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Incident #20

UNCLASSIFIED

ATIC NO. ----

AF NO. ----

REPORT NO. ----

DATE OF REPORT ----

TIME OF SIGHTING 1600

SHAPE round

SIZE 12" in dia

COURSE SW

NO. IN GROUP 1

NOISE ----

PHOTOS ---- SKETCHES -----

DATE OF INFO 20 Oct 47

LOCATION Xenia, Ohio

SOURCE Female civilian

DATE IN TO ATIC -----

COLOR silver

SPEED fast Estimated Measured

ALTITUDE 1000' to 1500' Estimated Measured

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED ----

TYPE OF OBSERVATION -----

MANEUVERS Straight course

Temporary ATIC Form 329
(2 Jan. 52)

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PROB A/C

[redacted]

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The information given here is insufficient to determine any possible astronomical origin of the object observed.

As in incident #19, while it is impossible to rule out the meteoric explanation (e.g., straight course, fast speed), the lack of information about trail, length of time in sight, manner of disappearance, and distance from observer, make any attempt at a definite interpretation rather futile.

Again, in short, it is not impossible that the object seen was a daylight, slow-moving bolide, but it is highly improbable, judging from the limited information offered.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 21

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1. Date 20 Oct 47
2. Time 1100
3. Location, Xenia, Ohio
4. Name of observer [redacted]
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer [redacted], Ohio
7. Place of observation Xenia, Ohio
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 1000 to 1500 ft
12. Speed fast
13. Direction of flight Southwest
14. Tactics straight course
15. Sound None
16. Size 12" in dia.
17. Color Silver
18. Shape round
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: Could not see any propellers or fins which observer thought strange nor was the object making any noise at all.

NOTE: Observer mentions two witnesses

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Dr HYNEK'S EVALUATIONS EXTRACTED FROM PROJECT GRUDGE REPORT.

INCIDENT INDEX

1. Astronomical

   a. High probability:
   #26, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 48, 49, 59, 60, 66, 69, 70, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 101, 102, 103, 104, 116, 119, 132, 136, 140, 147, 148, 158, 174, 184, 185, 187, 197, 203, 204, 208, 216, 219, 238.

   b. Fair or low probability:
   #19, 20, 23, 24, 28, 35, 36, 46, 50, 63, 67, 80, 82, 93, 100, 112, 120, 121, 129, 130, 144, 153, 165, 166, 167, 175, 192, 199, 202, 205, 220, 230, 240.

2. Non-astronomical but suggestive of other explanations

   a. Balloons or ordinary aircraft:
   #3, 11, 22, 41, 42, 53, 54, 73, 81, 83, 91, 92, 113, 114, 115, 126, 131, 138, 141, 145, 155, 156, 157, 159, 160, 161, 163, 169, 171, 173, 178, 180, 182, 188, 190, 194, 195, 196, 198, 200, 201, 209, 210, 217, 222, 235, 237, 239.

   b. Rockets, flares or falling bodies:
   #4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 25, 56, 65, 78, 106, 107, 108, 109, 133, 170, 211, 218.

   c. Miscellaneous (reflections, auroral streamers, birds, etc.):
   #39, 89, 123, 124, 128, 146, 164, 181, 189, 214, 221, 231, 234.

3. Non-astronomical, with no explanation evident

   a. Lack of evidence precludes explanation:
   #38, 44, 45, 47, 55, 57, 72, 86, 87, 88, 90, 99, 110, 117, 118, 125, 127, 137, 139, 149, 150, 177, 179, 191, 206, 212, 213, 229, 232, 233.

   b. Evidence offered suggests no explanation:
   #1, 2, 10, 17, 21, 29, 37, 40, 51, 52, 58, 61, 62, 64, 68, 71, 75, 76, 77, 79, 84, 105, 111, 122, 135, 151, 152, 154, 162, 168, 172, 176, 183, 186, 193, 207, 215, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 236, 241, 242, 243, 244, 134.