

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

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| 1. DATE - TIME GROUP 12 December 65 13/0010Z | 2. LOCATION Lansing, Michigan (4 Witnesses) |
| 3. SOURCE Civilian | 10. CONCLUSION Possible (AIRCRAFT) |
| 4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One | |
| 5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 20 Minutes | 11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observers watched a whitish yellow fireball type object that flew in a unusual pattern. Object flew in a high arc and then zipped along the horizon. Object was watched for about 5 minutes then disappeared but later reappeared. Description is consistent with that of an aircraft observation. Observation after sunset but twilight still visible. |
| 6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual (BX) | |
| 7. COURSE W | |
| 8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | |
| 9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | |

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

Yes. It was going upward, then it suddenly disappeared. It reappeared in about 2 minutes.

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: _____

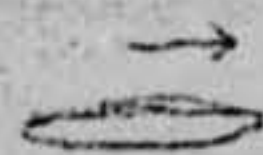
17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

- a. Sound There was no sound whatsoever.
b. Color The object was a yellowish-white color.

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?

The head of the match would have covered about $\frac{5}{6}$ 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.



WHEN SEEN THROUGH THE NAKED EYE,
THE OBJECT LOOKED LIKE THIS.



THE OBJECT LOOKED LIKE THIS
WHEN SEEN THROUGH HIGH-POWERED
BINOCULARS.

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? _____

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. Northwest

24.2 How fast were you moving? _____ 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?

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

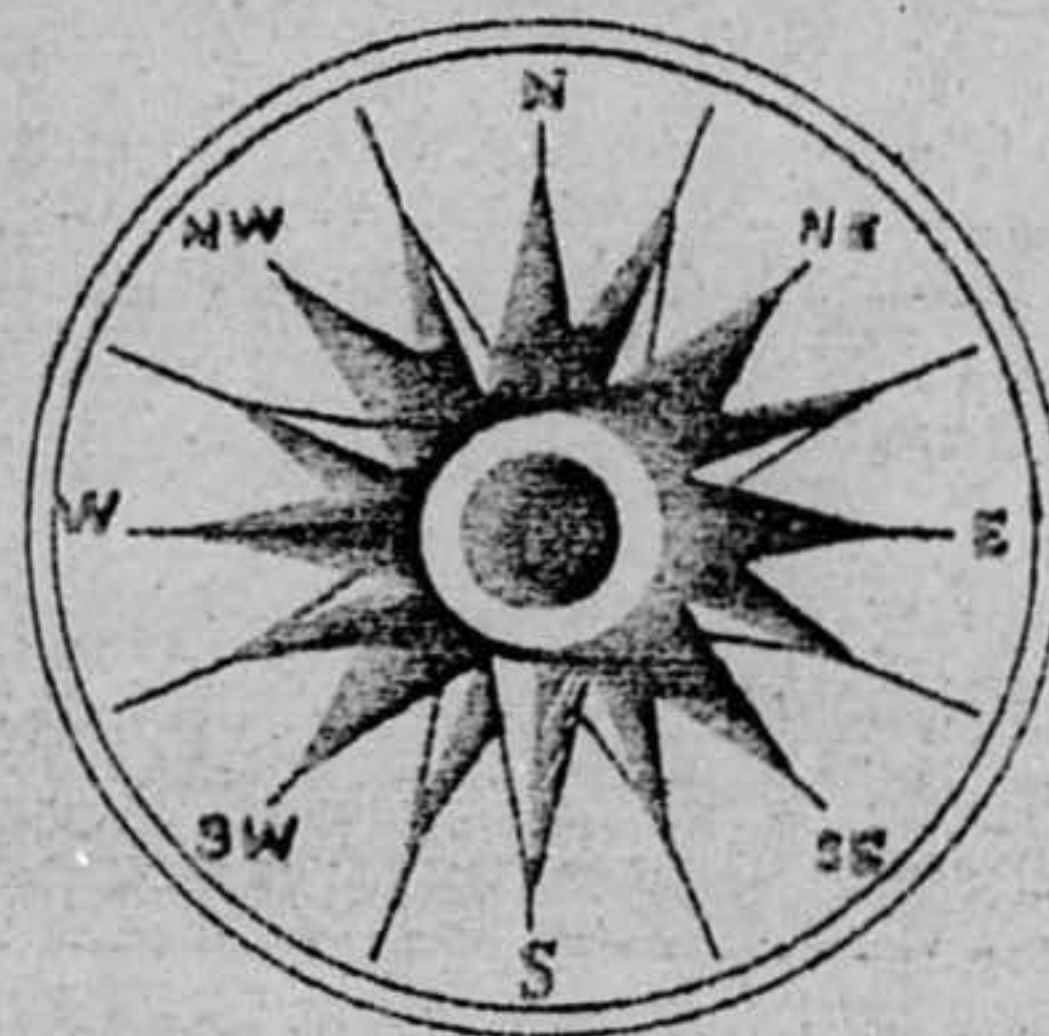
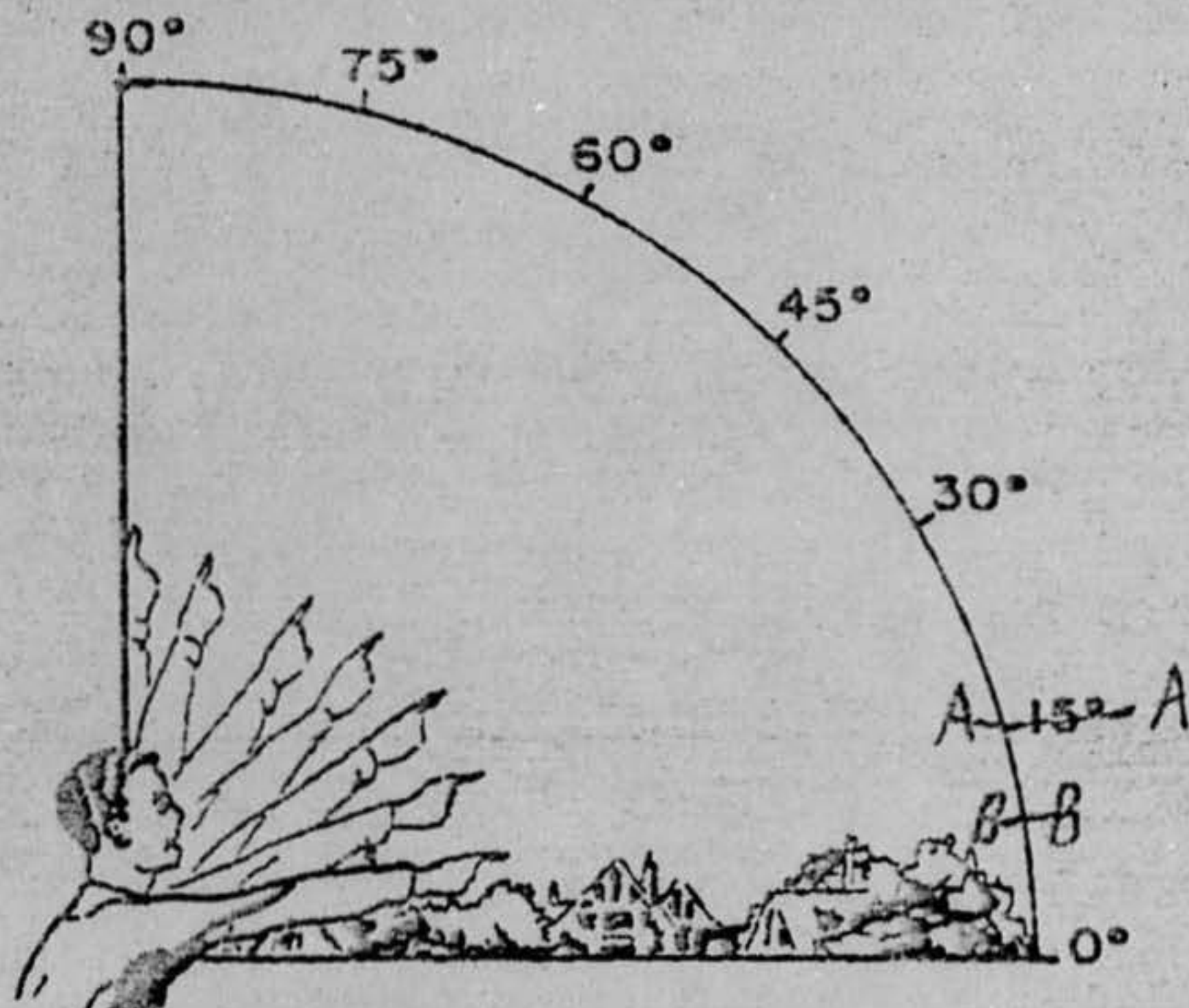
No

h. Other _____

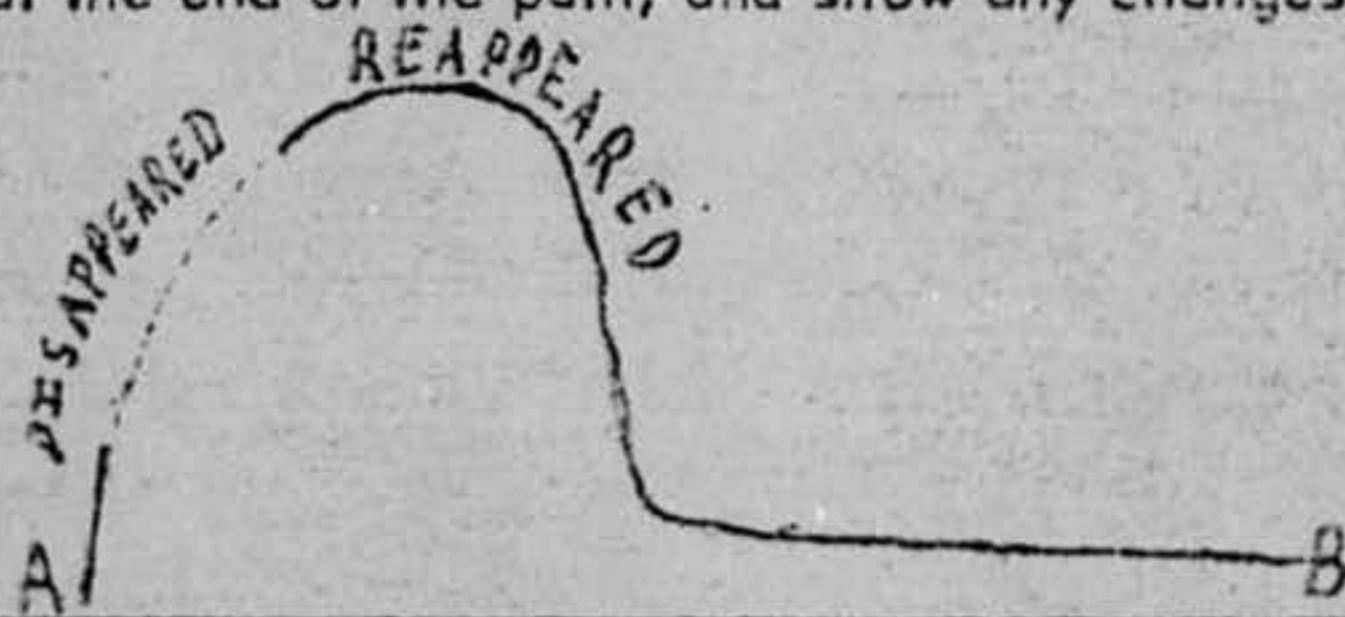
26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

A YELLOWISH-WHITE CIGAR WOULD GIVE THE SAME APPEARANCE.

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:

[Redacted] - LANSING MICH.
[Redacted] - LANSING MICH.

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [Redacted] LANSING 10 MICH.
Street City Zone State
AVE.

TELEPHONE NUMBER [Redacted] AGE 12 SEX MALE

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

I have gotten replies to letters from the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena, The American Meteor Society, and the United States Air Force. I also keep scrapbooks filled with newspaper clippings on UFO's.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object? I reported the object to:
7 APRIL 1966 PROJECT BLUE BOOK INFORMATION OFFICE
Day Month Year SAFOI
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20330

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

27

Day

JUNE

Month

1966

Year

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

I watched the object for about 20 minutes.

FTD (TDEW)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
24 June 1966

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Avenue
Lansing, Michigan 48910

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Reference your unidentified observation which you described in your letter of 7 Apr 66. The information was insufficient for evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and return them in the envelope provided.

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

Sincerely,

W. F. Manley for

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

LANSING MICH
MAY 1966

FTD (TDEW)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
24 June 1966

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] me
Lansing, Michigan 48910

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Sincerely,

HQM

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

164
April 7, 1966

Project Blue Book Information Office
SAFOI
Washington, D.C. 20330

Dear Sirs,

Some weeks ago I saw what I thought was an unidentified flying object. I first saw it while I was walking by my friend's house. After watching the object for about five minutes, I knocked on the door of my friend's house. As I was doing this the object disappeared suddenly, even though the sky was very clear. When my friend came out he didn't believe me, but all of a sudden it reappeared at a slightly different position. I asked my friend to get his 80 power telescope out. While he was doing this my family and another one of my friends saw the object. I looked at it through high powered binoculars, and it looked like a whiteish yellow fireball. I would have thought it was a fireball except that it flew in a pattern that a fireball is incapable of flying. That is it flew in a high arc and then zipped along the horizon. As it went along the horizon my friend brought his telescope out, but by the time we got in focus it could hardly be seen. I would like you to tell me what you think it was, and I would gladly accept any information that you can give me.

Yours Truly

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Lansing, Michigan
48910

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None (twilight)
- 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)

- | | | | |
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| a. Appear to stand still at any time? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| d. Give off smoke? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| e. Change brightness? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| g. Flash or flicker? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| h. Disappear and reappear? | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No | Don't know |

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how? *After watching it for about 5 minutes it disappeared for about 2-3 minutes, then it reappeared.*

(see # 28.)

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

No sound.

b. Color

Yellowish-white.

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 $\frac{5}{6}$ of the object would have been covered.

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.



SEEN WITH
NAKED EYE.



THROUGH HIGH-
POWERED BINOCULARS

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? _____

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(Circle One) Yes No

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22. Where were you located when you saw the object?

(Circle One):

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- b. In a car
- c. Outdoors
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- e. At sea
- f. Other _____

23. Were you (Circle One)

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

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|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
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24.2 How fast were you moving? _____ 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?

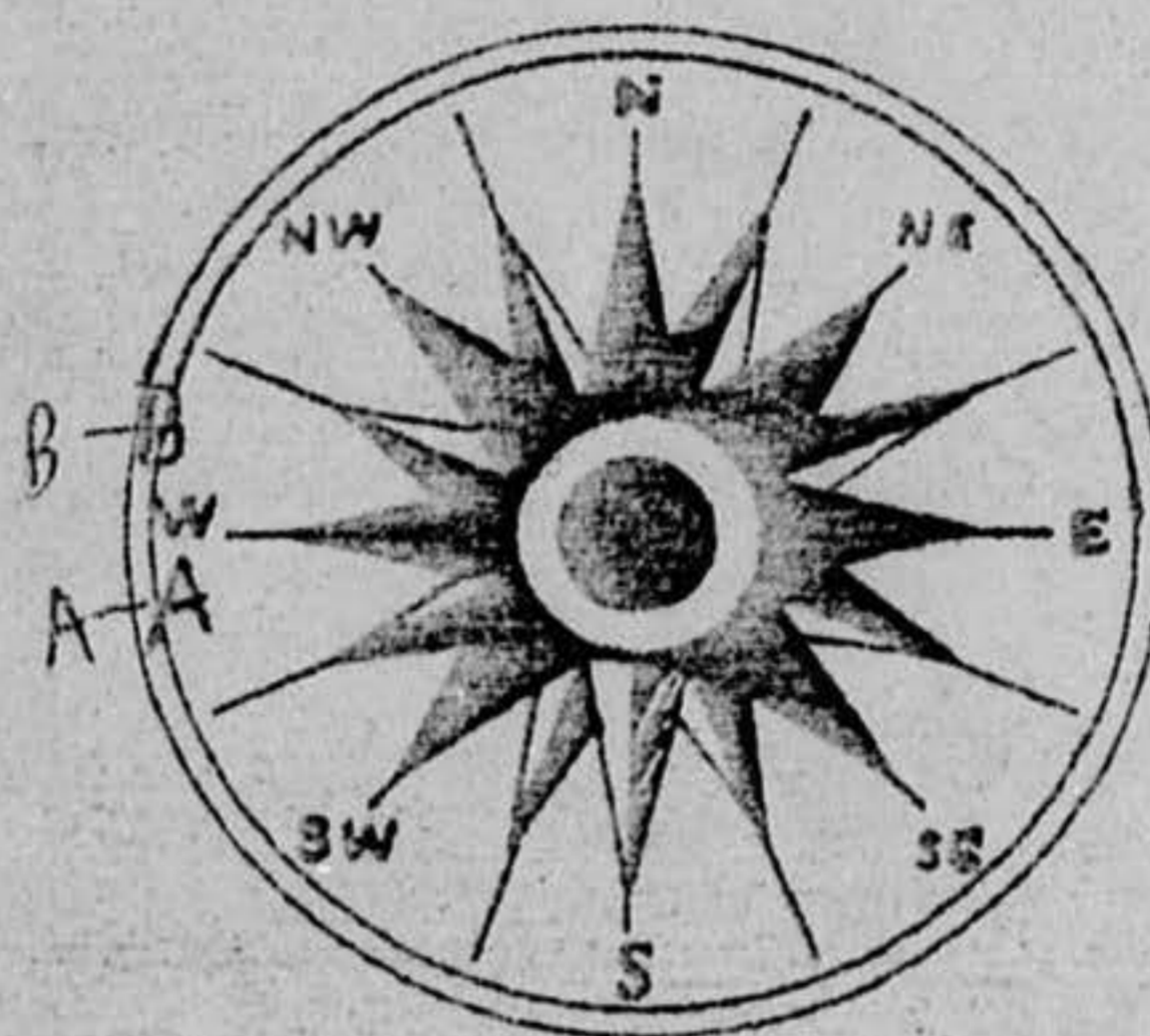
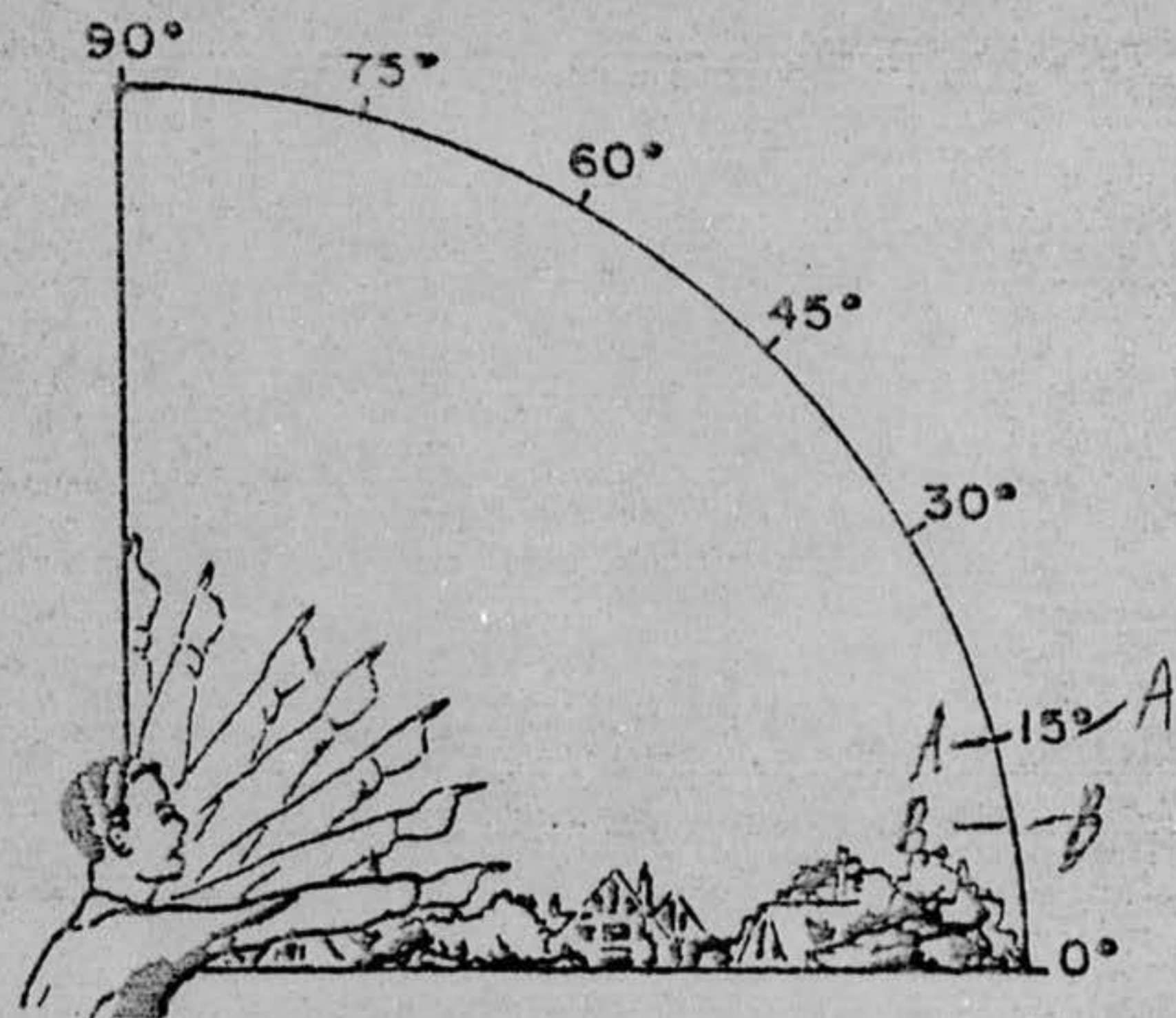
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|-----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes <input type="radio"/> | No <input checked="" type="radio"/> | e. Binoculars | Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> | No <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes <input type="radio"/> | No <input checked="" type="radio"/> | f. Telescope | Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> | No <input type="radio"/> |
| c. Windshield | Yes <input type="radio"/> | No <input checked="" type="radio"/> | g. Theodolite | Yes <input type="radio"/> | No <input checked="" type="radio"/> |
| d. Window glass | Yes <input type="radio"/> | No <input checked="" type="radio"/> | 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.

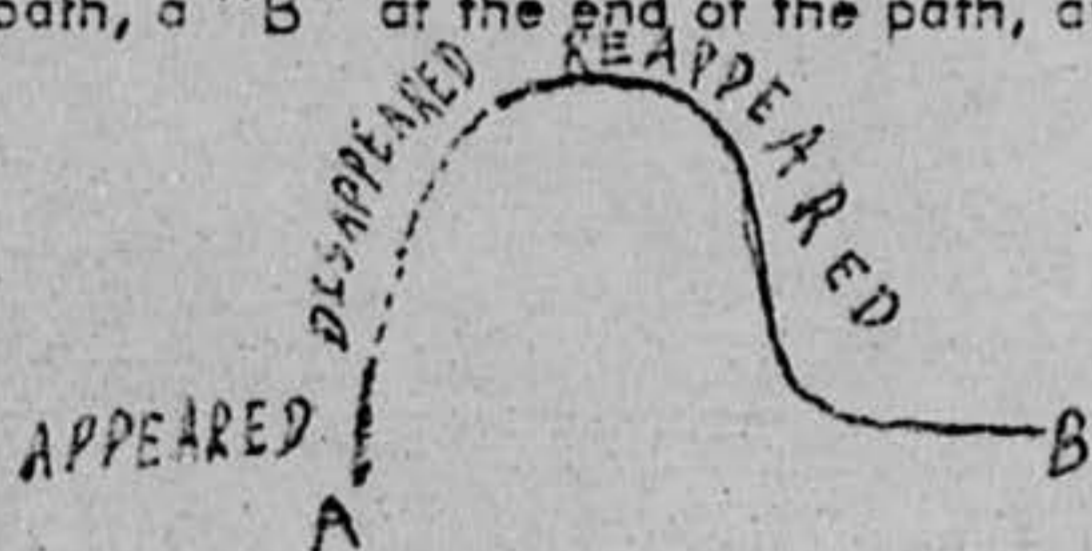
To the naked eye it looked like
a bright yellowish-white cigar

Through binoculars it
looked like a fireball.

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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:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ave.
Lansing, Michigan

[REDACTED]
Lansing, Michigan

[REDACTED] ave.
Lansing, Michigan

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

[REDACTED]
Last Name

[REDACTED]
First Name

[REDACTED]
Middle Name

ADDRESS

[REDACTED] Lansing
Street

10 Mich.
City

Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

[REDACTED]

AGE

12

SEX

Male

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

I have a number of scrapbooks and folders on U.F.O. information. I have also written letters and gotten replies from the National Investigations Committee on aerial Phenomena, the American Meteor Society, and the U.S. Air Force.

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

7
Day

Apr.
Month

1966
Year

I reported it to,
Project Blue Book Information Office
SAFO I
Washington, D.C. 20330.

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

10 July 1966
Day Month Year

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

By the time we had an 80 power telescope focused on it, it was so far away that we could not make out any more details of the object than when we first saw it with the naked eye. The object finally got so far away that we couldn't see it.

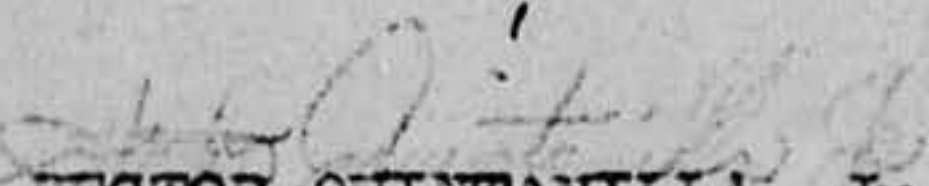
FTD (TDEW)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
30 June 1966

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Lansing, Michigan 48910

Dear [REDACTED]

Reference your unidentified observation which you reported on an FTD Form 164 on 27 June 1966. Unfortunately the first two pages of the form were missing. Therefore, we would appreciate your re-completing the attached FTD Form 164 and return it in the envelope provided. Your patience in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,


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