PROJECT 10073 RECORD

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| 1. DATE - TIME GROUP<br>9 Sept 66 10/0100Z | 2. LOCATION<br>Franklin Springs, New York (Lwetwos) |
| 3. SOURCE<br>Civilian | 10. CONCLUSION<br>UNIDENTIFIED |
| 4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS<br>One | |
| 5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION<br>30 Minutes | 11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS<br>Observer noted solid object that he could not see through the object. The object had lights all around it. Object disappeared into a wooded area behind trees and did not appear again. Object was larger than one of our army tanks and our tanks do not fly. A very low humming sound was heard by the observer. Object was compared to a large army tank.<br>The initial evaluation of a possible aircraft with some type of advertising gimmick seemed reasonable, however; the local airport knew of no such aircraft operating in the area. Without additional data the case is being carried as UNIDENTIFIED by the Air Force. |
| 6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION<br>Ground-Visual | |
| 7. COURSE<br>S | |
| 8. PHOTOS<br>☐ Yes<br>XX No | |
| 9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE<br>☐ Yes<br>XX No | |

FORM
STD [illegible] 0 220 (TDF) Previous editions of this form may be used.

## 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.

You may use my Name wherever or whenever it is

1. When did you see the object?

9th (Day) Sept. (Month) 1966 (Year)

2. Time of day: Bet. 9 + 10 (Hour) P.M. (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?

College Hill (Nearest Postal Address) Franklin Springs (City or Town) N.Y. Oneida (State or County)

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) about (Hours) 30 (Minutes) _____ (Seconds)

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

5.1 How was time in sight determined? I looked at my wrist watch.

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes ✓ No ✓ Left for a Brief Moment. It went behind a very small cloud.

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

NIGHT
a. ~~Bright~~ Clear sky.
b. ~~Cloudy~~ a few small clouds.

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

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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~~ a little misty, (Nothing much)
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
b. Dimmer
c. About the same
d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object: It was a solid object and could not see through it, had lites all around!

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 Had Different Color lights around it.

13. Did the object:

*(Circle One for each question)*

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| 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 disappeared into a Wooded area, behind trees and did not appear. I waited some time for it to appear when it did not, I Drove home.

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: There was a few small Clouds in the sky at first when I saw it, I thought it was a Plane with Blinking lites, But as it Decended I saw it was not,

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: After it came out of the cloud, it Decended to about a few Hundred feet off the ground & traveling slowly in a straight line. then settled behind some trees.

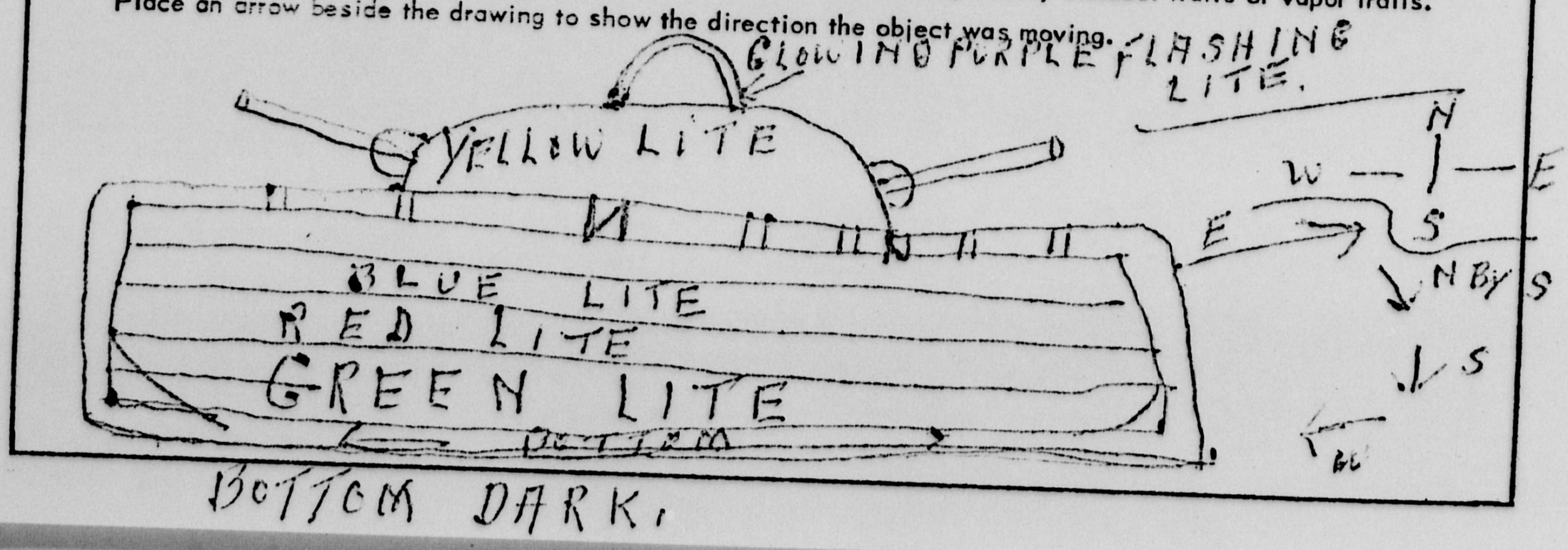
17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound There was a slight Humming sound on & off.

b. Color Triple Colors from Top to Bottom. It was a bigger bigger than one of our largest army tanks.

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? There is no Comparision in Regards to size of object. I do not need a Match stick to Compare size. as I just said above. It was as large as larger than one of our army tanks. and our Tanks do not fly.

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.




BOTTOM DARK.

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? Between 500 to 600 Mi. per minute

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was? When I first saw it it was about 30 to 40 miles from me. Air Miles.

(Circle One) (Yes) No

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? About 10 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?

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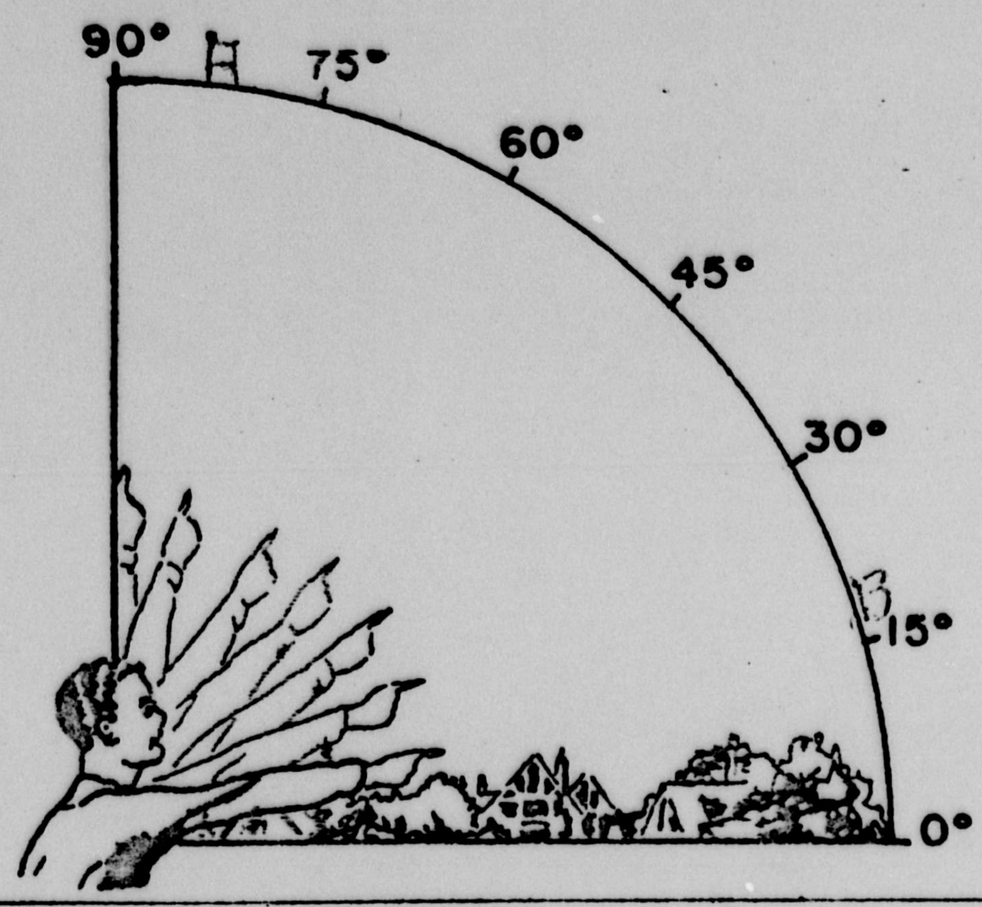
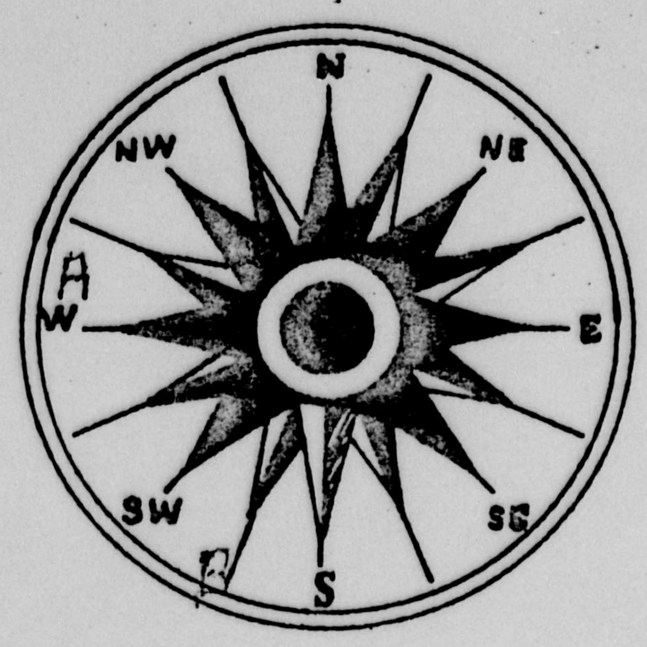
| a. Eyeglasses | (Yes) | No | e. Binoculars | Yes | No |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | No | f. Telescope | Yes | No |
| c. Windshield | Yes | No | g. Theodolite | Yes | No |
| d. Window glass | Yes | No | h. Other _____ | | |

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.

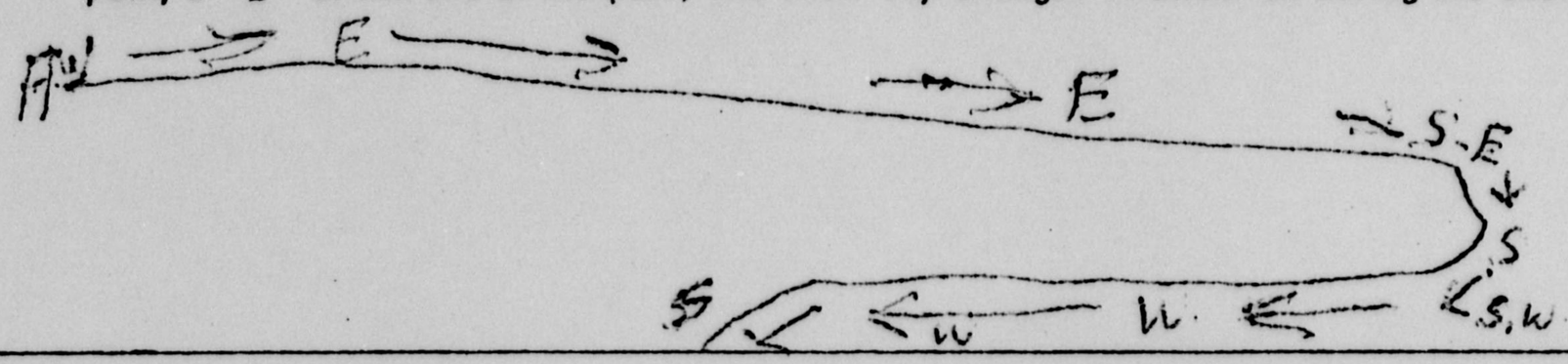
I have never seen anything like it in the sky before. only on the ground. It looked like a Army Tank. a very large one.

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? Only One.
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.

MIC. as I said it looked like a very large Army Tank.

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] (Street) NO. BROOKFIELD, 13418 (City, Zone), N.Y. (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER — AGE 54 SEX MALE

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

I am a WW II Veteran. Was in the Engineers. am a Salesman now. Self Employed. I am semi Retired due to a severe Back Injury that accured in 1963. and receive a small Disability check each Month from the state to help me pay my living Costs. I am Self Employed. ~~have~~ Owns my own Home. Have lived here since Aft. 1952.

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

9th (Day) Sept (Month) 1966 (Year) to the Commanding General U.S. Army air Force. Washington, D.C.

34. Date you completed this questionnaire: 23rd (Day) Jul (Month) 1966. (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.

It was between 9 and 10 P.M. of Friday Evening. I was Driving south. I had my Dog with me & had stopped beside the Road a moment before to let my Dog out to Relieve himself. I was just beginning to start the car into motion, when out of the Corner of my Right Eye I saw something. I turned my head & faced to the west and in the Distance I saw flashing lites. at first I thought it was a Plane. But as it Come Closer, and the rate of it Traveled I knew it one it was not a Plane. There Were too many lites & Colors, and except for a very low humming sound there was no other sound. nor was there an after sound like from a Plane after it has Passed By. Thats About all I can tell you about it. Except that it made no attempt to Bugg me or anything like that. [redacted].

[redacted]
North Brookfield, N. Y.

altho at one time it was Directly over head about 4 or 500 feet in the air, and the effect had reduced to and almost motionless movement for a few moments then Turned south, then South West & then South and Disappeared behind some trees. I waited a while to see if it would appear again. But it did not. So I started my Car & Drove home. I did not see it again that nite, nor have I seen it since. I have not told any one around here about it. Except for the letter I mailed to Washington, D.C. With a Discription and Drawing as I have given to you in this Form. If there is anything else you wish to know, Please let me know. altho I do not believe I can tell you any more than I have now.

[redacted]

[redacted]
North Brookfield, N. Y.

N. Y. Sept 66

FTD (TDETR) hl
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
21 September 1966

[redacted]
North Brookfield, New York 13418

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Reference your unidentified observation of September 1966. The information which we have received is not sufficient for evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 104 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

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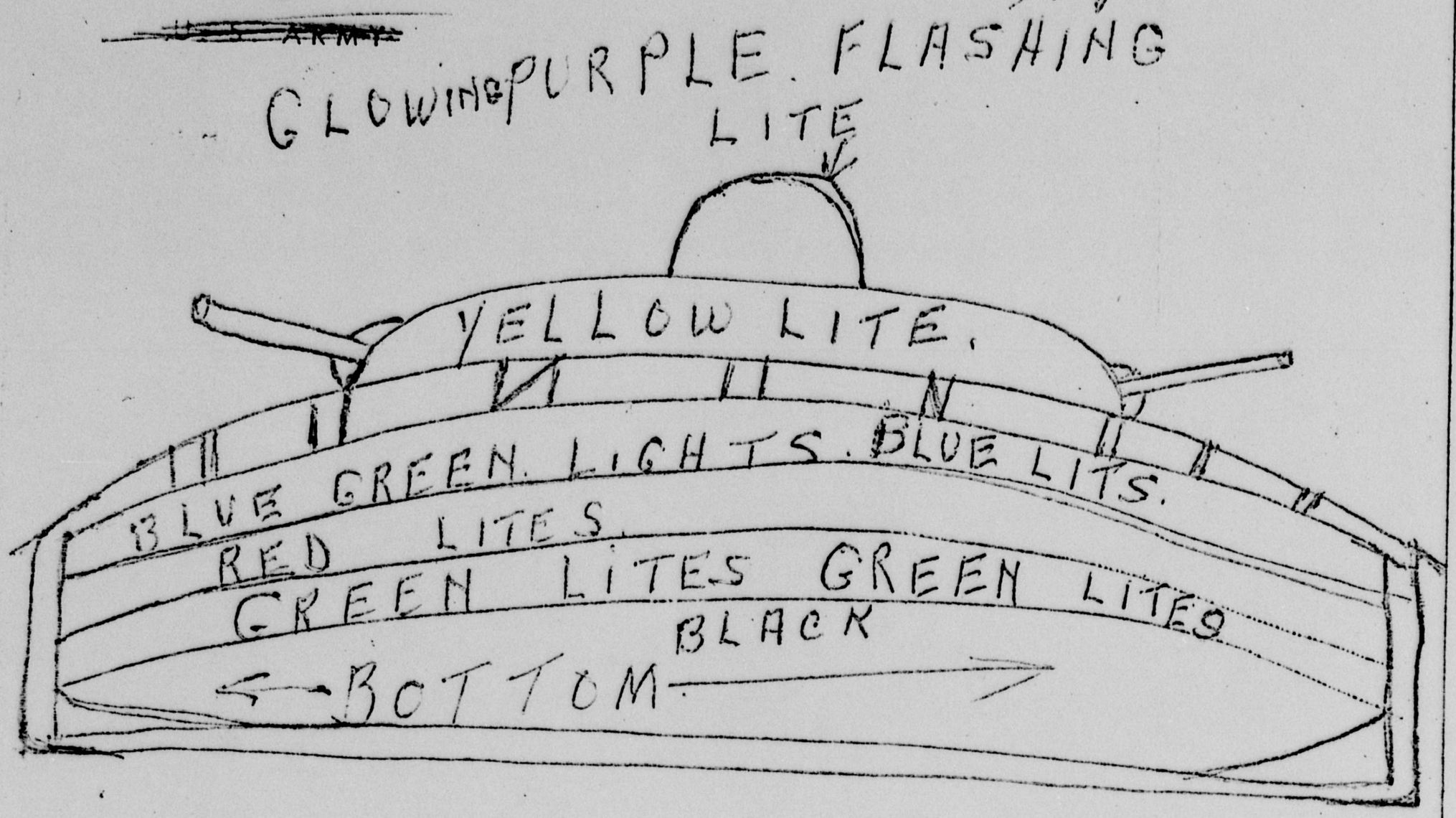


Dear Sir:

This is what I saw the other Nite While Driving home. The Nite was very clear. Stars were out only a few small clouds. When I saw this it was very low and traveling slowly. I could see every thing very clearly. I stopped beside of the road and watched it move around in the sky for over 15 Minutes. Then it looked like it landed in a wooded area. I waited awhile for it to rise into view again. But nothing happened.

~~U. S. ARMY~~

So I started my car and continued to drive on home. I did not see the object again that nite.

Once before I saw an object in the sky that looked like this one. But the weather was slightly misty + foggy & I was not sure. But this time I saw it very clearly.

Remain

Sincerely yours

[redacted]

4 Oct. 66

Contact was made with Goodyear Corp. Akron, Ohio [redacted] with a Mr. [redacted]. The Goodyear blimp was in the Louisville Kentucky area on 9 Sept. 66, thus could not account for the observation. The blimp has an advertising sign that measures 100 feet long and 14 feet high attached to the side of the craft. There are four lights that comprise the sign. The blimp flies in various parts of the country from time to time and uses the sign for various advertising.

FEDERAL AVIATION AGENCY
GRIFFISS RAPCON/UTICA TOWER
PO BOX 1252, GRIFFISS BR PO
ROME, NEW YORK

October 19, 1966

Hector Quintanilla, Jr., Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book
Headquarters Foreign Technology Division (AFSC)
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio 45433

Dear Sir:

Records at this facility do not indicate any report of UFO sightings on September 9, 1966, or of any aircraft operating with a special advertising gimmick from the Utica, New York area.

Please advise if this office can be of any further assistance.

Very truly yours,

Harry E. Boltz,
Chief Controller

HEB:lg

Franklin Springs, N.Y. 9 Sept 66

TDETR /ltr 15 Oct 66

Request for information on advertising aircraft

Federal Aviation Agency
Oneida County Airport

Our office is in receipt of an alleged UFO sighting which took place in the Utica, New York area on 9 September 1966 at approximately 2100. Request information on any type aircraft that could have been operating in that area with some type of advertising gimmick. If such an aircraft has been operating out of the Utica, New York area, information would be appreciated.

If records are available, request positive or negative radar confirmation of any unknown object. Any assistance you can provide is appreciated.

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