PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 13 Feb 67 14/0436Z	2. LOCATION Davidsonville, Maryland one witness
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION PHOTO Insufficient Data for Evaluation CASE INSUFFICIENT DATA
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 18 to 20 minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer reported a elliptical shaped object that was a pale white/yellow in color. There was also red markings and an attached pylons. The object appeared to be at an altitude of 2000 feet and appeared to have three phlons, round tops, flat bottoms, and the red markings. Observer took picture of the object but so far refused to let the Air Force Investigating Officer see the photograph. The case is being carried as insufficient data because the witness has refused the provide the negative. He stated that he had a negative yet he claimed that he took the picture with a POlaroid camera.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual Tx	
7. COURSE South	
8. PHOTOS XX Yes ☐ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes XX No	

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STAFF MESSAGE BRANCH
INCOMING MESSAGE

AF IN: 12963 (15 Feb 67) A/ap

ACTION: RDC-4
INFO: XOP-1, XOPX-2, SAFOS-3, NIN-7, DIA-1 (19) ADV CY DIA
SMB B024RTTU JAW RUEDTAA7131 0452238-UUUU--RUEDHQA.

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FM 1001ABWG ANDREWS AFB MD

TO RUWMFVA/ADC

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UNCLAS WIO 03000 FEB 67. FOR: TDET/UFO, AFRDC, SAF-OI. SUBJ:
UFO SIGHTING.

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT:

1. SHAPE: ELLIPTICAL

2. SIZE COMPARED TO A KNOWN OBJECT HELD AT ARMS LENGTH:
VISUAL - BETWEEN SIZES OF PIN AND PEA.

3. COLOR: PALE WHITE/YELLOW. 4. NUMBER: ONE

5. FORMATION: N/A

6. FEATURES OR DETAILS: RED MARKINGS AND ATTACHED PYLONS.

7. TAIL, TRAIL OR EXHAUST: NONE OBSERVED

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8. SOUND: NONE

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT:

1. OBSERVER WAS TKAING PHOTOS OF CASSIOPEIA WHEN HE FIRST NOTICED OBJECT.

2. ANGLE OR ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF OBJECT WHEN FIRST OBSERVED: AGAINST LEO; 25 DEGREES SE HORIZON, WHEN OBJECT DEPARTED DUE SOUTH.

3. DESCRIPTION OF FLIGHT PATH AND MANEUVERS: OBJECT DEPARTED DIRECTLY AWAY FROM OBSERVER.

4. OBJECT GREW SMALLER AS IT TRAVELED OUT OF SIGHT.

5. DURATION OF SIGHTING: 18 TO 20 MINUTES.

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

1. GROUND-VISUAL

2. OPTICAL AIDS (TELESCOPE, BINOCULARS, ETC.,) USED AND DESCRIPTION THEREOF: 6" NEWTONIAN REFLEX TELESCOP.

3. IF AIRBORNE SIGHTING, GIVE OBSERVERS AIRCRAFT TYPE FROM WHICH OBSERVED: N/A

D. DATE AND TIME OF SIGHTINGS:

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2. NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER(S):

1. LATITUDE/LONGITUDE: 38 DEGREES 56'N 39 DEGREES 37'W

LANDMARK REFERENCE: 2 MILES OS. OF HY 50, 2 MILES NNE

DAVIDSONVILLE, MARYLAND

F. IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION ON OBSERVER(S):

NAME: [redacted] AGE: 26 OCCUPATION: OPTICAL DESIGN

DRAFTSMAN ADDRESS: [redacted] ROAD CITY: ROCKVILLE

STATE: MARYLAND

ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY: UNKNOWN

TELEPHONE OF OBSERVER: HOME - [redacted] WORK - [redacted]

G. WEATHER AND WINDS:

1. OBSERVERS ACCOUNT OF WX CONDITIONS: CLEAR SKYS, UNLIMITED VISIBILITY

2. REPORT FROM AWS OF WIND DIRECTION/VELOCITY IN DEGREES AND KNOTS AT, SURFACE: 1504, 6,000 2935, 16,000 3253, 20,000 3268, 30,000 2864, 50,000 2580, 80,000 UNKNOWN

3. CEILING: NONE

4. VISIBILITY: 7MILES PLUS

5. CLOUD COVER: NONE

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6. THUNDERSTORMS IN AREA AND QUADRANT IN WHICH LOCATED: NONE

7. VERTICAL TEMP GRADIENT: 2 1/2 DEGREES CENT./1000 FEET.

H. JUPITER ONLY PLANET VISIBLE BUT WAS IDENTIFIED BY OBSERVER AND WAS ABOVE AND SLIGHTLY BEHIND HIM AT THE TIME OF THE SIGHTING.

I. INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEEN: NONE

J. WX SERVICE RELEASED BALLOONS AT 2325Z AND 0530Z. NOT CONSIDERED AS FACTOR DUE TO TIMES. WX SERVICE STATED BALLOONS ARE BROWN IN COLOR AND HAVE NO WRITING OR LETTERS ON THEM.

K. POSITION TITLE AND COMMENTS OF THE PREPARING OFFICER: ASST INFO OFFICER - COMMENTS: NO KNOWN AERIAL ACTIVITY UPON WHICH TO BASE A COUSE.

L. OBSERVER STATED HE HAS A BLACK AND WHITE POLAROID PICTURE OF THE OBJECT IN HIS POSSESSION.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

OBJECT WAS DESCRIBED AS ELLIPTICAL IN SHAPE, APPROXIMATELY 55 FEET IN DIAMETER, ROUNNDED ON TOP WITH RELATIVELY FLAT BOTTOM WITH WHAT APPEARED TO BE RED LETTERS (SIX LETTERS NOT DISTING-

UISHABLE) AROUND BOTTOM EDGE OF OBJECT. WHEN VIEWED THROUGH TELESCOPE OBJECT APPEARED TO BE THE SIZE OF A THREE INCH OBJECT HELD AT ARMS LENGTH. OBJECT HOVERED AT ALTITUDE OF 2,000 FEET,

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2 1/2 MILES AWAY AT APPROXIMATELY 45 DEGREES FROM UPRIGHT BUT MADE 5 DEGREE BANK FOR SHORT PERIOD EXPOSING THAT MUCH MORE OF THE UNDERSIDE. UNDERSIDE APPEARED TO HAVE 3 PHLONS, ROUND TOPS, FLAT BOTTOMS ATTACHED AT 120 DEGREE INTERVALS ON UNDERSIDE. OBJECT VIEWED THROUGH 250 POWER REFLEX TELESCOPE. OBSERVER TOOK PICTURE (BLACK AND WHITE) WITH POLAROID CAMERA (TIME EXPOSED) ATTACHED TO TELESCOPE. PICTURE NEGATIVE SHOWED LIGHT STREAK BEHIND OBJECT.

IN-PERSON INTERVIEW HAS NOT BEEN CONDUCTED WITH OBSERVER. ALL INFORMATION OBTAINED VIA TELEPHONE. INTERVIEW SHOULD OCCUR ON 15 FEB 67. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND PICTURE WILL BE FORWARDED TO TDET/UFO WPAFB. SIGHTING HAS NOT RESULTED IN PRESS INQUIRY.

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13 Feb 67 Davidsonville, Maryland

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS, 1001ST AIR BASE WING (HQ COMD USAF)
ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, WASHINGTON DC 20331

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: WIO

24 February 1967

SUBJECT: UFO Sighting - 14 February 1967

TO: 1st Lt William F. Marley
TDET/UFO
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

1. Reference is made to message number 03000 dated 14 February 1967.

2. An in-person interview with the observer, [redacted] was held at 1300 hours on 15 February 1967 at his place of employment, Fairchild Hiller Corporation, Germantown, Maryland.

3. The interview revealed the following errors in the original message report:

a. (Para. b,3) - The observer indicated that the object rose and then departed directly away from him.

b. (Comments) - The observer stated, at the interview, that the picture was not taken through the telescope. The picture was taken with a polaroid camera attached to a tripod. The picture did not show a light streak behind the object.

4. The following information relates to the type of camera.

a. Large polaroid, brand, camera approximately five or six years old (camera was not available at the time of the interview. The observer stated that he had borrowed the camera from a friend and it was already loaded with film.

b. Lens Opening: F 3.5

c. Shutter speed used: 3 second time exposure

d. Filters used: None

e. Camera attached to tripod

f. Observer stated that he did not pan the camera

g. Direction of the camera relative to true north: Approximately 120 degrees

5. The observer stated that the object was judged to have been 1¼ to 1½ miles away from him at the time of the sighting. He was first attracted to the object when he noticed it move.

6. Concerning the observer's occupation: [redacted] stated that he designs optical equipment (telescopes) and radio circuit systems for Fairchild Hiller.

7. Education: [redacted] stated that he graduated in 1958 from the Ft. Hill High School in Cumberland, Maryland. He has no formal training of a technical or scientific nature.

8. General Comments: [redacted] stated that he has been interested in astronomy for approximately fifteen years. His knowledge of the subject was obtained on his own volition. He stated that this is not the first time that he had sighted what he termed an Unidentified Flying Object. He stated that he had transmitted photographs of other sightings to the National Science Foundation. The interview lasted for approximately one hour and the following information was obtained:

a. [redacted] received a general discharge from the Air Force after serving three years and eight months of a four year commitment. He was an Air Operations Specialist or Dispatcher at Lowry AFB, Colorado. His highest enlisted grade was A2C; his AFSC was 27130. He was separated from the service in July of 1963. Concerning the general discharge he stated that he was "framed" by a first sergeant who is now in a mental hospital. He would not elaborate. He stated that he has been fighting the general discharge ever since being separated but at this point he has no hope of ever having the discharge changed.

b. [redacted] was very easy to talk with and he was well dressed and groomed. He seemed on the defensive throughout the interview. He kept repeating that he had seen something and that he would stand by that, no matter what anybody told him. He stated that he was not interested in money or personal publicity, in fact he did not want his name released. His only interest is in finding out what it was he saw.

c. One fact that he was not able to explain was that he had a 35 milimeter camera attached to a 250 power telescope and even though the object was visible for approximately 18 minutes he made no attempt to take a picture of the object through the telescope. It was determined that he did look at the object through the telescope but he could not explain why he did not take a picture.

d. One other fact that was not clear was that he stated that the picture was taken with a polaroid camera and yet he had a negative. He refused to allow me to examine the negative.

9. I am not able to decide whether or not [redacted] actually observed an object. I do feel that any further investigation would be a waste of time.

10. The enclosed picture was given to me by the observer at the time of the interview. I have indicated, with markings on the reverse side, how the picture should be held. The object is the large white dot above and to the left of center.

WILLARD D. NIELSEN, 1st Lt, USAF
Assistant Base Information Officer

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Photograph

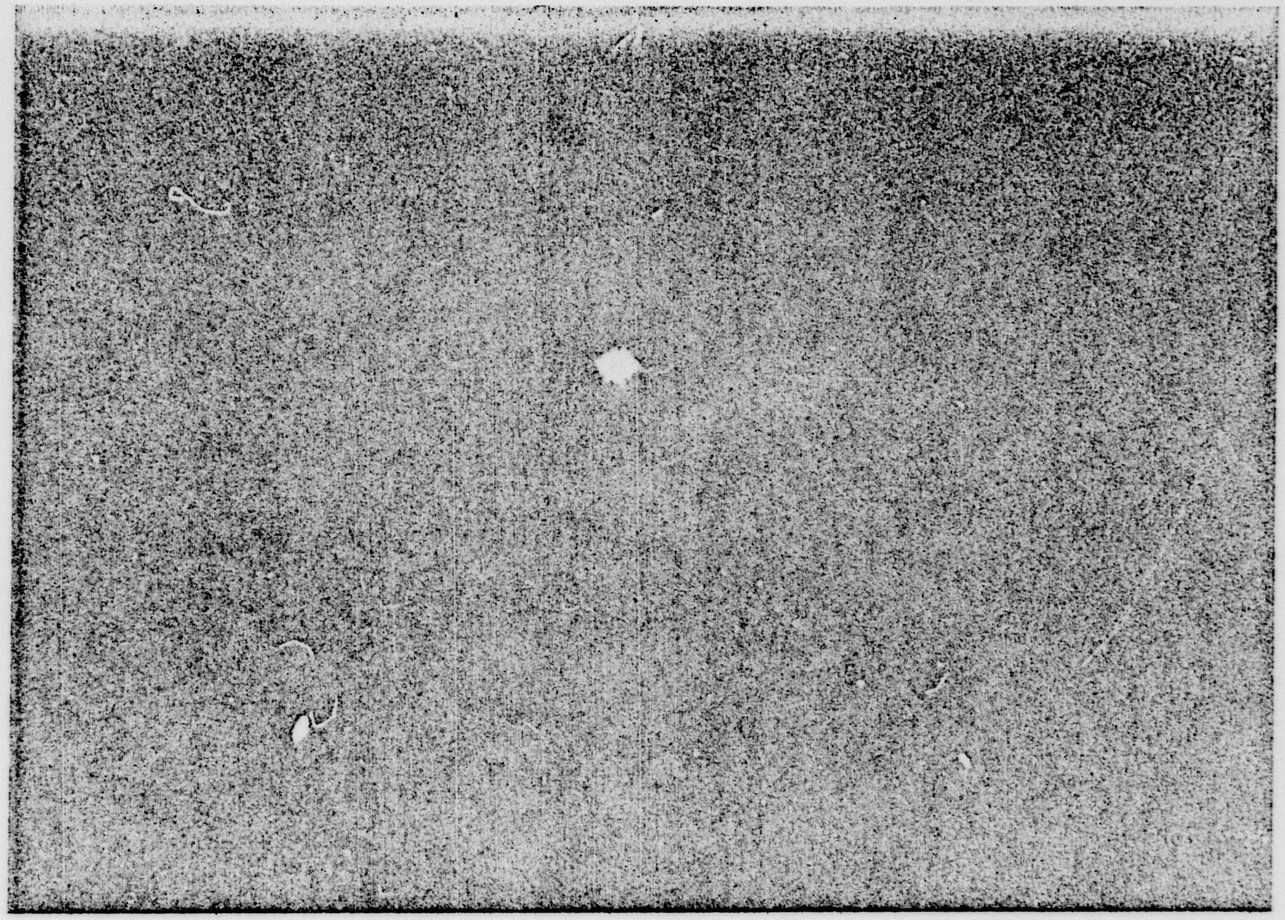
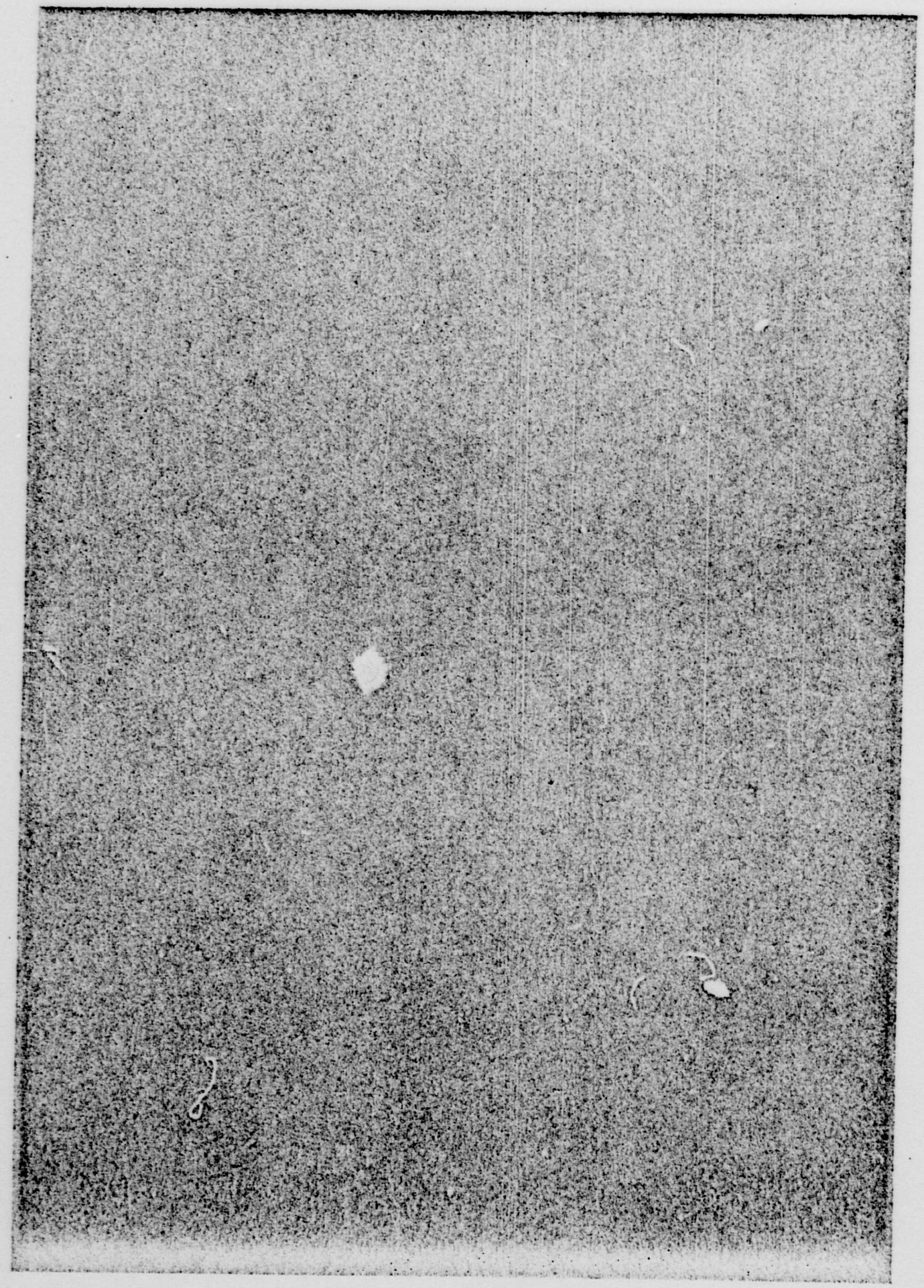
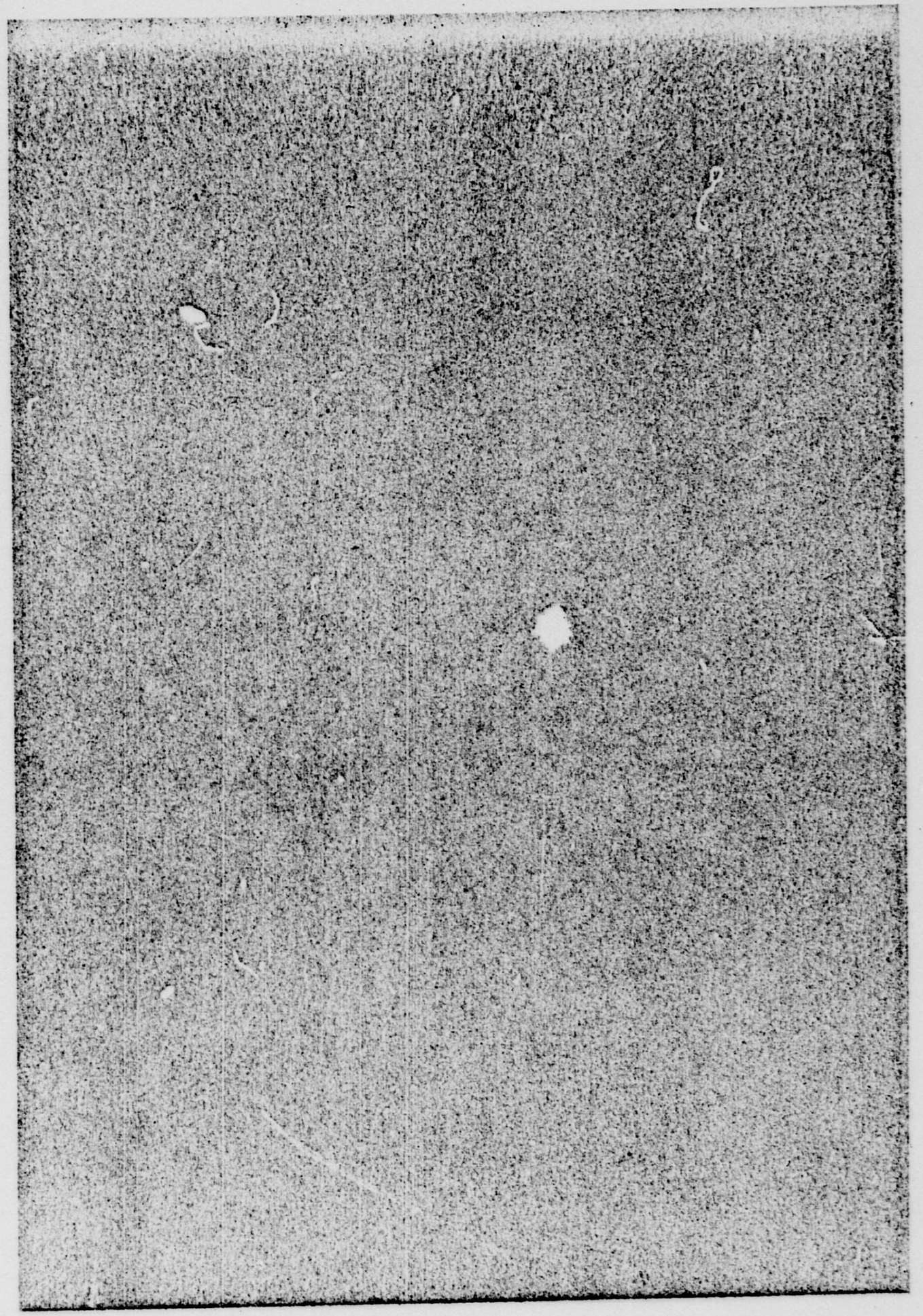
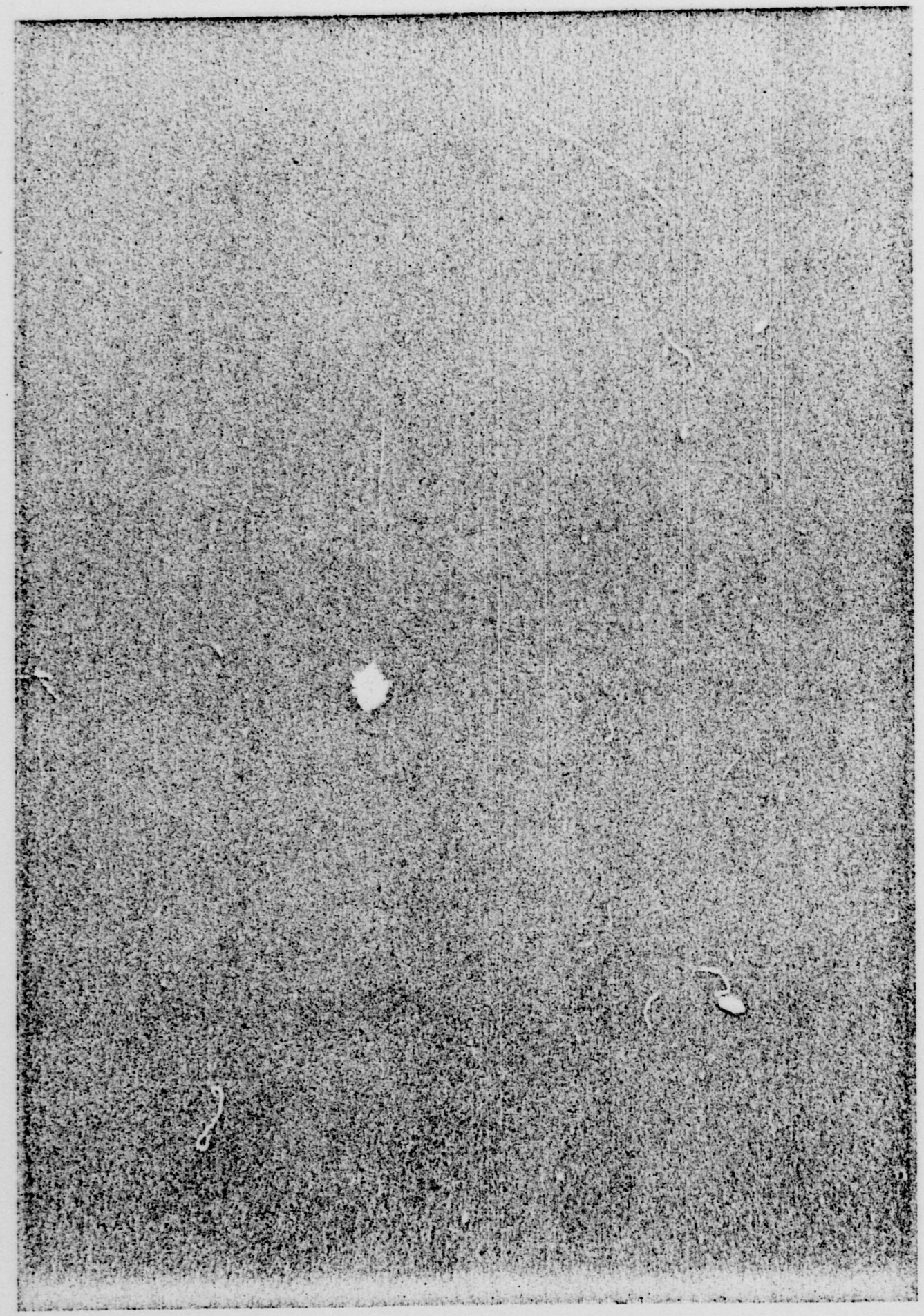
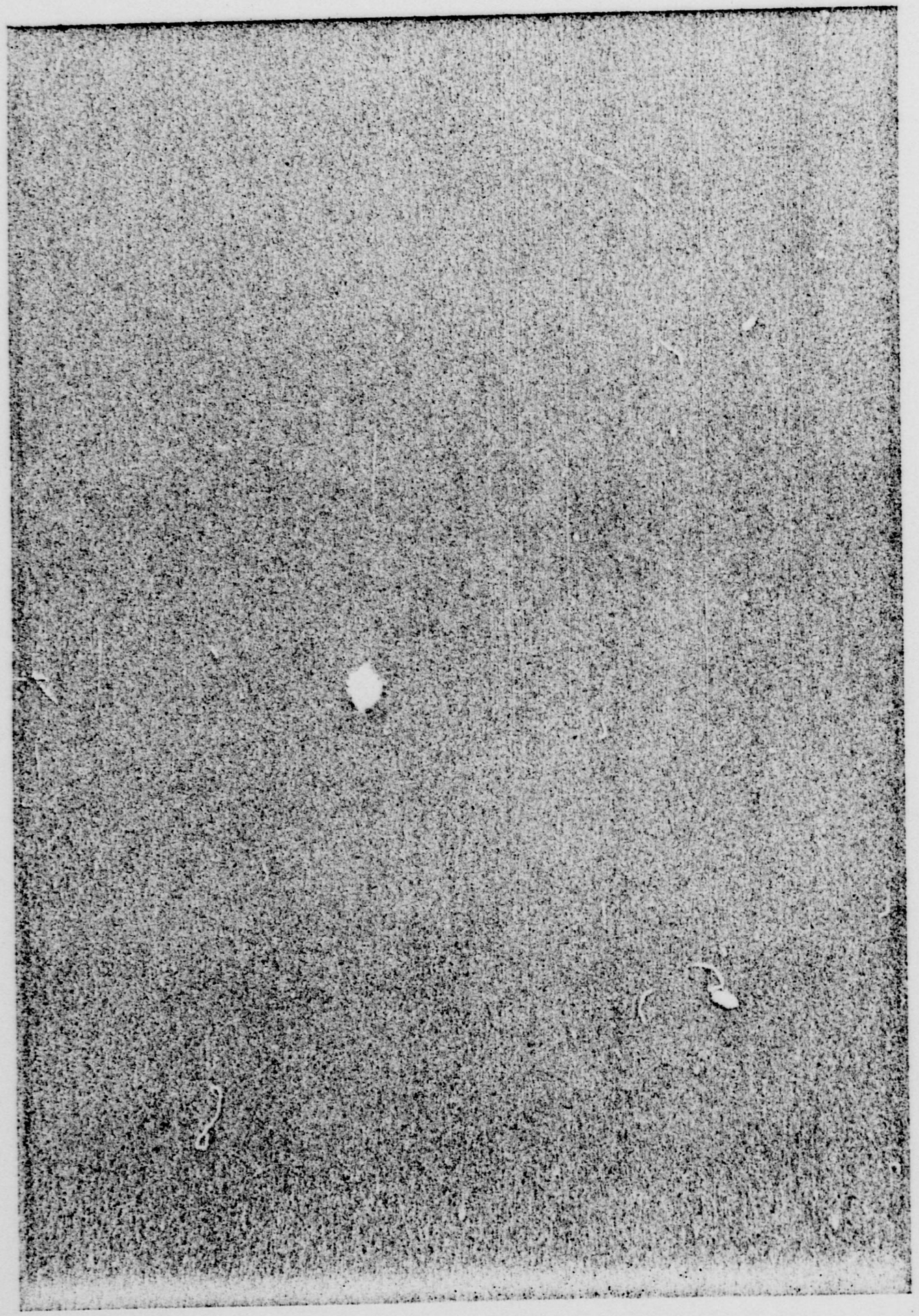
Copy to:

[redacted]
Boulder, Colorado 80304

this case includes

Five (5) 4½ x 6½ B&W Photos

one (1) 3x4 B&W Photo

one (1) 3x4 B&W Negative

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