

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 18 May 66 ^{0001Z} 19/0000Z	2. LOCATION Chicago, Ill.
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Possible satellite ^{A/C?} aircraft
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	There is no indication that the sighting was not that of a satellite ^{A/c}
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observers were looking in the West sky, when they noted a balloon type yellow object traveling toward the east at terrific speed. Object was visible for about 3 minutes before it disappeared behind a building. There was no sound, trail. The sighting occurred at approximately sunset. From the information available it is possible that witness observed the sun's reflection off of an aircraft.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	
7. COURSE W to E	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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?

18 May 1966
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 7
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?

Nearest Postal Address

Chicago
City or Town

Ill Cook
State or County

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

_____3_____
Hours Minutes Seconds

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined? _____

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes _____ 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

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

Bright yellow

12. 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

Clear

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- 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?

Yes

☒ No

Don't know

☒ Yes

☒ No

Don't know

Yes

☒ No

Don't know

Yes

☒ No

Don't know

Yes

☒ No

Don't know

Yes

☒ No

Don't know

Yes

☒ No

Don't know

Yes

☒ No

Don't know

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

Went East over high building so we could not see any more of it

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:

Buildings

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

Color Bright yellow

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.

This object was about the size of a basketball round like a ball

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? *very fast*

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? _____

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

Standing in front of our house.

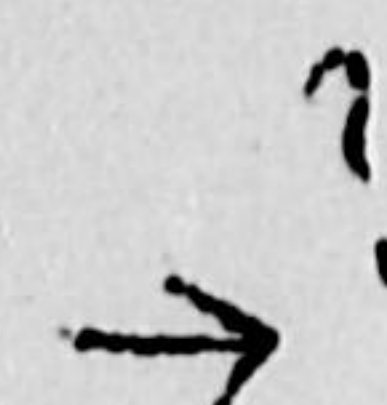
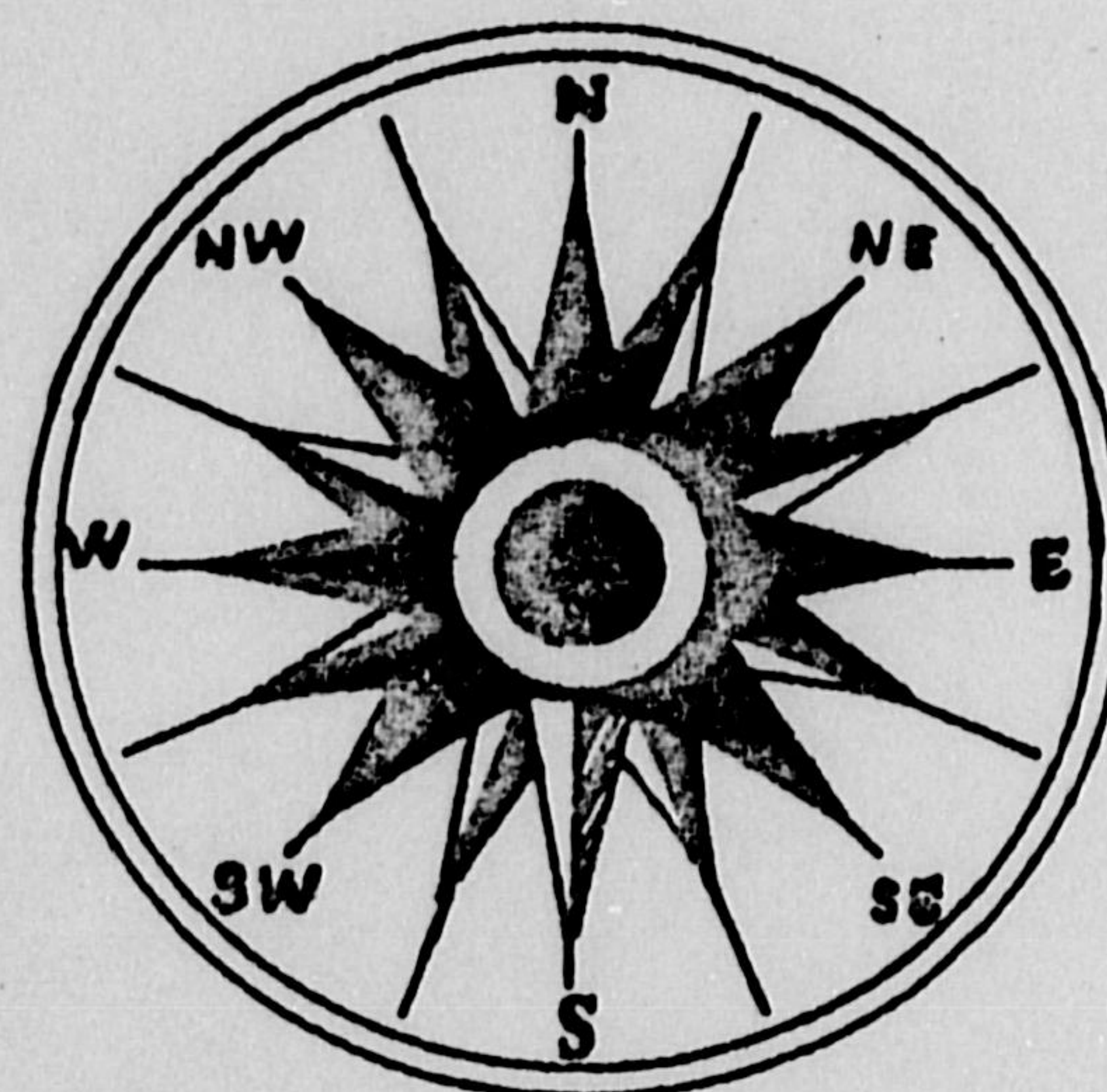
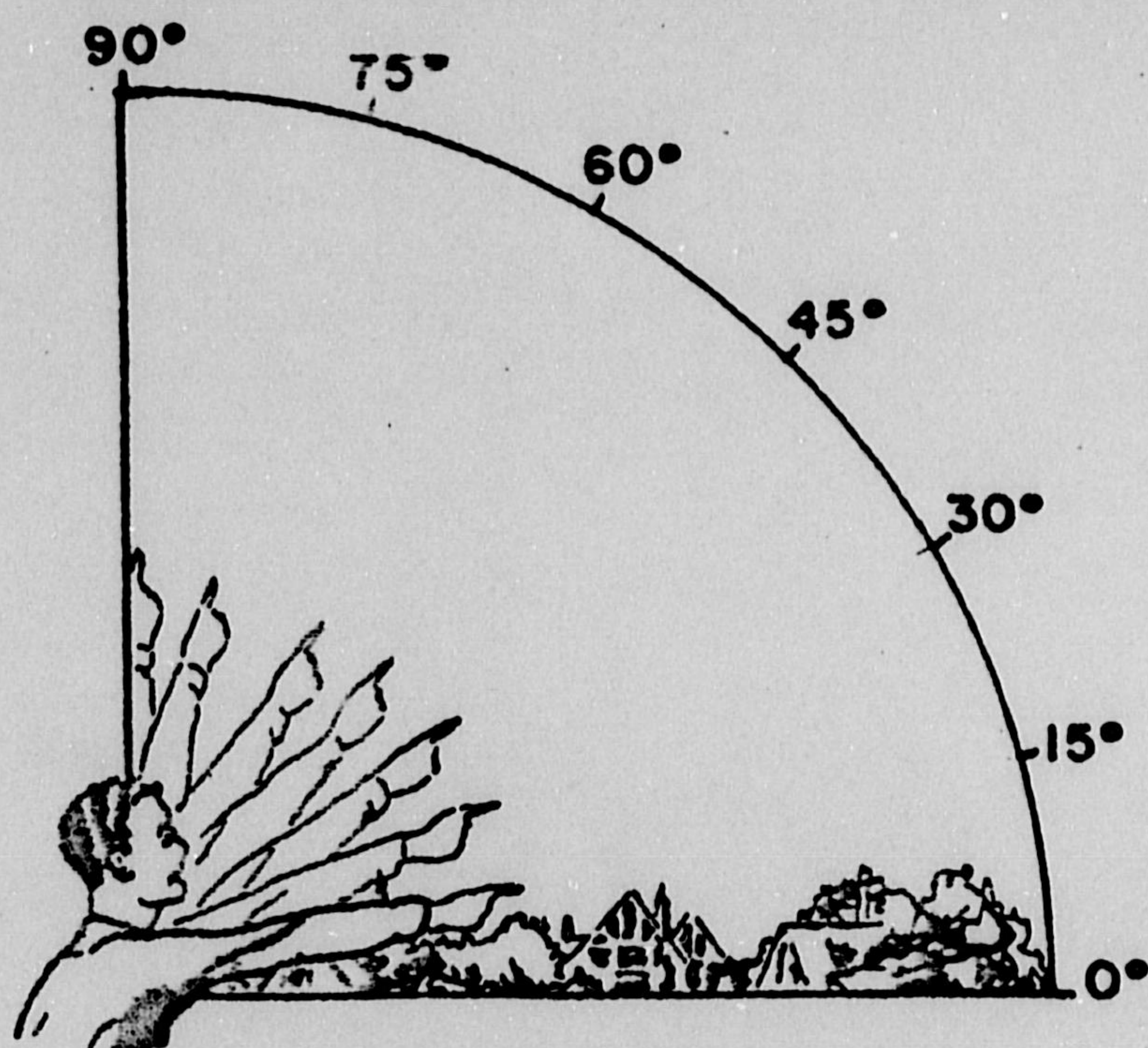
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|----|---------------|-------|----|
| 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 | _____ | |

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.

Looked like a full moon or rather the size of it

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.

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 husband
he lives in the [redacted] block
on Cleveland Ave. don't know the address

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

AGE

SEX

Female

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

all I have to say that I have very
good eyesight but need glasses.

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

Day

Month

Year

CHICAGO, ILL

18 MAY

19/ 1030

FTD (TDEW)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
1 June 1966

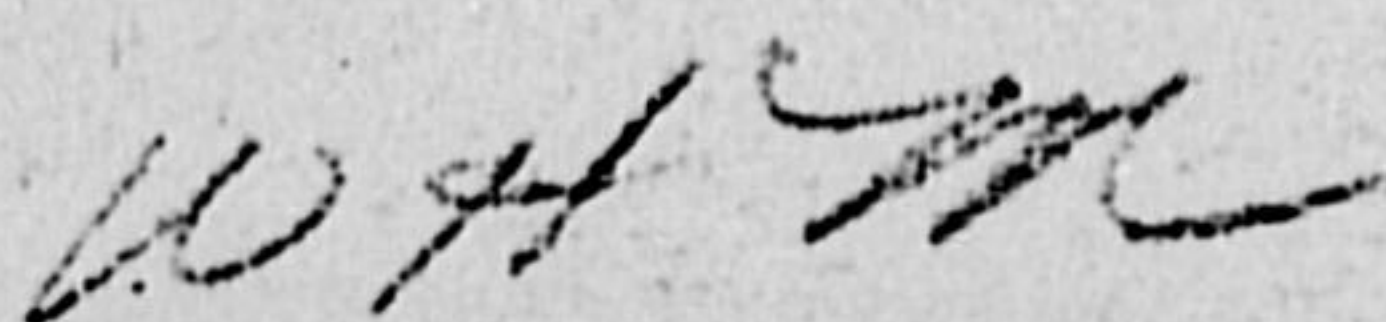
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60614

Dear [REDACTED]

Reference your recent unidentified observation of 18 May 1966.
The information which we have received is not sufficient for
evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and
return it in the envelope provided.

We wish to thank you for reporting your observation to the Air
Force.

Sincerely,


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

Dear Sirs

On Wed evening May 18th
between the hours of 7-7.30
looking West in the sky at
some planes going by my
husband another man and I
noticed a balloon type
object in the sky it was
round and the size from where
we were ^{looking} like a basketball
yellow in color came from
the West flew East at a
terrific speed, within about
less than a minute it was
out of sight to us by that
I mean it flew behind a
(send 164)

tall building so we lost
sight of it. There was no
sound had no tail just a
completely round yellow ball.
it was up several thousand
feet. This object was very
visible to the naked eye.
I hope I made it clear
enough

I remain
Yours truly

[REDACTED]

Chicago 60614
JLL

18 May 66

**COMBAT READINESS TRAINING OPERATIONS
928TH TROOP CARRIER GROUP, MEDIUM (RESERVE)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
Chicago, Illinois 60666**

SUBJECT: U.F.O.

19 MAY 66

A. Description of the object:

1. Would you please describe object's shape ROUND AS A BALL

2. Size as compared to a known object held in the hand at about arm's length. (Such as a pea, dime, nickel, baseball, etc.) BASKETBALL

3. Color YELLOW AS A BANANA

4. Number ONE

5. Formation, if more than one N/A

6. Any discernible features or details NO

7. Was there a tail, trail or exhaust, including size of same compared to size of object NO

8. Was there any sound? If so, please describe the sound NO

9. Other pertinent or unusual features NO

B. Description of course of object.

1. What first called the attention of observer to the object JUST

HAPPENED TO LOOK UP

2. Angle or elevation and azimuth of object when first observed

VERY HIGH - OBSERVER COULDN'T SAY AS TO ANGLE

AZIMUTH - 270°

3. Angle or elevation and azimuth of object upon disappearance

AZIMUTH - 090°

4. Description of flight path and maneuvers of object STRAIGHT PATH

5. How did the object disappear (Fade away or instantaneously)

DISSAPPEARED BEHIND BUILDING

6. How long was the object visible? (Be specific, 5 min, one hour)

ONE MINUTE OR LESS

C. Manner of observation.

1. How was object sighted, ground-visual, air visual, ground electronic, air electronic. (If electronic, specify type of radar) GROUND-VISUAL

2. Were any optical aids used. (Telescopes, binoculars) NO

3. Was this an airborne sighting? If so:

A. Type A/C

N/A

B. Ident No

C. Altitude

D. Heading

E. Speed

F. Home Station

G. Telephone No

D. Time and date of sighting

1. Time Zulu 0030Z

Date 19 MAY 66

2. Was it, night, day, dawn, dusk DAYLIGHT

E. Location of Observer. Where did you make this sighting from? Give exact location. (If necessary give location in reference to a known land mark)

IN FRONT OF HOUSE LOOKING WEST - LINCOLN PARK AREA

APPROX 87°39' W 41°54' N

F. Identifying Information on Observer

1. Civilian Name [REDACTED]
2. Age 70
3. Mailing Address [REDACTED], CHICAGO, ILL., 60614
4. Occupation HOUSEWIFE
5. Reliability UNKNOWN
6. Telephone No [REDACTED]

Military:

1. Name N/A
2. Grade
3. Organization
4. Duty
5. Reliability
6. Telephone No.

G. Weather and Winds - Aloft conditions at time and place of sightings

1. Observer's account of weather conditions CLEAR - NO CLOUDS

2. Winds (from Weather Bureau) WEATHER OFFICE, NAS GLENVIEW, ILL.

	Surface	320	Degrees	12	Kts
Aloft 6,000	290	"	25	"	
10,000	290	"	25	"	
16,000	290	"	60	"	
20,000	260	"	70	"	
30,000	260	"	95	"	
40,000	250	"	90	"	
50,000	250	"	50	"	

3. Ceiling 4,000 Scattered
4. Visibility 12 miles
5. Amount of cloud layer 2/10
6. Thunderstorm in area and quadrant in which located None
7. Vertical Temp Gradient SFC +16°C / 850MB +9°C / 700MB -30°C / 500MB -16°C
300MB -42°C / 200MB -55°C / Stability Index +8
Freezing level 10,000ft.

H. Did you notice any unusual activity or conditions, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting NO

I. Did you take any photographs NO
Do you know of any existence of physical evidence of materials NO

INITIALS CWS

COMMENT: I have no idea what the observers might of seen.

Clayton W. Salmonson
CLAYTON W. SALMONSON, Civilian
Aircraft Dispatcher

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE--TIME GROUP 26 May 66 27/0330Z	2. LOCATION Chicago, Ill. one witness
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Insufficient data for evaluation
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 45 minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS FTD form 164 was sent requesting additional information; however, to date this form has not been received. Until additional information is submitted this case is being carried as insufficient data for evaluation.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	
7. COURSE eastward	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

Chicago, Ill 26 May 66
27/0330Z

FTD (TDEW)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
1 July 1966

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60655

Dear [REDACTED],

Reference your unidentified observation of 26 May 1966. The information which we have received is not sufficient for evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and return it in the envelope provided.

We wish to thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

Sincerely,

(H)
HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book

26 May

COMBAT READINESS TRAINING OPERATIONS
928TH TROOP CARRIER GROUP, MEDIUM (RESERVE)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
Chicago, Illinois 60666

SUBJECT: U.F.O.

27 MAY 66

A. Description of the object:

1. Would you please describe object's shape Like a Star

2. Size as compared to a known object held in the hand at about arm's length. (Such as a pea, dime, nickel, baseball, etc.) Head of a pin

3. Color Similiar to a star

4. Number one

5. Formation, if more than one N/A

6. Any discernible features or details Much brighter than a star

7. Was there a tail, trail or exhaust, including size of same compared to size of object No

8. Was there any sound? If so, please describe the sound No

9. Other pertinent or unusual features No

(Send 164)

B. Description of course of object.

1. What first called the attention of observer to the object Just happened

to look up

2. Angle or elevation and azimuth of object when first observed _____

45° angle 360° Azimuth

3. Angle or elevation and azimuth of object upon disappearance _____

60° to 80° angle Approx 140° Azimuth

4. Description of flight path and maneuvers of object From North to

South then veered to East

5. How did the object disappear (Fade away or instantaneously) _____

Instantaneously - As you would blow a match out

6. How long was the object visible? (Be specific, 5 min, one hour) _____

30 to 45 minutes - closer to 45 minutes

C. Manner of observation.

1. How was object sighted, ground-visual, air visual, ground electronic, air electronic. (If electronic, specify type of radar) Ground-Visual

2. Were any optical aids used. (Telescopes, binoculars) No

3. Was this an airborne sighting? If so: N/A

A. Type A/C _____

B. Ident No _____

C. Altitude _____

D. Heading _____

E. Speed _____

F. Home Station _____

G. Telephone No _____

D. Time and date of sighting

1. Time Zulu 0330Z Date 27 MAY 66
2. Was it, night, day, dawn, dusk NIGHT

E. Location of Observer. Where did you make this sighting from? Give exact location. (If necessary give location in reference to a known land mark)

IN FRONT OF RESIDENCE

APPROX 81°41' W 41°41' N

F. Identifying Information on Observer

1. Civilian Name [REDACTED]
2. Age 33
3. Mailing Address [REDACTED] Chicago, Ill., 60655
4. Occupation Chicago City Fireman
5. Reliability Good
6. Telephone No PR 9-7268

Military:

1. Name N/A
2. Grade
3. Organization
4. Duty
5. Reliability
6. Telephone No.

G. Weather and Winds - Aloft conditions at time and place of sightings

1. Observer's account of weather conditions Warm - Clear - Slight Winds

2. Winds (from Weather Bureau) Furnished by Weather Office, NAS Glenview, Ill.

	Surface	180	Degrees	6	Kts
Aloft 6,000	300	"	15	"	
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16,000	280	"	20	"	
20,000	280	"	20	"	
30,000	300	"	20	"	
40,000	260	"	45	"	
50,000	280	"	20	"	

3. Ceiling None
4. Visibility 10
5. Amount of cloud layer 0/10
6. Thunderstorm in area and quadrant in which located None
7. Vertical Temp Gradient 850MB +16°C / 700MB +4°C / 500MB -11°C /
300MB -44°C / 200MB -54°C
Stability Index +4
Freezing Level 12,100 Ft. 3

H. Did you notice any unusual activity or conditions, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting No

I. Did you take any photographs No
Do you know of any existence of physical evidence of materials No

INITIALS CWS

COMMENT: The observer stated that his Wife and several neighbors also viewed this phenomena at the same time. Another woman called this Base to that she observed a shooting star, but in my opinion this object was not a star because of the abrupt change of course.

C.W. Salmonson
C.W. SALMONSON, Civilian
Aircraft Dispatcher