

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 30 Jun 61	2. LOCATION Dexter, Missouri		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical Venus <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0215 GMT 200815Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Civilian		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 hr 30 min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE S	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Star-like objt, bright reddish-orange at times and blue-white at others. Appeared slightly brighter than other stars, slightly larger than Venus. Without changing position, it faded out like someone had turned out a light.		11. COMMENTS Objt was reported to be low in NE moving S. Witnesses were apparently looking at objt through a haze layer, according to report. Altho witnesses ruled out planets, a check indicates that Venus was in position reported. Venus, or any light source, viewed thru a haze layer will have an unusual appearance. Fact that objt was viewed for over 2 hrs rules out a/c or even balloons. Any astronomical body observed in NE will appear to be moving S. Disappearance and reappearance could very well be due to clouds. It is concluded that objt was probably Venus.	

25. 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 _____

26. 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 _____

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|--|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | <input checked="" type="radio"/> c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

28.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

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

(Circle One) Yes No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

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|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |
| | | | i. Overhead |

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

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|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |
| | | | i. Overhead |

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North (thru east) and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

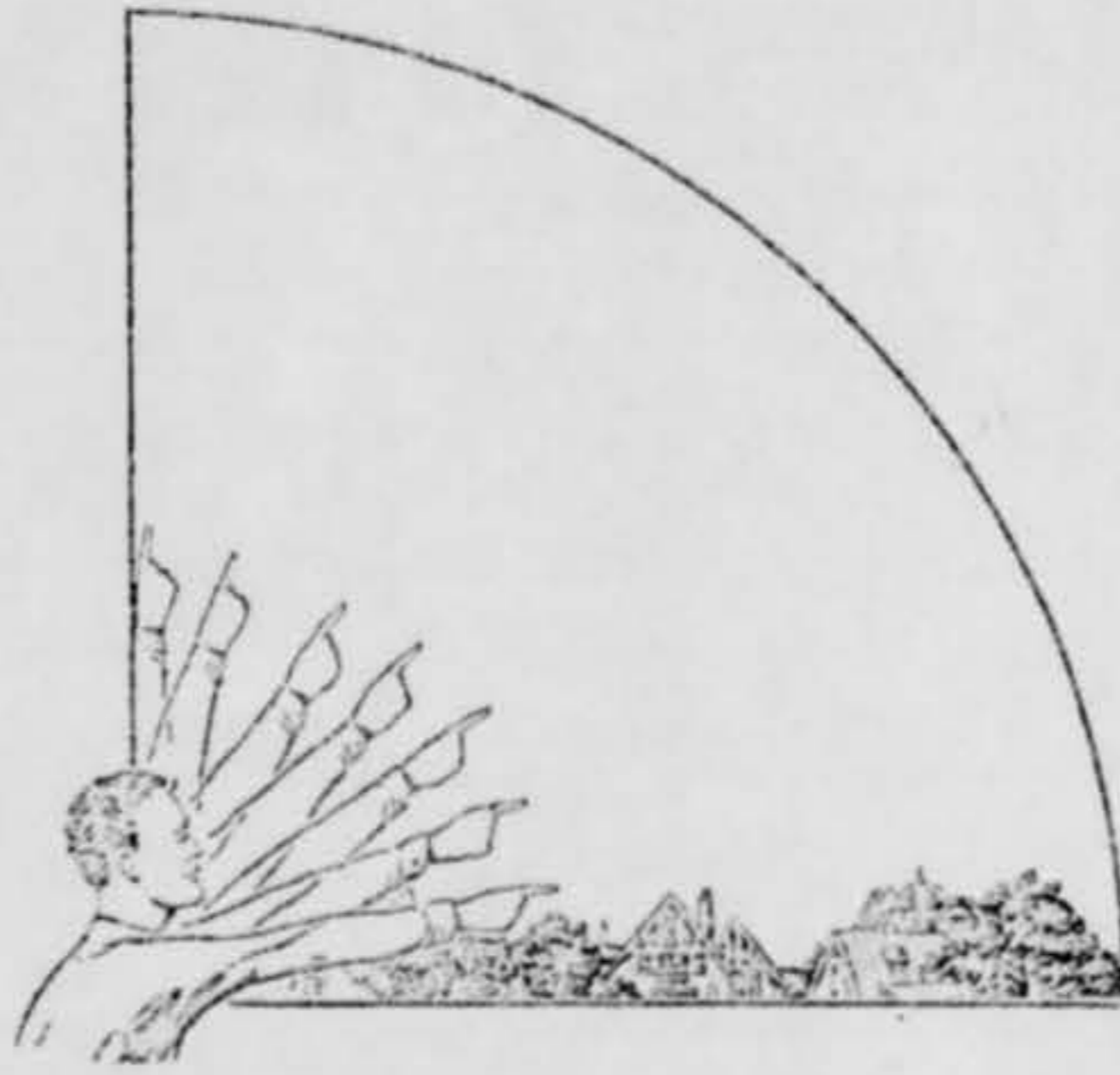
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

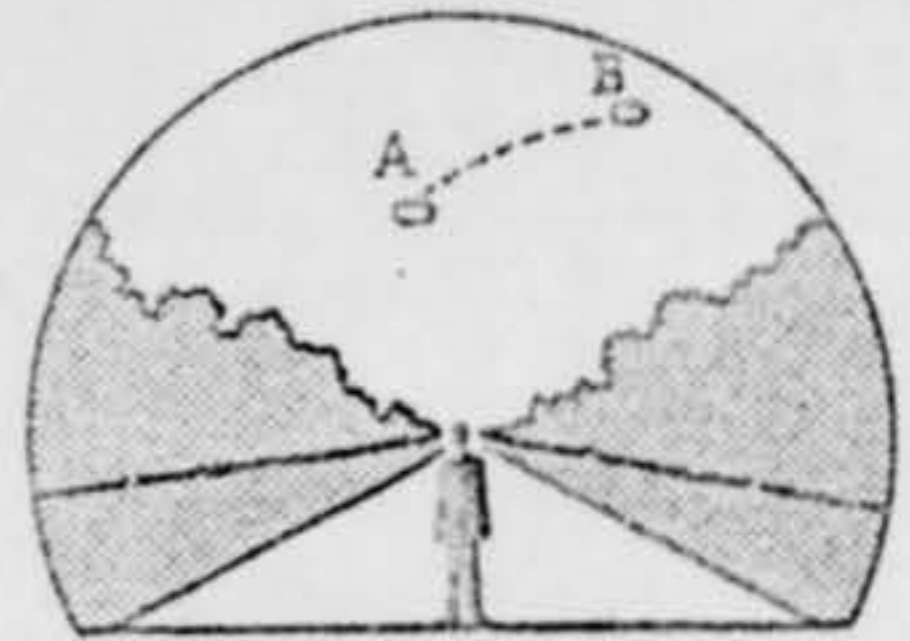
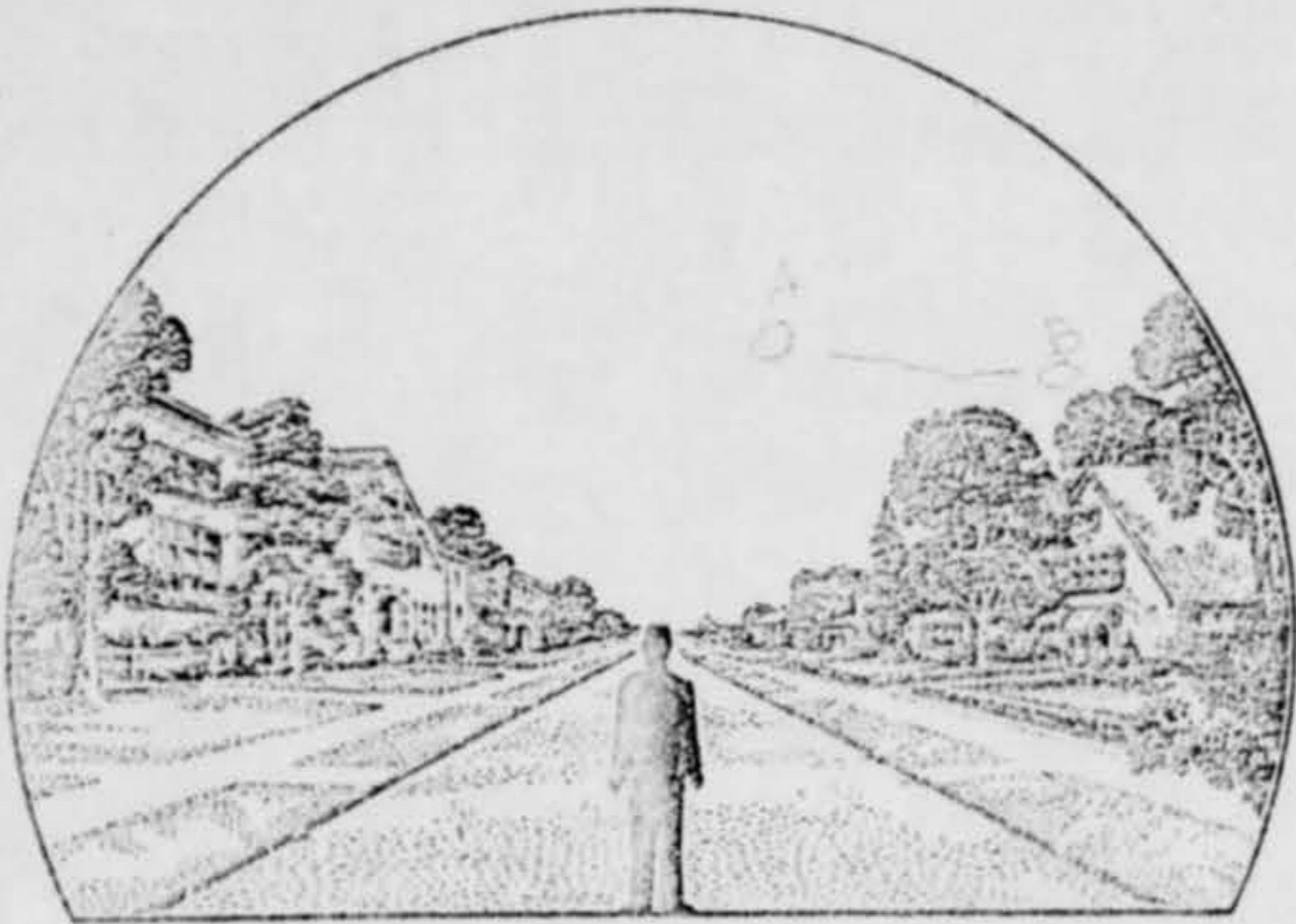
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

32. 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.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.



34. 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

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

10 / July / 1961
 Day Month Year

Reported to the
U.S. Air Force

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

~~Miss [redacted]~~
~~[redacted]~~
 San Diego, Calif

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) Yes No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

I believe it was a satellite or some type of aircraft
 that was out of control. It might have been a
 satellite that had been launched by the
 Russians or the Chinese. It could have been a
 rocket that had been launched and was out of control.

39. 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? _____

40. 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? _____

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS _____
City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

Age 18 Sex MALE

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

*I completed high school about four
 months ago in the upper 1000 hours.
 I am a member of the National Honor
 Society and plan to attend college
 this fall.*

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

7 August 1951
Day Month Year

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET
(SUMMARY DATA)

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)
CODE:

SIGNATURE [REDACTED]

DATE 1 August 1951

The sighting occurred early on the morning of June 30, 1951, at about 05:15. I was driving my wife's car, [REDACTED] home. I was not about 1000 feet from the airport at the time. I was not the first to spot the UFO; she was. She noticed a light go to the northeast. I did not pay particular attention to it at first, it looked like a star to me. But the next time I looked at it, it moved further away. I noticed it was about 1000 feet away from the airport at the time. It was moving to the northeast. I was not the first to spot it. It was moving to the northeast. I was not the first to spot it. It was moving to the northeast.

part. spot appeared about 10:00 AM
 the surrounding area appeared to be
 a fairly unobstructed area of the
 sky. It was not until the sun was
 about to set that the UFO
 seemed to watch the UFO.

The movement of the UFO was from
 west to east. It traveled in a
 steady and appeared at times to be
 moving closer to us. It also seemed
 slightly more than it seemed.

As the illustration  it seemed
 in part of a static - step motion.

We watched for about 15 min.
 when suddenly the light began to
 fade out. It grew dimmer and
 vanished, as if someone had turned it
 out. Thinking that was all, we got
 back into the car and started to leave.
 "Wait!" I suddenly said. "Wait, it
 was moving back!" I was sure. The
 light began to grow brighter until
 it was back to its original brilliance.
 At no time, any of us, did the
 UFO move in any way other than
 this. We got back out of the car
 and continued to watch the UFO.

At about 3:30 A.M., I took [redacted] home, because I didn't want to stay out any later. Actually it was about 4:00 when we arrived in the house. I took her to the eye on the 10th and we could see into the eye next day. As I drove home the eye was still there, and though I thought it silly at the time, seemed to be passing me. When I got home I watched it until 4:30 and then went to bed, because I could hardly keep my eyes open.

When [redacted] and I compared notes the next day, she said that just after she rose she looked up and the eye was not there. Perhaps it did pass me while all.

I watched for several nights afterward, but did not spot anything like the eye.

Facts of this report may not compare exactly with my original report, but I trust my notes concerning the night's fact the next part, and how the sighting occurred.

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20 JUL 1961

WFO Report

SAFOI-3C (Major Coleman)

Attached are copies of two (2) letters reporting the sighting of unidentified aerial phenomena. The information is limited; therefore, it is suggested that your office forward two (2) AFIC Form 164s to each individual for completion and forwarding to FTD.

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EDWARD H. WEIN
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Science
and Components

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2. Cy ltr dtd 3 Jul 61 fr
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TOP SECRET

14 August 1961

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Your recent letter furnishing information on a UFO sighting is appreciated. In order that we may have more complete information, I am forwarding a copy of the ATIC questionnaire with the request that you complete it as fully as possible and forward directly to:

Hq Aerospace Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio
Attention: Aerial Phenomena Investigations

Your interest in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM T. COLEMAN, JR.
Major, USAF
UFO Project Officer
Public Information Division
Office of Information

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Bernie, Missouri

July 9, 1961

Department of the Air Force
Headquarters United States Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

This is a UFO sighting report. It took place on June 30, 1961, at Dexter, Missouri. All time checks in this report are approximate, as I did not have a timepiece available.

It was approximately 2:15 A.M. when we spotted the object. I was at Dexter on a date with my girl friend, [redacted]. She was leaving for California the next day and so I stayed a little later than usual. We were out driving around when she noticed it. "It" was a round blue-white object, slightly larger than Venus. As a matter of fact, it looked so much like a star that I paid no attention to it, at first. The next time I looked at it moved to the left about two feet. I asked her if she noticed it and she said she had. I drove the car to one of the elementary schools. It was built on a hill and one can get a good unobstructed view of the surrounding country side. I parked the car in the driveway and we got out to watch the object.

When we first noticed the object, it was low and to the northeast. As we watched it, it got closer and moved south ever so often. The movement was very slight at times and you had to watch closely to notice it. Then at about 2:35 A.M., the light began to grow dim and gradually faded out completely. We got back into the car and prepared to leave, when she said: "Wait a minute, it's coming back." Sure enough, the light came back growing brighter until it was back to its original brightness. We got back out of the car and resumed our watch.

From approximately 2:35 to 3:15 the object moved closer to us. As it got closer we could see that it was not a light at all. Rather it was of cylindrical shape with the light on top of it. I have a rough drawing of it below.



At about 3:40, two more witnesses showed up. The city police, out on their nightly patrol, noticed my car and pulled in to investigate. We called their attention to the object and they watched with us for about 5 minutes. All this time, the object was gradually drifting south and getting lower in the sky.

I also [redacted] home about 4:00, and left for home [redacted], a small town about 6 miles south of Denver. When I arrived home, the object was still in the sky still moving south and getting lower. It was still there when I went to bed.

I delayed sending in this report for several reasons. First, I took some pictures of the object which did not come in until Sunday of this week. They did not come out. Secondly, I wanted to try to cover every possibility of what this object might of been.

I have ruled out airplanes, for the fact that an airplane does not hang in one position. Also there was no sound. I have also ruled out stars and planets. There was a layer of clouds covering the southeastern side that night and the object was below the cloud layer. It might possibly have been a balloon but what kind of a balloon has a light on top of it. Also, what would account for the light fading out and then coming back?

Any other information I can give you, I will be glad to do. I can be reached at this address:

[redacted]
[redacted]
Berne, Missouri

Very truly yours,
[redacted]
[redacted]

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes, and will be regarded as confidential material. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that, if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

<p>1. When did you see the object?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <input type="text" value="30"/> <input type="text" value="June"/> <input type="text" value="1961"/> <small>Day Month Year</small> </p>	<p>2. Time of day: <input type="text" value="7"/> <input type="text" value="15"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><small>Hour Minutes</small></p> <p>(Circle One): <input checked="" type="radio"/> A.M. or <input type="radio"/> P.M.</p>						
<p>3. Time Zone: (Circle One):</p> <table style="width:100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width:50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>a. Eastern b. Central c. Mountain d. Pacific e. Other _____</p> </td> <td style="width:50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving b. Standard</p> </td> </tr> </table>		<p>a. Eastern b. Central c. Mountain d. Pacific e. Other _____</p>	<p>(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving b. Standard</p>				
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<p>5. How long was object in sight? <input type="text" value="2"/> <input type="text" value="30"/> <input type="text"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><small>Hours Minutes Seconds</small></p> <p>5.1 How was time in sight determined?</p> <table style="width:100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width:50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>a. Certain b. Fairly certain</p> </td> <td style="width:50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>c. Not very sure d. Just a guess</p> </td> </tr> </table>		<p>a. Certain b. Fairly certain</p>	<p>c. Not very sure d. Just a guess</p>				
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<p>6. What was the condition of the sky?</p> <table style="width:100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width:50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p align="center">DAY</p> <p>a. Bright b. Cloudy</p> </td> <td style="width:50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p align="center">NIGHT</p> <p>a. Bright b. Cloudy</p> </td> </tr> </table>		<p align="center">DAY</p> <p>a. Bright b. Cloudy</p>	<p align="center">NIGHT</p> <p>a. Bright b. Cloudy</p>				
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<p>7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?</p> <p>(Circle One):</p> <table style="width:100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width:50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>a. In front of you b. In back of you c. To your right</p> </td> <td style="width:50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>d. To your left e. Overhead f. Don't remember</p> </td> </tr> </table>		<p>a. In front of you b. In back of you c. To your right</p>	<p>d. To your left e. Overhead f. Don't remember</p>				
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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. The object appeared:

(Circle One): a. As a light b. Shiny c. Dark d. Don't remember

10. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars?

11. 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 |

12. 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: _____

13. 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: _____

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One): a. Solid b. Transparent c. Vapor d. Don't Know

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

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|----|----------------|-----|----|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | No | e. Binoculars | Yes | 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 _____ | | |

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

- a. Sound _____
 b. Color _____

17. 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.



18. 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 _____

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? _____
 Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

20. 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.



21. How large did the object appear to you as compared to an object with which you are familiar?

22. 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?

nearly all of it

23. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

yes, without warning, the UFO just faded out like someone had turned out a light.

24. 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.

A cylinder, such as a cigarette, may be placed up in the sky, which would give the appearance of the object.

