

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 1 December 65 02/0050Z	2. LOCATION Norwalk, Ohio (4)
3. SOURCE Civilians	10. CONCLUSION Astro (VENUS) ✓
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	The light which have been observed is in the approx position of the planet Venus.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 20 minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Object was like light of a car headlight, very bright white. All of the observers tried to see the object thru a telescope but the object was too far away to focus in on it. One observer went to call Highway Patrol, as he did t he light appeared to change colors to blue, and appeared to move down to tree level, turned red, then went back up to its original position, when it then appeared to speed off in the SW direction at a high rate of speed.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual (TX)	
7. COURSE SW	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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UFO Sighting

Hq USAF SAFOICC (Mrs Hunt)

We have received an unidentified flying object report from Mr
[redacted] The following is a suggested reply to his letter.

Dear Mr. [redacted]

The light which you and members of your family have been observing is in the approximate position of the planet VENUS. The Air Force has evaluated this object (planet VENUS) as the cause of your sighting.

FOR THE COMMANDER

del
ERIC T de JONCKHEERE, Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology and Subsystems

ORIGINATOR *H. Quintanilla, Jr.*
TDEW/UFO Maj H Quintanilla, Jr.

DATED *23 Dec 65*

TDEW *N.H. Perkins*

DATED *18 Dec 65*

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MEMO FOR THE RECORD

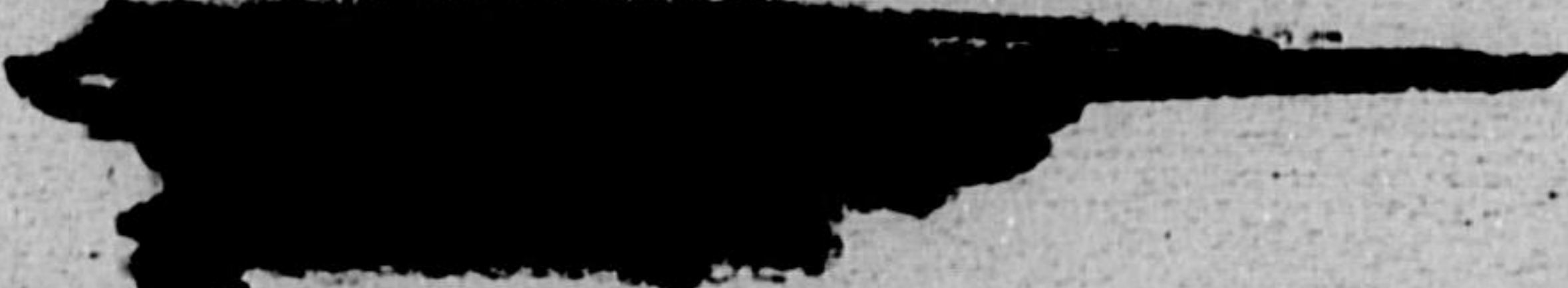
[REDACTED] called 8 December 1965 at 1535 and informed the project office that a number of people in and around have seen a mysterious object in the sky at dusk and immediately thereafter. He claims that this object is emitting some sort of radiation. He also claims that the National Guard in that area took a Geiger Counter measurement and that it was positive. The National Guard is allegedly sending the information to the project office. I have requested that he send me all the information available so that we can evaluate the observation.

Major Quintanilla

Fremont, Ohio

It is said on the day of December 1, 1955 that an unidentified object was seen in the vicinity of State Route #250, located South of the City of Norwalk, Ohio about miles South on #250. The object first was seen by in the Southwest direction of Zenobia Road located off State Route #250, East. The object was like a white light of a car but one solid light. The object was there when he turned off the #250 onto Zenobia Road about 7:50, from there he saw this bright light. He went to Herman Weisenberger on Jerico road. He went to his farm where upon leaving his car still saw this light; from there went into the house and told the rest of the family of the light. The five of them saw the same light and tried to see the object thru a telescope but the object did not let the telescope focus it in on the object. I then went to call the Ohio State Highway Patrol, but while I was doing this the object turned blue in its light, then came to tree level, turned red, then went back up to its same level, stayed red and went off in the Southwest at a fast rate of speed.

Official Report By


Fremont, Ohio

On December 1, 1965, I saw a bright white light which would turn a blue-green color and would seem to go up and down; then it turned a fire red and disappeared. On several nights while watching TV, I would look out the front window and see a bright light like a flashlight being turned off and on. This would happen several nights a week at approximately 10:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Civil Air Patrol,
United States Air Force,
Fremont, Ohio.
Squadron 602.

Time 730 674⁽¹⁾

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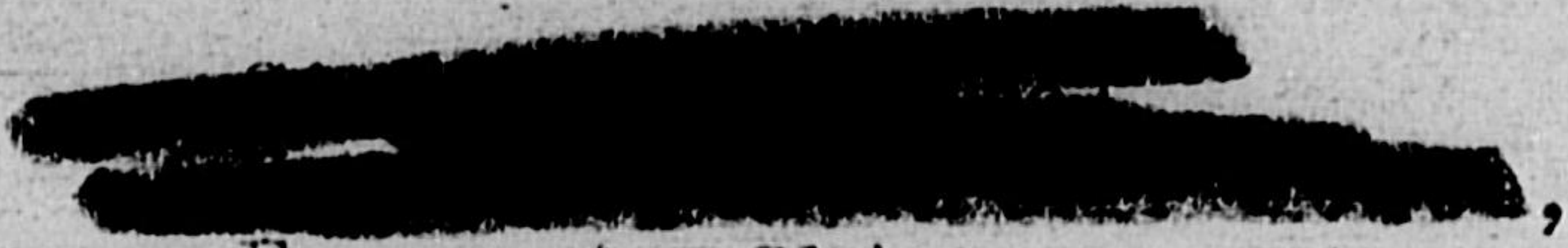
December 1, 1965
Norwalk, Ohio

[REDACTED]
Fremont, Ohio

On the evening of December 1, 1965, I viewed a bright light in the Southwest. It was well over the line of woods and it hovered in the sky. I went into the barn to get my son and he took his telescope outside to look thru but everytime he just about had it in view, it moved. The light shined like a star. I compared it with other stars and it was ten times larger than the largest stars in the sky. I listened for some sound, but heard none. It was quite windy and the wind was blowing from my back. I then went into the house and viewed it from the living room window. I turned out the lights so I could see it better. Pay Myers came in and called the Sheriff's Department; while he was talking, it had moved down over the line of trees and it started to glow a red like you will see when the sun sets. It went up still glowing red, moved back down and then disappeared. It did not sink below the trees and disappear, it just seemed to turn off.

My daughters, [REDACTED] who is 8 years old and [REDACTED] who is 14 years old, my son, [REDACTED] who is 17 years old and myself, all saw it. The children said it turned blue when I was on the phone calling our neighbor, [REDACTED]. I wanted her to see it also, but she wasn't home and I didn't call anyone else because I didn't want to miss anything. I have never noticed anything in the sky like it before.

Pat first called our attention to it when he arrived and I thought it must be a light from an air strip that is just back of the woods, but it was not that kind of light. It wasn't an airplane, I have seen them at night and this was no plane. I did not note the time, but my guess would be we observed it for around 20 minutes. It turned red when [REDACTED] called the Sheriff and I got the feeling it didn't approve of his call but that was only a feeling I had at the time.


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Mr. [redacted]

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?

1st December 1965
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

Hour 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?

NOR WALK RT. 2 NORWALK OHIO (HURON)
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or County

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration)

Hours Minutes Seconds

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

5.1 How was time in sight determined? By a clock

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes X 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

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. As a light
- e. Don't remember

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

- a. Brighter *10 times*
- b. Dimmer
- c. About the same
- d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

Brighter than any of the night objects brighter than the USAR the Big Dipper

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 Like in bright light
approx. 45 ft in diameter

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

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

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how? *YES. It disappeared about 20 to 30 min. after first seen. It was white like an light in the 4th Dimension. It came to the top level 60' from the little tower and changed back. Then the plane went down above the tower and turned back and left. It is not out of sight.*

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: _____

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

a. Sound *It was a little windy, but I believe that it had no sound.*

b. Color *White, Blue, Red, appeared in back in white.*

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?

about 1/4

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.



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10:15 AM*

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? _____

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

(Circle One) Yes No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? 2 miles from the ground

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
- ☒ c. East
- ☒ e. South
- g. West
- b. Northeast
- d. Southeast
- f. Southwest
- h. Northwest

24.2 How fast were you moving? 50 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?

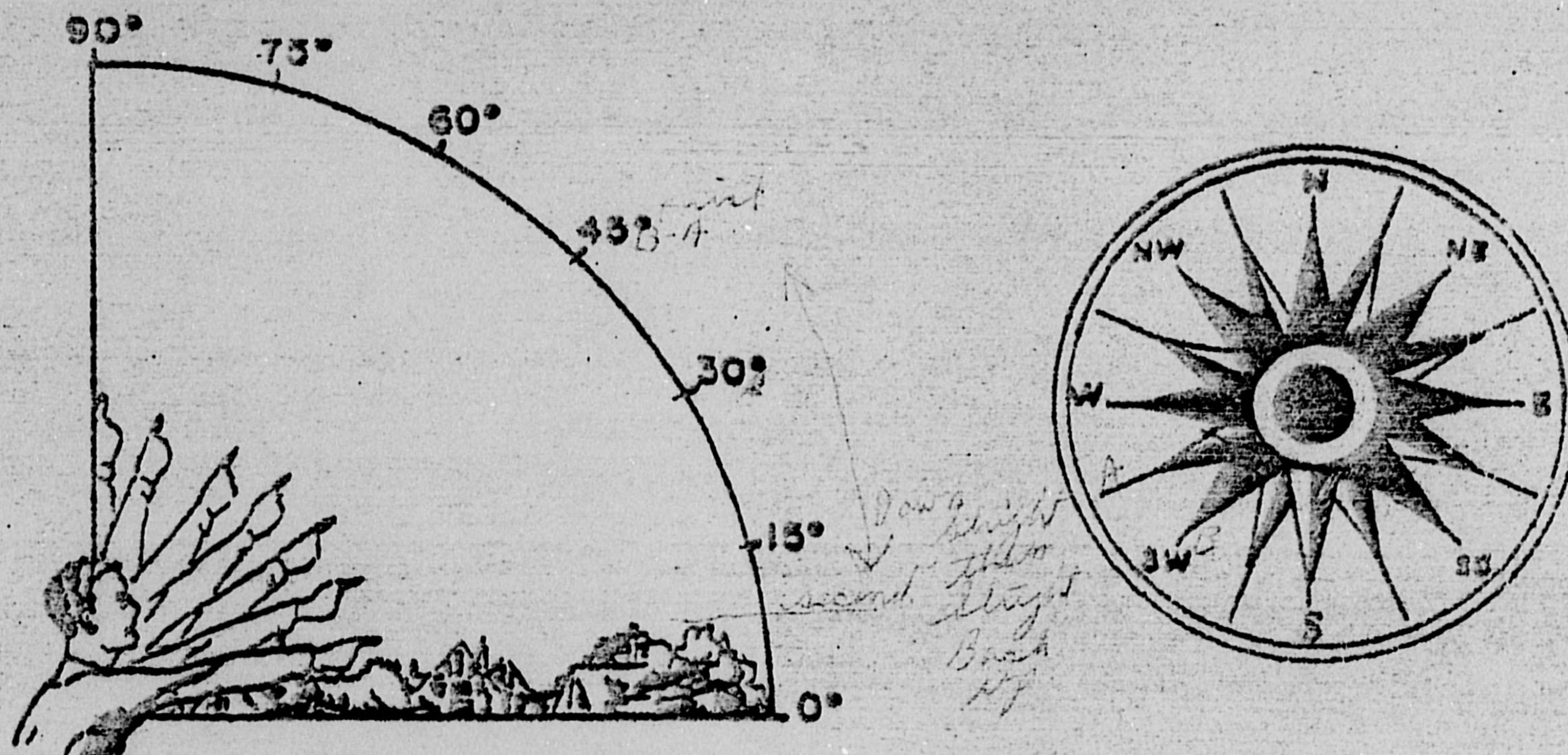
- a. Eyeglasses Yes ☒ No
- b. Sun glasses Yes ☒ No
- c. Windshield ☒ Yes ☒ No
- d. Window glass ☒ Yes ☒ No

- a. Binoculars Yes ☒ No
- f. Telescope Yes ☒ No
- g. Theodolite 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

I know of no common object which would give the same appearance as the object which I saw. It was a very small object, about the size of a small airplane, but it was not a plane.

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? no
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.

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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:

[Faint handwritten notes, possibly "all down"]

[REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] of [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] all down.

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

ADDRESS [REDACTED] GREEN SPRING 3 OHIO
City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED] AGE 17 SEX MALE

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

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

Day Month Year

State Highway District
Harrison County

34. Date you completed this questionnaire: yes15

Day

Dec

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.

To explain in more detail: I was driving on the highway at approx. 7:00 at night in the eastward direction to a motor vehicle in my back to Herman Messenberger's going in the westward direction. I saw a bright white light, I then turned on road south on which Herman lives.

read my report on other sheet of paper

1 December 65

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Dear Mr. [REDACTED]:

Please excuse the delay in answering your letter regarding your unidentified flying object observations. A backlog of correspondence and reports has precluded a prompt response to your inquiry.

The light which you and members of your family observed is in the approximate position of the planet Venus. The Air Force has evaluated the planet Venus as the cause of your sightings.

Thank you for reporting your sighting to us. We appreciate your interest in our program.

Sincerely,

GEORGE P. FREEMAN, JR.
Lt Colonel, USAF
Chief, Civil Branch
Community Relations Division
Office of Information

Mr. [REDACTED]

Fremont, Ohio 43420

COORDINATED BY (OFFICE SYMBOL) (DATE)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION (AFSC)
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO 45433



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TDEW/UFO

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FOR THE COMMANDER

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Eric T de Jonckheere".

ERIC T de JONCKHEERE, Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology and Subsystems

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2. Ltr [REDACTED]

3. 3 Ltrs [REDACTED]