

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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| 1. DATE 12 Jul 61 | 2. LOCATION Palatka, Florida | | 12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon |
| 3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0100 GMT 130000Z | 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar | | <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft |
| 5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 6. SOURCE Civilian | | <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical |
| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 min | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 2 | 9. COURSE N | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Inconsistent data</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |
| 10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 2 blue-white pulsating lights moving across sky fm E-W at about 40° off western horizon. They joined into 1 light and speeded up and turned crimson then made a sharp 180° turn and headed again into E. Then turned and headed N, still glowing crimson. | | 11. COMMENTS Observer reported sighting as 29 Jun in letter. On form reported sighting as 12 Jul. Data incomplete. If sighting was 29 Jun and witness was observing a single objt it is possible that objt was missile launched 6 min prior; however, in view of conflicting info case listed as Other (Inconsistent data). | |

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

a. Sound THERE WAS NO SOUND.

b. Color IT CHANGED COLOR AS IT MOVED UP FROM
A WHITE TO RED.

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.



ROUND

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 WHEN LIGHTING
APPEARED IN A DISTANT
PART OF SKY A SILVER
DISC COULD BE SEEN.

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? TWO

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?

SIZE OF PEA HELD AT ARMS LENGTH.

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?



3/4 PARTS

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

NO

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.

ABOUT AS BRIGHT AS JUPITER

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?

SITTING IN OUR YARD WATCHING CONSTELLATIONS
AND JUST HAPPENED TO NOTICE THE OBJECT.

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 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)

- 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)

- 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).

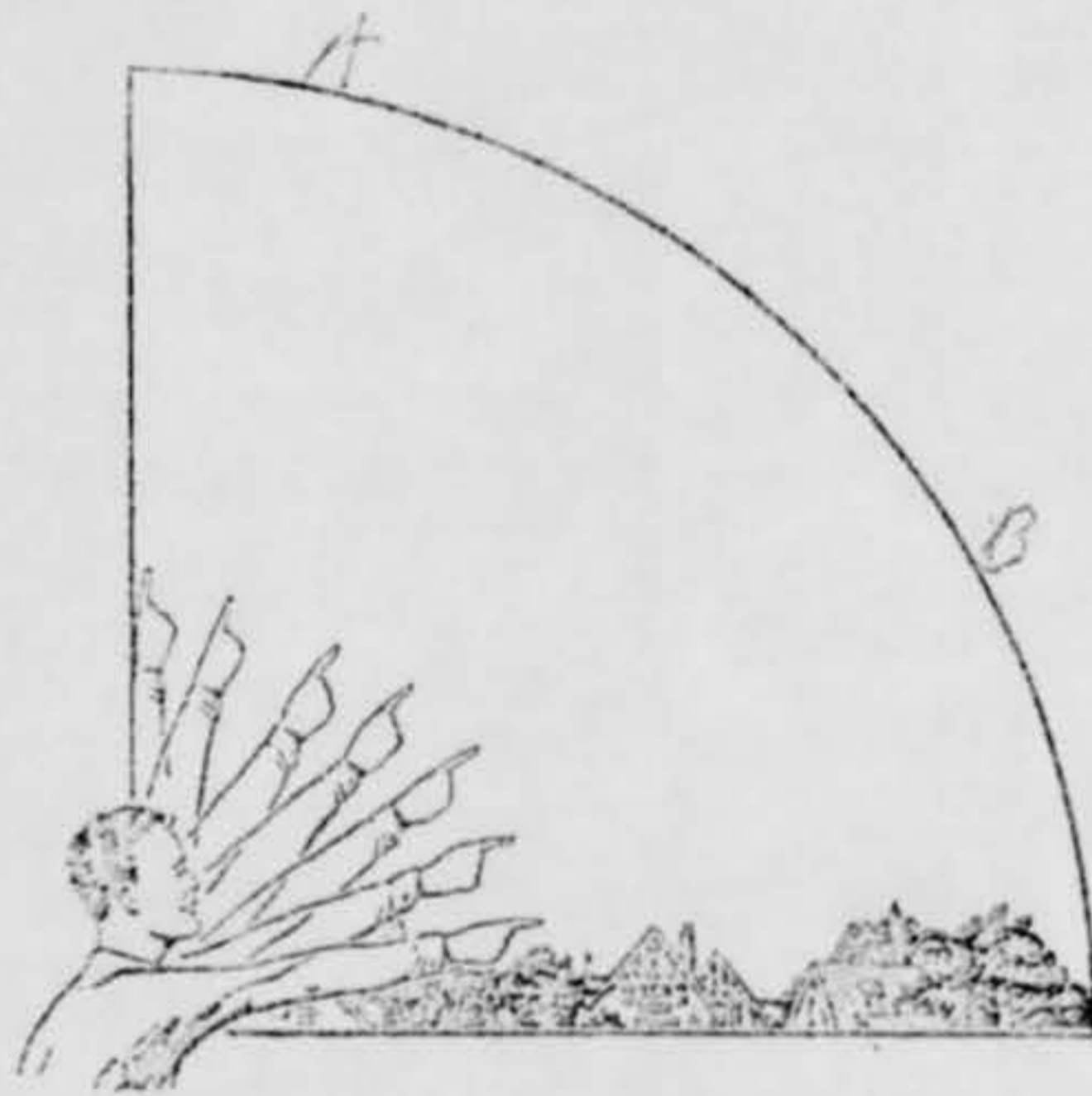
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees. overhead
b. From horizon 85 degrees.

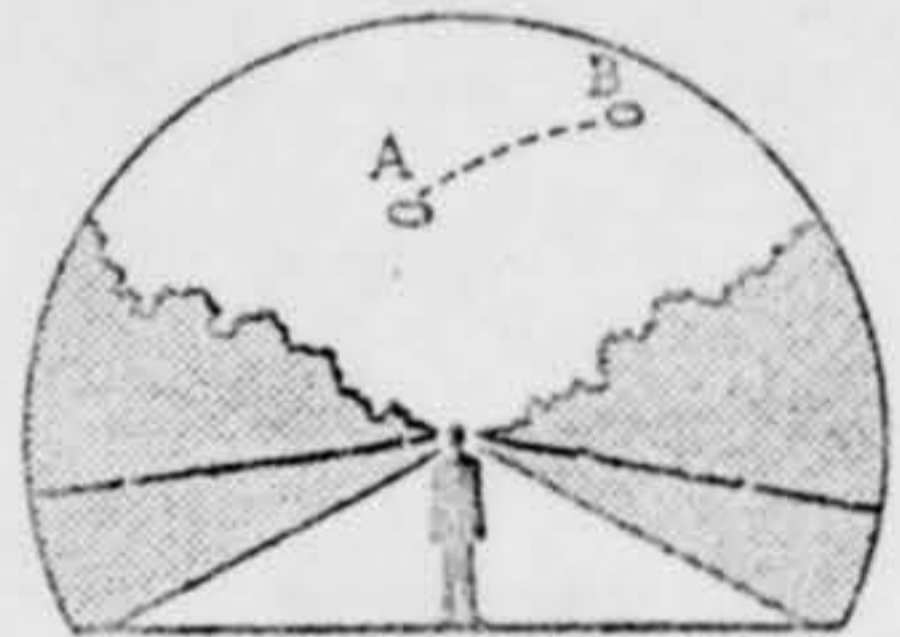
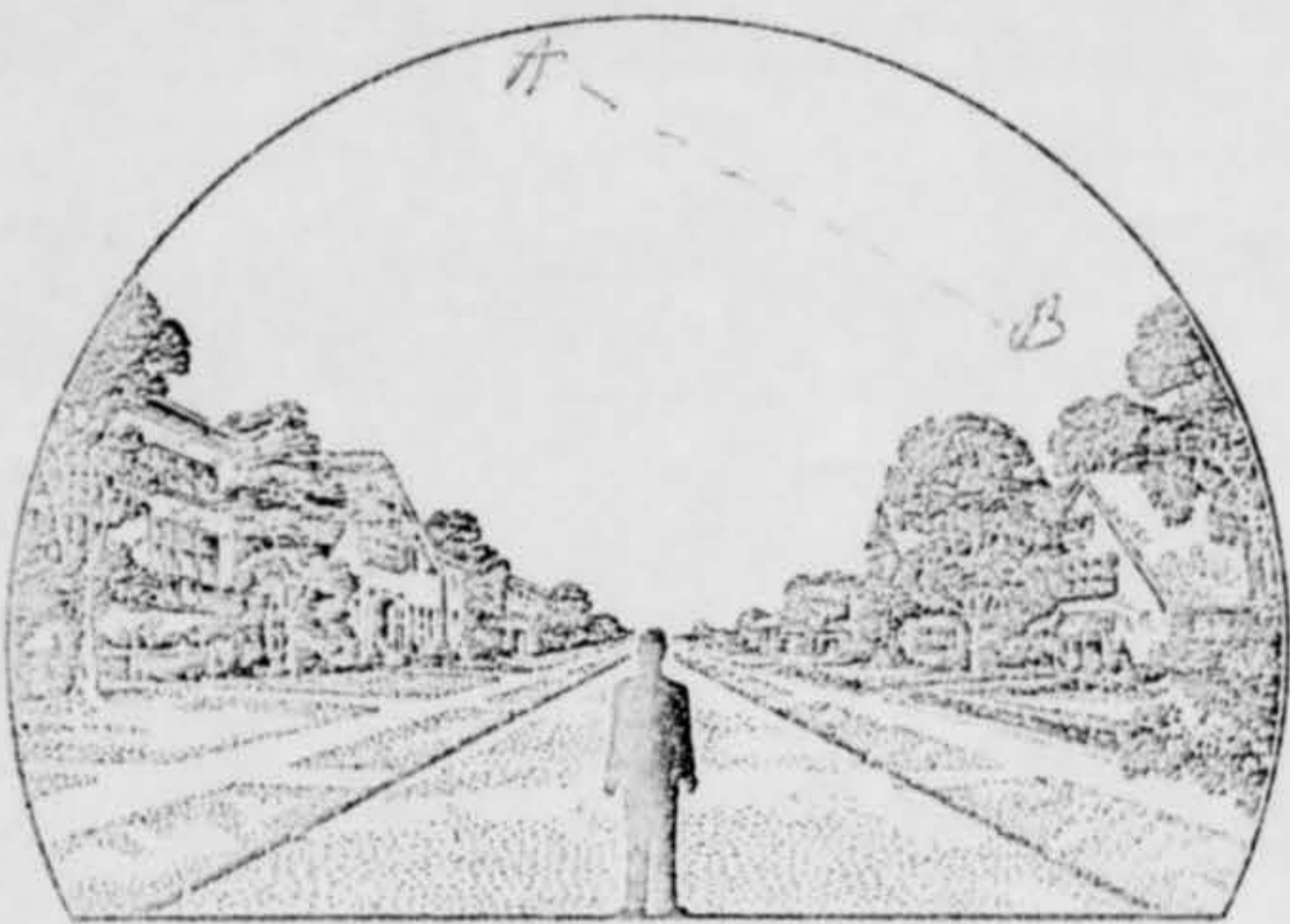
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 5 degrees.
b. From horizon 40 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?

12th
 Day

July
 Month

61'
 Year

RTB

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:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

RTB

[REDACTED]

RD-RTK, Florida

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?

INTERPLANETARY OBJECT
FORM OF LIFE FROM ANOTHER PLANET

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? 1000 MPH.

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? 30 000 FEET

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [REDACTED] Last Name [REDACTED] First Name [REDACTED] Middle Name [REDACTED]

ADDRESS [REDACTED] Street PALATKA City [REDACTED] Zone [REDACTED] State FLA.

TELEPHONE NUMBER EA [REDACTED]

Age 14 Sex M

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

I AM AN AMATEUR ASTRONOMER
AND I AM A FRESHMAN IN HIGH SCHOOL.
A-B-C STUDENT

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

10TH Day AUG. Month 61 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]

(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

DATE

AUG 10, 1951

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| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1 | 9. COURSE | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>UNReliable Report</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |
| 10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Identical report turned in on 12 Jul fm same city apparently by small children. | | 11. COMMENTS Probably prank. Identical reports and inconsistencies of possible cause such as objt separating and joining together again and varied movements which do not conform to known flight patterns lead to conclusion of prank by these youngsters. | |

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TD-E/Major Friend/vw/69216

16 AUG 1961

UFO Sighting

Mr. [REDACTED]
Palatka, Florida

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Your letter reporting the sighting of a UFO has been forwarded to the Foreign Technology Division. It does not contain sufficient information for a valid conclusion; therefore, request you complete the attached form and return it in the attached self-addressed envelope.

Sincerely

E. H. Wynn
EDWARD H. WYNN
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Science
and Components

2 Atchs
1. ATIC Form 164, 2 cys.
2. Self-addressed envelope.

COORDINATION: TD-E

Robert J. Friend
Major Robert J. Friend

DATE 16 Aug 61

The committee has in the meantime been going over some other reports and would like much more information on the 25 July 1961 report, at Palatka, Florida; the "object separating and joining together again" suggests similarity to some of the French sightings and the committee would like to have the unreliability of this report more solidly established.

Talatra, Fla

July 25, 1961

Pentagon

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sirs,

On the night of July 25, about ten minutes after eight, four flying objects were observed over Putnam County Florida. They were moving from the west and at about 35° off west horizon, they headed north. They went a very short distance in this direction. Then made a 90° turn and headed again in the west. At about 75° off west horizon the four objects converged into one. Previous to this they appeared blue-white. After they converged they became a slight orange color, then they disappeared behind trees. The incident was witnessed by eight individuals for about two minutes. There was no sound from these objects.

~~Yours truly,~~

~~_____~~

Rt. 3 [redacted]
Palatka Fla

Dear Sirs,
While a short time ago sitting in
my yard I saw two blue-white
pulsating lights moving across the
sky from east to west. at about 40°
off the western horizon they joined
into one light and sped up
tremendously and turned crimson
red then made a sharp 180° turn
and headed again into the east.
at then made another sharp 90° turn
and headed north still glowing
crimson red and moving at a
tremendous speed.

There was lightning in the south west
and each time it flashed a silvery
disc could be seen instead of the
red glow.

This took place in about 3 minutes
first sighted around 9 P.M. Thursday
June 29 - 1961.

I am sure this was not a jet
although one had just passed from
north to south in the sky.

From the unidentified object I saw
I heard no sound but I did hear
the recently passed jet.

The unidentified object was flying
and maneuvering to fast to be a
jet.

I am writing this letter in acc-
ordance with the air technical
intelligence command's issuing
of a statement for reports of
such matters.

Thank you.

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Palatka Fla.

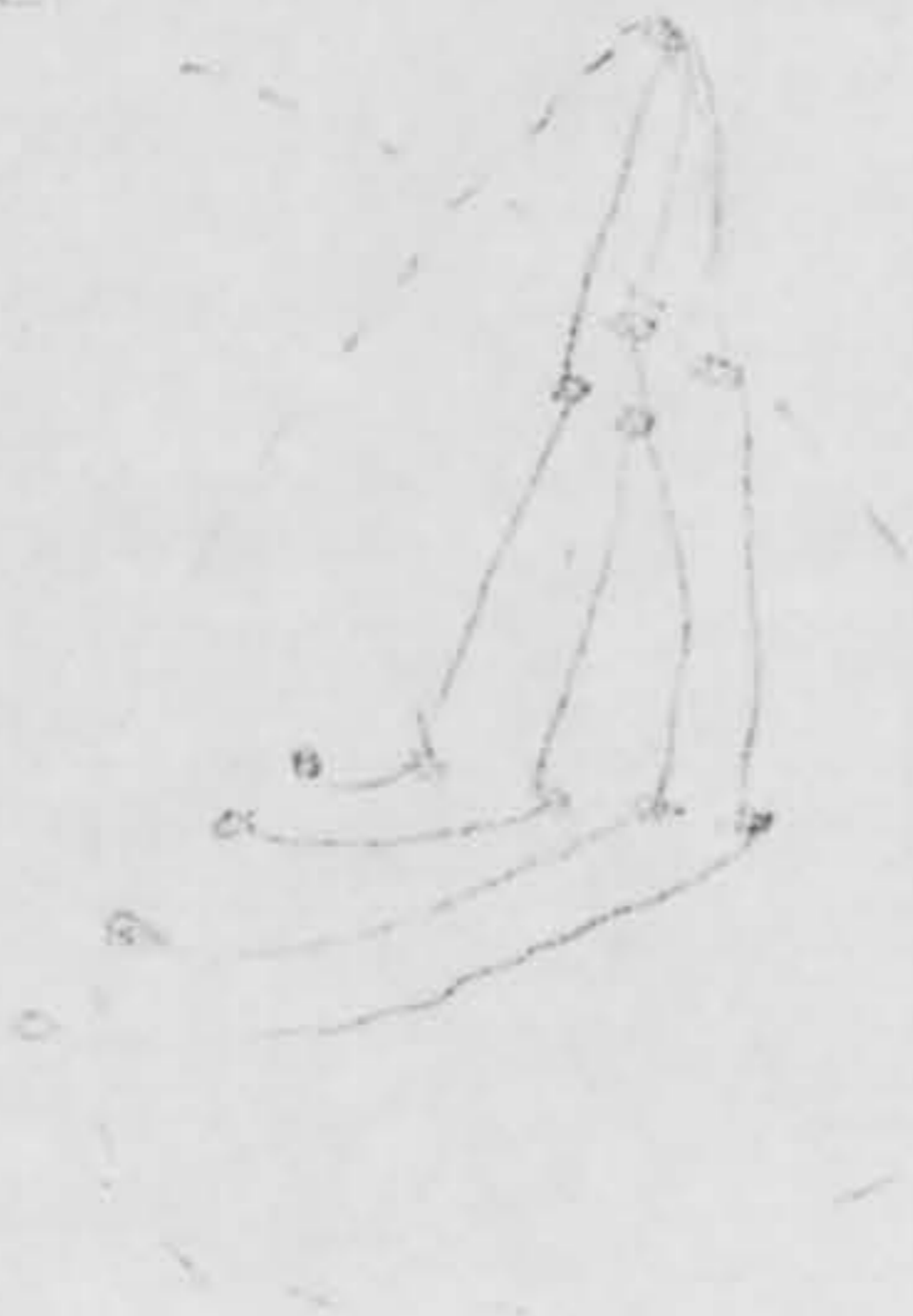
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A FEW WEEKS AGO I SAW
2 - 4 INCH A TTY PLANE THAT
WAS SHOWN TO ME BY A FRIEND
AT THE TIME OF MY VISIT. IT WAS
100 TOO FAR AWAY TO SET,

IT WAS BLUE-WHITE THERMAL
TWO COLOR AND INTERESTING
END UP AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE
INTO THE NORTH

I WROTE A LETTER ABOUT THIS
TO A.T.C. IN DAYTON

ED-4

UFO Sighting

AMPS-10 Major General

1. Attached is a copy of a letter from Mr. and Mrs. [redacted] in which they report a UFO sighting made by Mrs. [redacted]. For your information, also attached is a copy of the [redacted] surveillance on which Mrs. [redacted] made her report. This surveillance leaves much to be desired as there are some important questions left unanswered. For this reason a valid conclusion cannot be made concerning the sighting. I suggest your office contact Mr. [redacted] and ask her to forward the summary to the following division: Foreign Technology Division, AFSA: 10-3.

- a. In what direction were you viewing at the time the object was sighted?
- b. Was the object first sighted straight ahead, or was it a little off to the right or left?
- c. What was the elevation of the object when first sighted? That is, was it halfway between the horizon and overhead, 1/3 of the way up from the horizon to overhead, etc.
- d. Were the car windows down at the time?

2. Attached is a copy of a letter from Mr. [redacted] reporting the sighting of a UFO. A valid conclusion cannot be made from the limited information reported. Therefore, suggest your office send AIA an AFSA Form 104 for resolution.

EDWARD E. WISE
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Liaison
and Contacts

2 Men

1. By Mr. [redacted] 504
- 15 Jul 61, W/John Fort.
2. Mr. [redacted]

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

8 August 1961

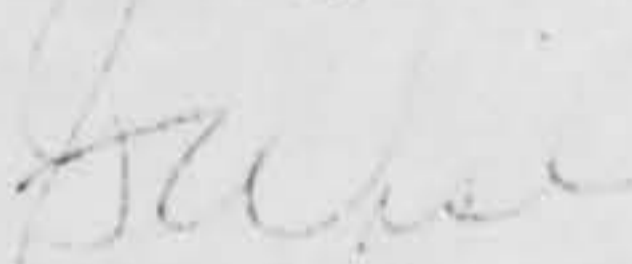
Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your information concerning the unidentified flying object you sighted.

The Aerospace Technical Intelligence Center at Wright Patterson Air Force Base conducts Air Force investigations of such sightings. In order that they may reach a valid conclusion in this case, some additional information is required.

At your convenience, if you will complete the attached questionnaire and return it to Wright Patterson in the addressed envelope attached, it will be helpful to them.

Sincerely,



GLADYS WISE
Operations Branch
Public Information Division
Office of Information

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Palatka, Florida

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.

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| <p>1. When did you see the object?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <u>12th</u> <u>JULY</u> <u>61</u> <small>Day Month Year</small> </p> | <p>2. Time of day: <u>7:00</u> <u>1815</u> <small>Hour Minutes</small></p> <p>(Circle One): A.M. or <u>P.M.</u></p> | | | | | | |
| <p>3. Time Zone: (Circle One): a. <u>Eastern</u> b. Central c. Mountain d. Pacific e. Other _____</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving b. <u>Standard</u></p> | | | | | | | |
| <p>4. Where were you when you saw the object?</p> <p> ████████████████████ <u>UPPER MERIDIAN</u> <u>FLORIDA</u> <small>Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country</small> </p> <p>Additional remarks: _____</p> | | | | | | | |
| <p>5. How long was object in sight? _____ <u>3</u> _____ <small>Hours Minutes Seconds</small></p> <p>5.1 How was time in sight determined?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> a. Certain c. Not very sure b. <u>Fairly certain</u> d. Just a guess </p> | | | | | | | |
| <p>6. What was the condition of the sky?</p> <table style="width:100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center; width: 50%;">DAY</td> <td style="text-align: center; width: 50%;">NIGHT</td> </tr> <tr> <td>a. Bright</td> <td>a. <u>Bright</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>b. Cloudy</td> <td>b. Cloudy</td> </tr> </table> | | DAY | NIGHT | a. Bright | a. <u>Bright</u> | b. Cloudy | b. Cloudy |
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| a. Bright | a. <u>Bright</u> | | | | | | |
| b. Cloudy | b. Cloudy | | | | | | |
| <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%;">a. In front of you</td> <td style="width: 50%;">d. To your left</td> </tr> <tr> <td>b. In back of you</td> <td>e. Overhead</td> </tr> <tr> <td>c. To your right</td> <td>f. Don't remember</td> </tr> </table> | | a. In front of you | d. To your left | b. In back of you | e. Overhead | c. To your right | f. Don't remember |
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| c. To your right | f. Don't remember | | | | | | |

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?

YES

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | |
|---|------------|-----------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| g. Flash or flicker? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| h. Disappear and reappear? | Yes | <u>No</u> | 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 | <u>No</u> | e. Binoculars | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | <u>No</u> | f. Telescope | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| c. Windshield | Yes | <u>No</u> | g. Theodolite | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| d. Window glass | Yes | <u>No</u> | h. Other _____ | | |