1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION
26 March 65 27/0123Z	50 Mi S of Albany, New York
3. SOURCE Military	**10. CONCLUSION** Astronomical (METEOR)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Four	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 - 5 Seconds	**11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS** Four objects described as fire in trail formation. Azimuth at appearance 330 deg at burnout, 90 degrees. Pilot thought objects possible space debris. Debrief upon landing indicates objects where white, evenly spaced. Brilliance lit up a cockpit. Disappeared abruptly. Duration 3-5 seconds. Co Pilot had previous observation of reentry to be close to the aircraft. Thought to disappear at about 45,000 ft. COMMENTS: 1965-24C, 1965-12CH, 1965-23B and multiple fragments of Consos 57 were decayed on this date. Sighting in accordance with decay or meteor. Direction does not eliminate a decay. Duration and color as well as co-pilot statement tend toward meteor analysis and observation is regarded as a meteor sighting.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Air-Visual	
7. COURSE Falling SE	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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AFIN: 9153 (27 Mar 65) A/jjh

ACTION: NIN-7

INFO: XOP-1, XOPX-7, SAFOS-3
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UFO. IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2 THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED:

A. DISCRIPTION OF OBJECT:

(1) UNKNOWN

(2) UNDETERMINED

(3) FIRE

(4) FOUR

(5) TRAIL FORMATION

(6) NOT REPORTED

(7) UNKNOWN

(8) NOT REPORTED

(9) NONE

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECTS

(1) FALLING FLAMING OBJECTS

(2) ANGLE 330 DEGREES MAGNETIC HEADING

(3) ANGLE 190 DEGREES MAGNETIC HEADING

(4) UNKNOWN

(5) DISAPPEARED AT 195 DEGREES

(6) UNKNOWN

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION

(1) AIR-VISUAL

(2) UNKNOWN

(3) B-52, 35,000 FEET, HEADING UNKNOWN, TRUE AIR SPEED 450K, DOW AFB MAINE

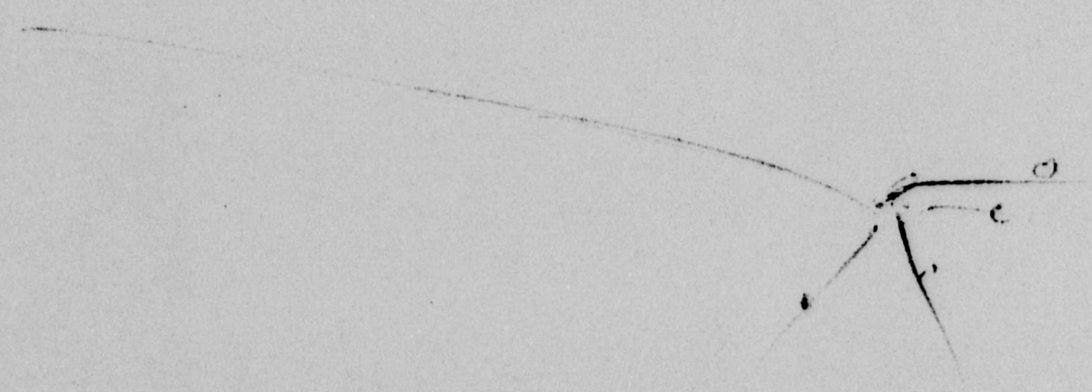
D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING

(1) 27/0123Z

(2) NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER

(1) 4230N 7346W APPROXIMATELY 50 MILES SOUTH OF ALBANY NEW YORK



F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER

(1) NA

(2) NAME AND GRADE UNKNOWN, 397BW DOW AFB, MAINE. PILOT OF B-52

G. WEATHER AND WINDS

(1) NOT AVAILABLE

(2) NOT AVAILABLE

(3) NOT AVAILABLE

(4) NOT AVAILABLE

(5) NOT AVAILABLE

(6) NOT AVAILABLE

(7) NOT AVAILABLE

H. NONE KNOWN

I. NONE

J. UNKNOWN

K. CAPT ROBERT D SHULAR, 60509A, SAC CONTROLLER. THE B-52 PILOT THOUGHT THEY WERE SPACE DEBRIS OR SPACE VEHICLE APPARATUS ON RE-ENTRY. EIGHT AIR FORCE COMMAND POST WAS CONTACTED AND THEY REQUESTED THAT I SEND OUT THE ABOVE REPORT. HDQS SAC COMMAND POST CALLED BACK AND ALSO STATED

THAT THEY WANTED THE ABOVE REPORT. I AM UNABLE TO INVESTIGATE THIS INCIDENT ANY FURTHER AT THIS TIME BECAUSE OF MY DUTIES. THE PILOT CAN BE CONTACTED AT DOW AFB, MAINE. THE INITIAL SIGHTING WAS RELAYED TO WESTOVER AFB, AS BEING A BASE CLOSE TO THE AREA INVOLVED.

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ACTION: NIN-7

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A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT:

(1) FOUR CIRCULAR DOTS

(2) ABOUT THE SIZE OF A QUARTER

(3) BRIGHT WHITE

(4) FOUR

(5) IN A LINE ABOUT THE SAME DISTANCE APART AS THE SIZE OF EACH

(6) NONE

(7) NONE

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECTS

(1) BRILLIANCE OF OBJECTS LIT UP THE SKY

(2) ANGLE 330 DEGREES MAGNETIC HEADING

(3) ANGLE 190 DEGREES MAGNETIC HEADING

(4) FALLING IN A HYPERBOLIC ARC

(5) ABRUPTLY

(6) THREE TO FIVE SECONDS

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION

(1) AIR-VISUAL

(2) NONE

(3) B-52G, 58-0212, 35,000 FEET, HEADING 256 DEGREES MAGNETIC, IAS 280 KNOTS, DOW AFB MAINE.

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING

(1) 0123.5 ZULU 27 MARCH 1965

(2) DARK NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVERS 42-30 NORTH, 73-46 WEST. APPROXIMATELY 50 MILES SOUTH OF ALBANY, NEW YORK.

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVERS

(1) NONE

(2) ROGER POORE, 1 LT. 397TH BOMB WING, DOW, CO PILOT.

G. WEATHER AND WINDS

(1) UNDERCAST, WIND WESTERLY APPROXIMATELY 135 KNOTS

(2) NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS STATION

(3) 30,000

(4) 50 MILES

(5) CONTINUOS BELOW AIRCRAFT

(6) NONE

(7) TEMPERATURE - NEGATIVE 54 DEGREES

H. NONE

I. NONE

J. NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS STATION

K. 397TH BOMB WING DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION. PILOT CAPT. BERNARD ROQUE WAS LOOKING DOWN IN COCKPIT AND NOTICED BRILLIANT LIGHT. WHEN HE LOOKED UP THE LIGHT HAD DISSAPEARED. CO-PILOT HAD PREVIOUSLY WITNESSED A ROCKET RE-ENTRY AND SAID THIS WAS NOT THE SAME. OBJECTS SEEMED CLOSE TO THE AIRCRAFT. DISAPPEARANCE WAS SIMULTANEOUS WHEN OBJECTS REACHED APPROXIMATELY 45,000 FEET ALTITUDE. POSSIBLE CAUSE OF THE SIGHTING UNKNOWN.

L. NONE

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