

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE Report Received 1960 No Date Given		2. LOCATION SE of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☒ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1530 GMT		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		A. J. Subband	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 Min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS two		9. COURSE W	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Two yellow discs, circular, appearing as orange-yellow flame with smoke encircling them. Moving slowly until passed observer then increasing. First seen to the S and disappearing to the W. Strauss.				11. COMMENTS Witness could give quite a lot of detail, but couldn't remember the date. All he could remember was that the observation took place during the summer. Without knowing the date this report cannot be correlated with other reports and information as to possible causes cannot be explored. Therefore, no attempt to conclude the nature of the objects will be made.	

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U.S. Air Force Intelligence

SA-31-60.
Temple, Pa.

Dear Sirs:

I have just read that the Air Force has been issued a directive to treat U.F.O. sightings seriously, so I thought I would ^{relate} my experience, hoping in some small way, to help uncover the mystery of the so-called "Flying Saucers" which I am sure, do exist.

I have been flying since 1928 as a private pilot. Presenting holding license # I42649.

I was returning to Reading, Pa. from the south New Jersey shore, at an altitude of 5000 feet, when about 10 miles southeast of Phila. Pa. I detected a movement out of the corner of my left eye that caused me to turn my head sharply in that direction.

Coming from behind and slightly below me, on a course about 15 degrees more westerly than my own, were two circular objects. The one slightly to the side and rear of the other.

Due to the closeness and the fact it was clear and daylight I had an excellent view. I could plainly see they were made of a bright, shiny metal, similar to stainless steel or polished aluminum. They were about 40 to 50 feet across, about 6 to 8 feet in thickness at the center, tapering to a thin edge.

The outer 2 to 3 feet of the edge seemed to be vaned and spinning, although not the rest of the object. It was surrounded by an orange-yellow flame and quite a bit of smoke, which trailed at the sides

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and rear. No windows were apparent.

They did nothing unusual, just when by in straight level flight toward Chesapeake Bay, at a speed I estimated about two to three times my own 100 M.P.H. A short distance past me they seemed to increase speed considerably and disappeared rapidly to the west.

Hoping this report may be of some small value,

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Temple, Pa.

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Temple, Pennsylvania



U.S. Air Force Intelligence

Pentagon

Washington, D.C.

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UFO Sightings

SAFOI-3d (Maj Tackor)

Suggest standard UFO questionnaire be forwarded to the following:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Malden, Mass

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Temple, Pa

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Ottawa, Ontario

Copies of letters from these individuals are attached.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

PHILIP G. EVANS
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Sciences and Components

3 Atch:

1. Cy ltr 21 May 60 fr Mr [REDACTED] ✓
2. Cy ltr 31 May 60 fr Mr [REDACTED]
3. Cy ltr 14 May 60 fr Mr [REDACTED] ✓
w/drawing

COORDINATION:

[REDACTED] 8 June 60
[REDACTED] 6/8/60

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

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, and will be regarded as confidential material. 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? ?

____ Day ____ Month ____ Year

2. Time of day: 3 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?

APPROX. 15 MI. S.E. of PHILA.

Nearest Postal Address

City or Town

PA.
State or Country

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. _____

Hours

1
Minutes

Seconds

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Bright daylight
b. Dull daylight
c. Bright twilight

d. Just a trace of daylight
e. No trace of daylight
f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, 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, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, 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. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

a. ☒ Yes

b. No

c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?

b. Several blocks away?

c. A block away?

d. Several yards away?

e. Other

*Definitely metallic
Polished aluminum or
stainless steel, etc.*

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

a. Appear to stand still at any time?

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know

b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know

c. Break up into parts or explode?

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know

d. Give off smoke?

☒ Yes

No

Don't Know

e. Change brightness?

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know

f. Change shape?

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know

g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate?

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved behind: _____

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved in front of: _____

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One): a. Solid? b. Transparent? c. Don't Know.

15. 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 _____

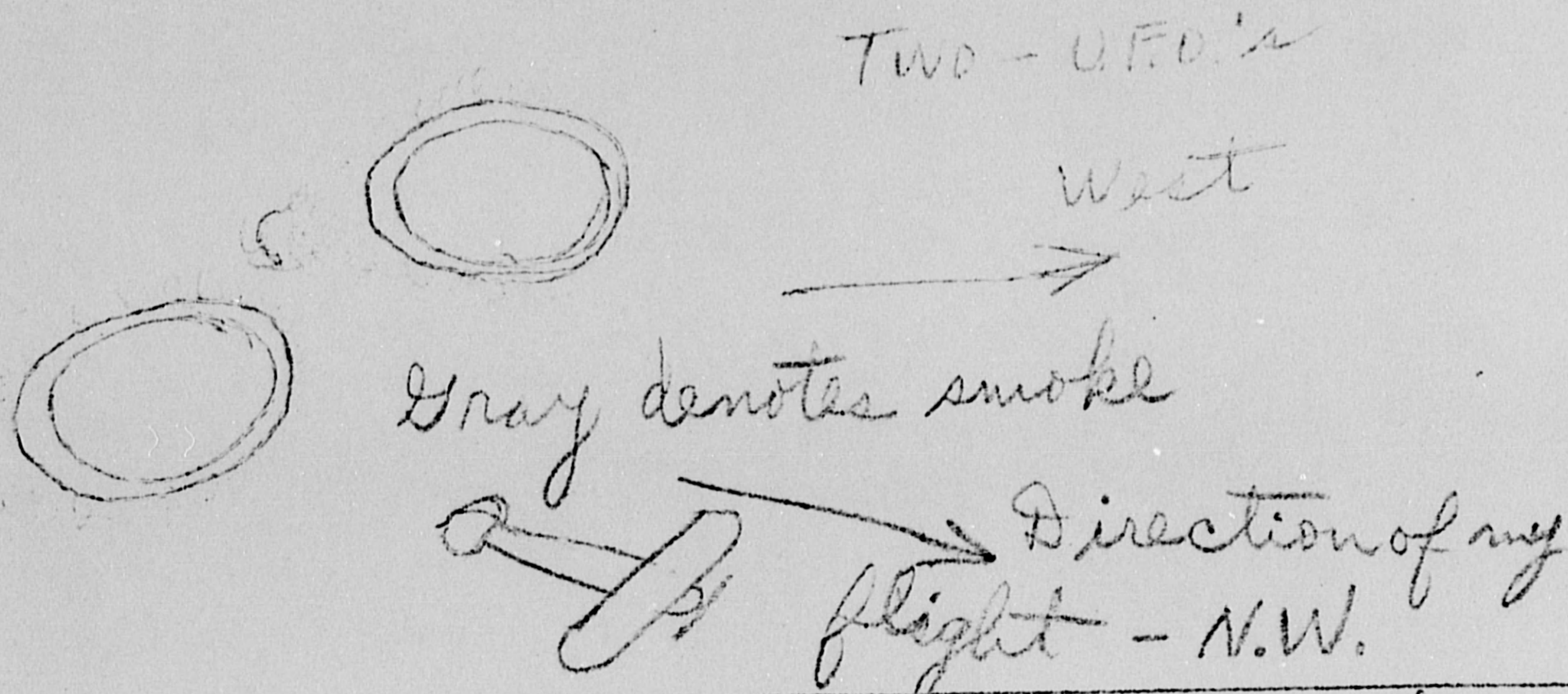
*PLAINLY visible without glasses due to closeness,
not over 50 yds away from plane I was flying.*

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

a. Sound None audible

b. Color Orange - yellow flame, considerable smoke
encircled the circular disc

17. 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.



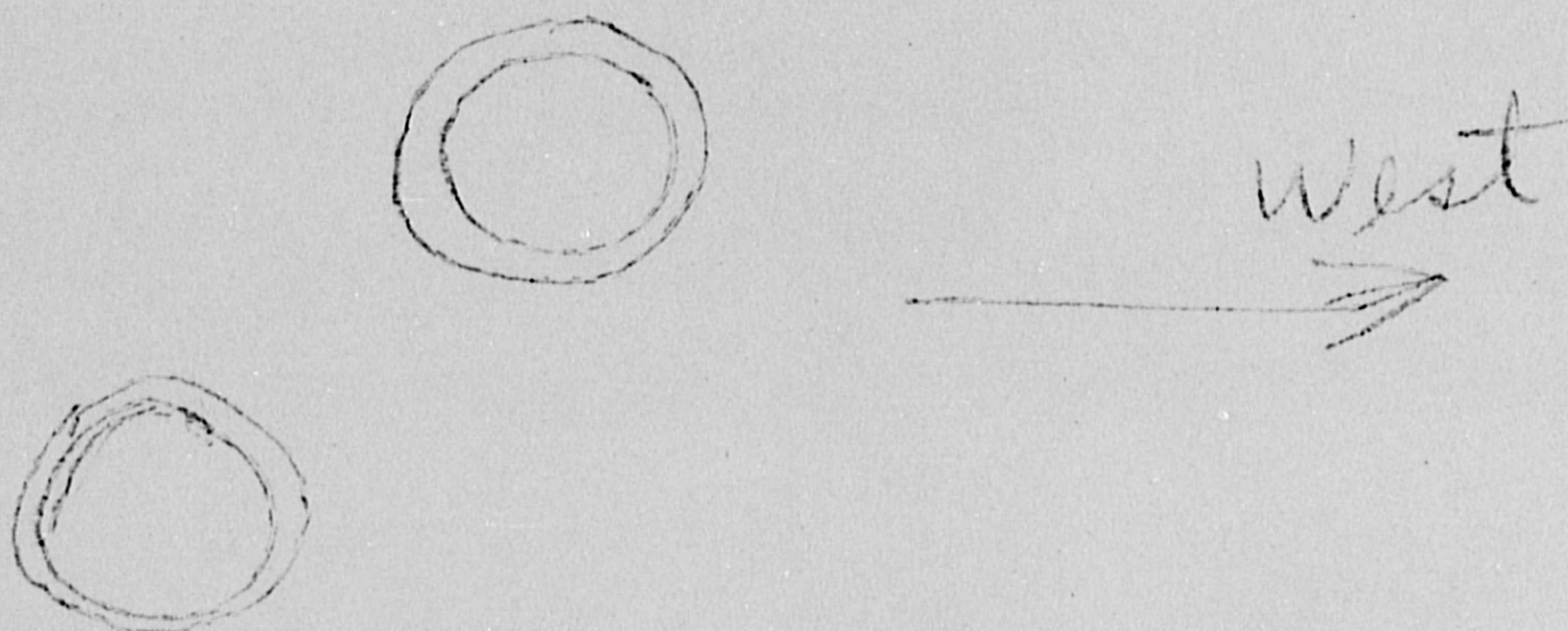
18. The edges of the object were:

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

e. Other

seemed to be
vibrated for a distance of
several feet and spinning

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? 2
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.



20. 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.

Straight forward flight, seemed to increase speed considerably after passing my airplane.

21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.

40-50 feet.

definitely circular

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects held in the hand and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

- a. Head of a pin
- b. Pea
- c. Dime
- d. Nickel
- e. Quarter
- f. Half dollar

- g. Silver dollar
- h. Baseball
- i. Grapefruit
- j. Basketball
- k. Other

much larger than any of the above

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.)

- ☒ a. Certain
- b. Fairly certain

- c. Not very sure
- d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view?

Flying a straight line to the west

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? 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.

"Flying saucers" is best

Description I can think of. Disc seemed to be about 6-8 feet thick in the center & taper to the edges. Definitely metallic (stainless steel, highly polished aluminum, etc.) ~~at~~ visible windows center 2 or 3 feet of edge seemed to be spinning surrounded by orange-yellow flame of

25. 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
- e. At sea
- f. Other _____

26. 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 _____

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

*Flying from southern N.J. to Reading, Pa.
The 2 discs passed me slightly
below & to my left at about 15°-20° degree angle.*

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

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

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

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

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

(Circle One) Yes No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

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

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

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

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 90 degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 90 degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

*My elevation was 3000 ft
They were slightly below
Same as above.*

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

34.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

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

34.2 WIND (Circle One)

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

34.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

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

34.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

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

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

? MAY 1960
Day Month Year

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

(Circle One) Yes ☒ No

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

(Circle One) Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

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

It was not caused - It definitely was an object, almost certainly metallic, if the U.S. A.F. has no circular aircraft, then it was a visitor.

39. 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?

Seemed to put on burst of speed after passing 300 while passing m.p.h.

40. 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?

150 feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

What is your present job?

SELF-employed (Real Estate)

Age

Sex

57

male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school

b. High school ☒

c. College

d. Post graduate

e. e. Technical school

(Type)

f. Other special training

Flying school

airplane mechanic

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

23
Day

June
Month

1960
Year

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET
(SUMMARY DATA)

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME _____

(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

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I was returning on a solo flight from N. J. to Reading, Pa. on a clear summer afternoon. When about 20 miles S. E. of Philadelphia, while following my west, northwest course, I was suddenly aware of an object overtaking me on my left and slightly below. In a second or two I saw another object slightly behind & to the side of the first. They passed me at about a 15° - 20° degree angle, more to the west, than my course, at a speed I estimate about 300 M.P.H. They were definitely circular, made of shiny metal and had a ring of orange-yellow

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flame surrounding them and trailed considerable grayish black smoke.

Due to the closeness at which they passed, I had an excellent view. I estimate they were within 150 feet of my airplane. They flew in a straight line towards the west and seemed to ~~lose~~^{put} on a burst of speed after passing me.

I estimate they were 6 to 8 feet thick in center, no windows visible, and tapered to a thin edge. The outer 2 to 3 feet seemed to be spinning and emitting the orange-yellow flame at equally spaced distances around the edge. I estimate they were 40 to 50 feet across.

21 June 1960

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

This is to acknowledge your recent letter regarding the sighting of an unidentified flying object.

Your letter contains insufficient information for a valid conclusion. Therefore, request you complete the attached Air Force Questionnaires in regard to the sighting and forward the completed paper to the Aerospace Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

Sincerely,

Inclosure

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Public Information Division
Office of Information

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