

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 3 Dec 67 04/0300Z-	2. LOCATION Lemoore, California (2 Witnesses)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Probable Satellite (ECHO I)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 - 15 Minutes	
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS <p>The observers sighted a bright white light that traveled from the SW to the NE.</p> <p>COMMENTS: At 0253Z, Echo 1 was ^{traveling} toward the NE at 132 deg long and 35 deg lat. The approximate position of the observers is 120 deg long and 36 deg lat. Echo 1 was visible at the approximate time traveling in the correct direction.</p>
7. COURSE See Case	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

Looked like a star.

Size of a pea.

White light.

One.

N.A.

Bright light.

None.

None.

None.

2. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT (A):

Movement of bright light.

Approximately 85° elevation, due West (270°)

Approximately 40° EL.

West to Northeast (appeared to deviate in course); speed not constant (appeared to start and stop).

Object stopped and remained stationary.

Approximately five (5) minutes.

Ground-Visual.

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L. B. Cornell
L. B. CORNELL

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DESCRIPTIVE DATA DESIRED ON UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS

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b. SIZE COMPARED TO A KNOWN OBJECT (USE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING TERMS: HEAD OF A PIN, PEA, DIME, NICKEL, QUARTER, HALF DOLLAR, SILVER DOLLAR, BASEBALL, GRAFTERSUIT, OR BASKETBALL) HELD IN THE HAND AT ABOUT ARMS LENGTH. Size of a pea.

c. COLOR White light.

d. NUMBER (HOW MANY?) One.

e. FORMATION; IF MORE THAN ONE N.A.

f. ANY DISCERNIBLE FEATURES OR DETAILS Bright light.

g. TAIL, TRAIL, OR EXHAUST, INCLUDING SIZE OF SAME COMPARED TO SIZE OF OBJECTS None.

h. SOUND. IF HEARD, DESCRIBE SOUND. None.

i. OTHER PERTINENT OR UNUSUAL FEATURES. None.

2. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT(S):

a. WHAT FIRST CALLED THE ATTENTION OF OBSERVER(S) TO THE OBJECT(S)? Movement of bright light.

b. ANGLE OF ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF THE OBJECT(S) WHEN FIRST OBSERVED. Approximately 85° elevation, due West (270°)

c. ANGLE OF ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF OBJECT(S) UPON DISAPPEARANCE. Approximately 40° El.

d. DESCRIPTION OF FLIGHT PATH AND MANEUVERS OF OBJECT(S) West to Northeast (appeared to deviate in course); speed not constant (appeared to start and stop).

e. MANNER OF DISAPPEARANCE OF OBJECT(S) Object stopped and remained stationary.

f. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT Approximately five (5) minutes.

MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

USE ONE OR ANY COMBINATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS: GROUND-VISUAL, AIR-ELECTRONIC, AIR-ELECTRONIC. (IF ELECTRONIC, SPECIFY TYPE OF RADAR)
Ground-Visual

b. STATEMENT AS TO OPTICAL AIDS (TELESCOPES, BINOCULARS, AND SO FORTH) USED AND DESCRIPTION THEREOF. None.

c. IF THE SIGHTING IS MADE WHILE AIRBORNE, GIVE TYPE AIRCRAFT, IDENTIFICATION NUMBER, ALTITUDE, HEADING, SPEED, AND HOME STATION.

N.A.

4. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

3 Dec 1900 local
4 Dec. 0300Z

a. ZULU DATE-TIME GROUP OF SIGHTING. 040300Z December 1967.

b. LIGHT CONDITIONS (USE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING TERMS: NIGHT, DAY, DAWN, DUSK). Night

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5. LOCATIONS OF OBSERVER(S). EXACT LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE OF EACH OBSERVER, OR GROUND POSITION, OR POSITION WITH REFERENCE TO A KNOWN LANDMARK.

[REDACTED], Lemoore, California

6. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OF ALL OBSERVER(S):

120° long
36° lat.

a. CIVILIAN - NAME, AGE, MAILING ADDRESS, OCCUPATION [REDACTED] 37, Self-employed (owns harvester and truck business), [REDACTED] s., Lemoore, Calif.; [REDACTED] 62, Farm laborer, [REDACTED] s., Lemoore, Calif.

b. MILITARY - NAME, GRADE, ORGANIZATION, DUTY, AND ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY. N.A.

7. WEATHER AND WINDS-ALOFT CONDITIONS AT TIME AND PLACE OF SIGHTINGS:

a. OBSERVER(S) ACCOUNT OF WEATHER CONDITIONS Clear

b. REPORT FROM NEAREST AWS OR U. S. WEATHER BUREAU OFFICE OF WIND DIRECTION AND VELOCITY IN DEGREES AND KNOTS AT SURFACE, 6,000, 10,000, 16,000, 20,000, 30,000, 50,000, AND 80,000, IF AVAILABLE. 6000 - 210/15; 10,000 - 230/25; 16,000 - 250/30; 20,000 - 250/40; 30,000 - 270/35; 50,000 - 240/60; 80,000 - 240/60

c. CEILING. No ceiling; scattered clouds - mid and high.

d. VISIBILITY. 15+ miles.

e. AMOUNT OF CLOUD COVER Five tenths.

f. THUNDERSTORMS: IN AREA AND QUADRANT IN WHICH LOCATED None

8. ANY OTHER UNUSUAL ACTIVITY OR CONDITION, METEOROLOGICAL, ASTRONOMICAL, OR OTHERWISE, WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR THE SIGHTING. Observer reported no unusual activity or conditions.

9. INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ATTEMPTS (SUCH ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AT THE DISCRETION OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER)

Vandenberg AFB called on Autovon - They reported no UFO's on radar and nothing out of the ordinary.

10. LOCATION OF AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER AT TIME OF SIGHTING. FAA at NAS Lemoore reported no air traffic around Lemoore at 1900.

No IFR

11. POSITION TITLE AND COMMANDS OF THE PREPARING OFFICER, INCLUDING HIS PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF THE POSSIBLE CAUSE OF THE SIGHTING. LT

R. L. COULSON, Operations Duty Officer. UFO believed to be an optical illusion caused by fixation of the eye on one point of light; this fixation gives the appearance that the point of light is moving when in actuality it is not. Another possibility is the object was a weather balloon.

12. EXISTENCE OF PHYSICAL EVIDENCE, SUCH AS MATERIALS AND PHOTOGRAPHS.

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- d. DESCRIPTION OF FLIGHT PATH AND MANEUVERS OF OBJECT(S) Southwest to northeast course (with deviation). Object took approximately 15 minutes to travel from 40° elevation southwest to 40° elevation northeast.
- e. MANNER OF DISAPPEARANCE OF OBJECT(S) Observer stopped looking when object was 40° elevation northeast.
- f. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT Approximately 15 minutes.

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Three and one-half (3½) miles south of Lemoore, California.

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