

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

LOCATION

CONCLUSIONS

2 AUG 52

LUKE AFB, ARIZONA

1. DATE-TIME
02/2330 MST

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☒ Possibly Balloon

LOCAL
02/0630 Z

☒ Ground-Visual

☐ Ground-Radar

☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft

GMT

☐ Air-Visual

☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS

6. SOURCE

☐ Was Astronomical
☐ Probably Astronomical
☐ Possibly Astronomical

☐ Yes
☒ No

2 Airmen

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 9. COURSE

☐ Other
☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☐ Unknown

3-4 sec.

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10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

11. COMMENTS

Round white light traveled in straight line at 200mph. Sequence was repeated three minutes later.

1. White light blinking on and off - pilot light on balloons.

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AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE
OHIO

3 AUG 1952
P. B. 116

A/3C John V. K. Silcox
Hq. & Hq. Sq.
127 Flt. Tng. Wing
Luke AFB, Arizona

Dear Sir:

Your recent report of unidentified aerial phenomena has been received by the Air Technical Intelligence Center. Inclosed is a questionnaire, which, when completed by you and returned in the inclosed, self-addressed envelope, will aid in standardizing the data and will provide a complete record of the occurrence.

Your interest in reporting the matter and your public spirited desire to be of service are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,


ROBERT E. KENNEDY
Major, USAF
Air Adjutant General

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a/s

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TENTATIVE
OBSERVERS QUESTIONNAIRE

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SECTION A

1. When did you see the object:

1.1 Date: 2 Aug 52
Day Month Year

1.2 Time of day: 2330 A.M. or P.M. (Circle One)
Hrs. Min.

1.3 Time Zone: (Circle One):

- | | |
|--------------------|----------------|
| a. Eastern | d. Pacific |
| b. Central | e. Other _____ |
| <u>c. Mountain</u> | |

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
b. Standard

1.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above question 1.2:

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| <u>a. Certain</u> | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Just a guess |

2. Where did you see the object?

6001 1st Ave Alhambra Ariz USA
Postal Address City or Town State Country

3. Where were you located when you saw the object:

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

3.1 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. Flying near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other _____

4. How did you happen to notice the object? object
happened to cross my line
at vision
5. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?
6 Aug 52
 Day Month Year

SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? Hauling
wood on Glenview Ave.

6.1 What had you been doing for the 30 minutes before you saw the object? Try to list the activity or activities, and the approximate amount of time spent on each.

Riding in other car

7. Were you moving at any time while you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or No.

If you answered YES, then complete the following questions.

- 7.1 What direction were you moving?

(Circle One):

- | | |
|--------------|----------------|
| a. North | e. South |
| b. Northeast | f. Southwest |
| c. East | <u>g. West</u> |
| d. Southeast | h. Northwest |

- 7.2 How fast were you moving? 45 miles per hour.

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

8. What direction were you facing when you first saw the object?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | e. South |
| b. Northeast | f. Southwest |
| c. East | g. West |
| d. Southeast | h. Northwest |

8.1 What direction were you facing when the object disappeared?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | e. South |
| b. Northeast | f. Southwest |
| c. East | g. West |
| d. Southeast | h. Northwest |

8.2 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above two questions. (8 and 8.1).

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| a. Certain | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Just a guess |

9. Were you wearing eye glasses when you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or No

10. How was the object seen?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| a. Through window glass | e. Through theodolite |
| b. Through windshield | f. Through sun glasses |
| c. Through binoculars | g. Through open space |
| d. Through telescope | h. Other |

11. What do you remember about the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

11.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

11.2 WIND (Circle One)

- a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

11.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, Mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

11.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

SECTION C

12. Estimate how long you saw the object?
Hours Minutes Seconds

12.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 12:

- a. Certain c. Not very sure
b. Fairly sure d. Just a guess

13. Did the object look: (Circle One) Solid or Transparent?

14. Did the object at any time:

(Circle One for each question)

14.1	Change direction?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.2	Change speed?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.3	Change size?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.4	Change color?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.5	Break up into parts or explode?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.6	Give off smoke?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.7	Change brightness?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.8	Flicker, throb, or pulsate?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.9	Remain motionless?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>

15. Did the object give off a light? (Circle One): Yes No Don't know

15.1 IF you answered YES, what was the color of the light? white

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object?

16.1 Sound

16.2 Color white

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

18. Did the object at any time:

18.1 Move behind something? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind.

18.2 Move in front of something? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved in front of.

18.3 Blend with the background? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

19. Which of the following objects is about the same actual size as the object you saw? (Circle One): *Since I have no idea how far away the object was, I feel that this*

a. Pea	f. Automobile
b. Baseball	g. Small airplane
c. Basketball	h. Large airplane
d. Bicycle wheel	i. Dirigible
e. Office desk	j. Other _____

19.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 19.

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| a. <u>Certain</u> | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Uncertain |

20. Try to tell the following things about the object:

20.1 How high above the earth was it? 1000 feet.

20.2 How far was it from you? 1000 feet or 1000 miles

20.3 How fast was it going? _____ miles per hour. *300 mph*

20.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above questions:

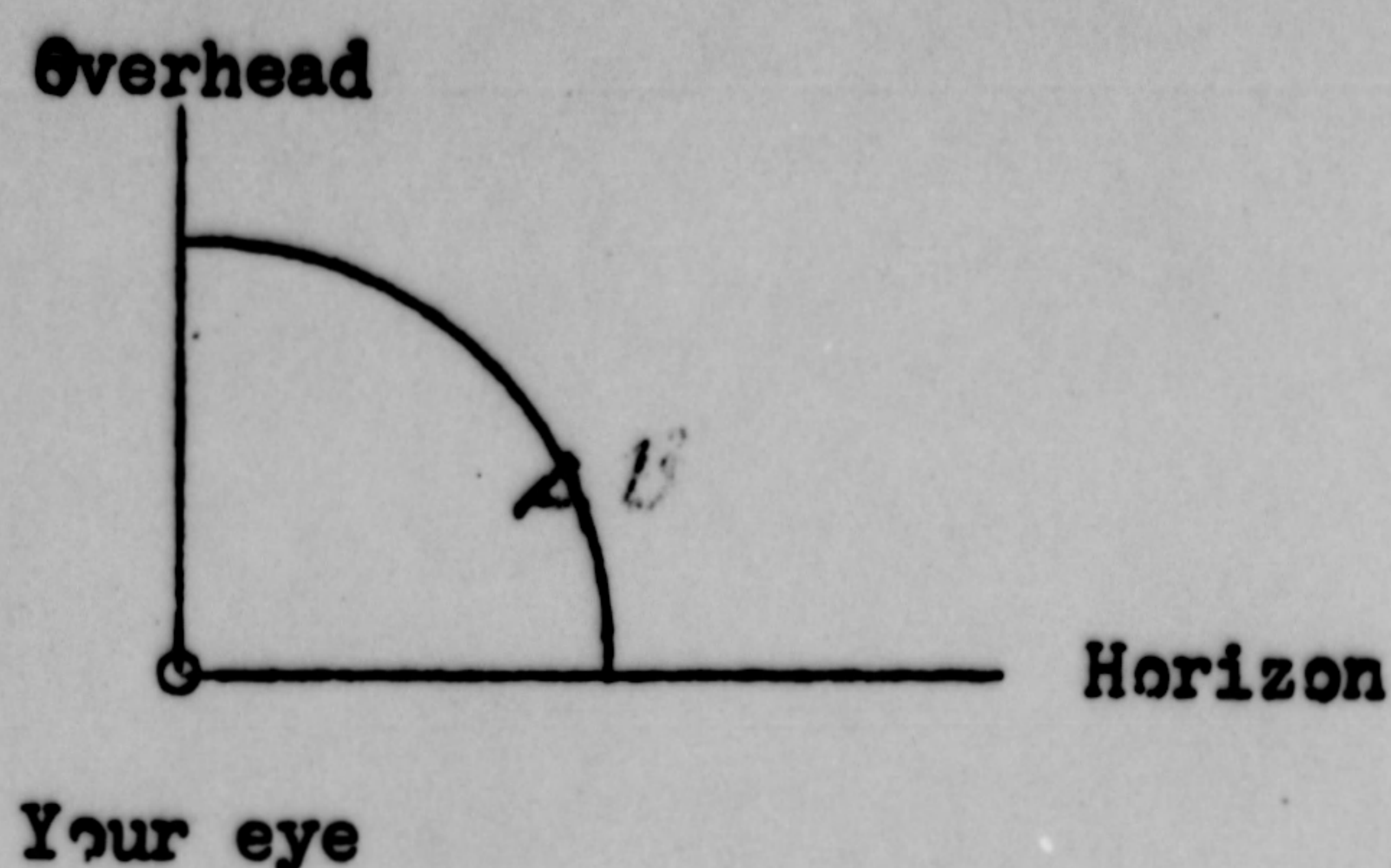
- | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| a. <u>Certain</u> | c. Not very sure |
| b. <u>Fairly certain</u> | d. Just a guess |

21. How did the object disappear from view?

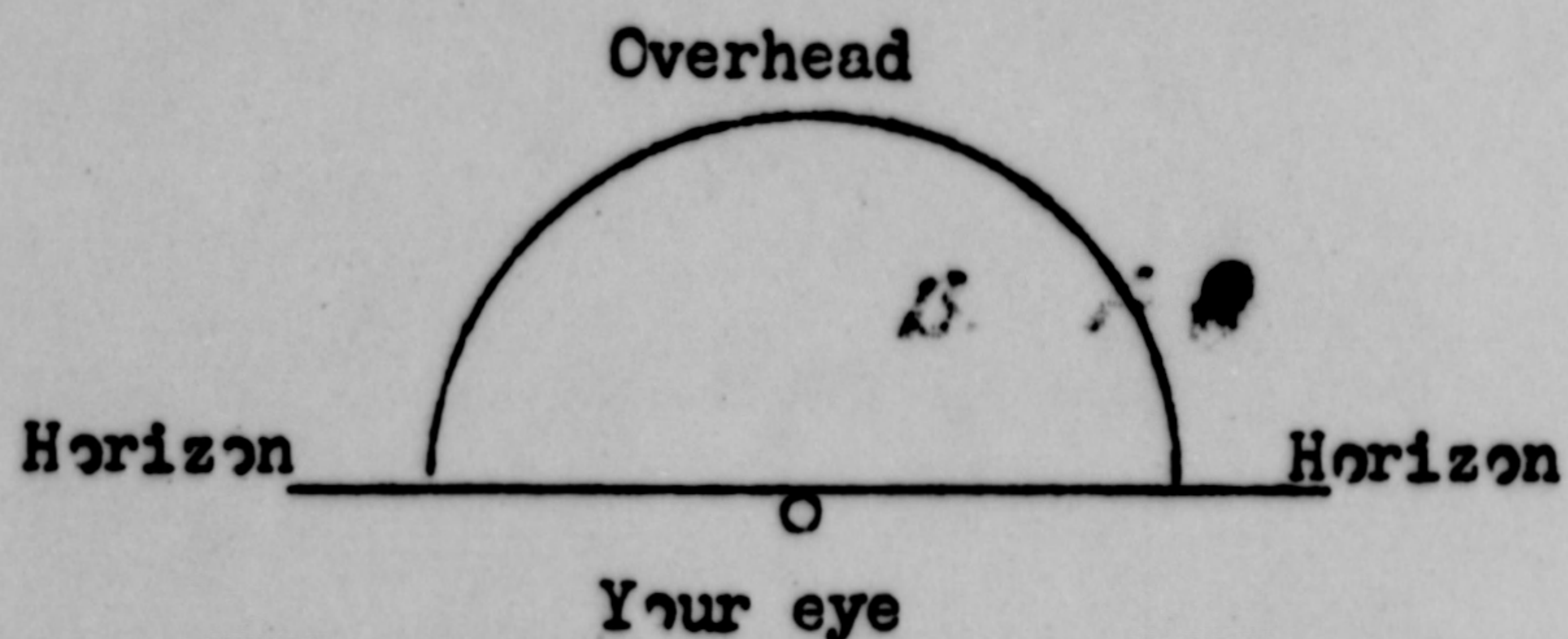
(Circle One): a. Suddenly c. Other _____
b. Gradually d. Don't remember

SECTION D

22. In the following sketch, imagine your eye at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon when you first saw it. Place a "B" to show where it was when when you last saw it.



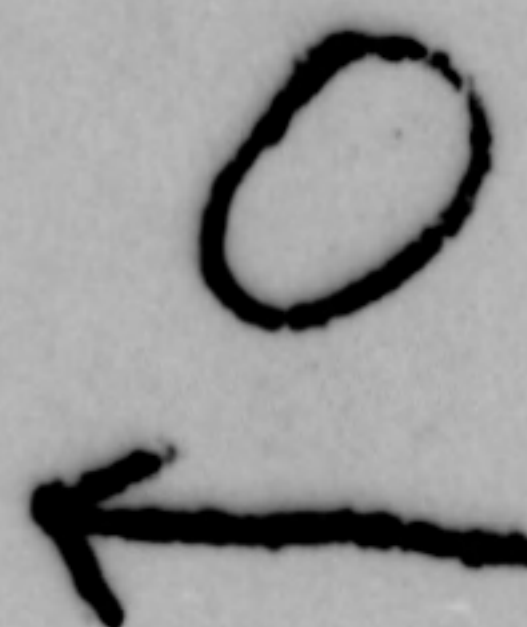
23. In the following sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you first saw it, and a "B" at its position when you last saw it.



24. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object made. Place an "A" at the beginning of its path and a "B" at the end of its path.

B ————— A

25. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw, and place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



SECTION E

26. Was this the first time that you have seen an object like this?
(Circle One): Yes No

26.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what conditions did you see other ones? _____

27. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

*IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN A PLANE
Landing Light.*

28. Give the following information about yourself:

NAME [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [REDACTED] 127th PL LUKE AFB
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

What is your present job? Personnel Records

Age 24

Sex M

Last School Attended RUTGERS UNIV.

Year of last attendance at this school 1950

29. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.2 Please list their names and addresses:

~~REDACTED~~
W2 H2 52 127th PET TNG W2
LUKE H2 B. 127th

30. Please add here any further comments which you believe are important.
Use additional sheets of the same size paper if necessary.

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**TENTATIVE
OBSERVERS QUESTIONNAIRE**

SECTION A

1. When did you see the object:

1.1 Date: 2 7 53
Day Month Year

1.2 Time of day: 2330 A.M. or P.M. (Circle One)
Hrs. Min.

1.3 Time Zone: (Circle One):

- | | |
|--------------------|----------------|
| a. Eastern | d. Pacific |
| b. Central | e. Other _____ |
| c. <u>Mountain</u> | |

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
b. Standard

1.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above question 1.2:

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| a. <u>Certain</u> | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Just a guess |

2. Where did you see the object?

Chandler, Arizona
Postal Address City or Town State Country

3. Where were you located when you saw the object:

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| a. Inside a building | d. In an airplane |
| b. <u>In a car</u> | e. At sea |
| c. Outdoors | f. Other _____ |

3.1 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. Flying near an airfield? |
| e. Flying over a city? |
| f. Flying over open country? |
| g. Other _____ |

4. How did you happen to notice the object? I was driving in a car on a highway at night. I was looking at the road and I saw the object.
5. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?
- 4 Day 12 Month 72 Year

SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? Driving in a car.

6.1 What had you been doing for the 30 minutes before you saw the object? Try to list the activity or activities, and the approximate amount of time spent on each.

Driving in a car.

7. Were you moving at any time while you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or No.

If you answered YES, then complete the following questions.

- 7.1 What direction were you moving?

(Circle One):

a. North	e. South
b. Northeast	f. Southwest
c. East	g. <u>West</u>
d. Southeast	h. Northwest

- 7.2 How fast were you moving? 30 miles per hour.

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

SECTION C

12. Estimate how long you saw the object?
Hours Minutes Seconds

12.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 12:

- a. Certain c. Not very sure
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13. Did the object look: (Circle One) Solid or Transparent?

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(Circle One for each question)

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14.5	Break up into parts or explode?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.6	Give off smoke?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
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15. Did the object give off a light? (Circle One): Yes No Don't know

15.1 If you answered YES, what was the color of the light?

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object?

16.1 Sound

16.2 Color

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

8. What direction were you facing when you first saw the object?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | e. South |
| b. Northeast | f. Southwest |
| c. East | g. West |
| d. Southeast | h. Northwest |

8.1 What direction were you facing when the object disappeared?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | e. South |
| b. Northeast | f. Southwest |
| c. East | g. West |
| d. Southeast | h. Northwest |

8.2 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above two questions. (8 and 8.1).

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| a. Certain | e. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Just a guess |

9. Were you wearing eye glasses when you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or No

10. How was the object seen?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| a. Through window glass | e. Through theodolite |
| b. Through windshield | f. Through sun glasses |
| c. Through binoculars | g. Through open space |
| d. Through telescope | h. Other |

11. What do you remember about the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

11.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

11.2 WIND (Circle One)

- a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

11.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, Mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

11.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

18. Did the object at any time:

18.1 Move behind something? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind.

18.2 Move in front of something? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved in front of.

18.3 Blend with the background? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

19. Which of the following objects is about the same actual size as the object you saw? (Circle One):

- | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| a. Pea | f. Automobile |
| b. <u>Baseball</u> | g. Small airplane |
| c. Basketball | h. Large airplane |
| d. Bicycle wheel | i. Dirigible |
| e. Office desk | j. Other _____ |

19.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 19.

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| a. <u>Certain</u> | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Uncertain |

20. Try to tell the following things about the object:

20.1 How high above the earth was it? _____ feet.

20.2 How far was it from you? _____ feet or _____ miles *12000*

20.3 How fast was it going? _____ miles per hour.

20.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above questions:

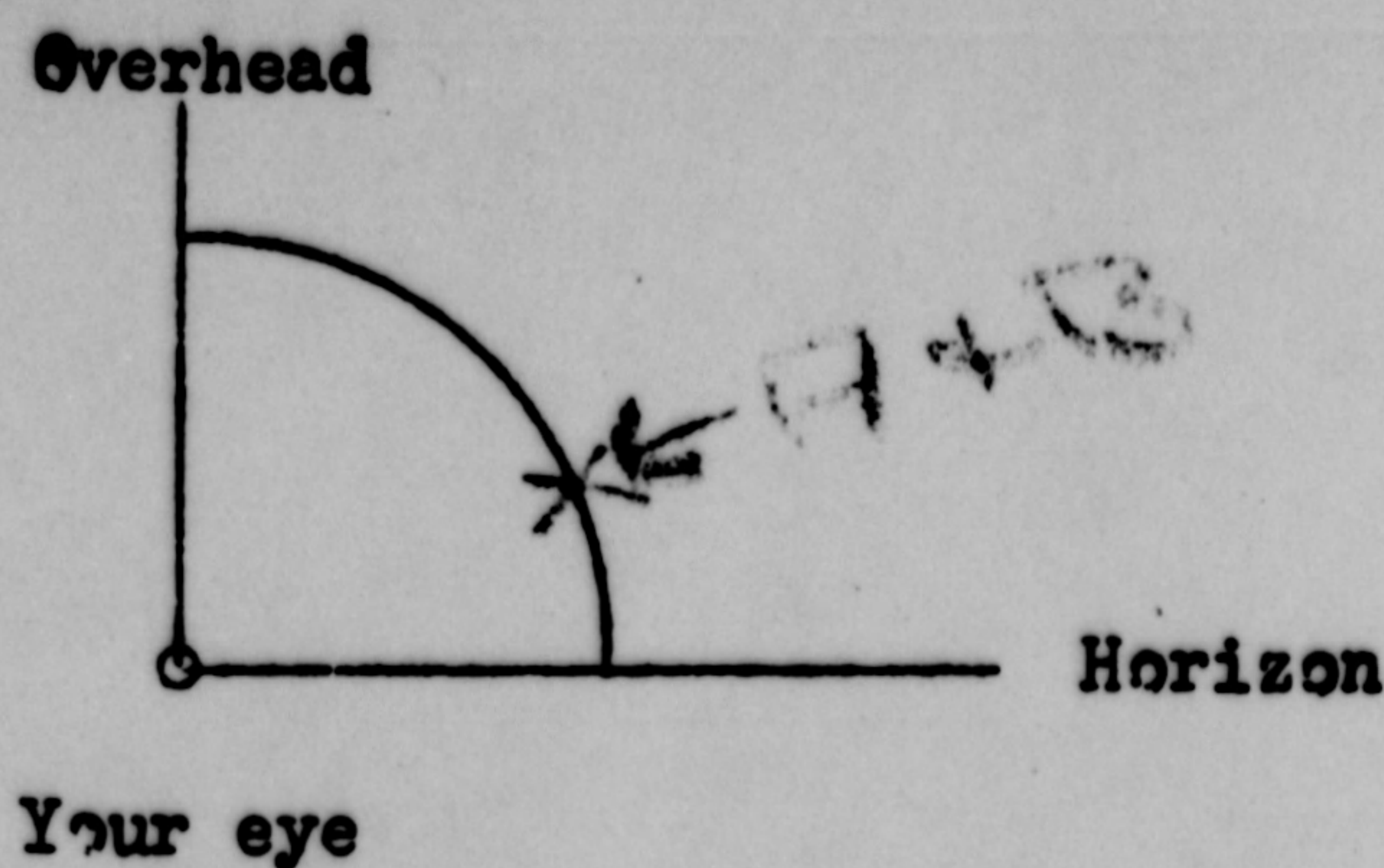
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|--------------------------|------------------|
| a. Certain | c. Not very sure |
| b. <u>Fairly certain</u> | d. Just a guess |

21. How did the object disappear from view?

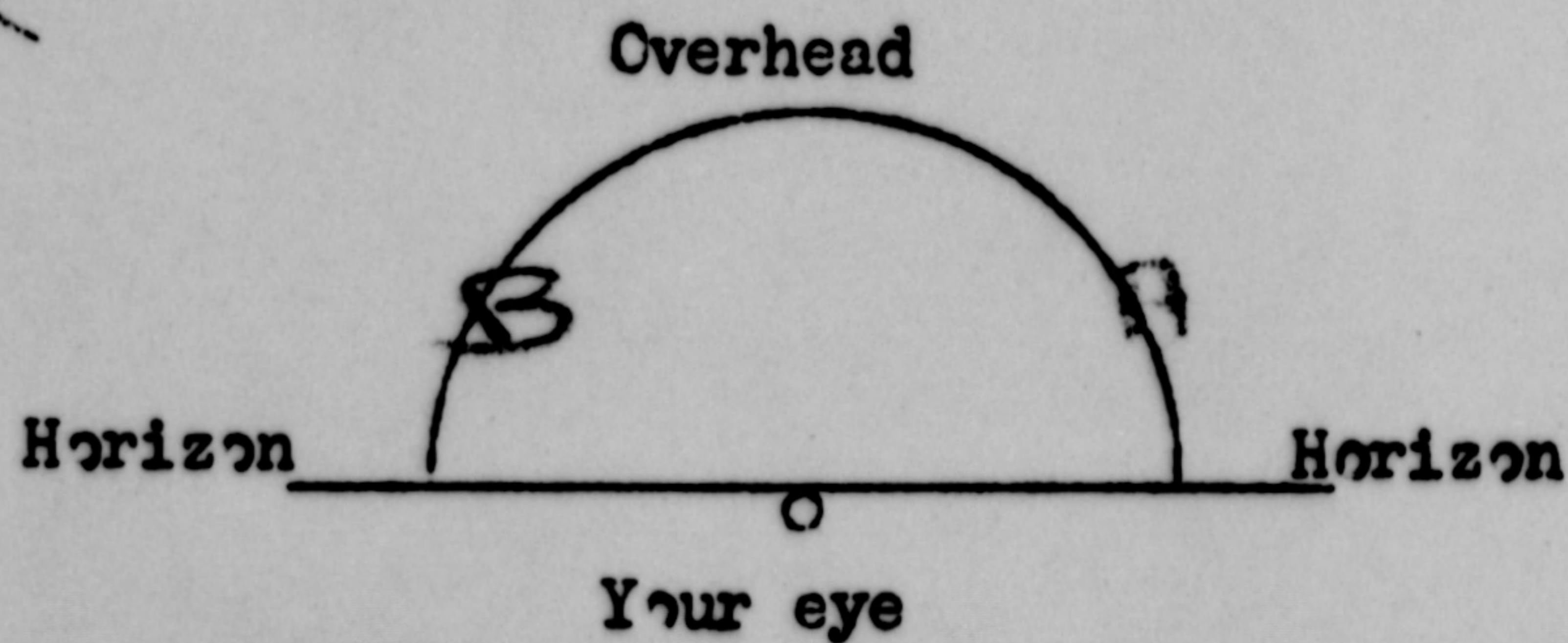
- (Circle One):
- | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| a. <u>Suddenly</u> | c. Other _____ |
| b. Gradually | d. Don't remember |

SECTION D

22. In the following sketch, imagine your eye at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon when you first saw it. Place a "B" to show where it was when you last saw it.



23. In the following 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.

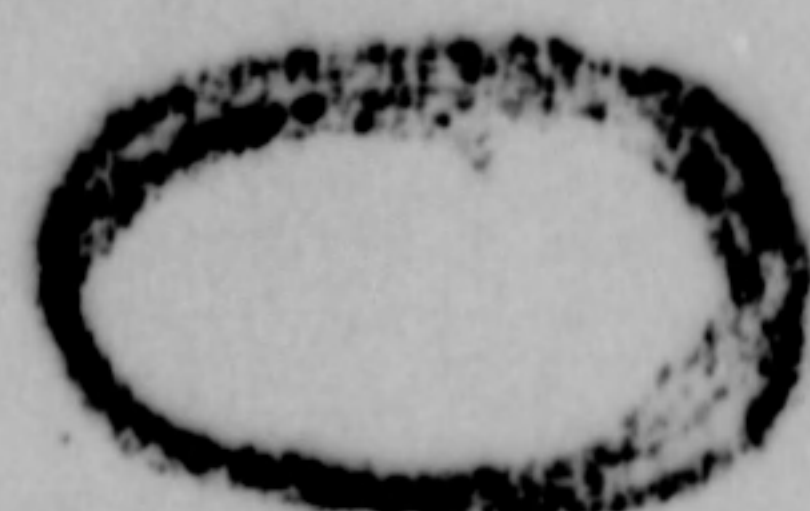


24. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object made. Place an "A" at the beginning of its path and a "B" at the end of its path.



25. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw, and place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

The dot was circular in shape.



Consequently, I was not able to see it.

SECTION E

26. Was this the first time that you have seen an object like this?
(Circle One): Yes No

26.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what conditions did you see other ones? _____

27. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

At first, I considered it to be a meteorological phenomenon. But now I do not have any rational explanation for it.

28. Give the following information about yourself:

NAME Alfred [redacted]
Last Name First Name Middle Name
ADDRESS 12711 Pitt [redacted] Ave
Street City Zone State
TELEPHONE NUMBER 763, 444-1112
What is your present job? Self-employed
Age 22
Sex M
Last School Attended Superior High School
Year of last attendance at this school 1950

29. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.2 Please list their names and addresses:

~~_____~~
14411/8 Bldg., 127 P.H. Tagley
Lakeview, Cleveland, Ohio

30. Please add here any further comments which you believe are important.
Use additional sheets of the same size paper if necessary.

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FLYOBREP

Phoenix, Arizona

127th Pilot Training Wing, (Intell., Office)

7 August 1952

2 August 1952

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Captain Frederick R. Roeser Jr.

A/3C [REDACTED] Jr.

TWX 68 2414 THIS HQ

(1) One round white light, 4" diam., no sound, exhaust or apparent means of propulsion. Traveled in a straight line, at a constant altitude with an estimated speed of 200 mph. The manner of appearance and disappearance was very abrupt. Three minutes later the identical sequence was repeated.

(2) Time of sighting 2330M 2 August 1952, for approx. 3-4 seconds.

(3) Manner of observation; visual from ground.

(4) Observer was heading W. on Glendale Ave. between Glendale Ariz. and Luke AFB. Sighting was 3 miles E. of Luke. Object was at 1,000 to 1,500 ft. and traveled from N. to WSW. Impossible to estimate distance.

(5) Object sighted by A/3C [REDACTED], and A/3C [REDACTED] of Hq & Hq Sqd., 127th Flt Tng Wg., Luke AFB, Arizona.

(6) Weather: Clear, visibility 15 miles plus. Temp 88 deg., dewpoint 63. Winds Aloft: 5,000 ft- at 10 kn (260 deg i.e.), 10,000 ft- 020 deg at 05 kn, 20,000 ft- 260 deg at 10 kn, 25,000 ft- 200 deg at 10 kn, 30,000 ft- 170 deg at 05 kn, 40,000 ft- 150 deg at 05 kn, 45,000 ft- 140 deg at 05 kn.

(7) None.

(8) None.

(9) None.

(10) None.

APPROVED:

Frederick R. Roeser Jr.
FREDERICK R. ROESER JR.
Captain USAF
Intelligence Officer
127th Pilot Training Wing

Original - D/I, DCS/C, Headquarters USAF, ATTN: AFOIN - C/CC
1cc - Chief, Air Tech Intell Center, ATTN: ATIAA - 2c, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
2cc - CG, Air Training Command, Scott AFB, Belleville, Illinois
1cc - CG, Crew Training Air Force, Randolph AFB, San Antonio, Texas

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1,000 TO 1,500 FEET. IT TRAVELED FROM N. TO WSW. (IMPOSSIBLE TO ESTIMATE DISTANCE. ?)

(5) OBJECT SIGHTED BY ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ SR. AND ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ JR. OF HQ AND HQ SQDN., 127TH PLT TNG WG THIS BASE.

(6) WEATHER: CLEAR, VISIBILITY 15 MILES PLUS. TEMP 88 DEGREES
DEWPOINT 63. WINDS ALOFT: 5,000 FT- 260 DEG- 10KN, 10,000 FT- 020 DEG-
05KN, 20,000 FT- 260 DEG- 10 KN, 25,000 FT- 200 DEG- 10 KN, 30,000
FT- 170 DEG- 05 KN, 40,000 FT- 150 DEG- 05 KN, 45,000 FT, 140 DEG-
05 KN.

(7) NONE.

(8) NONE.

(9) NONE.

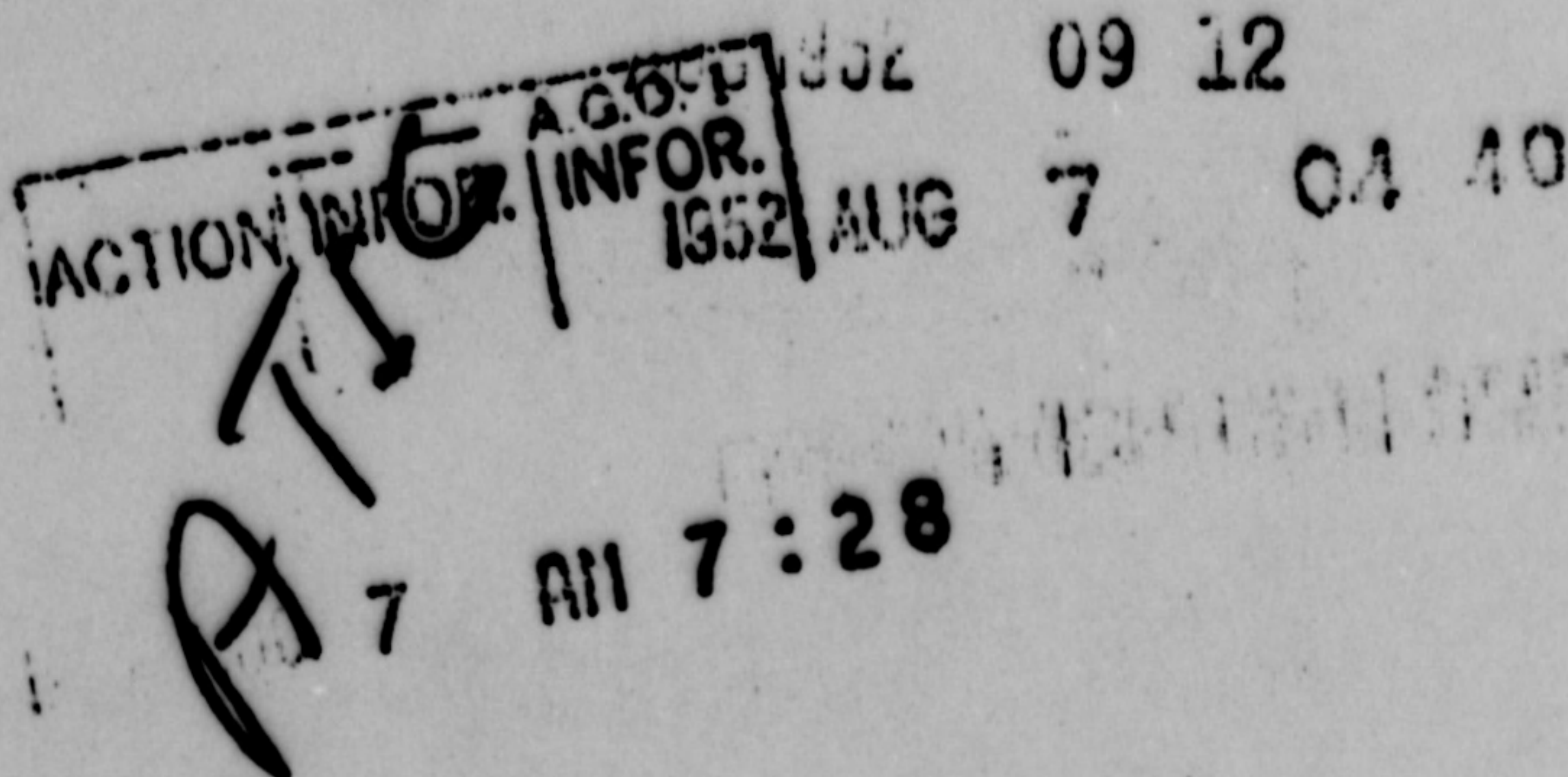
(10) NONE.

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ACTION

1. ATIAA
2. ATIA
3. C. Files



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WPB058

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XMA036

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R/NM 0614445Z

FM CO LUKE AIR FORCE BASE, ARIZONA

TO JEPHQ/D/I HQ USAF WASH25DC

JEDWP/ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO (ATTN ATIAA-2C)

JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLO

INFO JEDST/CG ATRC SCOTT AFB ILL

JWFDL/CG CREWTF RANDOLPH AFB SAN ANTONIO TEX

~~REDACTED~~/GB241H FLYOBRPT

(1) ONE ROUND WHITE LIGHT, 4" DIAM. NO SOUND, EXHAUST OR APPARENT MEANS OF PROPULSION. TRAVELED IN A STRAIGHT LINE AT A CONSTANT ALTITUDE WITH AN ESTIMATED SPEED OF 200 MPH PLUS. THE MANNER OF APPEARANCE AND DISAPPEARANCE WAS VERY ABRUPT. THREE MINUTES LATER THE IDENTICAL SEQUENCE WAS REPEATED.

(2) 2330M 2 AUG 52 FOR 3-4 SECONDS.

(3) VISUAL FROM GROUND.

(4) OBSERVERS WERE HEADING WEST ON GLENDALE AVE. BETWEEN GLENDALE, ARIZ. AND LUKE AFB, SIGHTING WAS 3 MILES EAST OF LUKE. OBJECT WAS AT

COUNTRY Ecuador	REPORT NO. IR-60-52	(LEAVE BLANK) 9494335
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT Unidentified Flying Objects		
AREA REPORTED ON Puna Island, Ecuador	FROM (Agency) USAF Mission to Ecuador	
DATE OF REPORT 7 August 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 3 August 1952	EVALUATION
PREPARED BY (Officer) H. K. BAISLEY		SOURCE M/Sgt [redacted]
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFL 200-5		

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclusions at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)

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While on TDY at Guayaquil, Ecuador, M/Sgt [redacted] observed flying objects unconventional by present standards at Puna Island, Ecuador. The objects appeared to be approximately 50 feet in diameter seen from an estimated distance of ten miles and maintained an estimated altitude of from 30,000 to 40,000 feet. No known meteorological disturbances existed which could have accounted for the sighting.

M/Sgt [redacted] is considered to be reliable, his observations are considered of sufficient significance to be worthy of investigation.

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[REDACTED] CAIRC X 1254. FLYOBRPT. MY MSG ITEM TWO

CAIRC X 1253 FLYOBRPT SHOULD READ: TIME OF SIGHTING: 1500 HRS

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[REDACTED] CAIRC X1253 FLYOBRPT.

(1) SHAPE OF OBJECT: CIRCULAR; SIZE: ESTIMATED 50 FT DIAMETER; COLOR: SILVERY; NUMBER: 3; FORMATION: LEFT ECHELON; AERODYNAMIC FEATURES: CIRCULAR IN SHAPE, APPEARED TO BE FLAT SHAPED; NO TRAIL, NO EXHAUST; PROPULSION SYSTEM: UNKNOWN; SPEED: FROM STATIONARY TO ESTIMATED 1,000 MPH; NO SOUND; MA EUVERS: LEAD OBJECT FROM STATIONERY TO LEFT, TAIL OBJ FROM STATIONARY TO RIGHT, CENTER OBJECT FROM STATIONERY TO NW; MANNER OF DISAPPEARANCE: LAST OBJECT VISIBLE TO NW UNTIL OUT OF SIGHT.

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(2) TIME OF SIGHTING: 1500 HRS; TIME OBSERVED: APPROXIMATELY ONE MINUTE.

(3) MANNER OF OBSERVATION: VISUAL FROM SURFACE.

(4) LOCATION OF OBSERVER: LATITUDE 3 DEGREES SOUTH, LONGITUDE 80 DEGREES WEST; REFERENCE TO KNOWN LANDMARK: JUST OFF SOUTH SHORE OF

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PUNA ISLAND; LOCATION OF OBJECTS WITH RESPECT TO OBSERVER:

APPROXIMATELY TEN MILES TO NW ASSUMING DIAMETER TO BE 50 FT,
ESTIMATED ALTITUDE FROM 30,000 TO 40,000 FT.

(5) WITNESSES CAPT [REDACTED] AND M SGT [REDACTED] UNUSUALLY RELIABLE.

(6) WEATHER AND SURFACE WINDS AT TIME OF SIGHTING: CLEAR, UNLIMITED
VISIBILITY WITH SURFACE WINDS TO SE OF APPROX 10 MPH.

(7) NO KNOWN METEOROLOGICAL ACTIVITY OR CONDITION WHICH MIGHT
ACCOUNT FOR SIGHTING.

(8) NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE AVAILABLE OF SIGHTING.

(9) NO INTERCEPTION OF IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEN.

(10) NO KNOWN AIR TRAFFIC IN AREA OF LOCATION.

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DETAILS:

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1. This investigation is opened at the direction of the District Commander, predicated upon information furnished by 1st Lt WILLIAM L. McCLELLAND, Assistant Adjutant, Sandia Base, New Mexico, concerning the observation of an unidentified aerial object by Captain CLAUDE W. McELWAIN.

AT ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

2. The following report was made by Captain CLAUDE W. McELWAIN of Field Command, Armed Forces Special Weapons Project, Sandia Base, New Mexico:

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"At approximately 1930 MST on 3 August 1952 while car riding with my family, my son [REDACTED], age seven, noticed a brilliant glow in the western skies. At first I was willing to discount it as the evening star. Then I decided to observe it through the binoculars (7 x 50). We observed it for about 15 minutes. The object appeared, to the naked eye, to be an unusually bright star and at first to be hovering or motionless. With the glasses it appeared oval shaped with an appendage tail or exhaust to the right of the main body. It disappeared behind the horizon. By comparison and without reference or known factors, the object looked about like an amber head light of an automobile at a distance of about 300 yards, when looking at the head light from an angle—not head on. There was just one object and appeared (to be going due west.) This object was observed from about 1930 to 1945 MST 3 August. My location was Buena Vista at Anderson Avenue about six blocks due north of the Lovelace Clinic, city of Albuquerque. If it had been a plane at 10,000 feet, I would have guessed its speed at 350 mph. If this object was 5,000 feet its speed could have been 1700 - 1800 mph. The size would be hard to determine under the circumstances. I do not feel that I have any particular qualifications as an observer but I try to be realistic and practical in my observation and projection of the mental image. I do have over ten years of active military service and did take a course in aircraft identification in 1942. I was on duty with the Air Force for three years. The sky was very clear with the exception of a few scattered cloud banks. The wind was about 20 mph, from the east. The sun had gone down but it was not dark yet. I saw no metallic or physical properties at all. There was no fragment of sound that I was able to detect. I carry two pairs of binoculars and two cameras at all times and did not feel that, due to the distance involved, a photograph could be taken with either of the two types of cameras I have. This observation was reported to Major ELLIOT, Intelligence and Security Division, at approximately 2000 MST 3 August 1952 and to Major WADE at 1030 MST 4 August 1952. Other witnesses present were Mr. and Mrs. JACKSON who live at the corner of Buena Vista and Anderson, Albuquerque, (he is a Security Guard at Sandia Base); Mrs. [REDACTED] wife of the undersigned, and a number of children."

3. Captain McELWAIN furnished sketches as to his observation of the object and his location, which are being attached as an inclosure to this report.

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INCLOSURE:

FOR COMMANDING GENERAL, AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER, WRIGHT-
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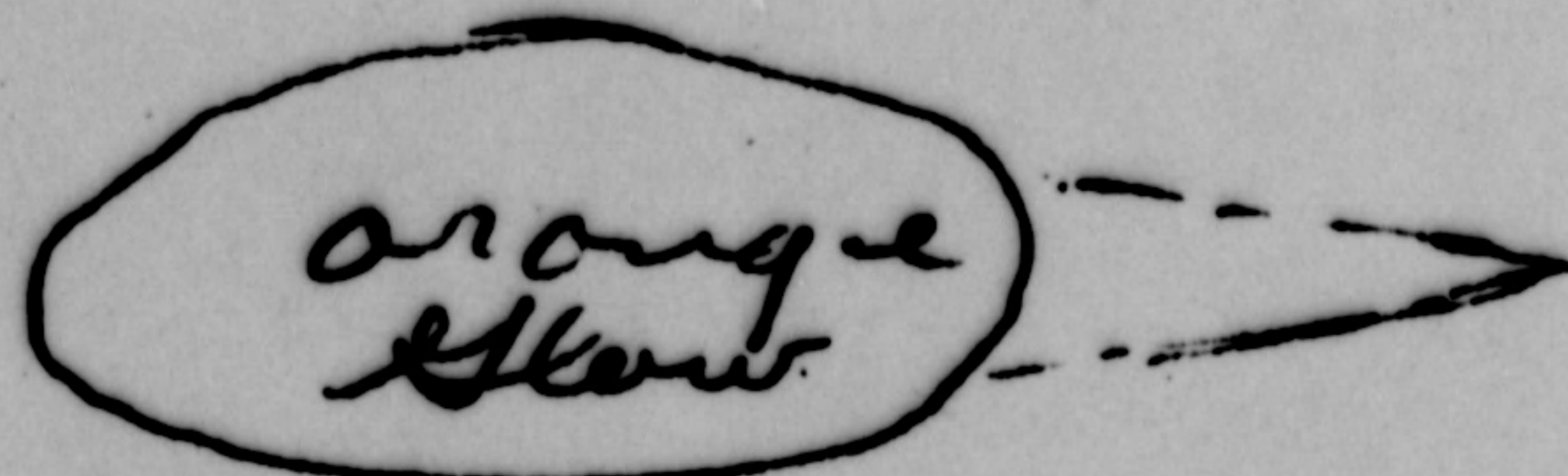
1. Sketch of Captain McELWAIN's observation of the object.
2. Sketch of location of object in relation to city of Albuquerque.

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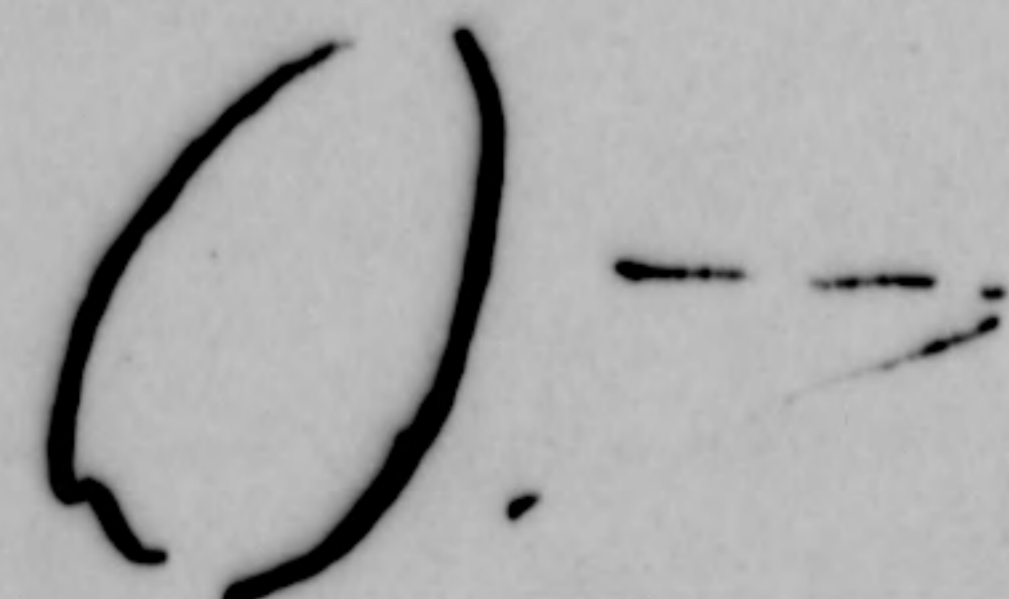
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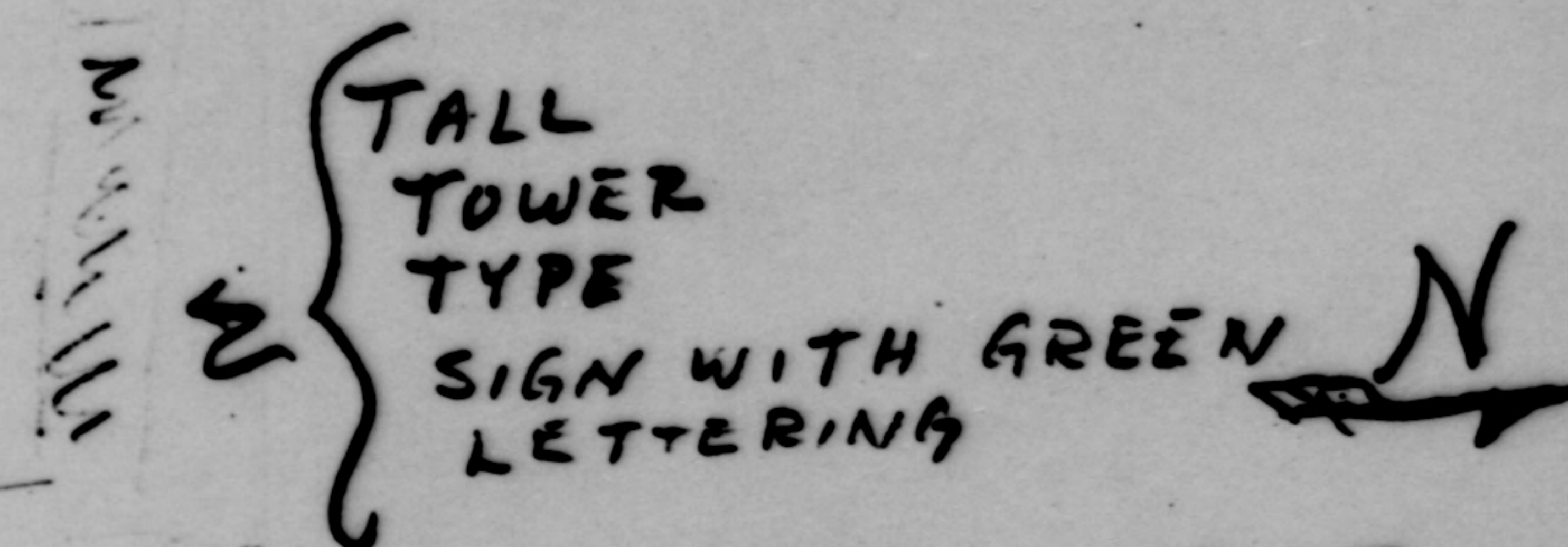
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