

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 23 June 53 23/0730Z	2. LOCATION Brackettsville, Texas
3. SOURCE Military & Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astronomical (METEOR)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Although the integrity of observer was considered highly by his supervisor, it is believed that he slightly exaggerated the maneuvers of the object. With the above mentioned exaggeration
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 6 Seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS The observer believes there is a possibility that object was a meteor.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	Bright cream colored light was observed travelling at high speed at high altitude (est 50,000 ft). Object tilted and began to descend at angle of 70 deg leaving a stream of fire.
7. COURSE Not Reported	
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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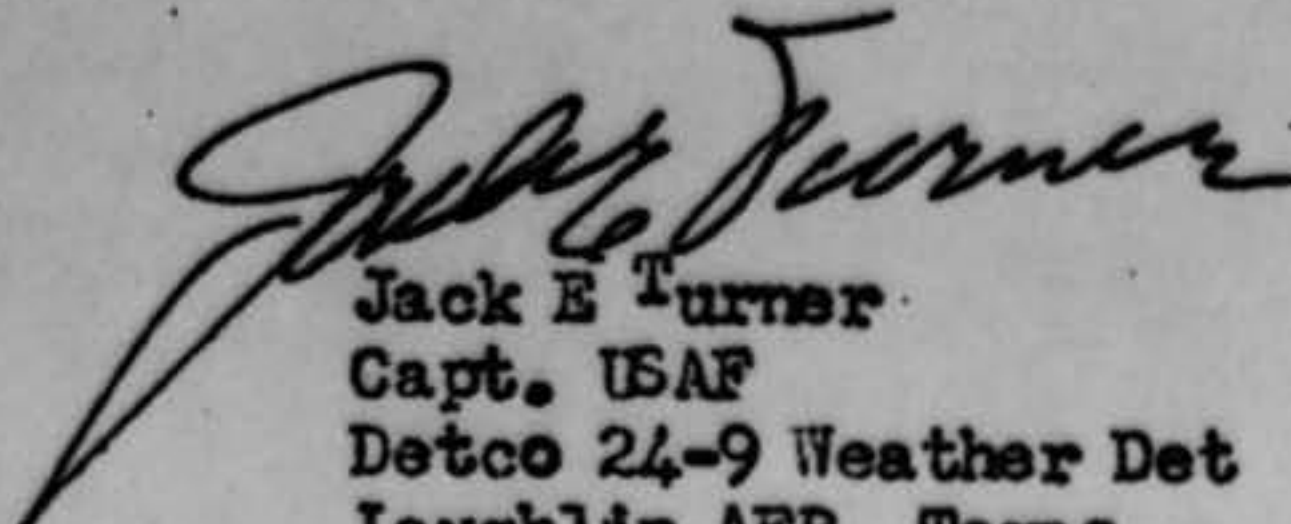
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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

In my opinion, M/sgt Reed has the mental alertness and integrity that is above reproach. The undersigned Officer firmly believes what is said in the attached report.


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Capt. USAF
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COUNTRY U S A	REPORT NO. 1	(LEAVE BLANK)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT Observation of unusual phenomenon in the skies over South West		
AREA REPORTED ON Brackettville, Texas	FROM (Agency) 24-7 Weather Detachment	
DATE OF REPORT 7 July 1953	DATE OF INFORMATION 23 June 1953	EVALUATION
PREPARED BY (Officer) Capt. Jack B. Turner	SOURCE M/Sgt. Charles E. Reed	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)		

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112-Part II.)

I am a Weather Forecaster, in the USAF, stationed at an Air Force Base in Southwest Texas. Having been interested in flying and associated with aircraft since 1936, and also flying and owning my own Trainer, I think I understand the principles of flight and aircraft operation. I have normal 20/20 vision and think I have the mental ability to distinguish one object from another.

Being a Weather Forecaster for the Air Force, I am well acquainted with Jet Aircraft and Jet Operations, speed and altitude at which they operate. I am not superstitious, and do believe in the material things that I can see and feel. With this in mind, you may believe what I saw is REAL.

On the afternoon of the 22nd of June, my wife and I drove to San Antonio and returned the same day. We left San Antonio about 2200G on the 22nd of June and drove due west. About 0130 on the 23'd of June, while cruising along the highway at an moderate speed, I suddenly noticed a light to the right of the highway. The light was very high, I would estimate 50,000 ft and approximately 10 miles to my right. It was quite small and as it approached I coul' see the outlines of the object. It was Oval shaped and moving very Fast. It's color was cream. Abruptly it was tilted, and began to descend at an angle of approximately 70°. It turned a brilliant red, and began to stream some sort of substance from its outer surface as though it were aflame. It was at this point that I decided I was seeing the largest meteor of my lifetime. At a very low altitude maybe 3000ft, the object ceased its headlong plunge and level flight was resumed. Then it stopped completely and was suspended in space. (The elapsed time from when I first saw the light was approximately 6 seconds.) When the object stopped in mid-air the burning substance from its body ceased to flow off, and it regained its cream color that I saw originally. The object then began a Falling Leaf motion, or a dishing motion and faded away to the west in level flight (Could be attributed to heat waves over the desert) The acceleration was tremendous and unbelievable. BELIEVE ME I WASN'T DREAMING.

In my humble opinion this object had motivation uncommon to present day aircraft and possibility unknown to our Scientific World. This object was coated with some substance that was meant to burn off during rapid descent, and to absorb the terrific heating it would encounter going through dense air. I will believe until my dying day that what I saw in the early hours on the 23'd of June was the FLYING SAUCER.

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