

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION (AFSC)
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO 45433



REPLY TO
ATTN OF TDET/UFO

JUN 13 1967

SUBJECT UFO Observation

TO Mr. [REDACTED]
Elbow Lake, Minnesota 56531

Reference your unidentified observation. The information which we have received is not sufficient for a scientific evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and return it in the envelope provided. Thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

James C. Manatt
JAMES C. MANATT, Colonel, USAF
Director of Technology and Subsystems

1 Atch
FTD Form 164 w/envelope

100-11000 Official File

Wright Patterson Field
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Sirs,

I'm only eleven so you might not believe me, but please do, because I'm telling the truth! I am very interested in U.F.O.s. I've seen two. I think one was a star, but the other one was not! I'll tell you about the one that was real. It was Wednesday night. Two of my friends and I were watching for flying saucers in the sky. It was a clear night, stars were out. One of us looked down across a field. There it was. Sitting by some trees about two miles away. It was as big as the trees and half-circular landed on the ground. It was a bright pulsating red-orange. We watched it about ten minutes. Two more of my friends joined us so there were five witnesses. We watched with a 10 power spyglass and with our naked eyes. Then to our surprise a red dot shot out of it and linked off and on into the woods. We had to go to a church service so we left. I went back on

Friday it was gross and the ad had
still fast, gone, and I had
into wood. About 10:30 when later
my mom and dad were gone and I had a
babysitter for my little brother. It
was about ten o'clock, when we looked out
of our big picture window, and it was
hovering about 100 feet above the spot we
had seen it the week ago. The red-orange
halo circular light. It hovered about
one minute then slowly moved eastward.
It began to gain speed it went faster,
faster, until it was too far away to see.
Could you please send me some information
on U.F.O.s? I would appreciate it very much.

Very respectfully,
~~_____~~
~~_____~~

INSUFFICIENT DATA

AT THIS DATE A DETAILED INVESTIGATION IS NOT POSSIBLE. FORM WAS SENT 13 JULY 67

ORIGINAL LETTER DID NOT MENTION EXACT OF SIGHTING. SO 134 WAS SENT.
U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

8th
Wednesday Feb. 1967
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

7 30
Hour Minutes

(Circle One):

A.M.

or

P.M.

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One):

- a. Eastern
- b. Central
- c. Mountain
- d. Pacific
- e. Other _____

(Circle One):

- a. Daylight Saving
- b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

Elmore Lake
Nearest Postal Address

Elmore Lake
City or Town

Grant, Minnesota
State or County

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration)

40 30
Hours Minutes Seconds

- a. Certain
- b. Fairly certain

- c. Not very sure
- d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined?

5.2 Was object in sight continuously?

Yes



No

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY

- a. Bright
- b. Cloudy

NIGHT

- a. Bright
- b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One):

- a. In front of you
- b. In back of you
- c. To your right

- d. To your left
- e. Overhead
- f. Don't remember

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

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
- b. A few
- c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
- b. Dull moonlight
- c. No moonlight - pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS (Circle One):

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER (Circle One):

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow (on ground)
- e. Don't remember

10. The object appeared: (Circle One):

- a. Solid
- b. Transparent
- c. Vapor
- d. As a light
- e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? (Circle One):

- a. Brighter
- b. Dimmer
- c. About the same
- d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

12. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
 - b. Like a bright star
 - c. Sharply outlined
 - d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

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

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

No

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: _____

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what in front of: _____

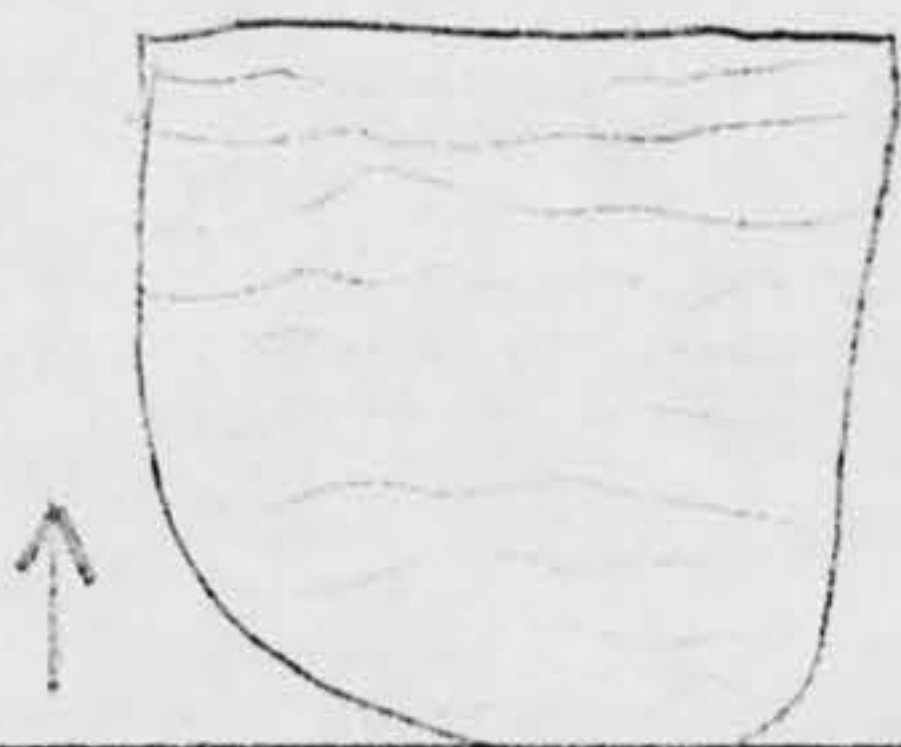
17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound *No sound at all*

b. Color *The color changed from orange to red sometimes yellow*

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



Many colors - red, orange, yellow, green, blue.

20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate?

Landed, didn't move exact
up
about 5 miles per hour

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was?

1 mile

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

(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
b. In a car
c. Outdoors
d. In an airplane (type)
e. At sea
f. Other _____

23. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
b. In the residential section of a city?
c. In open countryside?
d. Near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other _____

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

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- a. North c. East e. South g. West
b. Northeast d. Southeast f. Southwest h. Northwest

24.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

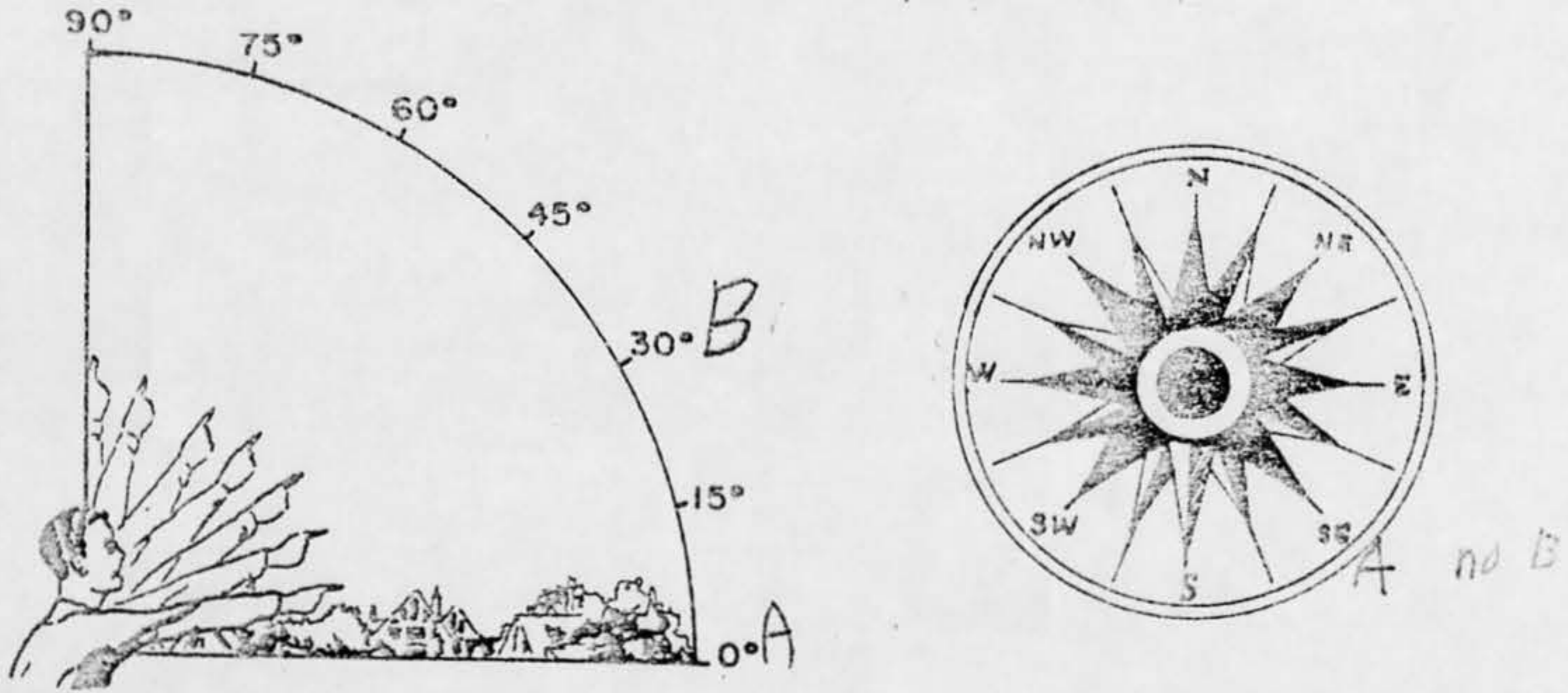
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|----|----------------|-----|----|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | No | e. Binoculars | Yes | No |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | No | f. Telescope | Yes | No |
| c. Windshield | Yes | No | g. Theodolite | Yes | No |
| d. Window glass | Yes | No | h. Other _____ | | |

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

None

27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.



28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? 1
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.



It was traveling up

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

No

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? (Circle One) Yes No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? (Circle One) Yes No


31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

2 other boys saw it to except they probly don't even remember it. They weren't interested in it. I told 'em a whole lot of no nothing much about it.



32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME   
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS  Elbow Lake 56531 Minnesota
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE  AGE 11 SEX Male

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

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

Day Month Year Friends, Teachers, Dad, Mom
nobody like the police.

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

^{17th} Monday July 1967
Day Month Year

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

About one week later ~~_____~~ and I saw an object similar to it leave the same field. At five to ten Tuesday night,

We saw a thing about a yard tall and circular come out the side of the U.S.C. At first I put it down as an object on question 29. But later I decided it wouldn't be classified as a U.S.C. So I only put down that I saw 1.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION (AFSC)
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO 45433



REPLY TO
ATTN OF TDET/UFO

JUN 13 1967

SUBJECT UFO Observation

TO ~~Mr. [REDACTED]~~
Elbow Lake, Minnesota 56531

Reference your unidentified observation. The information which we have received is not sufficient for a scientific evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and return it in the envelope provided. Thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James C. Manatt".

JAMES C. MANATT, Colonel, USAF
Director of Technology and Subsystems

1 Atch
FTD Form 164 w/envelope