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APTC NO. DATE OF INFO June 1948
AP NO. LOCATION Galveston, Texas
DECODED NO. SOURCE Male Civilian
DATE OF REPORT PWT IN TO APTC
NAME CODE
SEX RACE MEASUREMENTS
COMB ALTITUDE HABITS
NO. IN GROUP LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED
RELATION TYPE OF CLOTHES
PICTURE SKETCHES HAIRCOLOR
REMARKS: Proved to be hoax

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Beaumont, Texas

March 4, 1948.

Gentlemen:

I have just finished reading
an article in the Saturday Evening
Post entitled, "What You Can Believe
about Flying Saucers". I am a sane
young man, 18, and I still don't
believe what I saw last summer
at Gilchrist Beach (a summer village
resort on the road to Galveston Texas).
I have never repeated this information
to my friends, who were at the
beach also, or to anyone.
It was in early June of 1947
on a clear sky night.

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It was very late, around midnight,
when I went out for a quick
swim. The beach was deserted, except
for a few lights in the nearby
cabins. As I neared the water I
heard a loud roaring noise
and when I quickly looked
back over my shoulder I saw
this object sailing over the
telephone poles which run by the
highway. I have estimated at
a twelve, or thirteen foot span
and about the same length.
It gradually descended towards the
water at about a forty-mile
per hour speed, the heat being

Top view



This is about all of the information
that I could supply you. But
I still don't believe what I now.

Sincerely yours,

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Beaumont, Texas.

dough and crashed and sunk
into the water about a 100 yds.
offshore. I was very curious
and swam out a little ways
off-shore and I saw oil
floating on the water. If I re-
member correctly there was a distinct
odor of kerosene or burnt cooking
fat. I am a model plane
builder and I have seen miniature
jet engines, fashioned after the one
that was attached to the "Buzz-bomb"
that was used on England in the
last war. I found no debris floating
any other evidence of it destruction
I have made a sketch as well
as I could.

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Project "Grudge"

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ATTN: Mr. [REDACTED]

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1. It is requested that your office initiate an investigation of the sighting and apparent crash of an unidentified flying object as reported by inclosed letter.

1 Incl:

Ltr, 3/1/43, fr [REDACTED]

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