

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. GROUP	2. LOCATION
24 10073	25/01004 McLeanville, Tennessee
3. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	10. CONCLUSION
1	Possible (AIRCRAFT) Pen. Balloon - Sun set on it. <i>Net</i>
4. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
10 minutes	Observer stated that the object was a light. Brightness compared to that of a bright star. Object appeared to be brighter. Brightness compared to nearby Venus. Edges of object were like a star. Sound: None Color: white, possibly same reddish times.
5. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	
Ground Visual	
6. COURSE	
Stationary	
7. PHOTOS	
Yes	
No	
8. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE	
Yes	
No	

FORM

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A/C (possible)

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION (AFSC)
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO 45433



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TDET/UFO

SUBJECT: UFO Observation , 24 May 1967

TO: Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
McMinnville, Tennessee 37110

*McMinnville, Tenn.
24 May 67
25/6/008
JUN 21 1967*

Reference your unidentified observation. The information which we have received is not sufficient for a scientific evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and return it in the envelope provided. Thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

for William S. Anderson Lt Col USAF
JAMES C. MANATT, Colonel, USAF
Director of Technology and Subsystems

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FTD Form 164 w/envelope

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?

24 May 1967
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

8
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?

[REDACTED]
Nearest Postal Address

McMinnville
City or Town

Tennessee 37110
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? _____

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

Twilight - no moon

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:

Nearly as bright as nearby Venus

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 _____

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

Apparently

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

It began to dim and disappeared, never came back.

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:

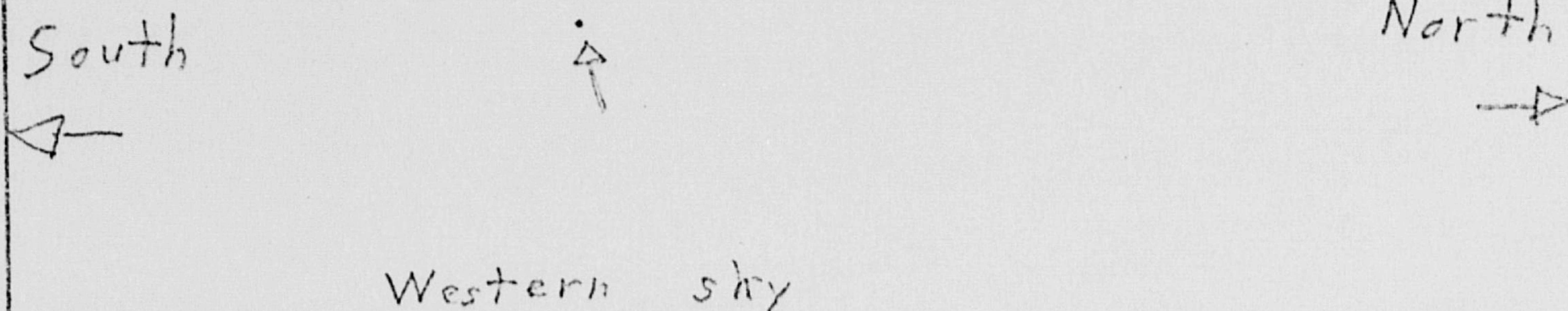
a. Sound *None*

b. Color *White, possibly some reddish at times.*

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?

It would have been totally obscured by the match head, which is much bigger at arm's length than the object.

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? _____

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

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

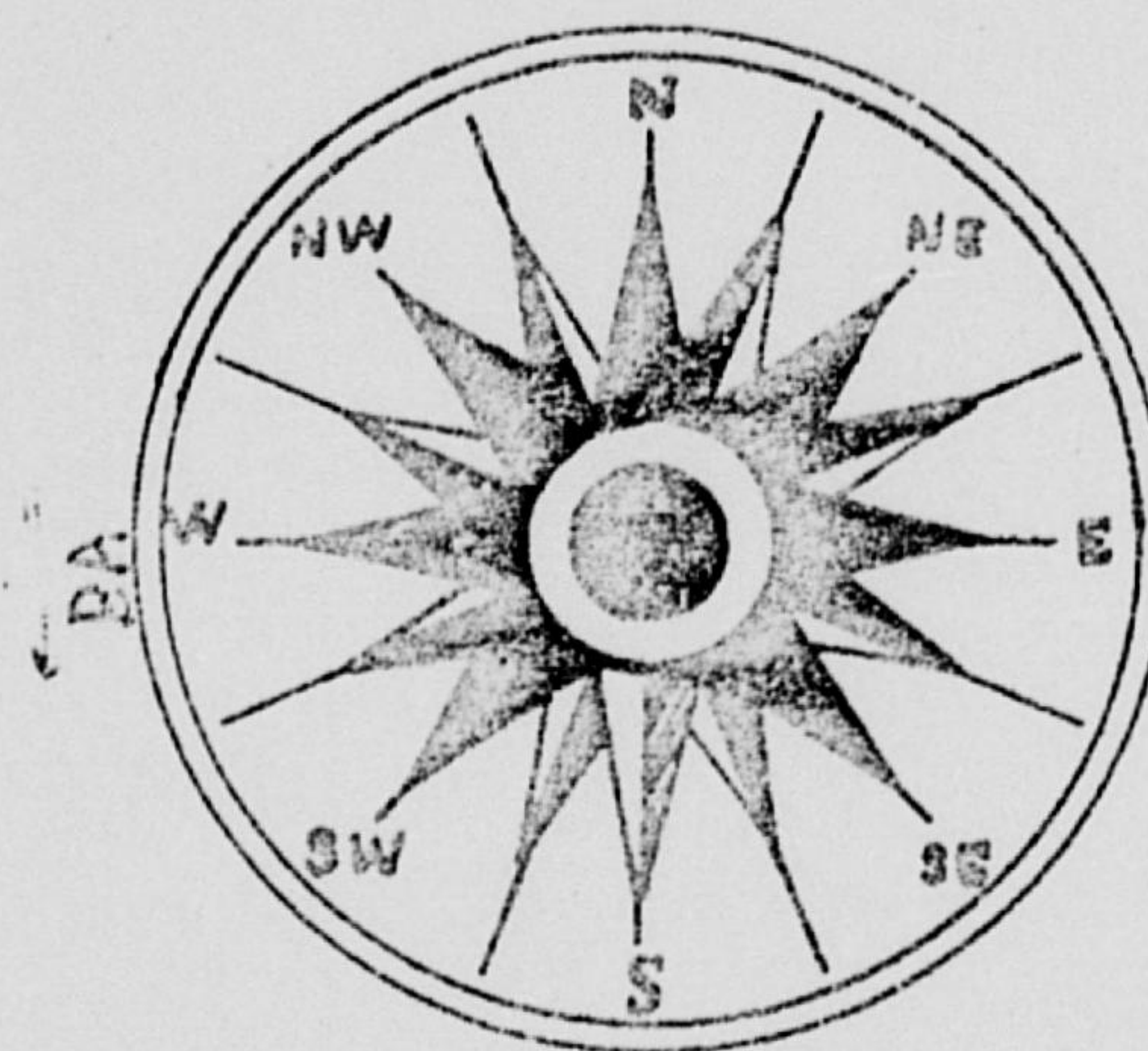
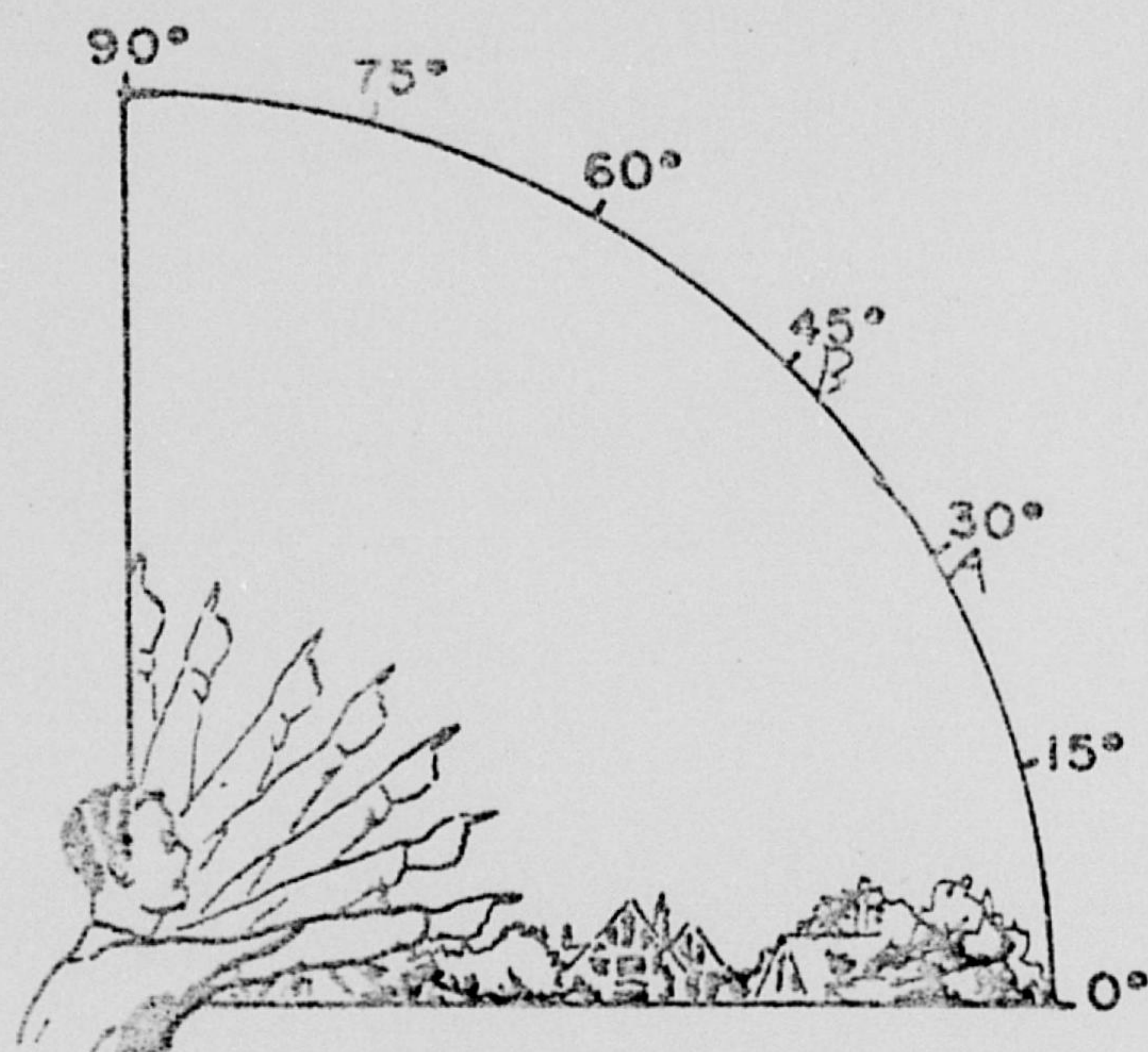
☒ No

h. Other _____

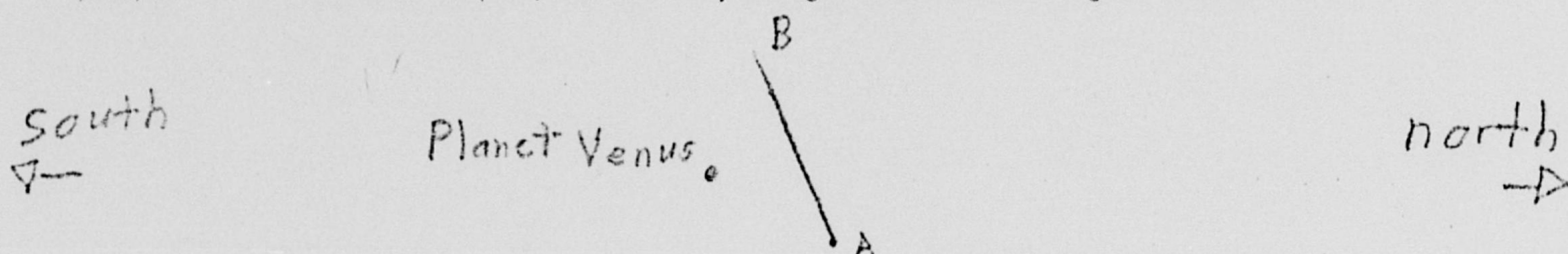
26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

A planet such as Jupiter, moving, or a satellite moving extremely slowly.

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:

[REDACTED], my father, same address as mine.

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Last Name First Name Middle Name
 ADDRESS [REDACTED] McMinnville Tenn. 37110
Street City Zone State
 TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED] AGE 15 SEX M

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

I have had no special training, but my father and I have watched many artificial satellites.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object? to Project Blue Book
 Information office
 SAFOI
 Wash., D.C., 20330

8 June 1967
Day Month Year

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

25

Day

June

Month

1967

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.

Shortly after 8 P.M., on the date mentioned, my father and I began watching the unidentified object in the western sky. The sun had set only a few minutes before, and the western sky was still rather bright. Only the planets Venus and Jupiter were visible in the west, along with the object. We first saw it below and a little to the right (north) of Venus. At first it appeared to be motionless, but then we noticed that it was moving, upward and a little to the left (south) at a very low speed, maybe one-third to one-sixth as fast as an ordinary satellite. It passed by the north of Venus at perhaps the distance of a penny held at arm's length. It continued, in apparently a straight line, and would have passed somewhat north of Jupiter. But it

began to dim and completely disappeared in a few seconds. We had observed it part of the time with binoculars, and my father, watching then, said he saw what appeared to be at least three solid fragments and some smoke where the object disappeared. Shortly after it disappeared, I checked the time on an accurately set electric clock and determined that the object had disappeared at 8:10 P.M., C.D.T. (plus or minus $1\frac{1}{2}$ minute for human error.) We saw nothing more of the object. We think the object was probably a rocket or satellite of some kind, but wonder why it went so slowly and then disappeared.

[REDACTED]
McMinnville, Tenn. 37110
June 5, 1967

Project Blue Book Information Office
SAFOI
Washington, D. C. 20330

Gentle men:

Recently my father and I witnessed a phenomenon in the sky. Slightly after 8 p.m., C.D.T., on Wednesday, May 24, 1967, just outside McMinnville, Tenn., my father spotted what looked like a bright satellite in the western sky slightly under and to the north of Venus. McMinnville is near the center of the state--geographical co-ordinates approximately 85 45' west longitude, 35 38' north latitude. Since the sun had just gone down a few minutes before, the satellite had to be very bright to be visible in the bright twilight. This object was moving, upward and somewhat toward the south, at only a fraction of the speed of a regular 100-200 mile high satellite. My father called me out, and we both watched it as it passed north of Venus at perhaps the distance of a penny held at arms length. Had it gone on it would have passed somewhat north of a planet which was apparently Jupiter, as shown in the diagram included. Its color appeared to be roughly white, like Venus, although my father, watching it through field glasses, thought he saw some reddish color on it.

My father had been watching it for perhaps ten minutes at approximately 8:10 p.m. (plus or minus 1½ minutes) when the light suddenly began to dim. Within maybe ten to fifteen seconds it had disappeared. I immediately thought I saw some non-glowing fragments, and my father, watching through the field glasses, said he saw what looked like at least three fragments roughly in line and some smoke. These things disappeared within a couple of minutes; we saw nothing else and soon stopped watching.

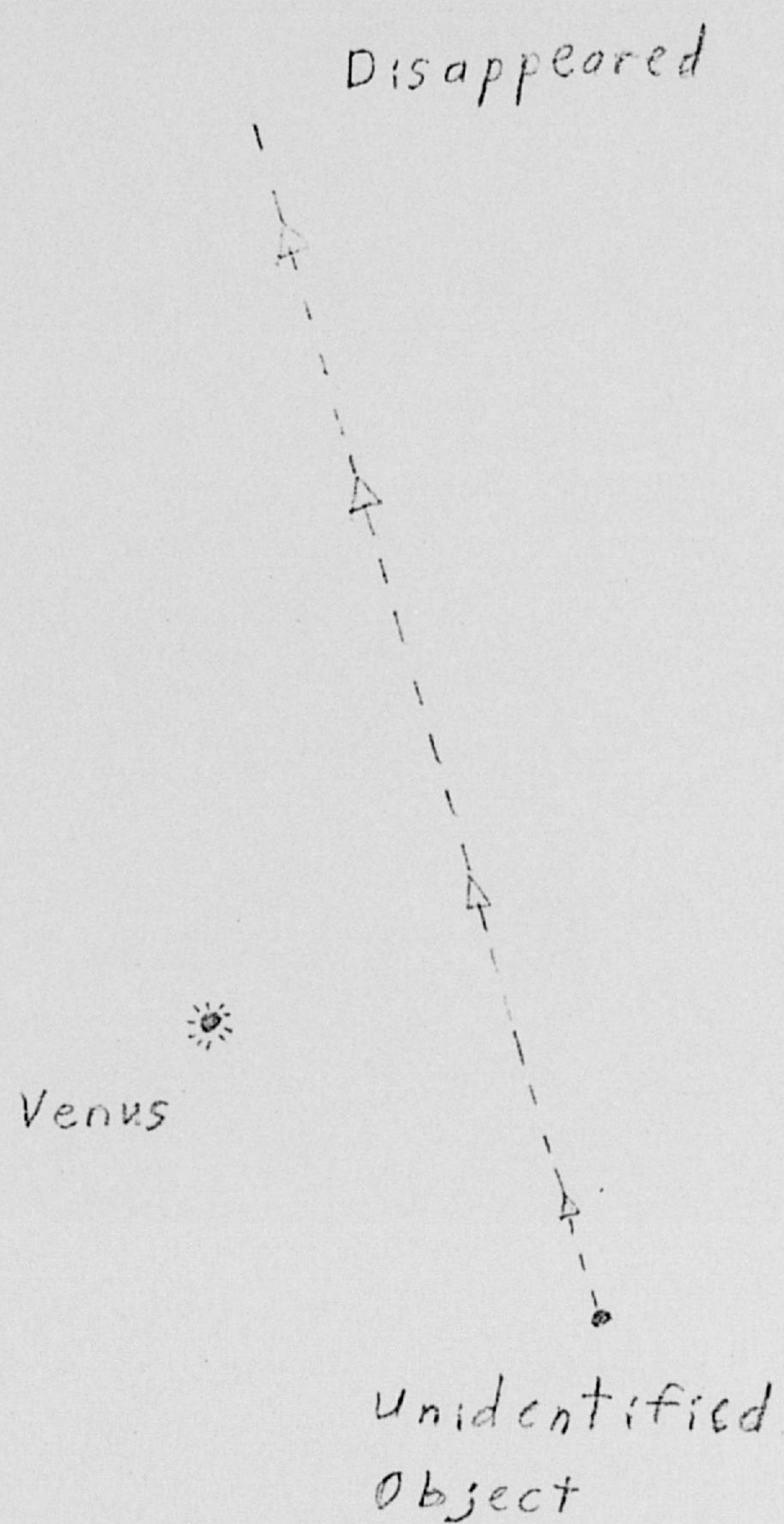
We would appreciate any information Project Blue Book or some other appropriate government agency could obtain about satellite re-entry, rocket launching in the western U.S., or some other occurrence which might have caused this visual phenomenon.

Yours truly,
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

DRM/pam

Enclosures 1

Jupiter?



The distances in this diagram are only roughly in proportion.