

## PROJECT 10073 RECORD

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1. DATE - TIME GROUP 8 June 80 1145Z	2. LOCATION Kansas, Ohio one witness
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Unidentified <i>JH</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 minute	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	<p>Observer reported seeing a cigar shaped, bright silvery colored object travel toward the SE before disappearing into the horizon. The object appeared from nowhere, above and ahead of the observers automobile. He first thought he was being buzzed by a private aircraft, but suddenly realized that this was not so. The object flew on a low-level course, making no sound at all during the duration of the sighting. The underneath, top, or end of the object was not observed.</p> <p>The description is consistent in some ways with that of a balloon observation; however, contact with Dayton Balloon Launch could not account for any balloons of theirs in the area.</p>
7. COURSE SE	
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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June 17, 1966

U. S. Air Force  
Air Technical Intelligence Center  
Dayton, Ohio

Gentlemen:

For your information, on Wednesday morning, June 8th 1966 around 6:45 a.m. I was driving alone from my home (farm) in Kansas, Ohio (Seneca County). I was on my way to work in Toledo, Ohio. I have been driving 100 miles each day for around nine (9) years. I am an [REDACTED] Supervisor of [REDACTED] for KAISER Jeep CORPORATION. The weather was fairly clear, sun being up at the time but behind a cloud. I was traveling straight West on Sandusky County Road #1 headed towards State Route #199 which runs between Fostoria and Risingsun, Ohio. I was just approaching the [REDACTED] farm near Kansas when I was startled by a flying object just above and ahead of me a little to the right of my car and just above and to the East of the Murphy farm buildings. This object didn't seem to cross my path but just appeared all of a sudden to the right near my path. My first thought was that it was a plane buzzing my car. The second I focused my eyes on the object I was startled and confused because it was of such unusual huge length. I stopped and pulled over to the side of the road. When I focused on the object again it appeared to be flying a level (low) course. It appeared to be as thick as the height of a man. From my position I never saw anything but a side view.

I was not able to pick up a tail, <sup>WING</sup> assembly, a nose, windows or props. It was shiny new silver metal looking. It was blunt cigar shaped. I heard no noise, although I did not turn off the engine of my VW or roll down the right window. However, as close as it was at my first sighting I believe there should have been loud engine noise. It was traveling too fast to be a balloon or a blimp. It traveled NE from me and disappeared over a wooded area a mile away. I could not follow it after that point.

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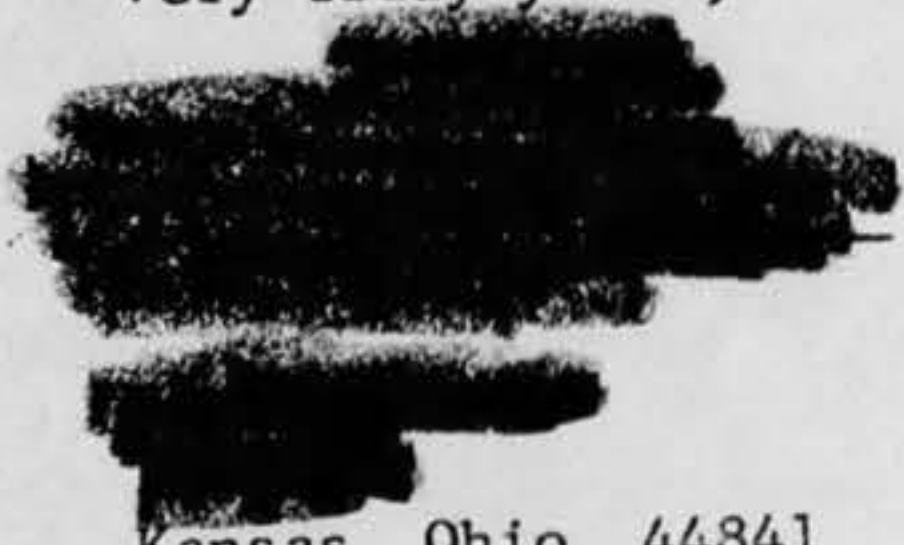
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I do not drink or use drugs. I am 43 years old and married. I am a 3 1/2 year Veteran of World War II Air Force. Flew 50 Combat Missions over Europe as a photographer and B-24 Waist Gunner. I hold five (5) Air Medals and (12) twelve bronze major battle and/or campaign stars. I held the rank of Staff Sergeant.

Up to this instance I have been able to relate a flying object with some known air object. I am not concerned or particularly interested in UFO's. My family considers me a skeptic on such matters (now they consider me nuts!).

Regards.

Very truly yours,

A large, dark, irregularly shaped redaction mark covers the signature area of the letter.

Kansas, Ohio 44841

MEB/ap

22 August 66

Contacted Dayton Balloon Launch (Sulfur Grove)  
about balloon from there being observed in

the Seneca county area on 8 June 66. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said that he did not believe a balloon  
from Sulfur Grove could have been responsible  
for the UFO sighting. These balloons normally  
do not travel that far.



Copy for JAH

August 17, 1966

Major Hector Quintanilla, Jr.  
Chief, Project Blue Book  
FTD (TDETR)  
Project Blue Book  
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433


Re: Unidentified Observation  
June 8, 1966

Dear Major Quintanilla:

Per your letter request of August 15, 1966, I enclose completed forms furnished with your letter for use in evaluating my unidentified observation.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Very truly yours,

  
Kansas, Ohio 44841

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Attachment



Kansas, Ohio

8 June 66  
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FTD (TDETR)  
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433  
15 August, 1966

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Kansas, Ohio 44841

Dear [REDACTED]

Reference your unidentified observation of 8 June 1966.  
The information in your letter was not sufficient for  
evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form  
164 and return it in the envelope provided.

We wish to thank you for reporting your observation to  
the Air Force.

Sincerely,

  
HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF  
Chief, Project Blue Book

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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. 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

10. The object appeared: (Circle One):

- a. Solid
- b. Transparent
- c. Vapor
- d. As a light
- e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? (Circle One):

- a. Brighter
- b. Dimmer
- c. About the same
- d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

\_\_\_\_\_

12. 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 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- |   |            |           |            |
|---|------------|-----------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time?           | <u>Yes</u> | No        | 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?              | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| d. Give off smoke?                              | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| e. Change brightness?                           | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| f. Change shape?                                | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| g. Flash or flicker?                            | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| h. Disappear and reappear?                      | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |



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

Disappeared into the horizon

15. 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: \_\_\_\_\_

16. 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: \_\_\_\_\_

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound None

b. Color Bright Silvery

18. 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?

About 1/2 of the object.

19. 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.



No wings  
No protrusions  
No trails

*Note: Although the drawing shows one end larger than the other, this is an error. Both ends appeared to be the same.*



20. 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? \_\_\_\_\_

21. 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? At first sighting, about 100 feet.

22. 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 \_\_\_\_\_

23. 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- |              |              |              |                     |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------|
| a. North     | c. East      | e. South     | g. West             |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. <u>Northwest</u> |

24.2 How fast were you moving? 40 miles per hour.

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

(Circle One) Yes No

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

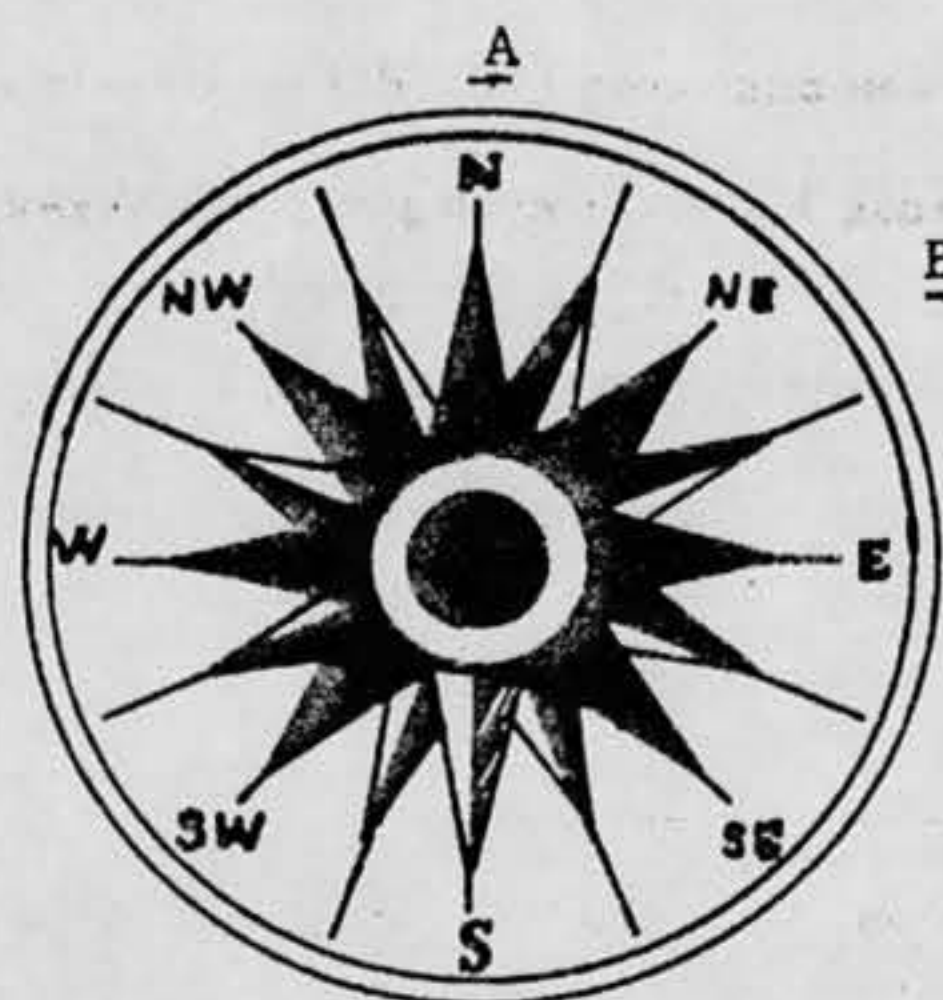
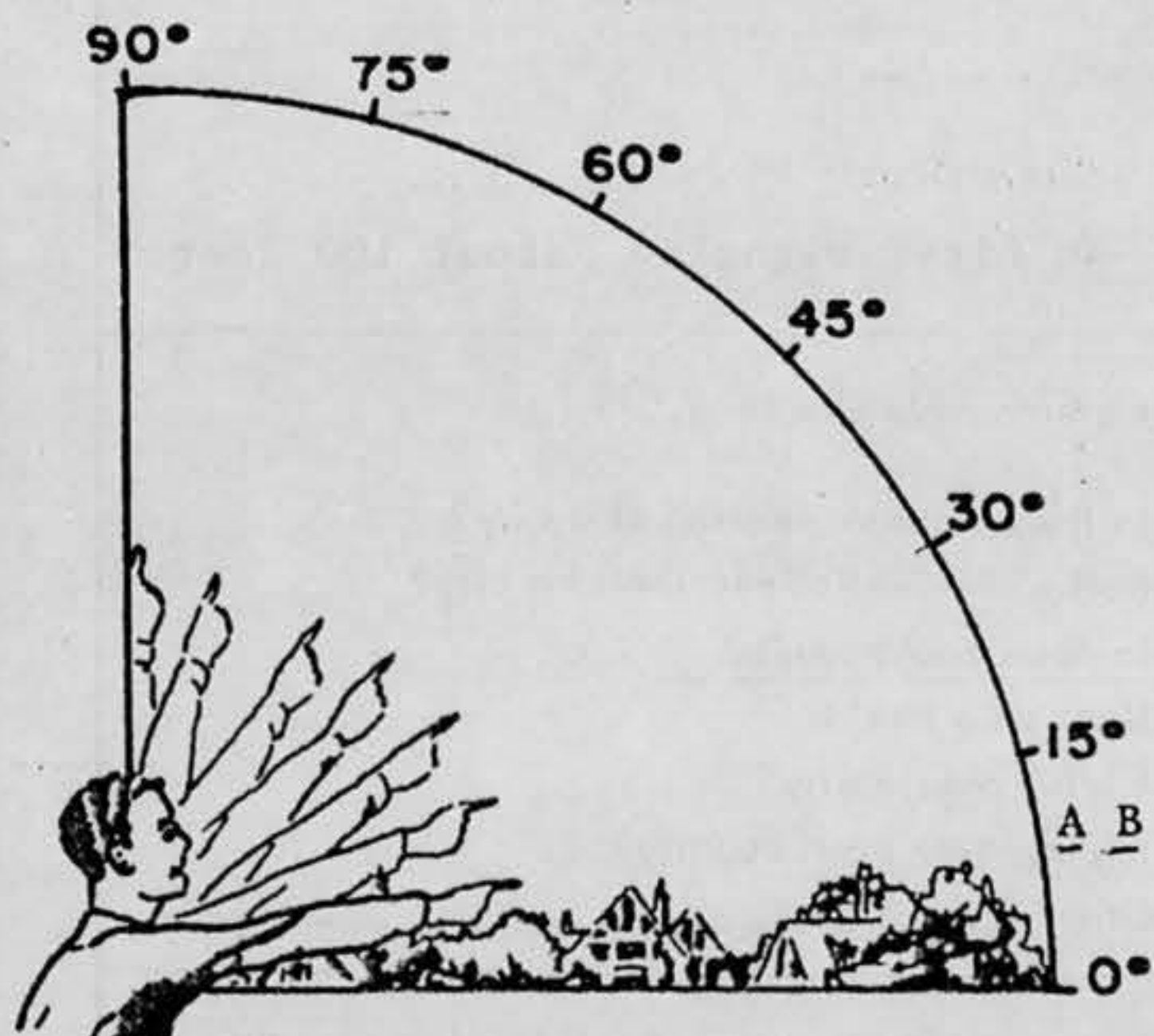
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|-----------------|------------|----|----------------|-----|----|
| a. Eyeglasses   | <u>Yes</u> | No | e. Binoculars  | Yes | No |
| b. Sun glasses  | <u>Yes</u> | No | f. Telescope   | Yes | No |
| c. Windshield   | <u>Yes</u> | No | g. Theodolite  | Yes | No |
| d. Window glass | <u>Yes</u> | No | h. Other _____ |     |    |

26. 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.

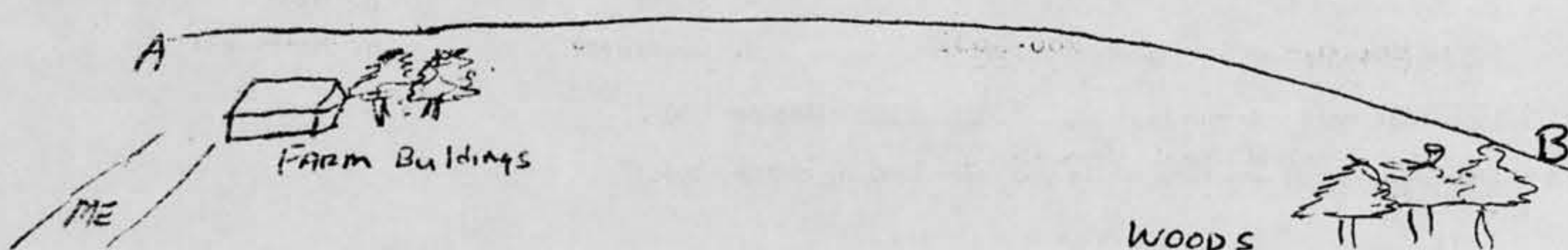
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27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.



28. 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.



29. 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.



30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

No

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? (Circle One) Yes No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? (Circle One) Yes No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME	<u>[redacted]</u>	<u>[redacted]</u>	<u>[redacted]</u>
	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
ADDRESS	<u>[redacted]</u>	<u>Kansas</u>	<u>Ohio</u>
	Street	City	Zone State
TELEPHONE NUMBER	<u>[redacted]</u>	AGE <u>43</u>	SEX <u>Male</u>

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

I flew 50 combat missions in World War II Waist Gunner and photographer on B-24 Liberator Bomber in U.S. Airforce. Awarded 5 Air Medals and 12 Bronze Major Battle Stars. Held the rank of Staff Sergeant.

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

17                          June                          1966  
Day                          Month                          Year

U.S. Air Force  
Dayton, Ohio