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UFO SIGHTING REPORTS.

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Section 40

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Block Capitals)

Grade/Rank: C1 Date: 21/7/10

Branch Title and Full Address:

Business Secretariat  
HQ Air Comd  
RAF High Wycombe  
Buckinghamshire  
HA4 4UE

Tel No: \_\_\_\_\_

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From: **Section 40**  
Directorate of Air Staff – Freedom of Information 1



**MINISTRY OF DEFENCE**  
5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Zone H, Main Building, Whitehall, London SW1A 2HB

Telephone (Direct dial) 020 7218 2140  
(Switchboard) 020 7218 9000  
(Fax) **Section 40**

**Section 40**

Crewe  
Cheshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
2 March 2006

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 28 February 2006, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

First, it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of ‘unidentified flying objects’ it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom’s airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised air activity.

Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external source, and to date no ‘UFO’ report has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so.

The MOD does not have any expertise or role in respect of ‘UFO/flying saucer’ matters to the question of the existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial life forms, about which it remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 28 February 2006 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	28 February 2006 22.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Very bright lights were seen for over half an hour.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Just said over Crewe.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	They were hovering quite slowly from side to side.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Crewe Police gave the Das answerphone number to <b>Section 40</b> who then left a message.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<b>Section 40</b> [REDACTED] Crewe Cheshire <b>Section 40</b> [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<b>Section 40</b> said that the lights were too bright to be from an aeroplane or a helicopter. That they were an odd shape too. Said that she had had a sighting in Crewe before, and that other people had witnessed it too. She went to the Police Station this time, and they gave her the Das answerphone number. Also, the Daily Mail and the Crewe Chronicle did an article on the sighting she and others had seen a few weeks before.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	1 March 2006 11.30L



From: **Section 40**  
Directorate of Air Staff – Freedom of Information 1



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(Switchboard) 020 7218 9000  
(Fax) **Section 40**

**Section 40**  
[Redacted]

Ramsgate  
Kent

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
27 February 2006

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 16 February 2006, the details of which you passed to the Public Minister’s office. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

First, it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of ‘unidentified flying objects’ it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom’s airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised air activity.

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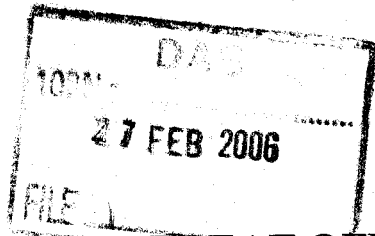
With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 16 February 2006 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**  
[Redacted]

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Low flying E-MAIL

**TREAT OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE**

To DAS (Sec)  
cc.

TO Ref No 1644 /2006

Date 24.2.06

The Prime Minister/SofS/Min(AF)/Min(DP)/USofS/MOD\* has received the attached correspondence from a member of the public, which this office has neither retained nor acknowledged. Please send a reply on behalf of the PM/Minister/Department\*.

Ministers attach great importance to correspondence being answered promptly, and your reply should be sent **within 15 working days of the above date**. If, exceptionally, this should prove impossible, an interim reply should be sent within the same timescale. You should be aware that No 10 periodically calls for a sample of letters sent by officials on the PM's behalf for his perusal.

Most correspondence involves some form of request for information – even if it is only a request for clarification of Government policy – and is therefore covered by the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) from January 2005. In general, if you meet the deadline for responding to correspondence, and comply with any requests for information, there is no need to do anything differently as this will meet the requirements of the Act. However, if the correspondence requests information which is not already in the public domain, and which might need to be withheld, then you should treat it as a FOIA request, track it using the Access to Information toolkit, and comply with the separate FOI guidance from DG Info (see <http://aitportal/default.aspx> for details). However, the deadline for responding to correspondence will still apply. If you are in any doubt as to whether a piece of correspondence should be treated as an FOIA request, you should ask your FOI Focal Point or refer to the guidance produced by DG Info.

It is vital that branches ensure they have simple systems to record and track correspondence received from members of the public. This information should be regularly monitored and reviewed against the targets for answering correspondence published in the Spending Review 2000 Service Delivery Agreement for the Ministry of Defence.

**As part of our monitoring procedure, random spot checks on the accuracy of your branch records on correspondence will be performed throughout the year.**

**Ministerial Correspondence Unit**

Floor 5, Zone A, Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB

**Section 40**

**Section 40**

DII: Ministerial Correspondence; e: Ministerial-Correspondence@mod.uk.

Detailed guidance on handling TO Correspondence can be found on the Defence Intranet at [http://main.defence.mod.uk/min\\_parl/ParlBrch/TOGuid.htm](http://main.defence.mod.uk/min_parl/ParlBrch/TOGuid.htm)  
If you do not have access to the Intranet, please inform the Ministerial Correspondence Unit.

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\* Delete as appropriate.



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Section 40

**From:** Section 40 [redacted]@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** 22 February 2006 22:24  
**To:** public@ministers.mod.uk  
**Subject:** See attachment - Shooting Star Document - what is it ?



Shooting Stars.doc  
(43 KB)

I have been asked to resend the attached document to you from a different email address.

My wife and I saw what appeared to be either a UFO, Shooting Star or something ... whilst out for a walk with our two dogs. Date & time are within the attached document which has been saved in Microsoft Word 2003.

**From:**

Section 40 [redacted]

Ramsgate  
Kent

Section 40 [redacted]

Telephone: Section 40 [redacted]

Mobile Phone: Section 40 [redacted]

## BREAKING NEWS: UFO / SHOOTING STAR SIGHTING

VISCINITY: **Section 40** RAMSGATE, KENT **Section 40**

THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2006.

TIME: 21.25hrs (Thursday 16th February 2006)

POSITION OF SIGHTING: **Section 40** Ramsgate, Kent. **Section 40** England.

My wife and I were out a little while ago walking our dogs in an Ant-Clockwise direction around the village of **Section 40** Ramsgate, Kent. **Section 40**

To our amazement, we saw a SHOOTING STAR / UFO travelling extremely fast from a North Easterly direction and heading in a South Westerly direction approximately 30' from the Horizontal and 30' from the Vertical (angles). It was bright Blue/White in colour and travelled across the Island of Thanet from what appeared to be the Birchington area and headed out towards Deal/Dover.

It was far too fast to be an aeroplane - even a military jet etc. It made no noise whatsoever. The sky was totally clear, no fog or damp. We could see numerous BRIGHT STARS around us and especially overhead. We did see the red flashing light of an aeroplane - this appeared to be a piston engined light aircraft by the manner that it flew. This was a few moments after we had witnessed either a UFO or a Shooting Star. It was at a much higher angle above us - approximately 90' from the horizontal.

Where we were, walking down **Section 40** at 21.25hrs when we saw it. My wife said, "Was that a 'Shooting Star'?" I said yes it must have been. I couldn't get the words out quickly enough. It was very exciting to see such a miraculous event.

I studied **Section 40** with the Open University, and there was a painting by William Dyce depicting Art & Nature in Victorian Culture & Society of Pegwell Bay. In the foreground was Charles Darwin and his wife together with her sister picking up Fossils from Pegwell Bay. Directly above them in the sky was a picture of Haley's Comet in what appeared to be a similar position in the sky except a few degrees higher. The comet was travelling in what appeared to be the very same direction. I wrote to Patrick Moore about this particular comet and he said that the Victorians would not have seen Haley's Comet in that part of the Sky. However, the other year when Haley's Comet came around again it did appear in our night Sky above Thanet only this time travelling in a North Westerly direction.

I have also seen similar occurrences to these fast flying lights or shooting stars in the sky, witnessed once by an ex-girlfriend in 1969. This too was travelling in a South to South Westerly direction. Again a few years later another occurrence similar to this I saw and was witnessed by a school teacher friend of mine when my wife and I lived in Minster, Thanet in 1977. On that occasion my friend and I saw three very bright lights in the sky.

They seemed to hover above us before suddenly, and without any warning shoot off in a South to South Westerly direction and disappearing from view so fast that we assumed they must have been visitors from outer space. I wrote to Patrick Moorte who just RUBBISHED ME over what we saw and said that it must have been an aeroplane. However, several other sightings were made at that time which appeared on the news.

Returning to the Shooting Star that we saw tonight, it could not have been a Meteorite or anything falling from the sky and entering our atmosphere as it was BLUE WHITE AND VERY CLEAR AND BRIGHT. Meteorites might appear to fly very fast, but they are red in colour and leave a trail of sparks as they enter the earths atmosphere as well as when they come down through the atmosphere.

It definately was not anything from this world, it was too fast, made no noise, and if it was travelling less than several thousands of miles an hour it would have been a miracle.

It wasn't a firework either. We've seen plenty of those in our life time. It definately was not a flare they travel much slower than this particular star. It was brilliantly lit up as a BLUE WHITE LIGHT.

On each of these three occasions the very bright BLUE WHITE LIGHTS were travelling in the same direction and on each occasion they were as fast as the one my wife and I witnessed tonight.

Hopefully, you will pass this onto the right people and we can have a reply to that effect. It would be nice to know if anyone else saw it in the sky at the same time as us, and just how far away they were from us.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

Ramsgate  
Kent

Section 40

Telephone: Section 40

Mobile Phone: Section 40

Email 1: Section 40@hotmail.com

Email 2: Section 40@btinternet.com

Email 3: Section 40

Stated he does  
not want  
a reply. X



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	21 February 2006 19.45L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A blue ball of light, with a tail at the end was seen.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outside.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far in the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Was moving quite fast across the sky.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Section 40 said the sky was very clear.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	The sighting was reported to RAF Lucas, who then in turn left a message on Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<p>Section 40 [REDACTED]</p> <p>Scotland</p> <p>Section 40 [REDACTED]</p> <p>(no<sup>x</sup> full address - either).</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	None.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] said the sighting was very strange and certainly was not a normal aircraft.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	22 February 2006 10.30L

Report came  
in with an  
FOI Request.



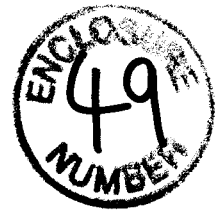
**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	15 February 2006 20.40L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Two bright lights, which were then joined by a third bright light which flew along side them.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors in her car driving to Mitcham in Surrey.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Section 40 was driving through Tooting.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	They were flying across the sky and then stopped and hovered, and then they all shot off in different directions.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Section 40 sent the sighting to us, but then asked if any other sightings had been reported to the MOD from the same area. I have drafted an FOI letter back to Section 40
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Mitcam Surrey Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that at first, she thought they were aeroplanes, but the minute they started to hover, she realised that they weren't.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	21 February 2006



From: **Section 40**  
Directorate of Air Staff – Freedom of Information 1



**MINISTRY OF DEFENCE**  
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(Fax) **Section 40**

**Section 40**

Marlborough  
Wilts

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
17 February 2006

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 10 February 2006, the details of which you passed to RAF Lyneham. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

First, it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of ‘unidentified flying objects’ it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom’s airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised air activity.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 10 February 2006 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

Unit Ref: LTN/08/06

UFO

# MILITARY AIRCRAFT ACTIVITY PUBLIC COMPLAINT FORM

■ To be completed in CAPITALS  
■ Forward the completed form to the authorities listed at Section 1 within 5 days.

## SECTION 1: ACTION AUTHORITIES

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Comd Sec HQ Land	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	RAF HQ PTC
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MOD Sec(AS)2b	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	D/C+L (F+S) Claims 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MOD Sec(NS)b	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	RAF HQ STC	Specify .....		

### FOR MOD USE ONLY.

OS Grid Ref:  Serial No: 052179 File Ref:

LFA: IA Previous Complaint No. of Complaints to date:

NS:  Serial No:  File Ref:

## SECTION 2: DETAILS OF COMPLAINT

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr/Other: Section 40

Surname: Section 40

Forename(s):

Address: Section 40  
MALBOROUGH

Town/City:

County: WILTS

Postcode: Section 40

Telephone No.

## SECTION 4: DETAILS OF INCIDENT

Date: 10 FEB 06

Time: 1920z

How many aircraft involved:

Type of aircraft  
 Jet  Prop  Helo  Light a/c

Other (Specify)  
UFO

Markings  
 Grey  Camouflaged  Red/White  Black/Yellow

Other (Specify)

Height  
 Low  Medium  High

Estimation in Feet: LOW

Direction: HOUVRING

Inside MATZ?  
 Yes  No

If Yes which MATZ?

## SECTION 3: LOCATION OF INCIDENT

Address at Section 2,  
or:

Address:

Town/City:

County:

Postcode:

NOW TURN OVER

**SECTION 5: PARTICULARS OF COMPLAINT (Continue on a separate sheet if necessary).**

Section 40 WOULD LIKE TO REPORT A UFO HOVERING THE  
 FOREST, SOUTH-EAST MALBOROUGH. THERE IS NO SOUND  
 AND IT HAS NOT MOVED FOR OVER 30 MINUTES. THE  
 LIGHT IS A FLASHING BALL CHANGING COLOUR FROM RED,  
 ORANGE GREEN AND BLUE. Section 40 SISTER LIVES  
 THE OTHER SIDE OF THE VILLAGE AND CAN ALSO SEE  
 IT. HE WOULD LIKE A LETTER TELLING HIM WHAT IT  
 IS.

**SECTION 6: CLAIMS (DO NOT PROMPT)**

Has the incident given rise to any injury to persons and/or livestock or damage to property which will result in a claim for compensation being submitted to the Ministry of Defence?  
 Yes  No  
 If Yes, give details and copy form to D/C+L (F+S) Claims 3.

**SECTION 7: UNITS RESPONSE**

	Yes	No
Return Telephone call	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Full written response sent (attach copy)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Low flying leaflet sent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Written acknowledgement only (attach copy)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Visit arranged	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Specify	<input type="text"/>	
Requires attention of MO BISS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other (Specify)	Section 40	

**IMPORTANT REMINDER**  
 ALL ACTION TAKEN MUST BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAI J5002 OF 1997.  
 THE COMPLETED FORM IS TO BE FORWARDED TO THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES AS LISTED AT SECTION 1 WITHIN 5 DAYS.

**SECTION 8: DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING COMPLAINT**

Time: (Local) 1921  
 Date Complaint received: 20 FEB 06  
 Signature: Section 40  
 Name: Section 40  
 Rank: FG OFF  
 Unit: RAF LYNCHAM  
 Tel. No: Section 40



**Royal Air Force Lyneham**  
Chippenham, Wiltshire SN15 4PZ



Telephone: Section 40 Military Network: Section 40  
Fax: Section 40

Section 40

Marlborough  
Witls

Section 40

Our reference: LYN/5002/10/Air

Date: 14 February 06

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your recent telephone call regarding an Unidentified Flying Object near Savernake Forest.

Our records show there was one Hercules aircraft flying in the area that night. The crew report nothing matching your description, though several helicopters were seen. Unfortunately, that is the only investigation into this matter that we can process at RAF Lyneham, however, I have passed details of your query on to the Ministry of Defence. I have enclosed the MoD low flying leaflet which contains contact addresses should you wish to liase with them directly. I am sorry that I cannot assist you further with your enquiries.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

Flt Lt  
for Officer Commanding

Enclosure:

1. Military Low Flying – An Essential Skill



INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

Unit Ref: LTN/08106

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UFO ✓

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## SECTION 1: ACTION AUTHORITIES

Action <input type="checkbox"/>	Info <input type="checkbox"/>	Unit	Action <input type="checkbox"/>	Info <input type="checkbox"/>	Comd Sec HQ Land	Action <input type="checkbox"/>	Info <input type="checkbox"/>	RAF HQ PTC
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MOD Sec(AS)2b	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	D/C+L (F+S) Claims 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MOD Sec(NS)b	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	RAF HQ STC	Specify .....		

### FOR MOD USE ONLY.

OS Grid Ref:  Serial No: 062249 File Ref: GA/H60 531

LFA:  A Previous Complaint No. of Complaints to date:

NS:  Serial No:  File Ref:

## SECTION 2: DETAILS OF COMPLAINT

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr/Other: Section 40

Surname: Section 40

Forename(s): Section 40

Address: Section 40  
MALBOROUGH

Town/City: WILTS

County: WILTS

Postcode: Section 40

Telephone No. Section 40

## SECTION 4: DETAILS OF INCIDENT

Date: 10 FEB 06

Time: 1920z

How many aircraft involved:

Type of aircraft  
 Jet  Prop  Helo  Light a/c

Other (Specify) UFO

Markings  
 Grey  Camouflaged  Red/White  Black/Yellow

Other (Specify)

Height  
 Low  Medium  High

Estimation in Feet: LOW

Direction: HOUERING

Inside MATZ?  
 Yes  No

If Yes which MATZ?

## SECTION 3: LOCATION OF INCIDENT

Address at Section 2,  
or:

Address:

Town/City:

County:

Postcode:

102No. DAS  
21 FEB 2006  
FILE

NOW TURN OVER

**SECTION 5: PARTICULARS OF COMPLAINT (Continue on a separate sheet if necessary).**

Section 40

WOULD LIKE TO REPORT A UFO HOVERING THE FOREST, SOUTH-EAST MALBOROUGH. THERE IS NO SOUND AND IT HAS NOT MOVED FOR OVER 30 MINUTES. THE LIGHT IS A FLASHING BALL CHANGING COLOUR FROM RED, ORANGE, GREEN AND BLUE. Section 40 SISTER LIVES THE OTHER SIDE OF THE VILLAGE AND CAN ALSO SEE IT. HE WOULD LIKE A LETTER TELLING HIM WHAT IT IS.

**SECTION 6: CLAIMS (DO NOT PROMPT)**

Has the incident given rise to any injury to persons and/or livestock or damage to property which will result in a claim for compensation being submitted to the Ministry of Defence?

Yes  No

If Yes, give details and copy form to D/C+L (F+S) Claims 3.

**SECTION 7: UNITS RESPONSE**

	Yes	No
Return Telephone call	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Full written response sent (attach copy)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Low flying leaflet sent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Written acknowledgement only (attach copy)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Visit arranged	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Specify	<input type="text"/>	
Requires attention of HQ P&SS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other (Specify)	Section 40	

**SECTION 8: DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING COMPLAINT**

Time: (Local) 1931

Date Complaint received: 20 FEB 06

Signature: Section 40

Name: Section 40

Rank: FG OFF

Unit: RAE LYNCHAM

Tel. No: Section 40

LTT - NIL TRACE MIL  
 HELIOS - SALS OPS +  
 WILTS POLICE ASU.

**IMPORTANT REMINDER**

ALL ACTION TAKEN MUST BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAI J5002 OF 1997.

THE COMPLETED FORM IS TO BE FORWARDED TO THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES AS LISTED AT SECTION 1 WITHIN 5 DAYS.



# Royal Air Force Lyneham

Chippenham, Wiltshire SN15 4PZ



Telephone: Section 40 Section 40 Military Network Section 40

Fax: Section 40

Section 40

Our reference: LYN/5002/10/Air

Marlborough  
Witls

Date: 14 February 06

Section 40

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your recent telephone call regarding an Unidentified Flying Object near Savernake Forest.

Our records show there was one Hercules aircraft flying in the area that night. The crew report nothing matching your description, though several helicopters were seen. Unfortunately, that is the only investigation into this matter that we can process at RAF Lyneham, however, I have passed details of your query on to the Ministry of Defence. I have enclosed the MoD low flying leaflet which contains contact addresses should you wish to liase with them directly. I am sorry that I cannot assist you further with your enquiries.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

Flt Lt  
for Officer Commanding

Enclosure:

1. Military Low Flying – An Essential Skill



INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

Section 40

No reply  
stated there  
was no need

ENCLOSURE  
48  
NUMBER

✓

Section 40

**From:** feedback@www.mod.uk  
**Sent:** 07 February 2006 14:08  
**To:** webmaster@dgics.mod.uk  
**Subject:** Low Flying Enquiry

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted on Tuesday, February 7, 2006 at 14:08:23



txtName: Section 40

txtEmail: Section 40@gmail.com

txtCountry: UK

txtComments: Not a complaint but curiosity rather. I was out walking the dogs today just outside of Colchester when I saw 3 lights in the sky, a bit like fluorescent light strips with a yellow tinge, very bright. One disappeared from the right then another appeared from the left. They seemed to float a bit occasionally disappearing then reappearing, after two minutes they were gone. All distinctly odd. Expected to see helicopters from the Colchester garrison but the lights seemed the wrong shape and I have never seen 4 together like that before apparently going nowhere. No response needed but if you had other reports of strange lights please add this one.



From: **Section 40**  
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(Fax) **Section 40**

**Section 40**

Shrewsbury  
Shropshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

30 January 2006

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 30 January 2006, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

First, it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised air activity.

Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external source, and to date no 'UFO' report has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so.

The MOD does not have any expertise or role in respect of 'UFO/flying saucer' matters to the question of the existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial life forms, about which it remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 30 January 2006 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

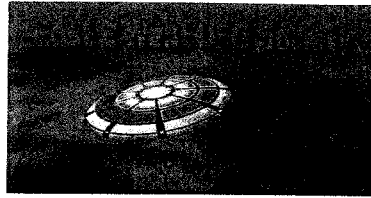
1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	30 January 2006 06.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A light was seen travelling rapidly due South West.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	<b>Section 40</b> just said he saw the light over Shrewsbury.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far in the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Was moving across the sky at a fast speed.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Clear.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Shrewsbury Shropshire Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Said that the light was moving across the sky, seemed to leave a white trail behind. Then there were aircraft seen moving in the same direction behind the light.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	30 January 2006 10.45L

No reply -  
on UFO  
aspect as  
member of  
the public -  
address  
not enclosed.

ENCLOSURE  
46  
NUMBER

EAST 2 WEST UFO SOCIETY



"HERE TO INFORM"

Section 40

LIVINGSTON  
WEST LOTHIAN

Section 40

Tel:

e-mail Section 40

23/01/06

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have received a report of a Ufo sighting  
across the skies above Dunfermline in Fife here in Scotland.  
This sighting happened on the 15<sup>th</sup> of December 2005 at  
9:15pm. It was seen flying above a passenger jet that was  
travelling from north to south.

← fighting-  
anon.

The witness to this sighting stated that the best way he could  
describe the shape of the Ufo was that of a stealth fighter and  
was black in colour. Could you tell me if there was any Military  
activity in the area at this time.

← for  
question.

Thanking you in anticipation

Section 40

Director of E2WUFOS

No reply  
as address  
not given.



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	24 January 2006 16.20L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	An object was moving across the sky and looked like it was on fire. It was cigar shaped and silver in colour.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, didn't say where.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Quite clear.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Came through on my – <b>Section 40</b> – Das sec) personal work number/answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	No details given.
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	The man on the phone, just said it was an extraordinary sight.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	25 January 2006 11.20L



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Section 40  
Woolwich UFO Research Group  
Section 40  
London  
Section 40

Our Reference  
D/DAS/64/3  
Date  
27 January 2006


Dear Section 40

I am writing regarding your recent letter concerning UFO sightings near Rendlesham Forest in Suffolk.

First, let me clarify the Ministry of Defence position with regard to such sightings. The MOD does not have any expertise or role in respect of 'UFO/flying saucer' matters or to the question of the existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial lifeforms. We remain totally open-minded, but to date the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena. Our sole reason for examining the UFO sighting reports we receive, is to see whether they provide any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised air activity. Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external source, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each reported sighting. We believe it is possible that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. We could not justify expenditure of public funds on investigations which go beyond our specific defence remit.

This does not mean, however, that the MOD relies on the public to inform us of aerial activity that might be a threat. The integrity of the United Kingdom's airspace in peacetime is maintained through continuous surveillance of the UK Air Policing Area by the Royal Air Force. This is achieved by using a combination of civil and military radar installations, which provide a continuous real-time "picture" of the UK airspace. Any threat to the UK Air Policing Area would be handled in the light of the particular circumstances at the time (it might if deemed appropriate, involve the scrambling or diversion of air defence aircraft). From that perspective, reports provided to us of 'UFO' sightings are examined, but consultation with air defence staff and others as necessary is considered only where there is sufficient evidence to suggest a breach of UK air space. The vast majority of reports we receive are very sketchy and vague. Only a handful of reports in recent years have warranted further investigation and none revealed any evidence of a threat.

With regard to your comments about Mr Pope and propagation of "dis-information", I should inform you that while Mr Pope is still an employee of the MOD, he no longer works in this department and has not done so for more than 11 years. He now pursues his interest in this subject in a private capacity and the views he expresses are entirely his own and do not reflect those of the MOD. As for your comment that the MOD receives Rapport magazine, I can inform

you that the MOD does not subscribe. It is of course possible that Mr Pope has taken out a private subscription for his own interest. 

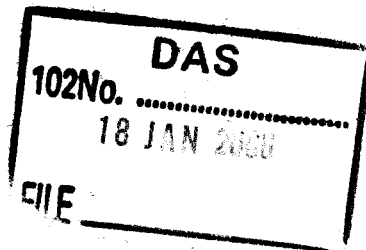
With regard to 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary meetings at Rendlesham Forest in December 2005, we are aware that there has been public and media interest in marking this event and there continue to be those who wish to visit the forest on a regular bases. However, the MOD has received no substantiated evidence over the past 25 years to suggest that our original assessment in the early 1980s that there was nothing of defence concern, was incorrect and we have no reason to believe there should be any such concern today. All the papers the MOD holds on the Rendlesham Forest incident have been released to the public and can be viewed on our Freedom of Information Publication Scheme at [www.foi.mod.uk](http://www.foi.mod.uk).

In your letter you mention a threat to civilian air traffic but I can assure you there is nothing to substantiate this concern. You also mention "illegal" helicopter flights in the area. I do not understand what you mean by this statement. Army Air Corp Wattisham is a helicopter base close to Rendlesham Forest where Apache and Linx helicopters are flown. RAF Mildenhall, a base used by the United States Air Force, is also in the area and MH53 helicopters are flown from here. It is therefore possible that there will be military helicopter activity in this area, including those conducting low flying training, below 500 feet and possibly down to ground level. It is necessary to conduct some of this essential training in the hours of darkness. Low flying training is not conducted over Woolwich, so this is not something that may generally be familiar to you and your group members.

Finally, thank you for the details of your sighting in Rendlesham Forest in December 2005. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft activity on this occasion and as indicated above we therefore have no reason to attempt to positively identify what you saw. Your report will be stored with the records we hold on such events. Please find enclosed your floppy disk which I assume you may wish to keep.

Yours sincerely,

Section 40 



Section 40

Woolwich UFO Research Group

Section 40

London

Section 40

Tel: Section 40

Dear Sir,

Enclosed is part of a recent sightings report compiled for Rapport magazine concerning the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Skywatch at Rendlesham in Dec'2005.

We usually don't talk to the M.O.D. as they claim to have 'only a limited interest in UFO sightings.' Section 40 DAS 4a1(Sec) (23<sup>rd</sup> November 2000)..... probably actually the last time we bothered to write concerning our sightings at Nationwide skywatches and the years of dis-information propaganda by your employee's such as Nick Pope.

However over the past 6 months we have noted a large increase in confirmed UFO sightings by our member, members at the Witness Support Group and from other UK based UFO Groups.

There were approx 100 people at this years 25<sup>th</sup> Rendlesham anniversary and this generated some genuine media interest. I have personally been skywatching there as you are aware (by your surveillance) for some 20 years and am usually able to visit at least twice a month. This is just one of the areas in the UK I visit on a regular basis.

On this night in question (a full report is available from the Witness Support Group in the magazine Rapport, which we know the MOD receive as Nick Pope subscribes), a sighting of an unknown craft was made 3 times (also similar to a craft seen recently on Shooters Hill in London), by many witnesses.

Hence out of good faith we enclose a copy of the original image for your files and hope you will be either able to shed some light on the matter or match it up to previous sightings you have gathered. Don't worry if you have to keep your findings secret; between all the UK Research Groups we probably have a larger data base than the MOD.

My main cause for concern is that the constant (weekly) sightings in the Rendlesham area pose a threat to civilian air traffic (I believe UA37 & 38 run above this area?). I doubt these incursions into UK airspace would pose a threat to the 'illegal' helicopter night flights in this area, as the American authorities confirmed this to us over 5 years ago. We have witnessed and filmed these US terrestrial helicopters perform manoeuvres at close range that most people would ascribe to UFO's. We have no argument with them as we know this is necessary military training, over a largely unpopulated area.

We have no wish to join the military, but your members are most welcome to join in on any of our skywatches. Section 40

Yours truly,

# RENDLESHAM ANNIVERSARY (DEC'2005)

## UFO LIGHT BLASTED IN GREEN

From light blasting the original image in green, it can be seen that the UFO has a 'hard' edge (seen in yellow, possibly distorted by movement, or its propulsion system?). The image as witnessed by the naked eye was yellowish/orange. Slightly more of this hard edge can be seen on the lower underside of the craft, showing it is a 3 dimensional image. The wire fence can be seen through the edge of the light blasted image, but not the same point clearly on the original, thus proving it is behind the wire fence and in the distance. A plume of light can be seen in front of the UFO, (as seen on similar craft, possibly evidence of the propulsion system 'warping' the space in front of it, into which it moves?). Finally a graded corona can be seen around the craft, which was also witnessed by the naked eye, and continued when the craft 'vanished'. None of these artifacts are ever seen in enhancements of 'dust bunnies' & nocturnal insects, caught in a digital camera flash. The original image is available for inspection. It was taken in the early hours of the morning of 27/28th Dec'05, by **Section 40** near the Folly House boundary fence, with a Fujifilm Finepix 1300 (1.3 meg camera). Three similar sightings were witnessed that evening, each lasting about 30 seconds. About the time it takes to boot up this camera. Its direction of travel was from the bottom left to top right of the image. Its size approx a 2p piece at arms length and completely silent. When it vanished, it left a 'moving' afterglow for several seconds.



Yellow 'hard' edge of craft, proving 3D shape, thicker on underside, nearer camera.

Graded corona around craft, the fence can be seen through the edge of this.

Plume of light in front of the craft in direction of travel.

Digital enhancement in Photoshop by **Section 40** This image is not copyright and can be shared for scientific purposes; as long as the correct sighting details and photographer is quoted. Like the terrorist the ufologist only has to be lucky once. If we are prepared to skywatch in all conditions (this one was pretty harsh, heavy snow fall, and some of the coldest nights in 19 years in Southern England) and put our faith in hard science; to analyse the data we collect, we will find 100% proof of the existence of Alien craft and the ET's who pilot them. Why not join that search?

(No reply as  
no name  
& address -  
given)

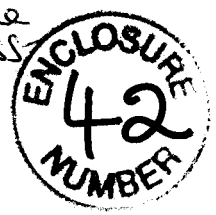


**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given). - 05 .
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There was a sighting of an object by a member of the public.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The object was seen flying over High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	A member of the public reported the sighting to Thames Valley Police, who then in turn left a message on Das answerphone, but with no details or number to ring back PC <b>Section 40</b> to ask for the name and address of the member of the public, so I could correspond back with him/her.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	No details given to me on the answerphone, as above.
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	PC <b>Section 40</b> said that there were other witnesses to this object, but didn't give any details.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	22 December 2005 10.30L

(No reply -  
as no name  
and address  
given).



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given). - 06 .
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A member of the public said that they saw four small, bright red lights, moving slowly across the sky.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The lights were seen over Bony Lake, Mid Lothian.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	They were moving quite slow, behind one another.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	The person reported it to the Borders Police in Scotland, but the Police Officer <b>Section 40</b> who left a message about the sighting, on Das answerphone, did not leave his number or any other details, for me to be able to ring him and get the details of the person who had the sighting to correspond back to them!
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	No details given, to me on the answerphone, as above.
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	The Police Officer reckoned that a few other people could have seen the lights in that area too.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	10 January 2006 10.30L



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**Section 40**

Bony Lake  
Mid Lothian  
Scotland

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

10 January 2006

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in 2006, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

First, it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of ‘unidentified flying objects’ it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom’s airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised air activity.

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The MOD does not have any expertise or role in respect of ‘UFO/flying saucer’ matters to the question of the existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial life forms, about which it remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

With regard to your particular observation, I can’t confirm whether we received any other ‘UFO’ sightings on the day you saw the ‘UFO’, as you did not forward this office on the answerphone, a specific date or time of the sighting. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given). - 06 .
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There were five orange lights that were quite bright and moving slowly across the sky.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The five lights were moving Northwards over Bony Lake, Mid Lothian.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Section 40 said that the lights were moving quite slowly and in a sort of formation.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Quite clear.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] Bony Lake Mid Lothian Scotland Section 40 [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that the lights were very strange and thought that she had better report the incident, because they were definitely not aircraft.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	10 January 2006 10.45L



From: **Section 40**  
Directorate of Air Staff – Freedom of Information 1



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**Section 40**

Ely  
Cambs

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
10 January 2006

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in 2005, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external source, and to date no ‘UFO’ report has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so.

The MOD does not have any expertise or role in respect of ‘UFO/flying saucer’ matters to the question of the existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial life forms, about it remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

With regard to your particular observation, I can’t confirm whether we received any other ‘UFO’ sightings on the day you saw the ‘UFO’, as you did not forward this office on the answerphone, a specific date or time of the sighting. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just a sighting.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Ely Cambs Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	6 January 2006 11.30L



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**Section 40**

Whitstable  
Kent

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
10 January 2006

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 24 December 2005, the details of which you passed to the Public Ministers Office. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

First, it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of ‘unidentified flying objects’ it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom’s airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised air activity.

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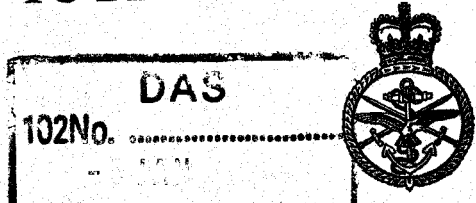
With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 24 December 2005 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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DAS  
102No. ....

Low Flying

/E-MAIL

**TREAT OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE**

To DAS (LA) P+P  
cc.

TO Ref No 0042 /2006

Date 4.1.06.

The Prime Minister/SofS/Min(AF)/Min(DP)/USofS/MOD\* has received the attached correspondence from a member of the public, which this office has neither retained nor acknowledged. Please send a reply on behalf of the PM/Minister/Department\*.

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Section 40



**From:** Section 40 @aol.com  
**Sent:** 01 January 2006 17:52  
**To:** public@ministers.mod.uk  
**Subject:** UFO

Just to report that UFOs were sighted by myself along with 2 other adults at approx 9.20pm on Christmas Eve 2005.

3 bright orange lights approached from the same direction. 2 then paired and the 3rd stayed behind. Then all 3 became smaller and smaller (one assumed they were travelling upwards). Before they had finished their 'ascent' a 4th orange light appeared and 'followed' the other 3.

Sincerely

Section 40

Whitstable  
Kent

Section 40

Tel: Section 40  
email: Section 40@aol.com



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**Section 40**

Immingham  
North East Lincolnshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
6 January 2006

Dear **Section 40**

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With regard to your particular observation, I can’t confirm whether we received any other ‘UFO’ sightings on the day you saw the ‘UFO’, as you did not forward this office on the answerphone, a specific date or time of the sighting. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object had red, blue and white lights and was flickering, it was there for over half an hour.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The object was seen over Louth, Lincolnshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Was stationary in the sky.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Immingham North East Lincolnshire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said the object was very still in the sky, and didn't look like it was in a hurry to go anywhere!!! That is was very strange. Could not explain what it was.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	5 January 2006 11.45L



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Section 40

Leigh-on-Sea  
Essex

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
6 January 2006

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 18 December 2005, the details of which you left on our answerphone. I have also just received the photograph and e.mail that you sent through to the Public Ministers Office. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs’.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 18 December 2005 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

With regards to the photograph, we have not made attempts to identify the dot, as mentioned above, we have a limited interest in the subject of UFO’s and do not investigate into sightings.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	18 December 2005 07.45L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	<b>Section 40</b> took a photograph of the sky and when he was putting that photograph and various others on his computer, noticed the dot in the sky. He said it did not look like an aircraft.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	The photograph was taken outside his house.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Camera, as in when the photographs had been developed.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The dot was over Leigh-on-Sea.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far, as it was just a dot.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Leigh-on-Sea Essex Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that he would send a copy of the photograph for us to look at.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	5 January 2006 11.30L

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<b>DAS</b>
102No. ....
- 6 JAN 2006
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/E-MAIL

**TREAT OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE**

To DAS (IA) P+P  
cc.

TO Ref No 66 /2006

Date 5-1-06

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Section 40

From: Section 40 [redacted]@btinternet.com]

Sent: 22 December 2005 17:09

To: public@ministers.mod.uk

Subject: UFO ?

Dear sir

This was a random photograph taken Sunday 18/12/05 at 7.45am.

It was only when I loaded them on to my computer that afternoon that I noticed the spot in the middle, when magnified several times it has a shape unlike any aircraft that I know of. Perhaps you could get the photo enhanced and let me know what you think it is.

yours faithfully

Section 40

Leigh-on-Sea

Essex

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Yahoo! Messenger NEW - crystal clear PC to PC calling worldwide with voicemail

18 7:45





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**Section 40**

Bishopstoke  
Eastleigh

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
22 December 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 13 December 2005, the details of which you passed to the Public Ministers office. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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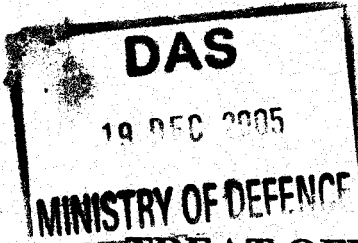
With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 13 December 2005 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

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LOW FLYING / UOOS / E-MAIL

**TREAT OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE**

To DAS(SEC)  
cc.

TO Ref No 9594 /2005

Date 19-12-05

The Prime Minister/SofS/Min(AF)/Min(DP)/USofS/MOD\* has received the attached correspondence from a member of the public, which this office has neither retained nor acknowledged. Please send a reply on behalf of the PM/Minister/Department\*.

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Section 40

From: Section 40  
Sent: 14 December 2005 23:36  
To: public@ministers.mod.uk  
Subject: Lights in the sky

Dear MOD,

Please do not waste your time on this unless it is of any interest.

On December the 13th 2005 at approx 19:45 I was traveling west bound on the M27. Whilst passing the junction for Hedge I noticed a green light trail pass through the sky.

The trail of light was almost luminous green in colour, very high in the sky and traveling at an amazing speed. If I was to try and describe what I saw more accurately, and bear with me here, I would say it looked like a rocket or bullet from a computer game traveling at extremely high speed leaving behind a plasma like green trail. This whizzed through the sky and was gone in what I imagine was less than a second.

Although I imagine lights at this location are common, what with Southampton Airport further down the road this was traveling way too fast to be an aircraft.

The only thing I have seen that could compare in terms of speed is a shooting star. This however seemed much closer to earth and was a very different colour to what I have seen in the past.

Not sure if this would be of interest to the MOD or whether you have a meteorological department that would benefit from this information.

Kind regards

Section 40

Eastleigh

Section 40

16/12/2005



From: Section 40  
Directorate of Air Staff – Freedom of Information 1



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Section 40

Peebles  
Borders

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
18 December 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 16 December 2005, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

First, it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised air activity.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 16 December 2005 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Finally, you asked if someone in this office could call you back. We do not contact members of the public to discuss UFOs or other phenomena, we correspond by letter or e.mail.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

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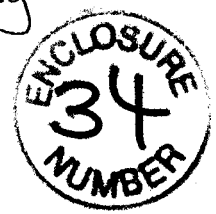
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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	16 December 2005 14.10L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object was small and silver in colour.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The object was seen over Peebles. Flew over the Borders region, from right to left in <b>Section 40</b> vision.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Just said quite close.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Was flying twice the speed of a military aircraft in a very straight line.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Peebles Borders Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that he would like someone in this office to call him back, that we would probably like to ask him lots of questions!! He said he is a retired Civil Servant.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	18 December 2005 11.30L

(Updated - to say -  
Khasiti Bay)



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(Fax) **Section 40**

**Section 40**  
[Redacted]

Swansea  
West Glamorgan

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
18 December 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, that you saw, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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With regard to your particular observation, I can’t confirm whether we received any other ‘UFO’ sightings on the day you saw the ‘UFO’, as you did not forward this office on the answerphone, a specific date or time of the sighting. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Finally, you asked for someone in this office to get back to you. We do not contact members of the public to discuss UFOs or other phenomena, we correspond by letter or e.mail.

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Yours sincerely

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(Report - updated -  
after letter - 23/12/05 -  
put on both databases) ✓

**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said a UFO.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The UFO was flying over the bay to the West of Swansea.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Was going quite fast.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<p>Section 40 [REDACTED]</p> <p>Swansea West Glamorgan</p> <p>Section 40 [REDACTED]</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Section 40 Cousin saw the UFO too.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that he and his cousin saw the UFO at the beginning of the year, but didn't report it. They then thought that perhaps they should, because they thought it was their duty to tell the MOD of what they had seen.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	18 December 2005 10.45L



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**Section 40**

East Lothian  
Scotland

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
15 December 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, you saw, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A UFO.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.


9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] East Lothian Scotland Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Just said that she wanted someone from our office to call her back.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	15 December 2005 10.45L

No reply,  
as full address  
not given.



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	14 December 2005 07.15L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The witness said that the object looked a bit like a shooting star. Was very bright and had a trail behind it.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Was flying from North to South over Edinburgh.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	In the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Shooting very fast across the sky.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Caller did not give his name or full address.  Section 40 
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	The caller said that it probably was just a shooting star and not a UFO! Could have even been a meteorite?
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	14 December 2005 11.45L



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**Section 40**

Waterlooville  
Hants

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

13 December 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in 2005, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

First, it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised air activity.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can't confirm whether we received any other reports of 'UFO' sightings on the day you saw the 'UFO', as you did not forward this office on the answerphone, a specific date or time of the sighting. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Twelve objects were seen in the sky, flying higher than a normal aeroplane. He said they were like strange vehicles in the sky.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors, and then <b>Section 40</b> went outdoors for a better look. They then disappeared.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Over his farm in Waterlooville.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] Waterlooville Hants Section 40 [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that he hopes we don't think he is mad, but he could not believe what he was seeing. The strange objects were in formations – three in a line, two in a line, some flying over others. He said he is very baffled by what he saw.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	13 December 2005 11.30L



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**Section 40**

Boston  
Lincolnshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
6 December 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 19 November 2005, the details of which you passed to RAF Coningsby. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

First, it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of ‘unidentified flying objects’ it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom’s airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised air activity.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 19 November 2005 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

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Media & Communication Office  
RAF Coningsby  
Lincoln LN4 4SY



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(Fax) [Redacted]

Section 40

Your Reference

Our Reference  
CON/2133/3/ORG  
Date  
28 November 2005

Boston  
Lincolnshire

Section 40

Dear Section 40

I am writing to acknowledge your letter to the Media & Communications Officer at RAF Coningsby on 21 November 2005 regarding unidentified flying objects sighted on 19 November 2005.

I can confirm that your details have been forwarded to the office of the Directorate of Air Staff at the Ministry of Defence, Whitehall who monitor all information received.

Yours sincerely

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Administrative Officer  
For Officer Commanding

**DAS**

102No. ....  
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Telephone:

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Nov 21<sup>st</sup>.

(LIGHTS)

Boston, Linco.

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Dear

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Having lived for over 60 yrs in this area, and have seen many things round and about, I wonder can you shed any light on the odd movements going on in the skies I refer to (Lights) which have been seen by myself and other people. I am only one of at least 8 who have seen these objects

I first saw these sometime at the start of October and have seen them twice since, the last

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Boston, Lincolns.

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time was this last Saturday 19<sup>th</sup>

They seem to come from over your base, going in an E or SE direction. Keeping in a strait line & evenly spaced out. There is no sound from these lights they glow amber in colour like a street light

Surely we should know what they are. What if one was to come down are they safe to approach or do we keep well clear & just report them to you I dont think this will be the last time we see them

I will be pleased to hear from you, with news of what these lights are. I don't think these are balloons, because one would never keep them in line etc

Is the R A F or S A S flying with some new machine. If so I would love to know I will write again if more lights are seen

Please come up with an answer it makes one wonder

Your Sincerely

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**Section 40**

Sheerness  
Kent

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
24 November 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 22 November 2005, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a ‘UFO’ sighting for 22 November 2005, and that was from Sheerness in Kent. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	22 November 2005 (Time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Five lights in the sky, that looked very strange. The lights were flashing.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The lights were seen over Gillingham in Kent.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	In the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Seen at night time.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] Sheerness Kent Section 40 [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that the lights were very strange, and that they seemed to be constantly changing formation as they moved through the sky. Wondered if our radar would have sighted anything?
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	23 November 2005 11.45L



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Kent

**Section 40**

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Date:  
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Yours sincerely

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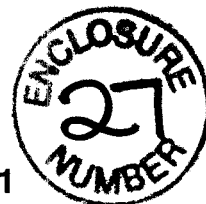
## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	22 November 2005 (Time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A 'V' shape of dim lights, that went into a straight line, and then back into a V again.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	In the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Was dark, as it was later in the evening.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] Sheerness Kent Section 40 [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Just said that the sighting was very strange and that it certainly was not an aircraft.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	23 November 2005 11.30L



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Filey  
North Yorkshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
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Date:  
28 November 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your letter and the list of UFO reports you sent to us.

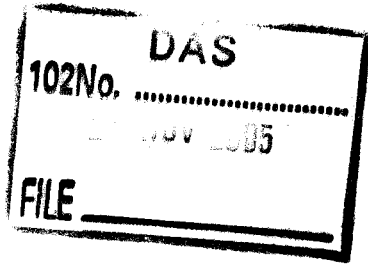
When we receive UFO reports, they are logged on our system and then filed in the order in which they are received. We do not investigate the reports, as the Ministry of Defence has a limited interest in the subject of UFOs. The Ministry of Defence examines any reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by unauthorised aircraft.

Your letter and list of reports will be placed on our files.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

# Official UFO Reports



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FILEY Section 40  
North Yorkshire



Dear/sir or madam

Here are sightings that have been reported to my organization , there are a number of reports of my own. I have put my initials at the side.

Yours Section 40

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January 10<sup>TH</sup>  
....? Night time  
Scarborough  
Big Silver light

I was on Albert Drive when I saw the object like a big silver ball in the sky,  
it moved off at speed to the North East.

January  
10.00PM  
North Wales A5  
Bright lights

I was on my way to Llandudno when I saw the lights in the sky dancing in  
the sky.

January 31st  
4.30PM  
Scarborough  
Light bulbs in sky

From Scarborough Evening post  
January 19<sup>th</sup>  
6.45PM  
Shropshire  
Lights in the sky

January 19<sup>th</sup>  
6.50PM  
Shropshire  
Beam of light

January 19<sup>th</sup>  
6.35PM  
Shropshire  
Beam of light  
February 4<sup>th</sup>  
8.00PM  
Bridlington North bay  
Group of light's

I noticed the group of light's in the sky moving erratically to the West. They just seemed to fade away.

February 14<sup>th</sup>

7.05PM

Selby

Crescent shape object

I was out side when I noticed the object, I went for my video camera but the object had gone.

February 14<sup>th</sup>

8.55PM

Selby

I had been out side earlier and seen a Crescent shaped object in the sky. But this time I was reedy,

February 15<sup>th</sup>

5.15AM

Scarborough

Two large Orange lights

I was fishing near the sealife centre Scarborough when I saw the object like two Orange ball's in the sky.

February 15<sup>th</sup>

1.00AM

Selby

White light

I was on my way to the petrol station as I had run out of cigarettes, when I noticed the Light in the sky. It moved slow like it was floating but it stopped For a couple of minutes. It started to move in the direction of Hull.

February 19<sup>th</sup>

7.45PM

Wales near Llangollen

Orange lights

I saw a number of lights in the sky.

March 13th

11.00PM  
Filey  
Lights in sky

I was out with the dog when I saw lights in the sky they seemed to be dancing about the sky.

April 18<sup>th</sup>

5.00PM

A64

Silver ball

I was on my way home from collage when I looked out of the window; to my surprise I say the Silver ball in the sky it seemed to be stationary. It went in to a cloud and I did not see it again.

April 29<sup>th</sup>

...?

Pembrokeshire

White square like box

I saw the thing in the sky like a White square like box, travelling towards new port.

May 2<sup>nd</sup>

11.45PM

Flamborough Head

Lights on horizon

I saw several lights on the horizon moving from side to side and up and down, I watched them for about 15 minutes. They suddenly stopped.

June 7<sup>th</sup>

11.30PM

Filey

Flying triangle

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June 18<sup>th</sup>

10.00PM

M62

Two Silver balls

Section 40

We were on our way home from the L.A.P.I.S. Conference when we saw the objects. We saw Two Silver ball one after another travelling West.

July 4<sup>th</sup>  
10.00pm  
Scarborough

August 6<sup>th</sup>  
10.15PM  
Cumbria  
Orange Red lights

I saw about forty Orange & Red lights in the sky.

August 9th  
11.00PM  
Milton Keynes  
Red ball's in the sky

I had just got on the motorway when I noticed the objects in the sky. They were travelling North West.

September

October th  
11.10PM  
Monmouth  
Flying saucer

I was in my bed room I looked out of the window and saw the object. So I filmed it on my mobile phone.

October 14<sup>th</sup>  
... Knight time?  
Keswick

October 16<sup>th</sup>  
10.40PM  
Cayton bay  
Fire ball

Section 40



I could not miss the object like a fire ball in the sky, it was moving to the North.

October 16<sup>th</sup>  
10.45PM  
Muston

Orange ball with tail

I saw the object like an Orange ball with a tail.

October 16<sup>th</sup>

11.45PM

Redcar

Balls of lights and a streak

October 16<sup>th</sup>

11.40PM

Macclesfield

Disc like object

I saw the object like a Disc in the sky heading west.

October 16<sup>th</sup>

7.30PM

Whitby

Silver ball with tail

I saw what looked like a silver object with a tail travelling north.

October 16<sup>th</sup>

9.00PM

Hull

Pulsing lights in the sky

I watched about five or six Pulsing lights in the sky, moving to the south.

October 16<sup>th</sup>

8.00PM

Mablethorpe

Silver light & flash

I was going in to the garage when I saw a silver light in the sky then a flash.

October 18<sup>th</sup>

10.00PM

York

Big star

I was walking up my street when I saw the object like a big star moving North West.

October 18<sup>th</sup>  
10.00PM  
Withernsea  
Exploding lights

I was out with my dog when I saw exploding lights in the sky towards the caravan site.

October 18<sup>th</sup>  
7.00PM  
Filey  
Red and Silver light's

Section 40

I have seen Red and Silver lights in the sky, I now not believing in UFO's but I do not think what I have seen are aircraft?

October 18<sup>th</sup>  
7.00PM  
Selby  
Lights

I saw lights like a Christmas tree decorations moving in the sky.

October 19<sup>th</sup>  
8.50PM  
Seamer  
Globe falling from the sky

I was on my way to the club when I saw this thing like a Globe fall out of the sky. It was like the old round white light. It fell in the direction of Staxton.

October 21<sup>st</sup>  
9.15PM  
Hunmanby  
White ball of light

I had gone out side for a smoke when I saw the object in the sky, like a White ball.

October 26<sup>th</sup>  
7.15PM

Malton A64  
Red lights Triangle

I had just driven on to the A64 when I noticed the object. Three Red lights in a triangle formation.

October 26<sup>th</sup>  
11.58 PM  
Ty 'nat Wales  
Explosion in the sky

I was out walking the dogs near my house when I saw the object like a Red White ball in the sky. It was the size of a sixpence it exploded. The whole sky lit up.

October 27<sup>th</sup>  
6.45PM  
Scarborough  
Orange balls

I saw the object while I was on my way to Pickering.

October 29<sup>th</sup>  
6.00PM  
A171  
Orange ball

I was travelling to Whitby on the A171 when I saw the object.

November 9<sup>th</sup>  
8.30PM  
Sleights

Diamond shape craft – object videoed on three separate cameras. Approached from South East, banked above Whitby and left towards North Sea in an Easterly direction. Appeared as Two aircraft on top of each other at times and was followed by at least three tornado fighters which approached from the west at a range of heights. The object had an unusual powerful, yellow white, rotating beacon/searchlight at its rear.

November 14<sup>th</sup>  
11.45PM  
Selby  
Flying ( T ) in the sky  
Video on my mobile

I was out side my back door when we saw the object like a fling I

December



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**Section 40**

Boston  
Lincolnshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
15 November 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 1 November 2005, the details of which you passed to RAF Coningsby. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 1 November 2005 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



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**RAF Coningsby, Lincoln, LN4 4SY**

Tel: **Section 40**

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No aircraft flying from RAF Coningsby  
at time of complaint - Air Traffic Control.

● No record of microlights in area.



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Your Reference

Our Reference  
CON/2133/3/ORG

Date  
8 November 2005

Dear [Redacted]  
Section 40

I am writing to acknowledge your report to RAF Coningsby personnel regarding unidentified flying objects sighted on 1 November 2005.

I can confirm that your details have been forwarded to the office of the Directorate of Air Staff at the Ministry of Defence, Whitehall who record all information received.

Yours sincerely

[Redacted]  
Section 40

Administrative Officer  
For Officer Commanding

<b>DAS</b>
102No. ....
15 NOV 2005
FILE _____

REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

A.	Date, Time and duration of sighting	01 NOV 05 1900-1930 20 mins
B.	Description of object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise)	orange, large star size no noise, x5 4-5mins between each
C.	Exact position of observer (indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving)	outdoors, walking dog
D.	How observed (naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder)	naked eye - initially binocs used when got home no further description
E.	Direction in which object first seen (landmark may be more useful than an estimated bearing)	South to north over RAF Coningsby airfield.
F.	Angle of sight (estimated heights are unreliable)	N/K
G.	Distance (by reference to a known landmark)	N/K
H.	Movements (changes in E, F & G may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	Straight-line, over head.
J.	Met conditions during observation (moving clouds, haze, mist etc.)	Clear Sky haze over south
K.	Nearby objects (telephone lines, high voltage lines, reservoir, lake or dam, swamp or marsh, river high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, TV/radio masts, airfields, generating plant, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights)	Nil Remote road surrounded by fields
L.	To whom reported (Police, military, press etc)	CPA Section 40 RAF Boulby 02 NOV 05 2115 WS

M.	Name and address of observer	Section 40 Section 40 Section 40
N.	Background of observer that may be volunteered.	Not given
O.	Other witnesses	Section 40 witnessed no's 4 and 5
P.	Date and time of receipt.	02 NOV 05 2115 hrs
Q.	Any unusual met conditions	Nil
R.	Remarks.	



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Truro  
Cornwall

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
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Date:  
14 November 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 12 October 2005, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	12 October 2005 17.40L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	<b>Section 40</b> saw a bright light above Truro. It disappeared after about a minute.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye and then with binoculars.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The light was seen coming from North West heading South East.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Truro Cornwall Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that the light, could perhaps have been a satellite. It was very bright. Would like us to inform him as to what the light could have been.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	14 November 2005 11.30L



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**Section 40**

Cheltenham  
Gloucestershire  
**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
10 November 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 5/6/8 November 2005, the details of which you passed to RAF Innsworth. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting)	5/6 NOV 05 2300 - 0100 hrs / 8 NOV 05 0000 hrs
2	Description of object (No. of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise)	3 objects in the Sat/Sun evening/ morning. 2 on the Monday. 4-6 blocks of light, the central block appears to rotate.
3	Exact position of observer. (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Inside home with girlfriend.
4	How object was observed. (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder)	Naked eye
5	Direction in which object was first seen. (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing)	In circles around respondant's home.
6	Approximate distance.	All but one were some distance away, one closed to gap.
7	Movements and speed. (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Slow moving, sometimes still

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8	Weather conditions during observation. (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Clear
9	To whom reported. (Police, military, press etc)	MOIS OPERATOR - STN ADST RAF INNSWORTH Section 40
10	Name, address and telephone no of informant.	Section 40 CHELTENHAM Section 40
11	Other Witnesses.	-
12	Remarks.	Did not state that he felt it was a UFO, was interested in it being a new a/c. Quoted story in Gloucestershire Echo. Article is attached.
13	Date and time of receipt.	1600hrs 9 NOV 05



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## DOZENS REPORT SEEING SPOOKY ORANGE LIGHTS

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10:30 - 25 August 2005

Dozens of people have reported seeing mysterious orange lights above Cheltenham.

The Echo has been inundated with calls from people who saw the unexplained lights on Saturday night. John Day, 48, took the picture of them while hosting a party at his Up Hatherley home.

He said: "There were about 19 people in the garden and one of the small girls noticed the lights in the sky.

"I was taking a picture of our friends who were celebrating their anniversary and thought these lights looked strange so I started taking snaps.

"We thought it was a balloon with lights in at first, but when it passed over the house we weren't too sure.

"The girls think it was a UFO. The lights were strange."

Coach driver Pamela Bailey, 48, pulled over when she saw them.

She was driving the Megabus back from London when she saw the lights from the A40 at Golden Valley.

Mrs Bailey said: "I stopped at the Arle Court roundabout and the passengers were all looking up at the sky.

"I then moved on to to the Westal Green bus stop and three men jumped out to have a look. All the passengers were totally amazed.

"When I got to the depot in Cheltenham all the other drivers had seen them."

Life assurance

John Creed saw the lights with his wife and six friends while at a house in Warden Hill Road, Warden Hill.

He said: "Amazingly, the group seemed at one point to slowly take on the positions of the stars in The Plough or Big Dipper, not unlike those in a scene in the film Close Encounters of the Third Kind, before drifting apart again.

"These were definitely not conventional aircraft.

"I've had a keen interest in aircraft since a boy and have held a private pilot's licence for the last 33 years, so I'm well aware of the sort of lights displayed on conventional aircraft.

"I'm also a retired police officer. We all agreed that these objects were remarkable and unlike anything any of us had ever seen before."

Kevin Downes, 52, was running with his wife Alexandra in Winchester Way, Warden Hill, when they saw the lights at 10.30pm. He said they stopped, hovered above them then faded and dispersed.

Gloucestershire Airport managing director Ian Statham, told the Echo on Tuesday: "Lights on aircraft are red, white or green - not orange."

Rod Salisbury, secretary of Cotswold Astronomical Society, says the lights could not have been meteors.

- Do you know what the orange lights were?

If so please call the Echo newsdesk on 01242 271822 or email [news@glosecho.co.uk](mailto:news@glosecho.co.uk)

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#### Your Views

As a local UFO researcher in Glos, I am impressed by the number of UFO sightings reported this summer. Masses of silent, slow moving lights have been reported over the last couple of months, and this has lead me to conclude that we are currently experiencing a UFO flap in the county. Which is most unusual, as some years we hardly come across reports at all. There's an awful lot of activity in the skies right now over Gloucestershire. Keep your eyes peeled!

*Andy Lloyd, Gloucester*

I have been investigating this phenomenon for several years on Merseyside and I still haven't come to a conclusion about what it is yet. I have many pictures of them and a full investigation which is available at [http://www.mara.org.uk/Halewood\\_LITS.htm](http://www.mara.org.uk/Halewood_LITS.htm) I would

send

like to run your story about the Cheltenham lights on the MARA website and I wondered if you could give me permission to do so. You are more than welcome to take anything from the Halewood LITS page of the MARA website and use it in the Gloucestershire Echo if you wish. Best Regards, Bill Bimson Merseyside Anomalies Research Association [www.mara.org.uk](http://www.mara.org.uk)

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A **Section 40** rang the Das answerphone, didn't give date, and said had seen something in the sky.

She just gave her postcode **Section 40** and her phone number **Section 40**

No reply as full address not given.

**Section 40**

10 November 2005



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Stapleford Abbots  
Essex

**Section 40**

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Our Reference:

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Date:

25 October 2005

Dear **Section 40**

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Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	23 October 2005 (Time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said had a sighting last night.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Was dusky.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Stapleford Abbots Essex Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	24 October 2005 11.30L



From: **Section 40**  
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**Section 40**

Chigwell  
Essex

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
25 October 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 20 October 2005, the details of which you passed to Essex Police. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 20 October 2005, from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



# ESSEX POLICE

Crown Gate The High Harlow Essex CM20 1HG

Telephone: Section 40  
Facsimile: [Redacted]

Our ref:  
Your ref:

## FACSIMILE MESSAGE

TO: WEST DRAYTON

FAX NO: Section 40 [Redacted]

For attention of:

From: APs Section 40 [Redacted]

Number of Pages: 2 (including this one)

Message:

Please find attached notification of a Sighting of UFO's.

Thank You.

DATE: 21-10-05

TIME: 1000

SIGNED: Section 40 [Redacted]

If there are any problems regarding this transmission or the contents thereof, please telephone ext Section 40

## Section 7 Report of Unexplained Aerial Sighting - Appendix

SECTION 7 - MISCELLANEOUS  
Return to General Policy & Guidelines Home Page

## REPORT OF UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1. Date, time & duration of sighting	20/10/05 20:17pm
2. Description of object (No. of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise)	7 or 8 orange glows above cloud cover with planes below. Solid orange glow no flashing lights.
3. Exact position of observer (Indoors / outdoors, stationary / moving)	Driving then pulled over near to Woodman public house on angle to
4. How observed (Naked eye, camera, camcorder, binoculars or other optical device)	naked eye. stamped n25
5. Direction in which object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a roughly estimated bearing)	looking over towards n25 junction inf. between us to be south. Objects going towards chelms
6. Angle of sight (Estimated heights are unreliable)	45°
7. Distance (By reference to a known landmark)	Several miles 20+ miles
8. Movements (Changes in 5, 6 & 7 may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	slowly heading right to left very slow like parachute glides drifting
9. Met. Conditions during observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist, etc.)	clear skies very slight cloud high up
10. Nearby objects (Telephone lines, high voltage lines, reservoir, lake or dam, swamp or marsh, river, high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, spires, TV or radio masts, airfields, generating plant, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lighting)	None
11. To whom reported (Police, military, press etc.)	Police
12. Name, address and telephone number of informant	Section 40 Chapwell
13. Any further detail volunteered	
14. Other witnesses	Knocked on a stranger's door who also saw the lights
15. Date and time of receipt	

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102No. ....  
24 OCT 2005  
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REPORT OF UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

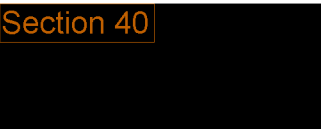
1. Date, time & duration of sighting	20-10-05 @ 20.17 hours Duration approx 30 minutes.
2. Description of object (No. of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise)	7-8 ORANGE GLASS, NO NOISE described as Like "PARACHUTE GLASS"
3. Exact position of observer (Indoors / outdoors, stationary / moving)	OUTDOORS. Woodman Public house. 1113 STANFORD RIVER ROAD. STATIONARY.
4. How observed (Naked eye, camera, camcorder, binoculars or other optical device)	NAKED EYE. Whilst driving but Stopped and exited vehicle to look.
5. Direction in which object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a roughly estimated bearing)	Above M25 J10 A127 moving right → left in impts view towards CHELMSFORD.
6. Angle of sight (Estimated heights are unreliable)	45 degrees.
7. Distance (By reference to a known landmark)	20 + miles over landmark of M25 J10 A127.
8. Movements (Changes in 5, 6 & 7 may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	Drifting right → left very slowly Not losing height
9. Met. Conditions during observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist, etc.)	High thin cloud cover
10. Nearby objects (Telephone lines, high voltage lines, reservoir, lake or dam, swamp or marsh, river, high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, spires, TV or radio masts, airfields, generating plant, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lighting)	None mentioned.
11. To whom reported (Police, military, press etc.)	Police (Essex Police) fire base. CALL TAKEN.
12. Name, address and telephone number of informant	Section 40 Chiquan Essex. Section 40
13. Any further detail volunteered	N/A
14. Other witnesses	Section 40 BURNWOODS ESSEX (Travelling M25 J10 A127). Section 40
15. Date and time of receipt	20-10-05. 20.23 hours.
16. Remarks	Similar sightings one month previous reported in local press as possibly being "CANDLE LANTERNS" which fly like balloons once lit.

**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**



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No reply  
not address  
given.

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	Date and time not given.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A big, long, shaped object. Like a long shaft.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40  Rest of address not given.
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	A friend was with him.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Said the sighting was amazing, and that it was exciting. Couldn't believe what he was seeing and that he had rung the Das answerphone too.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	17 October 2005 10.45L



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**Section 40**

Holborn  
London

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
12 October 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 10 October 2005, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	10 October 2005 (Time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said a sighting.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Holborn London Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Just said that she saw it in the evening.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	11 October 2005 11.30L



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**Section 40**

Bagshot  
Surrey

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
11 October 2005

Dear **Section 40**,

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Sorry I could not be more help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	No date or time given.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said a sighting.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Bagshot Surrey Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	11 October 2005 11.30L



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**Section 40**

County Down  
Northern Ireland

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
10 October 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in 1983, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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You mentioned in your message on the answerphone, that you were taken aboard the black triangle. The matter of abduction by alien lifeforms is a non-issue as far as the MOD is concerned. The MOD is not aware of any evidence which might substantiate the existence of extraterrestrial activity. Abduction/kidnap in the general sense is, of course, a criminal offence and as such would be a matter for the civil police.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40



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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	Seen in 1983. (Full date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Saw big, black triangles.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	He was outdoors, didn't say where.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Very near, as <b>Section 4(a)</b> he was taken aboard on one of the triangles.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] County Down Northern Ireland Section 40 [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	He said that he was taken aboard one of the black triangles. There was oil left behind?! Then god told him that he was Gabriel, the original fallen angel. That he should be wearing different clothes. Said that Ronald Regan was interested in the subject of UFOs. Tony Blair should be told of his experiences as he would be very interested in the information.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	10 October 2005 11.30L



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**Section 40**

Cwmbran  
Gwent  
South Wales

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

3 October 2005

Dear **Section 40**

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Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	Date and time not given.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Saw five to six white lights flying overhead. They looked a bit like bright stars.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outside in his garden.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Flying over his garden in <b>Section 40</b>
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Just said that the lights seemed to be very close.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The lights were flying over very fast.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<p>Section 40</p> <p>Cwmbran Gwent South Wales Section 40</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<p>Section 40 said that when he witnessed the lights, he rang Cardiff Airport to ask if anything had appeared on their radar and they said that only aeroplanes would show on their radar. They gave Section 40 the Das answerphone number.</p>
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	<p>3 October 2005 11.30L</p>

Section 40



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No defence concern.

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7 Oct 05

I have enclosed two UFO reports for you to have a look at.

Credible witnesses.

- ① 4 Police Officers.
- ② Pilot - there is no name - area etc.

Can you tell the position over the land by CLN 185° 9d - Speak we don't understand.

Can you please let me know if any defence concern.

Thank you.

Das Lec.

Section 40

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102 NO. ....  
20 SEP 2005  
TIME

Ref: CAP 493 - MATS NUMBER 6-20

ENCLOSURE  
15  
NUMBER

No reply -  
as address  
not given



UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

A controller receiving a report about an unidentified flying object must obtain as much as information as possible required to complete a report in format shown below.

**Report of Unidentified Flying Object**

**A Date, Time and Duration of Sighting**

Local times to be quoted

15.58 Z 17.09.2005

**B Description of Object**

Number of objects, size, shape, colours, brightness, sound, smell, etc

ONE OBJECT " DARK BROWN, MILITARY SHAPE, FAST MOVING "

**C Exact Position of Observer**

Geographical location, indoors or outdoors, stationary or moving

FL 210 CLN 185° 9d 300ft ABOVE

**D How Observed?**

Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or movie camera

**E Direction in which Object was first seen**

A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing.

RECIPROCAL HDG TO HIS A/C - SEEN BEARING 130°

**F Angular Elevation of Object**

Estimated heights are reliable.

300ft ABOVE FL 210

**G Distance of Object from Observer**

By reference to a known landmark, wherever possible.

300ft

**H Movement of Object**

Changes in E, F and G may be more useful than estimates of course and speed.

FROM PILOT REPORT - PROBABLY 045°

**J Meteorological Conditions during observations**

Moving clouds, haze, mist etc.

GOOD VMC ABOVE CLOUD

**K Nearby Objects**

Telephone or high voltage lines, reservoir, lake or dam, swamp or marsh, river, high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, spires, TV or radio masts, airfields, generating plant, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or other lighting.

**L To whom reported**

Police, military organisations, the press etc.

LTCC SABER CONTROLLER

**M Name and Address of informant**

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**N Any background information on the informant that may be volunteered**

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**O Other witnesses**

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**P Date and Time of receipt of report**

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The details are to be telephoned immediately to AIS (Military), LTCC. The completed report is to be sent by the originating ATSU to the Ministry of Defence Sec (AS).



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**Section 40**

Romford  
Essex

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
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Date:  
22 September 2005

Dear **Section 40**

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Yours sincerely

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**SECTION 7 - MISCELLANEOUS**  
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**REPORT OF UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1. Date, time & duration of sighting	0039 20/9/05
2. Description of object (No. of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise)	4 x ORANGE LIGHT
3. Exact position of observer (Indoors / outdoors, stationary / moving)	M11 MOTORWAY
4. How observed (Naked eye, camera, camcorder, binoculars or other optical device)	NAKED EYE
5. Direction in which object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a roughly estimated bearing)	EAST OF M11
6. Angle of sight (Estimated heights are unreliable)	N/K
7. Distance (By reference to a known landmark)	APPROX. TEN MILES
8. Movements (Changes in 5, 6 & 7 may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	HEIGHT CHANGED AND CONFIGURATION CHANGED 2 x LIGHTS IN FORMATION.
9. Met. Conditions during observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist, etc.)	N/K
10. Nearby objects (Telephone lines, high voltage lines, reservoir, lake or dam, swamp or marsh, river, high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, spires, TV or radio masts, airfields, generating plant, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lighting)	OPEN FIELDS FROM M11 TO APPROX LOCATION GIVEN AS STAPLEWOOD ABBOTS
11. To whom reported (Police, military, press etc.)	ESSEX POLICE HQ STORM 30 20/9/05
12. Name, address and telephone number of informant	Section 40 LOWFORD ESSEX
13. Any further detail volunteered	Section 40
14. Other witnesses	SAW ARTICLE IN EASTWICKS NEWSPAPER DAUGHTER NO DETAILS AVAILABLE
15. Date and time of receipt	0039 20 9 05

16. Remarks 2nd report of similar sightings over STABLEMAN AIRFIELD Nr Achnacree. Previous incident attached 1528 10/9/05	
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20/09/2005 00:41:19 (UFO) UFO	Origin:-999	Section:-G12
Priority:-(5) 5 ROUTINE		Beat:-G12M (546906,196616)
Disposal Codes (1-6) :- / / / / /	DEFAULT	FIR42
Call Taker No:-8590		FIR28
Dispatcher No:-1682		

---- Incident Location ----

Section 40 ABRIDGE, ROMFORD, Section 40

Proximity  
 Valid Location

---- Informant Details ----

Surname/First Name: Section 40  
Address: Section 40 ROMFORD  
OTHER STATUS

Don't Contact

---- Date/Time Info. ----

Call Card Created:- 20/09/2005 00:39:20  
Call Card Saved:- 20/09/2005 00:41:19  
Unit Dispatched:- 20/09/2005 00:43:37

Unit Arrived:-

Unit Cleared:- 20/09/2005 01:23:46  
Incident Disposed:-

---- Incident Log ----

01992814223	20/09/2005 00:39:39	8590	SYSTEM
INFT REPORTS 4 ORANGE LIGHTS ABOVE HER HOUSE, SOME MOVE	20/09/2005 00:40:16	8590	REMARKS
SOME STAY STILL NO SOUNDS			
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INFT STATES THESE LIGHTS HAVE BEEN SEEN OVER LOUGHTON AS	20/09/2005 00:40:17	8590	REMARKS
INFT SAW IN PAPER	20/09/2005 00:40:38	8590	REMARKS
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INFT BELEIVES THEY ARE NEAR STAPLEFORD ABBOTS AIRFIELD	20/09/2005 00:40:39	8590	REMARKS
Transfer To FIR - GL From Terminal FIR42 Control	20/09/2005 00:41:09	8590	REMARKS
Transfer Accepted At Terminal FIR27 For Control	20/09/2005 00:41:22	8590	SYSTEM
MOBILISATION MESSAGE SENT TO GR42(3463 Section 40 1591538,	20/09/2005 00:41:58	1682	SYSTEM
GR42(1254 Section 40 91539	20/09/2005 00:43:36	AIRWAVE	AIRWAVE
Transfer To FIR - GL From Terminal FIR28 Control	20/09/2005 00:51:21	940	SYSTEM
Transfer Accepted At Terminal FIR28 For Control	20/09/2005 00:51:47	940	SYSTEM
CONTROL: ATTEMPT TO CONTACT WEST DRAYTON AIRPORT - NO	20/09/2005 01:11:15	940	REMARKS
REPLY.			
IMU - LIASED WITH OFFICERS AND GAVE ADVICE RE REQUIRED	20/09/2005 01:13:47	530	REMARKS
INFO FOR THE OFFICIAL FORM			
IMU - TELEPHOPNED INF BACK	20/09/2005 01:25:26	530	REMARKS
INFORMANTS HUSBAND AND DAUGHTER WERE THE ONES THAT SAW	20/09/2005 01:25:26	530	REMARKS
THEM DAUGHTER IS ASLEEP NOW.			
HUSBAND STATES HE SAW THEM FROM THE M11 THEY LOOKED LIKE	20/09/2005 01:25:26	530	REMARKS
STATRS AT			
FIRST BUT THEN THEY CAME DOWN REALLY LOW OVER THE	20/09/2005 01:25:26	530	REMARKS
AIRFIELD INFORMANT STATES ABOUT PYLON HEIGHT. HE			
DESCRIBES THEM AS FLYING IN A TRIANGLE FORMATION WITH THE			
FORTH LOW AND LEFT OF			
THE TRIANGLE.	20/09/2005 01:25:26	530	REMARKS
DAUGHTER TOLD HER MOTHER THAT SHE SAW THEM LOW OVER	20/09/2005 01:25:26	530	REMARKS
GRAVEL LANE WITH 3 ONE SIDE AND 1 THE OTHER OF GRAVEL			
LANE.			
FROM GI01, REPORT TO BE SENT OR FAXED TO MINISTRY OF	20/09/2005 04:00:23	2446	REMARKS
DEFENCE AM TODAY. COPY ALSO TO ACC (O). AS PER POLICY.			
THANKS.			
EP-20050920-0030 PRINTED AT WORKSTATION:GE1 -> HP	20/09/2005 05:43:49	1254	SYSTEM
LaserJet 1200 Series PCL			
PRINTED FOR E/T SGT	20/09/2005 05:43:52	1254	SYSTEM
EP-20050920-0030 2050	20/09/2005 06:08:34	2050	SYSTEM
EP-20050920-0030 1620	20/09/2005 07:58:13	1620	SYSTEM
briefing	20/09/2005 08:05:47	6114	SYSTEM
EP-20050920-0030 PRINTED AT WORKSTATION:GL5 -> Xerox	20/09/2005 08:05:58	6114	SYSTEM
Phaser 8200DP			

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EP-20050920-0030 PRINTED AT WORKSTATION:GD2 -> HP	20/09/2005 09:29:17 1587	SYSTEM
LaserJet 4200 PCL 6		
IMU	20/09/2005 09:29:20 1587	SYSTEM
EP-20050920-0030 6740	20/09/2005 10:06:06 6740	SYSTEM
IMU: INCIDENT PRINTED AND FAXED TO RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS	20/09/2005 10:59:55 1587	SYSTEM

--- Unit Activity ---

GR42	20/09/2005	00:43:36	1254	3463	5 - EN ROUTE TO INCIDENT
		MESSAGE SENT	3463	Section 40 (1591538)	EP-20050920-0030; UFO;
GR42	20/09/2005	00:43:36	1254	3463	5 - EN ROUTE TO INCIDENT
		MESSAGE SENT	1254	Section 40 (1591539)	EP-20050920-0030; UFO; 63
GR42	20/09/2005	00:43:37	1254	3463	5 - EN ROUTE TO INCIDENT
	Section 40			ROMFORD	
GR42	20/09/2005	00:58:01	1254	3463	5 - EN ROUTE TO INCIDENT
	Section 40			ROMFORD	
GR42	20/09/2005	01:23:46	1254	3463	2 - AVAILABLE/RESUMING PATROL
		CLEARED			

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**Section 40**

Loughton  
Essex

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
22 September 2005

Dear **Section 40**

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received four other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 10 September 2005, and they were all from Loughton, Essex. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be of help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

20/09/2005

ESSEX POLICE

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Requested by : 1587  
at Workstation: GD2

Incident Report / EP-20050910-1528



10/09/2005 21:01:00 (UFO) UFO	Origin:-999	Section:-G13
Priority:-(5) 5 ROUTINE		Beat:-G13M (543559,196008)
Disposal Codes (1-6) :-NI17-01/ / /R99/ /	DEFAULT	
Call Taker No:-6351		FIR48
Dispatcher No:-		FIR27

---- Incident Location ----

Section 40 [REDACTED] LOUGHTON, Section 40 [REDACTED]



Proximity  
[X] Valid Location

---- Informant Details ----

Surname/First Name: Section 40 [REDACTED]  
Address: Section 40 [REDACTED] LOUGHTON  
OTHER STATUS

[ ] Don't Contact

---- Date/Time Info. ----

Call Card Created:- 10/09/2005 20:58:38  
Call Card Saved:- 10/09/2005 21:01:00  
Unit Dispatched:-

Unit Arrived:-

Unit Cleared:-

Incident Disposed:- 10/09/2005 22:53:41

---- Incident Log ----

999: 07799380247 543769 ,195949 ,685 ,395 *MOB*	10/09/2005 20:58:38 6351	SYSTEM
VODAFONE ,99,20050910205533,0 ,DATA AVAILABLE07799380247		
10/09/2005 20:58:01		
-	10/09/2005 20:59:19 6351	REMARKS
INF REPORTS 3 BALLS OF FIRE IN THE SKY.	10/09/2005 21:00:11 6351	REMARKS
THEY KEEP CIRCLING AND THEN LINING UP.	10/09/2005 21:00:26 6351	REMARKS
-	10/09/2005 21:00:30 6351	REMARKS
INF THOUGH WE SHOULD BE AWARE.	10/09/2005 21:00:38 6351	REMARKS
-	10/09/2005 21:00:42 6351	REMARKS
INF STATES THE WHOLE STREET ARE OUT LOOKING AT THEM.	10/09/2005 21:00:53 6351	REMARKS
Transfer To FIR - GL From Terminal FIR48 Control	10/09/2005 21:01:15 6351	SYSTEM
FOR INFO	10/09/2005 21:01:15 6351	REMARKS
Transfer Accepted At Terminal FIR27 For Control	10/09/2005 21:03:04 8743	SYSTEM
GR72 - I CAN CONFIRM THIS SIGHTING, WHILST WE WERE	10/09/2005 21:06:30 8743	REMARKS
ENROUTE TO INC: 1507.		
EP-20050910-1528 8051	10/09/2005 21:06:34 8051	SYSTEM
GR72 - PLEASE PASS TO GI01, AS THERE ARE FORMS THAT NEED	10/09/2005 21:06:50 8743	REMARKS
TO BE COMPLETED.		
GI01 HAS BEEN MADE AWARE.	10/09/2005 21:07:53 6881	REMARKS
GL - IMU DEALING WITH THIS CALL.	10/09/2005 21:08:41 8743	REMARKS
FIRSGT: AS THIS IS A ROUTINE INC, I ASSUME IMU IS MAKING	10/09/2005 21:08:51 1838	REMARKS
CALLS TO REF NORTHOLT ETC?		
GI01 BEING MADE AWARE BY IMU	10/09/2005 21:08:59 8743	REMARKS
IMU - CAN ALL OFFICERS MAKE AN ENTRY IN THEIR P/BOOK.	10/09/2005 21:10:14 8743	REMARKS
GN72 (PC 364) ALSO CONFIRMS THIS SIGHTING.	10/09/2005 21:11:16 8743	REMARKS
GR71 - I CAN CONFIRM THIS IS NOT A WEATHER PATTERN.	10/09/2005 21:12:18 8743	REMARKS
STANSTEAD ARE CONTACTING THE TOWER FOR RADAR OR AIRCRAFT	10/09/2005 21:13:58 530	REMARKS
DISPLAY TEAMS ETC		
GR71 - WE SAW THESE LIGHTS ABOUT 20.54. WE PHYSICALLY	10/09/2005 21:15:46 8743	REMARKS
STOPPED TO CHECK THIS OUT. THERE WAS 3 ORANGE LIGHTS IN		
A STATIONARY POSITION, THEN MOVED OFF TWDS THE LONDON		
AREA.		
FROM KD CONTROL - STANSTED TOWER HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE BUT	10/09/2005 21:16:44 6484	REMARKS
STATE THIS AREA WOULD COME UNDER WEST DRAYTON		
TELEPHONE NUMBER PASSED TO PS Section 40 [REDACTED]	10/09/2005 21:16:52 6484	REMARKS
GN72 - NOW IN OAKWOOD HILL AREA, WHERE I SAW THEM. NOW,	10/09/2005 21:17:36 8743	REMARKS
THERE IS NO TRACE.		
IMU - CONTACT MADE WITH WEST DRAYTON RADAR CONTROLL AT	10/09/2005 21:22:22 530	REMARKS
2115 HOURS ALL RADAR OBJECTS ARE CURRENTLY ACCOUNTED FOR		
AND ARE LEGITIMATE AIRCRAFT. RADAR CONTROLL REPORT THEY		
HAVE A VERY		
FIR48 Section 40 [REDACTED] Section 40 [REDACTED] LIGHT CAME	10/09/2005 21:22:37 6351	REMARKS

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OVER LOW AND THEN GONE UP VERY HIGH  
 LARGE NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT IN A STACK OVER STAPLEFORD TAWNEY AIRODROME ALL AT 9 TO 10 THOUSAND FEET. AIRCRAFT ARE CURRENTLY STACKED DUE TO A THUNDERSTORM IN THE AREA.  
 EP-20050910-1528 2581 10/09/2005 21:23:22 530 REMARKS  
 EP-20050910-1528 2468 10/09/2005 21:23:50 2581 SYSTEM  
 EP-20050910-1528 2468 10/09/2005 21:28:38 2468 SYSTEM  
 EP-20050910-1528 PRINTED AT WORKSTATION:GL1 -> hp LaserJet 1320 PCL 6 10/09/2005 21:34:22 7826 SYSTEM  
 IMU - WHAT IS REF NORTHOLT ? 10/09/2005 21:34:24 7826 SYSTEM  
 Transfer To FIR - GL From Terminal GD1 Control 10/09/2005 21:40:37 530 REMARKS  
 IMU - NORTHOLT SHOULD HAVE READ WEST DRAYTON ALL SORTED 10/09/2005 21:40:48 530 SYSTEM  
 Transfer Accepted At Terminal FIR28 For Control 10/09/2005 21:47:18 530 REMARKS  
 EP-20050910-1528 PRINTED AT WORKSTATION:GL1 -> hp LaserJet 1320 PCL 6 10/09/2005 21:47:54 7870 SYSTEM  
 10/09/2005 21:55:23 7826 SYSTEM  
 FIR48 - FURTHER CALL FROM **Section 40** STATES THIS IS DEFFINATELY NOT AIRCRAFT. 10/09/2005 21:55:25 7826 SYSTEM  
 10/09/2005 22:01:57 6351 REMARKS  
 Transfer To FIR - GL From Terminal FIR48 Control 10/09/2005 22:02:01 6351 REMARKS  
 FURTHER CALL 10/09/2005 22:02:10 6351 SYSTEM  
 Transfer Accepted At Terminal FIR27 For Control 10/09/2005 22:02:11 6351 REMARKS  
 EP-20050910-1528 70249 10/09/2005 22:02:19 6796 SYSTEM  
 GI01 - I AM SATISFIED WITH THE EXPLANATION FROM RADAR CONTROLL AND THE AIRCRAFT ARE THEREFORE IDENTIFIED. 10/09/2005 22:25:50 70249 SYSTEM  
 Disposal Code: NI17-01, R99 10/09/2005 22:40:48 530 REMARKS  
 EP-20050910-1528 HAS BEEN DISPOSED 10/09/2005 22:53:41 530 DISPOSE  
 EP-20050910-1528 PRINTED AT WORKSTATION:GD2 -> HP LASERJET 4200 PCL 6 10/09/2005 22:53:41 530 DISPOSE  
 10/09/2005 23:09:08 8897 SYSTEM  
 IMU 10/09/2005 23:09:08 8897 SYSTEM  
 EP-20050910-1528 PRINTED AT WORKSTATION:GD2 -> HP LASERJET 4200 PCL 6 10/09/2005 23:09:08 8897 SYSTEM  
 IMU 10/09/2005 23:09:09 8897 SYSTEM  
 EP-20050910-1528 PRINTED AT WORKSTATION:TX3 -> HP LaserJet 4000 Series PCL6 11/09/2005 02:16:12 3308 SYSTEM  
 EP-20050910-1528 8519 11/09/2005 02:16:17 3308 SYSTEM  
 EP-20050910-1528 8519 11/09/2005 10:55:56 8519 SYSTEM  
 EP-20050910-1528 8519 11/09/2005 12:09:59 8519 SYSTEM  
 EP-20050910-1528 8519 11/09/2005 13:33:23 8519 SYSTEM  
 EP-20050910-1528 PRINTED AT WORKSTATION:TX3 -> HP LaserJet 4000 Series PCL6 11/09/2005 14:34:59 2258 SYSTEM  
 EP-20050910-1528 866 11/09/2005 14:35:03 2258 SYSTEM  
 EP-20050910-1528 PRINTED AT WORKSTATION:GB1 -> hp LaserJet 1300 PCL 6 11/09/2005 17:08:40 866 SYSTEM  
 GBHD 12/09/2005 01:35:37 601 SYSTEM  
 briefing 12/09/2005 01:35:40 601 SYSTEM  
 EP-20050910-1528 PRINTED AT WORKSTATION:GL5 -> Xerox Phaser 8200DP 12/09/2005 08:54:21 6114 SYSTEM  
 EP-20050910-1528 PRINTED AT WORKSTATION:GL1 -> hp LaserJet 1320 PCL 6 12/09/2005 08:56:10 6114 SYSTEM  
 / 14/09/2005 08:08:31 7741 SYSTEM  
 EP-20050910-1528 PRINTED AT WORKSTATION:GL6 -> hp LaserJet 1300 PCL 6 14/09/2005 08:08:34 7741 SYSTEM  
 17/09/2005 16:03:45 2246 SYSTEM  
 IMU 17/09/2005 16:03:56 2246 SYSTEM  
 20/09/2005 11:01:12 1587 SYSTEM

---- Incident Relations ----

MOBILE CALL - ISR RELATION 543769,195949,685,395  
 999: **Section 40** 543769 ,195949 ,685 ,395 \*MOB\* VOD

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Kinross  
Perthshire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
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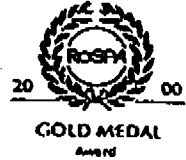
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# Royal Air Force Leuchars

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Telephone Section 40

## REPORT ON AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

1.	Date, Time and Duration of Sighting:
	14 <sup>th</sup> SEPT REPORTED 2123(±)
2.	Description of Object (No. of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, sound, smell etc):
	2-3 BRIGHT GREEN + LUMINOUS LIGHTS CIRCLING
3.	Exact Position when Observed (Geographical location, Indoors / Outdoors, Stationary / Moving):
	KINROSS
4.	How Observed (Naked eye, binoculars, Still or Movie Camera/VCR):
	NAKED EYE
5.	Direction in which object was first seen (possibly with reference to a landmark):
	CIRCLING THEN DIVE AWAY THEN FLASHING TOGETHER
6.	Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable):
7.	Distance (with reference to a landmark if possible):
	NEAR LOCK LEVEN
8.	Movements (changes in 6, 7 and 8 may be better than estimates of heading and speed):
	2-3 FAST MOVING

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9.	Weather (moving clouds, visibility):  SEEN CLEARLY
10.	Nearby Objects (Telephone / power lines, lakes, rivers, high structures, airfields, generating plants, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lights):
11.	To whom reported (Rank / Name / Place of Work / Contact No): CPL Section 40 AIC Section 40
12.	Name, Address & Telephone No. of Informant: Section 40 KINROSS PERTHSHIRE Section 40
13.	Any background on Informant that may be volunteered.
14.	Other Witnesses:  NEIGHBOUR
15.	Date & Time of Receipt of Report: 14 <sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER - 2123 (#)
16.	Is a reply requested?  YES

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- Contact MOD Sec (AS) 2A as soon as possible at MOD Main Building Section 40

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Perthshire

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Telephone Section 40

## REPORT ON AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

1. Date, Time and Duration of Sighting:  
14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 05 2055Z - 2110Z

2. Description of Object (No. of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, sound, smell etc):  
CIRCULAR WHITE

3. Exact Position when Observed (Geographical location, Indoors / Outdoors, Stationary / Moving):  
GOING TO STORE FROM HOME ADDRESS

4. How Observed (Naked eye, binoculars, Still or Movie Camera/VCR):  
NAKED EYE

5. Direction in which object was first seen (possibly with reference to a landmark):  
ABOVE NEIGHBOURS HOUSE TO THE NORTH

6. Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable):  

 between 90° + 120°

7. Distance (with reference to a landmark if possible):

8. Movements (changes in 6, 7 and 8 may be better than estimates of heading and speed):  
3 x WHITE CIRCLES GOING CLOCKWISE 5 TIMES THEN ANTI-CLOCKWISE 3 TIMES FOR 3-4 MINS

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9.	Weather (moving clouds, visibility): CLOUD VISABLE HIGHER IN SKY.
10.	Nearby Objects (Telephone / power lines, lakes, rivers, high structures, airfields, generating plants, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lights):
11.	To whom reported (Rank / Name / Place of Work / Contact No): CPC Section 40 ATC Section 40
12.	Name, Address & Telephone No of Informant: Section 40 Section 40 Section 40 PENTHSHIRE BLAIR-GOWRIE Section 40
13.	Any background on Informant that may be volunteered:
14.	Other Witnesses: Section 40 AND NEIGHBOUR. DAUGHTER
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**Section 40**

Letham  
Fife

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
16 September 2005

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## REPORT ON AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

1.	Date, Time and Duration of Sighting:
	14 <sup>th</sup> SEPT 2050 <del>4</del>
2.	Description of Object (No. of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, sound, smell etc):
	CIRCULAR WHITE
3.	Exact Position when Observed (Geographical location, Indoors / Outdoors, Stationary / Moving):
	OUTDOORS WALKING DOG. LETHAM
4.	How Observed (Naked eye, binoculars, Still or Movie Camera/VCR):
	NAKED EYE
5.	Direction in which object was first seen (possibly with reference to a landmark):
	NORTH - WEST (ALL OVER)
6.	Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable):
7.	Distance (with reference to a landmark if possible):
8.	Movements (changes in 6, 7 and 8 may be better than estimates of heading and speed):
	GOING IN CIRCLES ALL OVER SKY

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9. Weather (moving clouds, visibility):  
SLIGHTLY CLOUDY

10. Nearby Objects (Telephone / power lines, lakes, rivers, high structures, airfields, generating plants, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lights):  
NO

11. To whom reported (Rank / Name / Place of Work / Contact No):  
CPL Section 40 ATC Section 40

12. Name, Address & Telephone No. of Informant:  
Section 40  
LETHAM  
FIFE  
NIGHT DAY Section 40

13. Any background on Informant that may be volunteered:

14. Other Witnesses:  
WIFE

15. Date & Time of Receipt of Report:  
14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2200z

16. Is a reply requested?  
YES

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Perthshire

**Section 40**

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Our Reference:  
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Date:  
15 September 2005

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Yours sincerely

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# Royal Air Force Leuchars

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## REPORT ON AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

1.	Date, Time and Duration of Sighting: (When reporting ongoing)
	14th 2315 - 0030. 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept 05.
2.	Description of Object (No. of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, sound, smell etc):
	Blu to Clear White.
3.	Exact Position when Observed (Geographical location, Indoors / Outdoors, Stationary / Moving):
	E-W + N to S. OUTDOORS STATIONARY
4.	How Observed (Naked eye, binoculars, Still or Movie Camera/VCR):
	NAKED EYE + PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN
5.	Direction in which object was first seen (possibly with reference to a landmark):
	E-W + N-S.
6.	Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable):
	25°: 35° High Set
7.	Distance (with reference to a landmark if possible):
	N/A.
8.	Movements (changes in 6, 7 and 8 may be better than estimates of heading and speed):
	FAST MOVING CRASING

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9. Weather (moving clouds, visibility):  
Broken Cloud.

10. Nearby Objects (Telephone / power lines, lakes, rivers, high structures, airfields, generating plants, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lights):  
Nothing relevant.

11. To whom reported (Rank / Name / Grade / Country):  
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12. Name, Address & Telephone No. of Informant:  
Section 40 [redacted] Section 40 [redacted]  
CREEFF PENTHOUSE  
Section 40 [redacted] Section 40 [redacted]

13. Any background on informant that may be volunteered:  
LIGHTS (LIKE A TORN BUT NO BEAM)

14. Other Witnesses:  
WIFE.

15. Date & Time of Receipt of Report:  
15<sup>th</sup> 0030 SEPT.

16. Is a reply requested?  
REPLY REQUESTED

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Glenrothes  
Fife

**Section 40**

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Date:  
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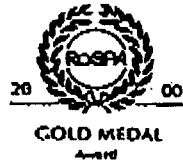
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## REPORT ON AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

1.	Date, Time and Duration of Sighting:	13 <sup>th</sup> 14 <sup>th</sup> SEPT Reported 2145 L.
2.	Description of Object (No. of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, sound, smell etc):	3-6 Bright white lights in circles.
3.	Exact Position when Observed (Geographical location, Indoors / Outdoors, Stationary / Moving):	From GLENROTHES - <sup>OVER</sup> FALKLANDS + LOMOND HILLS.
4.	How Observed (Naked eye, binoculars, Still or Movie Camera/VCR):	NAKED EYE - VIDEO CAMERA.
5.	Direction in which object was first seen (possibly with reference to a landmark):	MOVING E - W.
6.	Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable):	
7.	Distance (with reference to a landmark if possible):	OVER LOMOND HILLS.
8.	Movements (changes in 6, 7 and 8 may be better than estimates of heading and speed):	FAST MOVING IN CIRCLES INTERMITTANT

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9. Weather (moving clouds, visibility):  
 AS STARS SEEN CLEARLY.  
 THOUGHT NO CLOUD, BUT LIGHTS DISAPPEARING INTERMITTANTLY.

10. Nearby Objects (Telephone / power lines, lakes, rivers, high structures, airfields, generating plants, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lights):

11. To whom reported (Rank / Name / Place of Work / Contact No):  
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12. Name, Address & Telephone No. of Informant:  
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 GLENROTHES

13. Any background on informant that may be volunteered:  
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14. Other Witnesses:  
 YES. HUSBAND VIDEOING.

15. Date & Time of Receipt of Report:  
 14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER - 2145 L.

16. Is a reply requested?  
 NOT REQUESTED

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Lochgelly  
Fife

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
15 September 2005

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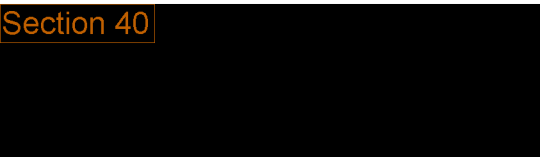
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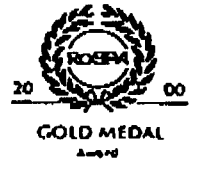
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## REPORT ON AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

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2.	Description of Object (No. of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, sound, smell etc): Bright white lights in semi circles
3.	Exact Position when Observed (Geographical location, Indoors / Outdoors, Stationary / Moving): Outdoors - in a car then from home.
4.	How Observed (Naked eye, binoculars, Still or Movie Camera/VCR): Naked eye.
5.	Direction in which object was first seen (possibly with reference to a landmark): North
6.	Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable):
7.	Distance (with reference to a landmark if possible): Biltingrey
8.	Movements (changes in 6, 7 and 8 may be better than estimates of heading and speed): 3 or 4 lights intermittent fast moving semi circles. Like spot lights with no beam.

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9. Weather (moving clouds, visibility):  
Through cloud.

10. Nearby Objects (Telephone / power lines, lakes, rivers, high structures, airfields, generating plants, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lights):  
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11. To whom reported (Rank / Name / Place of Work / Contact No):  
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12. Name, Address & Telephone No. of Informant:  
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13. Any background on informant that may be volunteered:  
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14. Other Witnesses:  
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15. Date & Time of Receipt of Report:  
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16. Is a reply requested?  
YES.

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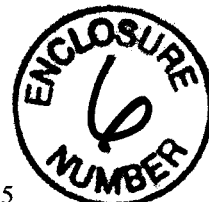
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Prec Act: ROUTINE  
DTG: 050320Z SEP 05 Transmission at: 050435Z SEP 05  
From: BMEWS III RAF FYLINGDALES MEWS UK/CMDR//  
To: MODUK AIR  
SICs: Z6F



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SUBJECT: AERIAL PHENOMENON

1. FOLLOWING SIGHTING OF A POSSIBLE UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT IS REPORTED
    - A. 040235Z SEP 05, DURATION 120 SECONDS
    - B. THREE DIMENSIONAL DIAMOND SHAPE, APPROX SIZE OF A LARGE HELICOPTER. GREEN LIGHTS ON EITHER SIDE AND A RED AND WHITE LIGHT ON CENTRE OF BODY
    - C. SIGHTED ON WEAR BANK ROAD BETWEEN WOLSINGHAM AND HAMSTRLY FOREST, GRID NZ072365
    - D. SIGHTED ABOVE FIELD ADJACENT TO ROAD
    - E. APPROX 100-200 M, NO ANGLE GIVEN
    - F. LESS THAN 200 M
    - G. WHEN LIGHTS FROM CAR SHONE ON OBJECT IT MOVED SLOWLY OFF TO THE NORTH. NO SOUND WAS HEARD
    - H. CLEAR SKIES
    - I. NIL GIVEN
    - J. REPORTED TO DURHAM POLICE, AIR SUPPORT UNIT
    - K. PC **Section 40** DURHAM POLICE AIR SUPPORT UNIT, DURHAM AND TEES VALLEY AIRPORT
    - L. NIL
    - M. OBJECT WAS SEEN BY 4 POLICE OFFICERS. TWO OF THEM WERE PC **Section 40** AND PC **Section 40** CALLSIGN M30P, OTHER OFFICERS NOT NAMED. PC **Section 40** DID NOT SEE OBJECT
    - N. 030301Z SEP 05
    - P. NIL
    - R. OFFICERS WHO SAW OBJECT WERE ON DUTY ABOUT TO CARRY OUT A DOG TRAINING EXERCISE.
- END OF X.400 TEXT

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**Section 40**

Peterborough  
Cambridgeshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
14 September 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 2 September 1990, the details of which you passed to us in your letter. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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With regard to your particular observation, I can’t confirm whether any other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings were reported for the date you saw the UFO, as your sighting was some time back. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I cannot be any help in your quest in finding out what the object was.

Yours sincerely

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Peterborough

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Dear Sirs/or madam,

Its now 15 years since my husband (now sadly departed) last year, plus our Beloved dog Pip (also passed on) year 2000 saw a UFO in the Village of Eye 5 miles away when we lived there, it was outside Eye church in 1990 static in the sky a bit away from us then it "slowly" drifted towards us e "STOPPED" a little in front of us e "ABOUT" 200FT up in the sky, it was Brilliant white, e a Big round Ball about as Big as the full moon or even Bigger? it was 2nd September 1990, e dusk at the time around 4 past 8, it seemed to have about 4 smaller Balls inside the large one, my Husband saw them as windows! cars were passing by with their Headlights on they the people inside cars didn't appear to notice it, e nor did our dog! after about 3 or 4 minutes (guessing the time) it slowly again drifted away over the Top of Eye church e completely disappeared in an instant, e we never saw it again although looking for it. I had always been a Believer in Flying Saucers/UFO's my husband had never Believed in them, it was awesome But Section 40 never liked Talking about it really afterwards, I did e Told family e friends e neighbours etc, e even reported it some time later to Police e 2 UFO investigators in Cambridge even filled in a report Form in early 90's I hesitated to contact you Before this, as one

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can be ridiculed / not Believed & the great  
Debunking Programme, Previously, & even now!  
no wings on this UFO, or sound / engine, so the  
"LAWS OF Gravity" strongly come to mind.  
I dont suppose you will give me an answer,  
of course I have never signed the "OFFICIAL  
Secrets act" so I would like an answer a  
reply to this letter. which is a "TRUE"  
statement of our sighting many moons  
ago now & something I will never forget!  
I can be sure it wasn't Venus, the full moon  
nor a Balloon.

yours sincerely

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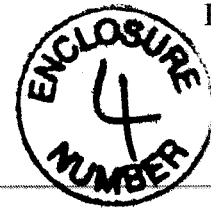
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**From:** Section 40  
**Sent:** 13 September 2005 11:39  
**To:** Section 40@aol.com  
**Subject:** Internet-Authorised: UFO Sighting.

Dear Section 40

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13/09/2005



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**From:** Section 40@aol.com  
**Sent:** 12 September 2005 16:28  
**To:** DAS-UFO-Office  
**Subject:** Saturday 10th September 2005

Dear Sirs,

At approximately 9PM on the above date I observed three objects in the sky above London, my vantage point being from just outside East London in Loughton, Essex.

The objects appeared to be orange in colour and moved in a manner that was very unlike the normal flight patterns of aircraft in the area, which it is possible to see on a daily basis.

I was with two friends who were also very puzzled by this. I then went to Loughton tube station to collect a friend where two lady police officers informed me that other people in the area had seen the same thing and that the matter had been reported to you.

I would be very grateful if you could let me know whether there is any further information on this.

Thank you for your assistance

Yours faithfully

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1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	17 September 2005 22.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Section 40 said that she noticed three very suspicious looking lights up in the sky. They were bright orange and very bright.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye and then with a telescope, but said it was hard to really pinpoint what they could be. Just balls of light through the telescope.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Section 40 said that the lights were extremely high up.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	They were hovering in the sky, and were there for more than 15 minutes.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] Loughton Essex Section 40 [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Said that she saw people getting out of cars and looking at the lights too.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Said that Loughton Police were inundated, (she must have rung them too), with calls from the public about the lights. She is wondering what they could be and if we could shed any light on the subject.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	12 September 2005 11.00L



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2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Three golden orbs seen hovering in the sky for an hour, moving in a triangle shape.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Hovering and then moving very slowly in a triangle formation/shape.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Loughton Essex Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Has asked Das if anyone else reported the golden orbs and if we can explain to her, what they could be.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	12 September 2005 10.45L



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2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There were three glowing lights. They were a bright orange colour.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The lights were moving from North West to South East over Loughton, Essex.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Very high up in the sky.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Were moving very slowly.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Loughton Essex Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	12 September 2005 10.30L