

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 16 September 66 17/0545Z	2. LOCATION Indianapolis, Indiana ↙ (1 Witness)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astro (CAPELLA) <i>prob. despite witnesses statement of closeness</i> <i>JH</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	CAPELLA was on an azimuth of 50 degrees and at an elevation of 27 degrees at the time of the sighting.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 15 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer noted object that was gold in color. There was no smoke or any kind of a vapor trail noted. Object looked like the sun reflecting off of a mirror. Object came in sight, paused as if it was looking for something on the earth. The object did not disappear while the observer was watching it. With the available information Capella seems a likely answer. The observer did report some movement of the alleged UFO: however, this is commonly reported with astronomical observation.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE NE	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

FORM

FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDF) Previous editions of this form may be used

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

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. 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.

<p>1. When did you see the object?</p> <p align="center"> <u>16</u> <u>Sept.</u> <u>1966</u> <small>Day Month Year</small> </p>	<p>2. Time of day: <u>11</u> <u>45</u> <small>Hour Minutes</small></p> <p>(Circle One): A.M. or <u>P.M.</u></p>		
<p>3. Time Zone:</p> <p>(Circle One): a. Eastern <u>b. Central</u> c. Mountain d. Pacific e. Other _____</p> <p>(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving <u>b. Standard</u></p>			
<p>4. Where were you when you saw the object?</p> <p> <u>Indianapolis</u> <u>Indiana</u> <small>Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or County</small> </p>			
<p>5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) _____ <small>Hours Minutes Seconds</small></p> <p align="center"> <u>a. Certain</u> c. Not very sure b. Fairly certain d. Just a guess </p> <p>5.1 How was time in sight determined? <u>Looking straight</u></p> <p>5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes <u>X</u> No _____</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%;"> <p>DAY</p> <p>a. Bright</p> <p>b. Cloudy</p> </td> <td style="text-align: center; width: 50%;"> <p>NIGHT</p> <p><u>a. Bright</u></p> <p>b. Cloudy</p> </td> </tr> </table>		<p>DAY</p> <p>a. Bright</p> <p>b. Cloudy</p>	<p>NIGHT</p> <p><u>a. Bright</u></p> <p>b. Cloudy</p>
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<p>7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?</p> <p>(Circle One): a. In front of you d. To your left b. In back of you e. Overhead c. To your right f. Don't remember</p>			

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:

Same reflectivity as mirror

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? | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No | Don't know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | 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? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |

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

No

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 Gold (Bright)

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?

Very insignificant

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.



perfect circle.

No smoke or vapor trails

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? 5 miles per hour

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? 1700 ft.

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

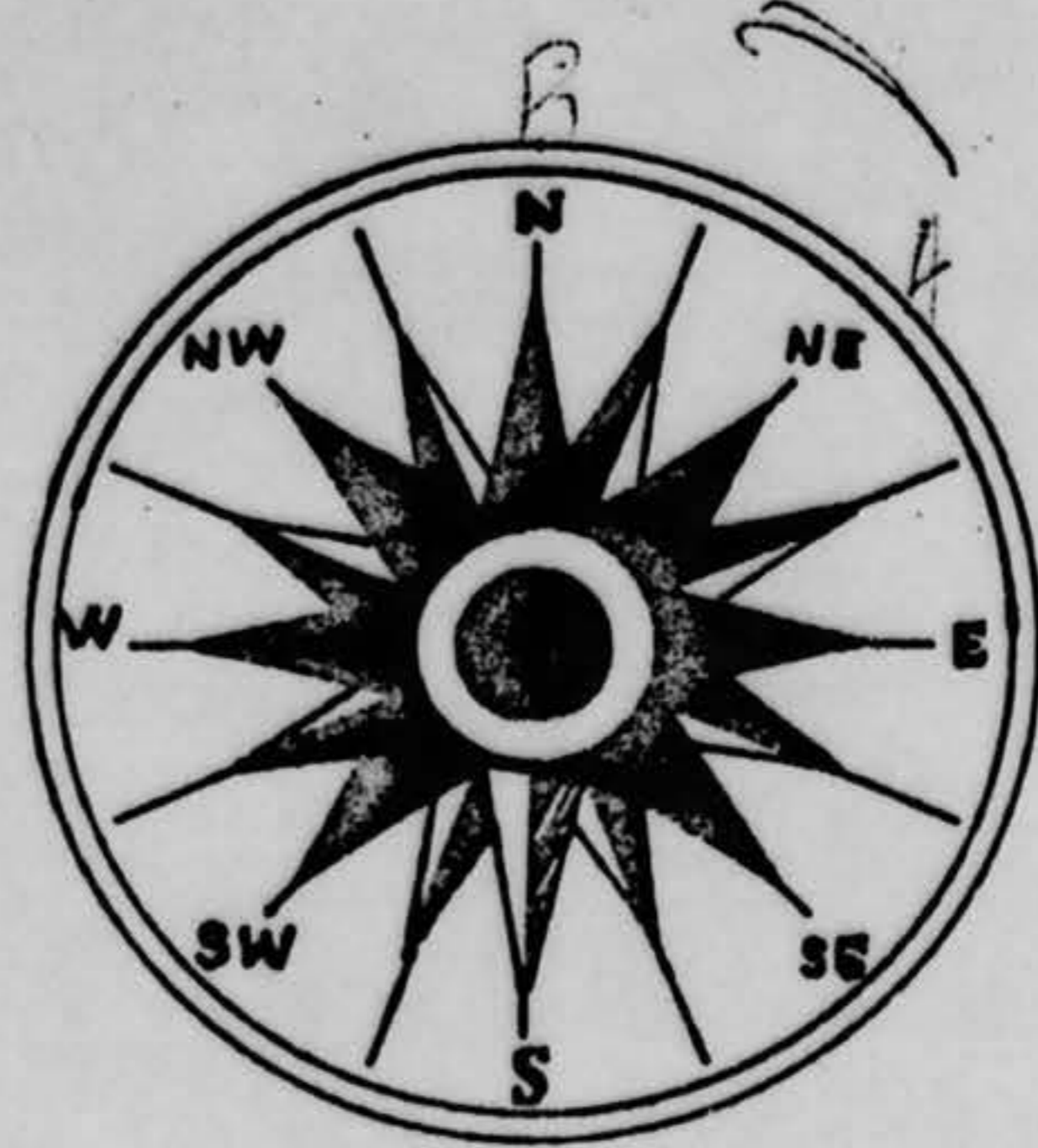
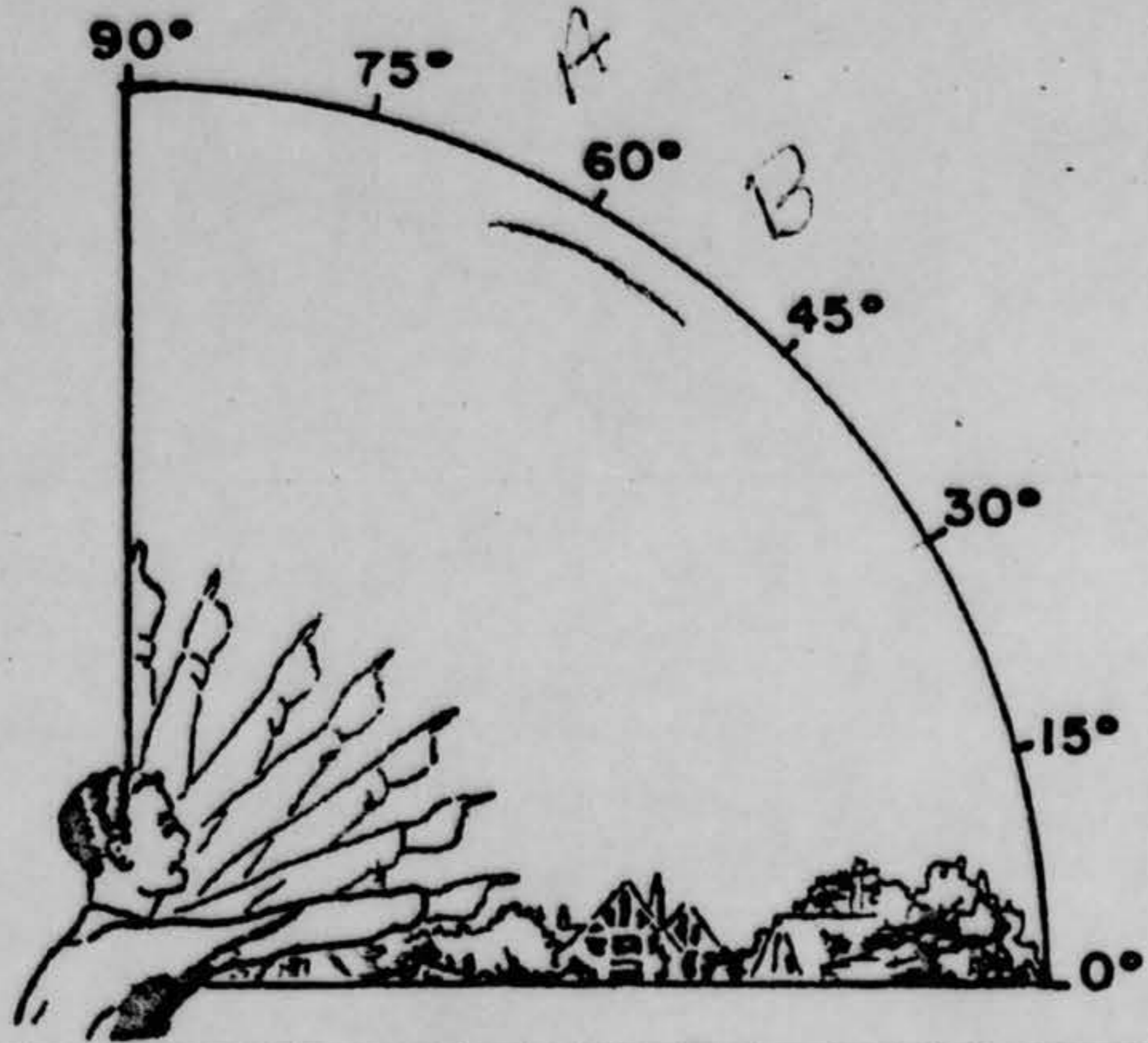
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following? NO

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|----|----------------|-----|----|
| 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.

Big gold ball.

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.

3 or 4 yrs. ago in the fall of the year.

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 [REDACTED] Michael Dale
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [REDACTED] Indianapolis, Ind.
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER None AGE 19 SEX Male

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

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

Sept 24 1966
Day Month Year

Told brother after seeing. Called AFB on date shown.

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

Oct. 4 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.

~~Adaptation~~

Came in sight, paused, as if looking for something or at something on earth

17 Sept 66

FTD (TDETR) *hl*
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
30 September 1966

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Indianapolis, Indiana 46219

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Reference your unidentified observation of 17 September 1966. The information which we have received is 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,

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

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