PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 30/2330 30 Aug 68	2. LOCATION Near Grissom AFB, Indiana (4 Witnesses)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION 1. Probable (AIRCRAFT) 2. Possible (AIRCRAFT) Sighting #1 identified as probable aircraft (KC-135) on landing approach to Grissom AFB. No evidence indicated second sighting
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1 Each Time	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1. 5 - 10 Minutes 2. 2 - 3 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS was not an aircraft and the the observers were UFO conscious from the first sighting. SEE CASE FILE
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE See Case	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM
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SIGHTING OF UNIDENTIFIED PHENOMENA QUESTIONNAIRE

BUDGET BUREAU APPROVAL NUMBER 21-R258

THIS QUESTIONNAIRE HAS BEEN PREPARED SO THAT YOU CAN GIVE THE U.S. AIR FORCE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE CONCERNING THE UNIDENTIFIED PHENOMENON THAT YOU HAVE OBSERVED. PLEASE TRY TO ANSWER ALL OF THE QUESTIONS. THE INFORMATION YOU GIVE WILL BE USED FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES YOUR NAME WILL NOT BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OF YOUR STATEMENTS OR CONCLUSIONS WITHOUT YOUR PERMISSION. RETURN TO AIR FORCE BASE INVESTIGATOR FOR FORWARDING TO FTD (TDETR), WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, OHIO 45433, IAW AFR 80-17. *(IF ADDITIONAL SHEETS ARE NEEDED FOR NARRATIVE OR SKETCHES ATTACH SECURELY TO THIS FORM OR ANNOTATE WITH YOUR NAME FOR IDENTIFICATION.)*

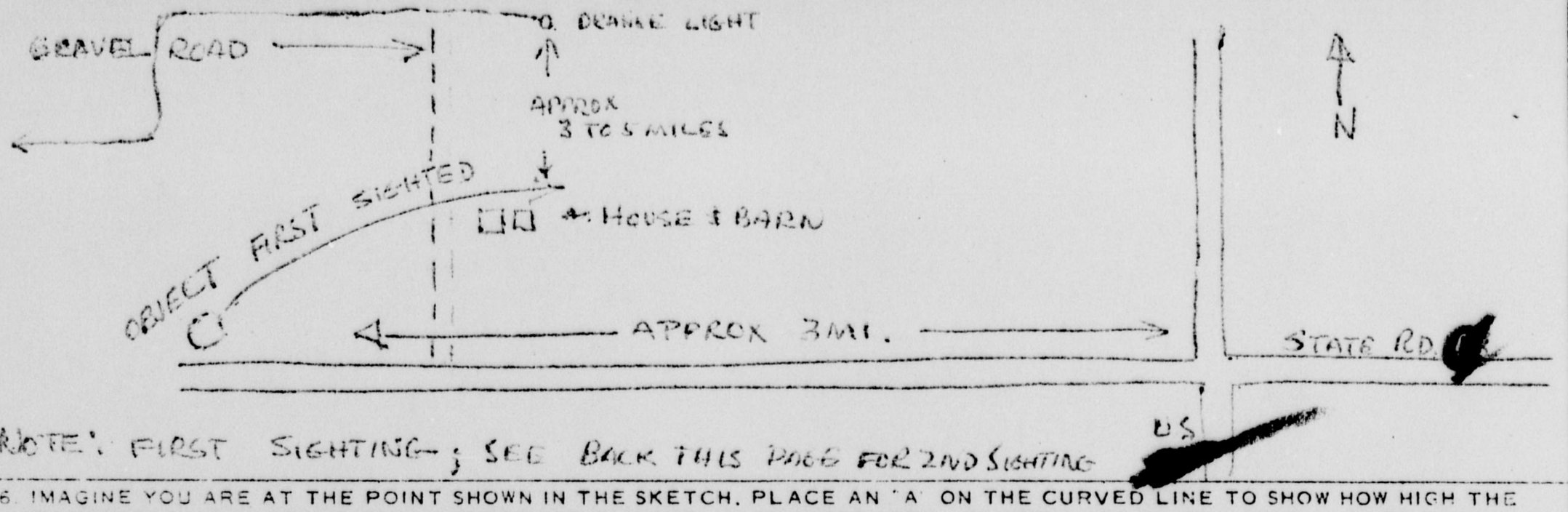
1. WHEN DID YOU SEE THE PHENOMENON?
DAY FRI. AUG 30 MONTH AUGUST YEAR 1968

2. WHAT TIME DID YOU FIRST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON?
APPROX HOUR 11:30 MINUTES _____ ☐ A.M. ☒ P.M.

3. WHAT TIME DID YOU LAST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON?
APPROX HOUR 11:55 MINUTES _____ ☐ A.M. ☒ P.M.

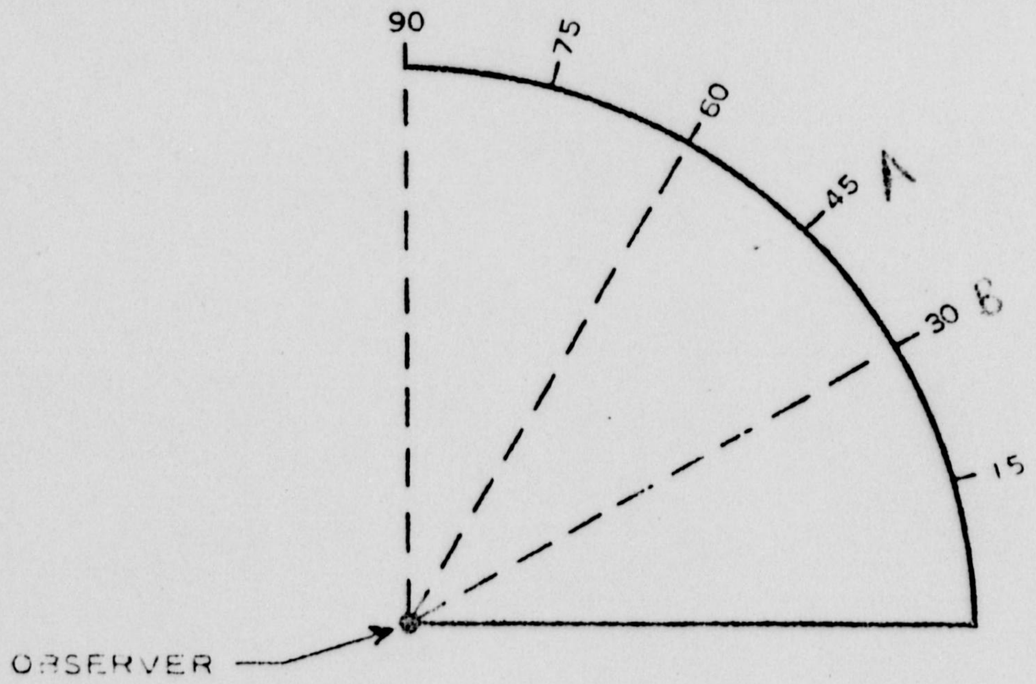
4. TIME ZONE ☐ DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ☒ STANDARD
☒ EASTERN ☐ CENTRAL ☐ MOUNTAIN ☐ PACIFIC ☐ OTHER

5. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? IF IN CITY, GIVE THE NEAREST STREET ADDRESS AND INDICATE ON A HAND DRAWN MAP WHERE YOU WERE STANDING WITH REFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS. IF IN THE COUNTRY, IDENTIFY THE HIGHWAY YOU WERE ON OR NEAR AND TRY TO FIX A DISTANCE AND DIRECTION FROM SOME RECOGNIZABLE LANDMARK.



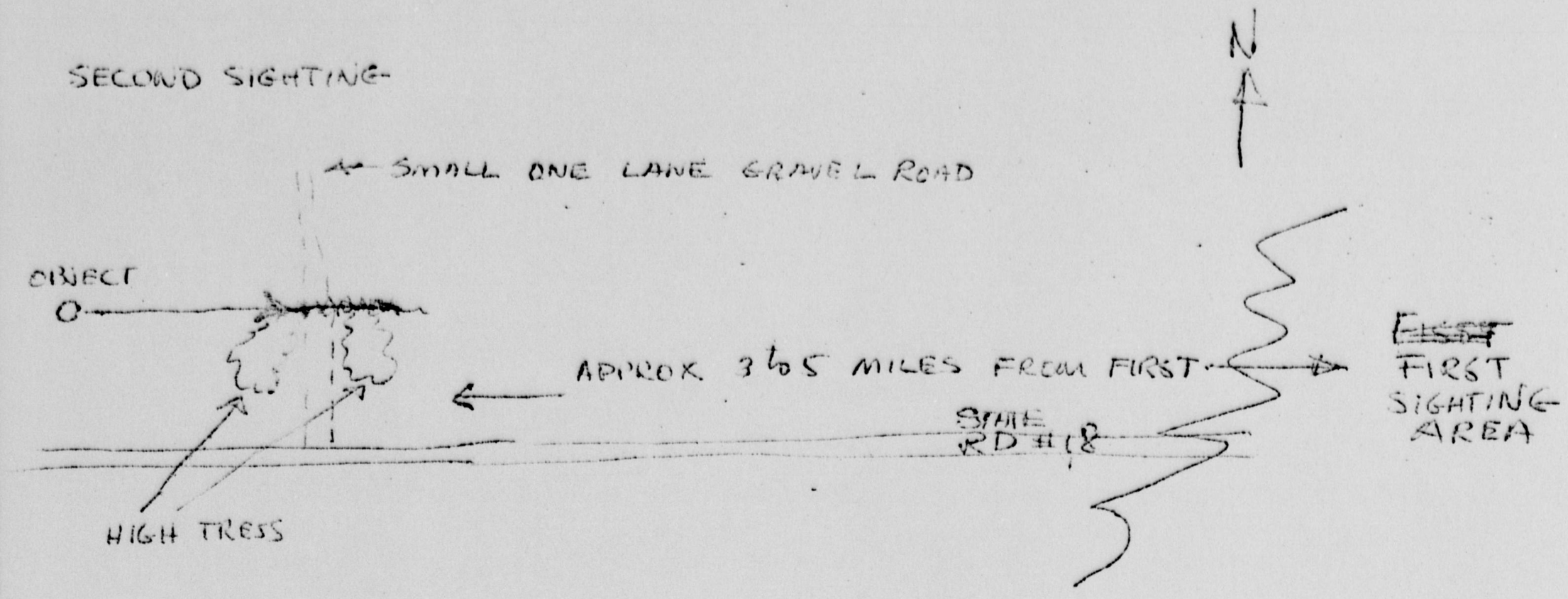
NOTE: FIRST SIGHTING; SEE BACK THIS PAGE FOR 2ND SIGHTING

6. IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE POINT SHOWN IN THE SKETCH. PLACE AN 'A' ON THE CURVED LINE TO SHOW HOW HIGH THE PHENOMENON WAS ABOVE THE HORIZON, OR SKYLINE, WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A 'B' ON THE SAME CURVED LINE TO SHOW HOW HIGH ABOVE THE HORIZON THE PHENOMENON WAS WHEN LAST SEEN.



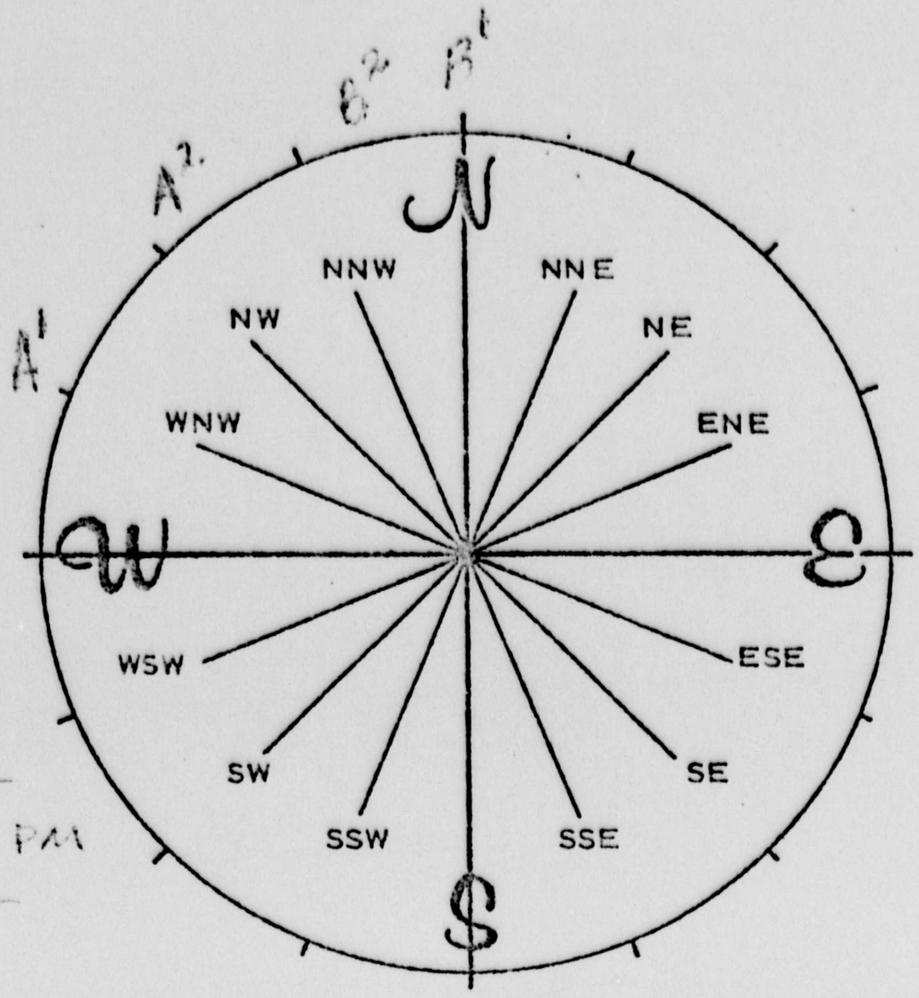
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SECOND SIGHTING-



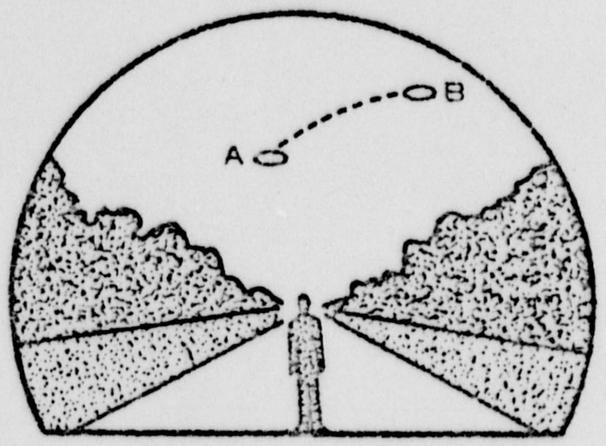
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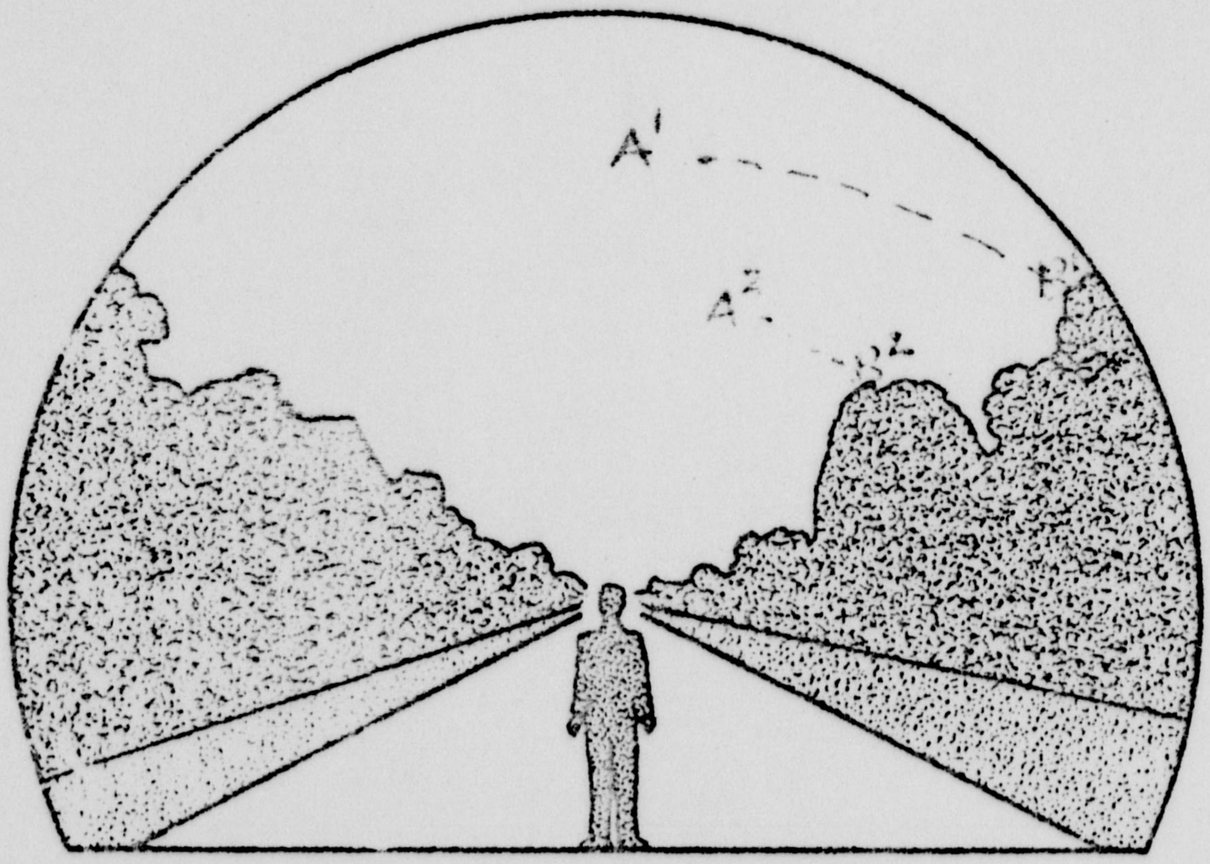
6A. NOW IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE CENTER OF THE COMPASS ROSE. PLACE AN "A" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN.



NOTE: WE SAW THE OBJECT TWICE SAME PM
A' & B' 1ST SIGHTING
A² & B² 2nd "

7. IN THE SKETCH BELOW, PLACE AN "A" AT THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN, AND A "B" AT THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN. CONNECT THE "A" AND "B" WITH A LINE TO APPROXIMATE THE MOVEMENT OF THE PHENOMENON BETWEEN "A" AND "B". THAT IS, SCHEMATICALLY SHOW WHETHER THE MOVEMENT APPEARED TO BE STRAIGHT, CURVED OR ZIG-ZAG. REFER TO SMALLER SKETCH AS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW TO COMPLETE THE LARGER SKETCH.





8. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? *(Check appropriate blocks.)*

X	OUTDOORS		IN BUSINESS SECTION OF CITY
	IN BUILDING		IN RESIDENTIAL SECTION OF CITY
X	IN CAR ☒ AS DRIVER ☐ AS PASSENGER	X	IN OPEN COUNTRYSIDE
	IN BOAT		NEAR AIRFIELD
	IN AIRPLANE ☐ AS PILOT ☐ AS PASSENGER		FLYING OVER CITY
	OTHER		FLYING OVER OPEN COUNTRY
			OTHER

A. IF YOU WERE IN A VEHICLE, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

WHAT DIRECTION WERE YOU MOVING?

	NORTH		EAST
	SOUTH	X	WEST
	NORTHEAST		SOUTHEAST
	NORTHWEST		SOUTHWEST

HOW FAST WERE YOU MOVING?
60 MPH

DID YOU STOP ANYTIME WHILE OBSERVING THE PHENOMENON?
☒ YES ☐ NO

EXPLAIN WHETHER SUCH MOVEMENT AFFECTS YOUR SKETCHES IN ITEMS 5 AND 6.
AFTER SIGHTING WE TURNED NORTH TO INTERSECT OBJECT HEADING EAST

DESCRIBE TYPE OF VEHICLE YOU WERE IN AND TYPE OF ROAD, TERRAIN OR BODY OF WATER YOU TRAVERSED DURING THE SIGHTING. STATE WHETHER WINDOWS OR CONVERTIBLE TOP WERE UP OR DOWN.
4 DOOR PASSENGER CAR, STRAIGHT LEVEL ROAD, WINDOWS UP AT FIRST THEN LOWERED AS WE PURSUED OBJECT

HOW MUCH OTHER TRAFFIC WAS THERE?
VERY LITTLE

DID YOU NOTICE ANY AIRPLANES? ☒ YES ☐ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE WHEN THEY WERE IN SIGHT RELATIVE TO THE TIME OF SIGHTING THE PHENOMENON AND WHERE THEY WERE IN THE SKY RELATIVE TO THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON.
AFTER SECOND SIGHTING- WE PARKED ON COUNTY ROAD WITH LIGHTS OUT AND ENGINE OFF. WE SAW JET TAKE OFF FROM GRISSOM AFB. APPROX 12 MIDNIGHT TAKE OFF HEADING- S.W. WITH TURN TO ESE. WE SAW LIGHTS & HEARD NOISE OF JETS.

9. HOW LONG WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT?

LENGTH OF TIME FIRST SIGHTING- 5 TO 10 MIN.
SECOND " 2 TO 3 MIN.

	CERTAIN OF TIME		NOT VERY SURE
X	FAIRLY CERTAIN		JUST A GUESS

HOW WAS TIME DETERMINED?
BASED ON TIME WE LEFT MARION & ARRIVED IN LAFAYETTE.

WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT CONTINUOUSLY? ☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "NO," INDICATE WHETHER THIS IS DUE TO YOUR MOVEMENT OR THE BEHAVIOR OF THE PHENOMENON, AND DESCRIBE SUCH MOVEMENT OR BEHAVIOR. INDICATE DISAPPEARANCES ON PREVIOUS SKETCHES.

AS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED WE SAW OBJECT TWICE.

FIRST TIME: OBJECT CROSSED ROAD AHEAD OF US THEN DISAPPEARED BEHIND FARM BUILDINGS. ALL WE SAW WAS ORANGE LIGHT DIRECTLY NORTH THAT MOVED WEST THEN SOUTH THEN WEST OUT OF SIGHT. DURING THIS MOVEMENT LIGHT WENT OUT TWO TIMES THEN CAME BACK ON.

SECOND TIME: WE WERE CLOSER THIS TIME. WE TURNED NORTH ON SAME GRAVEL ROAD. JUST WHEN WE THOUGHT WE SHOULD GO DIRECTLY UNDER PATH OF OBJECT IT DISAPPEARED.

10. IF THERE WERE MORE THAN ONE PHENOMENON, HOW MANY WERE THERE? DRAW A PICTURE TO SHOW HOW THEY WERE ARRANGED. DID THIS ARRANGEMENT CHANGE DURING THE SIGHTING?

TWO SIGHTING- BUT ONLY ONE OBJECT EACH TIME

11. CONDITIONS *(Check appropriate blocks.)*

A. SKY		B. WEATHER			
	DAY		CUMULUS CLOUDS *(Low fluffy)*		FOG OR MIST
	TWILIGHT		CIRRUS CLOUDS *(High fleecy or Herring-bone)*		HEAVY RAIN
X	NIGHT				LIGHT RAIN OR DRIZZLE
X	CLEAR		NIMBUS CLOUDS *(Rain)*		HAIL
	PARTLY CLOUDY		CUMULONIMBUS CLOUDS *(Thunderstorms)*		SNOW OR SLEET
	COMPLETELY OVERCAST				UNKNOWN
			HAZE OR SMOG	X	NONE OF THE ABOVE

C. IF THE SIGHTING WAS AT TWILIGHT OR NIGHT, WHAT DID YOU NOTICE ABOUT THE STARS AND MOON?

(1) STARS		(2) MOON			
	NONE		BRIGHT MOONLIGHT		NO MOONLIGHT
	A FEW		MOON WITH HALO	X	UNKNOWN
	MANY		MOON HIDDEN BY CLOUDS		
X	UNKNOWN		PARTIAL *(New or quarter)*		

D. IF SIGHTING WAS IN DAYLIGHT, WAS THE SUN VISIBLE? ☐ YES ☐ NO. IF "YES," WHERE WAS THE SUN AS YOU FACED THE PHENOMENON?

	IN FRONT OF YOU		TO YOUR RIGHT		OVERHEAD *(Near noon)*
	IN BACK OF YOU		TO YOUR LEFT		UNKNOWN

E. SPECIFY THE MAJOR SOURCE OF ILLUMINATION PRESENT DURING THE SIGHTING, SUCH AS THE SUN, HEADLIGHTS OR STREET LAMP, ETC. FOR TERRESTRIAL ILLUMINATION, SPECIFY DISTANCE TO LIGHT SOURCE.

HEAD LIGHTS OF CAR WHILE DRIVING - NONE WHEN PARKED

12. GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PHENOMENON, INDICATING WHETHER IT APPEARED DARK OR LIGHT, WHETHER IT REFLECTED LIGHT OR WAS SELF-LUMINOUS AND WHAT COLORS YOU NOTICED. DESCRIBE YOUR IMPRESSION OF WHETHER IT WAS SOLID OR TRANSPARENT, WHETHER EDGES WERE SHARP OR FUZZY. DESCRIBE THE SHAPE OR INDICATE IF IT APPEARED AS A POINT OF LIGHT. INDICATE COMPARISONS WITH OTHER OBSERVED OBJECTS, LIKE STARS / LIGHT OR OTHER OBJECT IN YOUR FIELD OF VIEW.

AT FIRST SIGHTING ON HORIZON IT APPEARED LIKE A MERCURY LIGHT. AS WE GOT CLOSER IT HAD 3 BRIGHT LIGHTS LIKE THREE CABIN LIGHTS. IT ALSO HAD BRIGHT LANDING TYPE LIGHTS DIRECTED TOWARDS THE GROUND. THE SECOND SIGHTING GAVE US THE SAME IMPRESSION AS THE FIRST.

DUE TO THE BRIGHTNESS OF THE LIGHTS WE DID NOT SEE ANY OUTLINE OF THE OBJECT TO INDICATE SHAPE.

13. DID THE PHENOMENON	YES	NO	UNKNOWN
MOVE IN A STRAIGHT LINE?			
STAND STILL AT ANYTIME?	X		
SUDDENLY SPEED UP AND RUN AWAY?			X
BREAK UP IN PARTS AND EXPLODE?	X		
CHANGE COLOR?		X	
GIVE OFF SMOKE?		X	
CHANGE BRIGHTNESS?		X	
CHANGE SHAPE?			X
FLASH OR FLICKER?			X
DISAPPEAR AND REAPPEAR?		X	
SPIN LIKE A TOP?	X		
MAKE A NOISE?			X
FLUTTER OR WOBBLE?	X		

14. WHAT DREW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE PHENOMENON?

THE BRIGHT LIGHTS

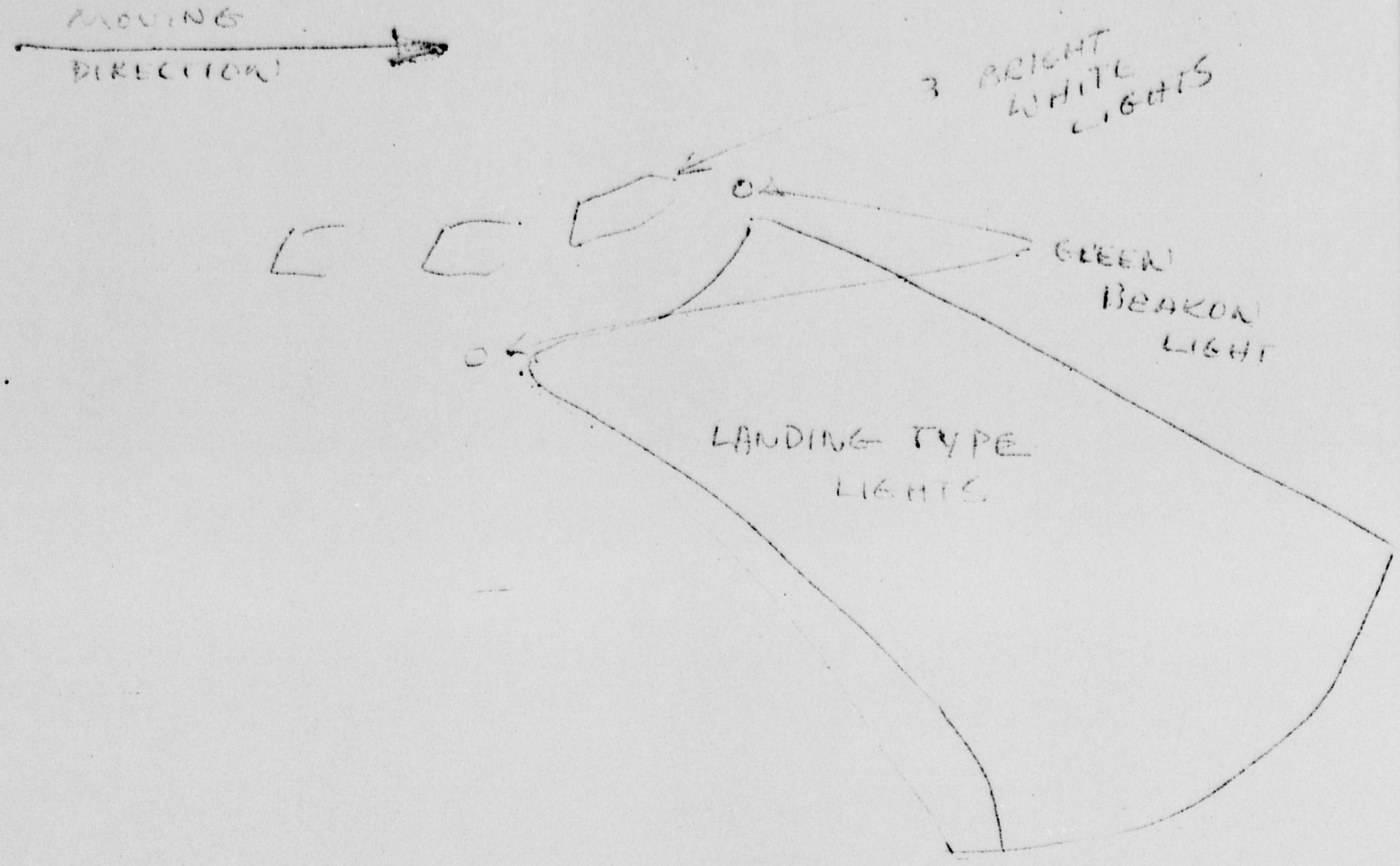
A. HOW DID IT FINALLY DISAPPEAR?

ALL AT ONCE

B. DID THE PHENOMENON MOVE BEHIND OR IN FRONT OF SOMETHING, LIKE A CLOUD, TREE, OR BUILDING AT ANY TIME?
☒ YES ☐ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

EXPLAINED IN NUMBER NINE

15. DRAW A PICTURE THAT WILL SHOW THE SHAPE OF THE PHENOMENON. INCLUDE AND LABEL ANY DETAILS THAT MIGHT HAVE APPEARED AS WINGS OR PROTRUSIONS, AND INDICATE EXHAUST OR VAPOR TRAILS. INDICATE BY AN ARROW THE DIRECTION THE PHENOMENON WAS MOVING.



16. WHAT WAS THE ANGULAR SIZE? HOLD A MATCH AT ARM'S LENGTH IN FRONT OF A KNOWN OBJECT, SUCH AS A STREET LAMP OR THE MOON. NOTE HOW MUCH OF THE OBJECT IS COVERED BY THE HEAD OF THE MATCH. NOW IF YOU HAD BEEN ABLE TO PERFORM THIS EXPERIMENT AT THE TIME OF THE SIGHTING, ESTIMATE WHAT FRACTION OF THE PHENOMENON WOULD HAVE BEEN COVERED BY THE MATCH HEAD.

17. DID YOU OBSERVE THE PHENOMENON THROUGH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING? INCLUDE INFORMATION ON MODEL, TYPE, FILTER, LENS PRESCRIPTION OR OTHER APPLICABLE DATA.

	EYEGLASSES		CAMERA VIEWER
	SUNGLASSES		BINOCULARS
X	WINDSHIELD		TELESCOPE
X	SIDE WINDOW OF VEHICLE		THEODOLITE
	WINDOWPANE		OTHER

A. DO YOU ORDINARILY WEAR GLASSES? ☐ YES ☒ NO

B. DO YOU USE READING GLASSES? ☐ YES ☒ NO

18. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE SPEED OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF SPEED SLOW TO VERY FAST

19. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE DISTANCE OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF DISTANCE 1ST. 2 BLOCKS, 2ND. 1 BLOCK

20. IN ORDER THAT WE MAY OBTAIN AS CLEAR A PICTURE AS POSSIBLE OF WHAT YOU SAW, DESCRIBE IN YOUR OWN WORDS A COMMON OBJECT OR OBJECTS WHICH, WHEN PLACED IN THE SKY, SIMILAR TO WHERE YOU NOTED THE PHENOMENON, WOULD BEAR SOME RESEMBLANCE TO WHAT YOU SAW. DESCRIBE SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE COMMON OBJECT AND WHAT YOU SAW.

PLACE THREE MERCURY LIGHTS TOGETHER WITH A SERIES OF SPOT LIGHTS FORMING A SOLID LIGHT FROM THE THREE MERCURY LIGHTS TO THE GROUND

21. DID YOU NOTICE ANY ODOR, NOISE, OR HEAT EMANATING FROM THE PHENOMENON OR ANY EFFECT ON YOURSELF, ANIMALS OR MACHINERY IN THE VICINITY? ☒ YES ☐ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

WE TWICE HEARD A HUMMING NOISE LIKE THAT OF A LARGE TRANSFORMER OR HIGH TENTION WIRES.

A. DID THE PHENOMENON DISTURB THE GROUND OR LEAVE ANY PHYSICAL EVIDENCE. ☐ YES ☐ NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

DONT KNOW

22. HAVE YOU EVER SEEN THIS OR A SIMILAR PHENOMENON BEFORE? ☐ YES ☒ NO. IF "YES," GIVE DATE AND LOCATION.

23. WAS ANYONE WITH YOU AT THE TIME YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? ☒ YES ☐ NO. IF "YES," DID THEY SEE IT TOO? ☒ YES ☐ NO.

A. LIST THEIR NAMES AND ADDRESSES

[redacted] (WIFE)
[redacted] (DAUGHTER)
[redacted] (FRIEND)

24. GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, [redacted]

ADDRESS (Street, [redacted] 47905

TELEPHONE (Area code and number)	AGE				
[redacted]	38	X	MALE		FEMALE

INDICATE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION INCLUDING OCCUPATION AND ANY EXPERIENCE WHICH MAY BE PERTINENT.

VICE-PRESIDENT OF CONSOLIDATED INDUSTRIES CORP

HAVE FLOWN THOUSANDS OF MILES IN BOTH COMMERCIAL AND PRIVATE PLANES. IN ALL THIS TIME I HAVENT EVER SEEN ANY LIGHTS AS BRIGHT AS THESE FROM THE PHENOMENON.

25. WHEN AND TO WHOM DID YOU REPORT THAT YOU HAD SIGHTED THIS PHENOMENON?

NAME GRISSOM AFB DAY 1 MONTH SEPT YEAR 1962

26. DATE YOU COMPLETED THIS QUESTIONNAIRE.

DAY 24 MONTH SEPT YEAR 1968

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS 305TH BOMBARDMENT WING (SAC)
GRISSOM AIR FORCE BASE, INDIANA 46970

REPLY TO ATTN OF: DCO

18 October 1968

SUBJECT: UFO Report

TO: FTD (TDETR)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433

1. The attached report, AF Form 117, is forwarded for your information in accordance with AFR 80-17.

2. A check was made with Grissom Base Operations, Tower, and RApCon to determine the air traffic during the period corresponding to the time of this UFO Report (2330 to 2355, 30 Aug 1968). One KC-135 landed at 2336 L (0436Z). The active runway was '04' (040 degrees). There was no other IFR air traffic during this time.

3. The location of this reported sighting lies to the south of the base, nearly in line with the end of the runway. The first reported sighting, at approximately 2330 L, closely corresponds to the landing time of the KC-135 and with the active runway pattern. The landing aircraft was most probably the object reported. However, we cannot find any firm explanation for the second sighting.

Owen B. Cartwright Lt Col USAF

for T. M. HANNA, Colonel, USAF
Deputy Commander for Operations

Peace . . . . is our Profession

This report begins at approximately 11:15 p.m. Friday evening August 30, 1968. My wife, [redacted] and our oldest daughter, [redacted] age 14 and a neighbor boy, [redacted], age 16 were returning to Lafayette from Marion, Indiana on State Road 18.

As we crossed U. S. Highway 31, I first noticed a very bright light on the horizon directly ahead of us. At first I didn't give it a thought other than it was a tower beakon or perhaps an airplane. After several miles the light was still approximately in the same proximity. If it was an airplane it moved too slow and since there weren't any high objects along the road it wasn't a beakon light.

Finally I asked my wife if she saw the object, she did but couldn't figure it out. The children also saw it. About 3 or 4 miles west of the 31 intersection the object appeared to pass over our road in a northeasterly direction. At this point I said it looks like a plane looking for a place to land . . . So we followed it. We turned north on a gravel road hoping to pass close to the object.

We proceeded north for nearly a mile and saw the object heading east pass about a 1/4 mile ahead of us. By this time we all had formed some impression as to what we saw. Bright white lights like cabin windows with some amber lights and what appeared to be high density landing lights. The object passed behind a farm house and we hoped to see it again when we got past the house. It took us about 15 seconds to reach the spot where the object passed over the road and behind the house. When we got there - nothing. No lights,no noise, no nothing.

After considerable scaning of the sky we noticed an amber light moving away from us to the north. We stopped the car to wait and watch. The amber light didn't blink it was constant. Just when it was almost out of sight it turned west and shortly turned south. It was on a parallel to us moving fast. As it approached opposite us we listened and heard a faint humming noise . . . Like the hum of an electrical transformer or high voltage lines.

The object with the amber light turned west at this point. About three times the light disappeared then came back. After a short time we decided to continue our trip home as the light disappeared.

Back onto Road 18 heading west we had driven about 5 to 8 miles when the bright lights appeared again. This time closer than before heading east parallel to Road 18. Our guess is that it was about 300 ft. high and about 2 blocks to the north. Again we all had a chance to see the object and it confirmed our original impressions. White bright lights that seemed to form 3 or 4 windows. Brilliant thin beams of light directed towards the ground with several amber and green beakon lights

I turned north onto the first gravel road I could find in hopes of driving directly under the object. Unfortunately it wasn't a main road and soon narrowed down to one lane.

At this point I stopped the car, turned off my engine and lights. The kids and I jumped out quickly hoping to see the object pass overhead -- But again nothing. For only a few seconds we again heard the same humming noise as before. Then nothing, no noise, no light, no object. This time we didn't even see an amber lights in the distance.

The two sightings happened within 30 minutes of each other. We waited in darkness for awhile hoping to see the object again but it never showed.

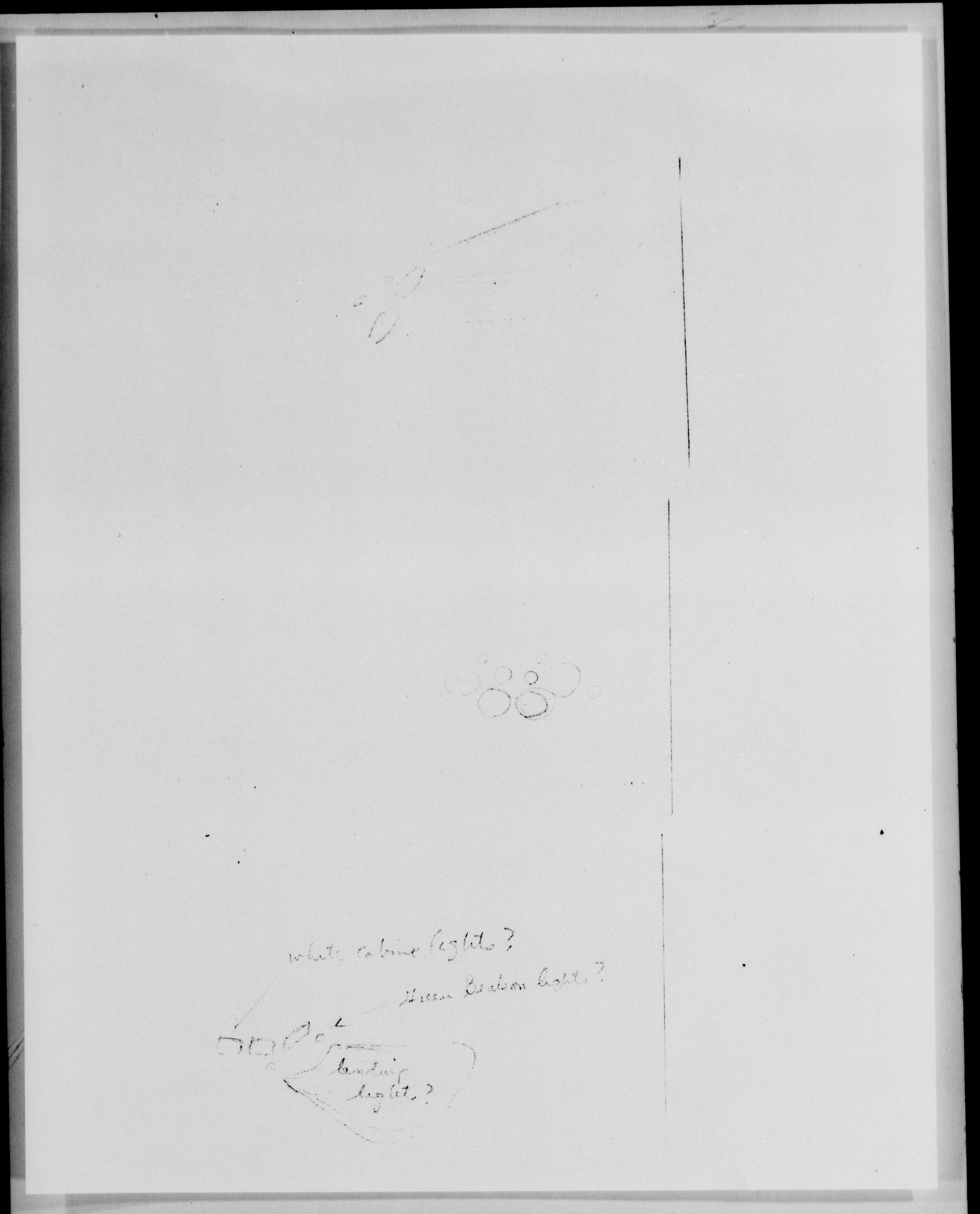
In summary of this weird event the white lights that seemed to come from windows were too big and bright to come from an airplane cabin. The object hovered in the sky hardly without moving -- too slow for either a jet or piston plane - Not enough noise for a helicopter.

Upon returning home each one of us without knowledge of what the others had drawn, sketched what we thought we saw, they are attached.

[redacted]

[redacted]

Lafayette, Ind. 47905


white colour lights?
Green Beacon light?
Double
bending
light?