

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION
2 September 65 03/0145Z	Laredo, Texas
3. SOURCE	10. CONCLUSION
Civilian	A/C ✓
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	T-37 and T-39 in area at time of sighting. Description in accord with T-37. Speed estimate by witness conflicts with distance with duration.
One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
2 - 3 Minutes	Round object a little larger than a star. White, then red, then yellowish white. No trail, no sound, no features. Observed at 20 deg elevation 200 deg azimuth. Fast speed, several turns and final turn to 335 deg azimuth where object disappeared over the horizon. Color change associated with directional change. 2-3 minutes total duration. Estimated speeds up to 1200 mph. BX did not add additional data.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	
Ground-Visual (BX)	
7. COURSE	
Maneuvered	
8. PHOTOS	
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9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE	
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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
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LAREDO AIR FORCE BASE, TEXAS 78041



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: DCO-OP

20 Sep 65

SUBJECT: UFO

TO: AFSC (FTD)

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FOR THE COMMANDER

W. A. G.

JOHN F. BLUMER, Major, USAF
Chief, Operations Plans Branch

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UFO Reports

Hq 3640 Plt Tng Wg (DCO-OP)
Laredo AFB, Texas 78041

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The following UFO report is submitted in accordance with AFR 200-2:

a. Description of Object(s):

- (1) Shape: Round
- (2) Size: Little larger than a star.
- (3) Color: White, then red, then yellowish white.
- (4) Number: One
- (5) Formation: N/A

- (6) Any discernible features or details: None

- (7) Tail, trail, or exhaust: None
- (8) Sound: None

- (9) Other pertinent or unusual features: None

b. Description of Course of Object(s):

- (1) What first called the attention of observer(s) to the object(s)?
brightness and movement.

- (2) Angle or elevation and azimuth of object(s) when first observed: 20°

(3) Angle or elevation and azimuth of object(s) upon disappearance: 0°

(4) Description of flight path and maneuvers of object(s): Heading approx 200 degrees, a very brilliant white light, moving very fast, estimated 1200 MPH, turned to approx 180 degrees and disappeared momentarily, reappeared leading approx 300° . Suddenly disappeared for 5 - 10 seconds, then reappeared, bright red, moving approx 225° then turned to 335° and changed color to yellowish white. Continued this heading and disappeared below horizon.

(5) How did the object(s) disappear? Suddenly, below horizon.

(6) How long (were) the object(s) visible? two to three minutes, total.

c. Manner of observation:

(1) Use one or any combination of the following items: Ground-visual, air-visual, ground-electronic, air-electronic: Ground - visual.

(2) Statement as to optical aids, used and description thereof: Binoculars, 16 power, did not aid observer to distinguish the object any better than the naked eye.

(3) If the sighting occurred while air-borne, give type of aircraft, identification number, altitude, heading, speed and home station:

d. Time and Date of Sighting:

(1) Zulu time-date group of sighting: 0145Z/3 Sep

(2) Light conditions: Darkness, clear

e. Location of Observer: (Latitude and longitude, and/or geographical position) FHFN 3030 - 2402 Corpus Christi, Laredo, Texas

f. Identifying Information on Observer(s)

(1) Civilian - Name [REDACTED]

Age Unknown

Mailing address [REDACTED]

Occupation Insurance Agent

Estimate of reliability Though to be reliable.

(2) Military - Name
Grade
Organization
Duty
Estimate of reliability

g. Weather and Winds - Aloft Conditions ~~at~~ Time and Place of Sightings:

(1) Observer(s) account of weather conditions: clear

(2) Report from nearest AWS or U. S. Weather Bureau Office of wind direction and velocity in degrees and knots at:

Surface	090 var to 140/10G20	
6,000'	160/10	+18°C
10,000'	180/5	+8°C
16,000'	180/10	-2°C
20,000'	220/15	-11°C
30,000'	270/10	-34°C
50,000'	280/20	-69°C
80,000'		

(3) Ceiling: None

(4) Visibility: 15 mile

(5) Amount of cloud cover: high thin scattered

(6) Thunderstorms in area and quadrant in which ~~located~~: None

(7) Vertical temperature gradient: See 2 above.

h. Any other unusual activity or condition: None

i. Interception or identification action taken: Not applicable

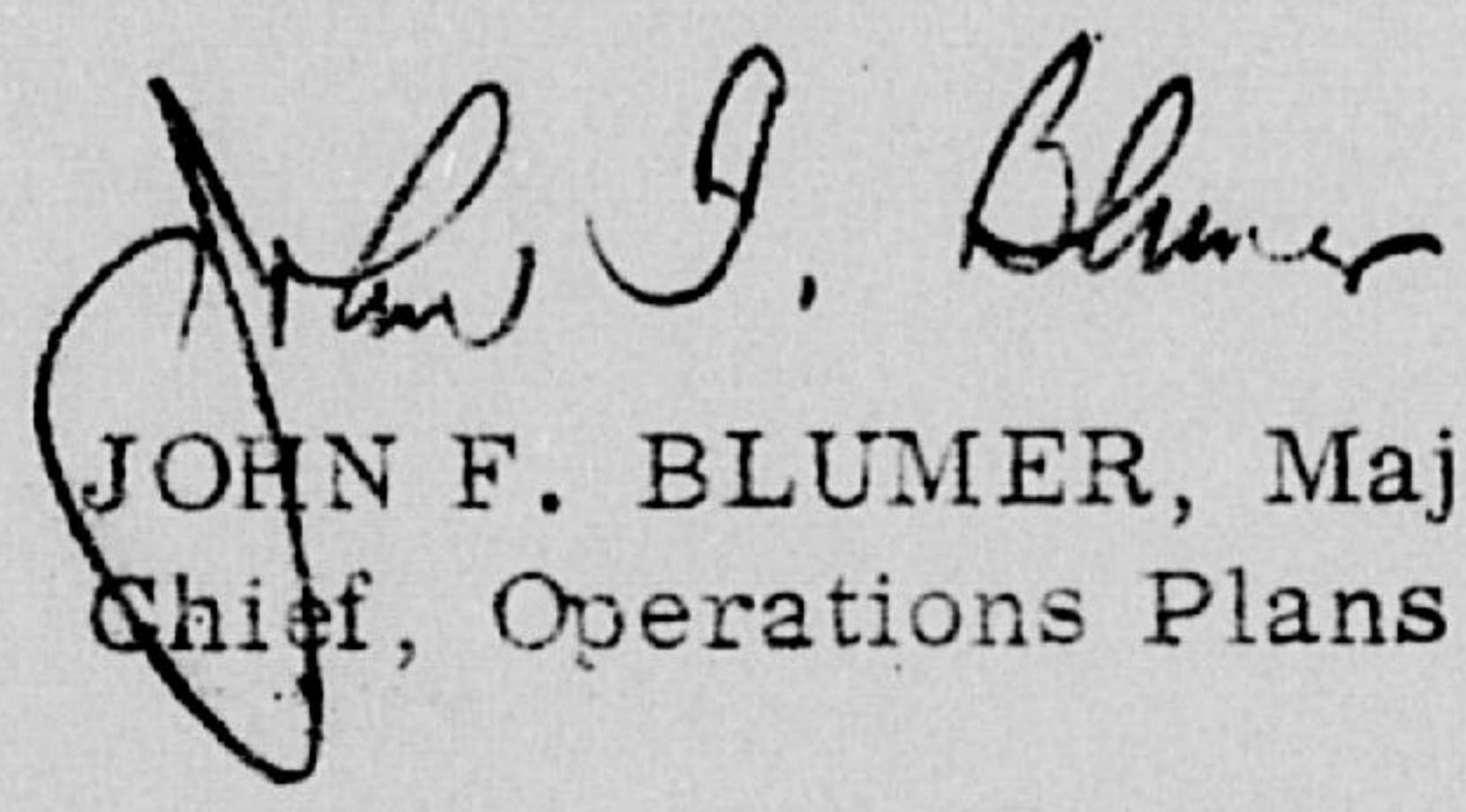
j. Location, approximate altitude, and general direction of flight of any air traffic or balloon releases in the area which might possibly account for the sighting: T-37 aircraft, one T-39 aircraft in local area.

k. Position title and comments of the preparing officer, including preliminary analysis of the possible cause of sighting(s): 1 Lt James C. Sutton, Officer of the Day, Laredo AFB; "I think the object sighted was probably a high performance aircraft maneuvering in the local area, however, there is no reported traffic in the local area except the T-37 aircraft which should not be in the area where the sighting occurred."

1. Existence of physical evidence, such as materials and photographs:

None

FOR THE COMMANDER



John F. Blumer

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Chief, Operations Plans Branch

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 3 September 65 04/0143Z	2. LOCATION Laredo, Texas (2)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION A/C ✓
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	No data presented to indicate object could NOT have been an a/c.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Object seen traveling at 225 deg at a very high rate of speed. Light went out and then appeared headed at 315 deg. At about 20 deg above horizon again it disappeared. A few seconds later it again appeared from the approx spot of disappearance except that the color had turned to bright red. Object then disappeared at 335 deg when it could no longer be seen. This object did not make any banks or turns and it seemed to zig-zag and it seemed to stop to reverse course. There was no sound.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual (BX)	
7. COURSE then 335 deg 225deg, then 316 deg,	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

TDEW/UFO

JAN 14 1966

UFO Sightings; [REDACTED]

TDEW/UFO ORIGIN FILE COPY

On file in Records

Hq USAF SAFOICC (Mrs. Hunt)

1. The Air Force has received five reports of unidentified objects from Mr. [REDACTED]. The analysis section at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base has evaluated these reports as (1) aircraft, (2) meteor, (3,4,5) aircraft. No data was presented to indicate that the four sightings evaluated as aircraft could not be attributed to normal aircraft flights. The duration, motion of the objects, and in particular the light described in Report #5 is consistent with this evaluation. At present, many military and civilian aircraft are equipped with a red rotating beacon which would give the visual characteristics as described in paragraph #2 of Report #5.
2. It is suggested that a fact sheet be attached to explain the present Air Force position on unidentified flying objects.

FOR THE COMMANDER

Say
ERIC T. de JONCKHEERE, Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology and Subsystems

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1. Ltr. [REDACTED]
2. Report #1
3. Report #2
4. Report #3
5. Report #4
6. Report #5

COORDINATION

ORIGINATOR

TDEW/UFO *Maj. Quintanilla Jr.* DATE *12 Jan 66*

RTDEW *M.H. Perkins*

DATE *13 Jan 66*

LAREDO, TEXAS

December 22, 1965

AFSC(FTD)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

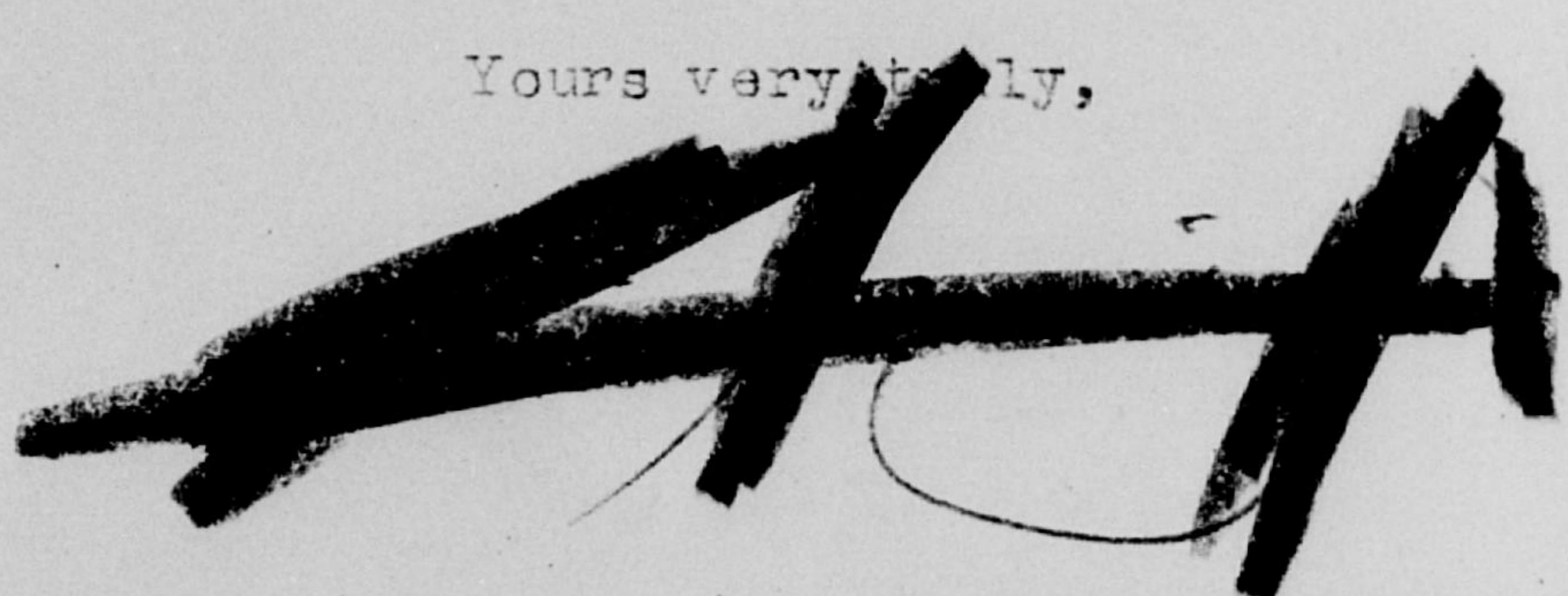
I am enclosing five reports of sightings of UFO's, the first of which I reported by telephone to a Lt. Sutton of the Laredo Air Force Base, Texas, and since he informed me that I would be contacted by Washington, I have continued to make some more observations. Today I called the Laredo Base and was told that Lt. Sutton had been transferred out some time ago, and a Captain Ellis suggested that I write to you direct with my reports.

I am very much interested in knowing what it is that I am seeing, if at all possible, and I would very much appreciate a reply from your good offices after evaluation of my reports.

Thank you for your attention,

Yours very truly,

Encls.



LAREDO, TEXAS

Report #1

Mr & Mrs [REDACTED]

September 3, 1965, 7.43 to 7.45 PM. Clear Sky.

No planes from LAFB in sky at this time.

Object seen flying at about 225 degrees at a very high rate of speed, perhaps 1200 mph. Color was brilliant white. Upon reaching about 3 miles South of us, light went out. A few seconds later light, again brilliant white, appeared from near point of disappearance traveling at about 800 mph headed 315 degrees. At about 20 degrees above horizon again it disappeared. A few seconds later it again appeared from the approximate spot of disappearance except that color had turned to bright red. It approached in a direct line to where we stood to about 70 degrees height. I ran into house for binocular, 16 x 50 power, and returned. My wife had become frightened and backed away and did see the turn actually. I promptly picked the UFO up with the field glass, color had turned yellowish white, and object (object) then flew away at a heading of about 335 degrees until I could no longer see it on horizon.

This object did not make any banks and turns, but seemed to zig-zag and perhaps (apparently) stop to reverse course and set new course. There was no sound whatsoever that we could hear.

I believe that the change of light color indicates perhaps a method of propulsion unknown to us. The zig-zag pattern is also rather strange to me.

The size was about 3/4 the size of the Evening Star, and the object appeared to be perfectly round, like a ball.

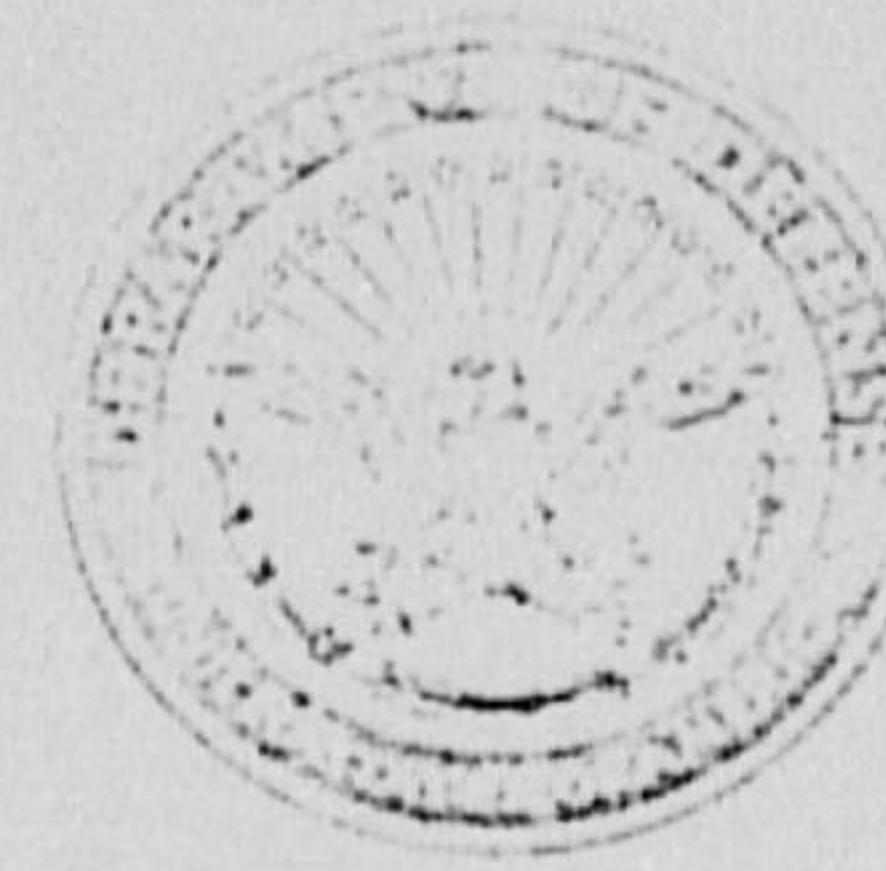
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Report #1

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1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION
4. September 65 05/0215Z	Laredo, Texas (2)
3. SOURCE	10. CONCLUSION
Civilian	INSUFFICIENT DATA FOR EVALUATION 10 minutes rather long for a/c sighting. Capella in initial position but would not move to N as rapidly as reported or disappear. Motion not in accord with balloon
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
One	7X35 binoculars. Big star size of 2" ball, bright white. Initial sighting at 30 deg elevation. Still in sight at time of report. Was visible 3-4 minutes. Reported motion as slow straight flight. No clouds, good visibility. Form 64 sent for additional data. Size & brilliance of Venus. Motion to NW descending observed in NE. Disappeared in North. Conflicting data witness reported object in September. Dated Form 164 Oct. Witnesses reporting quality very low. No mention of how object disappeared sections of form not completed.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	
10 minutes	
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	
Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE	
NW	
8. PHOTOS	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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17 Sep 65

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The following UFO report is submitted in accordance with AFR 200-2:

a. Description of Object(s):

- (1) Shape: Big star
- (2) Size: Ball about 2"
- (3) Color: Bright white
- (4) Number: One
- (5) Formation: N/A

- (6) Any discernible features or details: no

- (7) Tail, trail, or exhaust: none

- (8) Sound: none

- (9) Other pertinent or unusual features: none

b. Description of Course of Object(s):

- (1) What first called the attention of observer(s) to the object(s)? Mother saw object, called reporting observer's attention to same.

- (2) Angle or elevation and azimuth of object(s) when first observed. 30°

(3) Angle or elevation and azimuth of object(s) upon disappearance:
had not disappeared.

(4) Description of flight path and maneuvers of object(s): slow straight path

(5) How did the object(s) disappear? had not disappeared.

(6) How long (were) the object(s) visible? three to four minutes

c. Manner of observation:

(1) Use one or any combination of the following items: Ground-visual, air-visual, ground-electronic, air-electronic: ground-visual

(2) Statement as to optical aids, used and description thereof:
Binoculars power 7 x 35

(3) If the sighting occurred while air-borne, give type of aircraft, identification number, altitude, heading, speed and home station:

d. Time and Date of Sighting:

(1) Zulu time-date group of sighting: 0215Z/05 Sep

(2) Light conditions:

e. Location of Observer: (Latitude and longitude, and/or geographical position) FHFN3030 Laredo, Texas

f. Identifying Information on Observer(s)

(1) Civilian - Name [REDACTED]
Age 41
Mailing address [REDACTED] Laredo, Texas
Occupation Shipping/receiving clerk
Estimate of reliability

(2) Military - Name
Grade
Organization
Duty
Estimate of reliability

g. Weather and Winds - Aloft Conditions ~~at~~ Time and Place of Sightings:

(1) Observer(s) account of weather conditions: good visibility

(2) Report from nearest AWS or U. S. Weather Bureau Office of wind direction and velocity in degrees and knots at: 110/12 at surface

Surface	110/12
6,000'	
10,000'	
16,000'	
20,000'	
30,000'	
50,000'	
80,000'	

(3) Ceiling: unlimited

(4) Visibility: 15 miles

(5) Amount of cloud cover: none

(6) Thunderstorms in area and quadrant in which located: Thunderstorms in area about 50-60 miles w/sw.

(7) Vertical temperature gradient:

h. Any other unusual activity or condition: None

i. Interception or identification action taken: None

j. Location, approximate altitude, and general direction of flight of any air traffic or balloon releases in the area which might possibly account for the sighting: None

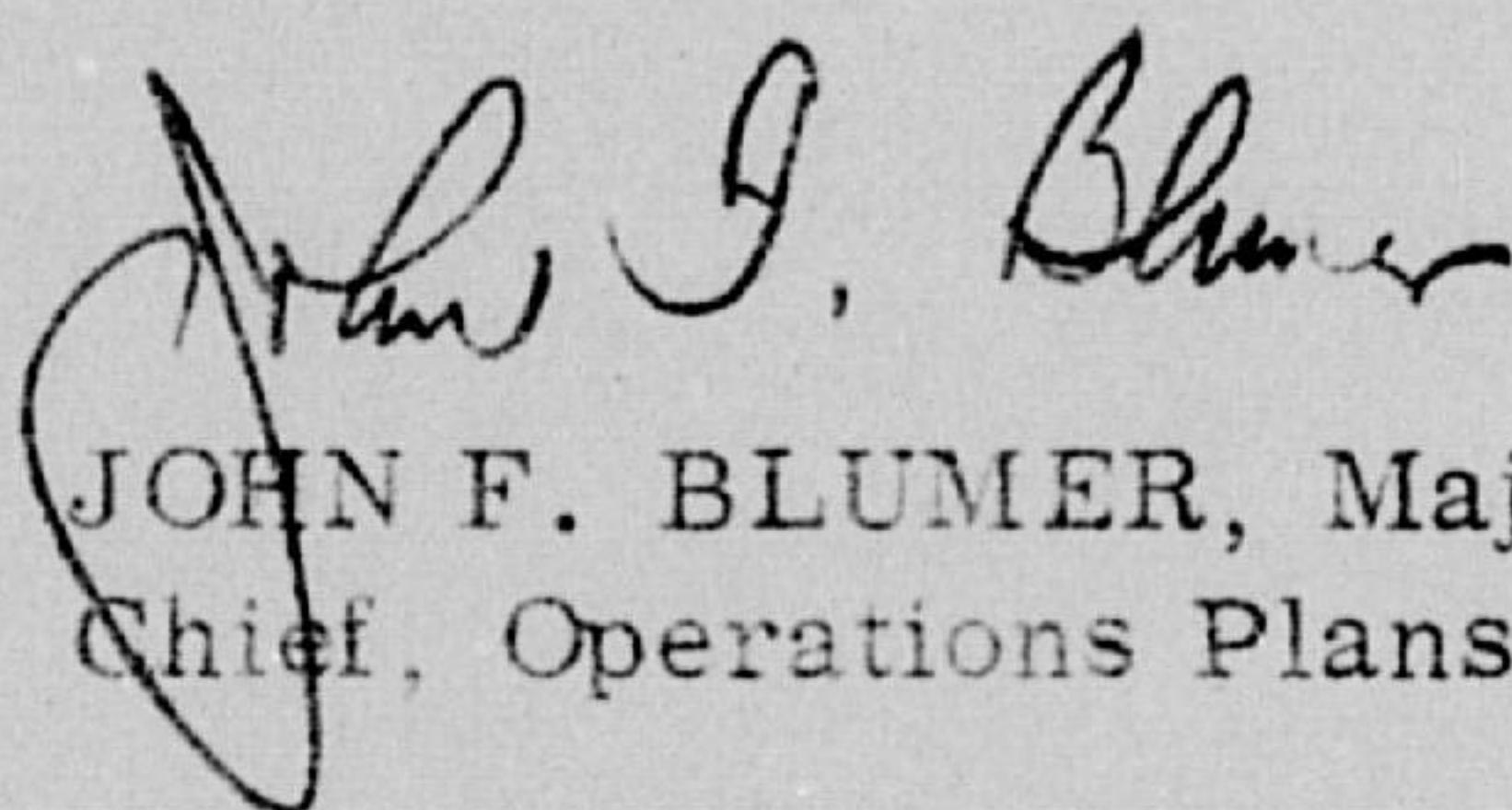
k. Position title and comments of the preparing officer, including preliminary analysis of the possible cause of sighting(s):

Command Post Officer of the Day, 1 Lt James C. Sutton,

1. Existence of physical evidence, such as materials and photographs:

none

FOR THE COMMANDER



JOHN F. BLUMER, Major, USAF
Chief, Operations Plans Branch

FTD (TDEW)
Wright-Patterson, AFB, Ohio 45433
1 Nov 65

[REDACTED]
Laredo, Texas

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Your report of an unidentified flying object which you submitted to Laredo Air Force Base, Texas, has been forwarded to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base for evaluation. The data submitted to us was incomplete and not sufficient for us to determine the object which you observed. It is requested that you fill out the attached Form 164 and return it to us in the envelope provided as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr., Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book

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?

Day Oct. Month 1965 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 B

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

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

~~REDACTED~~
Address Postal Address

LAREDO

City or Town

TEXAS

State or County

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

10
Hours Minutes Seconds

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

5.1 How was time in sight determined? 10 MINUTES

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes X 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
- 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

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

g. Other

13. Did the object:

- a. Appear to stand still at any time?
- b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?
- c. Break up into parts or explode?
- d. Give off smoke?
- e. Change brightness?
- f. Change shape?
- g. Flash or flicker?
- h. Disappear and reappear?

(Circle One for each question)

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

Disappear for about 10 miles as far as the eye could see.

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:

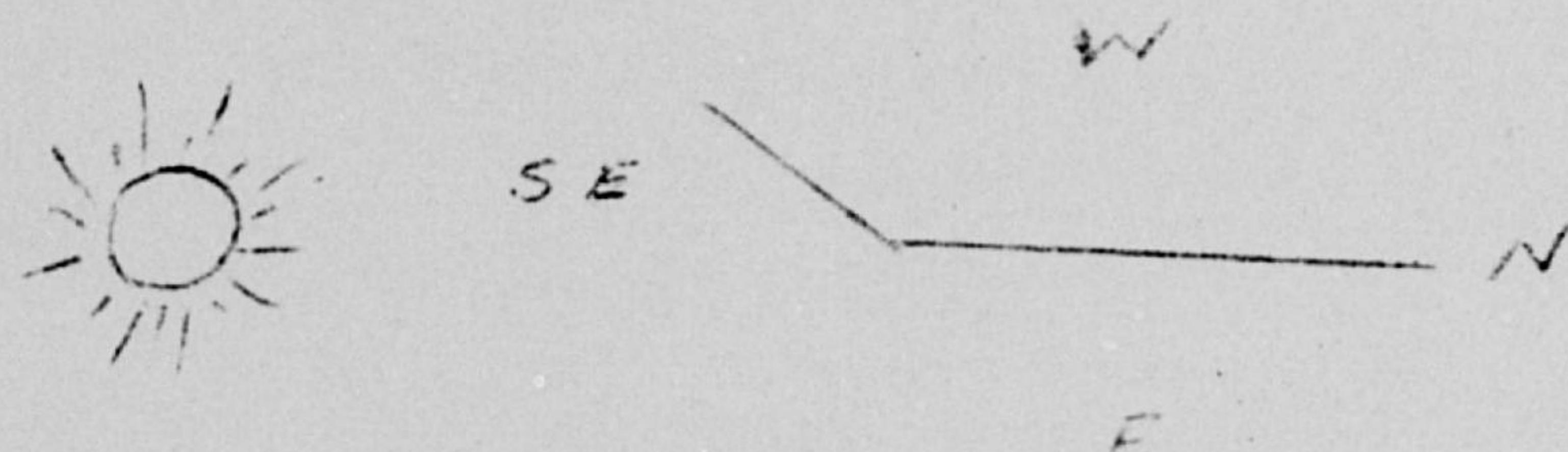
a. Sound

b. Color *Looked too Bright travel about a speed of 5 m/s from ground level*

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.



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? 5 miles per minute

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? 10 miles high

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
- b. Northeast
- c. East
- d. Southeast
- e. South
- f. Southwest
- g. West
- 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?

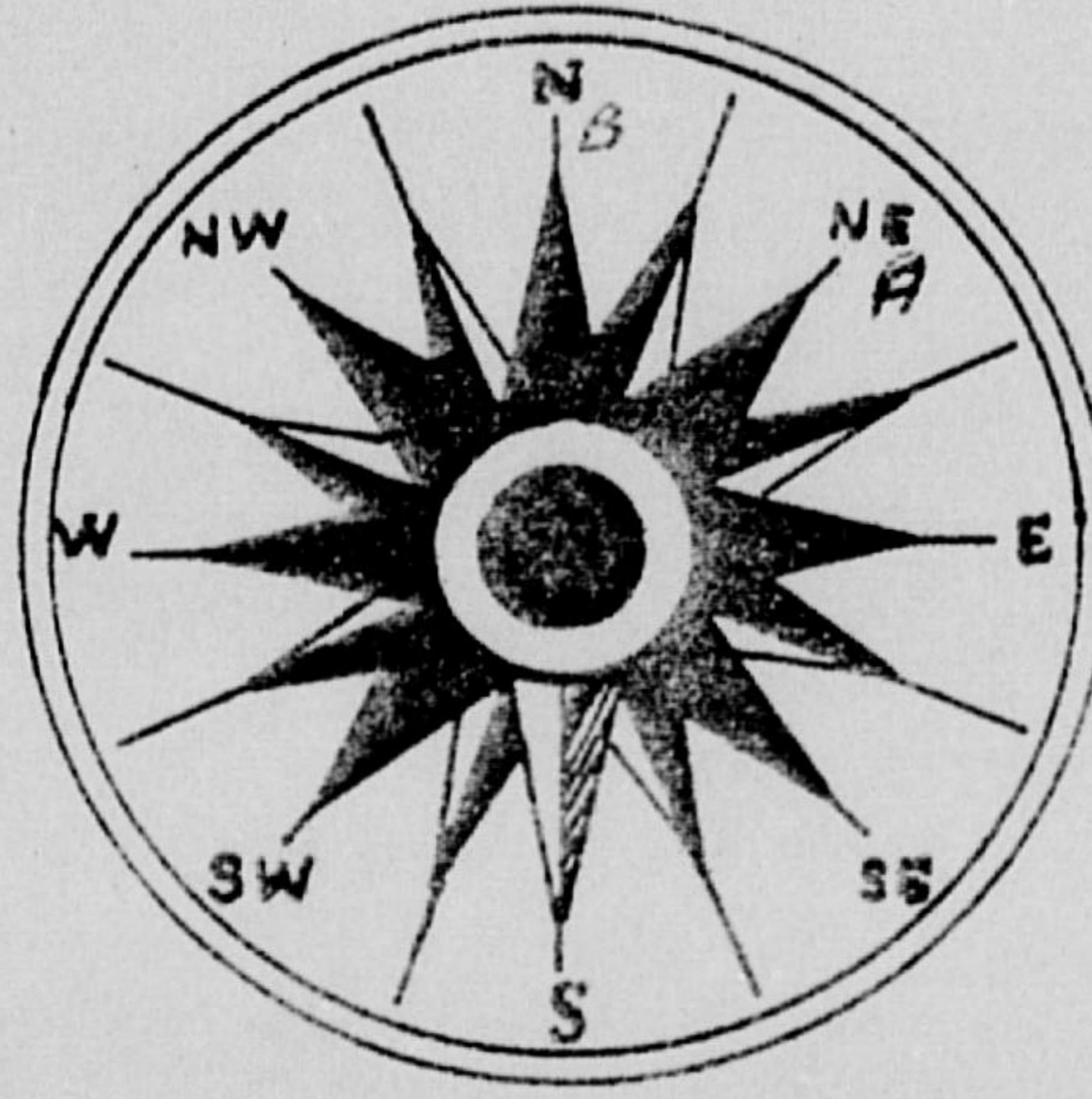
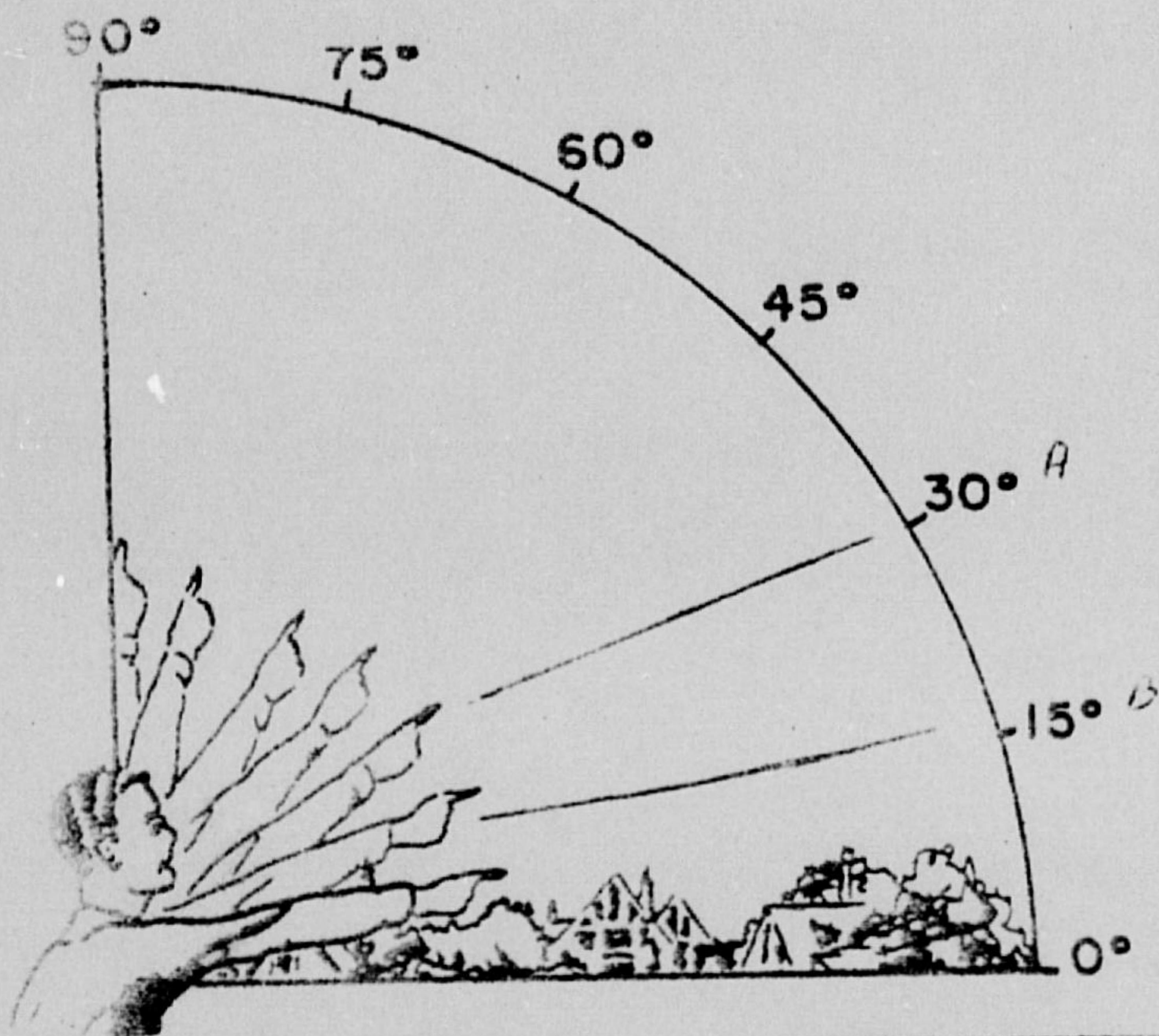
(Circle One) Yes No

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

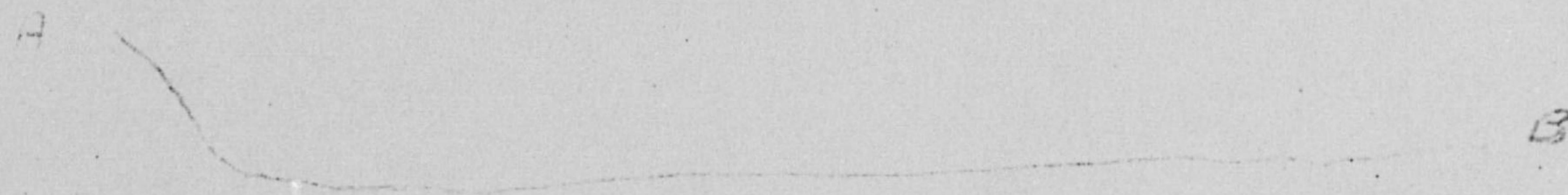
a. Eyeglasses	Yes	No	e. Binoculars	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
b. Sun glasses	Yes	No	f. Telescope	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
c. Windshield	Yes	No	g. Theodolite	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
d. Window glass	Yes	No	h. Other _____		

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.

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? _____
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

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

The first time I have seen this one.

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:

*My Mother - {address same}
... wife {as mine}*

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME *[REDACTED]* Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS *[REDACTED]* Street

CITY *Laredo*

Zone *5* State *TEXAS*

TELEPHONE NUMBER *[REDACTED]*

AGE *41* SEX *M*

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

*Shipping and Recovery Clerk and some other
types of work*

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

Day *Oct*

Month *1964*

Year

Intelligence Force Base

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

3 DEC. 1965

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.

at Laredo Texas Looking from L. A. F. Base
at South East - They would see a star,
the brightest, That was the same type of
object that I saw.

Looking from L.A.F. Base it will appear about
45° to 30° degree (the bright star). This star
will give them the size of the object I saw and
an idea how it looked. (about the same.)

Sincerely

M

A handwritten signature consisting of a stylized, cursive 'M' followed by a more complex, looped and curved line, possibly representing a surname.