1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION
5 August 65 06/0310Z	Des Moines, Iowa
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astronomical (STAR) Complicating data (PLANET TERMINATOR TIME (VENUS))
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 Hours, 15 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Yellow light changing to orange and then blue-green with four of five windows. Oval shaped. With naked eye appeared to be glowing. Glow disappeared when BX were used. Initial position 18-20 thousand feet, disappeared at 8,000 ft. Initial sighting in SW with the object in flight to the North. Speed given as FAST. Object in sight for over two hours. Course slightly erratic. COMMENTS: Antares (Mag 1.2) at 15 deg elevation 220 deg azimuth. ARCTURUS (Mag 0.2) at 25 deg elevation, 270 deg azimuth. Anatares more near reported position. ARCTURUS more closely associated with the reported observable characteristics. Details and features attributed to the imagination of the 15 year old youth.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual (BX)	
7. COURSE North Descending	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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UFO REPORT. THIS MESSAGE IN 12 PARTS. PART 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT: A. SHAPE: OVAL. B. SIZE: SIMILAR TO A LARGE ORANGE. C. COLOR: YELLOW, CHANGING TO ORANGE, THEN BRIGHT ORANGE WITH A BLUE GREEN TINT. D. NUMBER: ONE. E. DISCERNIBLE FEATURES AND DETAILS: UFO APPEARED TO HAVE

FOUR TO FIVE WINDOWS, OVAL SHAPPED, ORIGINALLY APPEARED TO BE GLOWING. WHEN SUBSEQUENTLY OBSERVED WITH BINOCULARS GLOWING FEATURE WAS NOT EVIDENT. F. NO TAIL, TRAIL OR

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EXHAUST WAS OBSERVED. G. SOUND: NONE. H. NO OTHER PERTINENT OR UNUSAL FEATURES. PART 2. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT: A. GLOWING FEATURE OF OBJECT FIRST CAUSED REPORTEE TO NOTICE IT. B. INITIAL ALTITUDE EST BETWEEN 18 AND 20 THOUSAND FEET. C. ALTITUDE AT TIME OF DISAPPEARENCE EST AT 8 THOUSAND FEET. D. FIRST NOTICED SOUTH WEST OF DESMOINES, IOWA THEN TURNED NORTH AND CONTINUED NORTH UNTIL IT FADED. COURSE WAS SLIGHTLY ERRATIC. OBJECT DID NOT CLIMB OR DESCEND IN ALTITUDE. OBJECT WAS MOVING AT A FAST RATE OF SPEED. E. OBJECT DISAPPEARED INSTANTANEOUSLY. F. OBJECT WAS VISIBLE FOR TWO HOURS AND FIFTEEN MINUTES. PART 3. MANNER OF OBSERVATION: A. OBJECT WAS ORIGINALLY OBSERVED WITH THE NAKED EYE. SUBSEQUENT SIGHTING WAS WITH BINOCULARS. B. MANNER OF OBSERVATION WAS GROUND VISUAL. PART 4. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING. A. OBJECT WAS SIGHTED AT 06/0310Z. B. THIS

WAS DURING NIGHTIME. PART 5. LOCATION OF OBSERVER:
OBSERVER WAS LOCATED IN DES MOINES, IOWA, 41 30N, 93 40W.
PART 6. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVERS: A. INITIAL
OBSERVER IS A CIVILIAN, MR. [redacted] AGE 15,
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414TH40TH PLACE, DES MOINES, IOWA, STUDENT, RELIABILITY
UNKNOWN. SUBSEQUENT OBSERVER WAS MR [redacted] (FATHER),
AGE 36, SAME ADDRESS AS A[redacted], OCCUPATION IS
MECHANIC, RELIABILITY UNKNOWN. PART 7. WEATHER AND WINDS
ALOFT. A. OBSERVER REPORTED ONLY ONE STAR VISIBLE IN THE
SKY. B. WINDS ALOFT: 6,000 FEET-230/30, 10,000 FEET-240/
25, 16,000 FEET-230/25, 20,000 FEET 220/30, 30,000 FEET-
240/30, 50,000 FEET-280/30, 80,000 FEET UNAVAILABLE.
C. CEILING WAS ESTIMATED 10,000 SCATTERED. D. VISIBILITY
WAS 12 MILES. E. CLOUD COVER WAS SCATTERED. F. THERE
WERE NO THUNDERSTORMS IN THE AREA. G. VERTICAL TEMPERA-
TURE GRADIENT: 6,000 FEET-PLUS 17, 10,000FEET -PLUS7, 16,000
FEET-MINUS 5, 20,000 FEET-MINUS 15, 30,000 FEET-MINUS 38, 50,000
FEET-MINUS 60.CB8 ,)8. THEREKAA WAS NO OTHER ACTIVITY OR CONDITION
WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR THE SIGHTING. PART 9. INTERCEPTION OR

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IDENTIFICATION WAS NOT ATTEMPTED. PART 10. NO KNOWN BALLOON RELEASES IN THE AREA. PART 11. PREPARING OFFICER IS INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, 788TH RADAR SQUADRON, WAVERLY AFS, IOWA. PART 12. THERE IS NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE OF THE SIGHTING.

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