

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 21 February 65 21/0600Z	2. LOCATION Washington, D C
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astronomical (ARCTURUS) ✓ <i>John</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 Hour 15 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Yellowish object as large as an a/c, color of star. Seen first through bedroom window and thought to be a star, however it started to move. Observed at 80 deg elevation in NE. Disappeared on same angle above the horizon. Moved toward the SE and also appeared to move in a lateral direction and slight (2 deg) movements. Disappeared slowly by growing smaller. Still in sight after 1 hour and 15 minutes. Reported disappearance occurred during interview with the witness by the investigating official. COMMENTS: Object observed through window, yet reported at 80 deg elevation. Likely that the elevations was somewhat lower. ARCTURUS was at 45 deg elevation in East and the only major astro body near the reported area. Sighting characteristics of an astro body observation. Motion attributed to illusions.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE SE	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

21 FEB

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25 FEB 65 00 18z

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RUCIFDA.

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PRIORITY

1-5 EN (UFO)

FM 1001 ABWG ANDREWS AFB MD

TO RUWIFVA/ADC

RUEBBPA/26 ADIV HANCOCK FLD NY

RUCIFDA/FTD WPAFB OHIO

ZEN/CSAF

ZEN/OSAF

UNCLAS FROM 1001 ABWG (DOOT) 16 FEB 65. CSAF FOR AFMIN.

OSAF FOR SAFOI. UFO. REFERENCE PARA 14, AFR 200-2.

A (1) REPORTED TO LOOK LIKE A STAR, IN THAT NO SHAPE WAS DIS-
CERNABLE.

(2) AS LARGE AS AN AIRCRAFT.

(3) YELLOWISH, LIKE A STAR.

(4) ONE.

(5) N/A.

(6) NONE.

(7) NONE.

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(8) N/A.

(9) NONE.

B. (1) SEEN FIRST FROM BEDROOM WINDOW, THOUGHT TO BE A
STAR, THEN WAS OBSERVED TO BE MOVING.

(2) 3000' ABOVE HORIZON, NORTHEAST OVER WASHINGTON, DC.

(4) MOVED TOWARD SOUTHEAST, ALSO APPEARED TO MOVE IN A LATERAL DIRECTION AND UP TO 2 DGS UP FROM THE 80DEGREE ANGLE.

(5) DISAPPEARED SLOWLY, GROWING SMALLER.

(6) OBSERVER WATCHED FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR AND FIFTEEN MINUTES. WAS WATCHING WHILE REPORTING THE SIGHTING.

C.(1) GROUND VISUAL.

(2) NONE.

(3) N/A.

D.(1) 21/0600Z FEB 65.

(2) NIGHT.

E.(1) HOME ADDRESS: [REDACTED] DRIVE, FALLS CHURCH, VA.

APPROXIMATE MAP COORDINATES AS TAKEN FROM WASHINGTON LOCAL

AREA CHART: 77DGS 10' WEST, 38DGS 53' NORTH.

F. MR. [REDACTED], AGE 33, [REDACTED] FALLS

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CHURCH, VA. CHEMICAL ENGINEER WITH [REDACTED] INC. SOUNDED

SOBER AND VERY RELIABLE.

G.(1) OBSERVER SAID OBJECT WAS CONSTANTLY IN AND OUT OF CLOUDS.

(2) SFC-2010; 6M' - 2830; 10M' - 2922; 16M' - 2733; 20M' - 2731;
30M' - 2754; 50M' - 2841.

(3) NONE.

(4) 10 MILES.

(5) 4/10.

(6) NONE.

(7) INVERSION BASE 890 MBS WITH TEMPERATURE 4DGS C. TOP OF INVERSION 360 MBS AT 0DGS C.

H. WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT RELEASED A WEATHER BALLOON WHICH ANDREWS TOWER PERSONNEL OBSERVED. THE BALLOON

IN MOONLIGHT AND CITY LIGHTS.

I. NONE.

J. SEE "H".

K. CAPT ROBERT E. RAYNOR, JR., BASE OPERATIONS DUTY OFFICER.

A CALL WAS RECEIVED FROM A SGT HANKS, VIRGINIA STATE POLICE,

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TO WHOM MR. [REDACTED] INITIALLY REPORTED HIS SIGHTING. PRIOR TO
CONTACTING MR. [REDACTED] THE DUTY OFFICER ATTEMPTED TO DETER-
MINE IF A WEATHER BALLOON HAD BEEN RELEASED, WITH AFFIRM-
ATIVE RESULTS. DURING THE PERIOD OF CONTACT WITH MR. [REDACTED]
THE DUTY OFFICER MADE SEVERAL ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE THE OBJECT,
AT THE OBSERVERS REQUEST, BUT COULD NOT SIGHT IT. CONTACT
WAS THEN MADE WITH NORAD SPADET, WHO ASSERTED THAT NO
VISIBLE SATELLITES WERE IN THIS AREA. MR. [REDACTED] SOUNDED RELIA-
BLE AND THOUGH HE DID NOT AGREE, IT IS VERY POSSIBLE THAT THE
SIGHTING WAS OF THE WEATHER BALLOON RELEASED AT WASHINGTON
AIRPORT. AT THE VERY END OF THE CONVERSATION MR. [REDACTED] RE-
PORTED THE DISAPPEARANCE OF THE OBJECT.

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