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34th Air Division (Defense)
Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico

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SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object

TO: Commander
Central Air Defense Force
ATTN: DCS/I
Grandview Air Force Base
Grandview, Missouri

Forwarded herewith is a report of an unidentified flying object
which was submitted to this Division.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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TO: Commander, Air Defense Command, Ent Air Force Base, Colorado.

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT UFOB		
AREA REPORTED ON Bernalillo, Bernalillo County, N Mex	FROM (Agency) D/I, 34th Air Div (Def), KAFB, N Mexico	
DATE OF REPORT 27 July 1956	DATE OF INFORMATION 26 July 1956	EVALUATION
PREPARED BY (Officer) CHARLES L DEWEES, Major, USAF	SOURCE Mr. [REDACTED] and wife	
REFERENCES (Control number, direction, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFR 200-2 and Chapter IX, CONADM 55-1		
SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)		
<p>I. CONTENTS:</p> <p>PART ONE: Description of sighting by Mr. [REDACTED] and wife of Route #1, Moran, Texas</p> <p>PART TWO: Description of course of object.</p> <p>PART THREE: Manner of observation.</p> <p>PART FOUR: Time and date of sighting.</p> <p>PART FIVE: Location of observers.</p> <p>PART SIX: Identifying information of all observers.</p> <p>PART SEVEN: Weather and winds-aloft conditions at time and place of sighting.</p> <p>PART EIGHT: Unusual activity or conditions, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.</p> <p>PART NINE: Position title and comments of the preparing officer, including his preliminary analysis of the possible cause of the sighting.</p> <p>PART TEN: Existence of physical evidence, such as materials and photographs.</p>		
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III. INVESTIGATOR:

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I. CONTENTS:

PART ONE: Description of sighting of Mr. [REDACTED] and wife of Route #1, Moran, Texas

- (a) Shape. Almost round with rays going outward.
- (b) Size compared to a known object: A large ball about three (3) feet in diameter held in the hand and at about arm's length.
- (c) Color: Bright orange - like fire.
- (d) Number: One (1).
- (e) Formation: N/A (only one)
- (f) Any discernible features or details: The edges of the object were larger and brighter than its interior and became slightly fuzzy.
- (g) Object had no tail, trail, or exhaust.
- (h) Object made no sound.
- (i) Other pertinent or unusual features: Object was brighter than the brightness of an automobile headlight at several yards, appeared to be solid, and moved slowly upward dimming with distance.

PART TWO: Description of course of object

- (a) Mr and Mrs. [REDACTED] were sleeping outdoors in the open countryside in a car when Mrs. [REDACTED] awoke not knowing why. She woke her husband and together they noticed object.
- (b) Angle of elevation and azimuth of the object when first sighted-unknown.
- (c) Angle of elevation and azimuth of the object when last sighted - unknown.
- (d) Object moved slowly upward dimming with distance.
- (e) Object did not disappear, source and wife could still see it when they went back to sleep.
- (f) Length of time in sight: Source and wife watched object for about three (3) hours.

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PART THREE: Manner of observation

- (a) Ground-visual
- (b) Source also viewed object through binoculars (7x50 7.10)

PART FOUR: Time and date of sighting

- (a) Sighting first made at 26/0900Z July 1956
- (b) Light conditions - night.

PART FIVE: Location of observers

- (a) Sighting was made near Bernalillo, New Mexico (approximately #JPF 45).

PART SIX: Identifying information of all observers

- (a) Civilian - 34 years of age - Mailing Address: [REDACTED] Moran, Texas - Occupation: Pipe Line Guager.
- (b) Mrs [REDACTED] - housewife - age not given - address same as above.

PART SEVEN: Weather and winds-aloft conditions at time and place of sighting

- (a) Observers' account of weather conditions: There was a clear sky with a slight breeze. The weather was dry and cool. Visibility was good as the moon was very bright with many stars in the sky.
- (b) Report from nearest AWS or U.S. Weather Bureau Office:

Terminal Weather for Albuquerque - Santa Fe, New Mexico on 26 July 1956:

0130M ABQ 300-060 122/66/47 7/017
SAF 040 149/61/46 C

0230M ABQ 300060 119/67/47 9/017
SAF 040 149/59/45 C

0330M ABQ 300060 125/67/47 10/017
SAF 040 149/59/43 C

0430M ABQ 060 129/65/49 3/018
SAF 040 149/58/43 4

0530M ABQ 060 132/65/49 7/019
SAF 1200 159/55/42 7

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Temperatures aloft for Albuquerque are indicated below:

25/2000M

26/0800M

mb T°C

mb T°C

838 23

842 21

820 24

700 09

700 11

568 00

654 06

500 07

587 00

500 -07

The observation of the unidentified object occurred almost at mid-period between the above observation. As indicated on the attached thermodynamic diagram a slight surface inversion existed six hours previous to the time of unknown object observation. It is logical to assume that the surface inversion intensified as conditions were very favorable for radiational surface cooling. The 26/0800M observation aloft indicated as much as one to five degrees centigrade cooling in the lower 5000 feet above the surface. This observation itself does not indicate an inversion, but it is logical again to assume that the inversion had been destroyed since sunrise as the minimum temperature was about 17°C.

The moon rose at 25/2036M and set at 26/0843M. It was high in the sky during the period of 0200 - 0500M. The fact that a nearly full moon was in the sky and a good surface inversion existed should be noted in determining possible optical illusions.

PART EIGHT: Unusual activity or condition, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for sighting.

- (a) See weather condition comments and attached weather chart.

PART NINE: Position, title and comments of the preparing officer, including his preliminary analysis of the possible cause of the sighting.

- (a) Position: Director of Intelligence, 34th Air Division (Defense), Kirtland Air Force Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico.
- (b) Title: Major, USAF - Director of Intelligence

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(c) Comments of Preparing Officer:

The SOURCES appeared quite sincere and anxious to be of assistance, even to the extent of interrupting their vacation in order to report to the proper authorities. A thorough check; however, of available meteorological sources, including the University of New Mexico, indicates that there was nothing in the sky at the time of the reported sighting to account for the discrepancy in the object's description by naked eye and use of binoculars. A check of planetary positions and courses on the night in question revealed nothing significant. As indicated in the basic report, the film used to record the object by the sources was completely blank and useless. It is believed, in view of the temperature conditions, indicating a possible surface temperature inversion, that the "sighting" was, in fact an optical illusion. This belief is strengthened by the SOURCES' description of the object as oblong when viewed with the naked eye and circular when observed through binoculars. No further investigation is contemplated or recommended.

PART TEN: Existence of Physical Evidence, such as materials and photographs

No physical evidence, such as materials and photographs exists. Although source attempted to photograph the object the film proved to be perfectly blank when developed.

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1. Drawing by Source
2. Azimuth drawing by source
3. Weather Chart

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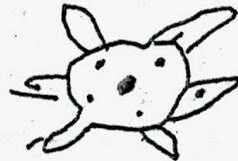
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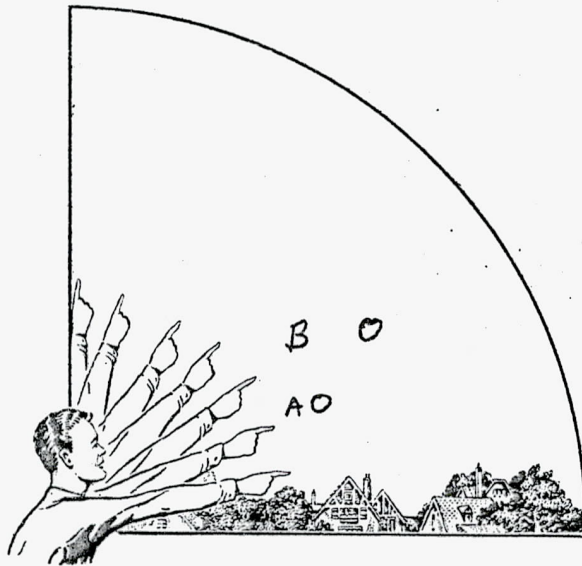
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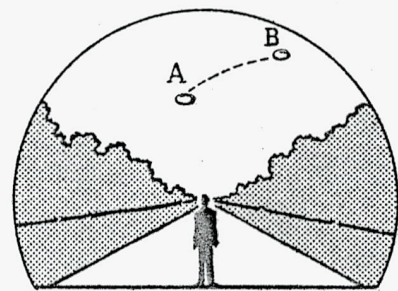
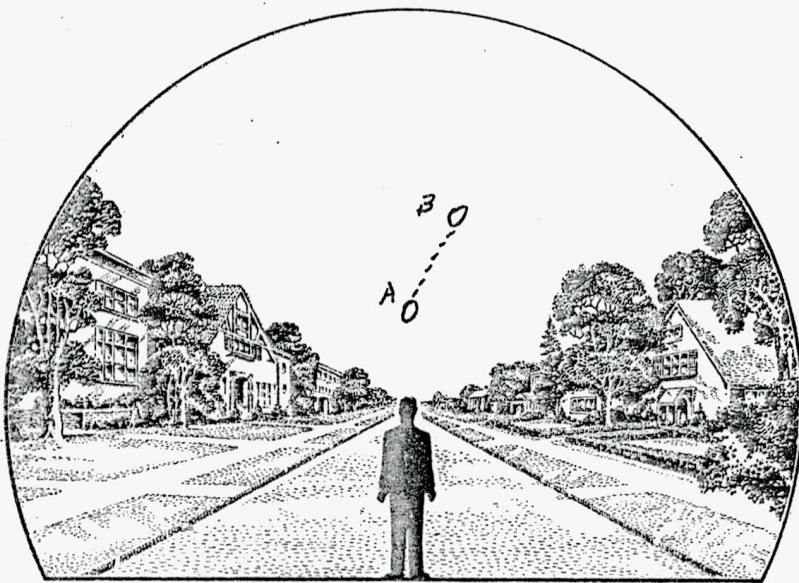
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32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the *same* curved line to show how high the object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

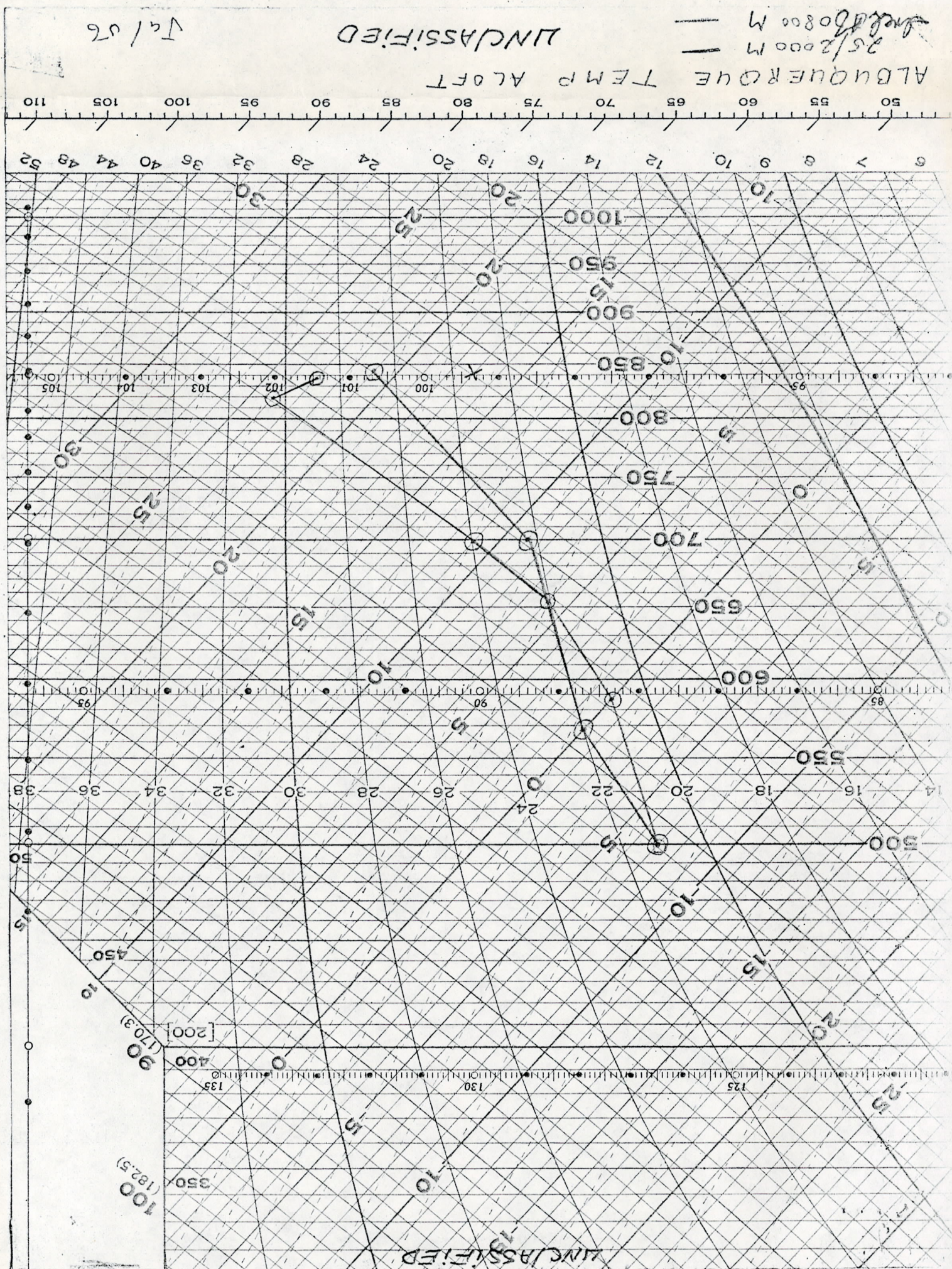


33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.



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