PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 1 Sept 66 02/0300Z	2. LOCATION Tulsa, Oklahoma (3 Witnesses)
3. SOURCE Civilians	10. CONCLUSION Satellite (ECHO I) ✓ Jrt ECHO I was passing over the Tulsa area at approximately 2100L, traveling in an ESE direction.
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Several Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observers viewed an unusually bright, rather round object with a pulsating light that changed from a red to white as it traveled overhead.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE SE	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes XX No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes XX No	

FORM

TDETR/Maj H. Quintanilla, Jr/70916/mhs/12 Sep 66

Request for UFO Information on Sighting, 1 Sep 66

SEP 1 4 1966

Hq USAF (SAFOICC)
Attn: Mrs. Hunt

Reference the attached letter requesting information on sightings on 1 September 1966. The following is a suggested reply.

a. Dear Mr. [redacted],

Reference your letter of 3 September 1966 concerning your observation of an unusual phenomena over the Tulsa skys on the night of 1 September 1966.

Your sighting has been studied in detail and we have found that you probably observed the satellite, ECHO I. ECHO I was passing over the Tulsa area at approximately 2100 hours on 1 September, traveling in an ESE direction. The description you provided is consistent with that of satellite observations. Fluctuations in light akin to the twinkling of stars can also cause the illusion of zig-zag motion. Indeed, observations show that the fluctuations are closely related to meteorological conditions.

FOR THE COMMANDER

WARREN S. WHEELER, Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology and Subsystems

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Ltr, E. Frost

COORDINATION:

DATE 12 Sept 66
TDETR MAJ H QUINTANILLA, JR

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Dear Mr [redacted]

Reference is made to your letter of September 3, 1966, concerning your observation of an unusual phenomenon in the Tulsa sky on the night of September 1, 1966.

Your sighting has been studied in detail, and we feel that you probably observed the satellite, ECHO I. ECHO I was passing over the Tulsa area at approximately 9:00 p.m. on September 1, traveling in an ESE direction. The description you provided is consistent with that of satellite observations. Fluctuations in light akin to the twinkling of stars can also cause the illusion of zigzag motion. Observations show that the fluctuations are closely related to meteorological conditions.

Sincerely,

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

Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74126

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Coord cy - SAFOI-[illegible]
Comebk cy - SAFOI-[illegible]
Reader cy - SAFOI-1
Activity cy - SAFOI-[illegible]
Stayback

Hector Quintanilla, Jr. Major, USAF
Wright Patterson AFB
Dayton, Ohio
Dear Mister Quintanilla,

As I write this letter I write for my brother, my neighbor and myself. The following phenomena as I assure you nothing but plain bare facts. We are of sound mind and have come to the conclusion that all three of us were not seeing things.

On the night of September first, 1966 at approximately nine o'clock central standard time the three of us witnessed a very strange phenomena.

My neighbor and I were on the front porch of my house discussing unidentified fly objects. I said they were real, while he refused to believe in them. As a scare I slapped him on the shoulder and said "Look up there!," pointing to a bright star.

To our shock it was not a star. My little brother popped up behind our truck and shouted "You stupids!"

It was an unusually bright rather round object with a pulsating light that changed from a red to white. The white seemed to grow brighter every ten seconds approximately then dimming in steady rythem.

The course when we first sighted it was, as

close as we can calculate West by west north for approx. five seconds then stopped and came straight east till it came abreast of a bright planet or star and immediately veered to East by east south for about one and one-half minutes then to southeast. After about three minutes, it dimmed then brightened. It seemed to halfway enter a large black object backout then reenter and disappear.

It all lasted approximatly ~~ten~~ five minutes. All times and directions are approximate. We will be waiting your reply. If it is possible would you send three copies of your reply.

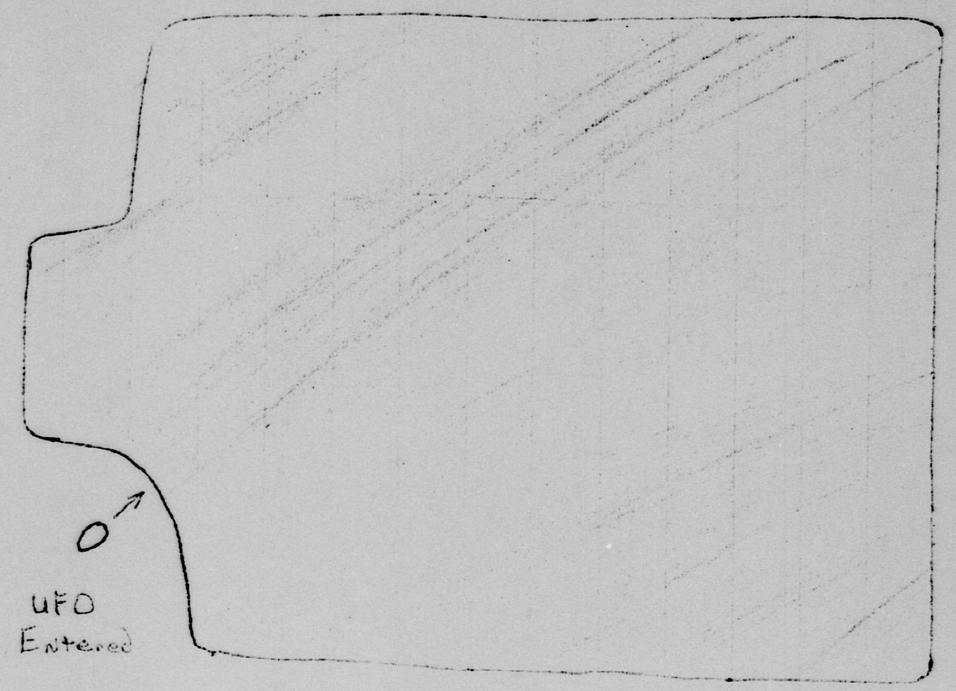
Sincerely:

[redacted]

Cadet Civil Air Patrol
Composite Squadron #2
Tulsa, Oklahoma

[redacted]

P.S. Enclosed are some drawings I made that we all agree on as fairly accurate.



Black Object that UFO disapeared into.