

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 27 April 66 ¹⁸ /0250Z	2. LOCATION Baton Rouge, La.
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Other (Birds) ✓ <i>70H</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 10-12	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 15 seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	Observer noted 10-12 objects flying toward the east. The objects maintained the said direction at the same speed. Trees obstructed observer's view when the objects became low in the sky. One object was lagging behind somewhat but rapidly caught up to the rest. Observer stated that said objects were pretty dim to the naked eye, and therefore hard to describe.
7. COURSE To the East	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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?

26 April 1966
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

7 50
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?

[REDACTED] Baton Rouge La. East Baton Rouge Parish
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or County

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

 15
Hours Minutes Seconds

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined? No i certain, but it seemed this long.

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

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

The objects passed a little north of where I was at, going in an easterly direction. They maintained the said direction at the same speed. Trees obstructed my view when the objects became low in the sky.

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 There was absolutely no sound.

b. Color Bright metallic objects. No specific color.

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?

Since there were many objects at a pretty good distance, it would probably cover one or two of them.

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.

They were north rather than directly overhead, traveling east.

The circled one was lagging behind somewhat, but rapidly caught up to the rest.



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? Possibly 2 1/2 miles.

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? _____ 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

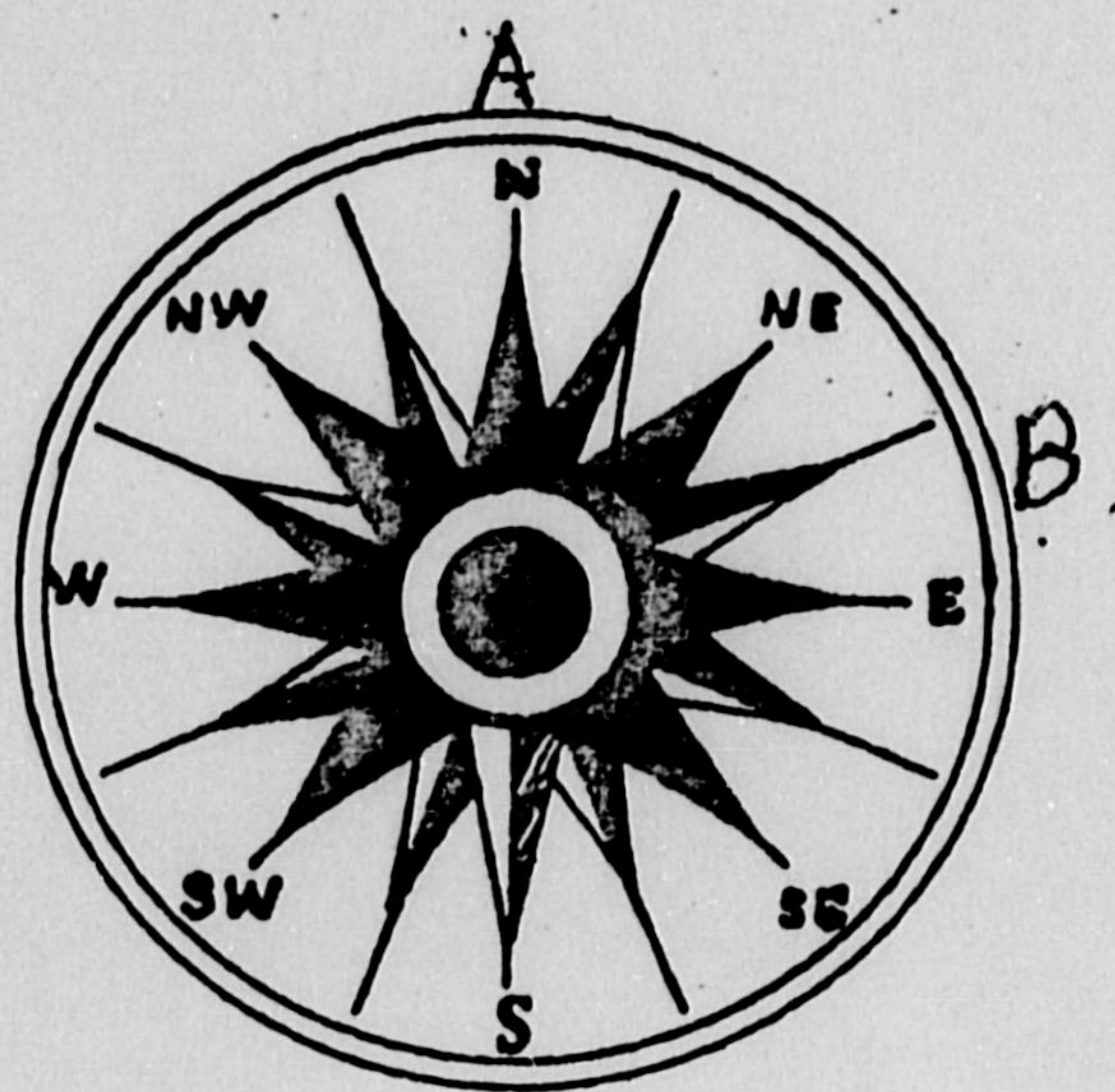
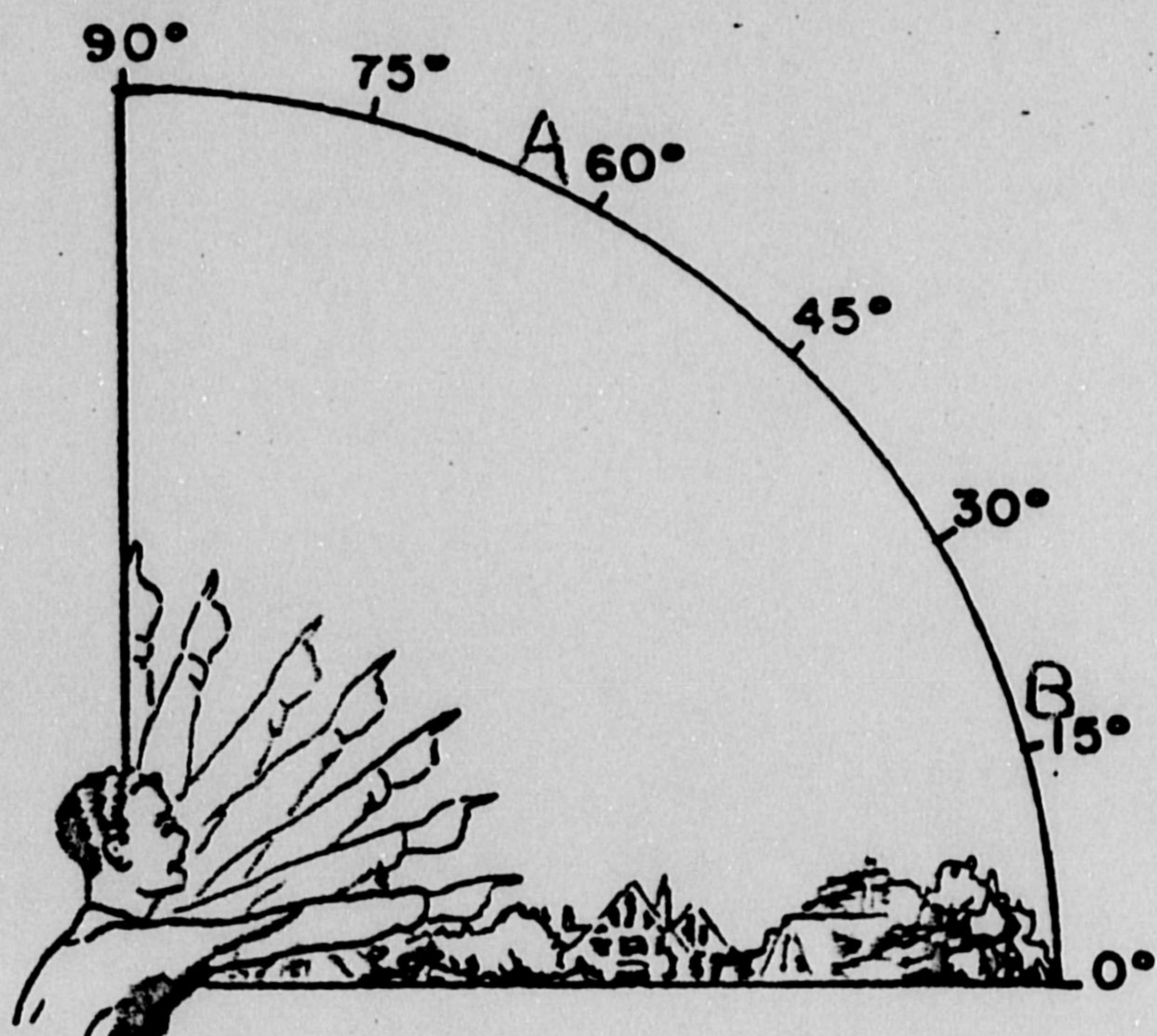
☒ No

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.

They were pretty dim to the naked eye, and therefore hard to describe.

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.

They traveled straight in the same irregular V-shape pattern.

29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? About 10 or 12

Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

They stayed in this pattern until they went out of sight.



30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

No, never.

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

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

AGE

SEX

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?

26

Day

April

Month

1966

Year

I called a local
radio station WLCS
in Baton Rouge La.

28 Apr 66
29/01 502

FTD (TDEW)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
10 May 1966

[REDACTED]
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70805

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Reference your recent unidentified observation. The information in your letter of 28 April 1966 was not sufficient for evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and return it in the envelope provided.

We wish to thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

Sincerely,


HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book

April 28, 1966

Dear Sir,

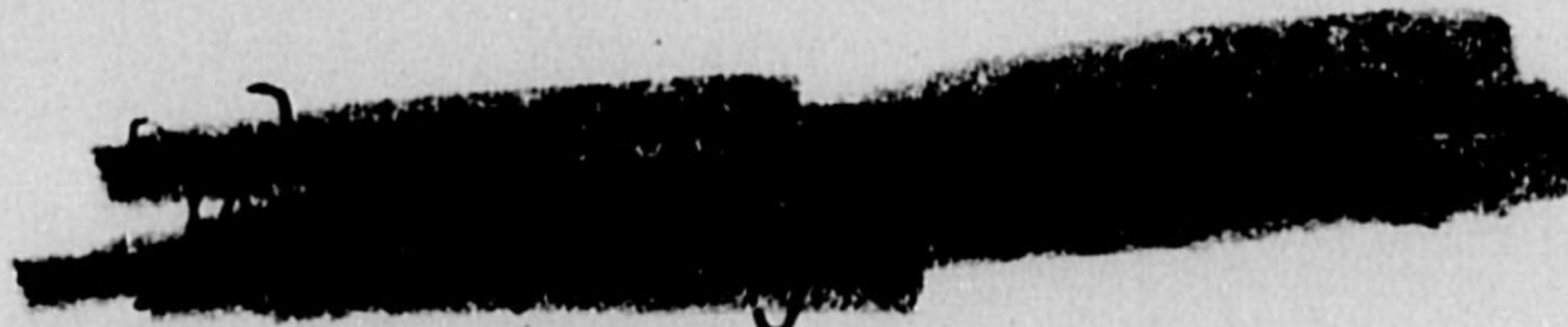
I am eighteen years old; an avid reader of UFO reports. I was sure it was a one in a million chance that I would ever see one. I did better than that.

I was in my back yard Tuesday, the twenty-six, about 7:50 P.M. I had my binoculars and telescope. I didn't have anything to do so I went out to look at the stars, moon, etc. The sky was absolutely clear. I glanced to my left. I couldn't believe what I saw.. I hurried and put the binoculars to my eyes. There was about twelve small bright dots. They were just as bright as stars. They flew in a V-shape as birds do, but weren't in a definite pattern. They were flying close together. Soon as I looked through the binoculars, I noticed one was lagging behind a slight bit; it rapidly caught up to the rest. They were traveling in a easterly direction.

I viewed them for only about ten seconds at the most before they went out of sight. For this reason I didn't have time to see their actual shape. I live near an airport and have never seen planes fly that close together and in that pattern. There wasn't any noise. They were pretty high and traveling very fast.

I told my parents and they believed me. About ten minutes later I called a local radio station, but they probably thought it was a joke. I don't blame them. There were no other reports. I seem to me that someone else in the city of Baton Rouge, La. would have seen them, but obviously didn't. I am sure what I saw was no airplanes, stars, or meteorites. I assure this is no joke. Could I please get some information on this.

Sincerely yours,

A large, dark, irregular redacted area covering the signature of the letter.

[REDACTED]
Baton Rouge La. 70805



Project Blue Book Information
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SAFOI
Washington, D.C. 20330

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

<u>12</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>1966</u>
Day	Month	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.

I live in the northern part of the city. Almost directly north of us is an airport. It has radar like any other airport. These objects must have passed almost directly over the airport. No one else in the city reported these that I know of. I never called the airport, but I am still wondering if these objects were picked up. on radar,

If I hadn't had binoculars with me at the time I probably would not have reported this. The binoculars gave me a much better view. They must have traveled half way across the sky before I spotted them.