.

F. NIL.

8. A. NONE.

9. A. RCMP OFFICERS FROM THE G

GANDER AREA AND THE OPS OFFICER FROM

THE 226TH AC&W RON, GANDER ARE GOING TO THE AREA TO INVESTIGATE.

10. A. NONE

11. A. EVALUATION OF DATA WILL FOLLOW REPORT FROM INVESTIGATING OFFICIALS.

12. A. NONE.

BT

26/0545Z FEB RJENFX

3. did not feel for which would indicate an extremely unusual body
4. Everything above would indicate an extremely body, except for the bright glow

Will carry as UNKNOWN pending receipt of further info. which may assist in analyses.

cost for 500-1000 feet!!!

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ ETC

At 12:40 A.M., 25 February 1958, a call was received from Mr. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] at Glenwood, Newfoundland. He reported the sighting of a disc like object falling from the sky and on fire.

Later during the day Mr. [REDACTED] called and stated he had visited the area where the object had touched and landed and found a clearing 1/4 mile by 1000 ft, trees freshly broken and uprooted, and snow [REDACTED] cleared away in a perfect triangle. The snow was depressed and plowed up at one end. There were no signs of heat or tracks. He also stated that a Mrs. [REDACTED] and her daughter of Glenwood had seen a long, red streak in the sky East of Glenwood at 12:00 midnight.

Mrs. [REDACTED] was not available for interview, but her daughter, Miss [REDACTED] was questioned concerning their sighting. She described the object as a red light in the East travelling toward Gander. A check disclosed the light was seen in the vicinity of the Trans-Canada highway. There was a snowplow clearing the roads after two days of heavy snowfall, and it is very possible this is what they saw.

While investigating Mr. [REDACTED] sighting, a call came in from Flight Officer [REDACTED] Duty Controller of the 226th aircraft control and Warning Squadron, at Gander, XXX Newfoundland. He and two other men saw an object on their radar scope on a very erratic course. It disappeared from the scope to the West and they went outside to see if there was anything in the area. Upon further questioning, Flight Officer [REDACTED] revealed that, in his opinion, this object was definitely a bright star which appeared to change colors due to the atmospheric conditions prevailing at the time.

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At 10:45 A.M., 27 February 1958, a ground party left Glenwood with Mr. [REDACTED] to locate the clearing he claimed to have found, with no success.

Two officials of the Bowaters Woods Department, Glenwood, who knew Mr. [REDACTED] for some time, were interviewed. It was learned that Mr. [REDACTED] has a reputation - to put it mildly - of [REDACTED]. This is borne out by the fact that during the search, he made several inquiries as to whether this incident would receive any publicity. When he was informed that it probably would not, his assurance that he could find the clearing again became less vehement.

Further search was not recommended due to the snow and brush conditions. If the clearing could be located, aerial photos could be taken and studied.

Because Mr. [REDACTED] cannot furnish more details or locate the clearing, this is carried as an unknown, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

HEADQUARTERS
64TH CONAD DIVISION
United States Air Force
APO 862, New York, New York

CONAD CC

7 MAR 1958

SUBJECT: Operations - 72 GCbc Sighting Report

TO: Director Intelligence
Headquarters USAF
Washington 25, D.C.

Commander
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

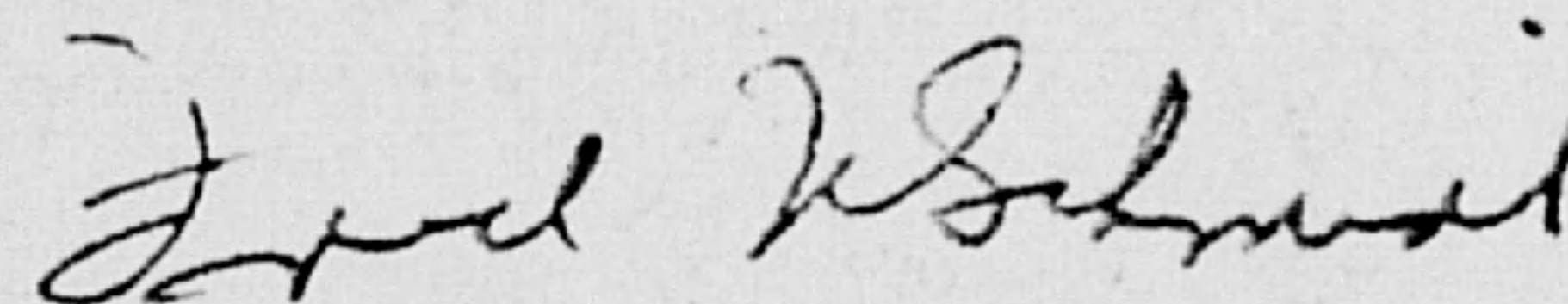
Commander
Air Defense Command
Ent Air Force Base
Colorado

Air Officer Commanding
Air Defense Command Headquarters
St Hubert, Quebec
ATTN: CCC/INTEL

Reference our CONAD CC message 1647, 26 February 1958, the following follow-up report is submitted.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

1 Incl
APP "A" to
C55-00-72 (OC)
Dated 1 Mar 58



FRED N. SCHMIDT
Major, USAF
Adjutant

APP "A" to
C55-00-72 (OC)
Dated 1 Mar 53.

NARRATIVE REPORT ON SIGHTINGS OF AN OBJECT PRESUMED TO BE AN
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

1. The following are extracts from the Daily Log of 72 GOC Detachment, Gander, concerning sightings of unidentified objects on 25 and 26 Feb 53.

25/0410Z - Aircraft Flash received from a Mr. [REDACTED] at Glenwood. He saw a disc like object fall from sky, on fire. Capable advised.

25/0420Z - Gander ATC enquired about Aircraft Flash.

25/0425Z - Called Mr. [REDACTED] for more information.

25/0445Z - Aircraft Flash from Glenwood. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he and a Mr. [REDACTED] observed the object which touch landed and then hovered at approximately 1000 feet and was still glowing.

25/0600Z - Flying Officer [REDACTED] (Duty Controller at Eyebrow) and some airmen observed a strange object like disc which was glowing and heading towards Gambo.

25/2342Z - Aircraft Flash from Mr. [REDACTED]. He stated he had visited scene where unidentified object had touch landed. Found a large clearing, $\frac{1}{4}$ mile by 1000 yds, trees freshly broken and uprooted, snow cleared away, a perfect rectangular shape. Snow was depressed and ploughed up at one end. No signs of heat or tracks.

He also stated that at exactly midnight MST (25/0330Z) a Mrs. [REDACTED] and her daughter of Glenwood saw a long red streak shoot across the sky east of Glenwood. No height or distance away reported, but streak appeared too large to have been caused by a jet.

26/0045Z - Unable to raise Capable. Requested (through Eyebrow) to have Capable call back on hot line.

26/0055Z - Called CNT Repeater Site, informed hot line out of order due to weather conditions.

26/0108Z - Report from Glenwood passed to Capable.

26/0130Z - Dividend called regarding Aircraft Flash from Glenwood. Gave them information on how to contact Mr. [REDACTED]

26/0405Z - Aircraft Flash from Mr. [REDACTED] at Glenwood. He had again observed an object on the ground, shining, at approximately

the same position as yesterday.

26/0444Z - Dividend called and asked if we had any more information.
RCMP also called.

26/0500Z - 64th HQ called for information on Aircraft Flash from Glenwood.

26/0510Z - Called Mr. [REDACTED] for more information.

26/0720Z - Dividend called enquiring about how reliable Mr. [REDACTED] was.
RCMP also made the same enquiry.

2 The Detachment Commander made several calls to Mr. [REDACTED] on 25 Feb 58 for additional information on the original sighting and also to obtain some of his personal past history. [REDACTED] has recently been released from the RCAF after serving for a period of two years as a General Duties airman. From his assured manner on the telephone and his past service experience, a certain amount of credulity was attached to his observations, and it was felt that a search - either from the air or by a ground party - might be advisable.

3 Since 72 GObc had received no enquiries from 64th. Intelligence on this reported sighting, The Detachment Commander telephoned Major Thrasher at 25/2359Z. Major Thrasher was not aware of the sighting and requested all pertinent information. He agreed that a ground party should attempt to find the clearing [REDACTED] had reported, and it was decided that a party consisting of GObc, RCMP and Johnson would go in early in the morning.

4 At 26/1130Z it was learned that a party consisting of RCMP and Eyebrow personnel had gone to Glenwood during the night and questioned Johnson, but no search had been made. Weather prevented the GObc party from starting their trip on this date.

5 At the request of Lt. Cooper, 64th Intelligence, the GObc - RCMP party went out on the ground search at 27/1100Z. The party left Glenwood at 1415Z and returned at 2030Z without any success. [REDACTED] was unable to lead the party to the clearing he claimed he had found on 25 Feb 58.

6 The Detachment Commander interviewed two officials of Bowaters Woods Department, Glenwood, who have known [REDACTED] for some time. From their remarks it was learned that [REDACTED] had a reputation - to put it mildly [REDACTED]. Further, during the search, [REDACTED] made several enquiries of the RCMP as to whether this incident would receive any publicity through the radio or newspapers. His assurance that he could again find the clearing became less vehement after he was informed that the incident would probably not receive any publicity unless 64th Air Div wished it to.

7 Mrs. [REDACTED] was not available for interview, but her daughter, Miss [REDACTED] was questioned regarding the sighting at 25/0330Z. She described the object seen as a red light in the east travelling towards Gander. Further checking at the place from where the sighting was made disclosed that the light was seen in the vicinity of the Trans Canada highway. It can very well be that this light was from the snow plough clearing the roads after the heavy snowfall of the past two days. It was definitely not the same sighting as [REDACTED]

8 Further questioning of Flying Officer Miller on the sighting at 25/0600Z revealed that, in his opinion, this object was definitely a bright star with changing colors due to some atmospheric condition prevailing at that time. The object was sighted as being south-east of Gander, and this fact makes it apparent that this sighting was also not the same as [REDACTED]. But the fact exists, that Eyebrow had four unidentified plots at about that time on an object approximately at 2000 feet.

9 [REDACTED] reported two different sightings, the first at 25/0410Z and the second at 26/0405Z, and the position of both sightings was the same, south west of Glenwood in the vicinity of an operating Bowaters Wood Camp. It is not known as yet whether any activity at this camp at those times could have caused a glow in the sky and made [REDACTED] feel that he had seen some strange object. The clearing presumably found by [REDACTED] could have been a wood yard made by a bulldozer prior to the snowfall. Bowaters has a bulldozer in that area of this camp, but the officials did not know if it had made such a clearing.

10 The existence of the clearing with freshly broken and uprooted trees as described by [REDACTED] cannot be disregarded. The fact that [REDACTED] was unable to guide the ground party back to it could be due to his lack of knowledge of the area. His home is in Deer Lake, and he has been away from Newfoundland for several years. Although quite well known in Glenwood because of relatives there, he still does not possess intimate knowledge of the terrain. Further ground search is not recommended because of the snow and bush conditions existing in the area. For these reasons, it is recommended that a low level search using an L-20 or a C-47 might disclose the position of the clearing. Aerial photos could be taken if the clearing is located, and a study of such photos should give a reasonable explanation for the clearing.

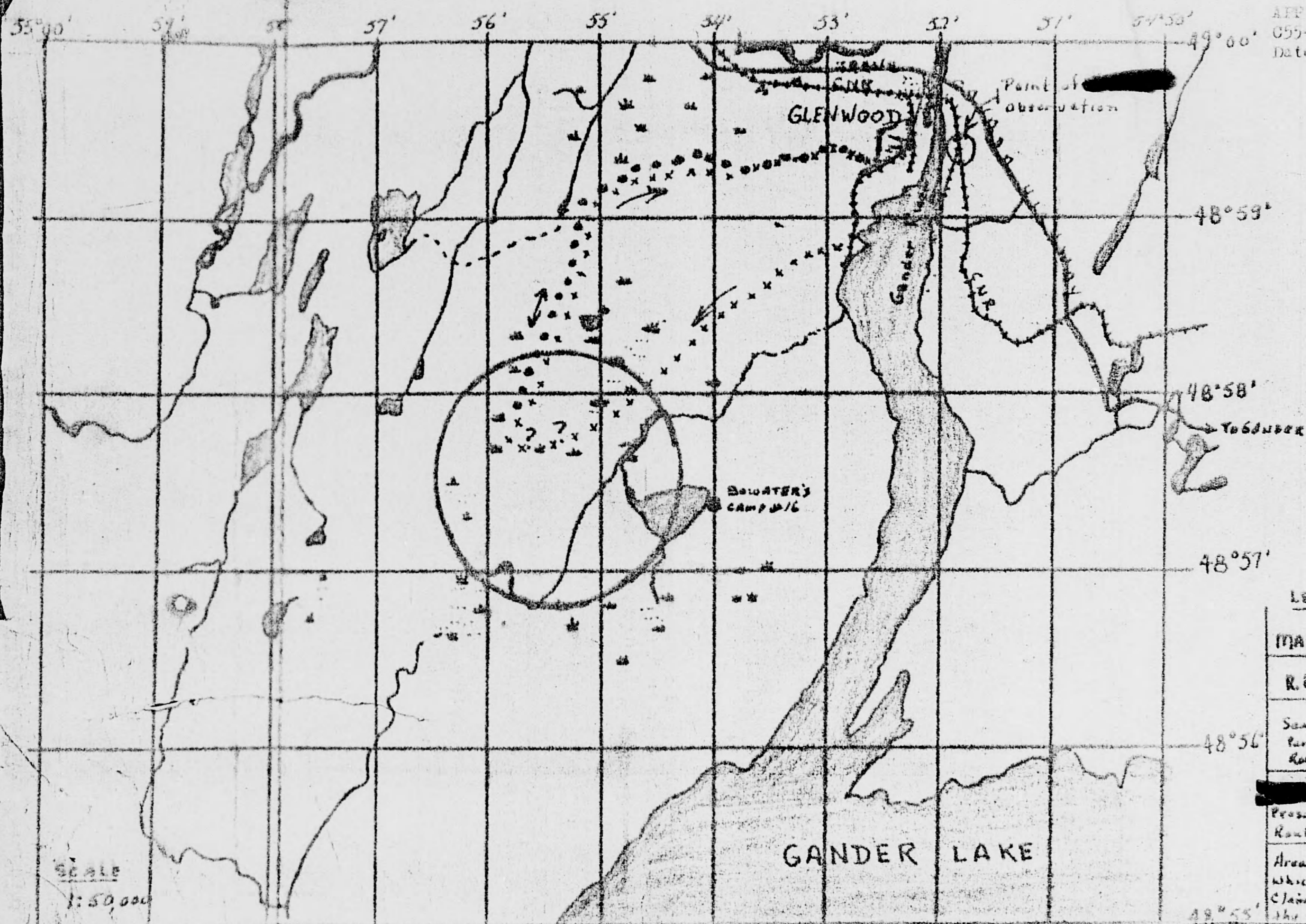
11 Further, the fact the Eyebrow had four unidentified plots at a height of 2000 feet about the time of [REDACTED] sighting adds weight to his report. Until these plots are definitely identified, it must be assumed that [REDACTED] saw an object that could be an unidentified flying object.

12 A map, scale 1:50000, is included as App "B" and shows the route of the search party and the route presuable taken by [REDACTED] on his trip in to the clearing.

13 May the Detachment Commander be advised of any further information required by your command.

s/t/ (WH Dyck) F/L
Detachment Commander,
72 RCAF Ground Observer Corps Detachment.

AFP "B" to:
 C55-00-72 (US)
 Dated 1 Mar '58



SCALE
1:50,000

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Search
Party
Route

Presented
By

Area within
which [REDACTED]
claims he found
the clearing.