PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 26 Aug 67 27/0530Z	2. LOCATION North Highlands, California (1 Witness)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Possible (HOT AIR BALLOON)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Two	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 8 - 10 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS The observers sighted 2 different lights similar to aircraft landing lights or artificial satellites. After the observer had watched the objects for several minutes what seemed to be drops of molten metal started to fall from the trailing object after about 30 seconds of this, the objects intensified considerably then went out completely. A few minutes later the other one disappeared in a similar manner.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE NNE to ESE	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes XX No	COMMENTS: The description is exactly as would be expected for a hot air garment bag balloon. However the observers give the direction of travel, roughly SE, but the wind was (according to the TWX) blowing toward the NE. Despite the conflict in ~~XXXX~~ direction it still seems very possible that the objects were garment bag ~~hot air balloons~~.
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes XX No	

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letter to Sacramento airport

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INFO ZEN/UNIVERSITY OF COLO BOULDER COLO 80302

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UNCLAS SMBB 03985

FOR FTD WPAFB (TDETR) CSAF (AFRDC) OSAF (SAF-01)

UFO: 11A (1) ROUND (2) GRAPEFRUIT AT ARMS LENGTH (3) BRIGHT WHITE (4) TWO (5) SIDE BY SIDE (6) NONE (7) NONE (8) NONE. 11B (1) BROUGHT TO ATTENTION BY A FRIENDS (JOHN WARNER) GIRL FRIEND THEN ENT OUTSIDE RESIDENCE TO OBSERVE (2) 40 DEGREES ELEVATION AT ABOUT 385 DEGREES AZIMUTH FROM RESIDENCE (3) 40 DEGREES ELEVATION 395 DEGREES AZIMUTH (4)(5) FIRST OBJECT WOULD DISAPPEAR, APPEARED TO INCREASE ELEVATION AND DISAPPEARED SUDDENLY WITH A SHOWER OF SPARKS TO THE SOUTHEAST SECOND OBJECT FADED GRADUALLY (ABOUT 30

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SECONDS) (6) FIVE MINUTES. 11C (1) GROUND VISUAL (2) NO OPTICAL

(3) N/-. 11D (1) 0351Z HOURS 27 AUG 67 2051 HOURS LOCAL 26 AUG 67

(2) NIGHT. 11E 6616 MELROSE DRIVE NORTH HIGHLANDS CALIF 11F (1)

[redacted] AGE 30 FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR, 12 YEARS EDUCATION,

[redacted] DRIVE, NORTH HIGHLANDS, CALIF. 11G (1) CLEAR, NO CEILING

UNLIMITED VISIBILITY (2) REPORTED FROM WEATHER; WIND FROM SOUTHWEST AT

2 KNOTS AT SURFACE, 6,000 FT, 180 DEGREES AT 6 (,95, 10,000 FT, 180

DEGREES AT 8 KNOTS, 16,000 FT, 220 DEGREES AT 15 KNOTS, 20,000 FT,

220 DEGREES AT 18 KNOTS, 30,000 FT, 220 DEGREES AT 33 KNOTS, 50,000 FT,

190 DEGREES AT 35 KNOTS (3) CEILING - NONE (4) VISIBILITY - 15 MILES

(6) LIGHT THUNDER STORMS, APPROXIMATELY 50 MILES TO THE NORTHWEST OF

MCCLELLAN (7) VERTICAL TEMP. GRADIENT, SURFACE 82 DEGREES, 6,000 FT,

PLUS 20 DEREES, 16,000 FT, MINUS 6 DEGREES CENT., 20,000 FT, 14

DEGREES (MINUS) CENT., 30,000 FT, MINUS 33 DEGREES CENT., 50,000 FT,

MINUS 66 DEGREES CENT, 11H NONE. 11I NOT FEASIBLE. 11J ONLY ACFT

WERE IN AND OUTBOARD FROM SACRAMENTO MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, NONE LOCAL

11K JOHN L. FOX, POLICE SUPERVISOR, GS07, MCCLELLAN AFB. OBJECTS HAD

NO IDENTIFIABLE CHARACTERISTICS. NO KNOWN EXISTENCE OF PHYSICA EVIDENCE. LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES WERE CONTACTED AND COULD FURNISH NO INFORMATION OF VALUE TO THIS REPORT. THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE CONTACTED IN RELATIONS TO REPORTS RECEIVED FROM THEM CONCERNING

THE SAME UFO. INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY THESE PEOPLE COINCIDED WITH AND SUBSTANTIATED MR. NYGAARD'S REPORT: [redacted], 35 YRS, TELEPHONE OPERATOR, MCCLELLAN AFB, [redacted], 35 YRS., STOCK HANDLER, MCCLELLAN AFB, [redacted], NORTH HIGHLANDS, CALIF. [redacted], AGE 27, JOB CORP GROUP WORKER, (BINOCULARS, 10X50), [redacted], NORTH HIGHLANDS, CALIF. [redacted] AGE 50, RETIRED MSGT, USAF, MR [redacted] AGE 44, HOUSEWIFE, [redacted] CIRCLE, NORTH HIGHLANDS, CALIF. MR [redacted], AGE 52 STOCK HANDLER, MCCLELLAN AFB. [redacted] AGE 41, HOUSEWIFE. [redacted] WERE VISITING AT 6445 FRIDAY CIRCLE. [redacted] BLVD., NORTH HIGHLANDS, CALIF. MR [redacted] IS A 36 YEAR OLD SWITCHMAN FOR SOUTHERN PACIFIC. ALL PERSONS CONTACTED APPEAR TO BE RATIONAL AND SUBMITTED THEIR VERBAL REPORTS IN AN OBJECTIVE

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TDET/UFO (Maj Quintanilla/70916/mhs/22 Sep 67)

SEP 26 1967

UFO Observation, 27 August 1967

Base Operations
Mather AFB, California 95655

1. The Aerial Phenomena Branch is investigating an unidentified flying object sighting which occurred 27 August 1967 at 2051 hours from North Highlands, California. The witness described the objects as two white lights; one disappeared in a shower of sparks and the other gradually faded out of view.

2. Information on whether anyone in the tower saw these objects, reports of any aircraft in the area at the time, and any other suggestions as to a possible stimulus for these reported objects will be useful in our investigation.

FOR THE COMMANDER

JAMES C. MANATT, Colonel, USAF
Director of Technology and Subsystems

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TDET/UFO (Maj Quintanilla/70916/mhs/25 Sep 67)

SEP 26 1967

UFO Observation, 24 August 1967

Control Tower
Sacramento Municipal Airport
Sacramento, California - 95801

1. The Aerial Phenomena Branch is investigating an unidentified flying object sighting which occurred 24 August 1967 at 2051 hours from North Highlands, California. The witness described the objects as two white lights; one disappeared in a shower of sparks and the other gradually faded out of view.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION
Flight Service Station/Tower
Room 204, Municipal Airport
Sacramento, California 95822

October 13, 1967

IN REPLY
REFER TO:

Department of the Air Force
Headquarters Foreign Technology Division (AFSC)
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio 45433

Attention: TDET/UFO

Subject : UFO Observation, 27 August 1967

Dear Sir:

We have investigated this matter locally, and no one at this facility has any information concerning UFO Observation, August 27, 1967.

Sincerely,

Vernal E. Jones, Chief
Sacramento Station/Tower

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS 3535TH NAVIGATOR TRAINING WING (ATC)
MATHER AIR FORCE BASE, CALIFORNIA 95655

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: SAFA

10 October 1967

SUBJECT: UFO Observation, 27 August 1967 (Ltr, TDET/UFO, 26 Sep 67)

TO: FTD (TDET/UFO)
Wright-Patterson AFB OH 45433

Reference your letter 26 Sep 1967, subject as above. Mather Air Force Base has no record of the observation cited in basic letter. North Highlands, California is located adjacent to McClellan AFB. Your request is being forwarded to that facility for review.

FOR THE COMMANDER

JOHN C. HURT, Lt Col, USAF
Chief, Safety Division

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Ltr TDET/UFO (cy)

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

REPLY TO ATTN OF TDET/UFO

SEP 26 1967

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TO Base Operations
Mather AFB, California 95655

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Hector C. Quintanilla, Jr.
HECTOR C. QUINTANILLA, JR., Colonel, USAF
Director of Technology and Subsystems

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS 2852D AIR BASE GROUP (AFLC)
McCLELLAN AIR FORCE BASE, CALIFORNIA 95652

REPLY TO ATTN OF: SMAMA (SMBP)

25 OCT 1967

SUBJECT: UFO Observation (27 Aug 67)

TO: AFLC (TDET/UFO)

1. Reference letter FTD (TDET/UFO), Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, with two attachments from Mather AFB, California. Flight Operations, SMBOB, records do not indicate any UFO sightings or aircraft in the area at 2051 hours, 27 August 1967.

2. Inquiry revealed that at 2056 hours, 26 August 1967, the Security Police Division, BPC, received several telephonic reports of UFO sightings; however, no one at the Control Tower observed those sightings or aircraft in the area. As a possible stimulus for those reported objects, see the attached copy of teletype cite #SMBB 03985, dated 27 August 1967.

Just a copy of the orig Twix we rec. Threw it away

FOR THE COMMANDER

J. H. MCCURLEY, Capt, USAF
Chief, Security Police Division

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1. Ltr MAFB dtd 10 Oct 67
2. Ltr MAFB dtd 4 Oct 67
3. Ltr WPAFB 26 Sep 67
4. Teletype 27 Aug 67

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

REPLY TO ATTN OF: TDET/UFO

SUBJECT: UFO Observation 26 Aug 67

OCT 23 1967

TO: [redacted]
North highlands, California 95660

Reference your unidentified observation. The information which we have received is not sufficient for a scientific investigation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and return it in the envelope provided. Thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

JAMES C. MANATT, Colonel, USAF
Director of Technology and Subsystems

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FTD Form 164 w/envelope

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

REPLY TO ATTN OF: TDET/UFO

OCT 25 1967

SUBJECT: UFO Observation 26 Aug 67

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26 August 1967

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pick out any 3 of the witnesses and again send them a witness 117.

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

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1. When did you see the object?

21	Oct	61
Day	Month	Year

2. Time of day: 7 (Hour) 30 (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] (Nearest Postal Address) | RIALTO (City or Town) | NO. HIGHLANDS (State or County) | CALIF

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) ___ (Hours) 10 (Minutes) ___ (Seconds)

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

5.1 How was time in sight determined? _____

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

FORM FTD OCT 62 164 This form supersedes FTD 164, Jul 61, which is obsolete.

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
b. Dimmer
c. About the same
d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

A FIRECRACKER FLARE AT A DISTANCE of (APPROX) 5 MILES

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 _____

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

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?

YES. THE LIGHT BECAME SMALLER & LESS INTENSE & GRADUALLY DISAPPEARED MUCH AS A RHEOSTAT WOULD CONTROL A LIGHT BULB. (TIME: ABOUT 1½ SECONDS)

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: UTILITY POLES

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 NO SOUND. THIS IS WHAT FOCUSED MY INTEREST ON IT

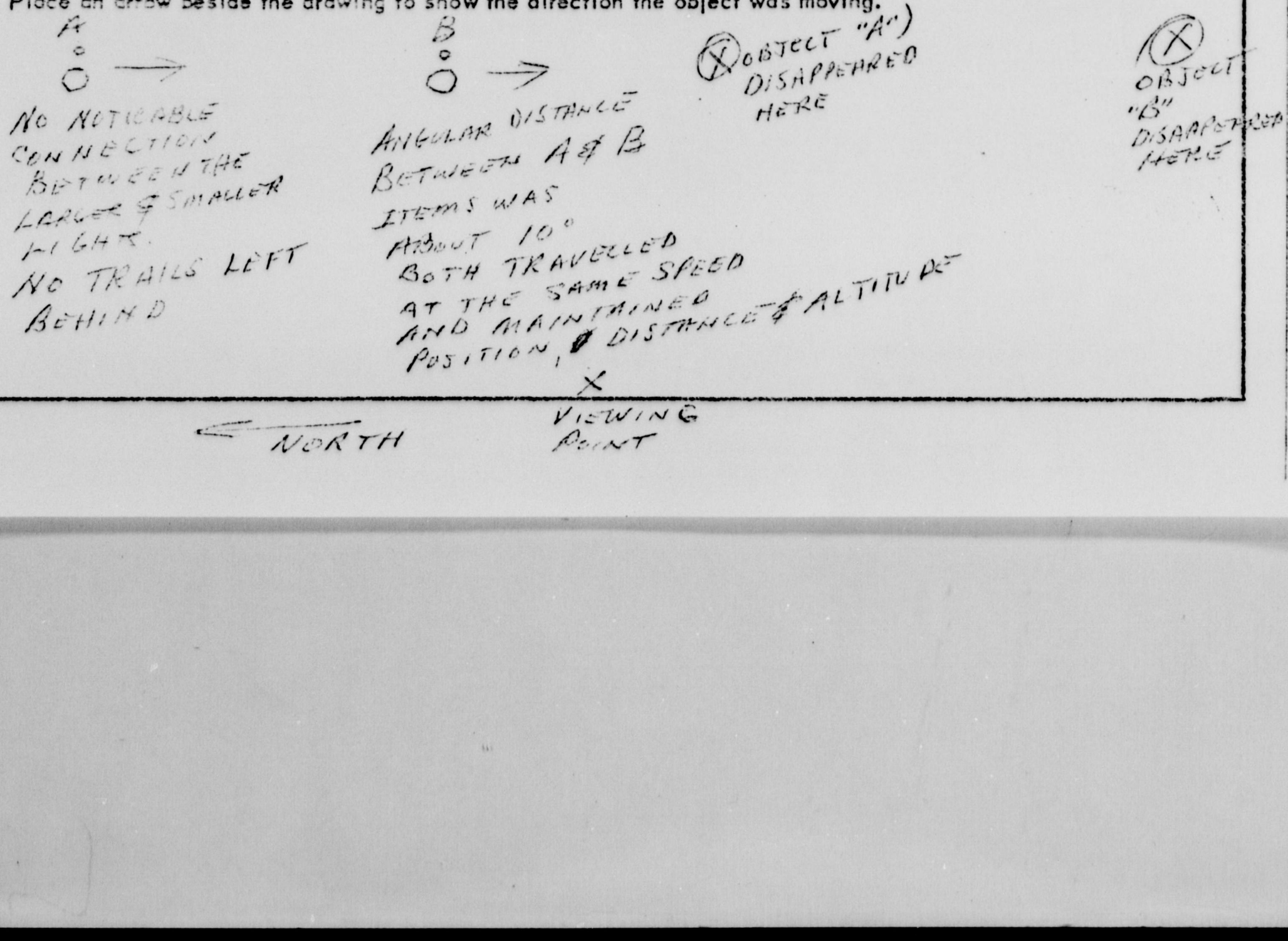
b. Color PURE WHITE LIGHT

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?

ALL OF IT.

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.



20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes (No) NOT KNOWING THE SIZE OR DISTANCE WOULD PRECLUDE AN EST. of SPEED.

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) SAME REASONING

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 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

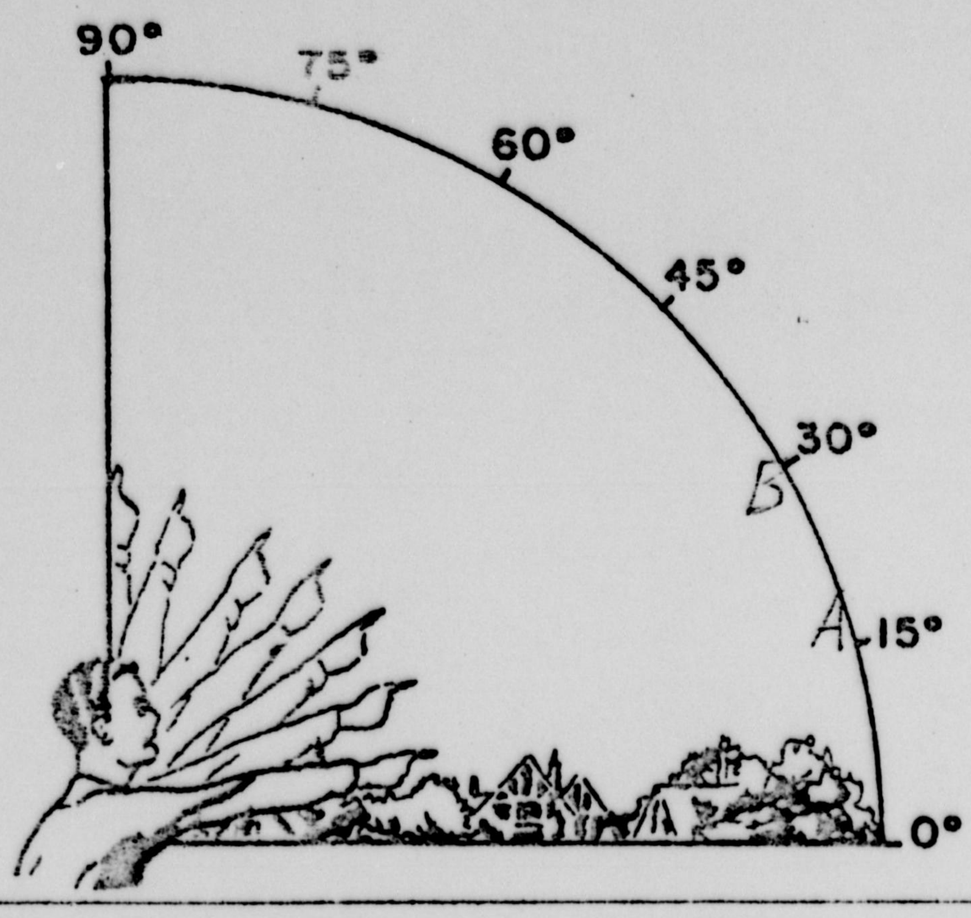
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

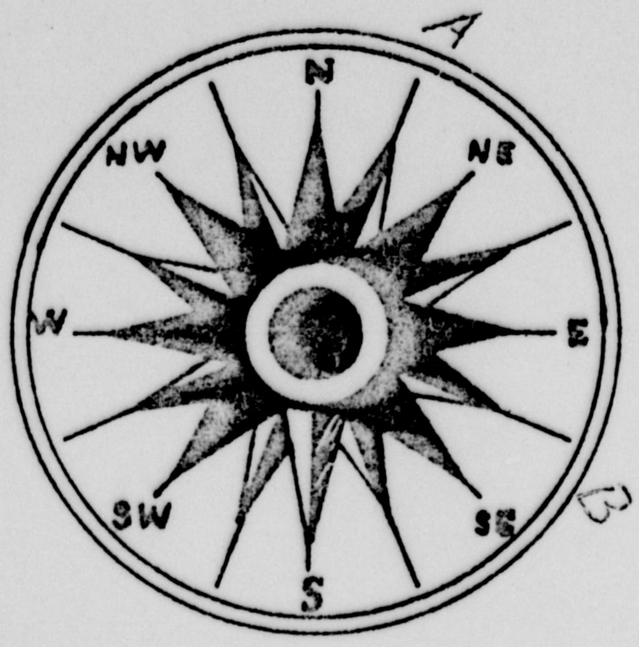
a. Eyeglasses	Yes	(No)	e. Binoculars	(Yes) WITH 7X50 POWER	No
b. Sun glasses	Yes	(No)	f. Telescope	Yes	(No)
c. Windshield	Yes	(No)	g. Theodolite	Yes	(No)
d. Window glass	Yes	(No)	h. Other _____		

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.

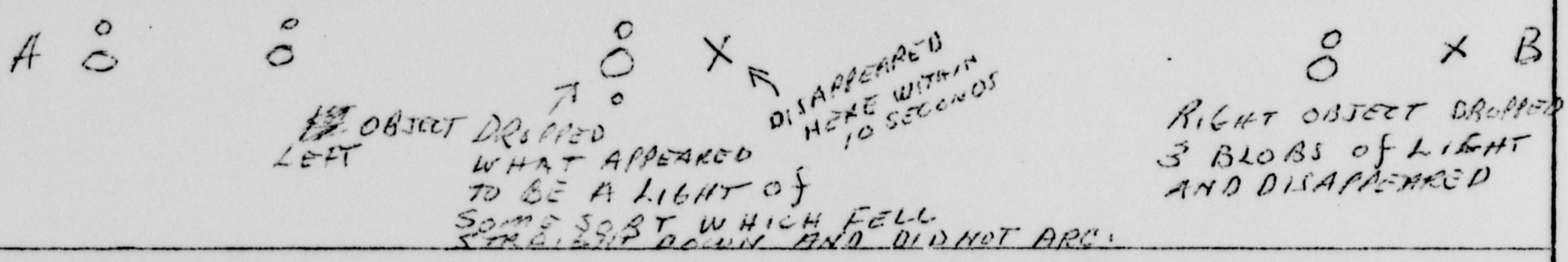
AIRCRAFT LANDING LIGHTS FROM ABOUT 1 MILE AWAY WITH THE SMALLER OBJECT BEING PERHAPS A 2 OR 3 CELL FLASHLIGHT AT THE SAME DISTANCE

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.



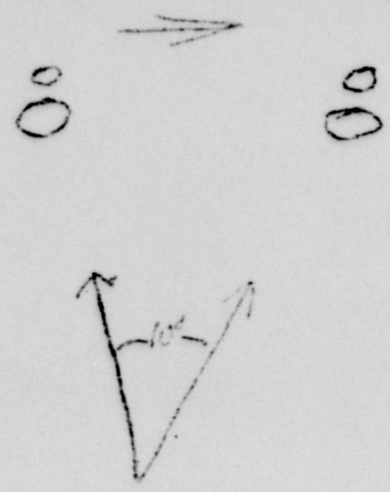


28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? 2

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.

NO

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:

MY WIFE [redacted] (SAME ADDRESS)

[redacted]

NO. HIGHLANDS, CA. 95660

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted]
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [redacted] NO. HIGHLANDS CALIF 95660
City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUM[redacted] AGE 50 SEX M

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

25 YEARS MILITARY SERVICE. HAVE SEEN AIRCRAFT IN EVERY CONCEIVABLE SITUATION BUT THIS WAS NOTHING I HAVE SEEN BEFORE.

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

26 (Day) AUG (Month) 67 (Year) MCCLELLAN AFB, CALIF

34. Date you completed this questionnaire: 29 (Day) OCT (Month) 67 (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.

RE: ITEM 28: THE "BLOBS" of LIGHT HAD NO TRAJECTORY AND FELL APPROX. 25% of THE DISTANCE TO THE HORIZON BEFORE DIMMING QUICKLY & DISAPPEARING. THEY APPEARED TO TRAVEL DOWNWARD AT 3 OR 4 TIMES THE FORWARD SPEED OF THE UFO ~~IT~~ ITSELF. THE UFO IN BOTH CASES TRAVELLED ABOUT 10° FURTHER BEFORE DIMMING AND DISAPPEARING.

26 Aug 67

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1. When did you see the object? about August 1967 — Report filed with Air Police at McClellan AFB

? (Day) ? (Month) 1967 (Year)

will show exact date

2. Time of day: 8:30 – 9:00 – AF report (Hour) now exact time (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] Blvd. (Nearest Postal Address) North Highlands (City or Town) California (State or County)

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

5.1 How was time in sight determined? Relation to telephone call to Air Force & other outside events.

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FORM FTD OCT 62 164 This form supersedes FTD 164, Jul 61, which is obsolete.

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 (2 separate lights)
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:

metal heated white hot

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 _____

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

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? SEE REMARKS	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?
Both did. First one object appeared to drop what appeared to be drops of molten metal that disappeared as they fell towards earth. Finally the object itself became a brilliant light — then just disappeared (similar to an electric light bulb burning out from a sudden overload of electricity). The second object circled back around and then did exactly the same thing as the first one - as stated above.

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 None

b. Color Intense white — as white hot metal.

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?

All

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.

Just two circular objects. In fact, they appeared to be the same as satellites we have previously observed passing over Sacramento from time to time.

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? _____

22. Where were you located when you saw the object? (Circle One):

a. Inside a building
b. In a car
c. (Outdoors) in my back yard
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?) — but at the edge of open countryside
c. (In open countryside?)
d. (Near an airfield?) — 3/4 miles North of McClellan AFB
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? _____ miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

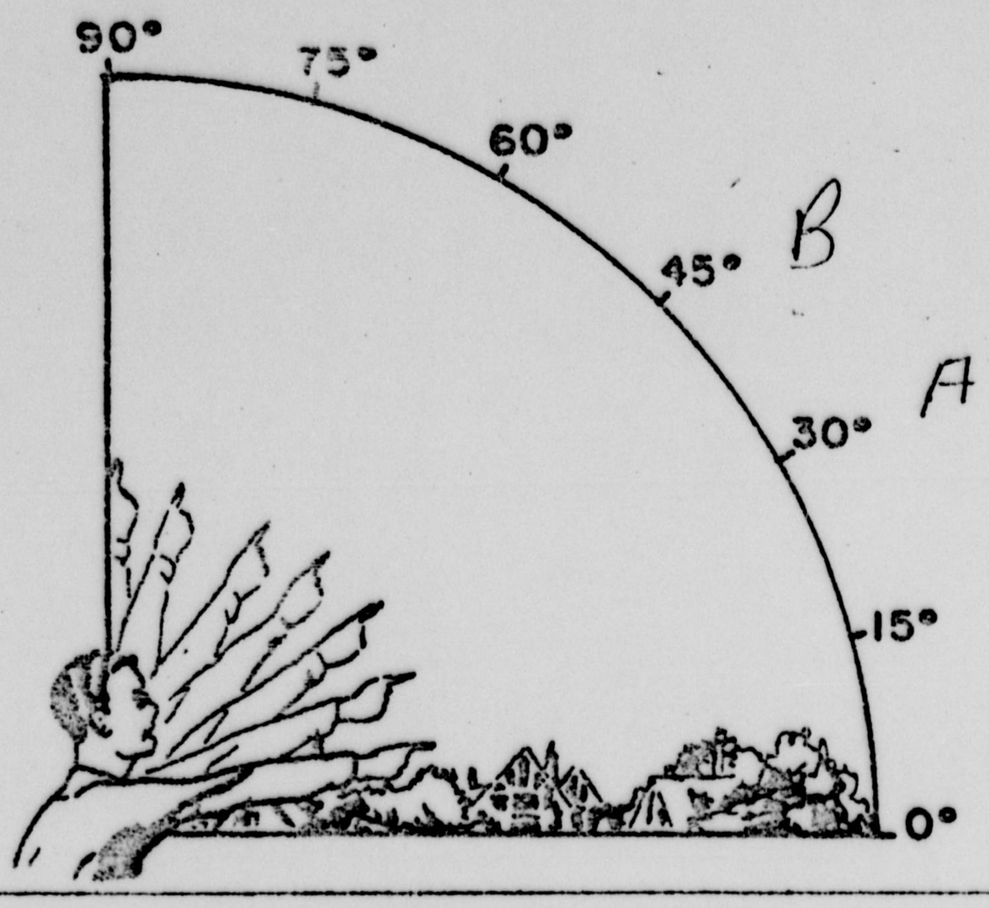
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

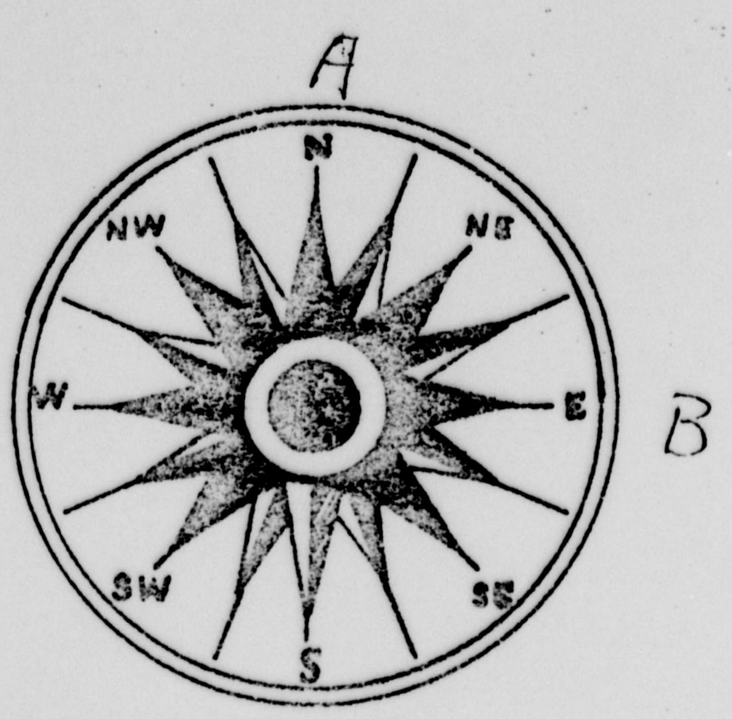
a. Eyeglasses — Yes (No)
b. Sun glasses — Yes (No)
c. Windshield — Yes (No)
d. Window glass — Yes (No)
e. Binoculars — Yes (No)
f. Telescope — Yes (No)
g. Theodolite — Yes (No)
h. Other _____

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.

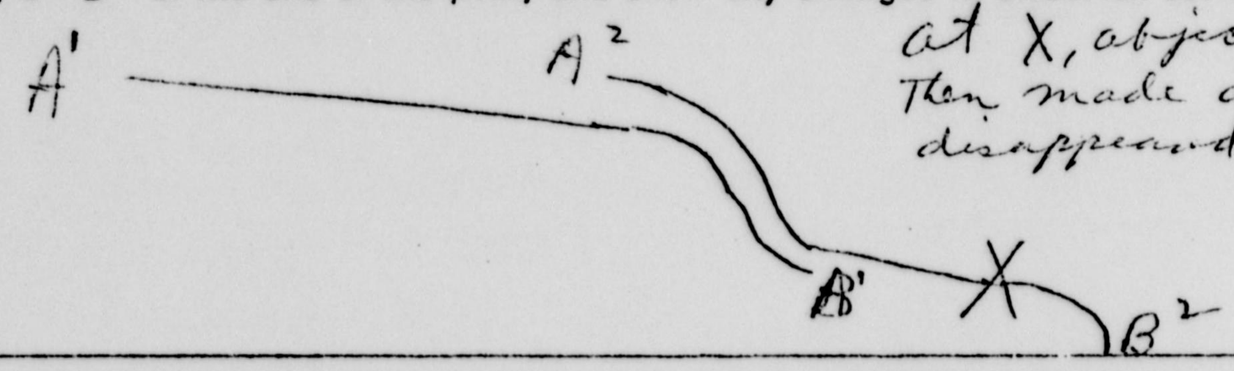
One of ours, or Russia's, artificial satellites — which we have observed before — and have confirmed their identity from newspaper or news articles.

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.



At X, object A² appeared to stop, Then made a turn and shortly disappeared as object A' had.

29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? 2

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

See diagram above (#28). The second (A²) was not sighted until several minutes after the first. They appeared to move in a pattern, as one would either speed up, or the other slow down, or both, for the distance between the two objects seemed to increase and decrease alternately.

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.
No

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:

My wife, the three of my four children, ages 14, 13, and 11 years. My next door neighbors - the Hardridges - also observed the phenomena. The Air Force investigators told me that several other families in my immediate neighborhood also reported the sighting.

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [redacted] Blvd North Highlands, Calif. 95660
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] AGE 36 SEX Male

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

I have been an experienced investigator for 15 years - well trained in using the powers of observation under periods of stress, strain, etc. I am also an attorney-at-law.

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

Day Month Year

McClellan Air Force Base, Air Police - have exact date.

34. Date you completed this questionnaire: 17 Day Dec Month 1967 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.

My thirteen year old daughter was out in the front yard and saw a light moving across the sky. She placed it as being almost due NORTH when she first observed it at approximately 30° above the horizon. She watched it moving towards the EAST. When she first saw the light (one at first), she thought it was an airplane with one landing light on. Later she thought it was a satellite, but then it occurred to her that the light was too bright. She then ran into the house to tell us to go look — which we did. By this time the object was visible only from our back-yard, and all five of us watched. The two objects (now) seemed to alternate their speed — as judged by the distance between them. After watching for about 4-5 minutes my son said, "Look, the back one is ~~eating~~ dropping something." The rest of us then saw what seemed to be drops of molten metal falling away from the trailing object. After about 30 seconds of this, the object's light intensified considerably, then went out completely. There did not seem to be an explosion though. I went in the house at this time and called the Air Force

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to notify them of the phenomena. In the meantime my family watched the leading object appear to stop. They then thought it was attempting to circle around — as though to return to the area where the trailing object disappeared —. It also then started dropping some matter — again looking like molten metal — and then it also disappeared.

I should also mention that this is the second time I have observed such a phenomena. The first time I was alone and observed a series of intricate movements by about six round lights moving in an approximate SOUTHWEST to NORTHEAST direction. It was a clear, cloudless night about 2½ years ago at about 2:30 - 3:00 AM. The location was approximately 11 miles NORTHEAST of my home, in Rosedale, Calif. Because the lights were in a tight formation, made intricate movements, and moved from overhead (when I first observed them) to the horizon — it could not have been search lights.

NOTE: I would appreciate hearing from your office if you reach an unclassified answer to this matter. Thank you.

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REPLY TO ATTN OF: TDPT (UFO)

DEC 21 1967

SUBJECT: UFO Observation, August 26, 1967

TO: [redacted]e
North Highlands, California 95660

1. This replies to your correspondence on your unidentified observation of August 26, 1967. Although we have written to six other witnesses on your sighting, you were the only one to reply. Your description is similar to other reports we have received on sightings of garment bag hot air balloons. These balloons usually appear as two objects, one on top of the other. The bottom object (brighter than the other) is the heat source, and the upper dull glowing object is the garment bag. Sometimes the heat source is birthday candles. When the candles burn down, the platform catches on fire causing the object to rise, and as it rises, sparks and pieces of burning debris fall, but usually burn out before they hit the earth. Shortly after the sparks start to fall, the object disappears. The usual colors of these balloons are red, orange, yellow or white.

2. All of the above is consistent with your sighting. However, on your form you indicate that the objects traveled from the NNE to ESE, but the surface winds were roughly from the southwest.

3. We would like to know if you are positive that the objects went in the direction as indicated on your form. Could the objects have possibly been traveling toward the northeast?

4. Any additional information you have on your sighting may be returned in the attached envelope. Thank you for your assistance in clarifying this matter.

HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Office
Aerospace Technologies Division
Production Directorate

1 Atch
Self-addressed envelope

28 Dec 67

Thank you for your letter
dated the 26th of August which
I received - It is very likely
that it

26 Aug 67

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REPLY TO ATTN OF: TDPT/UFO

SUBJECT: UFO Observation, 26 August 1967

DEC 22 1967

TO: [redacted]
North Highlands, California 95660
Tele: [redacted]

Your name has been given to the Aerial Phenomena Branch (Project Blue Book) as being a witness to an unidentified flying object. If you were a witness to an UFO sighting on 26 August 1967 would you please complete the attached AF Form 117 and return it in the envelope provided. If you were not a witness to this sighting, would you please make a statement to this effect on the attached form. The information which you provide will be used in evaluating this observation. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

JAMES C. MANATT, Colonel, USAF
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AF Form 117

Area code 916

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