

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 28 January 65 28/1733Z	2. LOCATION Hampton, Virginia
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION BALLOON
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Probable balloon observation. No reports from a/c in the area. Motion and description in accord with Balloon analysis.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Large object larger on one end than the other. Too high to determine other features. Aluminum bright orange or red color. Shaped like a/c without wings. Initial observation object hovering at high altitude slightly NW of overhead <del>XX</del> <del>XXXXXX</del> position. Slowly drifted West and disappeared. Hovering consumed 2-3 minutes motion to West, then object returned to original position, hovered once more for 2-3 minutes and then drifted Westward again. Numerous jet a/c observed in area of object during sighting. Object appeared to be above a/c contrails.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE NW	
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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HEADQUARTERS  
4500TH AIR BASE WING  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, VIRGINIA 23365



REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: DO/2711

SUBJECT: Initial Report of Investigation of UFO

8 FEB 1966

TO: AFSC (FTD)  
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433

1. The following information is presented as directed by paragraph 4, AFR 200-2:

a. Description of the object:

- (1) Shape: Longer on one end than the other (aircraft without wings).
- (2) Size: Too high to determine.
- (3) Color: Aluminum - bright orange or red.
- (4) Number: One.
- (5) Formation: None.
- (6) Discernible features: None.
- (7) Tail: None.
- (8) Sound: None.

b. Description of course of object:

- (1) Mrs [REDACTED] (person interviewed) was hanging clothes, heard a low-flying jet, looked up and noticed this hovering object.
- (2) Object was first observed hovering at a very high altitude, slightly northwest of her overhead position.
- (3) Object maintained same approximate altitude, slowly drifted westward and disappeared.
- (4) Flight path consisted of drifting to west, returning to original position for a short time, then drifting westward again.
- (5) Object hovered 2 - 3 minutes, drifted to the west and disappeared for a few moments; returned to same approximate position for 2-3 minutes then drifted westward and disappeared.

(6) Mrs. [REDACTED] stated she observed the object for approximately 10 minutes.

c. Manner of observation:

- (1) Ground visual.
- (2) None.
- (3) Not applicable.

d. Time and date of incident:

- (1) 1734Z - 28 January 1965.
- (2) Light conditions: day.

e. Location of observer: [REDACTED] e, Hampton, Virginia.

f. Identifying information of observer:

(1) Mrs. [REDACTED], civilian, housewife, [REDACTED]  
Hampton, Virginia.

g. Weather and winds: Aloft conditions at time and place of sightings:

- (1) Observer's account of weather conditions: clear - windy.
- (2) Wind direction and velocity (Norfolk Weather Bureau) 1200L  
(1700Z):

Surface:	260/15-25
6000	260/35
10M	260/47
16M	250/79
20M	260/86
30M	260/118

50-80 M winds were too high for balloon reading.

- (3) Ceiling: clear.
- (4) Visibility: 10 miles.
- (5) Amount of cloud cover: None.
- (6) TRW: None.

(7) Vertical temperature gradient: Not taken except at 0600L, figures below:

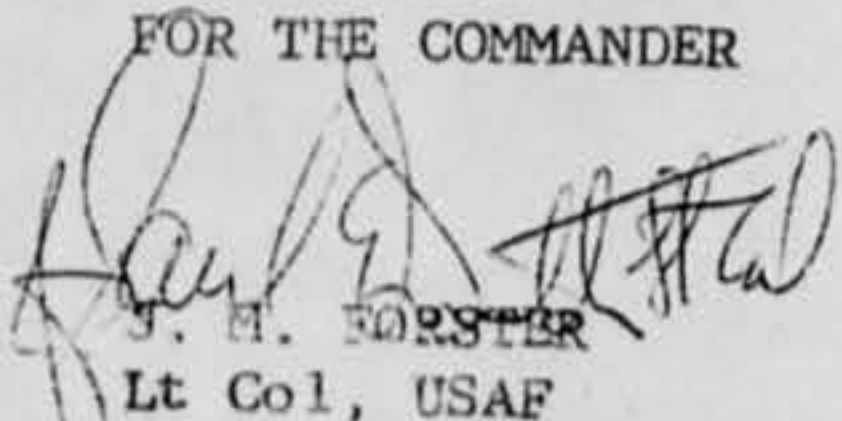
0600            28 January 1965  
Surface temperature: 4.4C  
300 meters (900') - 2.8C (This is a small inversion that would disappear before 1200L)  
1300 meters - 5.3C (An inversion at this altitude)  
4100 meters - 14.8C  
4300 meters - 18.5C  
Then normal rate to 8360 meters (25,000').

- h. No unusual meteorological activities or conditions were reported.
- i. There was no interception or immediate identification action taken because the object had disappeared prior to the reporting time.
- j. Norfolk Weather Bureau stated that a balloon had been launched from their facility at 1215E (19 minutes prior to the sighting). However their balloon drifted rapidly eastward and should not have reached the position of the sighting at any time.

k. This report was prepared by Captain Page G. Brake, USAF, 4500 Air Base Wing (DOO-H), Langley AFB, Virginia. The description of this UFO sighting was given by Mrs. [REDACTED] to Captain Brake via telephone conversation on 28 January 1965. No personal interview was accomplished as Mrs. [REDACTED] stated she was leaving town that evening for a few days. Several possible explanations can be offered; however, no single item can be pointed to, and a definite statement made that this was what was seen. Mrs. [REDACTED] stated repeatedly that numerous jet aircraft were observed in the immediate vicinity of the sighting. No aircraft reported any unusual events or sightings during the period. She also stated the object seemed to be higher than the contrails the aircraft were leaving. At certain high altitudes it is possible for an aircraft to leave an intermittent contrail which a ground observer could possibly identify as a hovering or slow-flying craft. Due to the large amount of jet traffic at the time of this sighting and due to the fact that no airborne craft reported this phenomena I feel this to be the most probable cause of the reported incident.

- (1) No physical evidence was reported to exist.
- (2) The observer stated she probably would not have reported this incident if there had not been so many UFO reports of late and that she wanted to do all she could to help.

FOR THE COMMANDER

  
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