1. DATE - TIME GROUP 18 July 53 19/0250Z	**2. LOCATION** Brooklyn, New York
3. SOURCE Civilian	**10. CONCLUSION** Astronomical (METEOR)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Object ascended slightly does not eliminate possibility of meteor. Description indicates meteor sighting.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 15-20 Seconds	**11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS** Observer is a civilian man with little education but seems to have made a fairly good observation. Object was red, round or elliptical and traveled in a straight line at high altitude.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Visual-Visual	
7. COURSE S	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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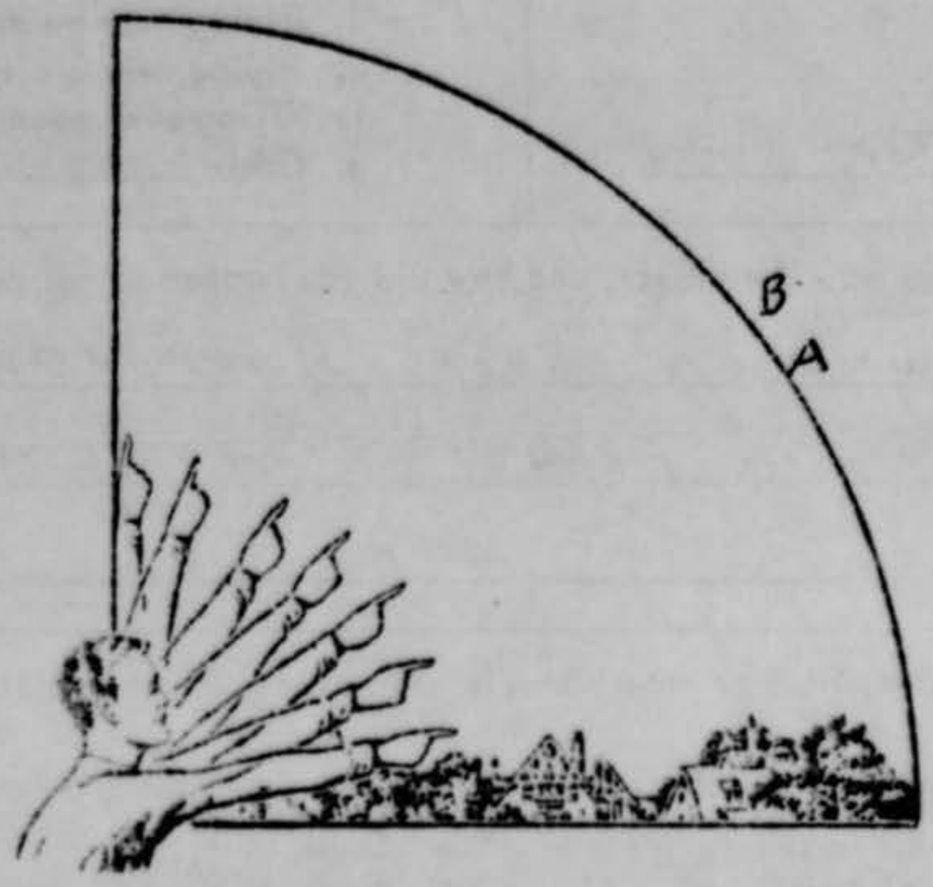
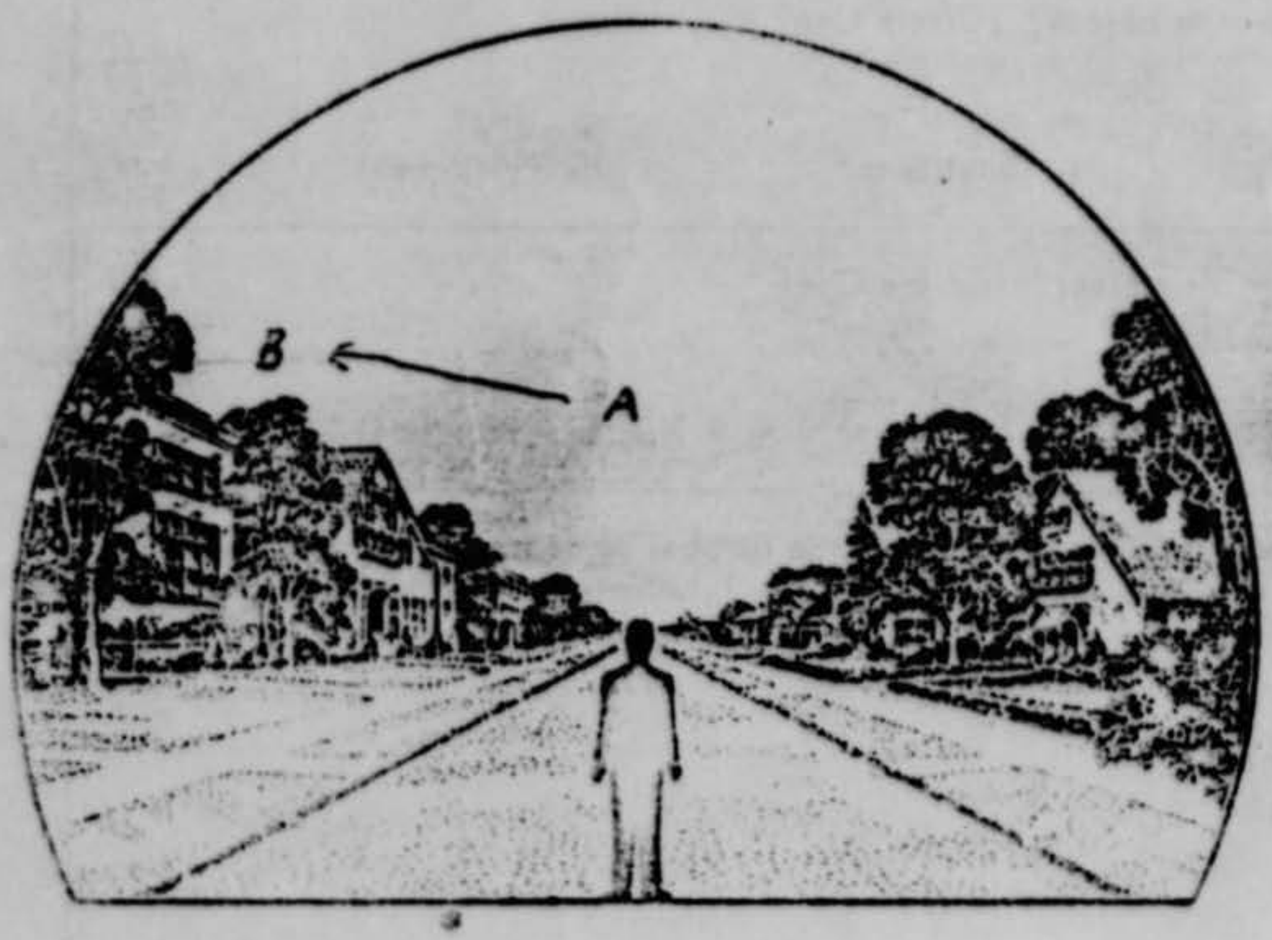
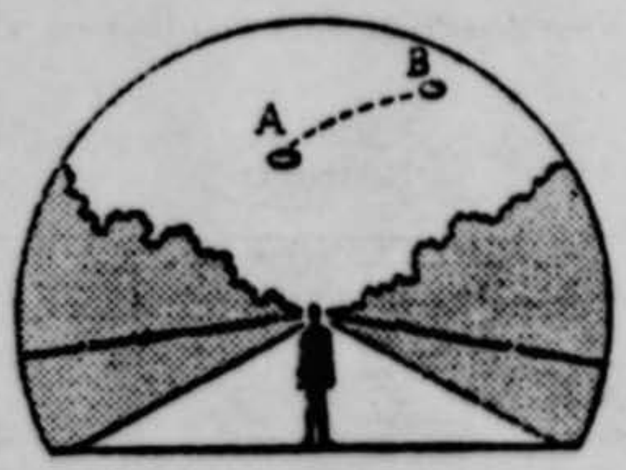
32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the *same* curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last*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

34.1 CLOUDS *(Circle One)*

(a. Clear sky)
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds
e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND *(Circle One)*

(a. No wind)
b. Slight breeze
c. Strong wind
d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER *(Circle One)*

(a. Dry)
b. Fog, mist, or light rain
c. Moderate or heavy rain
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE *(Circle One)*

a. Cold
b. Cool
c. Warm
(d. Hot)
e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

Day	Month	Year
	July	1953

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:

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 THINK IT WAS SOMETHING MAN-MADE. NOT A METEOR OR SHOOTING STAR. POSSIBLY SOME NEW TYPE OF PLANE NOT YET RELEASED TO PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE.

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? _____ m.p.h.

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? _____ feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] (Last Name) [redacted] (First Name) [redacted] (Middle Name)

ADDRESS [redacted] (Street) BROOKLYN (City) 29 (Zone) N.Y. (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted]

What is your present job? SHIP. CLERK

Age 37 Sex MALE

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school ✓
b. High school 1 YEAR
c. College _____
d. Post graduate _____
e. Technical school SHEET METAL (AERO TECH. AAF)
(Type) A.I.T.I. LOS ANGELES.
f. Other special training ROBERTS AUTO. BROOKLYN, N.Y.

42. Date you completed this questionnaire: 17 (Day) AUG. (Month) 1953 (Year)

Form B

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] (Please Print)

SIGNATURE [redacted]

DATE August 17th, 1953

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

On Saturday, July 18th. I went up on the roof to cool off - it was very hot. I laid down for awhile and looked at the stars in the sky. Suddenly I happened to see this red object in front of my eyes. I've often seen shooting stars but they were usually blue or green or white and crossed my vision. This was red and coming towards me. I riveted my eyes to it and followed it overhead and past me until it went out of sight. As it passed overhead I thought of a Flying Saucer. This flew in a straight line. It appeared dull red - like heated metal. There was no noise, smoke, or any kind of detail. To be truthful, when I first saw it I could not swear to its shape, but as it went away from me it appeared to be elliptical.

I could not guess its speed but it was faster than any plane, yet not as fast as a shooting star. as to its height I again would not guess. But if it was as high as I would imagine, it would have been enormous.

What struck me as odd is the fact that about fifteen minutes before I saw it there were planes landing and taking off at Floyd Bennett Field. Then about fifteen minutes after this, they again were flying. But at that time the sky had no planes at all.

It's my personal opinion the Air Force has radical new planes they are testing and this was one of them. However, as I stated in my letter, my sole reason in writing was that regardless what it was I saw something. and if some one else saw it also I just wanted to corroborate it.

Oh yes, the time was between ten and five to eleven P.M.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

[redacted]
Brooklyn 29, New York
July 19, 1953.

1 Witness

U.S. Air Force.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I do not know who this should be address to but no doubt you will forward it to the right person.

Last night, Saturday, July 18th I went up on the roof to sleep as it was very hot in our apartment. I was facing in about an east, north east direction when suddenly in front of me I saw what appeared to be a shooting star, only it was red instead of blue or green and did not cross my vision but passed overhead. I followed it until it got out of sight - and just before it I thought of the flying Saucers.

It was about ten minutes to eleven P.M. and came from the East, North - East and went in a straight line West, South - West, which would bring it over Staten Island and New Jersey. It was very high in the sky which make me think of a shooting star - but as I said it was fiery red in

color, and while it took only about five to ten seconds from the time I saw it until it passed from sight, it did not travel with the swiftness of a shooting star - but it did travel terrifically fast. Then too it passed directly overhead.

I could not distinguish the shape of it but imagine it was round. for neither when I first saw it - now when it passed out of sight, was there at anytime a head or tail. It made no noise at all, neither from a motor, or a roar or swish - but as I said it was tremendously ligt. As it was passing though I could see that where an object should have a faint it appeared to be oval shaped, and with a color like iron when it is heated. It was then that I thought of the "Saucer". I only told my wife but she didn't even listen to me.

The reason I am writing you this is because of my wife's attitude. Maybe I did not see a "Saucer" - but I saw something up there. Now, perhaps some one else saw the same thing at this time - this will at least help him verify it, and from another person saw it.

If it was a shooting star, or some other type of comet, I'm sorry to bother you with it - but if I did see something I certainly would be

happy if you would tell me so, then I could prove to my wife I did see something I've never seen before.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

Form A

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.

1. When did you see the object?

JULY (Day) 18 (Month) 1953 (Year)

2. Time of day: 11 (Hour) 10-05 (Minutes)

(Circle One): A.M. or (P.M.)

3. Time zone:

(Circle One): a. (Eastern) b. Central c. Mountain d. Pacific e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. (Daylight Saving) b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[redacted] (Nearest Postal Address) BROOKLYN (City or Town) N. Y. (State or Country)

Additional remarks: A VERY HOT NIGHT. I WAS UP ON THE ROOF TO COOL OFF.

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. — (Hours) — (Minutes) 15-20 SEC. (Seconds)

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

a. Certain
(b. Fairly certain)
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One):
a. Bright daylight
b. Dull daylight
c. Bright twilight
d. Just a trace of daylight
(e. No trace of daylight)
f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One):
a. In front of you
b. In back of you
c. To your right
d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, 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. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Yes b. No c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?
b. Several blocks away?
c. A block away?
d. Several yards away?
e. Other

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. Flicker, throb, or pulsate?	Yes	No	Don't Know

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, 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 anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't Know. IF you answered YES, than tell what it moved in front of: _____

_____

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

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

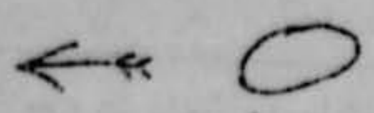
a. Eyeglasses	Yes	No	e. Binoculars	Yes	No
b. Sun glasses	Yes	No	f. Telescope	Yes	No
c. Windshield	Yes	No	g. Theodolite	Yes	No
d. Window glass	Yes	No	h. Other _____		

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

a. Sound NO SOUND OF ANY SORT

b. Color DULL RED - LIKE HEATED IRON

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.



NO VAPOR TRAILS

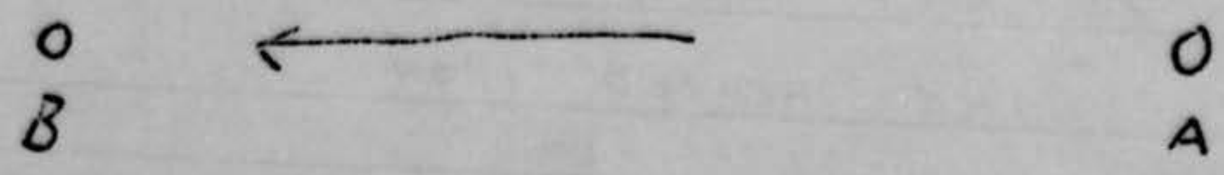
18. The edges of the object were:

(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? ONLY ONE.
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.



STRAIGHT PATH

21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.
_____feet. COULD NOT GUESS.

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects *held in the hand*, and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

a. Head of a pin
b. Pea
c. Dime
d. Nickel
e. Quarter
f. Half dollar
g. Silver dollar
h. Baseball
i. Grapefruit
j. Basketball
k. Other _____

22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain
c. Not very sure
d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? LOST ITSELF IN A HAZY RED FROM OUTDOOR NEON AND STREET LIGHTS

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? 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.

as it passed it appeared not round shaped, more elliptical. It appeared longer across then from top to bottom. It must have been some sort of metal because it glowed dull red. possibly from the speed it was going, yet there was no noise of motor.
Cannot think of anything I ever saw before like that.

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
e. At sea
f. Other ON ROOF TOP

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. Flying 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?

LAYING DOWN ON ROOF. HAPPENED TO NOTICE IT DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF MY LINE OF VISION.

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
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
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
(b. Northeast)
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

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

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
(e. South
f. Southwest)
g. West
h. Northwest

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North 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.