PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 26 Aug 68 2025L 27/0225Z	2. LOCATION Colorado Springs, Colorado (2 Witnesses)
3. SOURCE Civilians	10. CONCLUSION Possible (BALLOON)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Four	The surface wind was roughly SW at 8 knots. The description could fit a balloon that had flares attached to it.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 - 12 Seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS The observer sighted 4 flaming balls the color of flares. The objects were first seen in the NNE. They were traveling in a southerly direction and disappeared almost due north from the observer. The objects seemed to lose altitude, seemed to be gliding. They disappeared after about 10 or 12 seconds.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE SSW	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes XX No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes XX No	

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SIGHTING OF UNIDENTIFIED PHENOMENA QUESTIONNAIRE

BUDGET BUREAU APPROVAL NUMBER 21-R258

THIS QUESTIONNAIRE HAS BEEN PREPARED SO THAT YOU CAN GIVE THE U.S. AIR FORCE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE CONCERNING THE UNIDENTIFIED PHENOMENON THAT YOU HAVE OBSERVED. PLEASE TRY TO ANSWER ALL OF THE QUESTIONS. THE INFORMATION YOU GIVE WILL BE USED FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES YOUR NAME WILL NOT BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OF YOUR STATEMENTS OR CONCLUSIONS WITHOUT YOUR PERMISSION. RETURN TO AIR FORCE BASE INVESTIGATOR FOR FORWARDING TO FTD (TDETR), WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, OHIO 45433, IAW AFR 80-17. *(IF ADDITIONAL SHEETS ARE NEEDED FOR NARRATIVE OR SKETCHES ATTACH SECURELY TO THIS FORM OR ANNOTATE WITH YOUR NAME FOR IDENTIFICATION.)*

1. WHEN DID YOU SEE THE PHENOMENON?
DAY 26 MONTH 2 YEAR 60

2. WHAT TIME DID YOU FIRST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON?
HOUR 8 MINUTES 25 [ ] A.M. [X] P.M.

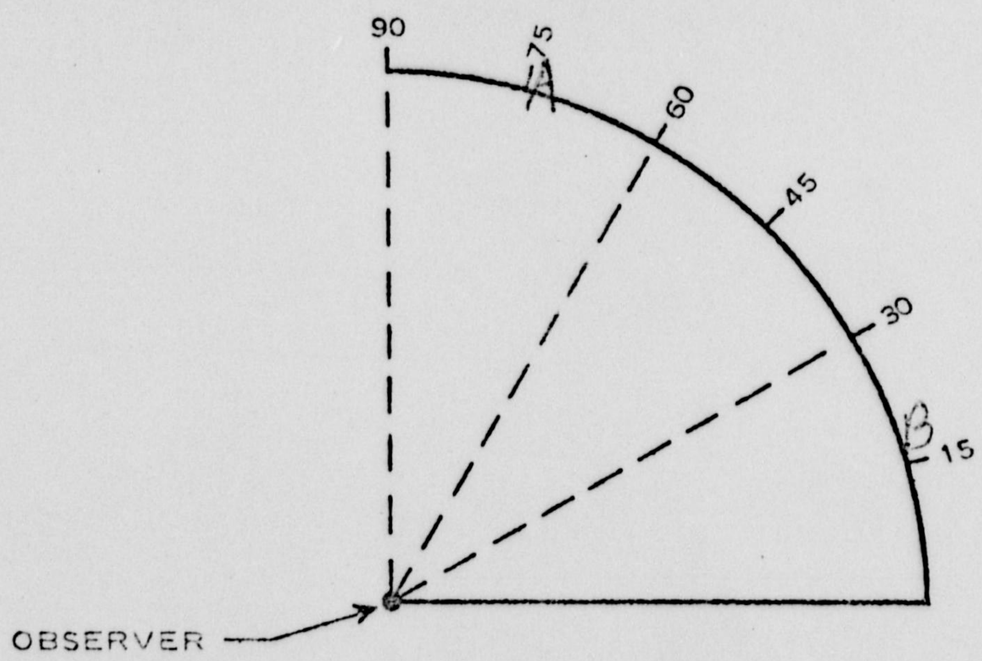
3. WHAT TIME DID YOU LAST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON?
HOUR 8 MINUTES 25.15 [ ] A.M. [X] P.M.

4. TIME ZONE [ ] DAYLIGHT SAVINGS [ ] STANDARD
[ ] EASTERN [ ] CENTRAL [X] MOUNTAIN [ ] PACIFIC [ ] OTHER

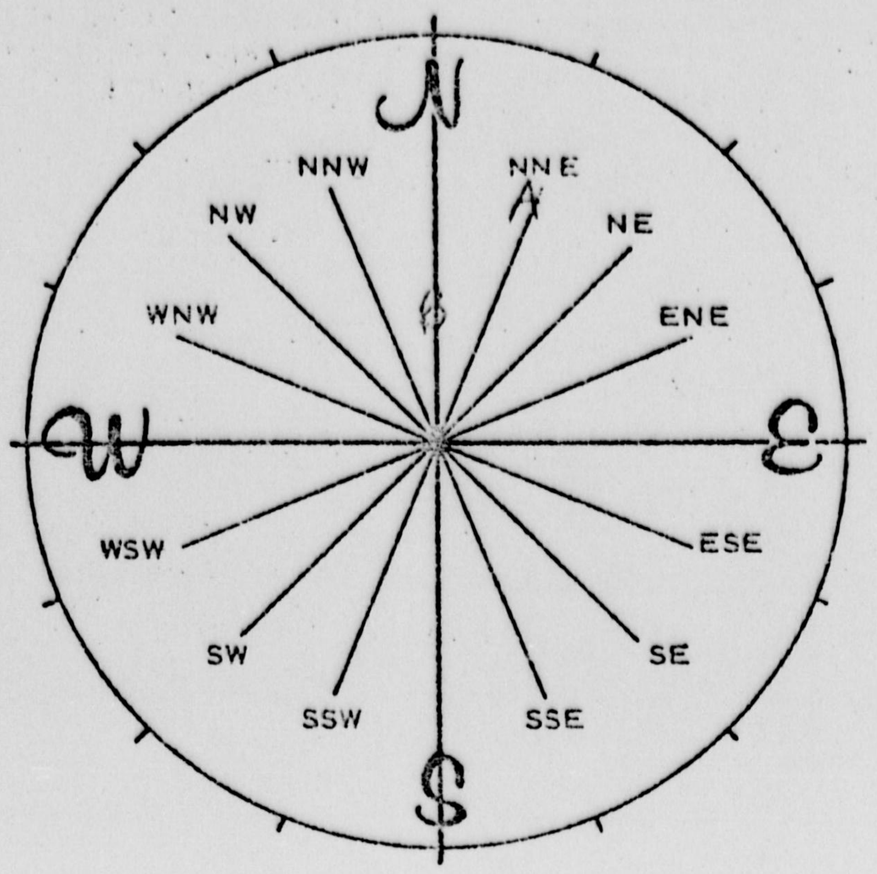
5. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? IF IN CITY, GIVE THE NEAREST STREET ADDRESS AND INDICATE ON A HAND DRAWN MAP WHERE YOU WERE STANDING WITH REFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS. IF IN THE COUNTRY, IDENTIFY THE HIGHWAY YOU WERE ON OR NEAR AND TRY TO FIX A DISTANCE AND DIRECTION FROM SOME RECOGNIZABLE LANDMARK.

2513 Wood Ave Colorado Springs, Colorado 80907 — Saw
Taking clothes off the line
Triplex
2513 Apt
Wood Ave
Neighbor looking north

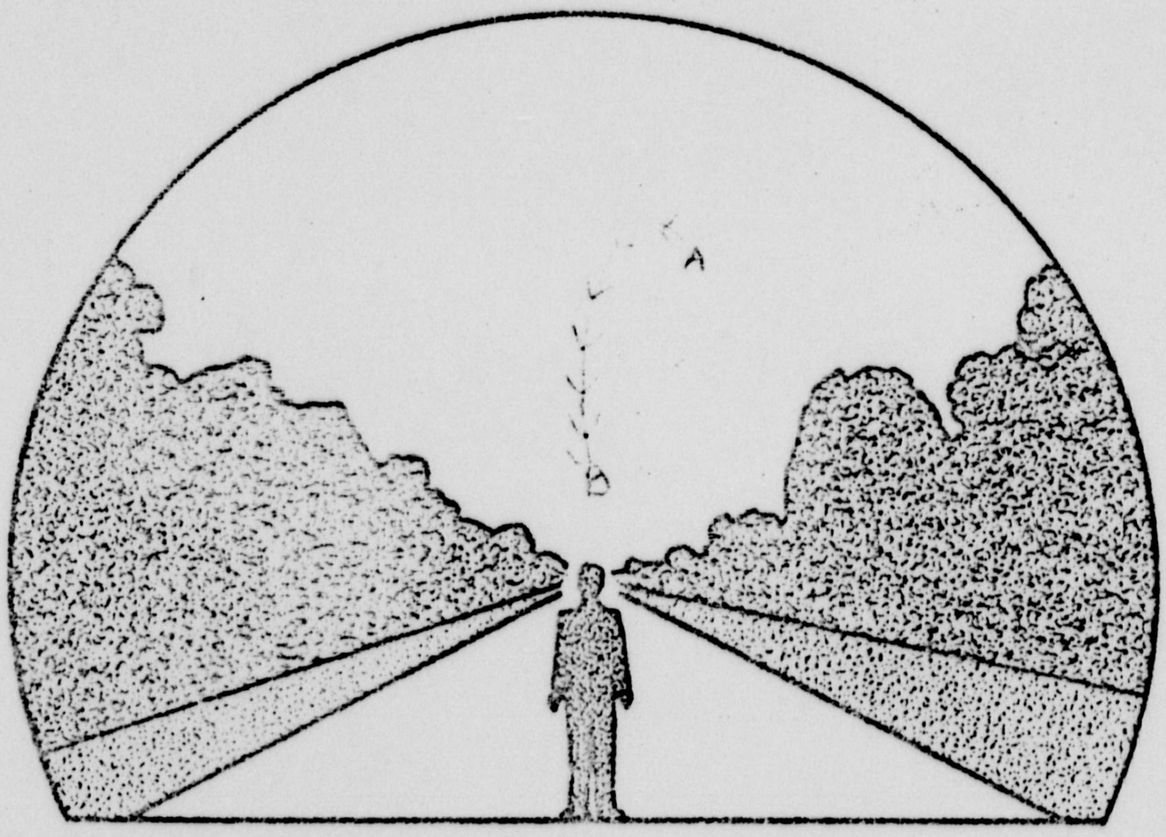
6. IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE POINT SHOWN IN THE SKETCH, PLACE AN "A" ON THE CURVED LINE TO SHOW HOW HIGH THE PHENOMENON WAS ABOVE THE HORIZON, OR SKYLINE, WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE SAME CURVED LINE TO SHOW HOW HIGH ABOVE THE HORIZON THE PHENOMENON WAS WHEN LAST SEEN.

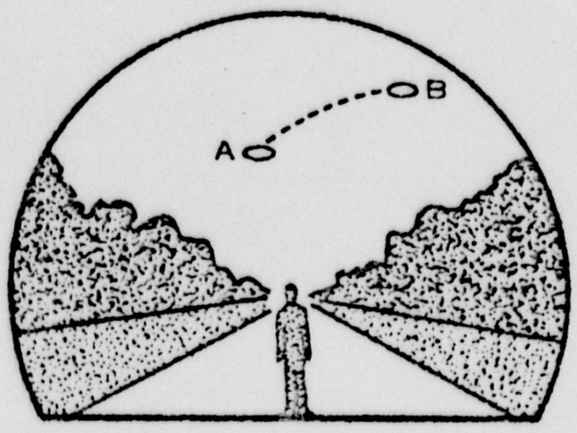


6A. NOW IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE CENTER OF THE COMPASS ROSE. PLACE AN "A" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN.

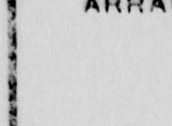


7. IN THE SKETCH BELOW, PLACE AN "A" AT THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN, AND A "B" AT THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN. CONNECT THE "A" AND "B" WITH A LINE TO APPROXIMATE THE MOVEMENT OF THE PHENOMENON BETWEEN "A" AND "B". THAT IS, SCHEMATICALLY SHOW WHETHER THE MOVEMENT APPEARED TO BE STRAIGHT, CURVED OR ZIG-ZAG. REFER TO SMALLER SKETCH AS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW TO COMPLETE THE LARGER SKETCH.





10. IF THERE WERE MORE THAN ONE PHENOMENON, HOW MANY WERE THERE? DRAW A PICTURE TO SHOW HOW THEY WERE ARRANGED. DID THIS ARRANGEMENT CHANGE DURING THE SIGHTING?



There were four flaming balls, in a set of four. (Unknown) My first thought was that it was an airplane with all four engines on fire. It seemed to be gliding, tilted up slightly at the tail and when it was at the point of vanishing it seemed to turn out. Upon this was almost no sound.

11. CONDITIONS *(Check appropriate blocks.)*

A. SKY		B. WEATHER			
	DAY		CUMULUS CLOUDS *(Low fluffy)*		FOG OR MIST
	TWILIGHT		CIRRUS CLOUDS *(High fleecy or Herring-bone)*		HEAVY RAIN
X	NIGHT				LIGHT RAIN OR DRIZZLE
	CLEAR		NIMBUS CLOUDS *(Rain)*		HAIL
	PARTLY CLOUDY		CUMULONIMBUS CLOUDS *(Thunderstorms)*		SNOW OR SLEET
	COMPLETELY OVERCAST				UNKNOWN
			HAZE OR SMOG	X	NONE OF THE ABOVE

C. IF THE SIGHTING WAS AT TWILIGHT OR NIGHT, WHAT DID YOU NOTICE ABOUT THE STARS AND MOON?

(1) STARS		(2) MOON			
	NONE		BRIGHT MOONLIGHT		NO MOONLIGHT
	A FEW		MOON WITH HALO	X	UNKNOWN
	MANY		MOON HIDDEN BY CLOUDS		
X	UNKNOWN		PARTIAL *(New or quarter)*		

D. IF SIGHTING WAS IN DAYLIGHT, WAS THE SUN VISIBLE? ☐ YES ☐ NO. IF "YES," WHERE WAS THE SUN AS YOU FACED THE PHENOMENON?

	IN FRONT OF YOU		TO YOUR RIGHT		OVERHEAD *(Near noon)*
	IN BACK OF YOU		TO YOUR LEFT		UNKNOWN

E. SPECIFY THE MAJOR SOURCE OF ILLUMINATION PRESENT DURING THE SIGHTING, SUCH AS THE SUN, HEADLIGHTS OR STREET LAMP, ETC. FOR TERRESTRIAL ILLUMINATION, SPECIFY DISTANCE TO LIGHT SOURCE.

Ally street light in back of me.

12. GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PHENOMENON, INDICATING WHETHER IT APPEARED DARK OR LIGHT, WHETHER IT REFLECTED LIGHT OR WAS SELF-LUMINOUS AND WHAT COLORS YOU NOTICED. DESCRIBE YOUR IMPRESSION OF WHETHER IT WAS SOLID OR TRANSPARENT, WHETHER EDGES WERE SHARP OR FUZZY. DESCRIBE THE SHAPE OR INDICATE IF IT APPEARED AS A POINT OF LIGHT. INDICATE COMPARISONS WITH OTHER OBSERVED OBJECTS, LIKE STARS, A LIGHT OR OTHER OBJECT IN YOUR FIELD OF VIEW.

There were four flaming balls, the color of morning stars. (Reddish-red) My first thought was that it was a plane with all four engines on fire. It seemed to be gliding tilted up slightly. There was no sound. At least from my altitude and speed before it would have crashed it was to often out the disappear. Again there was no sound.

8. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? *(Check appropriate blocks.)*

✓	OUTDOORS [illegible]		IN BUSINESS SECTION OF CITY
	IN BUILDING		IN RESIDENTIAL SECTION OF CITY
	IN CAR ☐ AS DRIVER ☐ AS PASSENGER		IN OPEN COUNTRYSIDE
	IN BOAT		NEAR AIRFIELD
	IN AIRPLANE ☐ AS PILOT ☐ AS PASSENGER		FLYING OVER CITY
	OTHER		FLYING OVER OPEN COUNTRY
			OTHER

A. IF YOU WERE IN A VEHICLE, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

WHAT DIRECTION WERE YOU MOVING?				HOW FAST WERE YOU MOVING?
	NORTH		EAST	
	SOUTH		WEST	DID YOU STOP ANYTIME WHILE OBSERVING THE PHENOMENON?
	NORTHEAST		SOUTHEAST	
	NORTHWEST		SOUTHWEST	☐ YES ☐ NO

EXPLAIN WHETHER SUCH MOVEMENT AFFECTS YOUR SKETCHES IN ITEMS 5 AND 6.

DESCRIBE TYPE OF VEHICLE YOU WERE IN AND TYPE OF ROAD, TERRAIN OR BODY OF WATER YOU TRAVERSED DURING THE SIGHTING. STATE WHETHER WINDOWS OR CONVERTIBLE TOP WERE UP OR DOWN.

HOW MUCH OTHER TRAFFIC WAS THERE?

DID YOU NOTICE ANY AIRPLANES? ☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE WHEN THEY WERE IN SIGHT RELATIVE TO THE TIME OF SIGHTING THE PHENOMENON AND WHERE THEY WERE IN THE SKY RELATIVE TO THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON.

9. HOW LONG WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT?

LENGTH OF TIME 10 or 12 seconds		CERTAIN OF TIME		NOT VERY SURE
	X	FAIRLY CERTAIN		JUST A GUESS

HOW WAS TIME DETERMINED? [illegible] I repeated it while timing it on a clock.

WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT CONTINUOUSLY? ☒ YES ☐ NO. IF "NO," INDICATE WHETHER THIS IS DUE TO YOUR MOVEMENT OR THE BEHAVIOR OF THE PHENOMENON, AND DESCRIBE SUCH MOVEMENT OR BEHAVIOR. INDICATE DISAPPEARANCES ON PREVIOUS SKETCHES.

13. DID THE PHENOMENON	YES	NO	UNKNOWN
MOVE IN A STRAIGHT LINE?	✓	~~✓~~	
STAND STILL AT ANYTIME?		✓	
SUDDENLY SPEED UP AND RUN AWAY?		✓	
BREAK UP IN PARTS AND EXPLODE?		✓	
CHANGE COLOR?		✓	
GIVE OFF SMOKE?		✓	
CHANGE BRIGHTNESS?		✓	
CHANGE SHAPE?		✓	
FLASH OR FLICKER? [illegible]	✓		
DISAPPEAR AND REAPPEAR?		✓	
SPIN LIKE A TOP?		✓	
MAKE A NOISE?		✓	
FLUTTER OR WOBBLE?		✓	

14. WHAT DREW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE PHENOMENON?

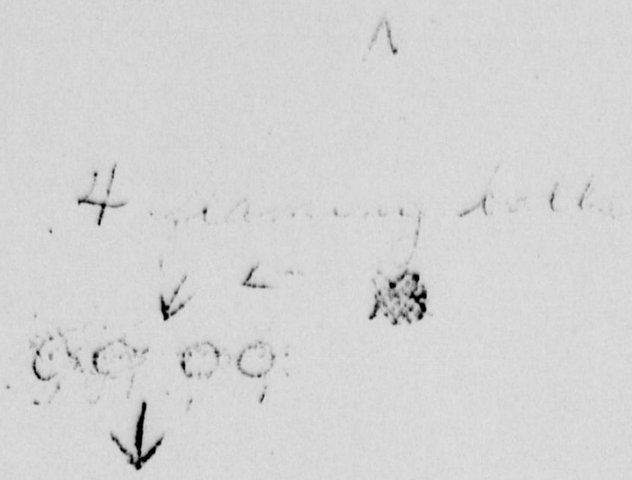
Nothing. It just happened to look well and I watched it.

A. HOW DID IT FINALLY DISAPPEAR?

I thought it was going to crash but before it reached that point it seemed to burn out.

B. DID THE PHENOMENON MOVE BEHIND OR IN FRONT OF SOMETHING, LIKE A CLOUD, TREE, OR BUILDING AT ANY TIME?
☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

15. DRAW A PICTURE THAT WILL SHOW THE SHAPE OF THE PHENOMENON. INCLUDE AND LABEL ANY DETAILS THAT MIGHT HAVE APPEARED AS WINGS OR PROTRUSIONS, AND INDICATE EXHAUST OR VAPOR TRAILS. INDICATE BY AN ARROW THE DIRECTION THE PHENOMENON WAS MOVING.



No exhaust or vapor trails to my knowledge

16. WHAT WAS THE ANGULAR SIZE? HOLD A MATCH AT ARM'S LENGTH IN FRONT OF A KNOWN OBJECT, SUCH AS A STREET LAMP OR THE MOON. NOTE HOW MUCH OF THE OBJECT IS COVERED BY THE HEAD OF THE MATCH. NOW IF YOU HAD BEEN ABLE TO PERFORM THIS EXPERIMENT AT THE TIME OF THE SIGHTING, ESTIMATE WHAT FRACTION OF THE PHENOMENON WOULD HAVE BEEN COVERED BY THE MATCH HEAD.

Would be to yours - maybe one of the glowing balls

17. DID YOU OBSERVE THE PHENOMENON THROUGH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING? INCLUDE INFORMATION ON MODEL, TYPE, FILTER, LENS PRESCRIPTION OR OTHER APPLICABLE DATA.

	EYEGLASSES		CAMERA VIEWER
	SUNGLASSES		BINOCULARS
	WINDSHIELD		TELESCOPE
	SIDE WINDOW OF VEHICLE		THEODOLITE
	WINDOWPANE		OTHER

A. DO YOU ORDINARILY WEAR GLASSES? ☐ YES ☒ NO

B. DO YOU USE READING GLASSES? ☐ YES ☒ NO

18. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE SPEED OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF SPEED _____.

19. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE DISTANCE OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF DISTANCE _____.

20. IN ORDER THAT WE MAY OBTAIN AS CLEAR A PICTURE AS POSSIBLE OF WHAT YOU SAW, DESCRIBE IN YOUR OWN WORDS A COMMON OBJECT OR OBJECTS WHICH, WHEN PLACED IN THE SKY, SIMILAR TO WHERE YOU NOTED THE PHENOMENON, WOULD BEAR SOME RESEMBLANCE TO WHAT YOU SAW. DESCRIBE SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE COMMON OBJECT AND WHAT YOU SAW.

The object I would compare it to would be a few origin plant. But I saw no wings or body and heard it moan.

(18.) I do not have any idea of the speed but you might compare it to the speed of an airplane in landing.

(19.) Please understand this is just a guess. Between 1 and 3 miles?

21. DID YOU NOTICE ANY ODOR, NOISE, OR HEAT EMANATING FROM THE PHENOMENON OR ANY EFFECT ON YOURSELF, ANIMALS OR MACHINERY IN THE VICINITY? ☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

A. DID THE PHENOMENON DISTURB THE GROUND OR LEAVE ANY PHYSICAL EVIDENCE. ☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

Not to my knowledge

22. HAVE YOU EVER SEEN THIS OR A SIMILAR PHENOMENON BEFORE? ☐ YES ☑ NO. IF "YES," GIVE DATE AND LOCATION.

23. WAS ANYONE WITH YOU AT THE TIME YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? ☒ YES ☐ NO. IF "YES," DID THEY SEE IT TOO? ☒ YES ☐ NO.

A. LIST THEIR NAMES AND ADDRESSES

[redacted]
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80901

24. GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME [redacted]

ADDRESS (Street, City, State and Zip Code) [redacted] Colorado Springs, Colorado 80904

TELEPHONE [redacted] | AGE 23 | ☐ MALE | ✓ FEMALE

INDICATE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION INCLUDING OCCUPATION AND ANY EXPERIENCE WHICH MAY BE PERTINENT.

Housewife & mother.

*? I don't remember his name but it sounded like Duckwall

25. WHEN AND TO WHOM DID YOU REPORT THAT YOU HAD SIGHTED THIS PHENOMENON?

NAME Major Duckwall ?* DAY 26 MONTH 8 YEAR 68

26. DATE YOU COMPLETED THIS QUESTIONNAIRE.

DAY 23 MONTH 9 YEAR 68

27. INFORMATION WHICH YOU FEEL IS PERTINENT BUT WHICH IS NOT ADEQUATELY COVERED IN THIS QUESTIONNAIRE, ALTERNATIVELY PROVIDE A NARRATIVE EXPLANATION OF THE SIGHTING.

I [redacted] and a friend, [redacted] were at the clothes lines at 2[redacted] Colorado Springs, Colorado when I sighted four flaming balls which I thought was a plane on fire.

It was in the sky and seemed to be in a landing pattern. I called to Carol and she saw it also.

A few seconds before it would have crashed or landed, it seemed to burn out and disappear.

This took place at 8:25 and the sighting lasted only a few seconds.

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P.S. If there are any more questions, I will be happy to answer them. Thank you. I hope I have been of some help to you.

26 Aug

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

REPLY TO ATTN OF: TDPT (UFO)

SUBJECT: UFO Observation, 26 August 1968

18 SEP 1968

TO: Mrs. [redacted]
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80907

Reference your recent unidentified flying object sighting which you reported to the Air Force. The information which we have received is not sufficient for a scientific investigation. Request you complete the attached AF Form 117 and return it in the self-addressed envelope. Thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Lt Colonel, USAF
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Office
Aerospace Technologies Division
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UNCLAS WGOOT-B AUG 68. Colo. Spgs.?

FOR OSAF (SAP-OI); CSAF (AFRDC); FTD (TDETR); NORAD (NOOP-A); ADC (ADOCP) AND (ADCIO-P); UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO (DR CONDON). UFO, UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT REPORT. FORMAT FOLLOWS PARA 11, AFR 80-17.

A. (1) SPAN OF AIRCRAFT WING - 4 GLOWING OBJECT AND GLIDED LIKE A/C HEADING SOUTH.

(2) LIKE AIRCRAFT IN LANDING PATTERN

(3) BRIGHT REDISH PINK

(4) 4 GLOWING BALLS MOVING IN LINE LIKE HEADLIGHTS

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(5) GLIDING DOWN AND IT NEARED GROUND AS IF TO CRASH; IT APPEARED TO BURN OUT AS COLOR CHANGED EVENLY.

(6) N/A

(2) [illegible]

(3) BRIGHT REDISH PINK

(4) 4 GLOWING BALLS MOVING IN LINE LIKE HEADLIGHTS

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(6) N/A

(7) NONE

(8) NONE

(9) NO

B. (1) LOOKING TOWARD SKY

(2) BEGAN IN NORTH JUST ABOVE HORIZON AND MOVED SOUTH TOWARD VIEWER THEN DROPPED OUT OF SIGHT AS IF IT CRASHED BEFORE REACHING VIEWER.

(3) N/A

(4) MOVED NORTH TO SOUTH IN STRAIGHT PATH

(5) BELOW HORIZON

(6) 15 TO 20 SECONDS

C. (1) GROUND VISUAL

(2) NO

(3) N/A

D. (1) 0258Z 27AUG 68 2030 local 26th Aug

(2) DARK

E. (1) [redacted]ILLMORE NEAR NEVADA)

F. ([redacted]GE 23 [redacted] HOUSEWIFE,

(2) SURFACE 060/08; 6000' 360/12; 10,000' 050/10 15,000' 320/05; 20,000' 270/15; 30,000' 270/25 50,000' 260/30; 80,000' 280/10.

(3) 12,000 FT AGL

(4) 15 PLUS

(5) OVERCAST

(6) NO

(7) 3 DEGREES C/1000'

H. NO

I. NONE

J. N/A

K. AO, R.D. DUCKWORTH, MAJOR, USAFA-DFE, 472-3030, (HOME) 472-1426. LT FOWLER STATED "NO KNOWN DECAYING SATELLITES BUT THIS IS A TIME OF HIGH METEOR ACTIVITY". AT 2130 PETE TOWER WAS CALLED AND REPORTED THE FOLLOWING: PETE TOWER SIGHTED AT 2030 LOCAL 4 TO 5 BALLS OF RED IN CLUSTER ON TWO OCCASIONS WITH-

IN 5 MINUTES OF EACH OTHER AND APPEARED OVER GARDEN OF GODS AREA. THEY LOOKED LIKE FLARES FLOATING TO EARTH. NO DOWNED A/C REPORTED. CALLED AIR ACADEMY AIR POLICE AND THEY KNEW OF NOTHING. NO REPORTS. CALLED CADET RICHARDS-SECURITY FLIGHT. HE SAID NO ACITIVITY IN CADET AREA TO HIS KNOWLEDGE. COLO SPGS POLICE CONTACTED-ONLY ONE CALLED, EL PASO SHERIFF WAS CALLED- NO REPORTS.

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