1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION
30 March 65 31/0230Z	Watertown, South Dakota
3. SOURCE	**10. CONCLUSION**
Civilian	Astronomical (METEOR)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	Green object with tail observed for 3 seconds. Probable meteor sighting.
One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	**11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS**
3 Seconds	Bright night. Object appeared as vapor. Fuzzy edges. Disappeared as though it dissolved. Bright green color. Had a tail. Passed several stars. Estimated speed as that of DC 3. Extremely high altitude. Observation overhead. Passed through 10 deg of arc in 3 seconds.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	
Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE	
NW	
8. PHOTOS	
☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE	
☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM
FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

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Watertown, So.Dak.

March 31, 1965

Technical Intelligence Center

Wright Field

Dayton, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Last night I noticed a peculiar occurance and since you deal with this kind of work I was hoping you might be able to provide an explaination as to exactly what it was I saw.

I had just arrived home from orchestra practice and stopped to look up at the sky. It was a clear, starlit night without any noticeable cloud cover. As I paused to watch the sky for a moment there was suddenly a rather bright green flash almost directly overhead. I realized immeadietly that it wasn't a meteor because of it's high angle of attack, high altittude with large size, and relitivly low speed. The possibility of an airplane is negated by it's size and altitude.

This lasted only a few seconds and I was alone, but I would appreciate hearing from you.

Scincerely yours,

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Watertown, So.Dak.

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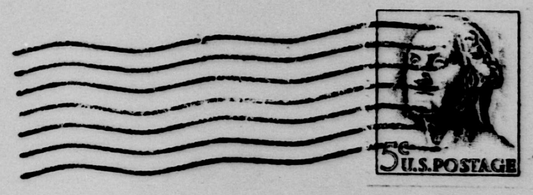

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HEADQUARTERS
FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION
AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO

REPLY TO ATTN OF: TDEW/UFO

SUBJECT: UFO Observation, Watertown, South Dakota

12 April 1965

TO: Hq USAF SAFOI-CC (Mrs Hunt)
Wash D C 20330

1. We have received a letter from Mr [redacted] Avenue, Southeast, Watertown, South Dakota, regarding an observation on the night of 30 Mar 65.

2. His letter did not contain sufficient information for an evaluation of his sighting. Would you please send an FTD Form 164 to this individual.

FOR THE COMMANDER

HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr
Major, USAF
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Branch

YOU - THE NUCLEUS OF SECURITY!

Mrs Hunt/SAFOICC/72842/16 Apr 65

April 19, 1965

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Reference is made to your UFO report of 30 March 1965.

The description of the object which you provided was insufficient for analysis. It is requested that the attached FTD Form 164 be completed as fully as possible and returned to this office in order that an evaluation can be made of the report.

Sincerely,

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FTD Form 164

Mr. [redacted]
Watertown, South Dakota

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

20 (Day) MARCH (Month) 1965 (Year)

2. Time of day: 9 (Hour) 30 (Minutes)

(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern
b. Central
c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[redacted] AVE S.E (Nearest Postal Address) WATERTOWN (City or Town) SO. DAK (State or Country)

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) _____ Hours _____ Minutes 3 Seconds

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined? By estimation

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes ✓ No _____

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

NIGHT
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you
b. In back of you
c. To your right
d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

FTD FORM OCT 62 164 This form supersedes FTD 164, Jul 61, which is obsolete.

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (*Circle One*):

a. None
b. A few
c. Many
d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (*Circle One*):

a. Bright moonlight
b. Dull moonlight
c. No moonlight – pitch dark
d. Don't remember

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS (*Circle One*):

a. Clear sky
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER (*Circle One*):

a. Dry
b. Fog, mist, or light rain
c. Moderate or heavy rain
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

10. The object appeared: (*Circle One*):

a. Solid
b. Transparent
c. Vapor
d. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? (*Circle One*):

a. Brighter
b. Dimmer
c. About the same
d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

_____

12. The edges of the object were:

(*Circle One*):
a. Fuzzy or blurred
b. Like a bright star
c. Sharply outlined
d. Don't remember
e. Other _____

13. Did the object:

(*Circle One for each question*)

a. Appear to stand still at any time?	Yes	No	Don't know
b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?	Yes	No	Don't know
c. Break up into parts or explode?	Yes	No	Don't know
d. Give off smoke?	Yes	No	Don't know
e. Change brightness?	Yes	No	Don't know
f. Change shape?	Yes	No	Don't know
g. Flash or flicker?	Yes	No	Don't know
h. Disappear and reappear?	Yes	No	Don't know

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how? IT APPEARED TO FALL APART SLOWLY AND FINALLY DISOLVE.

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: _____

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): (Yes) No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what in front of: SEVERAL STARS

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

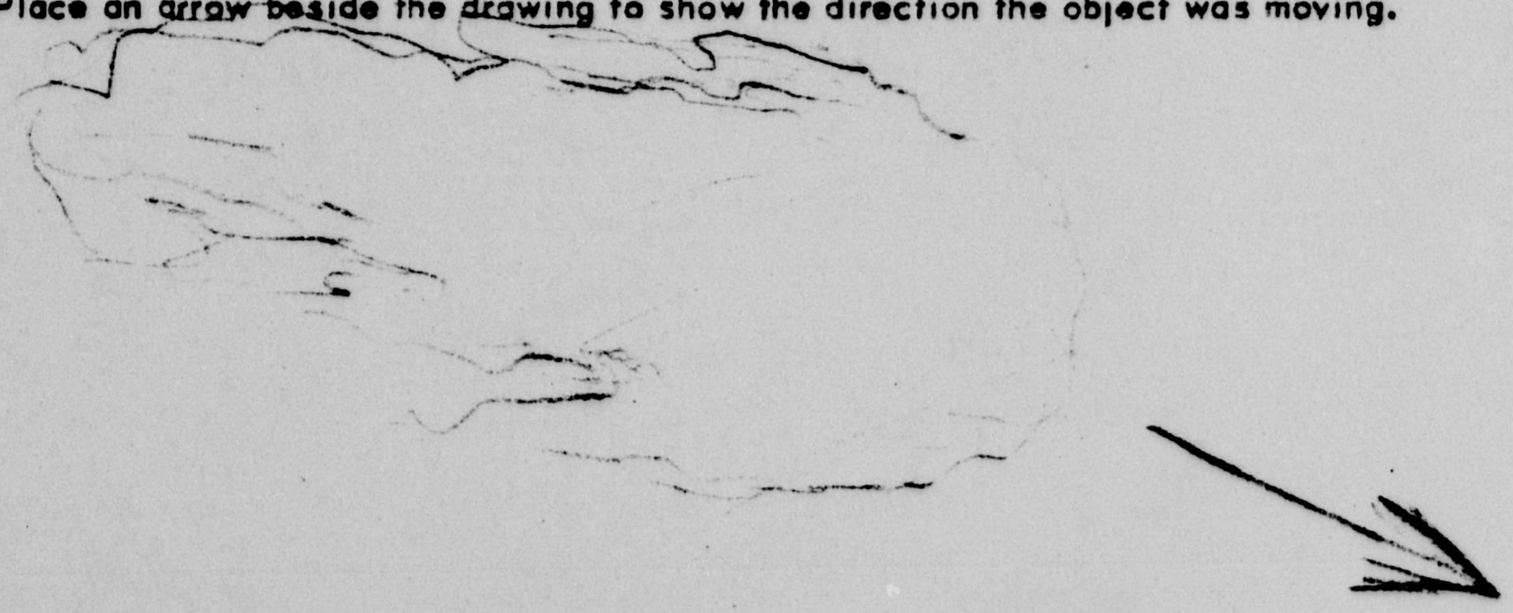
a. Sound NO SOUNDS

b. Color BRIGHT GREEN

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

IT LEAST AS LARGE, POSSIBLY BIGGER BECAUSE OF THE TAIL

19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? APPROXIMATELY THAT OF A JET WHEN ON GLIDE PATH AT 900 FT

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) Yes No → IT WAS ETREMELY HIGH, THOUGH

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? _____

22. Where were you located when you saw the object? (Circle One):

a. Inside a building
b. In a car
c. Outdoors
d. In an airplane (type)
e. At sea
f. Other _____

23. Were you (Circle One)

a. In the business section of a city?
b. In the residential section of a city?
c. In open countryside?
d. Near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other _____

24. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

24.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

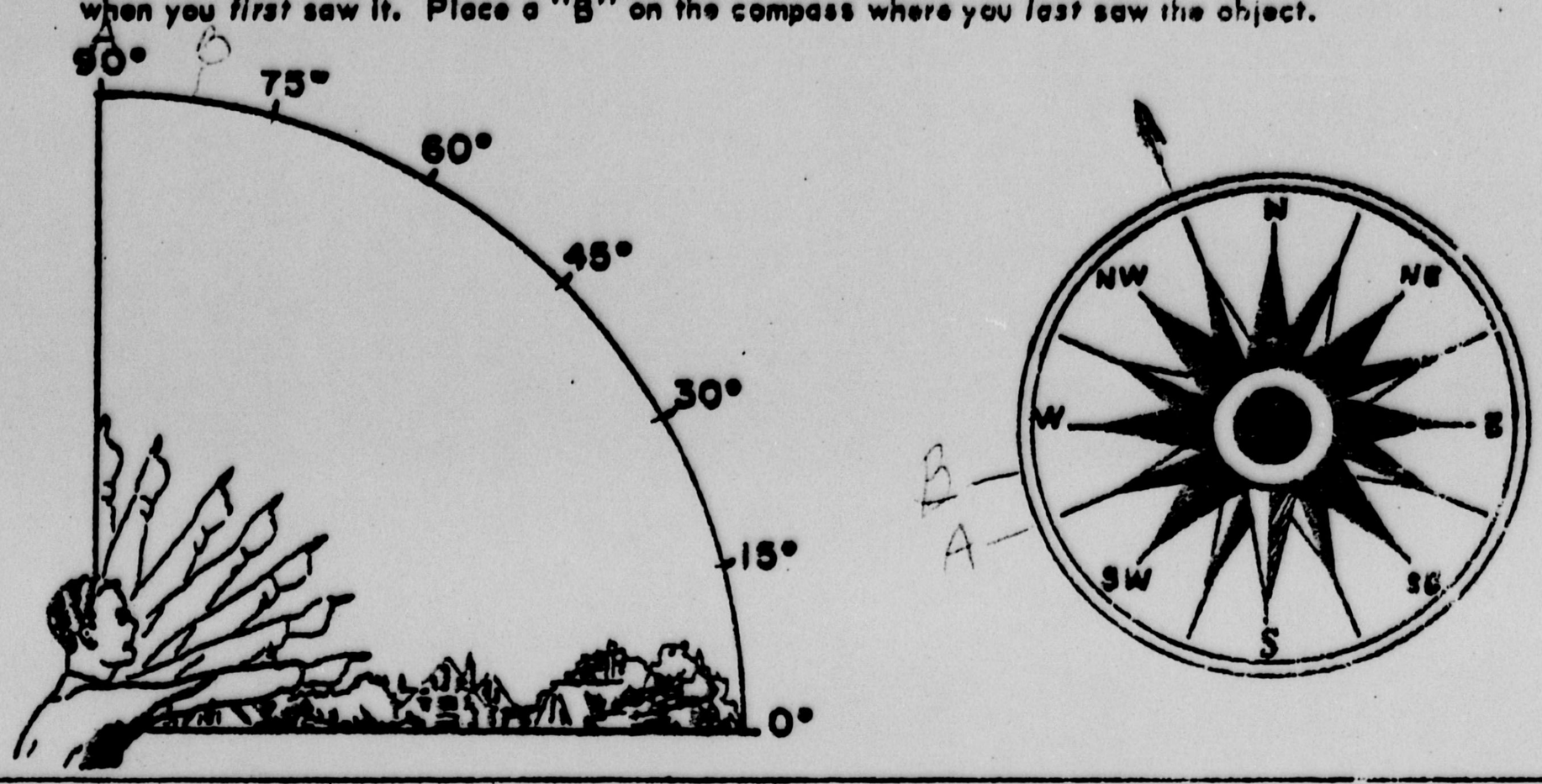
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

a. Eyeglasses	Yes	No	e. Binoculars	Yes	No
b. Sun glasses	Yes	No	f. Telescope	Yes	No
c. Windshield	Yes	No	g. Theodolite	Yes	No
d. Window glass	Yes	No	h. Other _____		

26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

AN ETREMELY LARGE FALLING STAR

27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.



28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.

29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? NONE OTHERS
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location. NO

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? *(Circle One)* Yes (No)

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? *(Circle One)* Yes No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] (Last Name) [redacted] (First Name) [redacted] (Middle Name)

ADDRESS [redacted] AVE SE (Street) WATERTOWN (City) (Zone) SO. DAK (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] AGE 13 SEX MALE

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

Although I am only 13, I have lilled this sort the just I could. I have a great interest in becoming a a pilot and any knowledge I can gain which might help me in a career like this might be a help later on.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object? My sister and older brother. They didn't know what it was so I wrote to you. I hope I have not put me to too much bother.

20 (Day) March (Month) 1965 (Year)

34. Date you completed this questionnaire: 23 (Day) April (Month) 1965 (Year)

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

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