

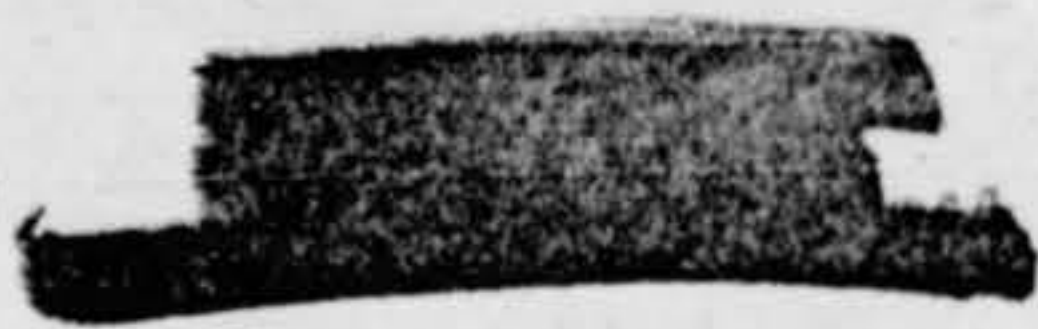
1. DATE - TIME GROUP 13 Feb 53 13/2320Z	2. LOCATION Petersburg, Virginia
3. SOURCE Soldier	10. CONCLUSION Possibly Astro (METEOR) Meteor
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2-3 Seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Round reddish green, blue object with a long tail traveled at a high rate of speed. Object broke into three parts and disappeared.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE NW	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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/R [REDACTED] FROM AFOIN 53940 FLYOBRPT. ATTN CLN ATIAA-2C.

ONE ROUND OBJECT THAT APPEARED TO BE A COMET WITH A LONG TAIL WAS OBSERVED FROM PETERSBURG CMA VIRGINIA. POSITION OF OBJECT AT TIME OF SIGHTING WAS PLACED OVER OR NEAR RICHMOND CMA VIRGINIA. OBJECT WAS COMPOSED OF REDDISH CMA GREEN CMA AND BLUE COLORS. NO OTHER FEATURES NOTICED. TRAVELED AT TERRIFIC SPEED SMCLN OBSERVER UNABLE TO PROVIDE ACCURATE ESTIMATE. OBJECT TRAVELED IN NORTHWESTERLY DIRECTION.

OBJECT SIGHTED FOR TWO OR THREE SECONDS AT 1820 HOURS CMA EST CMA 13 FEB 53 BY PRIVATE RUDOLPH YAROS CMA ASN CLN US 52196472 STATIONED AT CAMP PICKETT CMA VIRGINIA WHILE ENROUTE TO HIS HOME IN TACOMA CMA MARYLAND. OBSERVATION WAS MADE VISUALLY FROM MOVING AUTOMOBILE.

OBJECT FIRST APPEARED AS A BALL WITH TAIL SMCLN THEN BROKE INTO THREE PARTS AND DISAPPEARED. SKY WAS CLEAR AND VISIBILITY UNRESTRICTED. CHECK WITH ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE AND WASHINGTON CENTER FOR ADDITIONAL SIGHTINGS WERE NEGATIVE.

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*13/1820 EST*  
*PETERSBURG, VA*

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