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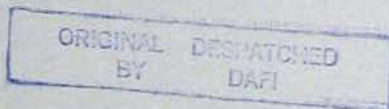
Mrs I.F. Hodgson
5 Kay Court
Box Hill North
VICTORIA 3129

Dear Madam, *Dear Mrs Hodgson,*

1. On investigation of your report of an aerial object observed on the night of the 27th August; the most logical explanation seems to be that an aircraft, or a helicopter, was approaching Essendon airport prior to landing.
2. It should be remembered that viewing a moving light from a moving car will produce strange illusions which nearly always have a simple explanation.
3. The bright lights were probably landing lights, which are in the wings, and move in an arc when extended for landing. These lights are very powerful and have a very directional beam, which causes an apparent decrease in brightness if not viewed directly from the front. If this is coupled with an aircraft turning, the changes in brightness are explained. The appearance and disappearance of the red light could be explained by the fact that an aircraft has a red light on the left wing tip and a green light on the right wing tip, and as the aircraft turned, the red light would be hidden by the fuselage of the aircraft. The green light may not have been seen as it does not stand out as much as the red light.
4. From your diagram of the path taken by the object, it appears to have followed a pattern similar to that flown by aircraft using radio beacons on their approach at Essendon.
5. The reason for you viewing the object over such a long period is that the evening is a particularly busy period at Essendon, and the lights were not from one object, but from several aircraft all following the same path into the airfield.
6. The radar equipment at Essendon and Tullamarine did not show anything other than normal aircraft traffic. Furthermore the area in which the lights were observed would have placed the object close to aircraft landing at Melbourne. We have received no reports from pilots, aircrews or passengers of any objects near them at that time.
7. You can rest assured that the lights which you saw although understandably mystifying at the time, can be readily explained by natural phenomena.

Yours sincerely,
J.P.W.

(J.P.W. PEMBRIDGE)
Wing Commander
For Chief of the Air Staff





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11 SEP 1968

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UN-IDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Herewith particulars of a UFO sighting submitted by Mrs I.F. HODGSON of Box Hill North, viz:

- a. Questionnaire pro-forma
- b. Written Report
- c. Sketch.

2. Attention is drawn to remarks by C Intell O at paras 32-34 of the pro-forma, and to the information requested by the observer on page 6 of the report.

F.O. Knudsen

(F.O. KNUDSEN)
Wing Commander

For Air Officer Commanding

Annexes:

1. Pro-forma
2. Report
3. Sketch

16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?
17. Was there any sound? *No.*
18. Height, or angle of elevation.....
19. Speed, or angular velocity.....
20. Was the object stationary? *At one stage it seemed so for about 2 minutes.*
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer *M^{rs} Isabel Flora Hodgson* Age *52*
2. Address of Observer *5 Kay Court Box Hill North 3129 Victoria*
3. Occupation of Observer *House duties*
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
27-8-68 6-55 pm till ~~7-50 pm~~ 7-50 pm
5. Duration of Observation(s) *1 hour (one) approx.*
6. Observer's location at time of sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
Near to Belmore Rd - Greythorn Rd crossing Balwyn Vic
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of Observation(s)
Fine & clear
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the Observation)
None
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc) *above a very bright star which was slightly to the right of direction we were travelling (West)*
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
LIGHT and glow
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
Light
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation?
One
13. What was the colour of the light or object? *Like a bright star. but sometimes a dull light.*
14. What was its apparent shape? *Couldn't tell*
15. Was any detail of structure observable? *No*
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? *No*
17. Was there any sound? *No*
18. Height, or angle of elevation.
19. Speed, or angular velocity.
20. Was the object stationary? *At one stage it seemed so for about 2 minutes.*
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? *It did all these things at different times.*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? *No*
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon? *Mid-air in west or Northwesterly direction*
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs or other supporting evidence.
None
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? *No*
27. If so, give details of incident(s).....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena? *No*
30. Name and address of organisation.....
31. Any additional information.....

Signature of Observer *J. F. Hodgson*

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting. *Between 1911 & 1951 K, six aircraft landed Essendon on runway 35, on normal flight operations. NO night VMC aircraft operating from TULLAHMARINB in Melbourne area.*
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
NO met balloons released until 2100K. NO visible satellite present this time.
34. Comments *DCA have recently shifted southbound track from overflying PRESTON area to back of PHENIX, which now takes aircraft over BOTH the C. & H. areas, H. & W. & K. areas. Runway 35 is used at Ess this night, requiring better approach. As observations of a moving object from a moving vehicle can be quite misleading unless the righting of aircraft on approach, taking landing lights before final.*

Signature of Interrogator *[Signature]* P.T. LT C. M. M. O.

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

Note: Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

On the night of 27th August, 1968 my three daughters (aged 21, 18 & 14) & I left home at about 10 to 7 in a car & began travelling almost in a westerly direction. For most of the time we were travelling in this direction along Belmore Rd, as we had done for the past 7 nights to visit my husband, who was in Cotham Clinic Hospital, Kew. Also as we had done on these nights we looked at a certain star which shone brightly in what I would say was the West N.W. sky, when all of a sudden as we got to the corner of Greythorn & Belmore Rds., I noticed a bright light above and slightly to the right of the star. I remarked about it & said it didn't look like a star, as it had a bright glow all round it. Jokingly I said it was a space ship & noticed it moved quickly up & further to the right at the same time. Then it began to travel in an easterly direction, & as it drew level with us we decided to stop & watch it, at Balwyn Rd shopping centre. It seemed to be a fair way from us. We watched it travelling East for about 2 minutes then it seemed to stop & hang there for about 2 mins. By this time it was about 7 pm & as visiting hours at the

hospital were 7 to 8 pm we had to leave.

We had about $1\frac{3}{4}$ miles to travel to the end of Harp Rd (continuation of Belmore Rd)

As we began to move, still westwards, we noticed this glowing thing start to move in a westerly direction. I suppose it took us 3 or 4 minutes to get to the end of Harp Rd, & by the time we got there this thing was also there, in the sky, & yet it had been a long way past us to the East when we left Balwyn Rd. At this stage we wondered if it was following us.

~~and~~ we turned left into High St. Kew & travelled about 100 yards, & then turned left into Adeney Avenue, a very dark road with a park (Victoria Park) running along the Right side for $\frac{2}{3}$ of the length of it. Adeney Ave is between $\frac{1}{2}$ & $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile long. Ours was the only vehicle travelling in the street.

As we turned into Adeney Ave I looked out of the back window & saw this thing in a direct line with Adeney Ave & moving towards us. As we continued it got closer to us & the glow seemed brighter; it was definitely not as high as it had been when alongside Belmore Rd. It only took us about a minute to travel along Adeney Ave, as we

were convinced ^{this} thing was following us, by now. It was not completely overhead - it was still visible through the back window. We drove left quickly into the front driveway of the hospital and disappeared from the view of the thing in the sky, as this hospital has parking bays right round the edge of it with the 2-story building on top. One of my daughters rushed to the front of the Hospital & watched the thing (the one aged 18) I watched from the Cotham Rd side of the Hospital, thinking it may continue straight ahead, but it did not. We all came together again & found that only the girl aged 18 had seen it turn left & travel Eastwards about 50 yards away. She said it seemed to have red lights which made it look very red from the angle she saw it. At no time earlier did it appear to have bright red lights or flashing red lights - there just seemed to be a glow. We went into the Hospital then it was about 6 minutes past 7 then. My husband was a walking patient so we were able to go up to the Roof of the Hospital with him. By about 8 minutes past 7, we were on the Roof & saw this

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bright thing with the glow coming in a westerly direction towards the Hospital, probably 50 yards or so to the left of us. My husband said he thought it was a helicopter. There was no noise. It seemed to ^{have} be a light in front. At almost the same time approximately 9 minutes past 7 by now, an aeroplane with flashing red lights became visible to the right of the other thing & coming towards the Hospital's right side. The engines could be heard, if that is what they are called. The thing that we had been watching seemed to be on the same height level as the plane, but this may not have been so.

It would appear that this glowing thing, after we disappeared into the Hospital parking bays, turned left & continued in an easterly direction to approximately Box Hill & then came back. Perhaps it was looking for us.

We spent the evening from about 12 minutes past 7 till 8 pm in the Television Room of the Hospital on 2nd floor with my husband. Wide windows on the West side enabled us

to look towards the city & suburbs in a half circle & we were able to see this thing manoeuvring round this area 4 or 5 times for the next 38 minutes. It would come in the direction of the hospital, only a long way off, & then turn, & as it turned its light would shine very brightly & then become dull again. Once as it turned it appeared to me to have pale red lights flashing at the back of it. At each sighting it would just disappear out of sight as it got further away. Once I watched it fly across the sky to the North I think it would be, & it obscured the star I spoke of earlier, in the West North West sky. About 10 to 8 was the last time we saw it. The sky clouded over & it was very black, so on our journey home no stars or lights were visible. We left the hospital at 8.05.

at about 10-15 pm the sky cleared partially, at least in the North. I was outside & saw Red flashing lights come from behind a cloud & heard a plane's engine. It headed south

west for a second or two & then turned & went Eastwards & disappeared eventually. While that plane's red lights were still visible, another plane appeared from the same direction & flew away to the East also.

At 9 pm that evening I rang the Herald office & spoke with a Reporter on duty, reporting a strange object in the sky. He said I was the third person to ring & report an object or light in the sky, over the area Balwyn - Kew - Heidelberg.

If it could be proved that this thing seen by my daughters & I in the sky was only an helicopter could you let me know, as I prefer to know it was "just an helicopter" rather than an object from space.

May I beg your pardon for being so long sending this report, & trust that my writing is not too unreadable.

Sincerely

Mrs J Hodgson

5-9-1968.

5 Ray Court Box Hill North 3129.

beginning
about
here
approx



HIGH ST

HARP RD

BELMORE RD

SREYTHORN RD

DONCAST

KEW

ADENEY AVE

COTHAM CLINIC

COTHAM RD

BURKE RD

BALWYN

BALWYN RD

WHITEHORSE RD.

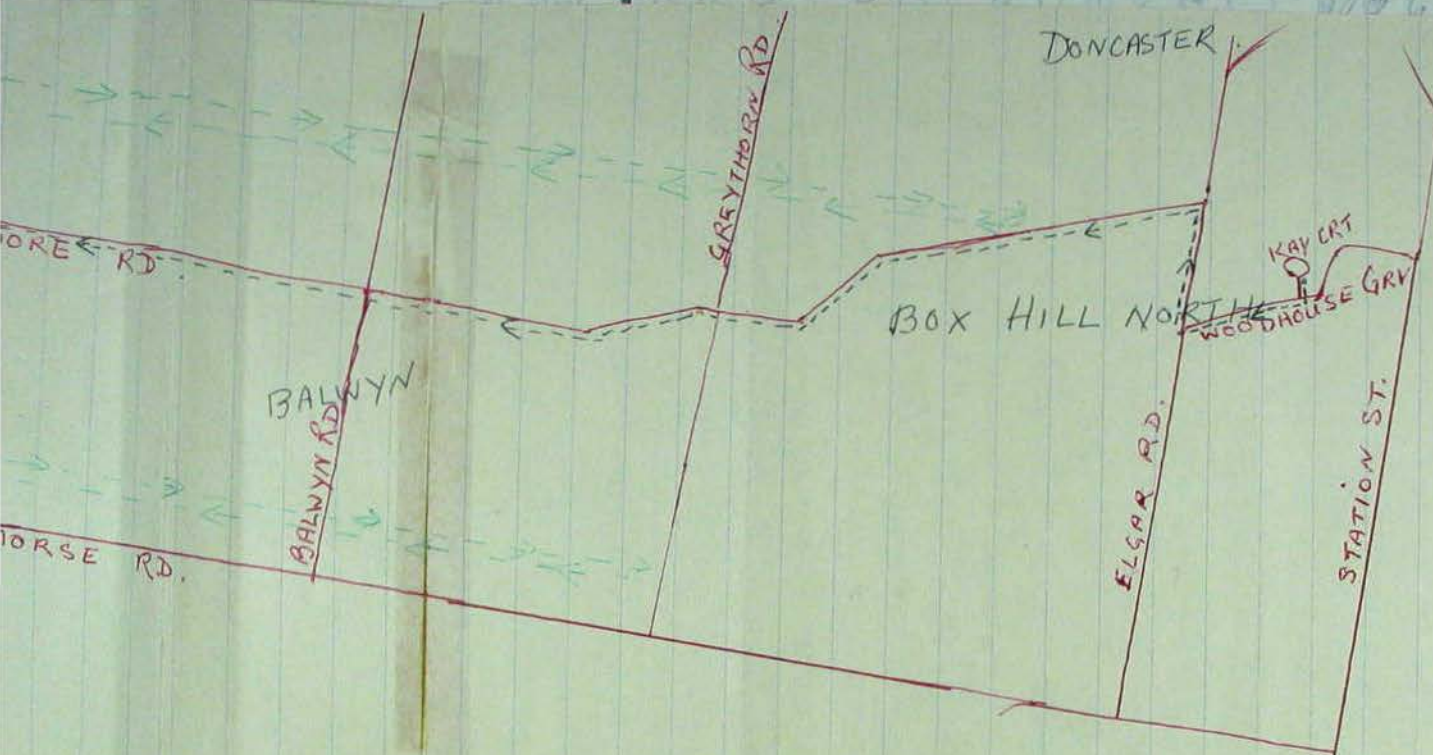
BOX HILL NO

ELGAR RD.

3" = 1 mile approx
--- where plane flew

--- where object flew

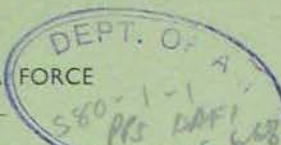
--- where car travelled



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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Attached is a report of an unidentified flying object
sighted by Mr D.J. Buchanan.

J. C. Luker
(J.C. LUKER)
Flight Lieutenant
for Air Officer Commanding

Enclosure: 1. Intelligence - Report of Aerial Object Observed



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12. If there was more than one object:-
- (a) how many were there?.....
 - (b) in what formation were they?.....
13. What was the colour of the light or object?... *WHITE LIGHT.*
14. What was its apparent shape?... *COULD NOT DEFINE*
15. Was any detail of structure observable?... *NO*

INTERVIEW - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer... D. J. BUCHANAN AGE 52
2. Address of observer... WALKER PLACE
CHURCH POINT PHONE 992169
3. Occupation of observer... RETAILER
4. Date and time of observation... SUNDAY AUGUST 25TH 1968
APP. 7.45 PM - 8.00 PM
5. Duration of observation... APPROX 12 MINS.
6. Observers location at time of sighting... ORBIT (D. J. BUCHANAN)
STRAIGHT MOVEMENT - JOAN & D. J. BUCHANAN
7. Weather conditions at time of observation... PERFECT
NO CLOUD NO WIND NO MOON.
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation...
ONE 50MM TELESCOPE. BUT
NAKED EYE BETTER.
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from
behind a hill, over the horizon).
DUE WEST ABOVE HILLS ELEVATION
APPROX 25°
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
MOVEMENT OF LIGHT
THE OBJECT WAS SOUNDLESS.
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object? LIGHT.
DISTANCE TOO GREAT
12. If there was more than one object:-
(a) how many were there?.....
(b) in what formation were they?.....
13. What was the colour of the light or object? WHITE LIGHT.
14. What was its apparent shape? COULD NOT DEFINE
15. Was any detail of structure observable? NO

16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?..... *No*
17. Was there any sound?..... *No*
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation)..... *25° APP.*
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity)..... *COULD NOT DEFINE*
BUT MOVED SLOWER THAN SATELLITES
20. Was the object stationary?..... *AT NO TIME*

21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?

90° MOVEMENT AFTER Δ ORBIT FROM WEST TO SOUTH.

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?

1ST SIGHTING IT ORBITED IN A Δ AS SHOWN OVERLEAF THEN MOVED APPROX STRAIGHT. No

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen?..... *No*

24. Where did object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)

BEHIND NEARBY HILLS TO THE SOUTH.

25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)

No.

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously?..... *NEVER*

27. If so, give brief details of incident(s).....

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.

29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena?

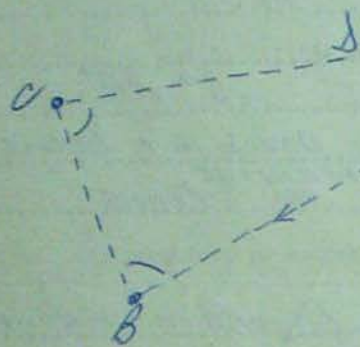
No. BUT I'M THINKING OF JOINING UP NOW.

30. Name and address of organisation.....

31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.

The orbit at first made is my important observation. There is no possible doubt of the authenticity of this Δ course. On its completion I ran to the house and my wife and I then observed the object move Southward.

angles at B & C were particularly sharp.



24A
Object first sighted approx
1945. Elevation
20/25° one guess
of Church Point.

It moved to B taking
about 5-7 seconds.

B to C about 5 seconds.

Then C to D.

I ran to the house

when the object arrived at D.

My wife & I returned immediately
down to the jetty and waited
five minutes and could see
nothing. The object then

re-appeared at approx 1950

at an elevation of 25-27° and

proceeded roughly in a

straight course to the South.

This took about 10 mins.

We lost sight of the object
behind trees & the hill
immediately to our South.

At no time til disappearance
was the object near to the
crest of nearby hills. It was
perfectly discernable and
completely unmistakable. S.

PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type.....NIL.....
Heading...../.....T...../.....T...../.....T.....
Height...../.....,000 ft...../.....,000 ft...../.....,000 ft.....
Speed...../.....K...../.....K...../.....K.....

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
2 DC9 AND 1 DC4 OUTBOUND FROM SYDNEY

Aircraft type.....1. 727 INBOUND TO SYDNEY.....
Heading.....013.....T.....013.....T.....182.....T.....
Height.....CLIMBING.....,000 ft.....CLIMBING.....,000 ft.....DESCENDING.....,000 ft.....
Speed.....350.....K.....140.....K.....400.....K.....

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time :-

35. A meteorological balloon was released from.....NIL.....

at.....Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were

.....(comet, meteorite shower, etc).

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons),

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was,

39. The object reported could have been.....Aircraft detailed at 33.....

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

HEADQUARTERS, OPERATIONAL COMMAND

R.A.A.F. PENRITH. 1W.

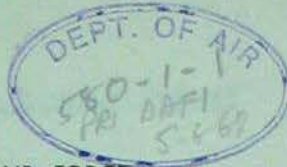
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.....(Unit)

.....5 SEP 1968.....(Date)

.....John C. L.H......(Name)

.....FLT LT.....(Rank)



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REPORT ON UN-IDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT

1. Attached is a report of an un-identified aerial object sighted by Sqn Ldr B.J. GRAF on 9th September 1968.
2. This Headquarters has no further remarks to add to those of the Investigating Officer, Flg Off J. O'DONNELL.

[Signature]
(F.O. KNUDSEN)
Wing Commander
For Air Officer Commanding

Annex:

1. UFO Report
2. Invest'g Officer's Report

16. Was any method of propulsion obvious.....
17. Was there any sound..... **No**
18. Height, or angle of elevation..... Object appeared to be just above the cloud layer (ie 5000') I was looking straight down.....
19. Speed, or angular velocity..... **Fast - I estimated at least 500 kts**
20. Was the object stationary..... **NO**
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass.....
- approximately 230 m. object was observed from about 5 miles north... of Laverton to approximately overhead Avalon

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer Sqn Ldr B.J. Graf Age 31
2. Address of Observer RAAF LAVERTON
3. Occupation of Observer RAAF Officer (Pilot)
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
9th September 1968 1628K
5. Duration of Observation(s) Maximum 1 minute (probably 30 seconds)
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position
by map reference if possible
Airborne at FL 210 overhead LAVERTON or by known landmarks)
Carrying out shallow left hand turn from 040 to 020 m positioning
for UDF descent
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s) Fine via 20 NMS
Cloud 5 to 6/8 CU Base 3500ft tops 5000ft temp 14 c DP 7 C QNH
1023mbs
8. Aids to observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the
observation)
Nil
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a
hill, over the horizon, etc.
Below and in front of observer's aircraft
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise.
Reflection and speed of object
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
As reflection from a shiny surface
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was
their formation.
Only one object
13. What was the colour of the light or object... White or Silver
14. What was its apparent shape... possibly a triangle
15. Was any detail of structure observable... No
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious... No
17. Was there any sound... No
18. Height, or angle of elevation Object appeared to be just above
the cloud layer (ie 5000') I was looking straight
19. Speed, or angular velocity... down
20. Was the object stationary... Fast - I estimated at least 500 kts
NO
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or
points of the compass.
approximately 230 m object was observed from about 5 miles north
of Laverton to approximately overhead Avalon

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all.

..... Straight path

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen No

24. Where did object disappear, eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.

..... Apparently into cloud about overhead Avalon airfield

25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.

..... No

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously No

27. If so, give details of incident(s) N/A

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 17 and 18.

..... RAAF Pilot of 8 years experience - Test Pilot

29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena.

..... No

30. Name and Address of organisation N/A

31. Any additional information See attached sheet

Signature of Observer (A.J. Graf)
Squadron Leader

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.

..... One Winjeel proceeding from low-flying area north of Avalon to Point Cook at 200 feet AGL

33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.

..... Laverton - Essendon

34. Comments RAAF Sector 1 (RADAR) observed only 2 ACFT in the area the Sabre flown by Sqn Ldr Graf and the Winjeel mentioned in para 32

Signature of Interrogator (J. O'Donnell)
Flying Officer

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

Note: Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

Additional Information

1. I was flying at FL 210 in a Sabre aircraft overhead RAAF LAVERTON at the time of the sighting. I was homing overhead for a UDF let down in a shallow left turn from 040 m to 020 m when I observed what appeared to be a fast moving aircraft (I thought it must have been a Mirage) below me on the left hand side. It first appeared from under the nose of the aircraft about 5 miles due north of LAVERTON and was observed to rapidly travel about 230 m from this point to about overhead AVALON airfield when it appeared to disappear into cloud. The object appeared to be an aircraft, but its features were not distinct and I observed it as a reflection off the top surface. The object appeared to be just above the 6/8 to 7/8 cloud cover, the tops of which I checked later on the descent to be 5000 feet.

2. Initially I was just curious at the aircraft travelling so fast but as I was on a controlled descent and the aircraft travelled directly through the let down lane I queried the Homer on the aircrafts movements. They checked both MELBOURNE Radar and AVALON Airfield and reported no aircraft was airborne in this area. This concerned me because I had often seen Mirage Aircraft on fast low level runs in almost the same area flying from AVALON and I considered that a mistake had been made. I asked Homer to recheck and again the answer was negative.

3. At the time I was flying with my visor up, with the sun about abeam at the 9 o'clock position. I considered the possibility of a reflection of the canopy so I experimented for some minutes attempting to reproduce reflections, something similar to what I had seen - I could not. However after thinking further I considered this to be an unlikely explanation for the following reasons:

- a. The aircraft was almost steady when the speed of the object below caught my eye.
- b. The object was well below the aircraft and I am sure I could estimate its altitude relative to the cloud reasonably well.
- c. In observing the objects flight path I turned my head quite appreciably to keep it in view.
- d. I was so convinced the object was a Mirage on a low level high speed run that I was concerned that the ATC reports of no aircraft airborne must have been a mistake.


(B.J. GRAF)
Squadron Leader

REPORT ON AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED LAVERTON 9 SEP 1968
REF LAV MSG A295 DATED 10 SEP 1968

1. Appropriate agencies were contacted regarding this sighting and the following information was ascertained.

- a. Aircraft in the Area. RAAF Sector 1 (Radar) reported accurately the only two aircraft operating in the area, ie, the Sabre flown by Sqn Ldr Graf and a Winjeel proceeding from the low flying area north of AVALON to POINT COOK at 200 feet AGL. On questioning, ATC and Fire personnel at AVALON airfield reported no unusual sights or sounds at the time of the sighting.
- b. Met Balloons Released. The only Met balloon released within 30 minutes of the sighting was a 100gm balloon released from LAVERTON at 1415K. At the time of sighting this balloon should have attained an altitude of between 10,000 and 15,000 feet. *1428 hrs*
- c. Meteorological Phenomena. No meteorological phenomenon, which could explain the sighting, has been reported.
- d. Weather in the Area. Weather at time of sighting was fine with visibility of 20 nms and $\frac{3}{8}$ to 6/8 cloud, base 3500 feet and tops 5000 feet. Surface wind was 080/2kts and wind at 5000 feet was 200/10kts.
- e. No other reports concerning this sighting have been received.

2. It is emphasised that the Sabre and Winjeel were under constant radar observation before and at the time of the sighting and it is considered that an intruding aircraft would have been observed by the radar operator.

3. No explanation of the sighting can be suggested.

John O'Donnell

(JOHN O'DONNELL)
Flying Officer
UFO Investigating Officer

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 AT 1628K ON MONDAY 9SEP68 CMM SQN LDR B J GRAF CMM PILOT OF ARDU CMM
 ADVISED LAVERTON APPROACH CONTROLLER OF THE FOLLOWING CLN A SHINING
 OBJECT WHICH APPEARED TO BE TRAVELLING ON A TRACK OF ABOUT 230
 DEGREES M CMM FROM A POINT 5 MILES NORTH OF LAVERTON TO ABOUT
 OVERHEAD AVALON CMM WHERE IT SEEMED TO DISAPPEAR INTO CLOUD PD AT
 TIME OF SIGHTING THE OBSERVER WAS FLYING A SABRE OVERHEAD LAVERTON
 AT FL210 IN A SHALLOW LEFT TURN FROM 040DEGREES M TO 020 DEGREES M
 PD WEATHER WAS FINE VIS 20 NMS CLOUD 5 TO 6/8 BASE 3500FT TOPS
 5000 FT PD IMMEDIATE CHECKS WITH RAAF SECTOR 1 (RADAR) AND OTHER
 ATC AGENCIES CONFIRMED THAT ONLY ONE ACFT APART FROM THE SABRE WAS
 AIRBORNE IN THE AREA PD THIS WAS A WINJEEL PROCEEDING FROM THE
 LOW-FLYING AREA NORTH OF AVALON TO POINT COOK AT 200FT AGL PD NO
 EXPLANATION AT THIS STAGE CMM INVESTIGATION IN PROGRESS AND FULL
 REPORT WILL FOLLOW

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5/15/11/11 (34)

FROM

Headquarters Operational Command

DATE

5 Sep 68

TO

REFERENCES

SUBJECT

UFO sighting Report

Forwarded herewith is UFO Sighting Report
received from Mr M. FLOWER of West Ryde
N.S.W.

Refers Folio 31



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J.L. to L.H.

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(b) in what formation were they?

13. What was the colour of the light or object? WHITE - INTERMITTENT

14. What was its apparent shape? ... RED LIGHT FROM FAR SIDE OF

15. Was any detail of structure observable? ... NO ...

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer... MRS M FLOWER AGE. 41
2. Address of observer ... 41 WYOMEE AVE
..... WEST PYMBLE PHONE 446 746
3. Occupation of observer ... ARTIST
4. Date and time of observation 241500 Z AUG 68
5. Duration of observation ... 1-2 MINUTES
6. Observers location at time of sighting
..... INSIDE THE HOUSE
7. Weather conditions at time of observation
..... CLEAR
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation
..... NIL
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon).
..... OVER HORIZON
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
..... BRIGHT LIGHT
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
..... LIGHT
12. If there was more than one object:-
(a) how many were there? ... ONE
(b) in what formation were they?
13. What was the colour of the light or object? WHITE - INTERMITTENT
RED LIGHT FROM FAR SIDE OF
14. What was its apparent shape? (CIRCLE)
..... OBJECT
15. Was any detail of structure observable? ... NO

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? *NO*
17. Was there any sound? *NO*
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation)... *20°*
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity) *ABOUT AS FAST AS A JET.*
20. Was the object stationary? *NO*
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
..... *FROM N TO S*
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
..... *STRAIGHT PATH*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen? *NO*
24. Where did object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
..... *BEHIND TREES*
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
..... *NO*
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? *NO*
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s)
.....
.....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
.....
.....
29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena? *NO*
30. Name and address of organisation
.....
.....
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
... *MAINTAINED STEADY SPEED ACROSS THE SKY.*
... *THEY ALSO SEEMED TO BE A BEAM OF LIGHT*
... *BETWEEN THE OBJECT & THE GROUND.*

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PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
- Aircraft type.....
- Heading.....T.....T.....T
- Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
- Speed.....K.....K.....K
33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
- Aircraft type.....DC-4.....
- Heading.....170°.....T.....T.....T
- Height.....2-3.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
- Speed.....120.....K.....K.....K
34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time:-.....
-
35. A meteorological balloon was released from.....
- at.....Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.
36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were
-(comet, meteorite shower, etc).
37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons).....
-
38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was.....
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39. The object reported could have been THE ABOVE MENTIONED DC-4
FLYING BETWEEN THE NOB AT PYMBLE AND MASLOT.
THE BEAM OF LIGHT COULD HAVE BEEN LANDING LIGHTS.
40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

1 CARU.....(Unit) J. R. BARNES.....(Name)

2 SEP 68.....(Date) PLT OFF.....(Rank)

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FROM

HEADQUARTERS OPERATIONAL COMMAND

DATE

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TO

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REFERENCES

DAFI DEPARTMENT OF AIR

SUBJECT

LFD SIGHTING REPORTS

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ENCLOSED ARE COPIES OF TWO LFD SIGHTING REPORTS
SUBMITTED BY MR R.D. SMITH OF WICKHAM NSW
AND MR A.A. CORMACK OF WOODVILLE S.A.



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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

Your ref. 5/2/Air(42)

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer Ronald David Smith AGE 40 years
2. Address of observer 28 Bishopgate Street, Wickham. 2293.
..... PHONE
.....
3. Occupation of observer Licensed Electrical Contractor.
4. Date and time of observation 18-8-68. Time not recorded. Approx.
8 mins. before notification R.A.A.F. Williamtown. (Vicinity 8.00 P.M.)
5. Duration of observation
.....
6. Observers location at time of sighting Back-yard - 28 Bishopgate Street -
between Charles & Wickham Streets. Wickham.
7. Weather conditions at time of observation Cool night, clear sky.
wind nil.
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation Nil.
.....
.....
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind
a hill, over the horizon).
About 5 degrees west of directly overhead.
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
My 11 year old son, David's question? "Is that a star or a
plane?" (i.e. Moving light - No noise.)
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
Light only.
.....
12. If there was more than one object:-
(a) how many were there? Not applicable.
(b) in what formation were they? " "
13. What was the colour of the light or object? Bright White.
14. What was its apparent shape? Appeared similar in size and shape as one
of the 3 or 4 large stars nearby. (Within a 10 deg. cone of observation
overhead).
15. Was any detail of structure observable? No.

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? ..No......
17. Was there any sound?No......
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation). Appeared 40,000 ft. or over.
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity) Angular Velocity - Approx. 70 deg. in 12 minutes.
20. Was the object stationary? ...No......
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
Approx. S.S. East.
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
Straight path
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen? ..No......
24. Where did object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
Behind a near-by building. (About 25 deg. above horizontal.)
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
No.
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously?No......
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s)Not applicable......
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
Trained as a pilot R.A.A.F. - own aircraft - experienced estimator - current aircrew licence.
29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena?
Yes.
30. Name and address of organization Ultra-light Aircraft Association of Australia - Bankstown Aerodrome.
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
Sighting continued by wife and 3 children whilst I was on phone to RAAF Williamtown. About 20 minutes later an aircraft followed a southerly path from overhead showing a large yellowish light and accompanied by engine noise (about 9,000 ft.) 1/2 Hr. later still another aircraft - N.W. Easterly path - yellowish lights - engine noise (about 8,000 ft.)

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PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-

NIL

Aircraft type
HeadingTTT
Height000 ft000 ft000 Ft
SpeedKKK

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-

See para 31.

Aircraft type
HeadingTTT
Height000 ft000 ft000 ft
SpeedKKK

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time:-

N/A

35. A meteorological balloon was released from **WILLIAMTOWN**

at **1100**Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that arial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were

not consistent with sighting (comet, meteorite shower, etc).

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons)


ECHO TWO in N-S orbit visible Sydney 1941 local AZIMUTH 296° Elevation 70°

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was

Not conclusive but probably as in 39.

39. The object reported could have been **ECHO TWO**

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

HQWLM(Unit)  **J.F. BODDY**(Name)
26 Aug 68(Date) **Flt Lt**(Rank)

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Headquarters Operational Command
RAAF
FENRITH NSW 2750

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Enclosed please find transcriptions of reports of UFOs
sent to this unit by Mr. A.A.CORMACK.

John Saunders
(J. SAUNDERS)
Flying Officer
Per Officer Commanding

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer. Alfred Andrew CORNACK Age. 66
2. Address of observer. 37 Glen Iaffie St. Woodville S.A. 5011
..... Phone. 451119
3. Occupation of observer. F.P.I.
4. Date and time of observation. 21 AUG 68 1700hrs.
5. Duration of observation. 30 mins.
6. Observers location at time of sighting. above adress
.....
7. Weather conditions at time of observation. Clear sky
.....
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation.
.....
.....
9. Where was object first observed ? (eg, overhead, coming from
behind a hill, over the horizon) in southern sky
.....
10. What first attracted observer's attention ? (eg, light or
noise) pointed out by neighbour
.....

11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object ?
.....like a pale star.....
.....
12. If there was more than one object :-
 (a) how many were there ?...one.....
 (b) in what formation were they ?.....-.....
13. What was the colour of the light or object ?...white.....
14. What was its apparent shape ?.....spot of white.....
15. Was any detail of structure observable ?...NO.....
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious ?...NO.....
17. Was there any sound ?...NO.....
18. What was its height ? (or angle of elevation)...20°.....
19. What was its speed ? (or angular velocity)...-.....
20. Was the object stationary ?...nearly.....
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass ?
.....very slowly east.....
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all ?
.....straight path.....
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen ?.....
.....NO.....
24. Where did object disappear ? (eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon ?
.....still visible when observer went inside.....

25. Do you know of any physical evidence ? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)

no photographs

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously ?

no

27. If so, give brief details of incident(s).....

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28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.

nil

29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena ?

no

30. Name and address of organization.....

31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.

Observed by at least six people in the area. Too high to be a kite. Was a skeptic previously. Light aircraft and commercial aircraft flew in the vicinity.

John R. Sanders
Interviewer.

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
- Aircraft type.....WII.....
- Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
- Height,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft
- Speed.....K.....K.....K
33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
- Aircraft type.....Busy period at West Beach......
- Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
- Height.....,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft
- Speed.....K.....K.....K
34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time :-
-
35. A meteorological balloon was released from
-at.....Z and could
- have been in the reported UFO position at the time.
36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were
-
- (comet, meteorite shower, etc)
37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons)
-

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported
was.....
.....

39. The object reported could have been.....
.....

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be
determined.

..11 Sep..(Unit)..JOHN BAUNDERS.....(Name)

..26 AUG 68.....(Date)..FLC Off.....(Rank)

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer. JANET F. VANDERTOOW Age. 20
2. Address of Observer. 2 STEWART STREET, ORMOND, 3204
3. Occupation of Observer. SECRETARY / RECEPTIONIST
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
23rd JULY, 1968 5-30 P.M. 1730 1730
5. Duration of Observation(s).....
6. Observer's location at time of sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
WALKING UP HOPE ST. SOUTH
YARRA, TOWARDS DOMAIN ST, FROM TOORAK ROAD
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of Observation(s). CLEAR SKY,
NOT BRIGHT SUN, ~~THE~~ GOOD LIGHT
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the Observation)
.....
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc)
IN THE SKY IN FRONT OF ME
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
BRIGHT LIGHT
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object? See NOTE on
ROUND BALL OF BRIGHT LIGHT back page 2.
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation?
ONE OBJECT
13. What was the colour of the light or object? BRIGHT YELLOW + ORANGE
14. What was its apparent shape? ROUND TO OVAL
15. Was any detail of structure observable? —
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? No
17. Was there any sound? No
18. Height, or angle of elevation. about 30°
19. Speed, or angular velocity. falling slowly
20. Was the object stationary? No
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
falling vertically

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? *FALLING VERTICALLY BUT NOT KEEPING A EXACT STRAIGHT LINE - LIKE SO BEHAVIOUR*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? *behaviour*
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon? *did not wait to find out*
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs or other supporting evidence.
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? *No*
27. If so, give details of incident(s)
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
it was the figures given were
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena? *No*
30. Name and address of organisation
31. Any additional information

Signature of Observer *Horton*

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting
*VISCONT A/C ON ILS OVER MRSB, LANDED ESS 1732K
BURTRA A/C EX LANINGSTON LANDED ESS 1725K
CLOUD COVER 4/8 @ 3000'*
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
34. Comments *probably the VISCONT A/C - blurring color from "burning" to "black" consistent with reflected sunlight at high altitude and no reflection seen below
missed as aircraft sighting*

Signature of Interrogator *Hayes*

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

Note: Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

Dear Sir,

I firstly saw a very bright burning round to oval shape ball. This was what attracted my attention. It was falling to the ground with a smoke tail. First of all I thought it was a plane crashing but realized it wasn't. After a few seconds it stopped burning and I saw a black ball falling with a smoke tail. I did not wait to see where it went.

Yours faithfully,

Heath

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer *Mrs. BARBARA DAVIDSON* Age *32 yrs*
2. Address of Observer *105 HUSBAND ROAD, FOREST HILL 3131*
3. Occupation of Observer *SHOP ASSISTANT*
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
3/8/68 6:25 AM 6:25 AM
5. Duration of Observation(s) *APPROX. 5 MINS.*
6. Observer's location at time of sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
Driving along Serpents Road, Templestowe at first + then when stationary at the top of the hill in front of the Serpents Road
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of Observation(s) *Clear, windy but still dark*
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the Observation)
Visual
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc)
In the sky in front of me
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
One very large white light. Very bright
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
Only as white light at first, but this light went out + then several red lights on it were several red lights flicking in a line.
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation?
Only one object
13. What was the colour of the light or object? *White at first + then several red lights*
14. What was its apparent shape? *Not known as it was dark at the time*
15. Was any detail of structure observable? *NO*
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? *NO*
17. Was there any sound? *Not that I could hear*
18. Height, or angle of elevation. *APPROX. 45° FROM HORIZONTAL*
19. Speed, or angular velocity. *NOT KNOWN*
20. Was the object stationary? *Appeared to be at first + then moved off slowly*
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
Approx. S.S.W. Roughly towards Melbourne City

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? *Appeared to be on a straight path.*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? *No*
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon? *In mid-air*
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs or other supporting evidence.
Nil.
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? *No*
27. If so, give details of incident(s).....
N/A.
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
ELEMENTARY.
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena? *No.*
30. Name and address of organisation.....*N/A.*
31. Any additional information. *At first I thought the white light ^{was} the head light of an aeroplane but I am under the impression they have two head lights. With reference to the red light I would say there were approx 6-8 off these & I couldn't find the green light that planes have.*
Signature of Observer *B Davidson*
32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
34. Comments. *blond at 0625K 7/8 @ 3000'. CARAIR A/C EX NOBART landed ESSENDON 0635K & would overfly FOREST HILL at this time. Assumed as aircraft lighting*
Signature of Interrogator *Daley* *AT LT*

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

Note: Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer... Mr. & Mrs. Fechner Age.....
2. Address of Observer... "Willow Grove", Trafalgar. Telephone Trafalgar 297.
3. Occupation of Observer... Farmer.
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
Sunday 11/8/68 - about 1915 hours E.S.T. (Previously seen about 2 months earlier,
at about 2315 hours E.S.T.).
5. Duration of Observation(s)... About 5 minutes.
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map
reference if possible, or by known
..... landmarks)
Near township of Trafalgar, Gippsland, Victoria.
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s) Fine. Vis. 30 N.M. 4/8th cloud at
5000 feet. QNH 1014. Winds 280/20 at 2000', backing to 260/16 at 10,000'.
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation)
Nil
9. Where was object first observed, e.g. overhead, coming from behind a hill,
over the horizon, etc.
Travelling east to west at an unknown distance north of the observer.
10. What first attracted observer's attention, e.g. light or noise.
Saw flashing light - first seen by child.
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
Light
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their
formation.
One only.
13. What was the colour of the light or object... Red
14. What was its apparent shape... Single flashing light.
15. Was any detail of structure observable... No
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious... No
17. Was there any sound... No
18. Height, or angle of elevation... Not known
19. Speed or angular velocity... About aeroplane speed.
20. Was the object stationary... Moving - east to west.

21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass...
 East to west.
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?
 Apparently straight.
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen....No.....
24. Where did object disappear, e.g. mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.
 Over the horizon.
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.
 Nil.
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously...No.....
27. If so, give details of incident(s).....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to paras.18 and 19.
 No particular experience.
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?
 No.
30. Name and address of organisation...N/A.....
31. Any additional information. On first occasion the light was seen by six or eight people. On second occasion by Mr. & Mrs. Fechner and family.
- Signature of Observer...Mrs. Fechner.....
32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting
 Nil IFR and night VMC traffic out of Moorabbin on 11.8.68. No known traffic in Trafalgar area.
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
34. Comments...Above information was passed to Civil Aviation Department, Victoria-Tasmania Region by telephone.

AA05051 N → S 1920 11/8 12274 256 NO civil aircraft from ~~Warragul~~ Sale, N Sale of Lake Valley Flying Club (Moorabbin). However civil aircraft "CTE" *[Signature]*

QUESTIONS 32,33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

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↓ departed BAKERSDALE & landed MOORABBIN 1920 EST. Twin engine a/c authorized for IFR flying. Would easily TRAFALGAR as back MOORABBIN. Time of sighting assessed as not accurate (note - about 115 kts) & sighting height, is of this aircraft. *[Signature]* 121 LT C. W. S. C.

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer... ALISON M. GOULD... Age... 18
2. Address of Observer... 12, RONALD STREET MITCHAM, VIC
3. Occupation of Observer... Relieving Telephonist with P.M.G.
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time) 1927
Wednesday 31st. of July '68, approx. 6.27pm to 6.30pm (12)
5. Duration of Observation(s)... approx. 2 minutes
6. Observer's location at time of sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
in barween Ave. just turning into Ronald Street.
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of Observation(s)... very clear and still with stars and moon in the sky
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the Observation)
none were used
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc)
at a distance possibly over the city area
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
the fact that a small light was moving
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
as a light
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation?
there were none others.
13. What was the colour of the light or object? yellowy white
14. What was its apparent shape? a bright light with an oblong white shadow around it.
15. Was any detail of structure observable? no
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? no
17. Was there any sound? no
18. Height, or angle of elevation... Guess given the impression that it was low.
19. Speed, or angular velocity... about the speed of an airplane perhaps a little slower
20. Was the object stationary? no
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
it came from the city, over the eastern districts towards the Dandenong Ranges where it then disappeared from sight.
12.

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22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? *it seemed to move in a quarter circle*
..... *a white shadow ~~app~~ was around*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? *the light*
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon? *behind the Dandenong Ranges. (JH)*
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs or other supporting evidence.
..... *none*
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? *no*
27. If so, give details of incident(s).....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
.....
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?
..... *no*
30. Name and address of organisation.....
31. Any additional information.....
- Signature of Observer *A M. Gould*
32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.....
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
Two of dep. stations 1838 & 1839 for SP-121 but given left turn to avoid aircraft ahead. There would not be sighting at MITCHEM.
34. Comments.....
*Report suggests aircraft sighting but unable identify through any civil source. No satellite activity at time.
Observed as probable aircraft sighting*
- Signature of Interrogator *Hayes*
- QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator. *INT 47 C-INTER 40*

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer... E. PURCELL (mas) ... Age... 53
2. Address of Observer... 8 DAY STREET, DANDENONG
3. Occupation of Observer... HOUSE WIFE
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
... 11th AUGUST 1963 ... 6:45 pm - 7:00 pm ... 1845-1900K
5. Duration of Observation(s)... 2 Mins
6. Observer's location at time of sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
WALKING ALONG GARDSTONE RD. TOWARDS PRINCES HIGHWAY DANDENONG (WESTERMINSTER CARPETS AT CORNER DARK)
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of Observation(s)... CLEAR SKY WITH STARS
NO CLOUDS IN SIGHT - NO WIND NO MOON AT TIME OF OBSERVATION
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the Observation)
... EYES
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc)
TOWARDS ME
Coming from a South West direction taking 1 min (about) to reach overhead
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
MOVING LIGHT (NO NOISE) GLITTERING
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
OBJECT LIGHT + BRILLIANT
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation?
... GLITTERING MASS - ONE OBJECT
13. What was the colour of the light or object? ... SILVER BRILLIANT
14. What was its apparent shape? ... couldn't define shape EXACTLY, IF ANYTHING ROUND
15. Was any detail of structure observable? ... NO
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? ... NO
17. Was there any sound? ... NO
18. Height, or angle of elevation. couldn't define height when in flight but WOULD SAY VERY HIGH FOR THIS AREA AS I HAVE WATCHED THEM GO OVER DAY + NIGHT.
19. Speed, or angular velocity... very swift
20. Was the object stationary? ... NO
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
... S.W. to N.E.

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? STRAIGHT PATH
23. Was any trail of ~~exhaust~~, ~~vapour~~ or light seen? LIGHT
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon? After passing over head it took ^{about} 1 min. to disappear in mid-air
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs or other supporting evidence. NO
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? ... NO
27. If so, give details of incident(s).....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena? HAVE SEEN SATELITE CROSSING SKY WATCHED IT FOR 10 to 15 MINS IT APPEARED VERY HIGH & MOVING SLOWLY COMPARED TO THIS OBJECT WHICH TRAVELLED IN A STRAIGHT LOW & SWIFT DIRECTION (SATELITE LOOKED TO BE UP WITH THE STARS) NO
30. Name and address of organisation.....
31. Any additional information.....
- Signature of Observer (M¹⁵) E. J. Farrell
32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting. Ten minutes after sighting I saw & heard a plane in the distance & in the distance & plane overhead flashing the usual lights coming from an easterly direction.
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area. Do not know
34. Comments. Probably civil/private aircraft from MOORABBNS Airport. Aircraft activity at this time on the area but reported time uncertain. Answered aircraft sighting

Signature of Interrogator James FLT LT
C. INTLLO

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

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pe Sorry to have answered questions 32 & 33 didn't realize they were to be left for interrogator until I read further down the page.



REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

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1. Name of Observer... Janice JUDSON ... Age 21 ...
 2. Address of Observer... 2/16 The Avenue Balachava ...
 3. Occupation of Observer... Soldier ...
 4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
... 24 Feb 68 ... about 10 PM ...
 5. Duration of Observation(s)... approx 1/2 hour ...
 6. Observer's location at time of sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
... on the opposite side of a dam ...
... Dam located near Halls Gap ...
 7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of Observation(s)... clear however
... it became cloudy about 11 PM ...
 8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the Observation)
... NA ...
 9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc)
... overhead ...
 10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
... light ...
 11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
... only as light ...
 12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation?
... there was one big one & two smaller ones which
... didn't come close enough to interest me ...
 13. What was the colour of the light or object? ... white & blue ...
 14. What was its apparent shape? ... oval ...
 15. Was any detail of structure observable? ... no ...
 16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? ... no ...
 17. Was there any sound? ... no ...
 18. Height, or angle of elevation. ... - ...
 19. Speed, or angular velocity... - ...
 20. Was the object stationary? It stopped when it came to the hill
... opposite us went behind it for about ten minutes & returned to
... above position ...
 21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
... towards the hill ...

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?
.....as per question 20.....
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen?no.....
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon?
.....saw it disappear behind the hill + return but sky was becoming cloudy + we lost interest did not see it disappear.....
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs or other supporting evidence.
.....no.....
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously?no.....
27. If so, give details of incident(s).....
.....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
.....
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?
.....no.....
30. Name and address of organisation.....
.....
31. Any additional information. The other two UFOs ~~which~~ ^{were} ~~seen~~ ^{er must} have been along way off - they were going across the sky at a very fast rate.
Signature of Observer Judson
32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.
.....
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
.....NO scheduled satellite sightings.....
34. Comments. Apparent variation in movement probably caused by movement of observer. Report received mid August. Observed as probably star and/or planet sighting.
Signature of Interrogator Harvey J. T
C INTELLO

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer.... *Frederick Hogan* Age... *20*..
2. Address of Observer... *2/16 The Avenue, DRAACANA, VIC 3183* ..
3. Occupation of Observer... *SENIOR (House)* ..
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
... *24 Feb 68, approx 2200 hrs* ..
5. Duration of Observation(s)... *3/4 hour* ..
6. Observer's location at time of sighting (Give details of own
... *HANES GAP, VICTORIA AT A LARGE DAM* position by map reference if
... possible, or by known landmarks)
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of Observation(s)... *clear* ..
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the
... *none* Observation)
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind
... *overhead* a hill, over the horizon, etc)
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
... *moving light*
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
... *light*
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what
was their formation?
... *3, spread out different parts of the sky*
13. What was the colour of the light or object? ... *blue and white* ..
14. What was its apparent shape? *looked like big stars* ..
15. Was any detail of structure observable? ... *No* ..
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? ... *No* ..
17. Was there any sound? ... *No* ..
18. Height, or angle of elevation.
19. Speed, or angular velocity.
20. Was the object stationary? *No, it was moving* ..
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or
points of the compass?
... *from the hills across the other side of Lake*
... *DAM*

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?
It moved across the sky and went down behind the hills and then came up again after that it remained stationary the sky then became cloudy and we didn't see it again
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? *No*
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon?
Behind a hill see question 22
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs or other supporting evidence.
No
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? *No*
27. If so, give details of incident(s).....
N/A
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
N/A
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?
No
30. Name and address of organisation...*N/A*
31. Any additional information. *At first I thought it was a star but its path across the sky and movements made me think otherwise*

Signature of Observer *J. B. Hogan*

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
No scheduled satellite sightings
34. Comments. *Apparently variation in movement probably caused by movement of observer. Report received mid-August. Assumed as probably star or planet sighting*

Signature of Interrogator *James*

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Attached is a report of an unidentified flying object
by Captain H.R. Wainwright.

John C. Luker
(J.C. LUKER)
Flight Lieutenant
For Air Officer Commanding



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13. What was the colour of the light or object?... *light blue with trail of red sparks*
14. What was its apparent shape?..... *oval*
15. Was any detail of structure observable?.... *no*

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART I - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer... CAPTAIN H. R. WAINWRIGHT Age 43
2. Address of observer... 24 BRADLEY RD
..... CLONTARF DLD Phone 84-4805
3. Occupation of observer... AIRLINE PILOT ANSETT PMA
4. Date and time of observation... 02.1747Z SEP 68
5. Duration of observation... 20 to 30 secs
6. Observers location at time of sighting... TAXYING A/C AT ROCKHAMPTON
.....
.....
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation... VISUAL
.....
.....
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill,
over the horizon).
..... 30° from vertical, to west of observer
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
..... light
.....
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
..... light
.....
12. If there was more than one object:-
(a) how many were there? N/A
(b) in what formation were they?
.....
13. What was the colour of the light or object? light blue with trail of red sparks
14. What was its apparent shape? oval
.....
15. Was any detail of structure observable? no

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? *No*
17. Was there any sound? *No*
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation) *Observer 30° to west to 45° to East*
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity) *75° in 20 to 30 seconds*
20. Was the object stationary? *No*
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
West to East
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
straight path
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen?
trail of red sparks
24. Where did the object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
45° from vertical to the East
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
No
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? *No*
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s) *N/A*
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
airline pilot
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?
No
30. Name and address of organisation *N/A*
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
No

PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-

Aircraft type.....*NIL*.....
 Heading.....*T*.....*T*.....*T*.....
 Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....
 Speed.....*K*.....*K*.....*K*.....

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-

Aircraft type.....*NIL*.....
 Heading.....*T*.....*T*.....*T*.....
 Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....
 Speed.....*K*.....*K*.....*K*.....

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time:-

35. A meteorological balloon was released from...*ROCKHAMPTON*.....
 at.....*1715*.....Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city confirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at that time were

.....*no*.....(comet, meteorite shower etc)

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons)

Satellite Prediction Charts indicate ECHCO II would be visible at approx 021739 travelling South to North at Azimuth of 99°, elevation 20°

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was:-

39. The object reported could have been:- *State Observatory indicated that from the description of the object it would be characteristic of a meteor.*

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

Possible meteor or satellite debris in entry.

.....*82 WING*.....(Unit)*D. W. CHESTER*.....(Name)
*9 SEP 68*.....(Date)*FLIGHT LIEUTENANT*.....(Rank)

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OF VMFNS WHILE TAXYING RK FOR MK AT 021747Z 030377A
REPORTED ENTRY OF OBJECT INTO ATMOSPHERE TRAVELLING WEST TO EAST
PD OBJECT EMITTED LIGHT BLUE FLAME WITH SPARKS FROM REAR PD
OBJECT DISAPPEARED OVER HORIZON AND WAS VISIBLE FOR APPROXIM-
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RESTRICTED A159 REPORT OF UFO SIGHTING PD OBSERVED FOR
APPROXIMATELY 10 SECONDS BY MRS MATHURSON AT TOOWOOMBA AT 281030Z 28 2030 X
CIRCULAR BRIGHT ORANGE OBJECT MOVING RAPIDLY WEST TO EAST ACCOMPANIED
BY NOISE SIMILAR TO JET OR ROCKET PD REPORT FOLLOWS

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Reference: A. Our 5/15/1/Air(26) 29 AUG 68

Attached is a further report of an unidentified flying object sighted by Mr. A. Pickford and reported to the Assistant Provost Marshal, Sydney.

John C. Luker
(J.C. LUKER)

Flight Lieutenant
For Air Officer Commanding

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*File 36 was returned to HQ OPR for completion and unit evaluation.
This report is a different sighting by the same person.
(original sighting was 0140-0143 eyes closed with partials
and slow at 2000 ft) at 2000 ft speed from 2000 ft
2000 ft*

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REPORT ON AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer..... MR A. PICKFORD
2. Address of Observer..... 152 OBERON STREET STREET SOUTH COOGEE
3. Occupation of Observer..... STORES CLERK
4. Date and Time of observation (Time given in 24 hour clock
1920 HRS 23 AUG 68 zonal time)
5. Period of observation(s)..... 7 MINUTES
6. Manner of observation: (Give details of own position by map
reference if possible, or by known landmarks, and describe any
equipment used in the observation).
NAKED EYE & BINNOCULARS.
OVER COOGEE $\frac{1}{4}$ MILE INLAND FROM COAST,
7. Where was object first observed, e.g. overhead, coming from
behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
CAME FROM OVER NORTH VAUCLUSE AREA
8. What first attracted observer's attention, e.g. light or noise.
LIGHT
9. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
~~DEFINITE OBJECT~~ LIGHT
10. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and
what was their formation.
THREE OBJECTS
11. What was the colour of the light or object..... BRIGHT WHITE LIGHT
12. What was its apparent shape..... Y NOT VISIBLE BUT LIKE STAR
13. Was any detail of structure observable..... NO
14. Was any method of propulsion obvious..... NO
15. Was there any sound..... NO
16. Height, or angle of elevation..... 5 - 10000 FEET
17. Speed, or angular velocity..... ABOUT 700 MPH IN DIRECT FLIGHT
18. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably
certain about the answers given to 16 and 17.

XX Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed
of a strange object it will usually be better to endeavour to
determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle
through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

Report on aerial object observed (contd.)

19. Direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass. COOGEE, $\frac{1}{4}$ MILE INLAND FROM COAST, ZIGZAGGED TO CLOVELLY AREA? AFTER GOING HIGH OVER COOGEE. 3 OBJECTS CLEARLY
..... VISIBLE... UP ABOUT 10,000. OVER COOGEE.....
20. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all.
..... MANOEUVRE, DEVIATE FROM COURSE.....
21. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen..... NO
22. Where did object disappear, e.g. in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.
..... EXTINGUISH LIGHT IN MID AIR.....
23. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.
..... SIGHTING WITNESSED BY 3 OTHER PERSONS.....
24. Weather conditions experienced at time(s) or observation(s).....
..... CLEAR.....
25. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of
..... PEAK TIME AT MASCOT sighting.....
26. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.....
..... X.....
27. Any additional information..... MR PICKFORD STATED HE HAS SEEN UFO's
..... EACH AND EVERY NIGHT SINCE REPORTING HIS SIGHTING TO THIS
..... DETACHMENT ON 23 AUG 68, (Our 6/3/4/Air(35) dated 26 AUG 68 refers).
..... (SEE ANNEX 'A' TO THIS REPORT).....

Questions 25, 26 and 27 to be answered by interrogator.

ANNEX A TO
6/3/4/112 (36)
04 SEP 68

SIGHTINGS - UFO

Mr Pickford stated he observed an UFO at 0109 Hrs 28th August 1968, and gave the following account of this sighting.

- 0109 HRS: Observed aircraft from Mascot heading due east. Aircraft headed towards 2 stars off coast of Coogee. Lower star blinked out on approach of aircraft. Not observed again until 0120 hrs above a block of flats $\frac{1}{4}$ mile from his home (152 Oberon St South Coogee).
- 0124 HRS: Object rose considerable height above flats remained stationary. Object zig-zagged 30° - 50° left higher or further out from coast.
- 0135 HRS: Object changed course back to shore and 30° left of original position, remained stationary. Witness one son.
- 0150 HRS: Vanished from position.
- 0210 HRS: Observed large amber object rising above houses near cliff edge, approx 10° - 20° Rainbow Street Sth Coogee, where the road meets the cliff. Object rose higher and assumed proportion of one block of houses. An amber glow down from object like transparent amber curtain. Top centre of object reddish yellow light. Shape of object like football.
- Observed shafts of light from centre bottom of object glow towards the sea, cone shaped, approx 150' long. Bottom half of light bright red top half of light brilliant white, greenish light, lighting up the undersection of object. Outline on top of cone was thick black line (outer shell of object). Observed capsule approx 15-20' long ascend through amber transparent curtain of light. The capsule shaped like shuttle cock. The capsule seemed to be on a slant after a few seconds it righted itself (was vertical to object) and moved towards shaft of light exactly at the point where the red & white lights met. Capsule disappeared into portion where red and white light met. This continued every 15 to 20 minutes at 5 minute intervals.
- 0430 HRS: Mr Pickford went to bed, object was still visible when he retired.

Mr Pickford stated he has kept a record of all sightings by him and is willing to show them should he be asked. He also stated that watching for UFOs is a hobby with him. He concluded by saying that he would not contact this Detachment again however should any person wish to observe these UFOs he would welcome other witnesses to his sightings.

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Attached is a report of an unidentified flying object
sighted by Mr M. Bell.

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- (b) in what formation were they?
13. What was the colour of the light or object? BLUISH-WHITE....
14. What was its apparent shape?.....ROUND.....
15. Was any detail of structure observable?NO.....

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer... MR. M. BELL AGE 51
2. Address of observer ... 25 MYEE ST.
..... STRATHFIELD PHONE 764-1295
3. Occupation of observer ... SALES MANAGER
4. Date and time of observation 19 AUG 68 1910 hrs approx.
5. Duration of observation ... 5-10 mins
6. Observers location at time of sighting ... IN THE BACK
..... GARDEN OF HIS HOUSE
7. Weather conditions at time of observation ... CLOUDY
.....
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation
..... NIL
.....
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon).
..... IN THE EASTERN SKY
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
..... A BRIGHT LIGHT TRAVELLING ACROSS THE
..... SKY
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
..... AS A LIGHT
.....
12. If there was more than one object:-
(a) how many were there? ... ONE OBJECT
(b) in what formation were they?
13. What was the colour of the light or object? BLUISH-WHITE
14. What was its apparent shape? ROUND
15. Was any detail of structure observable? NO

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? *COULD HAVE BEEN JET ENGINE (SEE Q23)*
17. Was there any sound? *NO*
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation) *COULDN'T SAY (ABOVE CLOUDS)*
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity) *ABOUT THE SAME AS CIVILIAN JETS*
20. Was the object stationary? *NO*
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
FROM NORTH TO SOUTH
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
APPEARED TO REMAIN ON STRAIGHT PATH, BUT MAY HAVE CURVED TO THE S-E.
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen? *APPEARED TO BE TWO TRAILS OF SPARKS COMING FROM BEHIND THE LIGHT.*
24. Where did object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
INTO CLOUD
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
NO
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? *NO*
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s)
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena? *NO*
30. Name and address of organisation
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
THE TRAILS OF SPARKS (Q23) COULD HAVE BEEN VAPOUR. THE LIGHT REMAINED AT A STEADY SPEED AND MAY HAVE EVEN SLOWED DOWN A LITTLE.

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PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type.....N/A.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....
Speed.....K.....K.....K.....

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type.....NUMBER OF CIVIL AIRCRAFT.....
APPROACHING MASLOT AT THIS TIME.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....
Speed.....K.....K.....K.....

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time:-.....

35. A meteorological balloon was released from.....
at.....Z and could have been in the reported UFO
position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were
.....(comet, meteorite shower, etc).

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets,
research balloons).....

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was.....

39. The object reported could have been AN AIRCRAFT.....
APPROACHING MASLOT WITH LANDING LIGHTS ON.....

40. ~~The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.~~

.....1. CARU.....(Unit)J. R. BARNES.....(Name)
.....23 AUG 68.....(Date)PLT OFF.....(Rank)

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Headquarters
RAAF Base
PEARCE WA 6085

IN REPLY QUOTE 5/9/Air(6)

4th October 1968

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Russell Offices
CANBERRA ACT 2600

INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

Reference: A. Your 554/1/30(12) dated 10 SEP 68
B. Our 5/9/Air(138) dated 27 AUG 68

1. Attached is the revised form of OPCOM ASI 3/A/5 on a report received by this Headquarters from the Reverend Brother B.C.MANION on the observation of aerial activity.

(G.A.MARTIN)
Flight Lieutenant
For Officer Commanding

Encl.

For Information

Headquarters Support Command RAAF Victoria Barracks MELBOURNE SCI VIC 3000



19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity) Unable to estimate "enormous"
20. Was the object stationary? NO
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass? North to South
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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL
OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART I - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer Reverend Brother B.C. MANION AGE: Not given
2. Address of observer Christian Brothers College, FRANKLIN Street LEEDERVILLE WA
..... PHONE: 24 1550
3. Occupation of observer Theology
4. Date and time of observation 12th August 1968 0516 Hours LMT
5. Duration of observation..... 3-4 seconds
6. Observers location at time of sighting LEEDERVILLE WA
7. Weather conditions at time of observation..... Clear directly overhead, but a light cloud cover at 2000 feet.
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation..... NIL
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon). From behind light cloud cover.
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
Light
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
Light
12. If there was more than one object:-
a. How many were there?
b. In what formation were they?
13. What was the colour of the light or object? Bright yellow orange
14. What was its apparent shape? Unsure
15. Was any detail of structure observable? NO
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? NO
17. Was there any sound? NO
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation)..... 65° azimuth
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity) Unable to estimate "enormous"
20. Was the object stationary? NO
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass? North to South

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32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-
NIL
Aircraft type
Heading T T.....T
Height, 000 ft, 000 ft.....,000ft
Speed..... K KK
33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:- a. Cessna departed Perth airport at 120508 LMT
b. Fokker Friendship departed Perth airport at 120519 LMT
Aircraft type
TRACK: a. 020°M to Meekathara b. 350°M to Geraldton
~~Heading~~TT
Climbing to cruise altitude
Height 000ft000ft
a. 90 Kts
Speed ~~b. 150 Kts~~K.....K..... K
34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time:-
.....
35. A meteorological balloon was released from GUILDFORD
at 2200Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.
36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were
.....(comet, meteorite shower, etc).
37. Any other relevant remarks (eg, about satellites, rockets, research balloons)
38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was:
.....
.....
39. The object reported could have been:
The Cessna aircraft that set heading from Perth airport at 120508LMT
for Meekathara after take-off.
40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

HEADQUARTERS PEARCE(Unit) G.A.MARTIN(Name)
30 SEP 68(Date) Flight Lieutenant(Rank)

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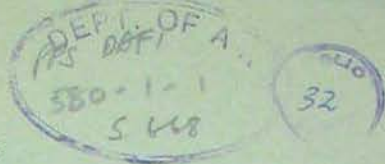
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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Attached is a report of an unidentified flying object
sighted by Miss F. Prince.

John G. L.
(J.C. LUKER)
Flight Lieutenant
for Air Officer Commanding

Enclosure: Intelligence - Report of Aerial Object Observed



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- (b) in what formation were they?
13. What was the colour of the light or object? *METALLIC / SILVER*
14. What was its apparent shape? *SQUARE - ONE SURFACE APPEARED CURVED*
15. Was any detail of structure observable? *NO*

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer... MISS F. PRINCE AGE 20
2. Address of observer ... 104 SPENCER RD.
..... CREMORNE PHONE -
3. Occupation of observer ... CLERK
4. Date and time of observation ... 1130 - 1200 SUN 11 AUG
5. Duration of observation ... 5-10 MINUTES
6. Observers location at time of sighting IN THE GARDEN
AT THE BACK OF THE HOUSE
7. Weather conditions at time of observation
..... FINE & CLEAR
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation
..... NAKED EYE
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon).
..... OVER HEAD
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
..... NOISE FROM A CIVILIAN JET AIRCRAFT
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
..... DEFINITE OBJECT
12. If there was more than one object:-
(a) how many were there? ... ONE OBJECT
(b) in what formation were they?
13. What was the colour of the light or object? METALLIC / SILVER
14. What was its apparent shape? SQUARE - ONE SURFACE APPEARED
CURVED
15. Was any detail of structure observable? ... NO

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? ... *NO*
17. Was there any sound? *NO*
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation) ... *40-45°*
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity) *SLOW (COULD NOT ESTIMATE)*
20. Was the object stationary? *NO*
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
..... *N/E*
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
APPEARED TO BE SLOWLY CLIMBING IN STRAIGHT PATH WHILST TUMBLING OVER.
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen? *NO*
24. Where did object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
DISAPPEARED WHEN TOO FAR AWAY TO SEE.....
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
..... *NO*
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? ... *NO*
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s)
-
-
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
.....
29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena? *NO*
30. Name and address of organisation
-
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
THE OBJECT WAS SIGHTED APPROX. 200 YARDS FROM THE ABOVE MENTIONED CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT MOVING AWAY FROM THE AIRCRAFT

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PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type...DC-9 (TJM).....
Heading..091°.....T.....T.....T
Height..ON THE CLIMB.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
Speed..340.....K.....K.....K

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time:-.....

35. A meteorological balloon was released from...MASCOT.....
at...2200.....Z and could have been in the reported UFO
position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were
.....(comet, meteorite shower, etc).

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons).....

38. ~~There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was~~.....

39. The object reported could have been...AN OBJECT DISPOSED..
OF FROM THE ABOVE MENTIONED AIRCRAFT.....

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

.....1 CARU.....(Unit).....J. R. BARNES.....(Name)
.....14 AUG 68.....(Date).....PLT. OFF.....(Rank)

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UNCLAS A3⁵⁰ SIGHTING OF UFO AT 241⁵¹5Z BY MR J M FLOWER OF 41
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QUOTE INTENSE WHITE LIGHT CHANGING TO RED AT TIMES CM SIGHTED
12 TO 1⁵ MILES AWAY TRAVELLING FROM SE TO SW PD A BEAM OF LIGHT
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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS SIGHTING

1. Attached is a report of a sighting of an unidentified object by J.E. Walsh.

2. The sighting was reported to the RAAF ACC Sydney who believe that the object could have been a star seen through atmospheric haze.

Joh C Luker
(J. C. LUKER)
Flight Lieutenant
For Air Officer Commanding

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer WALSH J.E. AGE 47
2. Address of observer ~~Yarra Rd~~ Yarra Bay House
Yarra Rd Phillip Bay NSW PHONE 6612171
3. Occupation of observer Supt of Child Welfare
4. Date and time of observation 5 Aug 1045z 0045K
5. Duration of observation 10 mins before report - not known
6. Observers location at time of sighting Phillip Bay (above address)
7. Weather conditions at time of observation Clear
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation Binocular 10x50
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon).
Appx 40° above Horiz. SSE direction
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
Bright light with flashy red.
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
light
12. If there was more than one object:-
(a) how many were there? ONE ONLY
(b) in what formation were they?
13. What was the colour of the light or object? White/Red
14. What was its apparent shape? NOT KNOWN
15. Was any detail of structure observable? NO

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?.....No
17. Was there any sound?.....No
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation).....40° appx
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity).....N/A
20. Was the object stationary?.....Yes
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
.....Stationary
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
.....N/A
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen?.....No
24. Where did object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
.....gradually faded in intensity
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
.....No
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously?.....No
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s).
.....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
.....
29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena?
.....No
30. Name and address of organisation.
.....N/A
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
.....Possibly a star seen through atmospheric haze

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PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type..... *NIL*
Heading.....TTT
Height.....,000 ft ,000 ft ,000 ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type..... *NIL*
Heading.....T.....T.....T
Height.....,000 ft ,000 ft ,000 ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time :-

..... *N/A*

35. A meteorological balloon was released from..... *N/A*

at.....Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were

.....(comet, meteorite shower, etc).

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons).....

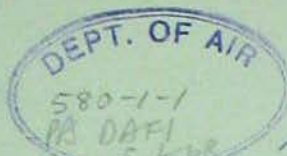
38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was.....

39. The object reported could have been..... *a star seen through atmospheric haze*

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

RAAFACC SYDNEY (Unit) *G. SUGARS* (Name)
05 AUG 68 (Date) *FLG OFF* (Rank)

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PRECIS OF AN ADDRESS ON

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

BY

MR R G ROBERTS

OF THE

OPERATIONAL RESEARCH OFFICE, DEPARTMENT OF AIR

TO THE

BALLARAT ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY, IN FEBRUARY 1965

APPENDIX : Summary of Unidentified Aerial Sightings Reported
to Department of Air from 1960.

The Term UFO and Some Objections to it

1. Unfortunately the term "unidentified flying object", or UFO for short, because of its widespread and indiscriminate use is generally regarded as just another word for "flying saucer". This is a rather ironic situation since the term was originally introduced to combat just such an eventuality, and so overcome the tendency automatically and haphazardly to relegate all unidentified sightings to the category of "flying saucers".

2. Even the term "unidentified flying object" is somewhat of a misnomer, and this probably is the underlying reason for its indiscriminate use. I believe it to be a misnomer on a number of counts. Firstly many sightings are not of material objects but of what the observer, in all good faith, believes to be material objects. Freak weather conditions, electrical storms and unusual light conditions can give rise to misleading impressions, especially when the observer is unused to them and the time of viewing is short. The eye is not alone in this respect. For instance Radar is far from infallible. Radar echoes from dense clouds and pockets of air are quite common and can give the erroneous impression that some material object has been detected.

3. Secondly it is our experience that, except in sightings of aircraft, the process of flying is rarely involved. Many sightings are of the planets or of meteors entering the earth's atmosphere, and, in one case, we received an excellent report from some 17 separate observers in the Central NORTHERN TERRITORY of the re-entry of the Russian Satellite Cosmos II into the earth's atmosphere.

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4. One might even go a stage further and challenge the word "unidentified" on the grounds that the classification is a purely tentative one, since information not available to the observer generally provides an adequate identification of the sighting subsequently. It is our experience that more than 90% of all well reported sightings can be identified satisfactorily. The rest cannot be identified specifically, mainly because the observer's report of the sighting does not contain sufficient information to provide an identification, or in cases where it is considered that further investigation is unwarranted. An example of the latter is illustrated by the case of a woman who wrote in 1964, after reading a newspaper report of a UFO sighting, to tell us of sounds she had heard one night more than twelve months previously; she did not know what date it was she had heard the noises and, as she was too frightened to get out of bed, she did not see what was making the noise. Could the "object" be identified? Naturally it could not be.

5. Although it is difficult to conjure up a name which adequately describes these sightings I think a more appropriate term than "unidentified flying objects" would be "unidentified aerial sightings" - the sightings being "unidentified" only insofar as the observer is concerned. It could be defined as an observation which remains unexplained to the viewer at least long enough for him to report it. Although the term may still be inadequate in some respects I think it removes some of the misleading inferences which were apparent previously when using the term "unidentified flying object".

Assessment of Aerial Sightings

6. The assessment of reports of unidentified aerial sightings in AUSTRALIA and the TERRITORIES is the responsibility of the Department of Air at CANBERRA. There is no hidden implication in this allocation of responsibility. The Department is simply the most appropriate authority for the task, which is performed to determine whether or not a threat to the security of the nation is involved.

7. Much effort and time is devoted each year to the assessment of aerial sightings. Reports have been received from as far south as TASMANIA and as far north as NEW GUINEA. Immediately following a report the observer is usually contacted and requested to complete a detailed pro-forma covering all aspects of the sighting. If there is no immediate and obvious explanation for the sighting the observer may then be interviewed by a member of the RAAF so that his creditability may be assessed and in order to obtain useful additional information. The Department of Civil Aviation may then be contacted concerning civil aircraft movements in the area, while military aircraft movements and weather balloon flights are also checked, in case they may have been responsible for the sighting. Satellites are also responsible for a number of reports, basically because of public interest in satellites and the increasing number put into our skies. The movements of satellites and satellite debris are checked through the Department of Supply, which tabulates data on all satellites, regardless of country of origin. Because of the steadily increasing amount of traffic in our skies, and in space for that matter, (more than 500 pieces of satellite hardware are orbiting the earth at this minute), the task of identifying aerial sight-

ings is assuming substantial proportions. The Department of Air cannot be expected to issue an immediate explanation for sightings publicised in the press until all the information has been obtained and assessed. Consequently, some days will have elapsed before its publication could be expected and, then, only if it is deemed necessary.

8. Reporting Procedure. The procedure to be adopted when reporting an unidentified aerial sighting is to write a letter to the nearest RAAF base or, alternatively, to the nearest police station giving your name and address and as much of the following information as you may be able to recall :-

- (a) Date and time of the sighting;
- (b) Length of time sighting under observation;
- (c) Where the sighting took place;
- (d) Position of the sighting when first observed (e.g., overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon etc.);
- (e) What was it that attracted your attention; (e.g. light, noise);
- (f) Did the sighting appear to be a light or a solid object;
- (g) What was its colour;
- (h) What was its apparent shape;
- (j) If more than one sighting was concurrently observed, how many were there and what was their formation;
- (k) Was any detail of the structure of the sighting observed;
- (l) Was any method of propulsion obvious;
- (m) Was there any sound (description, if any); and,
- (n) Your estimate of the object's height, speed and direction of flight.

9. Now this last item is very important and I would venture to say that unless you have some experience in estimating height and speed your impression of any object's height, speed and direction of flight could be completely erroneous. Why this is so becomes clear when one realises that any estimation of speed requires that we have some idea of an object's height and this, in turn, requires that we have some idea of the true size of the object.

10. If a sighting appears as a light or is so far away that we cannot discern any detail about it other than that it appears to be an object, then we have nothing against which to compare its size. Consequently our estimation of its size and our impression of its height and speed are likely to be in error. For

example, an aircraft flying overhead at 300 mph at a height of 5,000 ft. could easily give an observer the erroneous impression that he had sighted an object flying at 3,000 m.p.h., if he thought that the height was about 50,000 ft. Thistledown, less than one inch in diameter, which are blown up to 100 ft or so by the wind during our summer months, can appear as objects flying very high at fantastic speeds and capable of the most amazing manoeuvres, simply because their size is a matter of conjecture at the time. Similarly an aircraft flying directly away from the observer, particularly at night, could appear as a slowly descending or hovering object.

11. Since the size of the sighting, the direction of its flight and its distance from us is normally impossible to estimate accurately, it is better to make an estimate of the sighting's initial angle of elevations above the horizon, the angle through which it subsequently may appear to move and the time taken to do so.

The Identification of Aerial Sightings

12. Identified Sightings. With the information available from the aerial sighting report, an attempt is made to identify the sighting. In 9 out of 10 well reported cases this is usually possible. By far the greatest number of sightings have been attributed to astronomical phenomena, such as falling meteors or the view of a particular planet (such as Venus, Jupiter or Mars) which may have appeared unusual to the observer. Aircraft are responsible for the next highest percentage of sightings, while a variety of other causes, such as rockets of the firecrackers variety, weather balloons, satellite material and so on, combine to form the remainder. It is significant to note that our records show, both in 1963 and again in 1964, that the months during which the greatest number of aerial sightings were reported were also the months of greatest meteor activity. The months of July and August consistently bring in more sightings than any other month of the year.

13. Unidentified Sightings. The number of sightings which the Department is unable to identify from the information available has remained fairly consistently at around about two a year. Indeed, given sufficient time and effort, the number of unidentified sightings probably could be reduced further. One has to assess, however, whether the required additional time and effort is warranted. The Department of Air believes that there is, and always will be, a small number of sightings (due to high altitude phenomena, which are strange to the untrained eye) for which the available information will never be sufficient to enable an identification to be made. In other words it is just not possible to achieve a 100% record of successful identification. The ideal can be approached but not achieved, simple because the inaccuracies inherent in this type of work militate against its achievement. So much for experience in AUSTRALIA; what of the experience of overseas Air Forces such as for instance the USAF.

14. Experience in USA. Experience in the UNITED STATES runs parallel to our own. The Americans however handle many more reported sightings than we do, averaging from 400 to 600 each year. The analysis of all reported sightings in the USA has been the responsibility of the USAF Air Technical Intelligence Centre since investigations started in 1947. Since that time they have investigated some 9,000 reports.

15. In their effort to identify reported aerial sightings the Americans use automatic sorting and computing techniques, because

these methods provide the best way to handle such great amounts of data. The written reports are reduced to IBM punch-card abstracts by means of logically developed forms and standardised evaluation procedures. The evaluation of the reports, a crucial step in the preparation of the data for statistical treatment, consists of an appraisal of the reports, the subsequent classification of the sighting, with the emphasis on complete consistency and objectivity. This consistency and objectivity can be maintained right through the analysis since the computer is a machine and not a man.

16. A typical breakdown of American identification, before improved reporting and investigating procedures were introduced, would have been as follows:-

Astronomical phenomena:	25%	of total sightings
Aircraft:	20%	"
Balloons:	16%	"
Other causes (lights, birds, hoaxes):	13%	"
Reports with insufficient infor- mation:	17%	"
Unidentified reports:	9%	"

17. Reports classified under the heading of "insufficient information" are those for which an essential piece of information is missing. For example the omission of sighting time or location.

18. After the new procedure had been in operation for some 6 months, the percentage of sightings remaining unidentified was reduced to one third of the previous figures. The figures for this period then became:-

Astronomical phenomena:	23%	of total sightings
Aircraft:	21%	"
Balloons:	26%	"
Other Causes:	20%	"
Reports with insufficient in- formation:	7%	"
Unidentified reports:	3%	"

19. The effect of the new reporting and investigating procedures has continued to be marked, reducing the percentage of those unidentified to 1.6% and, on one occasion, to as low as 0.7%. The Americans, in fact, believe the percentage can be reduced even further.

20. Experience in UK. In the UNITED KINGDOM a somewhat similar picture presents itself. There, all reports of unidentified aerial sightings are processed through Defence Ministry Air Intelligence, and an average of 9 out of 10 sightings have been

identified. Astronomical phenomena and aircraft are once again the main reasons for sightings. The Defence Ministry is confident that with more reliable information and improved reporting procedures, the number unidentified could be substantially reduced. The Ministry shares the opinion with the Americans that the impossibility of devoting more time and money is the main factor preventing the achievement of a rational identification for every report.

Conclusions

21. I would like to repeat the main points I have made as I think they are important. Reports of unidentified aerial sightings have been assessed by the Department of Air for the past ten years or so. Nearly all of these sightings have been identified as either astronomical phenomena, aircraft, fireworks, balloons or satellite material re-entering the earth's atmosphere. Astronomical phenomena is responsible for the greatest number of sightings and it is significant that there is a noticeable relationship between the time of year when the greatest number of sightings are reported and the time when the greatest meteor activity is experienced. There tends to be an increase of reported sightings each year around about the main meteor stream dates, which it is hard to believe is purely coincidental, and conversely there are few reports during the principal gaps between dates of meteor activity.
22. Both in the UK and USA, analyses of reported sightings have resulted in similar conclusions to our own. In the UNITED STATES, where some 9,000 sightings have been investigated over the past 18 years, scientific methods of data reduction have consistently demonstrated that there are no significant similarities between sightings which have not been identified. In fact improved reporting and evaluating procedures have markedly reduced the number of sightings falling into the "unidentified" category. Only the impossibility of providing an intensive effort and immense expense prohibits the expectation of a complete reduction of sightings, which currently remain unidentified and which now stands at around 2-3%.
23. The number of unidentified sightings each year in AUSTRALIA does not warrant such great effort or expense. Only where there is evidence that a threat to the security of the nation is involved (e.g. the possibility of foreign aircraft infringing our air space) would this attitude be reversed. The Department of Air believes that there always will be aerial sightings of high altitude phenomena which are strange to the untrained eye and that of these some will not be identified.
24. Finally, I would like to make it clear that the Department of Air never has denied the possibility that some form of life may exist on other planets in the universe. Just as we on earth are at the brink of our entry into space, it is not impossible that somewhere else in the universe (if intelligent life does exist out there), others have or are about to do the same. However, the Department has, so far, neither received nor discovered in AUSTRALIA any evidence to support the belief that the earth is being observed, visited or threatened by machines from other planets. Furthermore, there are no documents, files or dossiers held by the Department which prove the existence of "flying saucers".

25. For reasons already given, the Department will continue to assess all unidentified aerial sightings reported in AUSTRALIA and the TERRITORIES, and will continue to liaise with the UNITED STATES and UNITED KINGDOM on this matter.

26. Meanwhile and in conclusion, I have been asked to take this opportunity of expressing appreciation, on behalf of the Department of Air, to all those people who have taken the trouble to send reports to us. We believe they illustrate, quite conclusively, the alert and watchful attitude of the Australian public and that they demonstrate the high sense of civic responsibility which exists in our country.

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Headquarters Operational Command

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SUMMARY OF UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL SIGHTINGS REPORTED TO
DEPARTMENT OF AIR FROM 1960

Date of Sighting	Brief Description of Aerial Sighting	Possible Cause
23 Jan 60	Twin Yellow Lights over Launceston, Tasmania. Elevation 20° - 30°.	Refraction of Light.
1 Feb 60	Bright object emitting flashes, moving W to E over Melbourne, Victoria.	Meteor
26 Mar 60	Spherical, silvery object, elevation 80° - 65°, over Canberra, ACT.	Venus
13 Jun 60	Flashing red light and fixed white light over Mangalore, Victoria.	Aircraft
26 Jun 60	Explosion of light with spark showers, elevation 40° en route Melbourne, Victoria, to Launceston, Tasmania.	Meteor shower.
18 Aug 60	Bright flashing object travelling E to W, 160 miles N of Mullewa, WA.	Meteor
2 Oct 60	Crescent shaped object, horns lighted, 5° above southern horizon, Launceston, TAS.	Moon
4 Oct 60	"5 flying saucers and a mother ship" cigar shaped, 4 vertical bands, over Cressy, TAS.	Moon rise associated with meteorological conditions at the time.
13 Oct 60	White light, angle of elevation 45°, Mackunda Downs, Queensland.	Venus
25 Oct 60		"
15 Oct 60	UAS traversing sky, W to E over Launceston, Tasmania.	Met Balloon with light attached.
18 Oct 60	Slow moving cigar-shaped object similar to aircraft - bright orange rear portion, rest dull grey.	Probably TAA aircraft Viscount VH-TVG.
27 Oct 60	Mysterious explosions, Cressy Area, Longford, Tasmania - orange coloured ball hovering in sky, also described as cigar-shaped.	Meteor
27 Oct 60	Orange/blue/red round object, trailing cloud of sparks, exploded at Poatina, Tasmania.	Meteor
15 Nov 60	Orange translucent ball, approx 70 ft in diameter at altitude 35,000 ft heading 140° at high speed.	Meteor

Date of Sighting	Brief Description of Aerial Sighting	Possible Cause
27 Nov 60	Light in sky over Poatina/Cressy, Tasmania.	Venus
29 Nov 60	Point of blue/green/red light, just above horizon rising slowly over Trevallyn, TAS.	Venus
7 Dec 60	Silvery, disc-shaped formation of 30/40 objects over Launceston, Tasmania, flying southwards.	Flight of pigeons.
21 Dec 60	24 grey/blue objects, moving southwards over Great Lakes, Tasmania.	Refraction of light
25 Dec 60	Star like object, 20 minutes to pass over sky over Campbell Town, TAS, west to east.	Satellite
5 Jan 61	Bright light in sky, Oatlands, Tasmania.	Venus.
Early Jan 61	Bright, white sphere, 45° from vertical, over Campbell Town, Tasmania.	Venus
18 Jan 61	Apparently controlled light, no sound, several sightings around Kerang, VIC.	Venus
12 Mar 61	Bright light, with tail of orange sparks over Indooroopilly, QLD, from N to S.	Meteor
9 Apr 61	Flashes of light west of Beaconsfield, Victoria, similar to lightning.	Meteor shower.
23 May 61	Large object like a meteor - position 32305 15240E object broke up.	Meteor
25 May 61	Dull silvery thermometer-shaped object - Devonport, Tasmania - seen through binoculars.	Aircraft
5 Jun 61	Conical shaped object falling to earth - Darwin, NT.	Meteor
7 Jun 61	Oval shaped, red-glowing object, Cairns, Queensland, photographed through 4in telescope.	Temperature inversion sighting of an aircraft.
31 Jul 61	Long white glowing object, flaming tail buzzed train on railway, 285 miles south of Darwin, NT.	Meteor
8 Aug 61	12 objects flying high, in pairs, dropping white substance - Meekatharra, WA.	Probably migrating "balloon spiders".
24 Aug 61	Red light, elevation 3.5° at Hobart airport.	Venus
Nov/Dec 61	Golden sphere with silver protuberances on either side - like motor armature, moving and rising in westerly direction, Koorda, WA.	Venus

Date of Sighting	Brief Description of Aerial Sighting	Possible Cause
28 Dec 61	Spherical object, emitting flashes of green and orange light - slow moving - Collaroy, NSW.	Meteor
16 Jan 62	Fiery, rocket-like object across Caulfield, VIC.	Meteor
23 Jan 62	Green fading to yellow object over East Sale, VIC.	Probably private aircraft.
30 Jan 62	White spherical object, Manly, NSW.	Venus.
25 Jan 62 } 2 Feb 62 } 13 Feb 62 }	Bright white, planet-like object, sometimes orange and occasionally zig-zagging or changing direction, Fremantle, WA.	Venus
3 Mar 62	White spherical object with metal lustre, Manly, NSW.	Venus
11 Mar 62	Star-like object, 75% elevation to SSW of Flinders Island, Tasmania.	Venus
13 Apr 62	3 objects, 2 with fiery trails, moving from NW direction over Tennant Creek, NT.	Meteor shower
5 May 62	White object, zig-zagging, Redcliffe, WA.	Venus
5 May 62	Contrail and metallic glint preceding contrail, over Richmond, NSW.	Aircraft
7 May 62	Dark glinting object leaving 4 condensation trails - climbing vertically over Holbrook, Victoria.	Aircraft
25 May 62	Light, travelling across sky, stops, changes course and gradually disappears, Lucinda Point, Queensland.	Venus
25 Jun 62	Glowing red object, great size and speed at Kurrajong, NSW.	Meteor
22/23 Aug 62	Silver-coloured object over Yass, NSW.	Venus
16 Aug 62	Star-like object, red/green/blue - slowly moving up/down/right/left over Kimberley, Tasmania.	Venus
31 Aug 62	Bright, star-like object moving across sky over Denmark, WA.	Aircraft
Aug 62	Starlike object, stationary in sky over Cressy, Tasmania.	Venus
Aug 62	Moving, star-like object Launceston, TAS.	Venus
23 Sep 62	Bright cluster of lights, moving from S to N - aircraft en route Christchurch, NZ, to Sydney, NSW.	Meteor shower.

Date of Sighting	Brief Description of Aerial Sighting	Possible Cause
13 Oct 62	Aircraft like object high over sky, leaving yellowish trail - Canberra, ACT.	Aircraft
30 Oct 62	Large object with red front emitting thick orange coloured exhaust - over Goulburn NSW.	Meteor
3 Nov 62	Bright metallic glinting needle shaped object flying in straight-vertical path over Cressy, TAS.	Aircraft
8 Dec 62	Yellow, star-like object, from S to N in straight path, over Cressy, Tasmania.	Probably Satellite.
17 Dec 62	Cylindrical object, with 2 vertical projections travelling NNE/SSW over Norfolk Island.	Aircraft
Jan 63	Apparently spherical object, white vapour emitted. Moved downwards in sky over Penna, Tasmania.	Meteor
15 Feb 63	Grey, rotating object descending and then moving over to West - gave off swishing sound, Moe, Victoria.	Tornado like meteorologic-al manifestation.
Feb 63	White, spherical object, illuminated, in level flight over Maitland, NSW.	Satellite
27 Feb 63	Two bluish/green lights, oval in shape, oscillating in sky in tandem, Braybrook, Victoria.	Refraction of light.
4 Apr 63	Two bright objects, star-like, side by side, stationary, Tasmania.	Refraction of light.
7 Apr 63	Long slender, silvery-white pencil-like object - soundless, Forster, NSW.	Aircraft
19 May 63	Bright red/white object, rising vertically, looked like bulldozer, Mt Gambier, SA.	Meteor
1 Jul 63	Explosion of light in sky over Melbourne, Victoria.	Meteorites exploding on entry into earth atmosphere.
3 Jul 63	Bright greenish/blue light over Iron Range, Queensland.	Meteor
19 Jul 63	Bright star-like object, red, stationary over Deloraine, Tasmania.	Venus
25 Jul 63	Light grey, circular object, noise like jet engine heard, hovering above Warragul, Victoria.	Tornado.
8 Aug 63	Shower of lights over Darwin area, NT, making swishing noise.	Meteor shower of Aquarids.

Date of Sighting	Brief Description of Aerial Sighting	Possible Cause
20 Aug 63	Explosion in sky Turner Station/Ord River Station, SA. Silver spot or streak sighted before explosion.	Re-entry of Cosmos 2.
23 Oct 63	White starlike object, bulbous front and elongated tail - Mt Dandenong Area, VIC.	Venus
19 Nov 63	Bright orange light, jet engine noise - from W to NW, Moorabin, VIC.	Meteor
26 Nov 63	Pinkish/brown starlike object oscillating over Beaumaris, Victoria. Rotating in circular manner towards south.	Venus
24 Dec 63	Marks on negative of photo taken at RAAF, Darwin.	Static charge on photo paper during loading of camera.
23 Jan 64	Seen at sea by crew of a vessel NE point of Groote Eylandt, WA. Large lights in water, made compass go "haywire". Shadow in centre of lights rotated clockwise, causing lights to pulsate.	Unknown
24 Feb 64 2 Mar 64 8 Mar 64	Bright light, like bushfire, Balladonia, WA, Eyre Highway (178 mile peg).	Venus
3 Mar 64	White, planet like object, bright light, Bridport, Tasmania.	Venus
22 Mar 64	Cigar shaped, travelling sideways, brown colour, at Armidale, NSW.	Venus
9 May 64	Two moving lights, yellowish, Pascoe Vale, Victoria, oscillating in sky.	Refraction of light.
24 Jul 64	Formation of whitish objects over Longreach, Queensland.	Meteor shower.
1 and 2 Aug 64	Bright headed object, glowing tail over Onslow, WA.	Meteor
2 Aug 64	Rocket like object, with windows in side, yellow/orange, above Wittenoom Gorge/Hammersley Ranges, WA.	Meteor
12 Aug 64	White light moving across sky over Kavieng, Papua and New Guinea - like bright star.	Satellite.
17 Aug 64	Bluish star like object, moving in circles over Launceston, Tasmania.	Venus
2 Sep 64	Two silvery solid oval objects seen on flight Melbourne/Canberra.	Refraction of light.

Date of Sighting	Brief Description of Aerial Sighting	Possible Cause
22 Sep 64	Object like exploding meteorite - lit up surface of sea, Cambridge Gulf, WA.	Meteor.
8 Nov 64	Light at horizon, Lowhead Lighthouse, TAS.	Venus.
8 Nov 64	Long and narrow, red/orange object - travelling fast over Point Sorrell, Victoria.	Meteor.
4 Dec 64	Strip of scrub 600 yds wide, 4½ miles long subjected to extreme heat, Queensland.	Bushfire
13 Jan 65	Apparent aerial objects, with vapour trails, flying in formation over Tasman Sea.	Meteor shower.
17 Jan 65	Elongated light with tail - oscillating in sky over Trevallyn, TAS.	Meteor
17 Jan 65	Two red lights and line of apparent cabin lights - stationary over Mentone, VIC.	Refraction of light.
23 Feb 65 } 30 Mar 65 } 1 Apr 65 }	Orange lights in sky over South Cottesloe, WA.	Probably Vampire aircraft from RAAF Pearce.
19 Mar 65	Yellow spherical object moved from overhead to horizon in SE direction - Lakes Entrance, Victoria.	Meteor
19 Mar 65	Orange spherical object, West Tamar, TAS.	Meteor.
21 Mar 65	Sphere with red dome on top; 3 illuminated tails - moving southwards over Malvern, VIC.	Weather balloon.
22 Mar 65	Yellow steady light from spherical body moved about the sky.	Venus
24 May 65	2 objects, one above the other, silvery, moved from SSW over Geelong area, VIC.	Refraction of light.
21 Apr 65	Dark grey/black amorphous object over Pakenham East, VIC - moving erratically up and down.	Tornado
5 May 65	Banana shaped, white/orange object over Mowbray, TAS.	Moon
5 May 65	Green changing to orange to green light over Youngtown, Tasmania.	Venus.
13 May 65	Slightly elongated brightly lit, broke into several pieces, over Griffith, NSW.	Meteor.
13 May 65	Greenish/yellow light travelling fast over Queanbeyan, NSW.	Meteor

Date of Sighting	Brief Description of Aerial Sighting	Possible Cause
25 May 65	Blue light emanating from object coloured red - through to green - wavered in sky. Emanated light sufficient to illuminate beach - Sehulea Papua and New Guinea.	Unknown
3 Jun 65	Bright starlike object, increasing in size, Bower/Proserpine area, Qld.	Venus
13 Jun 65	Yellowish ball with tail. Emitted brilliant bluish-white flash on disappearing over horizon, Mudginberri Station, NT.	Meteor
17 Jun 65	Bright object, emitting red light directed to earth, passed over Sewataitai, Papua and New Guinea.	Meteor
24 Jun 65	Star shaped object, yellowish/white, moving over Youngtown, Tasmania.	Echo 2 Satellite
24 Jun 65	Saucer shape - dome top and rows of lights across front and along side - bluish white, red trail, Daunia Station, via Nebo, NT.	Meteor
24 Jun 65	Bright light, oscillating from L to R - Bwaruada, Papua and New Guinea.	Venus
29 Jun 65	Blue to green cigar shaped object, red glow at rear, Lindisfarne, TAS.	Meteor
29 Jun 65	Bright object with short tail, morning E to W over Launceston, TAS.	Meteor
29 Jun 65	Vivid light blue, circular shape, travelling NS, Longford, Tasmania.	Meteor
3 Jul 65	Loud humming, glowing object, yellow/white light emanating from object illuminated herd of cattle, Kimberly, TAS.	Meteor
5 Jul 65	Bright white light, near Elliot, Qld.	Satellite
5 Jul 65	Bright light over sea, Tewatewa, Papua and New Guinea.	Satellite
12 Jul 65	Bright light oscillating from L to R, Bwaruada, Papua and New Guinea.	Venus
15 Jul 65	Brilliant white light in sky at moon rise over Murella Park, NT.	Venus
15 Jul 65	White spherical object, Canberra, ACT.	Venus.
17 Jul 65)	Red glowing cylindrical object, moving from L to R (oscillating) emitting "diesel-engine" sound, Nivani Plantation, Samarai, Papua and New Guinea.	Meteor shower
18 Jul 65)		
19 Jul 65)		
22 Jul 65	Bright light turning from red, through white to green and red, Dalby, Qld.	Meteor

Date of Sighting	Brief Description of Aerial Sighting	Possible Cause
30 Jul 65	Silver coloured object - disappeared with flash, 70 miles west of Cook, SA.	Meteor
Aug 65	Saucer shaped object with bluish green glow at rim, grey in colour, Vaucluse Beach, Sydney, NSW.	Tornado
1 Aug 65	Bright green/red/white light, Woodstock, NSW.	Meteor
3 Aug 65	Two starlike objects over Frankston, VIC.	Met Balloons.
4 Aug 65	Silvery sphere with aerial on top, Orange, NSW.	Met Balloons
24 Aug 65	Red/orange body, leaving trail of white, came from SW lat 1048 S long 13315 E, WA.	Meteor
26 Aug 65	Flashing light travelling NS, Goomalling WA.	Meteor
26 Aug 65	Spherical, starlike objects Launceston, TAS.	Meteors.
14 Sep 65	Flashing red, green, white, flying object, Ganawe, Papua and New Guinea.	Meteor
19 Sep 65	Streak of light, Dubbo, NSW.	Meteor
15 Sep 65	White object sighted west of Port Moresby, Papua and New Guinea. Moved westwards, slowed then sped northwards.	Unknown
27 Sep 65	Bright light in sky MSW of Boroka, Papua and New Guinea. Intensity of light fluctuated. Later disappeared below horizon.	Satellite
2 Nov 65	Dull vertical narrow beam ascending from sea offshore Bunama Point, Papua/New Guinea.	Water spout
27 Nov 65	White, apparently triangular in shape, stationary in sky, under moon, Launceston, Tasmania.	Venus
2 Dec 65	Bluish-through-to-reddish light, larger than star, 20° above horizon. Disappeared below horizon after about 10 minutes. Popondetta, Northern Territory.	Satellite

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Attention D/DAFI (OPS)

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS SIGHTING

1. The attached report was forwarded by No 1 Control and Reporting Unit and after making further checks at this Headquarters, it would appear that there are two possible explanations:
 - a. If the time of the sighting is inaccurate, it could have been the Mirage aircraft airborne from RAAF Williamtown on a test flight.
 - b. If the observers estimate of speed was inaccurate it could have been the meteorological balloon released from Mascot.
2. Operations Section at Mascot advise that the balloon could have been in the appropriate area at the time of the report and this is considered to be the most logical solution.

(B.J. HAYES)
Squadron Leader
for Air Officer Commanding

Enclosure: 1. Report of Aerial Object Observed

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

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1. Name of observer..... MR C.M. WEATHERSTONE AGE. 49
2. Address of observer 6/KEMPSEY COURT, KEMPSEY CLOSE
DEE WHY NSW PHONE -
3. Occupation of observer PMG LINESMAN
4. Date and time of observation 24JUL68 1245 HOURS
5. Duration of observation APPROX 20 SECS
6. Observers location at time of sighting PITTWATER RD., MANLY
7. Weather conditions at time of observation FINE AND SUNNY
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation
NIL
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon).
IN THE DISTANCE OVER CENTRAL QUEENSLAND
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
SIGHTING WHEN CASUALLY GLANCING OUT OF CAR DRIVER'S WINDOW
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?.....
DEFINITE OBJECT
12. If there was more than one object:-
(a) how many were there?
(b) in what formation were they?
13. What was the colour of the light or object? SILVER
14. What was its apparent shape?..... CIRCULAR
15. Was any detail of structure observable? NO

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? NO
17. Was there any sound? NO - CAR ENGINE RUNNING
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation) APPROX 25000'
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity) VERY SLOW, THEN EXCEPTIONALLY FAST
20. Was the object stationary? AT FIRST ALMOST HOVERING
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
SOUTH EAST THEN REVERSED NORTH EAST
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
STRAIGHT PATH (REFER Q21)
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen? NO
24. Where did object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
BEHIND A HILL, WE WERE AT THE BASE OF A HILL
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
NO
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? NO
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s) N/A
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
NUMEROUS OBSERVATIONS OF AIRCRAFT PASSING OVERHEAD HOME
29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena? no
30. Name and address of organisation N/A
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
(a) WIPE - SAME SIGHTING
(b) REF Q19 - FANTASTIC SPEED

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32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
 Aircraft type.....
 Heading.....T.....T.....T
 Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
 Speed.....K.....K.....K

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
 Aircraft type.....
 Heading.....T.....T.....T
 Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
 Speed.....K.....K.....K

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time:-

35. A meteorological balloon was released from.....
 at.....Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were
(comet, meteorite shower, etc).

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons).....

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was.....

39. The object reported could have been.....
 balloon if the observer's assessment of speed was incorrect.

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

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REPORTS OF UN-IDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

The attached UFO reports were received this day from RAAF EDINBURGH and are forwarded for information. The reports concern sightings observed in May 1968 and one sighting approximately January 1960, all of which have been transcribed from Flying Saucer Research Society reports.

(L.B. BROWN)
Wing Commander

For Air Officer Commanding

Annexes: 5 reports

14 MAY

— 10 MAY

10 JUN

— 10 JAN 68.

14 MAY

— 11 MAY

2 JUL

— 17 MAY

— 9 MAY

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer. *MRS. E. M. GOTTSCHE* Age. *21*
2. Address of observer. *19 George St. Parkside 5063 SA*
..... Phone. *-*
3. Occupation of observer. *Housewife*
4. Date and time of observation. *9 MAY 68 1850 HRS.*
5. Duration of observation. *5 mins.*
6. Observers location at time of sighting. *Regent St. Parkside*
.....
7. Weather conditions at time of observation. *Overcast / dark*
.....
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation. *NIL*
.....
9. Where was object first observed ? (eg, overhead, coming from
behind a hill, over the horizon). *over horizon*
.....
10. What first attracted observer's attention ? (eg, light or
noise). *Light & movement.*
.....

11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object ?

Light. 1" long at arms length
.....
.....

12. If there was more than one object :-

(a) how many were there ?.....*1*.....

(b) in what formation were they ?.....*N/A*.....

13. What was the colour of the light or object ?.....*Dark Red*.....

14. What was its apparent shape ?.....*Line of light*.....

15. Was any detail of structure observable ?.....*No*.....

16. Was any method of propulsion obvious ?.....*No*.....

17. Was there any sound ?.....*No*.....

18. What was its height ? (or angle of elevation).....*10° Elev*.....

19. What was its speed ? (or angular velocity).....*Slow*.....

20. Was the object stationary ?.....*N/A*.....

21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass ?

West to South
.....

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all ?

No & recorded
.....

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen ?.....

No exhaust or trail
.....

24. Where did object disappear ? (eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon ?

over rooftops
.....

25. Do you know of any physical evidence ? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)

No.

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously ?

Yes. Sep. 67. Silver object.

27. If so, give brief details of incident(s).....

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.

None

29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena ?

No

30. Name and address of organization.....

31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.

Quote: I was approaching my car when I looked up and saw red light. I thought it was an aeroplane but then noticed it had 4 lights, the front and back ones of which flashed. This attracted my attention and I looked more intently at the object. I was certain the lights were

Interviewer.

emanating from within a craft and were flashing through portholes. I went inside and reported to my mother that I had seen what I assumed was a U.F.O. I ascertained the time to be 6.50 PM.

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SIGNED *Earl Gottschall*
11 May 68

*Transcribed from report made to
Australian Flying Saucer Research Society*

John Saunders. Feb 68

UFO Officer

*KARL KONZUNGER
S.A.*

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
Aircraft type.....*N.L.*.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
Height.....,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K
33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
Aircraft type.....*This is a period of heavy traffic of scheduled aircraft*.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
Height.....,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K
34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time :-
.....
35. A meteorological balloon was released from
.....at.....Z and could
have been in the reported UFO position at the time.
36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were
.....
(comet, meteorite shower, etc)
37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons)
.....*No satellites indicated which could coincide.*.....

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported
was.....

39. The object reported could have been..... *aircraft 44*

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be
determined.

101st Airborne.....(Unit) *John Saunders*.....(Name)
2 July 68.....(Date) *Flying Officer*.....(Rank)

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer. Dr. D.F. FURNISS Age 29
2. Address of observer. 15 Seventh Ave. Cheltenham
Adelaide 5014 Phone. -
3. Occupation of observer. Doctor of Medicine
4. Date and time of observation. 10 May 68 1855 hrs.
5. Duration of observation. 2-3 seconds
6. Observers location at time of sighting. Port Road. Queenstown
7. Weather conditions at time of observation.
"Some Fracto-Cumulus. Clear Sky"
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation.
N.L.
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from
behind a hill, over the horizon). over horizon
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or
noise). Light & movement

11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object ?

5 lights

12. If there was more than one object :-

(a) how many were there ? *5*

(b) in what formation were they ? *open box*

13. What was the colour of the light or object ? *pale yellow*

14. What was its apparent shape ? *-*

15. Was any detail of structure observable ? *-*

16. Was any method of propulsion obvious ? *-*

17. Was there any sound ? *No*

18. What was its height ? (or angle of elevation) *5-10,000 ft. 30°*

19. What was its speed ? (or angular velocity) *Mach 1-1.5*

20. Was the object stationary ? *No*

21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass ?

SW.

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all ?

straight path

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen ?

No

24. Where did object disappear ? (eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon ?)

over horizon

25. Do you know of any physical evidence ? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)

NO

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously ?

NO

27. If so, give brief details of incident(s).....

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.

*Experienced in Aviation medicine & Aerospace applied medicine
Student Pilot.*

29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena ?

NO

30. Name and address of organization.....

31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.

"Immediate conclusion was that this could not have been anything conventional or any natural phenomenon. Speed, clarity & configuration was not in keeping with aircraft or shooting stars etc. My wife sitting alongside me in the car also saw this and was equally disturbed"

Interviewer.

17th May 68. D.R. Farniss

Transcribed by J. Saunders PHEOFF.

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32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type.....*N.C.*.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
Height,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type.....*This is a period of peak traffic in Adelaide area.*.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
Height.....,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time :-

.....

35. A meteorological balloon was released from

.....at.....Z and could
have been in the reported UFO position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were

.....*N.C.*.....
(comet, meteorite shower, etc)

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons)

.....*Not any predicted satellite*.....

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported
was.....

39. The object reported could have been..... *aircraft*

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be
determined.

1st Lt Edinburgh.....(Unit) *John Saunders*.....(Name)
2 July 68.....(Date) *1st Lt*.....(Rank)

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer... *Everett Maida Alexander* Age... *51*.....
2. Address of observer... *30 Catherine St. Clapham S.A. 5062*.....
..... Phone... *+*.....
3. Occupation of observer... *Home Duties*.....
4. Date and time of observation... *11 May 68 0510*.....
5. Duration of observation... *30 seconds*.....
6. Observers location at time of sighting... *Clapham*.....
.....
7. Weather conditions at time of observation... *Clear Sky*.....
.....
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation.....
..... *Lt. Opera glasses*.....
.....
9. Where was object first observed ? (eg, overhead, coming from
behind a hill, over the horizon)... *over horizon*.....
.....
10. What first attracted observer's attention ? (eg, light or
noise)... *Lights*.....
.....

11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object ?


Solid object.

12. If there was more than one object :-

(a) how many were there ? *one*

(b) in what formation were they ? *-*

13. What was the colour of the light or object ? *br orange*

14. What was its apparent shape ? *Flat bottom - curved top* 

15. Was any detail of structure observable ? *-*

16. Was any method of propulsion obvious ? *-*

17. Was there any sound ? *None*

18. What was its height ? (or angle of elevation) *low*

19. What was its speed ? (or angular velocity) *Stationary*

20. Was the object stationary ? *yes - when sighted*

21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass ?

west.

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all ?

yes straight path west.

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen ?

No.

24. Where did object disappear ? (eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon ?)

over horizon.

25. Do you know of any physical evidence ? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)

No.

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously ?

No.

27. If so, give brief details of incident(s).....

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28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.

nil.

29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena ?

No.

30. Name and address of organization.....

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31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.

" I observed this object from a window. I just couldn't believe my eyes. Took a few seconds to get opera glasses through which I saw no further details as it began to recede very quickly. It diminished in size until it disappeared altogether.

Interviewer.

14 MAY 63 G.M. ALEXANDER

Transcribed by J. Sanders.

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32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
Aircraft type.....*Nik.*.....
Heading.....*T.*.....*T.*.....*T.*.....
Height,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft.....
Speed.....*K.*.....*K.*.....*K.*.....
33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
Aircraft type.....*707. on International Route west.*.....
Heading.....*270°*.....*T.*.....*T.*.....*T.*.....
Height.....*?*.....,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft.....
Speed.....*?*.....*K.*.....*K.*.....*K.*.....
34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time :-
.....
.....
35. A meteorological balloon was released from
.....at.....*Z* and could
have been in the reported UFO position at the time.
36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were
.....*Nik.*.....
(comet, meteorite shower, etc)
37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons)
.....*No. predicted satellites.*.....

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported
was.....

39. The object reported could have been..... *- aircraft ref.*

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be
determined.

1st Lt. Edington.....(Unit) *John Saunders*.....(Name)
2 July 68.....(Date) *Major*.....(Rank)

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer G. K. FITTON Age 46
2. Address of observer 35 Burbank Ave. Bedford Park
5042. SA. Phone
3. Occupation of observer dept. manager.
4. Date and time of observation approx 10 JAN 1968
5. Duration of observation 3 mins
6. Observers location at time of sighting Werrilee Vic.
7. Weather conditions at time of observation clear sky.
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation.....
9. Where was object first observed ? (eg, overhead, coming from
behind a hill, over the horizon) over horizon
10. What first attracted observer's attention ? (eg, light or
noise) movement.

11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object ?
..... *Solid object.*
12. If there was more than one object :-
(a) how many were there ? *one*
(b) in what formation were they ? *-*
13. What was the colour of the light or object ? *Golden*
14. What was its apparent shape ? *[Sketch of an oval shape]*
15. Was any detail of structure observable ? *[Sketch of a small structure]*
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious ? *(Jet) jet.*
17. Was there any sound ? *N.L.*
18. What was its height ? (or angle of elevation) *Approx 1 mile*
19. What was its speed ? (or angular velocity) *10 x normal jet.*
20. Was the object stationary ? *when sighted*
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass ?
..... *S. to N.*
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all ?
..... *straight path.*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen ?
..... *Exhaust seen when object moved.*
24. Where did object disappear ? (eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon ?
..... *over horizon then skywards.*

25. Do you know of any physical evidence ? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)

No.

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously ?

No.

27. If so, give brief details of incident(s).....

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.

Engineer.

29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena ?

No.

30. Name and address of organization.....

31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.

*3 other witnesses. Mrs F.D. Fitter (wife) Mr. John A. Lechter.
A photograph identical to our sighting appeared in
the PIX magazine of March 1960 and was confirmed by
Mr. Lechter as the sighting at Wernicke. But on reading further
the photograph was taken in California U.S.A. terrain & hills were
the same except U.S.A. had power lines. Interviewer.
on left of photo. I was a disbeliever before sighting.*

10 JUNE 68 G.K. Fitter.

Transcribed by J. Saunders. .../4

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
Aircraft type.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
Height,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K
33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
Aircraft type.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
Height.....,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K
34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time :-
.....
35. A meteorological balloon was released from
.....at.....Z and could
have been in the reported UFO position at the time.
36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were
.....
(comet, meteorite shower, etc)
37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons)
.....

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported
was.....
.....

39. The object reported could have been.....

*In view of delay in report no information is available at
this unit.*

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be *Positive*
determined. *satellite / nuclear entry*

Capt. F. J. L. Lough (Unit) *John Saunders* (Name)

2 June 68 (Date) *Flying Officer* (Rank)

THREE CLAIM UFO SIGHTING

Three people claimed they saw an unidentified flying object near the O'Halloran Hill water tank early today.

The sighting was made from Warradale by Mr. Des Barry, and Mr. John Robinson and his wife about 7.30 a.m.

They said the object was circling near the tank for nearly an hour.

"At first I thought it was pigeons flying close together," Mr. Barry said.

"But because of the speed and solid appearance of the object I decided it must be a flying saucer."

THE NEWS WED JUN 26 1968

INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer... *John J. Robinson* Age... *24*
2. Address of observer... *#4 No 1 Walkley Ave. Warradale*
3. Occupation of observer... *Fitter & Turner*
4. Date and time of observation... *17 May 68 0700*
5. Duration of observation... *seven minutes*
6. Observers location at time of sighting... *bottom of O'Halloran Hill*
7. Weather conditions at time of observation... *overcast*
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation... *N/A*
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon)... *from the surface*
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise)... *movement*

11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object ?

Solid object.

12. If there was more than one object :-

(a) how many were there ? *one.*

(b) in what formation were they ?

13. What was the colour of the light or object ? *Dark Grey*

14. What was its apparent shape ? *Round / almost spher.*

15. Was any detail of structure observable ? *40' by 20'*

16. Was any method of propulsion obvious ? *No.*

17. Was there any sound ? *No.*

18. What was its height ? (or angle of elevation) *500 - 1000'*

19. What was its speed ? (or angular velocity) *200 mph*

20. Was the object stationary ? *No.*

21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass ?

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all ?

Circled. Then NW.

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen ?

No.

24. Where did object disappear ? (eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon ?)

Behind a hill

25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)

no.

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously?

no. (has since by newspaper report).

27. If so, give brief details of incident(s).....

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.

Have flown in several Gliders - drop two rope at 900'. (Height 50 to nearly all meter rates 1 speed.

29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena?

no.

30. Name and address of organization.....

31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.

Firstly, let me state that prior to this sighting I had held an open mind concerning "flying saucers". Secondly, after sighting this thing, I am sure that this must be something in it, what I don't know.

My wife & I were sitting in the lounge room at the office table, having a cup of tea. I looked up at O'Halloran Hill as I always do every morning and I observed what appeared to me to be a dark cloud curving above the hill. I called my wife from the kitchen to "come and have a look at this queer thing" my wife watched from the lounge room window and I went out to the letter box to see it better and to try & hear something. There was no sound that I could hear but it must be remembered I was about 2 mile away.

When I got back to the lounge room I noticed that a car was coming down the road that is known as Cement Works Road. The driver had his headlights on due to it being a little dark this time of the morning. The car flew off from its previous flight pattern and hovered over the car for about 10 sec then just flew out of sight behind the hill.

The speed that it departed at was at least 5 times greater than the speed it was doing when we first ^{saw} sighted it. (200 mph)

It appeared to me that after hovering over and probably observing the motorcar it decided to "buzz" off.

Hoping this will help you in your research.
Signed. IAN. J. Thompson
Forwarded by J. Sander

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32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
Aircraft type.....*N/A*.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
Height,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K
33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
Aircraft type.....*This is a period of heavy airway traffic in the Adelaide area*.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
Height.....,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K
34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time :-
.....
35. A meteorological balloon was released from
.....*N/A*.....at.....Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.
36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were
.....*N/A*.....
(comet, meteorite shower, etc)
37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons)
.....*none predicted*.....

.../5

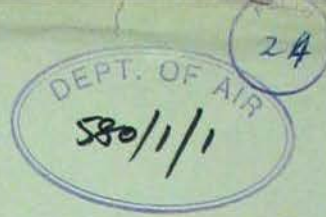
38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported
was.....

39. The object reported could have been..... *- optical illusion*
of car lights in overcast

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be
determined.

RCAF Edinburgh.....(Unit).....*John Saunders*.....(Name)
2 July 68.....(Date).....*Flying Officer*.....(Rank)

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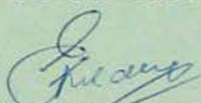
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UN-IDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Forwarded are UFO reports, annotated with Command Intelligence Officer's comments, of un-identified sightings by civilians on 18-19 May 1968, viz:

Mr and Mrs L. WARNOCK, Castlemaine VIC
Miss E.L. LYLE of Falconer St North Fitzroy.


(E.K. KILBEY)
Wing Commander
For Air Officer Commanding

Annex: ✓
2 reports

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer. MR. MRS L. WARNOCK Age.
2. Address of Observer. NENCOMBE CT. LITTLE BENDIGO, CASTLEMAINE
3. Occupation of Observer.
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
18 MAY 1968 2330 HRS
5. Duration of Observation(s). 4 OR 5 MINUTES
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
HOUSE AT ABOVE ADDRESS.
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s).
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation)
NIL
9. Where was object first observed, eg overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
ABOUT 1 MILE IN FRONT OF US AS WE STOOD AT FRONT DOOR
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise.
MOVING LIGHT 3 OR 4 TIMES BIGGER THAN AVERAGE STAR, OR ABOUT TWICE THE SIZE OF VENUS RISING IN THE EARLY MORNING
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
A ROUND OBJECT WITH SEPARATE LIGHTS OF WHITE WITH A SILVER TINGE ALL AROUND THE OUTSIDE. IN THE MIDDLE OF THE STERN WAS A LARGE WINDOW
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation.
MISSING AN ORANGE PALE FLUORESCENT LIGHT WITH A SHADOW IN THE MIDDLE.
13. What was the colour of the light or object. SEE ABOVE
14. What was its apparent shape. " "
15. Was any detail of structure observable. " "
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious. NO
17. Was there any sound. NO NOISE AT ALL
18. Height, or angle of elevation. APPROX 1000 FT
19. Speed, or angular velocity. NOT KNOWN
20. Was the object stationary. NO
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass...
TRAVELLED SOUTH / SOUTH WEST

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? *OBJECT GAVE A SHORT BURST OF FANTASTIC SPEED THEN WOULD STOP, TURN AT ~~90~~ RIGHT ANGLES TO FIRST THE RIGHT (WEST) AND HOVER AND THEN TO THE LEFT (EAST) AND HOVER. IT DID THIS MANOEUVRE TWICE WITH A SHORT BURST*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? *NO*
24. Where did object disappear, eg mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon. *IT FINALLY CONTINUED ON ITS ORIGINAL COURSE AND JUST BLANKED OUT COMPLETELY BEFORE IT REACHED THE HORIZON*
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence. *NO*
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously. *NO, BUT OTHER PEOPLE HAVE SEEN OBJECTS LIKE THIS AT DIFFERENT TIMES, BUT HAVE NEVER REPORTED IT*
27. If so, give details of incident(s). *N/A*
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to paras 18 and 19. *AN EX NAVY MAN WHO HAS SEEN SATELLITES, WEATHER BALLOONS, IRAR SHAKES, ETC*
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena? *NO*
30. Name and address of organisation. *N/A*
31. Any additional information. *SIGHTING REPORTED TO CASTLEMAINE POLICE ABOUT 10 MINUTES AFTERWARDS.*

Signature of Observer.....

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting. *NIL recorded*
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area. *NIL*
34. Comments. *This report compiled from letter to the R.S. unable to identify object sighted - no satellite activity scheduled for this time - but possibly possibly satellite or space matter decaying. No known aircraft activity.*
- Signature of Interrogator. *[Signature]*

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator. *AT LT C. W. D. O.*

note... Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved and the time taken to do this.

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer... *Edgar Lyle Lyle* Age *63*
2. Address of Observer... *98 Belmore St North Sydney NSW 1588*
3. Occupation of Observer... *Home Studies*
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
... *19th day of May 1968 at 8.59 P.M.*
5. Duration of Observation(s)... *Said Oh!! and it was gone*
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
... *About 200 yds from Ashall, Sutton, Sandington, or around 198, Belmore St*
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s)
... *Dark, hazy, and 1/2 moon*
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation)
... *Clear eyesight* ... *None*
9. Where was object first observed, eg overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
... *I was looking at sky. It moved across horizon from one lot of dark clouds. Made sky clear like a spot light and went into another lot of dark clouds.*
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise.
... *The light object itself*
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
... *Spherical object*
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation.
... *One object*
13. What was the colour of the light or object. *White*
14. What was its apparent shape. *Like a torpedo*
15. Was any detail of structure observable. *Braked at front of object like a turbo fan*
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious. *No*
17. Was there any sound. *No*
18. Height, or angle of elevation. *Very high on horizon*
19. Speed, or angular velocity. *A flash. Only time to say Oh!! before on its way.*
20. Was the object stationary. *No*
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass...
... *North West*

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?

On straight path

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen. *No*

24. Where did object disappear, eg mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon

Straight on course to North Head

25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.

No

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously. *No*

27. If so, give details of incident(s).....

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to paras 18 and 19.

As I was looking at sky & seeing this object like effluence white light tube or cigar it through the sky in background. It was like a torpedo.

29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?

No

30. Name and address of organisation. *No*

31. Any additional information. *Give me such a check.*

There was no one about I could speak to, so I rang the office. Sullivan was interested, he rang the station & he told me.

Signature of Observer. *Edna L. Tyler*

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.

NIL

33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.

NIL

34. Comments. *On sighting for such a short time can only be meteorite activity. Shape of "like a torpedo" consistent with residual light held by retina*

Signature of Interrogator. *[Signature]*

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

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note... Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved and the time taken to do this.

It said that Maryland's new Constitution "showed as a significant point of departure a model for other states." It was hoped that Maryland might give drive for state constitutional reform much-needed push. New Constitutions had been defeated by voters in New York, Rhode Island and Kentucky recently. Pennsylvania, Connecticut and New Jersey, much in need of reform, decided to risk only half steps and their conventions came up with amendments to existing Constitutions. Maryland is now contemplating the exhumation of parts of its old new Constitution in the form of amendments to its old Reconstruction Era Constitution, which has already been amended over 200 times.

The major changes in Maryland's new Constitution were generally referred to by supporters as "streamlining" and by opponents as "undemocratic." The governor would have had more authority. Judges were to be selected in a way that gave them a two-year term on the bench before the voters ruled on them. The State Legislature was to relinquish control over strictly local county and city matters. Legislative districts were to be redrawn such a way that only one member could be elected from each. The Legislature itself was to be reduced in size. The voting age was to be lowered from 21 to 19. Some political offices were to be abolished. The Legislature was given specific power to create "regional governments."

This last, probably more than anything else, led to the defeat of the new Constitution. It raised the fear in the suburbs of Baltimore of consolidation with the city, higher taxes, possibly integration of the presently almost all white tax-supported schools in the suburbs with the predominantly Negro schools of the city. One of the most effective tactics was an anonymous telephone campaign in the suburbs the day before the vote, forecasting that the new Constitution would lead to children being transported by bus between city and suburb to achieve racial balance in the schools. Another effective tack was the well publicised charge that implementing the new Constitution would cost \$154 million instead of the \$24 million estimated by the State Fiscal Research Bureau. To the surprise of no one, Baltimore County voted almost 2 to 1 against. So did the city's other large suburban county, Anne Arundel. Not totally surprising, all of the traditionally conservative rural counties voted solidly in support. As expected, the two counties which are suburbs of Washington, DC, traditionally liberal, with no threat of combination with the federal capital, voted for. The surprise of the voting was in Baltimore city, which is the main victim of state inefficiency and would be the beneficiary of regional arrangements. But it voted "no." In those white districts of the city where anti-Negro feelings are highest, the ratio was 7 to 1. Negro districts were almost emphatic the other way.

The rejection of the Constitution was a statement of negativism and a rebuff to the state's "establishment." Business leaders, the trade union council, the Governor and past Governor, the Mayor and ex-Mayor of Baltimore, the state's delegation in the United States Congress, the County Commissioners' Association,

the principal state judge, the Speaker of the State House of Representatives and the President of the State Senate, most office holders whose careers would not be threatened by the new arrangements, the Baltimore and Washington newspapers—all these supported the new Constitution. But they were not enough.

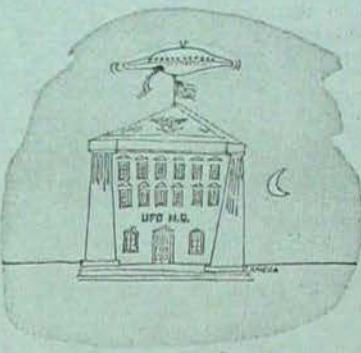
Saucers down to earth

Denver, Colorado

Once again the efforts of terrestrial authority to be manifestly "objective" and "scientific" about flying saucers have run into the usual cloud of suspicion and abuse. The American authority "responsible," to use the quaint phrase, for unidentified flying objects (UFOs) is the United States Air Force, to which reports of sightings of such objects are passed as a matter of routine. Each Air Force base has a UFO officer who, following a procedure laid down in Regulation 80-17, forwards reports of all the "unexplained" sightings to the Patterson Air Force Base at Dayton, Ohio. There the reports have been accumulating through the years. In the past 18 months the reports that are still regarded as "unexplained," after the Air Force has made what it can of them, have been filtered on to a special staff of learned civilians formed for the purpose at Boulder, Colorado, where the University of Colorado accepted in 1966 an Air Force contract to conduct an investigation into the whole phenomenon.

Promised an inquiry that would be not only objective and scientific, but also independent, some of the perennial critics of authority's frivolous attitude to UFOs were temporarily mollified. Just like earthly interests, unidentified flying objects have a lobby, groups who believe in them and want the authorities to admit that they exist and to treat them without levity. There is a National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) in Washington and an Aerial Phenomena Research Organisation in Tucson, Arizona. Tucson is also the home of one of the better-known scientists who maintain that UFOs are not a frivolous matter and need more serious attention than they get, Professor James McDonald, a meteorologist; another, Professor J. Allen Hynek, is the chief astronomer at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois. Both these men were invited to Boulder in the early days of the new investigation by its head, Professor Edward Condon, the physicist, to address the staff which he was assembling there. NICAP went so far as to express cautious support for the project.

But the relative harmony did not last and it is now quite broken. Dr Condon's record and credentials are unassailable (he is a former director of the Bureau of Standards, and is, or has been, president of very nearly everything) but his tongue is sharp and free. Rather early in the investigation he was heard confessing to an inclination to tell the government that it might as well drop the whole subject, adding, to twist the knife in the wound,



"But I'm not supposed to reach that conclusion for another year."

Dr Condon showed a collector's interest in the obvious cranks and extreme believers in little green men and his funny stories about them enlivened the scientific gatherings that he was always being called upon to address. The serious UFO converts began to get a nasty feeling that they were being made fools of. They had their allies on the project's staff, who thought that too much attention was being given to studying the psychology and background of people who thought they saw flying objects and not enough to the actual phenomena.

What then happened was narrated at length in *Look* magazine of May 14th, in an article heavily biased against Dr Condon's side, accusing the authorities of trying to bamboozle the public with an expensive confidence trick. Two members of the staff who believed that the critics were right dug out an old staff memorandum describing the background of the contract. In one passage he faced the fact that, while the project would have to appear totally objective to the public, it would in fact be conducted "almost exclusively" by men who expected, after exhaustive inquiry, to find nothing.

A copy of this memorandum found its way out of the project's offices and into the hands of Professor McDonald, who pounced on it. In January the opposition began to prepare plans, in concert with Professor McDonald, to keep an investigation in being after Dr Condon had finished his report, which is due shortly. In February the two staff members, both academic men, who had been concerned in disclosing the memorandum were summarily dismissed and another of the staff resigned. The whole row has now been brought into the open by the *Look* article and by a ferocious statement from NICAP "breaking relations" with the Colorado study and demanding an entirely new one. The honeymoon between earthly authority and the believers in interventions from space, never warm or comfortable, is over.

NOTE (21)
Sightings up to this enclosure included in summary
 19 Jun 68
SUMMARY OF UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL SIGHTINGS REPORTED TO DEPARTMENT
OF AIR, CANBERRA, ACT, FROM 1960

Date of Sighting	Brief Description of Aerial Sighting	Possible Cause
23 Jan 60	Twin Yellow Lights over Launceston, Tasmania. Elevation 20° - 30°	Refraction of light
1 Feb 60	Bright object emitting flashes, moving W to E over Melbourne, Victoria.	Astronomical
26 Mar 60	Spherical, silvery object, elevation 80° - 65°, over Canberra, ACT.	Astronomical
13 Jun 60	Flashing red light and fixed white light over Mangalore, Victoria.	Aircraft
26 Jun 60	Explosion of light with spark showers, elevation 40° en route Melbourne, Victoria, to Launceston, Tasmania	Astronomical
18 Aug 60	Bright flashing object travelling E to W, 160 miles N of Mullewa, WA.	Astronomical
2 Oct 60	Crescent shaped object, horns lighted, 5° above southern horizon, Launceston, Tasmania.	Astronomical
4 Oct 60	"5 flying saucers and a mother ship" cigar shaped, 4 vertical bands, over Cressy, Tasmania.	Astronomical
13 Oct 60	White light, angle of elevation 45°, Mackunda Downs, Queensland.	Astronomical
25 Oct 60	Downs, Queensland.	Astronomical
15 Oct 60	UAS traversing sky, W to E over Launceston, Tasmania	Met balloon with light attached.
18 Oct 60	Slow moving cigar-shaped object similar to aircraft - bright orange rear portion, rest dull grey.	Probably TAA aircraft Viscount VH-TVG
27 Oct 60	Mysterious explosions, Cressy Area, Longford, Tasmania - orange coloured ball hovering in sky, also described as cigar-shaped.	Astronomical
27 Oct 60	Orange/blue/red round object, trailing cloud of sparks, exploded at Poatina, Tasmania.	Astronomical
15 Nov 60	Orange translucent ball, approx 70 ft in diameter at altitude 35,000 ft heading 140° at high speed.	Astronomical
27 Nov 60	Light in sky over Poatina/Cressy, Tasmania	Astronomical
29 Nov 60	Point of blue/green/red light, just above horizon, rising slowly over Trevallyn, Tasmania.	Astronomical

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Date of Sighting	Brief Description of Aerial Sighting	Possible Cause
7 Dec 60	Silvery, disc-shaped formation of 30/40 objects over Launceston, Tasmania, flying southwards.	Flight of pigeons
21 Dec 60	24 grey/blue objects, moving southwards over Great Lakes, Tasmania.	Refraction of light
25 Dec 60	Star like object, 20 minutes to pass over $\frac{1}{4}$ sky over Campbell Town, Tasmania, west to east.	Satellite
5 Jan 61	Bright light in sky, Oatlands, Tasmania	Astronomical
Early Jan 61	Bright, white sphere, 45° from vertical, over Campbell Town, Tasmania.	Astronomical
18 Jan 61	Apparently controlled light, no sound, several sightings around Kerang, Victoria.	Astronomical
12 Mar 61	Bright light, with tail of orange sparks over Indooroopilly Queensland, from N to S.	Astronomical
9 Apr 61	Flashes of light west of Beaconsfield, Victoria, similar to lightning.	Astronomical
23 May 61	Large object like a meteor - position 32305 15240E object broken up.	Astronomical
25 May 61	Dull silvery thermometer-shaped object - Devonport, Tasmania - seen through binoculars.	Aircraft
5 Jun 61	Conical shaped object falling to earth - Darwin, NT.	Astronomical
7 Jun 61	Oval shaped, red-glowing object, Cairns, Queensland, photographed through 4 in telescope	Temperature inversion, sighting of an aircraft.
31 Jul 61	Long white glowing object, flaming tail buzzed train on railway, 285 miles south of Darwin, NT	Astronomical
8 Aug 61	12 objects flying high, in pairs, dropping white substance - Meekatharra, WA.	Probably migrating "balloon spiders"
24 Aug 61	Red light, elevation 3.5° at Hobart airport.	Astronomical
Nov/Dec 61	Golden sphere with silver protuberances on either side - like motor armature, moving and rising in westerly direction, Koorda, WA.	Astronomical
28 Dec 61	Spherical object, emitting flashes of green and orange light - slow moving - Collaroy, NSW.	Astronomical
16 Jan 62	Piery, rocket-like object across Caulfield, Vic.	Astronomical
23 Jan 62	Green fading to yellow object over East Sale, Vic	Probably private aircraft.

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30 Jan 62	White spherical object, Manly, NSW	Astronomical
25 Jan 62 } 2 Feb 62 } 13 Feb 62 }	Bright white, planet-like object, sometimes orange and occasionally zig-zagging or changing direction, Fremantle, WA.	Astronomical
3 Mar 62	White spherical object with metal lustre, Manly, NSW	Astronomical
11 Mar 62	Star-like object, 75% elevation to SSW of Flinders Island, Tasmania	Astronomical
13 Apr 62	3 objects, 2 with firey trails, moving from NW direction over Tennant Creek, NT.	Astronomical
5 May 62	White object, zig-zagging, Redcliffe, WA.	Astronomical
5 May 62	Contrail and metallic glint preceding contrail, over Richmond, NSW	Aircraft
7 May 62	Dark glinting object leaving 4 condensation trails - climbing vertically over Holbrook, Victoria	Aircraft
25 May 62	Light, travelling across sky, stops, changes course and gradually disappears, Lucinda Point, Queensland.	Astronomical
25 Jun 62	Glowing red object, great size and speed at Kurrajong, NSW.	Astronomical
22/23 Aug 62	Silver-coloured object over Yass, NSW	Astronomical
16 Aug 62	Star-like object, red/green/blue - slowly moving up/down/right/left over Kimberley, Tasmania.	Astronomical
31 Aug 62	Bright star-like object moving across sky over Denmark, WA.	Aircraft
Aug 62	Starlike object, stationary in sky over Cressy, Tasmania	Astronomical
Aug 62	Moving, star-like object Launceston, Tasmania.	Astronomical
23 Sep 62	Bright cluster of lights moving from S to N - Aircraft en route Christchurch, NZ, to Sydney, NSW.	Astronomical
13 Oct 62	Aircraft like object high over sky, leaving yellowish trail - Canberra, ACT.	Aircraft
30 Oct 62	Large object with red front emitting thick orange coloured exhaust - over Goulburn, NSW	Astronomical
3 Nov 62	Bright metallic glinting needle shaped object flying in straight-vertical path over Cressy, Tasmania.	Aircraft
8 Dec	Yellow, star-like object from S to N in straight path, over Cressy, Tasmania.	Probably Satellite
17 Dec 62	Cylindrical object, with 2 vertical projections travelling NNE/SSW over Norfolk Island.	Aircraft

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Jan 63	Apparently spherical object, white vapour emitted. Moved downwards in sky over Penna, Tasmania.	Astronomical
15 Feb 63	Grey, rotating object descending and then moving over to West - gave off swishing sound, Moe Victoria.	Tornado like meteorological manifestation
Feb 63	White, spherical object, illuminated, in level flight over Maitland, NSW.	Satellite
27 Feb 63	Two bluish/green lights, oval in shape, oscillating in sky in tandem, Braybrook, Victoria.	Refraction of light.
4 Apr 63	Two bright objects, star-like, side by side, stationary, Tasmania.	Refraction of light.
7 Apr 63	Long slender, silvery-white pencil-like object - soundless, Forster, NSW	Aircraft
19 May 63	Bright red/white object, rising vertically, looked like bulldozer, Mt Gambier, SA.	Astronomical
1 Jul 63	Explosion of light in sky over Melbourne, Victoria.	Astronomical
3 Jul 63	Bright greenish/blue light over Iron Range, Queensland.	Astronomical
19 Jul 63	Bright star-like object, red, stationary over Deloraine, Tasmania.	Astronomical
25 Jul 63	Light grey, circular object, noise like jet engine heard, hovering above Warragul, Victoria.	Tornado
8 Aug 63	Shower of lights over Darwin area, NT, making swishing noise	Astronomical
20 Aug 63	Explosion in sky Turner Station/Ord River Station, SA. Silver spot or streak sighted before explosion.	Re-entry of Cosmos 2.
23 Oct 63	White starlike object, bulbous front and elongated tail - Mt Dandenong area, Victoria	Astronomical
19 Nov 63	Bright orange light, jet engine noise - from W to NW, Moorabin, Victoria.	Astronomical
26 Nov 63	Pinkish/brown starlike object oscillating over Beaumaris, Victoria. Rotating in circular manner towards south.	Astronomical
24 Dec 63	Marks on negative of photo taken at RAAF, Darwin.	Static charge on photo paper during loading of camera

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23 Jan 64	Seen at sea by crew of a vessel NE Point of Groote Eylandt, WA. Large lights in water, made compass go "Haywire". Shadow in centre of lights rotated clockwise, casing lights to pulsate.	Unknown
24 Feb 64	Bright light like bushfire, Balladonia, WA,	Astronomical
2 Mar 64	Eyre Highway (178 mile peg).	
8 Mar 64		
3 Mar 64	White, planet like object, bright light, Bridport, Tasmania.	Astronomical
22 Mar 64	Cigar shaped, travelling sideways, brown colour, at Armidale, NSW	Astronomical
9 May 64	Two moving lights, yellowish, Pascoe Vale, Victoria oscillating in sky.	Refraction of light.
24 Jul 64	Formation of whitish objects over Longreach, Queensland.	Astronomical
1 and 2 Aug 64	Bright headed object, glowing tail over Onslow, WA.	Astronomical
2 Aug 64	Rocket like object, with windows in side, yellow/orange, above Wittenoom Gorge, Hammersley Ranges, WA.	Astronomical
12 Aug 64	White light moving across sky over Kavieng, Papua and New Guinea - like bright star.	Satellite
17 Aug 64	Bluish star like object, moving in circles over Launceston, Tasmania.	Astronomical
2 Sep 64	Two silvery solid oval objects seen on flight Melbourne/Canberra	Refraction of light
22 Sep 64	Object like exploding meteorite - lit up surface of sea, Cambridge Gulf, WA.	Astronomical
8 Nov 64	Light at horizon, Lowhead Lighthouse, Tasmania.	Astronomical
8 Nov 64	Long and narrow, red/orange object - travelling fast over Point Sorrell, Victoria.	Astronomical
4 Dec 64	Strip of scrub 600 yds wide, 4½ miles long subjected to extreme heat, Queensland.	Bushfire
13 Jan 65	Apparent aerial objects, with vapour trails, flying in formation over Tasman Sea.	Astronomical
17 Jan 65	Elongated light with tail- oscillating in sky over Trevallyn, Tasmania.	Astronomical
17 Jan 65	Two red lights and line of apparent cabin lights - stationary over Mentone, Victoria.	Refraction of light
23 Feb 65	Orange lights in sky over South Cottesloe, WA.	Probably Vampire aircraft from RAAF Pearce.
30 Mar 65		
1 Apr 65		

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19 Mar 65	Yellow spherical object moved from overhead to horizon in SE direction - Lakes Entrance, Victoria.	Astronomical
19 Mar 65	Orange spherical object, West Tamar, Tasmania.	Astronomical
21 Mar 65	Sphere with red dome on top; 3 illuminated tails - moving Southwards over Malvern, Victoria.	Weather balloon
22 Mar 65	Yellow steady light from spherical body moved about the sky	Astronomical
24 May 65	2 objects, one above the other, silvery, moved from SSW over Geelong area, Victoria.	Refraction of Light
21 Apr 65	Dark grey/black amorphous object over Pakenham East Victoria - moving erratically up and down	Tornado
5 May 65	Banana shaped, white/orange object over Mowbray, Tasmania	Astronomical
5 May 65	Green changing to orange to green light over Youngtown, Tasmania	Astronomical
13 May 65	Slightly elongated, brightly lit, broke into several pieces, over Griffith, NSW.	Astronomical
13 May 65	Greenish/yellow light travelling fast over Queanbeyan, NSW	Astronomical
25 May 65	Blue light emanating from object coloured red - through to green - wavered in sky. Emanated light sufficient to illuminate beach - Sehulea Papua and New Guinea	Unknown
3 Jun 65	Bright starlike object, increasing in size, Bowen/Proserpine area, Queensland.	Astronomical
13 Jun 65	Yellowish ball with tail. Emitted brilliant bluish-white flash on disappearing over horizon, Mudginberri Station NT.	Astronomical
17 Jun 65	Bright object, emitting red light directed to earth Passed over Sewataitai, Papua and New Guinea	Astronomical
24 Jun 65	Star shaped object, yellowish/white, moving over Youngtown, Tasmania.	Echo 2 Satellite
24 Jun 65	Saucer shape- cone top and rows of lights across front and along side - bluish white, red trail, Daunia Station, via Nebo, NT	Astronomical
24 Jun 65	Bright light, oscillating from L to R - Bwaruada, Papua and New Guinea	Astronomical
29 Jun 65	Blue to green, cigar shaped object, red glow at rear Lindisfarne, Tasmania.	Astronomical
29 Jun 65	Bright object with short tail, moving E to W over Launceston, Tasmania	Astronomical

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29 Jun 65	Vivid light blue, circular shape, travelling NS, Longford, Tasmania.	Astronomical
3 Jul 65	Loud humming, glowing object, yellow/white light emanating from object illuminated herd of cattle, Kimberly, Tasmania.	Astronomical
5 Jul 65	Bright white light, near Elliot, Queensland	Satellite
5 Jul 65	Bright light over sea, Tewetewa, Papua and New Guinea	Satellite
12 Jul 65	Bright light oscillating from L to R, Bwaruada, Papua and New Guinea	Astronomical
15 Jul 65	Brilliant white light in sky at moon rise over Murella Park, NT	Astronomical
15 Jul 65	White spherical object, Canberra, ACT	Astronomical
17 Jul 65) 18 Jul 65) 19 Jul 65)	Red glowing cylindrical object, moving from L to R (oscillating) emitting "diesel-engine" sound, Nivani Plantation, Samarai, Papua and New Guinea	Astronomical
22 Jul 65	Bright light turning from red, through white to green and red, Dalby, Queensland.	Astronomical
30 Jul 65	Silver coloured object - disappeared with flash, 70 miles west of Cook, SA	Astronomical
Aug 65	Saucer shaped object with bluish green glow at rim, grey in colour, Vacluse Beach, Sydney, NSW.	Tornado
1 Aug 65	Bright green/red/white light, Woodstock, NSW	Astronomical
3 Aug 65	Two starlike objects over Frankston, Victoria	Met Balloons
4 Aug 65	Silvery sphere with aerial on top, Orange, NSW	Met Balloon
24 Aug 65	Red/orange body, leaving trail of white, came from SW Lat 1048 south long 13315 East, Western Australia	Astronomical
26 Aug 65	Flashing light travelling NS, Goomalling, WA	Astronomical
26 Aug 65	Spherical, starlike objects, Launceston, Tasmania	Astronomical
14 Sep 65	Flashing red, green, white, flying object, Canawe, Papua and New Guinea	Astronomical
19 Sep 65	Streak of light, Dubbo, NSW	Astronomical
15 Sep 65	White object sighted west of Port Moresby, Papua and New Guinea. Moved westwards, slowed then sped northwards.	Unknown
27 Sep 65	Bright light in sky WSW of Goroka, Papua and New Guinea. Intensity of light fluctuated. Later disappeared below horizon.	Satellite

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2 Nov 65	Dull vertical narrow beam ascending from sea offshore Runama Point, Papua and New Guinea	Water spout
27 Nov 65	White, apparently triangular in shape, stationary in sky, under moon, Launceston, Tasmania.	Astronomical
2 Dec 65	Bluish-through-to-reddish light, larger than star, 20° above horizon. Disappeared below horizon after about 10 minutes. Popondetta, Northern Territory.	Satellite
13 Dec 65	Bright object high in sky moving N to S for about 10 minutes at Taroom, Tasmania.	Satellite
1 Jan 66	Bright flash high in sky for about 5 minutes which left a smoke trail. Aitape TPNG	Meteor
17 Jan 66	Unusual light effects on two 35 mm colour slides taken at night in Perth WA.	Camera lens aberration
8 Feb 66	Star shaped light 25 degrees above horizon for about 30 minutes at Mitcham Vic	Astronomical
8 Feb 66	Light in S. sky 45 degrees above horizon for 3 hours at Melbourne Vic	Astronomical
20 Feb 66	Light moving rapidly from E to W for about 8 seconds Essendon, Vic	Meteor
21 Feb 66	Bright object at great height moving from S to N for 6 minutes at Richmond NSW	Satellite
28 Feb 66	Star shaped bright light moving from SE to NW for about 3 minutes at Franklin, Tas	Satellite
2 Mar 66	Moving light high in sky for about 20 minutes at Rosetta Tas	Satellite
26 Apr 66	Star shaped light moving for about 30 minutes at Toorak Vic	Incomplete data

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5 May 66	Radar plot from Melbourne Control Tower held for 9 mins. Contact travelled SW at 87 kts.	Crop dusting aircraft.
6 May 66	A light moving steadily in ENE direction near Ballarat	Satellite
8 May 66	Light reflection observed near Melbourne through field glasses. Est height 8,000' distance 20 n.m. Noted for 10 mins, stationery at first, then descended to 4,500'	Probably an Aircraft.
9 May 66	Circular shaped light with halo effect. Apparent slow movement. Seen near Sale, Vic for about 30 mins.	Astronomical
16 May 66	Object moving from E to W appeared to explode like a green flare and disappear. Duration 3 secs at Daly Waters.	Astronomical
17 May 66	Object observed near Daly Waters at 10.30 pm hovering between two stars for 10 mins.	Incomplete data
18 May 66	Met observer at Daly Waters saw object size and shape of met balloon at azimuth 243° elevation 23° altitude 40,000' moving 243°/46 kts. Noted reversal in track 1 - 1½ mins. Under magnification appeared to be two balloons touching. Time 9.45 a.m.	Probably met balloon from another station
26 May 66	Six red lights which appeared to be at 1500 ft. were sighted at Lismore NSW at 10 pm.	Unknown. Reported too late for investigation.
29 May 66	Silver object glinting in sun seen near Melbourne for 5 - 8 mins. Steady object similar to aircraft climbing.	Probably an aircraft.
26 May 66	Six red lights which appeared to be at 1500 kt. were sighted at Lismore NSW at 10 pm	Unknown. Reported too late for investigation.
2 Jun 6	Stationary light, which later appeared to move, was sighted at Lismore NSW at 9.50 pm.	Unknown. Reported too late for investigation.
4 Jun 66	Unidentified lights, which appeared to move slowly were sighted at Lismore NSW at 9.50 pm for about 2 mins.	Unknown. Reported too late for investigation
7 Jun 66	Luminous white cloud like sky writers' trail. Flash of light at front end. Time 0845-0905 at Wangaratta Vic.	Aircraft.
8 Jun 66	"Beeping" heard in early hours of morning by woman in Won Wron area.	Incomplete data
9 Jun 66	Incandescent white sphere with a blue tail was sighted at Port Augusta SA at 7.30 pm for about 2 secs.	Metecrite.
13 Jun 66	Near Springvale Vic at 8.05 p.m. Flashing red green and white light proceeding E to W seen for 5 - 10 mins.	Aircraft.
26 Jun 66	A moving red and white light was seen at Erola WA during p.m. hours.	Incomplete data.
Jun-28, 29, 30, July, 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 14, 22, 23, 26, 27, 31. Aug - 1, 5.	During p.m. hours at Balliang, Vic, some flashing lights were seen; sometimes only a single light, sometimes in groups just above the ground. All reports from same source.	Lights of aircraft and vehicles.

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9 Jul 66	Moving light sighted at Charleville Qld for about 5 mins. at 4.55 a.m.	Satellite
10 Jul 66	Moving light at high altitude was sighted at Kurnell WA for about 5 - 8 mins. between 7.30 and 8.00 p.m.	Probable aircraft.
12 Jul 66	Moving bright light, at elevation approx 60° sighted Murarie Qld for about 1 hr at 6 p.m.	Incomplete data.
28 Jul 66	Moving light at elevation about 45° sighted Paddington NSW for about 15 secs at 4.40 p.m.	Probable aircraft
17 Aug 66	Two moving red lights blinking steadily sighted Sunshine Vic for about 10 mins. at 8.40 p.m.	Aircraft
27 Aug 66	Aerial light followed by an explosion with general movement from W to E sighted Madang PNG at 4.30 a.m.	Meteor
4 Sep 66	Stationary light near horizon seen at Yarram Vic for about 5 mins between 10 and 10.30 p.m.	Astronomical
4 Sep 66	Stationary light near horizon seen at Yarram Vic for about 5 mins at 4.15 a.m.	Astronomical
6 Sep 66	Light which moved from horizon to horizon seen at Middle Park, Vic at 6.55 p.m.	Satellite
6 Sep 66	Light moving in the sky seen at Elterwick at 7.05 p.m.	Satellite
22 Sep 66	Bright light at elevation about 45°, seen at Gympie NSW for about 25 mins at 9 p.m.	Astronomical
6 Oct 66	Moving light at elevation about 20°, seen at Chadstone Vic at 8.30 p.m.	Probable balloon
7 Oct 66	Moving light at great height, seen at Murarie Qld for about 10 mins at 6 p.m.	Satellite
10 Oct 66	Light estimated moving from SE to NW seen at Laverton Vic at elevation approx 15° for 43 mins at 8.22 p.m.	Satellite
12 Oct 66	Very fast light moving from W to E seen at West Footscray Vic for about 5 - 10 mins at 8.35 p.m.	Aircraft
19 Oct 66	Slowly moving light, at elevation approx. 45°, seen at North Melbourne, Vic for about 5 - 10 mins at 7.45 p.m.	Probable met balloon
19 Oct 66	Moving light seen at Pymble NSW for about 5 mins at 8 pm.	Incomplete data
20 Oct 66	Moving light, at extreme height, seen at Flinders Bay WA at 1.30 a.m.	Incomplete data.
21 Oct 66	Stationary light, elevation approx 20°, seen at Canley Vale NSW for about 5 mins at 9.10 p.m.	Astronomical
22 Oct 66	Moving light seen at Kangaroo Valley NSW for about 7 mins at 7.40 pm	Satellite
23 Oct 66	Light at elevation about 80° moving from S to N seen at West Pymble, NSW at 7 p.m.	Incomplete data
26 Oct 66	Moving light seen in Port Headland WA area for about 15 mins at 7.55 p.m. About 1½ hours later a light was sighted for a short duration.	Met balloon
26 Oct 66	Seven WA cattle stations reported a moving object rising in the sky between 7.30 and 8.00 p.m.	Satellite.

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12 Nov 66	Lighted object moving fast from N to S for about 10 Seconds at Brisbane, Qld.	Meteorite or satellite
22 Nov 66	Object moving from N to S for about 2 minutes at Daly Waters, NT.	Probable met balloon.
22 Nov 66	Moving bright red light for about 6 minutes at Willaura, Vic	Aircraft
24 Nov 66	Light moving from W to E for 20 minutes at Brisbane Qld.	Incomplete data
27 Nov 66	Light with black mass on top during a severe electrical storm for 3-4 minutes at Eildon Weir, Vic	Electrical discharge phenomenon
10 Dec 66	Star shaped point of light moving S for about 3 mins at Camberwell, Vic.	Satellite
15-18 Dec 66	Very high light moving from W to E for 15-20 minutes at West Pymble, NSW	Satellite
28 Dec 66	Very high light moving from W to E for 5 minutes at Yarra Glen, Vic.	Satellite
30-31 Dec 66	Very high light in the sky, two sightings at Fingal Tas.	Satellites
4 & 6 Jan 67	Bright light moving from NW to SE for about 4 minutes each sighting at St Kilda Vic.	Satellite
6 Jan 67	Light flashing every 8-10 secs moving SE to NW at great height for 90 seconds at Narribri, NSW.	Tumbling satellite
11 Jan 67	Moving light at Coolac, NSW	Incomplete data
13 Jan 67	Lighted object moving W to E at about 1,000' for 7 seconds at Fawkner, Vic	Aircraft
13 Jan 67	Two red lights moving across sky for about 2 minutes near Camden, NSW	Aircraft
15 Jan 67	Light moving W across sky for 10 minutes at Springvale Vic.	Aircraft
17 Jan 67	Flash in sky, high speed descent of object, then puff of smoke for about 1 minute at Charleville, Qld	Atmospheric entry of meteor.
19 Jan 67	Very high light moving W to E for 45 minutes at Blackburn, Vic.	Satellite
21 Jan 67	Object seen accompanied by loud humming noise for about 1 minute at Maitland, NSW	Nearby debris airborne by Willy Willy
23 Jan 67	Moving lights, appearing and disappearing in low cloud conditions for about 20 minutes at Nambrok, Vic	Light reflections of nearby towns.

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4 Feb 67	Light moving SSW to NNE for 8 minutes at Eildon Weir, Vic.	Satellite
6 Feb 67	Dull red light moving W to E at great speed for 3 minutes at Bresmlea, Vic	Astronomical
12 Feb 67	Orange light for about 5 minutes near Dampier, WA	Incomplete data
13 Feb 67	Fiery object with tail for several seconds near Perth, WA (40 miles S)	Atmospheric entry of meteor or satellite
15 Feb 67	Object about 20-30,000 feet moving SW to NE for about 10-15 seconds near Townsville, Qld (30 miles S).	Aircraft
19 Feb 67	Fiery light which descended and disintegrated above ground seen for several seconds at Fernvale, Qld	Atmospheric entry of meteor
20 Feb 67	Bright light descended vertically for 15 seconds at Port Macquarie, NSW.	Atmospheric entry of meteor
21 Feb 67	Light moving from overhead to horizon near Macquarie Light, NSW.	Incomplete data
22 Feb 67	Lights moving W disappeared below horizon after 15 minutes at Box Hill, Vic	Aircraft
16 Mar 67	Red flashing light then bright white light for several seconds moving E at Picnic Point, Qld.	Aircraft
16 Mar 67	White light appeared from behind cloud and appeared to move in and out of cloud at Cooparoo, Qld	Light reflection on clouds
16 Mar 67	Light moving high from W to E for about 30 minutes at Malvern, Vic.	Satellite
17 Mar 67	Bright light with tail seen from aircraft above cloud for 3-4 seconds about 100 miles N of Brisbane, Qld.	Atmospheric entry of meteor or satellite
19 Mar 67	Star shaped light in W sky seen for about 40 minutes at Currajong, Vic.	Astronomical
21 Mar 67	Object moving from N to S for 4-5 seconds at Forrest Hill, Vic.	Light aircraft
1 Apr 67	Slow moving red light for about 10 minutes at Darwin, NT	Astronomical
12 Apr 67	Slow moving object high in sky for about 10 minutes at Caulfield, Vic.	Astronomical
17 Apr 67	Object sighted at 2000hrs and two at 2200 hrs at Minto, NSW	Incomplete data
22 Apr 67	Slow moving light in sky, SE to NW for about 7 minutes at Coolangatta, Qld.	Astronomical

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3 May 67	Light moving across sky at about speed of aircraft for 5 minutes at Yarrrambat, Vic.	Aircraft descending
5 May 67	White light which left white trail moved from NW horizon to SE for about 2 minutes at Mowbray, Tas.	Atmospheric entry of meteor or satellite
6 May 67	Stationary light above horizon disappeared then re-appeared, but smaller in size, during 1 minute at Newnham, Tas.	Aircraft moving from observer
17 May 67	Star shaped object high in sky moving slowly NW to SE for about 1 hour at Thomastown, Vic	Satellite
22 May 67	Light moving N to SE disappeared behind cloud seen for 5 minutes at Kew, Vic	Aircraft
25 May 67	Object moving NW to SE appeared to slowly break up over about 30 seconds at Daly Waters, NT	Atmospheric entry of meteor or satellite
27 May 67	Object above horizon appeared as bright light moving slowly for 7 minutes at Yagoona, NSW	Met. balloon
17 Jun 67	Slow moving red light for about 15 minutes at Burrinjuck NSW	Incomplete data
24 Jun 67	Fire-like object about size of golf ball disappeared over horizon after 3 minutes at St Mary's NSW.	Astronomical
27 Jun 67	Between 2105 hrs and 2200 hrs, 21 separate sightings mainly over S and SE Victoria varying from 1 sec to 30 minutes referred to a bright star-shaped object which rapidly grew to about half full moon size. Most saw a ball of light, travelling horizontally across sky which slowly curved towards earth at shallow angle. Brilliant green or blue-green in colour during 75% of travel it then changed to "hot orange" or "reddish pink" culminating in a "whitish-yellow-orange" bright burst of colour before disappearing. A vapour trail persisted over final path which changed shape and disappeared after 15 minutes.	Atmospheric entry of large meteor
8 Jul 67	Stationary object unusually coloured, low in Western sky for about 30 minutes at Lindenow South, Vic	Light reflections on low cloud
14 Jul 67	Stationary light in W sky about 10 degrees above horizon for 10 minutes at Harbord, NSW	Met. balloon
15 Jul 67	Stationary light in W sky for short duration at Barrenjoey, NSW	Astronomical
17 Jul 67	Light above S horizon descended and disappeared after 30 seconds at Wollstonecraft, NSW.	Astronomical

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20 Jul 67	Silvery object with trail descended at steep angle at Karoonda, SA. Duration unknown.	Atmospheric entry of meteor or satellite
22 Jul 67	Lighted object seen moving for 7 seconds at Kinglake West, Vic.	Incomplete data
28 Jul 67	Very high star shaped light seen for 45 minutes at Kalbar, Qld.	Astronomical
30 Jul 67	Large, steady, circular green light which disappeared into distance after 10 minutes at Musswellbrook, NSW	Aircraft
31 Jul 67	Light changing from orange to white to green which descended steeply with dull red sparks during 10 seconds at Coffs Harbour, NSW	Atmospheric entry of meteor or satellite
2 Aug 67	Red light larger than falling star which broke into pieces leaving trail during 10 seconds at Collaroy, NSW	Atmospheric entry of meteor or satellite
3 Aug 67	Lighted object moving across sky for 20 minutes at Melton South, Vic.	Aircraft
4 Aug 67	Light, high in sky, descending straight with smoke trail for 10 seconds at Dee Why, NSW.	Atmospheric entry of meteor
11 Aug 67	High bright light moving from S to N for 10 Seconds at Brookfield, Qld.	Satellite
11 Aug 67	Lights moving to NW and climbing for 5 minutes at Yarraville, Vic	Aircraft
15 Aug 67	Bright light above horizon in W sky for 5 minutes at Alberton, Vic.	Astronomical
16 Aug 67	Bright light above horizon in W sky for 11 minutes at Yarram, Vic.	Astronomical
16 Aug 67	Light above horizon in W sky for 3 minutes near Foster, Vic.	Astronomical
28 Aug 67	Light moving from S to NE at altitude for about 20 minutes at Bondi, NSW.	Aircraft
29 Aug 67	High bright light moving rapidly for about 5-12 seconds from SW to NE leaving trail. Four sightings at Ivanhoe Mac Leod, Rosanna and Foster in Vic.	Atmospheric entry of meteor.
1 Sep 67	High light in sky, moving W to E leaving trail, seen for 5-7 seconds at Mount Egerton, Vic.	Atmospheric entry of meteor
23 Sep 67	High light moving slowly for 3-4 minutes at Riverslea, Vic.	Astronomical
23 Sep 67	Small light, larger than a star, flashing orange to dull red, moving across sky for 2 minutes at Coogee, NSW	Aircraft

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4 Sept 67	Flash of light moving downwards just above eastern sky near Melville, WA	Incomplete Data
9 Sept 67	Flash of light then an object moving slowly to the north west at Alice Springs, NT	Met balloon
12 Sept 67	Bright moving light with red and white light at rear near Dee Why, NSW	Aircraft
23 Sept 67	Rapidly moving object which seemed to break into smaller pieces at Donald & Watchem, Vic	Atmospheric entry of meteor
8 Oct 67	Light at great height moving across sky at Perth, WA	Satellite
17 Oct 67	Trail with object in front at great altitude seen for 6 seconds at Gordon, NSW	Atmospheric entry of meteor
22 Oct 67	Bright light which appeared to move rapidly downwards sighted for 2 seconds near Darwin, NT	Atmospheric entry of meteor or satellite
22 Oct 67	Light at great altitude moving from northerly to southerly direction at Norwood, SA	Satellite
23 Oct 67	Light moving from Carlton towards Essendon at Carlton, VIC	Aircraft
24 Oct 67	Light moving near Fern Tree Gully, Vic	Incomplete data
24 Oct 67	Light grey object moving to the south east sighted for about 15 seconds at Sunshine, Vic	Aircraft
24 Oct 67	Light at great altitude moving to the east sighted for about 7 minutes at Toorak, Vic	Satellite
24 Oct 67	Object moving north disappeared into cloud sighted for 30 seconds at Crowsnest, NSW	Aircraft
28 Oct 67	Light moving just above horizon for 30 seconds near Box Hill, Vic	Aircraft
4 Nov 67	Light at altitude moving from southerly to northerly direction sighted for 3 minutes near Altona, Vic	Satellite
10 Nov 67	Light moving rapidly from north to south at Gympie, Qld	Atmospheric entry of meteor
11 Nov 67	Object 50° above horizon moving south east at Paddington, Qld	Aircraft

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13 Nov 67	Light above horizon near Blakehurst, NSW	Incomplete Data
19 Nov 67	Light sighted for 5 secs moving rapidly to the south west at Sandringham Vic	Atmospheric entry of meteor
19 Nov 67	Ten minute sighting of bright light moving towards the east near Ipswich, Qld	Satellite
21 Nov 67	Lighted object over iron ore pellet plant Dampier, WA	Local Atmospheric conditions
22 Nov 67	Object moving in and out of cloud sighted for about 1 minute near Wiluna, WA	Aircraft
23 Nov 67	Lights moving from east to north west sighted for about 10 minutes near Melton South Vic	Aircraft
26 Nov 67	Lighted object moving along main road at about 25 mph which suddenly disappeared near Kimberley Downs Station, WA	Not known
29 Nov 67	Bright light moving slowly from south to north for about $\frac{1}{2}$ minute near Dalby, Qld	Met balloon
29 Nov 67	Light moving from east to west at great speed leaving a trail sighted for two seconds at Darwin NT	Atmospheric entry of meteor
30 Nov 67	Object moving from east to west sighted for about 10 seconds near Perth airport, WA	Aircraft
6 Dec 67	Bright light 15° above horizon in the east sighted for several hours at Gympie Bay, NSW	Astronomical
13 Dec 67	Bright light moving across sky sighted for about 30 minutes at Currumbin, Qld	Satellite
15 Dec 67	Object moving from west to east at great altitude near South Pritchard	Satellite
30 Dec 67	Starlike light moving from north to south and sighted for about 5 minutes at Brisbane, Qld	Satellite
31 Dec 67	Starlike object sighted for 20 minutes moving from west to east at Nedlands, WA.	Satellite
31 Dec 67	Object at great altitude moving from south west to north east sighted for 2 minutes at Cabramatta, NSW	Satellite
31 Dec 67	Light moving at great speed from south to north in Botany Bay area NSW	Atmospheric entry of meteor
1 Jan 68	Light moving rapidly across sky and breaking up into smaller lights at Rockhampton, Qld	Atmospheric entry of meteor

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8 Jan 68	Object at great height moving from west to east sighted for five minutes near South Yarra, Vic	Satellite
13 Jan 68	Bright light with flashing red and green lights manoeuvring near Chadstone, Vic	Aircraft
15 Jan 68	Light moving from west to east at great altitude at Mitcham, Vic	Satellite
16 Jan 68	Red and green lights moving from west to east and climbing near Melton South Vic.	Aircraft
17 Jan 68	Light moving from north to south sighted for about 30 seconds at Zillmere Qld	Aircraft
19 Jan 68	Object at great altitude moving towards the east sighted for 7 minutes at Penshurst NSW	Satellite
19 Jan 68	Light at height moving rapidly from west to east and breaking up into smaller lights at Ashfield	Atmospheric entry of meteor
20 Jan 68	Light with long trail moving rapidly from west to east for about 20 seconds at Wagga, NSW	Atmospheric entry of meteor
22 Jan 68	Object moving from east to west near Morapoi Homestead, WA <i>also several other stations over wide area</i>	Met balloon <i>5-6 hrs after release</i>
27 Jan 68	Light like a star moving across the sky sighted for 15 minutes near Braham Lodge, SA	Satellite <i>(not listed)</i>
27 Jan 68	Light at altitude moving from north to south at East Sale, Vic.	Satellite ✓
31 Jan 68	Light at great height moving from north to south east sighted for 5 minutes at Bolans Bay	Satellite ✓
6 Feb 68	<i>5</i> Lights moving from south to north sighted for about 15 seconds at Perth, WA	Incomplete data
12 Feb 68	Light at great altitude moving towards south east for 10 minutes at Toorak, Vic	Satellite ✓
13 Feb 68	Bright light in eastern sky sighted for about ten minutes near Chadstone, Vic.	Astronomical <i>(Venus)</i>
13 Feb 68	<i>Rel 4 gndn</i> Time 0030 hrs Duration 90 mins. Weather fine. Light moving from south to north at great altitude at Barmera, SA. <i>2000</i>	Satellite <i>(impossible!)</i>
20 Feb 68	Time 1948 hrs. Duration $\frac{1}{2}$ minute. Weather fine. <i>2</i> Lights at great altitude moving from west to east at Cannon Hill, <i>other from 8.30.4</i>	Satellite <i>2 ?!</i>
22 Feb 68	Time 1930 hrs. Duration 5 minutes. Bright light very high, moving towards the east in a straight line at Zillmere, Qld <i>moving 45-50° in 10 mins</i>	Satellite <i>3 ?!</i>

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23 Feb 68	Time 0145 hrs. Duration several seconds. Weather 6/8 low cloud. Light in sky which appeared to move slowly away from observer at Carlingford, NSW	Mascot meteorological search light on cloud ✓
8 Mar 68	Time 2030 hrs. Duration 5 secs. Weather fine. Light appeared to be falling at great speed at Yass.	Atmospheric entry of meteor
19 Mar 68	Time 2000 hrs. Duration approx. 40 minutes. Weather fine. Flashing red and green lights moving towards north west, at Sale, Vic.	Aircraft
21 Mar 68	Time 2055 hrs. Duration 5 minutes, light moving north west then turning to the south and fading during the turn at Armadale, WA.	Aircraft ✓
24 Mar 68 <i>What file?</i>	Time 0100 hrs. Duration 10 minutes. Light accompanied by low humming noise travelling from west to east at Point Leo, Vic.	Aircraft
1 Apr 68	Time 1917 hrs. Duration unknown. Weather fine. Light at great height moving from south west to north east at Bacchus Marsh, Vic.	Satellite ✓
9 Apr 68	Time 1910 hrs. Duration 5 minutes. Weather fine. Light moving north west then north at Williamstown, Vic.	Aircraft
9 Apr 68	Time 1905 hrs. Duration unknown. Weather cloudy. Light moving from west to east in a straight line at Thornbury, Vic	Satellite ✓
10 Apr 68	Time 1850 hrs. Duration not known. Weather fine, $\frac{3}{8}$ cloud. Flashing red light moving in various directions and being lost at times due to cloud at Williamstown Vic.	Aircraft
10 Apr 68	Time 1917 hrs. Duration 1 minute. Light moving in a straight line from west to east at Flinders Is. <i>145° alt</i>	Satellite <i>< 19° alt</i>
10 Apr 68	Time 1855 hrs. Duration unknown. Weather fine. White light at great altitude moving very rapidly from south to north at Williamstown, Vic	Atmospheric entry of meteor
12 Apr 68	Time 1900 hrs. Duration 10 mins. Star like object moving at great height at Manly, NSW <i>3-4° alt</i>	Satellite <i>?</i>
22 Apr 68	Time 2030 hrs. Duration 5 mins. Bright light 50° above horizon moving in a straight line from north to south, at Newcastle, NSW	Satellite <i>(not predicted)</i>
24 Apr 68	Time 0330 hrs. Duration 1-2 hrs. Light just above horizon moving upwards at very slow rate at Maffra, Vic	Astronomical
25 Apr 68	Time 1800 hrs. Duration 2 minutes. Weather fine. Light moving in a northerly direction at Longwarry Vic.	Aircraft

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25 Apr 68	Time 0430 hrs. Duration about 1 hour. Light about 10° above horizon moving extremely slowly upward, at Wayfield, Vic. <i>what about refraction of light?</i>	Astronomical
3 May 68	Time 2200 hrs. Duration 1 minute. Weather fine. Light moving towards the east disappearing over the horizon at Smithfield, NSW. <i>(9 objects reported)</i>	Satellite



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A serious look at an old joke . . .

UFOs

AT LEAST two Australian scientists — well-known and respected in their different fields—are now working seriously on the problem nearly everyone else dismisses as a 20-year-old joke: unidentified flying objects.

They are working unofficially and in secrecy. In fact they would only agree to talk to me on condition their anonymity was respected.

George Adamski and the rest of the lunatic fringe who claim personal contact with the little green men removed respectability from flying saucers in the early fifties — no reputable scientist can now afford to suggest he takes the phenomena even semi-seriously.

Why, then, are these scientists risking their reputations with work on UFOs? Firstly, because they, in common with many other scientists all over the world, are not satisfied with lame official explanations for a large proportion of UFO sightings.

They believe official investigations are often more concerned with pooh-poohing UFOs than with credibility: they suspect that some sightings may be inexplicable in terms of what is so far known about the universe, and that valuable scientific discoveries might be gained from further investigation.

And secondly, there is a sound argument for at least retaining an open mind on the possibility of this planet being visited by intelligently-directed probes from outer space.

This is not a lunatic suggestion. It is backed by some sound scientific opinion.

In our galaxy alone, has nine planets. Even allowing that the proportion of earth-like planets to non-inhabitable worlds may be far less than the solar system's eight to one, Hoyle and other astronomers calculate that there must be 100 million planets identical to earth in this cluster of galaxies alone. It is hardly reasonable to suppose that earth should have been the only one to develop intelligent life.

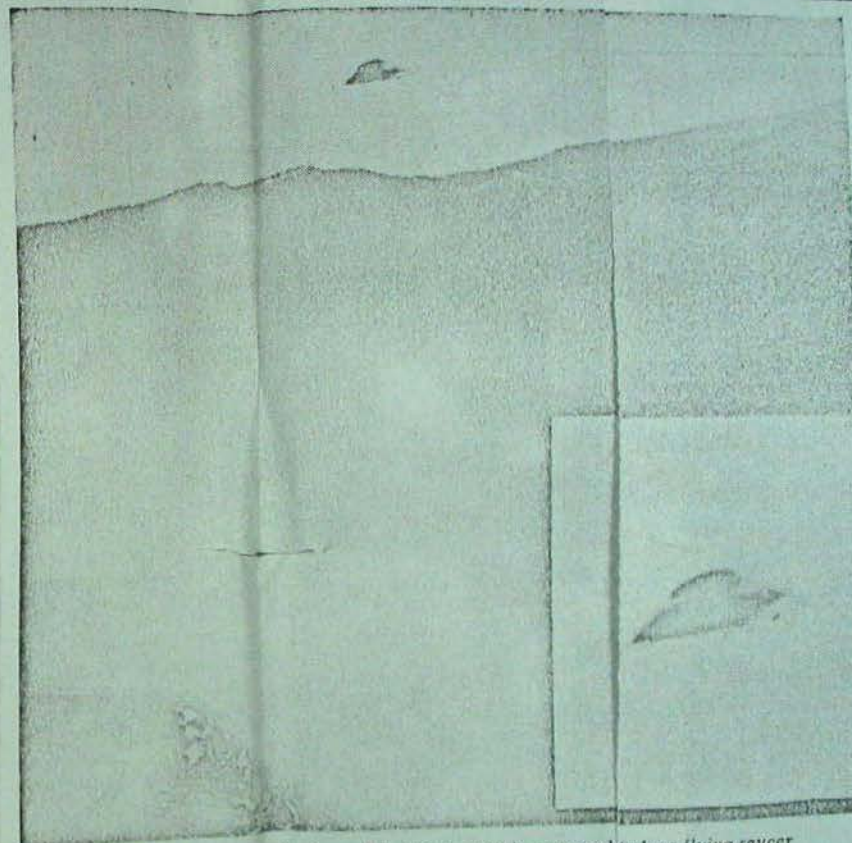
As Sydney University's Professor of Theoretical Physics Stuart T. Butler remarks: "I certainly believe there must be intelligence on some of the other inhabitable planets. It's the only logical interpretation from the evidence. I would go even further and say that there must be intelligent races far further advanced than us. Why should the earth be either at the start or the end of the scale? It is more likely that we are about average, in which

as the RAAF, seek inevitably to explain every sighting away in terms of natural phenomena, even though the explanations often seem very thin on the evidence available.

"I am now concerned to analyse UFO sightings, using a computer, to attempt to see if there are any common circumstances or any statistical indications that unsuspected natural causes may be behind them — if, for example, there is a preponderance of sightings when Venus is at its brightest, and so on.

"So far, I can find no such indication. I am inclined to think that the official agencies very much underestimate the percentage of UFO sightings which are inexplicable in natural terms. Personally, I would put this percentage at considerably more than ten per cent."

In Australia UFO investigations are generally carried out



The object above the skyline (enlarged in the insert) is supposed to be a flying saucer sighted in California in 1941. The man who took the picture says he and two friends saw the object fly by once and he took the picture on the second pass

accelerated in pursuit and the lights, diving and swooping across the countryside, led them in a high-speed chase around the early morning lanes for the best part of an hour.

The two officers reported the incident, and, after the story was reported in British papers, were firmly reprimanded for allowing their imagination to get the better of them. They stuck to their story, to the amazement of their chief constable — and saw the lights again on the next night.

said the USAF spokesman. "If the policemen saw the crosses between midnight and 2 am as they say, it could not have been us."

The Royal Observatory comment, in fact, had gone as far as anyone reasonably could towards an explanation of the Hampshire crosses. "There is something up there" — these occurrences, attested to by policemen and amateur astronomers from four countries, were classic examples of the inexplicable UFO, which is not to say there was any evidence that were intelligently control-

was asked to comment in the House of Commons he gave the assurance: "They are not men from Mars or anything of that kind" and blandly trotted out the exploded Ministry story . . . "It was Venus."

In Australia too there are signs of an official desire to explain UFOs away (irrespective of the evidence. (Paradoxically, the Department of Air seems also to be extraordinarily keen to investigate reported sightings on occasion, though the scientific division responsible is unwilling to be interviewed on the accusation that were enthusiast

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Some Australian sightings

THIS is a sample of some of the more remarkable UFO sightings in Australia — taken from the Department of Air file — together with the comments of some independent scientists.

DATE	INCIDENT	DEPARTMENT OF AIR EXPLANATION	INDEPENDENT COMMENT
October 27, 1960.	Explosions heard in sky at Cressy, Tasmania, and orange-colored ball also described and cigar-shape hovering in sky.	Astronomical.	Hard to reconcile official explanation with the description of clergyman witness who saw cigar joined by round shapes.
January 18, 1961.	Apparently-controlled light, no sound, several sightings around Kerang, Victoria.	Astronomical.	Hard to see how an "astronomical" object moved in "apparently controlled fashion."
February 15, 1963.	Grey, rotating object ascending and then moving away to the west. Gave off "swishing" sound. Moe, Victoria.	Tornado-like manifestation. meteorological	Independent scientist who investigated incident said this was "the least likely explanation." The scientist, a UFO sceptic, could not suggest any natural cause for incident.
January 23, 1964.	Large lights in sea seen by vessel NE of Point of Groote Eylandt, WA. Compass went "haywire." Shadow in centre of lights rotated clockwise, causing lights to pulsate.	Unknown.	
August 2, 1964.	Rocket-like object with windows in side, yellow/orange, above Wittenoom Gorge and Hamersley Ranges, WA.	Astronomical.	An odd explanation.
September 2, 1964.	Two silvery solid oval objects seen on flight between Melbourne and Canberra.	Light refraction.	The experienced pilot was sure they were solid.
May 25, 1965.	Blue light emanating from object colored red, wavering in sky. Light sufficient to illuminate beach. Schulea, Papua-New Guinea.	Unknown.	
June 24, 1965.	Saucer-shaped with cone top and rows of lights across front and along side, with bluish-white and red trail. Daula Station, near Nebo, Northern Territory.	Astronomical.	Explanation sounds hard to accept on the basis of this description.
July 3, 1965.	Loud humming, glowing object, emanating yellow-white light which illuminated herd of cattle. Kimberley, Tasmania.	Astronomical.	Again, the explanation stretches credibility. Does an astronomical object hum?
July 15, 1965.	White spherical object over Canberra, A.C.T.	Astronomical.	Seems to be another example of the "least likely explanation." The object was seen by airline pilots and control officers in the Canberra tower. They were certain it was neither a star nor a balloon, and they are used to looking at the sky.
September 15, 1965.	White object sighted west of Port Moresby, Papua-New Guinea. Moved westwards.	Unknown.	

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THE VAST MAJORITY OF UFO (UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS) REPORTS CAN ONLY BE EXPLAINED. BUT SOME, LIKE THE MANTELL INCIDENT, ARE CHILLINGLY INEXPLICABLE

American pilot Ken Arnold reported "silvery-grey flying" over the United Cascade Mountains. Tens of thousands of sightings all over the world claimed encounters with mysterious craft from space.

Most of the reports are hilarious. The vast majority can be explained in terms of falling meteors, man-made space objects, weather balloons, formations and other natural phenomena. A minority appear chillingly inexplicable.

One of the most famous is now known as the Mantepp incident, on January 7,

the incident began about 10:00 p.m. after a late afternoon when the force base at Godman, Louisville, Kentucky, received a call from the State patrol inquiring if anything about a craft hovering in the area. The man knew nothing — the area flying object was another base also nothing.

The State patrol rang off 15 minutes later. They on the spot. The man had been from a small town 80 miles west of Louisville. Now more reports from west of the town. A large object about 300 meters had been seen west at fairly high

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country than the Department of Air is prepared to admit.

The second of the two scientists, a sceptical Victorian working in the atmospheric sciences who has written papers on UFO phenomena, says:

"The vast majority of so-called UFO sightings can unquestionably be put down to natural and man-made causes. For example, you can throw away all the sightings which are seen within 10 degrees elevation from the horizon because these will normally be light refractions in the atmosphere. Then there are peculiar cloud formations or unusually bright stars which people can often mistake for UFOs.

"But there are incidents which we cannot explain, and it seems to me that official agencies are damaging the chances of proper scientific inquiry by their anxiety to write them off as natural happenings.

"They may well be natural, in a way we don't understand as yet. But we need to find out, and it seems to me that many of the Department of Air's Australian investigations come to unacceptable answers in this hunt for any old natural explanation that will do.

Conceal

"In one incident at Moe, Victoria, which I also investigated myself, the official inquirers plumped arbitrarily for a natural explanation which was in fact — and this is in my field — the least likely of all.

"Other incidents are simply not mentioned at all officially. Schoolchildren in Moorabbin, Victoria, some time ago saw a silvery object descending behind a clump of trees nearby and later taking off again.

"It was an interesting report. The children were familiar enough with aircraft — there is a light plane airfield nearby — not to confuse a crop-dusting plane, or a helicopter, with a UFO.



'I saw — two people in white

JOHN HALLOWS concludes his series, *An Open Mind on UFOs*

ANYONE who makes a living out of interviewing strangers — a barrister, a policeman for example — knows from bitter experience that some of the most likely-sounding stories turn out on examination to be the most complete fantasy.

Even detailed evidence from impeccable sources requires careful checking with second and third parties before it serves as a foundation for belief. The human capacity for self-delusion can make dreams out of doctors and judges just as well as the dullest erotic housewife.

This sort of confirmation is the exact thing missing from all the stories of people who claim to have seen or contacted the crews of UFOs. Some of the claims come from apparently highly reliable people — including several policemen who had everything to lose from telling wild stories — but the absence of good, independent confirmation makes acceptance impossible.

Sometimes inquirers wonder why, if the stories are not real, the claimants should risk ridicule in telling them.

But there are psychological explanations far more appealing to an impartial observer than the wildly unlikely hypothesis that aliens might, after all, be landing. The dream of being picked out for confidences by shining beings from the sky has floated in the human subconscious since the dawn of religion.

Mental unbalance, delusion, unexpressed desire for some personal difference which calls for respect and attention from other people are found as often in the ranks of the police force as among the neurotic virgins whose evidence is so vital to the field of mystical experience and so doubted in the court of common sense.

None of the Australian scientists quoted in this series believes you need look further than psychological-induced fantasy for the explanation for claims of personal contact with UFO aliens.

Even so, there is another side to the coin in this argument.

The experienced detective who on principle doubts even the clergyman's reasoned statement knows, too, that the drunk tramp's wild story can sometimes be the truth. Without corroboration either way he can neither believe nor

medically examined aboard the craft.

Australia, too, has a number of impressive close-contact reports.

In Yericorn, 99 miles north of Perth, Western Australia, 43-year-old farm manager Alan Pool told police last November that a 15-foot flying saucer landed beside his Land-Rover as he drove through a paddock. The saucer, the same size as his vehicle, came so close he could hardly open his door, and took off "like a rocket" as he opened the other side.

"It was flat on the bottom and dome-shaped on top," said Mr Pool. "It appeared to be made of smoky-grey metal."

Denis Crowe, a technical artist of Vaucluse, Sydney, reported watching a 20-foot green disc take off from a beach near his home one night in July 1965. He claimed the craft was no more than 60 feet from him as it rose into the air.

Jim Tilse, Queensland hotel proprietor, claimed that a large disc "buzzed" his hotel near Mackay in May 1965, scorching nearby trees.

Mrs D. Manhood, of Canterbury, NSW, and her sister, Mrs R. Coleman, described a saucer which hovered over a bowling green less than 100 feet from the verandah where they stood, in March last year.

Agricultural research scientist Dr Miran Lindtner, who is president of the Unidentified Flying Objects Investigation Centre in Sydney and who does believe in UFOs and their crews, has collected two other remarkable Australian close-contact claims.

The first is the earliest UFO report in the country, mentioned yesterday.

Says Dr Lindtner: "The story as we have it comes from a farming family in central NSW. It was apparently handed down verbally in the family and was given to us in confidence. The

man it happened to found he could not speak of it to outsiders without being jeered at.

"The man, a farmer, claimed that a saucer-shaped UFO landed in his paddock one day in 1893.

"As he approached a man in strange clothing emerged from it. The farmer walked towards him — perhaps making some threatening gesture — and the stranger shone some kind of torch at him.

"The farmer was thrown to the ground and stunned. When he came to the machine had taken off. His hand, where the torch beam had hit him, was paralysed for life."

Historic

Dr Lindtner's second report was from a woman in Newcastle who claimed to have seen a saucer land in a nearby paddock in 1960.

UFO-contact claims are almost as old as history, on some readings of the Bible, Hindu scriptures and the Tibetan Book of the Dead.

Take Elijah's ascent to heaven . . . "there appeared a chariot of fire . . . and Elijah went up like a whirlwind into Heaven."

Or, the Ezekiel 1.4-5 quote much beloved by UFO believers: "As I looked and behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire unfolding itself, and a brightness was about it, and out of the midst thereof, as the color of amber, out of the midst of the fire. Also out of the midst thereof, came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance; they had the likeness of a man."

And Zachariah 5:1-2: "Again I lifted my eyes and saw, and behold, a flying roll. The length thereof is twenty cubits and the breadth thereof ten cubits."

The 3000-year-old Sanskrit epic Mahabharata talks of spinning aerial missile which radiates light and leaves wake of scorching heat.

UFO historians have unearthed reports which can be interpreted as sightings from all periods of European history. Flying saucers and discs in the Middle Ages, fiery balls in the sky during the Renaissance, cigar shapes spotted in the 19th century which sound exactly like those reported in July 1941 in the U.S. by Eastern Airline flight crew Captain C. S. Chiles and First Officer John E. Whitted.

But after 30 centuries of awe-struck human examination of the sky, the enigma remains. The vital corroboration is always missing.

The pilots were not carrying cameras . . . the photographs taken from the ground are always fuzzy, looking like anything from an old hubcap to an odd trick of light in the sky . . . the policemen who see flying saucers taking off never think of calling in the air force to track them on radar.

Even with the inexplicable incidents there are always natural hypotheses that make it unnecessary to stretch imagination as far as aliens, choosing to travel light-years in order to visit our insignificant planet, out of millions of others.

The most an impartial inquirer can say on UFOs is an expansion of the British Royal Observatory comment on last year's Hampshire sightings: "There is something flying around up there . . . but what it is, natural or intelligent, there is no evidence to decide."

After sifting for several weeks through all the evidence and claims surveyed in this series, and countless others, I find myself still with an open mind — but I shall only BELIEVE in intelligent visitors from outer space the day that wise golden giants step out of their saucer and invite my help in avoiding the detection they plainly seek to avoid.

Only if it happens, I can't logically ask you to believe me without pictures, finger prints, and one of them locked in the bathroom.

Alice in blu



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IN REPLY QUOTE 5/6/1/Air(33)

17 MAY 1968

DAFI Department of Air (DAFI)
Russell Offices
CANBERRA ACT 2600

UFO INVESTIGATION

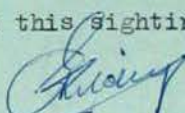
Reference: A. Your 580/1/1 15th May 1968

1. Investigations by this Command concerning the object sighted over POINT LEO at 0100 hours on 24th March 1968 have revealed that:-

- a. There were no satellite predictions for that time.
- b. Electra aircraft ZK-TEB was cleared for T/O ESSENDON 0040 hours (1440Z) out-bound for WELLINGTON.

2. The aircraft ZK-TEB would have been in the POINT LEO area around 0100 hours, flying ESE to FLINDER'S ISLAND before turning onto EAST track.

3. It is therefore assessed that this sighting was of the above-mentioned aircraft.


(B.K. KILDEY)
Wing Commander
For Air Officer Commanding

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15 MAY 68

HEADQUARTERS SUPPORT COMMAND F.L.T. GAVEY

UFO INVESTIGATION

1. Enclosed is a letter which was forwarded to this Department through Department of Civil Aviation channels for further investigation
2. It is appreciated that the great delay between the sighting date and the reporting date, with a further delay due to the method in which the sighting was reported, may not permit any positive identification of the sighting

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DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION

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In Reply Quote 21/1/387

MEMORANDUM FOR:

The Secretary,
Department of Air,
Canberra, ACT.

2-MAY 1968

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Unidentified Flying Object

Forwarded herewith for your information and action, as necessary is a letter received from Miss Isobel Reynolds of 12 Powyss Drive, Beaumaris.

2. We have no information which enables us to identify the phenomena reported by Miss Reynolds.

R. M. Whitecross

(R. M. WHITECROSS)

for Director General of Civil Aviation.

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Mr. Schwartz,
Munster for Aus,
Canberra.

Dear Sir, I wish to report the
following sight, on the advice
of a member of D. C. A.

Date: Sunday, 24th March, between
1 am - 1.10 am, at Pt. Leo, Vic.

Appearance: Brilliant white
light, accompanied by low
even humming sound.

Direction: West to East,
travelling horizontally in a
straight line, lower than

lighter aircraft seen every
night over Westernport Bay

Yours faithfully

Robert Reynolds

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17 APR 1968



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IN REPLY QUOTE 5/6/1/Air(29)

16 MAY 1968

~~DAFI~~ Department of Air (DAFI)
CANBERRA ACT 2600

REPORTS OF UN-IDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

A number of UFO reports, received this day from the Flying Saucer Research Society, are forwarded for information. The objects were sighted during January/February 1968.


(H.R. HARROD)
Squadron Leader
For Air Officer Commanding

Annexes: ✓

File No. _____
Tape Recording _____

Local U.F.O. Group The Australian Flying Saucer Research Society
Name PETER JOHN CHANDLER Age 12 yrs 1 month
Address 99 RANDALL ST. Occupation STUDENT
MANNUM 5238 State SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Place of Sighting: Include details of terrain (dams, powerlines, etc. in vicinity)
MAIN STREET MANNUM SEE SKETCH OVERLEAF

Weather conditions, per cent of cloud cover? NO WIND CLEAR SKY NORMAL TEMP

* Object was first observed: Date 4/2/68 Time 8:30 a.m./p.m.
Overhead From behind a hill: Over horizon: From the surface.

* Observer's attention attracted by: Light/s: Noise: Movement: Other reasons

* Object appeared as: A light Solid object: Changing shape.
Duration 5 minutes No. of objects 1 Formation _____

Opinion of Propulsion: Magnetic Energy to counteract gravity

Details of structure and shape: SAME AS A STAR ONLY MUCH BRIGHTER

ESTIMATE: Speed 700 mph Height (Alt.) 25-30,000' Size 7.5-100' diam
Distance 5 miles Sound NONE Colour WHITE
only when it disappeared

State any experience which qualifies observer to judge height and/or speed: _____

Was trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? NO

* Object disappeared: In mid-air: behind a hill: Over horizon Or otherwise

Do you have any fragments, photographs or supporting evidence? YES / NO

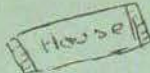
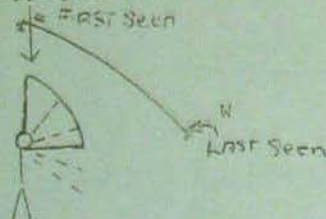
Is this your first sighting? If not, give details of others:
YES

Are you a member of any aerial study group? NO
Organisation's name and address: _____

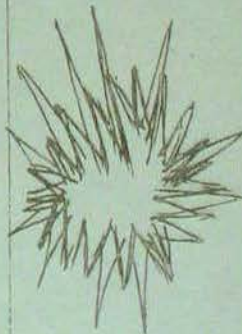
Names and addresses of other witnesses etc.: Family - as above

DIRECTION OF FLIGHT (refer to landmarks/compass)

Indicate relative angle by completing appropriate line



SKETCH OF OBJECT



Additional information - Include attitude to and effects of sighting:

I SUDDENLY FELT I WANTED TO LOOK UP
WHEN I DID I SAW THE OBJECT. I FIRST THOUGHT
I MIGHT BE A NATURAL SATELLITE BUT WHEN
IT STOPPED I KNEW IT WASN'T

I the undersigned state that the above ~~may~~ may be published
using ~~my~~ my name.

Date: 8/2/68

Signature: Peter John Chandler

* Indicate by encircling appropriate answer.

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OFFICIAL FLYING SAUCER (U.F.O.) REPORT FORM

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ADELAIDE S.AUST 5001File No. _____
Tape Recording _____

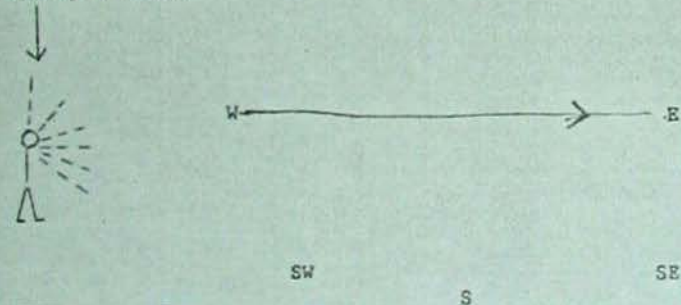
Local U.F.O. Group THE AUSTRALIAN FLYING SAUCER RESEARCH SOCIETY
 Name BRIAN EDWARD YOUNG Age 28
 Address 419 THE TERRACE Occupation RESIDENT INSPECTOR
PORT PRIDE State SOUTH AUSTR.

Place of Sighting: Include details of terrain (dams, powerlines, etc. in vicinity)
419 THE TERRACE PORT PRIDE - RESIDENTIAL AREA.Weather conditions, per cent of cloud cover? CLEAR NIGHT ⁰⁵¹⁵* Object was first observed: Date 18-2-1968 Time 5:15 a.m./p.m.
Overhead: From behind a hill: Over horizon: From the surface.

* Observer's attention attracted by: Light/s: Noise: Movement: Other reasons

* Object appeared as: A light: Solid object: Changing shape.
Duration 20 MINS. No. of objects ONE Formation _____Opinion of Propulsion: UNKNOWNDetails of structure and shape: DISC SHAPED.ESTIMATE: Speed _____ Height (Alt.) 20,000' ^{Rising} Size UNKNOWN
Distance _____ Sound _____ Colour SILVER/WHITEState any experience which qualifies observer to judge height and/or speed:
NIL.Was trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? NO* Object disappeared: In mid-air: behind a hill: Over horizon: Or otherwise
INTO RISING SUN.Do you have any fragments, photographs or supporting evidence? YES / NO
Is this your first sighting? If not, give details of others: YESAre you a member of any aerial study group?
Organisation's name and address: NO.Names and addresses of other MRS. ELAINE YOUNG 419 THE TERRACE
witnesses etc.: MISS L. KNOX 419 THE TERRACE PORT PRIDE

DIRECTION OF FLIGHT (refer to landmarks/compass)

Indicate relative
angle by completing
appropriate line

SKETCH OF OBJECTS



Additional information - Include attitude to and effects of sighting:

WHILE ASLEEP ON FRONT LAWN, I AWOKE TO NOTICE A BRIGHT
 RED LIGHT IN THE WEST AT APP 2000' OVER PORT PRIDE, THE
 DISC SHAPED LIGHT CHANGED COLOUR AS IT ACCELERATED AWAY FROM
 THE GROUND & DISAPPEARED INTO THE RISING SUN. THE OBJECT
 HAD CHANGED COLOUR FROM RED THROUGH BLUE GREEN TO WHITE.
 IT APPEARED TO BE TRAVELLING AT AN INCREDIBLE SPEED

I the undersigned state that the above shall not/may be published
using/withholding my name.Date: 20/4/1968

Signature: _____

* Indicate by encircling appropriate answer.

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BOX 1457 GPO
ADELPHIDE S. AUST 5001File No. _____
Tape Recording _____

Local U.F.O. Group THE AUSTRALIAN FLYING SAUCER RESEARCH SOCIETY

Name J. C. Matthews Age 21 1/2 years
Address 51 Slyde Street - Adelfide - Pk Occupation Hotel Mechanic
5014 State S. Aust.Place of Sighting: Include details of terrain (dams, powerlines, etc. in vicinity)
EASTERN SKY ABOVE ADELPHIDEWeather conditions, per cent of cloud cover? overcast - one clearing east* Object was first observed: Date 19-4-68 Time 5-20 a.m./p.m.
Overhead From behind a hill: Over horizon: From the surface.* Observer's attention attracted by: Lights: Noise: Movement: Other reasons* Object appeared as: A light: Solid object: Changing shape.
Duration 15 MINUTES No. of objects ONE Formation _____Opinion of Propulsion: STATIONARY AT FIRST, THEN ROSE SLOWLY INTO OVERCAST

Details of structure and shape: _____

ESTIMATE: Speed _____ Height (Alt.) _____ Size _____
Distance _____ Sound NONE Colour YELLOW LIGHT

State any experience which qualifies observer to judge height and/or speed: _____

Was trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? _____

* Object disappeared: In mid-air: behind a hill: Over horizon: Or otherwise
INTO OVERCAST ABOVE CLEARING IN EASTDo you have any fragments, photographs or supporting evidence? YES / NOIs this your first sighting? If not, give details of others: one other sighting - P.R.O. has record.Are you a member of any aerial study group? NO

Organisation's name and address: _____

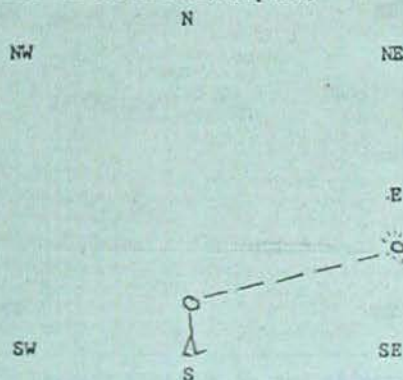
Names and addresses of other witnesses etc.: _____

C.O. NORRIS P.R.O.

DIRECTION OF FLIGHT (refer to landmarks/compass)

SKETCH OF OBJECTS

Indicate relative angle by completing appropriate line



Additional information - Include attitude to and effects of sighting:

object was observed for about 15 minutes in a stationary state, it then began to rise slowly into overcast, it was at this time I rang the P.R.O. so that he could be a witness, from my vantage point it was a large yellow glow actual size & shape were not distinguishable

I the undersigned state that the above shall not/may be published using/withholding my name, if considered important enough

Date: 30-4-68Signature: J. C. Matthews

* Indicate by encircling appropriate answer.

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Local U.F.O. Group _____

Name _____

Age _____

Address _____

Occupation _____

State _____

Place of Sighting: Include details of terrain (dams, powerlines, etc. in vicinity)
131 PENFOLD ROAD WHITE PARK SA OVERLOOKING CITY AND SEA BEYOND

Weather conditions, per cent of cloud cover? CLEAR NO CLOUD

* Object was first observed: Date 27. 1. 68 Time 7:30 a.m./p.m.

Overhead: From behind a hill: Over horizon: From the surface.

* Observer's attention attracted by: Light/s: Noise: Movement: Other reasons
(LIGHT AND MOVEMENT)

* Object appeared as: A light: Solid object: Changing shape.

Duration 4-5 mins. No. of objects ONE Formation CIRCULAR

Opinion of Propulsion: NO NOISE

Details of structure and shape: NO IDEA

ESTIMATE: Speed UNKNOWN TYPE Height (alt.) 15,000 FT Size 9 x 10 INCHES
Distance 15 MILES Sound NIL Colour BRIGHT REDState any experience which qualifies observer to judge height and/or speed:
NONE

Was trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? YES

* Object disappeared: In mid-air: behind a hill: Over horizon: Or otherwise

Do you have any fragments, photographs or supporting evidence? YES / NO

Is this your first sighting? If not, give details of others: _____

Are you a member of any aerial study group?

Organisation's name and address: NO

Names and addresses of other witnesses etc.:

BETTY MEYERS WIFE 1130 E

DIRECTION OF FLIGHT (refer to landmarks/compass)

Indicate relative angle by completing appropriate line

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SKETCH OF OBJECTS




1. VERY BRIGHT
(BRIGHT RED)
2. LIGHTER

Additional information - Include attitude to and effects of sighting:

First impression a distress signal. On reflection realized that
object was too high. Next impression a falling object (bullet)
but felt that speed was too slow.
Informed my friend and then contacted SA Road Police in an
effort to have sighting confirmed.

I the undersigned state that the above shall not/may be published
using/withholding my name.

Date: 27. 1. 68

Signature: 

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File No. _____
Tape Recording _____

Local U.F.O. Group AUSTRALIAN FLYING SAUCER RESEARCH SOCIETY

Name Douglas Anthony McKewen Age 24
Address 106 Military Road, Occupation Real Estate Salesman
Henley Beach South State South Australia

Place of Sighting: Include details of terrain (dams, powerlines, etc. in vicinity)
from above address looking south east towards hills

Weather conditions, per cent of cloud cover? nil

* Object was first observed: Date 24th Jan. 1968 Time 3.00 a.m./p.m.
Overhead: From behind a hill: Over horizon: From the surface.

* Observer's attention attracted by: Light/s: Noise: Movement: Other reasons
as the object moved up and down in a yo-yo movement

* Object appeared as: A light: Solid object: Changing shape.
Duration app. 4-5 mins No. of objects one Formation _____

Opinion of Propulsion: no idea

Details of structure and shape: oval shape

ESTIMATE: Speed stationary Height (Alt.) 1 mile Size appeared approx. three feet
Distance 4-5 miles Sound nil Colour yellow/white

State any experience which qualifies observer to judge height and/or speed:
experience & training as member of S.A. Police Force

Was trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? Shaft of light projected from object towards ground. Thin shaft of light approx 6 ins. wide

* Object disappeared: In mid-air: behind a hill: Over horizon: Or otherwise
object still same position when we retired

Do you have any fragments, photographs or supporting evidence? YES / NO

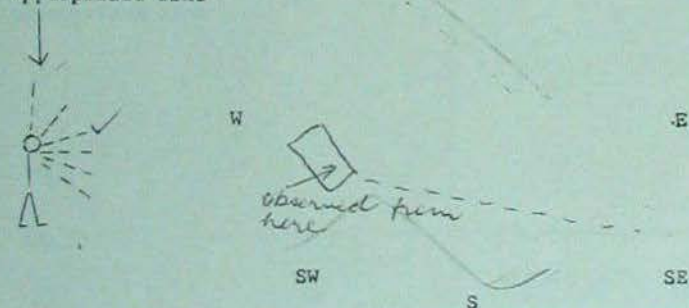
Is this your first sighting? If not, give details of others:
first sighting

Are you a member of any aerial study group? no
Organisation's name and address: _____

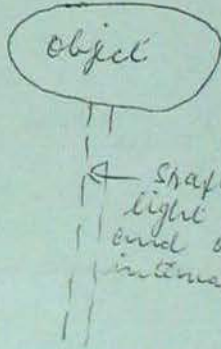
Names and addresses of other witnesses etc.: Wife

DIRECTION OF FLIGHT (refer to landmarks/compass)

Indicate relative angle by completing appropriate line



SKETCH OF OBJECTS



Additional information - Include attitude to and effects of sighting:

I arose from bed to have a glass of water and sighted the object through the kitchen window. Intrigued, I watched the object for about 15 mins then awoke my wife to witness the sighting. My wife seemed to be upset and afraid of what the object might do.

I the undersigned state that the above ~~shall~~ not/may be published using/withholding my name.

Date: 27th January, 1968 Signature: D. McKewen

* Indicate by encircling appropriate answer.

No sketch
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OFFICIAL FLYING SAUCER (U.F.O.) REPORT FORM

File No. _____
Tape Recording _____

Local U.F.O. Group _____
Name GOODWIN JOHN RAYMOND Age 40 YRS
Address 1 VICTORIA COURT Occupation A/C ENGINEER
BLAKSLA PARK State SOUTH AUSTR

Place of Sighting: Include details of terrain (dams, powerlines, etc. in vicinity)
AT MY HOUSE LOOKING IN A SOUTHWEST DIRECTION

Weather conditions, per cent of cloud cover? 50% 0257

* Object was first observed: Date 20-1-68 Time 02:57 a.m./p.m.
Overhead: From behind a hill: Over horizon: From the surface.

* Observer's attention attracted by: Light/s: Noise: Movement: Other reasons _____

* Object appeared as: A light: Solid object: Changing shape. SKETCH
Duration 25 mins No. of objects 5 Formation AS PER SKETCH

Opinion of Propulsion: NONE

Details of structure and shape: ROUND BALLS OF LIGHT

ESTIMATE: Speed 600 mph Height (Alt.) 10,000-30,000 ft Size GROUP 4" x 12" LONG
Distance UNKNOWN Sound NONE Colour WHITE-RED

State any experience which qualifies observer to judge height and/or speed:
A/C ENGINEER & PRIVATE PILOT 20 YRS

Was trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? YES TRAIL VAPOUR

* Object disappeared: In mid-air: behind a hill: Over horizon: Or otherwise _____

Do you have any fragments, photographs or supporting evidence? YES / NO

Is this your first sighting? If not, give details of others: _____

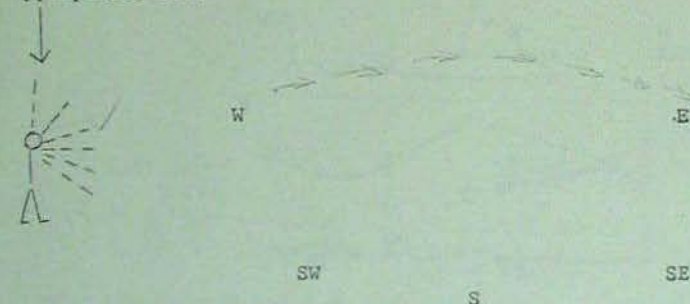
Are you a member of any aerial study group?

Organisation's name and address: NONE

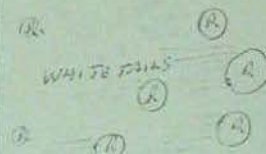
Names and addresses of other witnesses etc.: WIFE MARY ELIZABETH (GOODWIN)

DIRECTION OF FLIGHT (refer to landmarks/compass)

Indicate relative angle by completing appropriate line



SKETCH OF OBJECTS



Additional information - Include attitude to and effects of sighting:

UNBELIEVABLE & AWESOME SIGHT. MY FIRST THOUGHTS WERE THAT THEY WERE A CLUSTER OF ASTEROIDS ENTERING THE EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE.

I the undersigned state that the above shall not/may be published using/withholding my name.

Date: 21-1-68 Signature: J. R. Goodwin

* Indicate by encircling appropriate answer.

No Satellite Prediction

OFFICIAL FLYING SAUCER (U.F.O.) REPORT FORM

File No. _____
Tape Recording _____

Local U.F.O. Group _____
Name KEITH PAUL WASHINGTON Age 39 YEARS
Address FLAT 3, TRAMERE HSE KINGS GROVE Occupation SALESMAN
TEHNIERE State SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Place of Sighting: Include details of terrain (dams, powerlines, etc. in vicinity)

RANGE: (OUTSIDE OF WAIVERIE) MONDAY 25-12-67
THE SAND ISAR. (OUTSIDE OF RENMARKS) 27-12-67 25/12 - 2100
Weather conditions, per cent of cloud cover? 100% CLEAR 21/12 - 0100

* Object was first observed: Date 25-12-67 Time 9:0 - 1:0 a.m./p.m.
Overhead: From behind a hill: Over horizon: From the surface.

* Observer's attention attracted by: Light/s: Noise: Movement: Other reasons
LIGHT SIMILAR TO A STAR. MOVING IN ZIG ZAG FASHION. STOPPING

* Object appeared as: A light: Solid object: Changing shape.
Duration 20 MINUTES No. of objects _____ Formation ZIG ZAG. STRAIGHT LINE, HALF CIRCLE

Opinion of Propulsion: NO IDEA

Details of structure and shape: SIMILAR TO A STAR

ESTIMATE: Speed APPROX 15 MP Height (Alt.) APPEARED TO BE SAME
Distance _____ Sound _____ Colour _____
HIGHER AS STAR SIZE 20 CENT PENCE

State any experience which qualifies observer to judge height and/or speed:
(NIL)

Was trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? NO

* Object disappeared: In mid-air: behind a hill: Over horizon: Or otherwise
ON THE 25TH IN RAIN. OBJECT MOVED AROUND IN SAME AREA MOVED REF

Do you have any fragments, photographs or supporting evidence? YES / NO

Is this your first sighting? If not, give details of others: _____

Are you a member of any aerial study group?

Organisation's name and address: _____

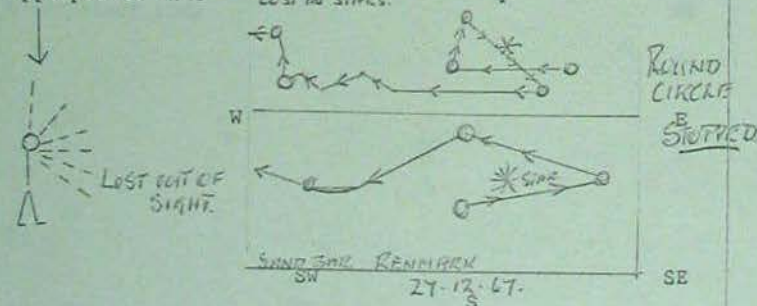
NO.

Names and addresses of other witnesses etc.: M.R.E.J. WASHINGTON ADDRESS AS ABOVE.

DIRECTION OF FLIGHT (refer to landmarks/compass)

Indicate relative angle by completing appropriate line
RANGE. WAIVERIE. N
NW 25-12-67 NE
LOST IN STARS.

SKETCH OF OBJECTS



Additional information - Include attitude to and effects of sighting:

WIFE WAS A LITTLE DISTURBED MY REACTION WAS JUST THAT
A STAR HAD MOVED & THAT WAS A LONG WAY AWAY.

I the undersigned state that the above shall not be published
withholding my name.

Date: 12 Jan - 1968

Signature: _____

* Indicate by encircling appropriate answer.

25/12
2044
42 18°
24 51°
N → E
27/12
NO MENTION
MAY 0100.

OFFICIAL FLYING SAUCER (U.F.O.) REPORT FORM

File No. _____
Tape Recording _____

Local U.F.O. Group THE AUSTRALIAN FLYING SAUCER RESEARCH SOCIETY.

Name GEORGE KITCHENER DENT

Age 44

Address 2A STRADBROKE AVE
OLYMPIAN PARK

Occupation REDUCTIBLE MANAGER

State S/AUST

PHANT TREES

Place of Sighting: Include details of terrain (dams, powerlines, etc. in vicinity)

Weather conditions, per cent of cloud cover? 100% CLOUD

* Object was first observed: Date 23.2.68 Time 7.45 a.m./p.m.

Overhead: From behind a hill: Over horizon: From the surface.

* Observer's attention attracted by: Light/s: Noise: Movement: Other reasons

* Object appeared as: A light: Solid object: Changing shape.
Duration 1 No. of objects 5 Formation IN LINE

Opinion of Propulsion: NO

Details of structure and shape: NONE

ESTIMATE: Speed — Height (Alt.) — Size 1000 ft. in diameter
Distance — Sound — Colour CREAM

State any experience which qualifies observer to judge height and/or speed:
NO

Was trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? ELECTRIC BLUE TAIL OF LIGHT

* Object disappeared: In mid-air: behind a hill: Over horizon: Or otherwise

Do you have any fragments, photographs or supporting evidence? YES / NO
Is this your first sighting? If not, give details of others: NO

Are you a member of any aerial study group?

Organisation's name and address: NO

Names and addresses of other FAMILY AND MRS J FORSTER witnesses etc.:

DIRECTION OF FLIGHT (refer to landmarks/compass)

Indicate relative angle by completing appropriate line

N
NW NE
W E
SW SE
S

SKETCH OF OBJECTS

RED GLOW
ELECTRIC BLUE STREAKS

Additional information - Include attitude to and effects of sighting:
EXCITEMENT - CURIOSITY AND WANTED VERIFICATION

ALL LIGHTS (5) GRADUALLY DISAPPEARED AT DIFFERENT TIMES IT SEEMED WITH A TUMBLING MOTION. THEY WERE MORE ON THAN OFF. THERE WAS AT LEAST ONE LIGHT ON AT ALL TIMES

I the undersigned state that the above shall not/may be published using/withholding my name.

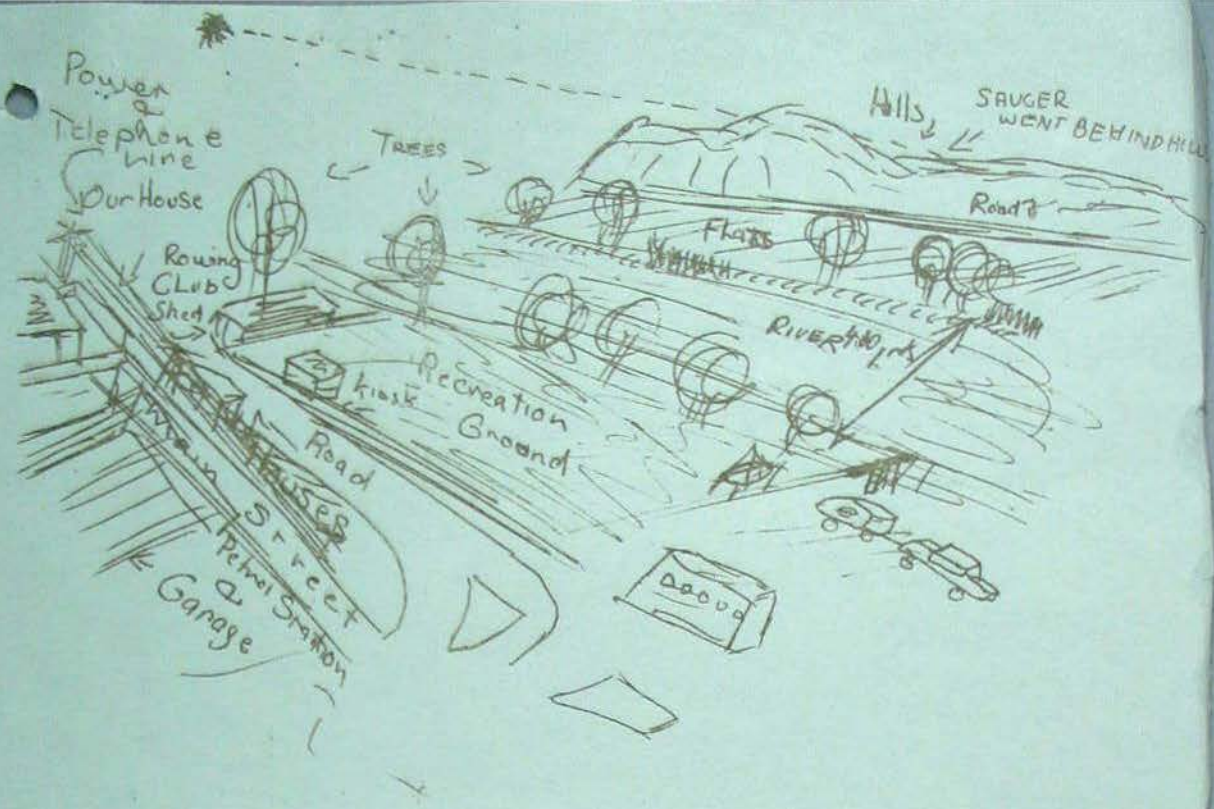
Date: 23.2.68

Signature: George Dent

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* Indicate by encircling appropriate answer.

23.2.68
1945
12.21
12.27
N → E



Unable to estimate size distance speed etc. If object was same altitude as a satellite then its speed would be roughly 3 times that of satt. However it appeared to be at a much lower altitude while still being a fair distance away.

Sound was intermittent, faint and very high pitched similar to but much faster than a cricket.

However only 2 people heard this sound and whether it actually came from the object is hard to determine.

OFFICIAL FLYING SAUCER (U.F.O.) REPORT FORM

File No. _____
Tape Recording _____

Local U.F.O. Group _____
Name BILL HENDRICKSON Age 22
Address FLAT 1, ARMINDA COURT JERVOY ST GLENWIG Occupation CLERK
State SOUTH AUST.

Place of Sighting: Include details of terrain (dams, powerlines, etc. in vicinity)
OVER ADELAIDE

Weather conditions, per cent of cloud cover? CLEAR NIGHT NO CLOUD

* Object was first observed: Date 24-2-68 Time 8.10 a.m./p.m.

Overhead: From behind a hill: Over horizon: From the surface.

* Observer's attention attracted by: Light/s Noise: Movement Other reasons
HIGH SPEED EKKATIC COURSE

* Object appeared as: A light Solid object: Changing shape.

Duration 5 MIN No. of objects ONE Formation NIL

Opinion of Propulsion: UNABLE TO FORM OPINION

Details of structure and shape: SMALL PULSATING REDDISH LIGHT

ESTIMATE: Speed PIO Height (Alt.) PIO Size BRIGHT STAR
Distance PIO Sound PIO Colour RED

State any experience which qualifies observer to judge height and/or speed:

Was trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? LIGHT ONLY

* Object disappeared: In mid-air behind a hill: Over horizon: Or otherwise
OBJECT SEEMED TO STOP IN MIDAIR GROW FAINTER AND DISAPPEARED

Do you have any fragments, photographs or supporting evidence? YES / NO

Is this your first sighting? If not, give details of others: SIMILAR EXPERIENCE ABOUT 7 YEARS AGO BUT NOTHING AS CONCRETE AS THIS

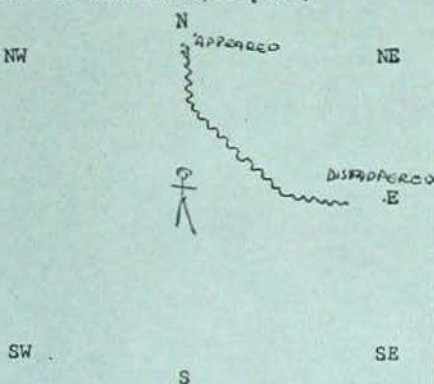
Are you a member of any aerial study group?

Organisation's name and address: NIL

Names and addresses of other witnesses etc.: CARMEL SINCLAIR FLAT 1, ARMINDA COURT GLENWIG NORTH.
MAYMA HENDRICKSON 66 ADDISON RD PENNINGTON

DIRECTION OF FLIGHT (refer to landmarks/compass)

Indicate relative angle by completing appropriate line



SKETCH OF OBJECTS

Additional information - Include attitude to and effects of sighting:

Attitude of ~~the~~ curiosity unable to form opinion as to what object was.

I the undersigned state that the above shall not/may be published using/without my name.

Date: 25/2/68 Signature: B. Hendrickson

* Indicate by encircling appropriate answer.

INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

- Mr Richard James MULES 33yrs.
1. Name of observer... Mrs Joy Faith MULES Age... 32yrs.....
2. Address of observer... Germein Road, BARMERA.....
..... Phone... 108.....
3. Occupation of observer... Fruit grower and Homeduties.....
4. Date and time of observation... Between 0005hrs & 0130hrs on Tuesday
13th February 1968.....
5. Duration of observation... Between 0005hrs and 0130hrs.....
6. Observers location at time of sighting... At rear door of home
..... facing North, on Fruit block East of Barmera.....
7. Weather conditions at time of observation... Clear night, stars bright.
... At 0030hrs cloud obscured object for 10 minutes only.....
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation... Pair of
... binoculars, 'highness' brand, 8 x 30, Field of View 7.50°
.....
9. Where was object first observed ? (eg, overhead, coming from
behind a hill, over the horizon)... Just above Eastern Horizon
... between two Peach trees on property.....
10. What first attracted observer's attention ? (eg, light or
noise)... Saw red and green flashing light, thought it an
Aircraft but no noise heard.....

11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object ?
~~Looking through field glass it looked a definite object,~~
~~but with naked eye only flashing lights could be seen.~~
12. If there was more than one object :-
 (a) how many were there ?....~~One only~~.....
 (b) in what formation were they ?.....
13. What was the colour of the light or object ? ~~golden colour.~~ Through glasses, a
14. What was its apparent shape ?...~~Complete circle~~.....
15. Was any detail of structure observable ? ~~Mosaic pattern over object.~~
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious ?...~~No~~.....
17. Was there any sound ?.....~~No~~.....
18. What was its height ? (or angle of elevation). ~~30° to Horizon~~
19. What was its speed ? (or angular velocity) ~~Took 1 hrs to cross sky.~~
20. Was the object stationary ?...~~No~~.....
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass ?
~~From Eastern horizon to due North.~~
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all ?
~~Appeared curving path same distance from earth all the way.~~
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen ?.....
~~No trail, but red and green flashing lights. Green then red light but not flashing together.~~
24. Where did object disappear ? (eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon ?
~~Last seen heading North in the sky.~~

25. Do you know of any physical evidence ? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)

..... No

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously ?

..... No

27. If so, give brief details of incident(s).....

..... N.A.

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.

..... Nil

29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena ?

..... No

30. Name and address of organization.....

..... N.A.

31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.

..... Wife assisting husband with night watering of block when object sighted. Mrs MULES observed it for a short time and went to get her husband to have a look also. Mrs MULES then got her field glasses and looked at the red and green flashing light which appeared to be a shining golden circle with mosaic design on it. Design similar to what is seen in a Kaleidoscope. Object watched at intervals of 10-15 minutes on its path across sky. Was still on Northern Horizon when Mrs Mules went to bed.

Barmera
12.3.68

.....
Interviewer.
J.A. FITZGERALD
F.C.C. No.1484

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32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type..... *NIL from EDINBURGH*
 Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
 Height,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft
 Speed.....K.....K.....K

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type..... *none known*
 Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
 Height.....,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft
 Speed.....K.....K.....K

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time :-

..... *NIL*

35. A meteorological balloon was released from

..... *NIL*at.....Z and could
 have been in the reported UFO position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were

..... *NIL*
 (comet, meteorite shower, etc)

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons)

There were no predicted comets or meteors at this time.

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported
was..... *N/A*

39. The object reported could have been..... *an unpredicted satellite*

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be
determined.

2 AIR TK145 UNIT.....(Unit)..... *Allen*.....(Name)

24 APRIL 1968.....(Date)..... *First Lieutenant*.....(Rank)



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16th May 1968

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The Secretary
Department of Air
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CANBERRA ACT 2600

REPORT ON AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

Enclosed is a copy of a report received by this
Headquarters on the observation of an aerial object by
CPL WALLACE of RAAF Base PEARDE.

Encl. /

[Signature]
(S.R.DART)
Squadron Leader
For Officer Commanding

For Information

Headquarters Support Command Victoria Barracks MELBOURNE VIC 3000

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer **P.C.WALLACE** Age **27**
2. Address of Observer..... **RAAF Base PEARCE**
3. Occupation of Observer..... **Service Policeman**
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
1545 Hours 7 MAY 68
.....
5. Duration of observation(s)..... **Approximately 1 minute**
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by
map reference if possible, or by
known landmarks)
Doorway of Unit Service Police Office facing in a NNE direction
.....
RAAF Base PEARCE WA
.....
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s)..... **Clear, light cloud.**
.....
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation).
normal vision
.....
.....
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill,
over the horizon, etc.
Diving vertically from cloud formation.
.....
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise?
Bright Light
.....
11. Did the object appear as a light or as a definite object.
definite object
.....
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was
their formation.
One object.
.....
13. What was the colour of the light or object?..... **Silver**
14. What was its apparent shape? **Circular**
15. Was any detail of structure observable?..... **NO**
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?..... **NO**
17. Was there any sound..... **NO**
18. Height, or angle of elevation..... **Vertical, 4000ft approximately**
19. Speed, or angular velocity..... **High speed**
20. Was the object stationary..... **NO**
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points
of the compass. **NNE**

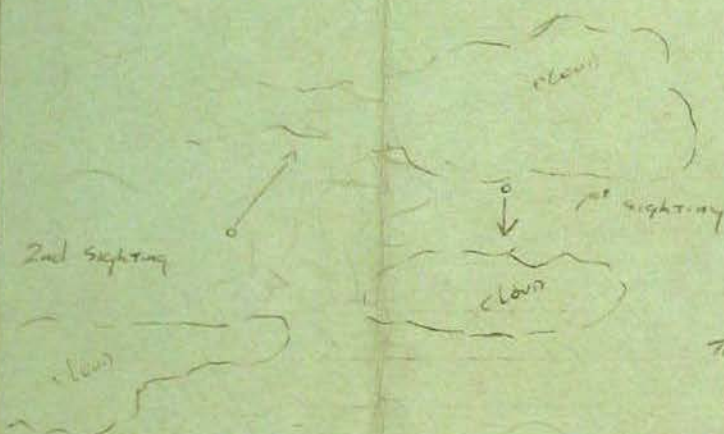
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?
First sighting, straight path; second sighting - angle 3° clock
.....
23. Was there any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen..... NO
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.
Behind cloud formation
.....
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or any other supporting evidence.
NO
.....
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously..... NO
27. If so, give details of incident(s)..... N/A
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
NONE
.....
29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena?
NO
.....
30. Name and Address of Organization..... N/A
.....
31. Any additional information: NIL
.....
.....
- Signature of Observer: *P.C. Wallace*
(P.C. WALLACE)
CORPORAL
32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.
.....
Vampire aircraft from PEARCE
.....
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
PEARCE and GUILDFORD
.....
34. Comments: Observer has stated that object sighted was not a Vampire or any other aircraft. Attached diagram of object suggests something material caught in the vertical air movement associated with cloud structure.

QUESTIONS

NOTE:

Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

Relative
Position of
Moon



1545 hrs

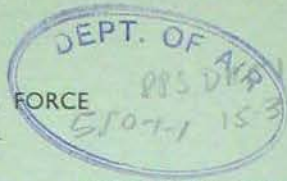
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NNE

Time between sightings approx
1 minute



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14 MAY '68

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECTS OBSERVED

Enclosed is a report of a sighting by Flt Lt A.E Churches
and Flg Off R.B. CARGILL.

J. L. C. L.
(JOHN C. LUKER)
Flight Lieutenant
for Air Officer Commanding

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/4/5)

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer PLT LT A.E. CHURCHES 47
FLG OFF R.B. CARGILL 46
2. Address of observers RAAF WILLIAMTOWN
PHONE 222
3. Occupation of observer AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL
4. Date and time of observation 22ND APRIL 1968 2030K
5. Duration of observation APPROX 8 MINUTES
6. Observers location at time of sighting CONTROL TOWER RAAF WILLIAMTOWN
7. Weather conditions at time of observation FINE NO CLOUD
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation BINOCULARS
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon).
IN DIRECTION OF NEWCASTLE
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
NORTHERLY MOVEMENT OF BRIGHT LIGHT
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
AS A BRIGHT LIGHT (MOVING)
12. If there was more than one object:-
how many were there? N/A
in what formation were they? N/A
13. What was the colour of the light or object? YELLOW
14. What was its apparent shape? JUST A BRIGHT LIGHT
15. Was any detail of structure observable? NO

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? NO
17. Was there any sound? NO
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation).....APPROX. 15° ABOVE HORIZON
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity) SIMILAR TO MEDIUM SPEED PISTON
ENGINE A/C
20. Was the object stationary? ...No.....
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or
points of the compass?
... SOUTH TO NORTH.....
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre
at all?
... STRAIGHT PATH. (SOUTH TO NORTH).....
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen? .THROUGH BINOCULARS.,
SMALL RED LIGHT BENEATH.....
24. Where did object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the
horizon)
... RADED FROM SIGHT NORTH OF WILLIAMTOWN.....
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photo-
graphs, or other supporting evidence)
... NO.....
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? ..NO.....
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s) ..N/A.....
.....
.....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain
about the answers given to 18 and 19.
... ATC OFFICER & AIRCREW.....
29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena?
..... NO.....
30. Name and address of organization N/A.....
.....
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
ATTENTION OF APPROACH CONTROLLER DIRECTED TO SIGHTING. CONTROLLER
SAW LIGHT BUT NO RADAR CONTACT MADE: ... WAS NOT A MILITARY A/C.....
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PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-

Aircraft type NIL
HeadingTTT
Height000 ft000 ft000 ft
SpeedKKK

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-

Aircraft type NO REPORTED CIVIL A/C
HeadingTTT
Height000 ft000 ft000 ft
SpeedKKK

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time:-

... SIGHTING NOT CONSISTENT WITH PLANET OR STAR.

35. A meteorological balloon was released from .. WILLIAMTOWN.

at 1930Z and could ^{NOT} have been in the reported UFO position at the time. Upper winds at the time were Westerly and met balloon was equipped with radar reflector.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were

NIL
.....(comet, meteorite shower, etc).

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons) NOT A SCHEDULED SATELLITE BUT POSSIBLY A SATELLITE RECENTLY
PUT INTO ORBIT.

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was

N/A
.....
.....

39. The object reported could have been .. A NEWLY LAUNCHED SATELLITE .. NOT
RECORDED IN SATGEN PREDICTION BULLETIN

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

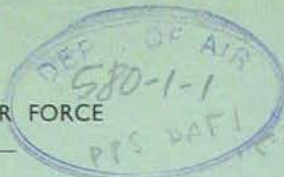
..... HQ/UM(Unit) *Head*(Name)

..... 1 MAY 68(Date) FLT LT(Rank)

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECTS OBSERVED

Enclosed are reports of sightings by Flt Lt K. Furlonger
and Mrs Hickey.

John C. Luker
(JOHN C. LUKER)
Flight Lieutenant
for Air Officer Commanding

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/4/5)

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer Flt Lt K. FURLONGER AGE... 43.....
2. Address of observer RAAF Base WILLIAMTOWN
..... PHONE 222
3. Occupation of observer RAAF - Air Traffic Control
4. Date and time of observation 2030 hrs 22 Apr 68
5. Duration of observation 5 - 10 mins.
6. Observers location at time of sighting Control Tower
..... (Approach Control Radar)
7. Weather conditions at time of observation Fine - Clear -
..... Nil Cloud - Westerly winds.
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation
..... Attempted to pick up on radar - no result.
.....
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind
a hill, over the horizon).
..... Approaching from Newcastle area.
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
..... Advised by Tower Controller (Flt Lt Churches)
.....
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
..... Light.
.....
12. If there was more than one object:-
(a) how many were there? N/A
(b) in what formation were they? N/A
13. What was the colour of the light or object? Yellow.
14. What was its apparent shape? Appeared as bright light.
15. Was any detail of structure observable? No.

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? ... No
17. Was there any sound? ... No
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation) ... Difficult to assess, estimate 2000' to 4000'.
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity) ... Appeared approx medium aircraft speed.
20. Was the object stationary? ... No.
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
... South to north.
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
... Did not maintain continuous watch.
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen? ... No.
24. Where did object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
... Not seen.
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
... No.
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? ... No.
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s) ...
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
... Aircrew duties and air traffic control.
29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena?
... No.
30. Name and address of organization ... N/A.
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
Tower controller advised position and direction of travel but no return seen on approach control radar. High and Low beam used.

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL
OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer MRS. HICKEY AGE 22
2. Address of observer VALE ST. SMITHFIELD
PHONE 632-5801
3. Occupation of observer HOUSEWIFE
4. Date and time of observation 032200K
5. Duration of observation 1 min
6. Observers location at time of sighting
IN FRONT OF ABOVE ADDRESS
7. Weather conditions at time of observation
CLEAR NIGHT
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation
NONE
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon).
OVER HOUSE
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
LIGHT
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
AS A FLASH OF LIGHT
12. If there was more than one object:-
(a) how many were there? 9
(b) in what formation were they? IRREGULAR
13. What was the colour of the light or object? YELLOW LIGHT
14. What was its apparent shape? ROUNDS
15. Was any detail of structure observable? NO

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?..... *No*
17. Was there any sound?..... *No*
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation).....
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity)..... *Slow*
20. Was the object stationary?..... *No*
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
..... *EAST*
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
..... *STRAIGHT PATH*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen?.....
..... *No*
24. Where did object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
..... *OVER A HILL*
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
..... *No*
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously?..... *No*
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s).....
.....
.....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
..... *NIL*
29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena?
..... *No*
30. Name and address of organisation.....
.....
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
..... *5 OTHER PERSONS PRESENT.*
..... *AND ALSO OBSERVED OBJECTS*

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PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type.....N/C.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type.....N/C.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time :-.....

35. A meteorological balloon was released from.....

at.....Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were

.....(comet, meteorite shower, etc).

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons).....

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was.....

39. The object reported could have been.....

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

.....(Unit).....(Name)
.....(Date).....(Rank)

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

TELEPHONE: 69 0550

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:
"AIRCOMMAND, MELBOURNE"

IN REPLY QUOTE 5/6/1/Air(27)

HEADQUARTERS SUPPORT COMMAND
RAAF
VICTORIA BARRACKS
MELBOURNE SC1 VIC 3004

14 MAY 1968

DAFI
Department of Air (DAFI)
Russell Offices
CANBERRA ACT 2600

UN-IDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Forwarded are UFO reports, with relevant comments,
of UFOs sighted by the following civilians during April 1968.

9 April	K. TURNBULL	(Thornbury Victoria)
10 April	A. STACKHOUSE	(Flinder's Island)
25 April	N. GRAY	(Ringwood East)
	C. BORBETT	(Bayswater)
	P. ROSE	(Croydon)
30 April	B. PETTIFER	(DCA Controller Hobart)

H.R. Harrod
(H.R. HARROD)
Squadron Leader
For Air Officer Commanding

Annexes: 1-6 UFO Reports



REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer.....MR K TURNBULL.....Age.....
2. Address of Observer.....758 HIGH STREET THORNHURST VIC.....
3. Occupation of Observer.....TEL. 441623.....
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
.....9 APR 68 1905 K......
5. Duration of Observation(s).....[NOT KNOWN].....
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own
.....AT ABOVE ADDRESS.....position by map reference
.....if possible, or by known
.....landmarks)
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s).....
.....PATCHES OF CLOUD, MAINLY CLEAR NIGHT.....
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the
.....NIL.....observation)
9. Where was object first observed, eg overhead, coming from
.....OVERHEAD.....behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise.
.....MOVEMENT OF LIGHT.....
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
.....LIGHT.....
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and
.....ONE.....what was their formation.
13. What was the colour of the light or object.....WHITE LIGHT.....
14. What was its apparent shape.....OVAL.....
15. Was any detail of structure observable.....NO.....
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious.....NO.....
17. Was there any sound.....NO.....
18. Height, or angle of elevation.....UNABLE TO DETERMINE BUT VERY HIGH.....
19. Speed, or angular velocity.....UNABLE TO DETERMINE.....
20. Was the object stationary.....NO.....
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks
.....NWST TO EAST.....or points of the compass...

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? *STRAIGHT PATH*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen... *NO*
24. Where did object disappear, eg mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon. *[NOT KNOWN]*
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence. *NIL*
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously. *[N/K]*
27. If so, give details of incident(s). *[N/A]*
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to paras 18 and 19. *[NOT KNOWN]*
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena? *[NOT KNOWN]*
30. Name and address of organisation. *[N/A]*
31. Any additional information. *NIL*

Signature of Observer. _____

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting. *NIL*
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area. *NIL*

34. Comments. *Report compiled from information given to Duty Officer HARRISON. Assessed as Sahel-like. PEGASUS 2 visible Melbourne 1903 AZ 343 EZ 26 Travelling WEST to EAST*

Signature of Interrogator. *[Signature]*

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

note... Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved and the time taken to do this.

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer. Alfred C. Staehhouse Age. 42
2. Address of Observer. KITE KILLIECRANKIE FLINDERS IS
3. Occupation of Observer. Fishing boat owner 7255
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
10-11-68 at 7:15 p.m.
5. Duration of Observation(s) about 1 minute
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
1 mile east from centre of Marshall Bay on West coast of Flinders Island
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s) clouded overhead edge of cloud in north direction about 45° up from where I was standing
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation)
None
9. Where was object first observed, eg overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
at elevation of 45° in the N.N.W
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise.
White flashing light
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
as a light
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation.
only one
13. What was the colour of the light or object White
14. What was its apparent shape unable to see
15. Was any detail of structure observable No
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious No
17. Was there any sound No
18. Height, or angle of elevation 45° to North
19. Speed, or angular velocity fairly fast (guess... 200 m.p.h.)
20. Was the object stationary No
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass...
West to East

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? *Straight path*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen... *No. only light previously mentioned*
24. Where did object disappear, eg mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon. *mid air, - about NE from observer*
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence. *None*
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously... *No*
27. If so, give details of incident(s).....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to paras 18 and 19.
I am a private pilot having some 600 odd hours of flight experience over 12 years.
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena? *No*
30. Name and address of organisation.....
31. Any additional information... *The white light observed was flashing but ~~was~~ between light flashes could be seen quite clearly, the flashes appeared not exactly regular, ^{very} slight variation in timing*
Signature of Observer... *P. T. O.*
32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting. *None*
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
34. Comments. *Probably satellite PZAS 2 - Predicted 194 hours 02340° E 19° at MELBOURNE - Observation 1945 - 340° - 45° - Elevation 10 (also should be < 10°)*
Signature of Interrogator.....

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

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P.T.O.

The object passed from about NNW to NE at an angle
angle of elevation of about 45° in ~~about~~ about 1 ~~minute~~ minutes
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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED



1. Name of Observer... NOLA GRAY ... Age 16
2. Address of Observer... 2 Kemps Street Ringwood East
3. Occupation of Observer... SELF SIGNS PTY LTD
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
CUTLINE - OPERATOR
The approx Time was 6 PM 25th of APRIL
5. Duration of Observation(s)... 2 minutes
6. Observer's location at time of sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
South of Princes Highway
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of Observation(s)...
FINE Weather Slightly Windy
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the Observation)
.....
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc)
Spotted coming in Northern Direction
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
LIGHT
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
The object appeared as a light because it was DARK and at NIGHT TIME
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation?
There was only one object
13. What was the colour of the light or object? ... BRIGHT RED
14. What was its apparent shape? ... In the shape of a Circle
15. Was any detail of structure observable? ... NO
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? ... NO
17. Was there any sound? ... NO
18. Height, or angle of elevation... The height was approx 300 ft
19. Speed, or angular velocity.....
20. Was the object stationary? ... NO
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
Northerly direction Crib Ref. 82.10/8310 16.3360

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...12.

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C.D. 6/1

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? *It travelled on a straight Path*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen?
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon? *Behind a hill*
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs or other supporting evidence.
N.O.
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? *N.O.*
27. If so, give details of incident(s).....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
.....
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena? *N.O.*
30. Name and address of organisation.....
31. Any additional information.....
- Signature of Observer *Nola GRAY*
32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting. *N.O.*
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area. *NO*

COMMENTS

34. *When we spotted the object, it was not travelling at great speed, we could see a large red light, the light glitted and the object was gliding towards earth we thought it was a plane going to crash land. We are quite certain the objected landed because it disappeared beyond a hill in the distance.*

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

NOLA GRAY

Note: Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED



1. Name of Observer... COLIN SUTTON CORRETT 111483.21
2. Address of Observer... 4 KENNETH ST. BAYSWATER VIC
3. Occupation of Observer... SILK SCREEN PRINTER
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
... 25TH APRIL 1968 ... APPROX. 6.00 P.M.
5. Duration of Observation(s)... APPROX. TWO MINUTES
6. Observer's location at time of sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
... NORTH EAST OF LONGHARRY AND ...
... JUST SOUTH OF PRINCES HWY ... GRID REF 8210/8310 ...
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of Observation(s)... FINE, SLIGHTLY WINDY
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the Observation)
... NOTHING ...
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc)
... GOING IN ROUGHLY SAME DIRECTION AS I WAS (NORTH)
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
... LARGE BRIGHT LIGHT / RED WITH A BLUE HUE
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
... LIGHT ONLY
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation?
... ONLY ONE
13. What was the colour of the light or object? BRIGHT RED / BLUEISH HUE
14. What was its apparent shape? ROUND
15. Was any detail of structure observable? ... NO
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? ... NO
17. Was there any sound? ... NO
18. Height, or angle of elevation. APPROX. 500 FT
19. Speed, or angular velocity... 20-25 MPH
20. Was the object stationary? ... NO - MOVING
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
... NORTHERLY DIRECTION ... GRID REF 8210/8310 ... DROWN 163360

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? REMAINED ON STRAIGHT PATH
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? SLIGHT VAPOUR
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon? IN A SMALL VALLEY
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs or other supporting evidence.
NIL
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? NO
27. If so, give details of incident(s).....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
HEIGHT WAS ASCERTAINED BY MOUNTAIN IN FOREGROUND
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena? NO
30. Name and address of organisation.....
31. Any additional information.....
- Signature of Observer Col. S. Robert
32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.....
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.....
34. Comments.....
See last page

Signature of Interrogator _____

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

Note: Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

OBJECT DROPPED AT APPROX. 45°

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED



1. Name of Observer. Peter David Rose Age. 17
2. Address of Observer. 378 Mt Dandenong Rd. Chydon
3. Occupation of Observer. Printer
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
ABout 6 PM
5. Duration of Observation(s). 60 Seconds
6. Observer's location at time of sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
South of Princes Highway
Nth-Est of Langquary
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of Observation(s). Fine but
windy
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the Observation)
none
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc)
Spotted coming in Northern direction
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
light
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
as a light
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation?
only one object
13. What was the colour of the light or object? Bright Red
14. What was its apparent shape? a circle
15. Was any detail of structure observable? no
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? no
17. Was there any sound? no
18. Height, or angle of elevation.
19. Speed, or angular velocity.
20. Was the object stationary? no
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
Northerly direction Grid Ref. 82 10, 83 10
OR 4 IN 163360

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? *it remained on a straight path.*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? *yes.*
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon? *Trees covered view.*
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs or other supporting evidence.
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? *no.*
27. If so, give details of incident(s).
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena? *no.*
30. Name and address of organisation.
31. Any additional information.

Signature of Observer Peter D Rose

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting. ~~_____~~
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
34. Comments. *This would be at last light and seemed to be a light aircraft landing at LABERTOUCHE, Lysland. No information or flight plan available from DCA.*

Signature of Interrogator Hayes

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

Note: Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

REPORT ON AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of observer BERNARD PETTIFER
 2. Address of Observer BOX 541 F GPO HOBART TASMANIA
 3. Occupation of Observer AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER
 4. Date and Time of Observation (Time given in 24 hour clock zonal time)
30/4/68 0030 Z (GMT) 1030 local
 5. Period of Observation(s) TWO LOTS OF TEN MINUTES
 6. Manner of Observation: (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks, and describe any equipment used in the observation).
ON TRACK 010° FROM HOBART
AIRPORT BETWEEN 20 AND 30 MILES
 7. Where was object first observed, e.g. overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
OVER HORIZON
 8. What first attracted observer's attention, e.g. light or noise.
LIGHT
 9. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
DEFINITE OBJECT
 10. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was their formation.
ONE
 11. What was the colour of the light or object SILVER
 12. What was its apparent shape ROUND
 13. Was any detail of structure observable NO
 14. Was any method of propulsion obvious NO
 15. Was there any sound NO
 16. Height, or angle of elevation 20° FROM GROUND BASE
 17. Speed, or angular velocity NO MOVEMENT
 18. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 16 and 17.
SEE FURTHER ANSWERS
- * * Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

Report on Aerial Object Observed (Contd.)

19. Direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass.
..... NO MOVEMENT APPARENT
20. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all.
..... NO MOVEMENT APPARENT
21. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen NO
22. Where did object disappear, e.g. in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.
..... MID AIR
23. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.
..... NIL
24. Weather conditions experienced at time(s) or observation(s)
..... V F R
25. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.
..... SEE BELOW
26. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
..... HOBART AIRPORT

27. Any additional information The first circle of light was noticed approximately ten minutes after a Viscount had departed from Hob aircraft tracking 010° for 30 miles. As a second Viscount was lined up

*Questions 25, 26 and 27 to be answered by interrogator. to leave on the same course at this time, the light was noticed by various observers including pilot of second Viscount. Soon after departure of second Viscount the light disappeared. A light similar to the first appeared at about the same time out from the airport of the second Viscount as the first and disappeared at a similar time. These two Viscounts then left at 30 miles out.

Obviously, the lights were caused by sun shining on each Viscount, but they were unusual enough to disturb a number of ~~excellent~~ expert witnesses.

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED



1. Name of Observer... COLIN SUTTON CORRETT
2. Address of Observer... 4 KENNETH ST. BAYSWATER VIC
3. Occupation of Observer... SILK SCREEN PRINTER
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
25TH APRIL 1968 APPROX. 6:00 P.M.
5. Duration of Observation(s)... APPROX. TWO MINUTES
6. Observer's location at time of sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
NORTH EAST OF LONGWARRY AND JUST SOUTH OF PRINCES HWY. GRID REF. 8210/8310
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of Observation(s)... FINE, SLIGHTLY WINDY
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the Observation)
NOTHING
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc)
GOING IN ROUGHLY SAME DIRECTION AS I WAS (North)
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
LARGE BRIGHT LIGHT / RED WITH A BLUE HUE
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
LIGHT ONLY
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation?
ONLY ONE
13. What was the colour of the light or object? BRIGHT RED / BLUEISH HUE
14. What was its apparent shape? ROUND
15. Was any detail of structure observable? NO
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? NO
17. Was there any sound? NO
18. Height, or angle of elevation. APPROX. 500 FT
19. Speed, or angular velocity. 20-25 MPH
20. Was the object stationary? NO - MOVING
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
NORTHERLY DIRECTION... GRID REF. 8210/8310

DROWN
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22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? REMAINED ON STRAIGHT PATH
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? SLIGHT VAPOUR
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon? IN A SMALL VALLEY
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs or other supporting evidence.
NIL
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? NO
27. If so, give details of incident(s).....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
HEIGHT WAS ASCERTAINED BY MOUNTAIN IN FOREGROUND
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena? NO
30. Name and address of organisation.....
31. Any additional information.....
- Signature of Observer [Signature]
32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.....
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.....
34. Comments.....
See last page [Signature]
- Signature of Interrogator _____

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

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OBJECT DROPPED AT APPROX. 45°

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED



1. Name of Observer. Peter David Rose A/3. 17...
2. Address of Observer. 378 MT. Dandenong Rd. Clayton
3. Occupation of Observer. Printer
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
About 6 PM.
5. Duration of Observation(s). 60 Seconds
6. Observer's location at time of sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
South of Princes Highway
Nth-Est of Langwarrup
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of Observation(s). Fine but
windy
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the Observation)
none
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc)
Spotted coming in Northern direction
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
light
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?
as a light
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation?
only one object
13. What was the colour of the light or object? Bright Red
14. What was its apparent shape? a circle
15. Was any detail of structure observable? no
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? no
17. Was there any sound? no
18. Height, or angle of elevation.
19. Speed, or angular velocity.
20. Was the object stationary? no
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
Northward direction
Grid Ref. 8210/8310
163360

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? *It remained on a straight path.*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? *yes.*
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon? *Trees covered view.*
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs or other supporting evidence.
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? *no.*
27. If so, give details of incident(s).
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena? *no.*
30. Name and address of organisation.
31. Any additional information.

Signature of Observer *Peter D Rose*

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting. *[scribble]*
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
34. Comments. *This would be at last light and seemed to be a light aircraft landing at LABERTOUCHE, Lysland. No information or flight plan available from DCA.*

Signature of Interrogator *[Signature]*

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

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MEMORANDUM

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5/6/11 AIR (25)

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FROM

Hq SUPCOM

DATE

9 MAY 68

TO

DEPT OF AIR

ATTENTION

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REFERENCES

EAST 1110

DEPT AIR (25) 11
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PPS DAF 15364

SUBJECT

UFO SIGHTINGS.

1. Enclosed herewith is copy of investigating officers' report regarding UFO sightings in the Heyfield (Lyonsland) area.
2. These sightings were given an amount of publicity in the Melbourne and Sale newspapers. For purposes of comparison, therefore, attached also is a cutting from the Melbourne "Herald", which would appear to contain a large element of journalistic licence.

SIGNATURE

J. Gavety

PRINTED NAME

J. GAVETY

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C.D.O. 9777

7. On investigating the Air Almanac, it was found that the Moon rose at 0312 EST, and 0412 EST, on 24 Apr 68 and 25 Apr 68 respectively; that is, the top of the moon was coincident with the horizon. The azimuth of the moon was 098° T on 24 Apr 68 and 090° T on 25 Apr 68. The moon on each occasion was in the Last Quarter.

10. In conclusion, it is my firm opinion that the object seen by the witnesses on each occasion was the Moon. The inversions would account for the red-orange discolouration on each day. The witnesses reports coincide with the movement of the Moon on each day, and their descriptions of its shape is exactly that of the Last Quarter.

Low + Weather say 45° above horizon < 10°
High fill say 10° above horizon ~ 15°

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INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT
UFO SIGHTINGS
24 APR 68 AND 25 APR 68

1. On 30 Apr 68, Mr Gavin Whelan, of 84 McAdam Street, Maffra, and Mr Ian Lord of 23 Princess Street, Maffra, reported having seen a UFO at 0330 EST on 24 Apr 68, and at 0430 EST on 25 Apr 68, in conjunction with a third witness, Mr Lloyd Hemphill, of Heyfield.

2. The location on the first sighting was two miles East of Heyfield on the Heyfield-Maffra road. The second sighting took place at the Heyfield Railway Station with all three witnesses.

3. The observed weather conditions at 0317 EST 24 Apr 68 as supplied by the Met Office, RAAF Base East Sale was as follows:

W/V - CALM
Cloud - 2/8 Sc 4000
Slight - inversion at 1000'
Visibility - 20 miles.

4. At 0330 EST on 24 Apr 68, Mr Whelan's truck broke down on the Heyfield-Maffra road approximately two miles east of Heyfield. Mr Whelan and his employee, Mr Lord were repairing their vehicle, when they looked east towards Maffra, and observed a Banana-shaped object on the ground. It appeared to be like the lights of a semi-trailer coming towards them, but never actually reaching them. It then appeared to rise into the air (about 50') then travel very slowly in an easterly direction. It appears that the witnesses did not actually observe when the object disappeared from sight. An estimate of the time of observation varies from $\frac{3}{4}$ hour to two hours. Both witnesses state that the object was about 45° - 50° elevation when last observed.

5. The following day, 25 Apr 68, the object was again observed in conjunction with Mr Hemphill, at 0430 EST at the Heyfield Railway Station. The observed weather conditions at the time of sighting, as supplied by the Met Office, RAAF Base East Sale, were as follows:

W/V - CALM
Visibility - 20 miles
Patches of Shallow Fog
Temperature Inversion @ 1500'.

Lord says 0630 - 0645
Whelan " 0430 - 0450
Hemphill " 0515 - 0615

6. Mr Hemphill last saw the object at about 0630 EST, and is of the opinion that the object could have been the moon.

7. Mr Whelan and Mr Lord both described the object as a red colour, changing to an orange glow. The colour in latter stages of observation was not described by any witness.

8. On investigation, there was no civil or military air traffic notified at the time of the reported sightings. The Met Office at RAAF Base East Sale releases weather balloons at 0300 EST. On the days of the sightings the wind was North-westerly at all levels above 5000 feet, and it is the Met Officer's opinion that the met balloon would not be visible from Heyfield.

9. On investigating the Air Almanac, it was found that the Moon rose at 0312 EST, and 0412 EST, on 24 Apr 68 and 25 Apr 68 respectively; that is, the top of the moon was coincident with the horizon. The azimuth of the moon was 098° T on 24 Apr 68 and 090° T on 25 Apr 68. The moon on each occasion was in the Last Quarter.

10. In conclusion, it is my firm opinion that the object seen by the witnesses on each occasion was the Moon. The inversions would account for the red-orange discolouration on each day. The witnesses reports coincide with the movement of the Moon on each day, and their descriptions of its shape is exactly that of the Last Quarter.

Lord & Whelan say 45° above horizon moon < 10°
Hemphill says 45° above horizon moon < 10°

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11. From the evidence given by the witnesses, and the Astronomical data given in para 9, there is little doubt in my mind that the object seen was the Moon.

1. Name of Observer: *D.V. CRAIN*

2. Occupation of Observer: *Investigating Officer*

3. Date and Time of Observation: *2 May 68*

4. *THURSDAY 25 FEB 68*

5. (D.V. CRAIN)

6. Flying Officer

7. Investigating Officer

8. Duration of Observation(s): *P.C.*

9. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)

10. *WILLOW ROAD, BURNHAM, 27.9200E*

11. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s): *C.F.F.H.*

12. *100-100, 100-100, 100-100*

13. Aids to Observation(s): (Describe any equipment used in the observation)

14. *NIR*

15. Where was object first observed, eg. overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.

16. *APPROX 10" ABOVE HORIZON*

17. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise.

18. *4.15 PM*

19. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.

20. *DEFINITE*

21. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was their formation.

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23. What was the colour of the light or object.

24. *WHITE*

25. What was the apparent shape.

26. *DISC*

27. What was the apparent size.

28. *10"*

29. What was the apparent speed.

30. *0.25"*

31. What was the apparent direction.

32. *0.25"*

33. What was the apparent altitude.

34. *0.25"*

35. What was the apparent azimuth.

36. *0.25"*

37. What was the apparent range.

38. *0.25"*

39. What was the apparent height.

40. *0.25"*

41. What was the apparent width.

42. *0.25"*

43. What was the apparent length.

44. *0.25"*

45. What was the apparent depth.

46. *0.25"*

47. What was the apparent volume.

48. *0.25"*

49. What was the apparent mass.

50. *0.25"*

51. What was the apparent density.

52. *0.25"*

53. What was the apparent temperature.

54. *0.25"*

55. What was the apparent pressure.

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

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1. Name of Observer MR. LLOYD HENNELL Age 28
2. Address of Observer GEORGE ST. HEYFIELD
3. Occupation of Observer ASSISTANT STATION MASTER
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
THURSDAY 25 APR 68 0515
5. Duration of Observation(s) APPROX 1 HOUR
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
HEYFIELD RAILWAY STATION
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s) CLEAR
NO CLOUD NOTED NO MOON
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation)
NIL
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
APPROX 10° ABOVE HORIZON
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise.
NO NOISE LIGHT
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
DEFINITE OBJECT
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was their formation.
ONE OBJECT
13. What was the colour of the light or object. MAPK. COLOUR
14. What was its apparent shape. BANANA SHAPE (4 MARKS)
15. Was any detail of structure observable. NO
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious. NO
17. Was there any sound. NO
18. Height, or angle of elevation. AS FAR AS Q.9
19. Speed, or angular velocity. STATIONARY
20. Was the object stationary? YES
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass.
APPROX NE

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22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? STARTLING
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen? NO
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.
NOT OBSERVED
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.
NO
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? NO
27. If so, give details of incident(s)..... N/A
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
N/A
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?
NO
30. Name and Address of organisation..... N/A
31. Any additional information... BALANCE SHAPE WITH
LIGHT CIRCLE PROUND COULD
POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN THE MOON
- Signature of Observer P. J. Humphill
32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.
NO CIVIL OR MILITARY AIR TRAFFIC
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
RAAF BASE EAST SPVE
34. Comments... WITNESS REASONABLY CERTAIN
OBJECT WAS MOON

Signature of Interrogator P. J. Humphill

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

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Note: Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

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1. Name of Observer. *MR. IAN... LORD* Age *21*
2. Address of Observer. *23 PRINCESS ST. MAFRA*
3. Occupation of Observer. *CASUAL LABOUR*
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
24 APR 68 0330 25 APR 68 0430
5. Duration of Observation(s). *1-2 HRS 15 MINS*
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
2 MILES EAST... HEYFIELD... HEYFIELD RAILWAY... ST. ATWIN
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s). *CLEAR SKY BOTH OCCASIONS*
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation)
NIL
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
(1) ON GROUND (2) IN SKY
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise.
LIGHT ONLY
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
DEFINITE OBJECT
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was their formation.
ONE OBJECT
13. What was the colour of the light or object. *RED - THEN ORANGE*
14. What was its apparent shape. *SEMI CIRCULAR - OUTLINE OF FULL CIRCLE*
15. Was any detail of structure observable. *N.O.*
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious. *NO*
17. Was there any sound. *NO 1st occasion ON GROUND*
18. Height, or angle of elevation. *ABOUT 50° ON 2ND OCCASION*
19. Speed, or angular velocity. *SLOW MOVING*
20. Was the object stationary? *NO AS FOR 19*
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass.
MOVING EASTELY

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- Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?
..... STRAIGHT PATH
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen.... NO
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.
..... DISAPPEARED IN MID-AIR
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.
..... NO
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously.... NO
27. If so, give details of incident(s)..... N/A
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
..... N/A
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?
..... NO
30. Name and Address of organisation..... N/A
31. Any additional information.... LOOKING EAST ON BOTH OCCASIONS
- Signature of Observer. Jan. 1961
32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.
..... NO CIVIL... OR... MILITARY... AIR TRAFFIC
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
..... RAAF... BASE... EAST... S.A.A.
34. Comments... WITNESS... CERTAIN... OBJECT... NOT...
..... NOON
- Signature of Interrogator. R. H. H.

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator. PLC. OFF

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

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1. Name of Observer MR. GAVIN WHEELAN Age 22
2. Address of Observer 84 MC ADAM ST. MURFEEA
3. Occupation of Observer CONTRACTOR
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
WED. 24 APR. 0330 & THURS. 25 APR. 0430
5. Duration of Observation(s) 3 HR. & 2 HR.
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
2 MILES SMT. KEYFIELD
KEYFIELD TOWNSHIP
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s) CLOUDY
SKY CLEAR
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation)
NIL
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
ON GROUND APPROX 45° ELEVATION
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise.
LIGHT
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
DEFINITE OBJECT - A LOT OF LIGHTS
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was their formation.
ONE OBJECT
13. What was the colour of the light or object. RED - THEN ORANGE
THIN LIGHT KING BROWN
14. What was its apparent shape. BANANA SHAPE WITH OCCASION
15. Was any detail of structure observable. AS FOR 11 & 13
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious. NO
17. Was there any sound. NO
18. Height, or angle of elevation. AS FOR 9
19. Speed, or angular velocity. NO - SLOW MOVING
20. Was the object stationary? NO
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass.
MOVING NORTHWEST THEN VERTICAL

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Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?

FAIRLY STRAIGHT PATH

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen... NO

24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.

BECAME LESS VISIBLE AS IT ROSE

25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.

NO

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously... NO

27. If so, give details of incident(s)... N/A

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.

N/A

29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?

NO

30. Name and Address of organisation... N/A

31. Any additional information... CERTAIN

DATE NOT THE MORN

Signature of Observer Gavin D. White

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.

NO CIVIL OR MILITARY AIR TRAFFIC

33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.

RRAF RRAF RRAF RRAF

34. Comments... WITNESSED APPARENTLY

NOT MORN

Signature of Interrogator [Signature]

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

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The Herald, Melbourne 26/4/68

**NIGHT
LIGHT
NOT
QUITE
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SALE. — What Heyfield's sanitary collectors saw in a paddock at 3.30 a.m. has set off an RAAF inquiry.

It happened on Wednesday when their truck broke down 1½ miles from Heyfield on the Sale Rd.

Gavin Whelan and his helper, Ian Lord of Maffra, said they were thinking about getting a tow when they saw a string of red lights approaching.

"But when it didn't come closer, we got up on the truck bonnet and saw it was an object in a paddock. It had a row of red lights and a dome with a light on top," Mr Whelan said today.

"Ian said, 'let's get the hell out of here.'"

"Later on Wednesday, I went to the paddock with my wife, Valerie, and her brother, Steve, and his wife Jeanette.

"We found the area of dock grass wilted as if it had been sprayed with poison."

On Thursday morning at 4.10 on their collection round, Whelan and Lord saw more lights moving above ground level.

The men did not tell about their sighting until today for fear of ridicule.

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Headquarters, Support Command

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7 may 68

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SUBJECT

UFO sightings

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PPS DAFI 15.3.6

1. Enclosed herewith is copy of investigating officers' report regarding the sightings as reported in Laverken signal A288 of 16 Apr 68.
2. This Headquarters fully endorses the remarks contained in para 8 and has no additional comment to offer.

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[Signature]

PRINTED NAME

J. GAVHEY

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29th April 1968

Headquarters Support Command (2)
RAAF
Victoria Barracks
MELBOURNE VIC 3004

REPORT ON SIGHTINGS MADE ON 9-10TH APRIL 1968 MELBOURNE AREA
LAV MESSAGE A288 DATED 16TH APRIL 1968

1. On the evenings of 9th April 1968 and 10th April 1968 Master Garry Little aged 14 years of 32 Tobruk Crescent Nth Williamstown Victoria observed several objects in the sky near his home. On the second night, 10th April 1968, a Master T. Smith, estimated age 14 years, of 50 Tobruk Crescent Nth Williamstown Victoria was a witness to the sightings listed as two to five inclusive.

2. Various organisations were contacted in regard to these sightings and the following information was used to assess them.

a. Satellites in the area

9th April 1968 1. Pegasus ONE
2. Pegasus THREE
3. Pagoes ONE

10th April 1968 1. Pegasus ONE
2. Pegasus THREE
3. Pagoes ONE

Although Pegasus One and Three had similar orbits to the sightings, Pagoes one did not. Also the ETA's in the Melbourne area of all three satellites were too early for the sightings and therefore the satellites were not used in the assessment.

b. Aircraft in the Area

9th April 1968 1. TJD DC9 Adelaide for Essendon ATA 0915Z
2. RMD DC9 Adelaide for Essendon ATA 0918Z
3. Qantas HS125 Adelaide for Avalon ATA 0926Z
4. Qantas HS125 Avalon for Sydney ATD1025Z
5. Beech type Aircraft Moorabbin for Essendon Mangalore Moorabbin ATD Moorabbin 0940Z
6. Cherokee Aircraft Moorabbin for Essendon-Bendigo-Bacchus Marsh-Moorabbin ATD Moorabbin 0905Z

10th April 1968 1. TJK DC9 Adelaide for Essendon ATA 0930Z
2. Qantas HS125 Hobart for Avalon ATA 0946Z
3. Qantas HS125 Avalon for Sydney ATD1030Z
4. Qantas Training 707 circuits and ILS training at Avalon from 0645Z to 1100Z.

c. Met Balloons released in the Area

No met balloons were released by either Laverton or Essendon met section during the time of the sightings.

d. Weather in the Area

9th April 1968 Laverton Weather (0800Z Periodic No 0900 periodic avail)
Surf wind 160/2 KTS vis¹⁶ WX fine and haze
2/8 CCS 25000
Upper winds recorded at 1000Z were light and variable from 090 through 180 to 360 max speed 10 knots.

Essendon weather (0900Z Periodic)

Wind 190/2 KTS VIS 17 WX fine 1/8 Cl 25000

10th April 1968 Laverton Weather (0800Z Periodic)

Wind calm VIS 8 WX hazy 5/8 AC 10-14000
Upper winds recorded at 1000Z were 225 max 10 knots.

Essendon Weather (0900Z Periodic)

Wind 360/3 vis¹⁶ WX smoke haze 3/8 AC 11000
Last night both evenings 0804Z.

e. Planets visible in area

9th April 1968 1. Moon bearing 035 T elevation 30 Full moon.
2. Jupiter bearing 035 T elevation 30

10th April 1968 1. Moon bearing 050 T elevation 30 Full moon.
2. Jupiter bearing 035 T elevation 30

f. Garry Little is a member of the Victorian UFO research society and is considered by the Secretary Mrs. J. Magee 18 Hanby Street, Brighton Victoria Phone 922502 as a reliable type of lad.

g. All sightings were made with the aid of binoculars.

3. Sighting One 090910Z April 1968

A pin point of light was observed 45-30 degrees above the horizon moving at medium speed towards the North East passing three north. This sighting could have been either one of two DC9 aircraft approaching runway 26 at Essendon, inbound from Adelaide. Only cabin lighting appeared to be visible to the observer.

4. Sighting Two 100850Z April 1968

A flashing red/orange light was observed in the North West moving at slow speed towards the North East. It disappeared in cloud. This could have been the Qantas 707 operating at Avalon. Controllers at Avalon say it is possible for aircraft to be up to 6 miles East of Avalon when proceeding north to intercept the ILS glide path. The anticollision light would be operating in anticipation of the arrival of the HS125 from Hobart.

5. Sighting Three 100855Z April 1968

Dull white light sighted in the south moving at high speed from South to North at a very high altitude. It disappeared into the north. In the absence of any other information this sighting would most likely be an object reentering the earths atmosphere.

6. Sighting Four 100905Z April 1968

Bright yellow light moving at medium speed was sighted in the West, above cloud. Object disappeared into the north. Flight path was curved then straight. This is consistent with the flight path followed by an aircraft positioning on the ILS at Avalon. However the colour and being above cloud creates some doubt as to its being an aircraft. Aldebran which is a yellowish star, was in the western sky at the time bearing 310 T Elevation 20. It is possible that a combination of cloud movement and the movement of the leaving aircraft may have confused the observer.

7. Sighting Five 100915Z April 1968

Dull white light observed moving at slow speed from the Northwest. Then North to the Northeast. Object disappeared in cloud. This sight was most likely to have been the outbound DC9 from Adelaide to Essendon.

8. Although the observer is considered by his organisation to be reliable, his age and enthusiasm to sight UFO's may at times get the better of him. In one report he states "I went outside to have a look to see if I could see any UFO's" and within 10 minutes he has observed one and the next night four more. There was plenty of aircraft activity in his area on both nights and with slight time adjustments their movements could easily suit the case. When the observer lives is at the Southwest corner of the junction of three major air routes, a light aircraft corridor and the Laverton/Point Cook training zones. With the provision of radar at Tullamarine Aircraft need not follow set paths as in the time before radar and are often vectored away from standard tracks to suit various needs. Therefore it is possible for an aircraft to be sighted in unusual places. No other organisation or the aircraft in the area has reported any sightings during this period of time.

George A. Richard
(GEORGE A. RICHARD)
Flight Lieutenant
UFO Investigating Officer

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer Garry Little Age 14 yrs
2. Address of Observer 32 TORRUK CRESENT
NTH Williamstown
3. Occupation of Observer TECH. STUDENT
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
APPROX 10 PM 7 PM 9/14/68 TUESDAY
5. Duration of Observation(s) APPROX 5 MINS
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position
by map reference if possible
ON THE LAWN IN FRONT OF HOME or by known landmarks)
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s) SL. CLOUDY
ABOUT 3/4 CLOUD, COOL WIND (EARLY STRONG) NIGHT MODERATE
8. Aids to observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the
observation)
BINOCULARS
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a
hill, over the horizon, etc.
NW OF HOME, JUST APPEARED IN SKY
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise.
JUST HAPPENED TO LOOK
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
JUST AS A LIGHT
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was
their formation.
ONLY ONE
13. What was the colour of the light or object WHITE
14. What was its apparent shape NONE
15. Was any detail of structure observable NONE
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious NONE
17. Was there any sound NONE
18. Height, or angle of elevation APPROX 20°
19. Speed, or angular velocity SLOW
20. Was the object stationary NO
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or
points of the compass.
NW → N then appeared to go out to N

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all.

..... STRAIGHT

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen .. NONE

24. Where did object disappear, eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.

..... MID AIR - FADED

25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.

..... NONE

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously .. NO

27. If so, give details of incident(s) .. N/A

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 17 and 18.

REF. 18. SCHOOL WORK - SOLID GEOMETRY. ETC.

29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena.

VICTORIAN UFO RESEARCH SOCIETY

30. Name and Address of organisation .. NAME AS ABOVE

SECRETARY. MRS. JUDITH MAGEE. 19 HANBY ST. BRIGHTON PHONE 922502

31. Any additional information

..... NONE

Signature of Observer G. Little

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.

VH-TJD. DC9. ATA. EN. 0915#. FROM AD

VH-RMD. DC9. ATA. EN. 0918#. FROM AD

33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.

LOVERTON. ESSANDON.

34. Comments .. Could have been on soft from

AD. going into EN. The apparent hot Balloon at the time were launched.

Signature of Interrogator John Kelly

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer GARRY LITTLE Age 14
2. Address of Observer 32...T.O.B. PARK CRES. N. WILLOWDALE
3. Occupation of Observer TECH. SCHOOL STUDENT
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
WED. 10 APR. 68 10 TO 7 PM. TIL 15. 7 PM 15 PM
5. Duration of Observation(s) 25 MINS. FOR 4 SIGHTINGS
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible or by known landmarks)
ON THE CHICKEN SHED
ROOF IN BACKYARD OF HOME
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s) 3/4 CLOUD
SOUTHEASTLY WIND FAIRLY STRONG, HAZE ON HORIZON
8. Aids to observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation)
BINOCULARS
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc. 1 NW IN SKY 2 S IN SKY
3 W FROM OUT OF CLOUDS 4 NW IN AIR
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise.
ALL WERE LIGHTS
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
ALL AS LIGHTS
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was their formation.
ONLY ONE OBJECT AT EACH SIGHTING
13. What was the colour of the light or object ORANGE-RED 1 DUAL 2 WHITE
3 BRILLIANT YELLOW 4 DUAL WHITE
14. What was its apparent shape NONE
15. Was any detail of structure observable NONE
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious NONE
17. Was there any sound NONE
18. Height, or angle of elevation 1 LOW 2 VERY HIGH 3 VARIED IN HEIGHT
4 LOW
19. Speed, or angular velocity 1 SLOW 2 VERY FAST 3 MEDIUM FAST
4 SLOW
20. Was the object stationary NO
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass.
1 NW TO E 2 S TO N 3 W TO N 4 NW TO SE

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all.

1) STRAIGHT..... 2) ARC..... 3) CHANGED DIRECTION TWICE..... 4) STRAIGHT

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen..... NONE

24. Where did object disappear, eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.

1) IN GROUND..... 2) N. HORIZON..... 3) LOW IN NEARBY..... 4) IN CLOUD.....

25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.

..... NONE

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously..... YES

27. If so, give details of incident(s) 9. APR. 68 (ACCOMPANYING REPORT)

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 17 and 18.

REF. 18. SCHOOL WORK - SOLID GEOMETRY, ETC

29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena.

VICTORIAN UFO RESEARCH SOCIETY

30. Name and Address of organisation NAME AS ABOVE

SECRETARY MRS JUDITH MAGEE 15 HANBY ST BRIGHTON
PHONE 922502

31. Any additional information

WITNESS TERRY SMITH

50 TORRUK CRES NTH WILLIAMS TOWN

TECH SCHOOL STUDENT

Signature of Observer

[Signature]
[Signature]

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.

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33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.

LAVERTON ESSENDON

34. Comments Two of the sightings appear to be acct

the met balloons released at the reported time of sightings

Signature of Interrogator

[Signature]

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

Note: Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECTS OBSERVED

1. Enclosed is a report of a sighting by Mr J.K. Middleton.
2. Mr and Mrs Middleton's description of the observations at the time of interview was continually clouded with reference to extra-terrestrial space vehicles and when asked how many objects were observed during one observation the answer changed from:
 - a. All over the sky,
 - b. Lots of them,
 - c. A number of them, to
 - d. Three (3).
3. The above answers tend to indicate that observers are unreliable, however, there are certain similarities to the report submitted under cover of our 5/15/1/Air(38) dated 4 Mar 68.

John C. Luker
(JOHN C. LUKER)
Flight Lieutenant
For Air Officer Commanding

Enclosure: Report of Aerial Objects Observed

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART I - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer... MA J. K. MIDDLETON Age 18
MRS E. L. MIDDLETON 44
2. Address of observer... 11 BRADWELL ST
ZILLMERE ALD Phone ---
3. Occupation of observer... UNEMPLOYED HOUSEWIFE
4. Date and time of observation... (1) 22 0931Z FEB 68 (11) APPROX 5 WEEKS LATER
5. Duration of observation... APPROX 2 MINUTES BUT OBSERVING THROUGHOUT
(11) WERE SIGHTED LATE 1967 BUT COULD NOT REMEMBER DATE OR MONTH
BUT ALL OBSERVATIONS OCCURRED BETWEEN 0700Z & 1800Z
6. Observers location at time of sighting... ZILLMERE
.....
.....
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation.....
(1) BINOCULARS
.....
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill,
over the horizon).
(1) (11) (11) ... TOWARDS HORIZON
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
LIGHT, ACCIDENTAL SIGHTING
.....
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?.....
DIM LIGHT, DARKER THAN STAR
.....
12. If there was more than one object:-
(a) how many were there?... 3 OBJECTS ON 22 FEB 68
(b) in what formation were they?... NIL
13. What was the colour of the light or object?.. WHITE TO NAKED EYE, WITH BINOCULARS
APPEARED AS ROTATING ROUND OBJECT FLASHING RED, GREEN, BLUE & YELLOW UNDEREATH
14. What was its apparent shape?.. CIRCULAR, BIG FLAT LIKE A PLATE
15. Was any detail of structure observable?.. NO

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?..... *No*
17. Was there any sound?..... *No*
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation)..... *Very high 45°*
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity)..... *50° approx in 20 secs*
20. Was the object stationary?..... *No*
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
..... *See attached diagram*
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
..... *Straight path but had violent vertical movement*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen?..... *No*
24. Where did the object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
..... *in mid air*
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
..... *No*
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously?..... *None other than steady sightings*
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s).....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
..... *NIL*
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?
..... *No*
30. Name and address of organisation..... *N/A*
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
..... *See attached diagram*

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PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-

Aircraft type.....NIL.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-

Aircraft type.....FRIENDSHIP Ap-Cgl for Redington at 0926Z.....
Heading.....325.....T.....T
Height.....2.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
Speed.....200.....K.....K.....K

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time:-

35. A meteorological balloon was released from...EASLE FARM.....
at...22.0500.....Z and could ^{MT} have been in the reported UFO position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city confirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at that time were

...NO METEORS REPORTED.....(comet, meteorite shower etc)

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons)

...MR ROBERTS OF STATE OBSERVATORY COULD NOT SUGGEST.....
...DEFINITE SATELLITES.....

38. There is ^{INCONCLUSIVE} ~~conclusive~~ evidence that the objects reported ^{WERE} ~~was~~:- SATELLITES

39. The object reported could have been:- SATELLITES OR ASSOCIATED

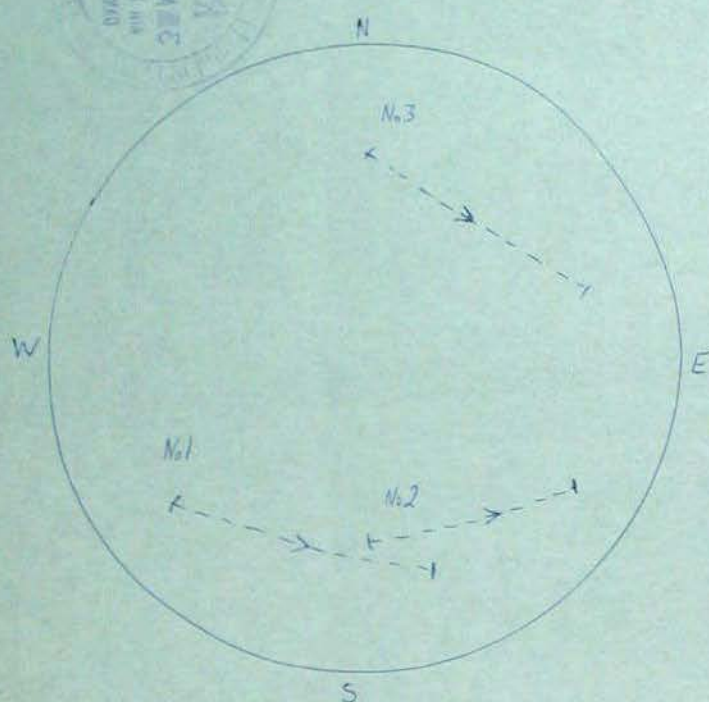
...HOARWART.....

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

.....S. L. WING.....(Unit)D. W. CHESHER.....(Name)
.....17. APR 68.....(Date)FLT. LT.....(Rank)

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1. Sighted on 22nd February 1968 at 7.31PM
2. Objects sighted in order No 1, 2 then 3, total period of approximately 5 minutes.
3. All objects flashing red, blue, green and yellow when viewed through binoculars.
4. Total flight time off each object approximately 20 seconds covering 45-50° arc.
5. Objects displayed violent vertical movement along straight path.
6. Previous and subsequent sightings although date and time cannot be fixed had same description, flight path and times of observation.



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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Enclosed is a report of a sighting by Miss L. FERRY on the 12th April 1968.
2. This Headquarters has no comment to offer.

J.L.C. Luker
(J.C. LUKER)
Flight Lieutenant
for Air Officer Commanding

Enclosure: 1. Report of Aerial Object Observed

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REPORT ON AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer..... MISS L. FERRY
2. Address of Observer..... 21 QUINTON ROAD MANLY NSW
3. Occupation of Observer..... STENOGRAPHER
4. Date and Time of observation (Time given in 24 hour clock
zonal time)
..... 12 APR 68 1900 hrs
5. Period of observation(s)..... TEN MINUTES
6. Manner of observation: (Give details of own position by map
reference if possible, or by known landmarks, and describe any
equipment used in the observation).
..... OBJECTS SEEN WITH NAKED EYE.
.....
.....
7. Where was object first observed, e.g. overhead, coming from
behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
..... COMING OVER HORIZON
8. What first attracted observer's attention, e.g. light or noise.
..... MOVING LIGHT IN SKY
9. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
..... JUST LIKE MOVING STARS
10. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and
what was their formation.
..... TWO OBJECTS, FIVE MINUTES APART TRAVELLING IN SAME DIRECTION.
11. What was the colour of the light or object..... SAME AS STAR
12. What was its apparent shape..... DID NOT APPEAR TO HAVE ANY SHAPE
..... - JUST LOOKED LIKE STAR.
13. Was any detail of structure observable..... NO
14. Was any method of propulsion obvious..... NO
15. Was there any sound..... NO
16. Height, or angle of elevation..... UNKNOWN
17. Speed, or angular velocity..... UNKNOWN
18. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably
certain about the answers given to 16 and 17.
..... N/A
- xx Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed
of a strange object it will usually be better to endeavour to
determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle
through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

Report on aerial object observed (contd.)

19. Direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass.

..... TRAVELLING IN NORTH WESTERLY DIRECTION

20. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all.

..... STRAIGHT PATH

21. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen..... NO

22. Where did object disappear, e.g. in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.

..... OVER THE HORIZON

23. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.

..... NO

24. Weather conditions experienced at time(s) or observation(s).....

..... VERY CLEAR SKY

25. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.

..... NO AIR TRAFFIC

26. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.....

..... UNKNOWN

27. Any additional information..... OBJECTS ALSO OBSERVED BY MRS J. SMITH

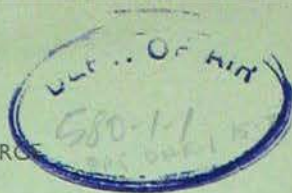
..... 19 QUINTON ROAD MANLY NSW.

Questions 25, 26 and 27 to be answered by interrogator.

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REPORT OF AERIAL SIGHTING OBSERVED

1. Enclosed is a report of a sighting by Mr Leonid DENYSENKO on the 23rd February 1968.
2. Mr DENYSENKO's description of his sighting is consistent with the reflections of the Mascot Meteorological searchlight which was in operation at that time (Item 37 on report).

John C. Luker
(JOHN C. LUKER)
Flight Lieutenant
for Air Officer Commanding

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer.....MR. LEONID DENYSENKO.....AGE..41.....
2. Address of observer302 PENNANT HILLS ROAD CARLINGFORD NSW
.....PHONE 6306386
3. Occupation of observerHIGH SCHOOL TEACHER (5 YRS)
4. Date and time of observation ..23 FEB 68 0145K
5. Duration of observation ..3 or 4 seconds
6. Observers location at time of sighting ..HOME ADDRESS
..302 PENNANT HILLS ROAD, CARLINGFORD NSW
7. Weather conditions at time of observationVISIBILITY 15 MLS
WIND S.W. 6/8 CLOUD 1500' - 1000' FRONTAL CHANGE DEVELOPING
(MASCOT WEATHER)
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation
NAKED EYE
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon).
TO SE ROUGHLY OVER HARBOUR BRIDGE
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
LIGHT IN SKY
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?.....
STRONG LIGHT (AS COLOUR OF STREET LIGHT)
12. If there was more than one object:-
 - (a) how many were there? 10 LIGHTS (CLOSE) CHANGING TO ONE
 - (b) in what formation were they? ELIPSEWhat was the colour of the light or object? WHITE
What was its apparent shape? ELIPSE
Was any detail of structure observable? NO

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? ..NO.....
17. Was there any sound? ..NO.....
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation)..... 30° OR LESS.....
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity)..... NIL.....
20. Was the object stationary? YES.....
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or
points of the compass?
..... MOVED DIRECTLY AWAY FROM OBSERVER.....
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre
at all?
..... STRAIGHT - DIMINISHING IN INTENSITY.....
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen? NO.....
24. Where did object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill,
over the horizon)
..... MID AIR.....
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photo-
graphs, or other supporting evidence)
..... NO.....
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? NO.....
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s) NIL.....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably
certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
..... NO.....
29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phen-
omena? NO.....
30. Name and address of organisation N/A.....
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
..... FIRST SIGHTING OF ANY OBJECT.....

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PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
Aircraft type.....NIL.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....
Speed.....K.....K.....K.....
33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-
Aircraft type.....NIL.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T.....
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....
Speed.....K.....K.....K.....
34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time:-.....
.....NONE VISIBLE.....
35. A meteorological balloon was released from.....
at.....Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.
36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were
.....(comet, meteorite shower, etc).
37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons).....MASCOT MET SECTION REPORTS CLOUD BASE...
SEARCHLIGHT IN OPERATION 0145K.....
38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was..LIGHT..
OF MET SEARCHLIGHT ON CLOUD.....
39. The object reported could have been.....CLOUD BASE SEARCH..
LIGHT MASCOT AERODROME.....
40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

RAAF RICHMOND.....(Unit).....D. W. NEUMANN.....(Name)
08 APR 68.....(Date).....FLG OFF.....(Rank)

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UFO REPORTS PD ON TWO EVENINGS TUESDAY 9 APR 68 AND WEDNESDAY 10 APR

6. A CIVILIAN OBSERVER

~~AN REPTILIAN OBSERVER~~ LOCATED AT NORTH WILLIAMSTOWN VICTORIA REPORTED

THE FOLLOWING SIGHTINGS PD SIGHTING ONE 090910Z APR 68 PD WHITE PIN
POINT OF LIGHT SIGHTED 45 DEGREES ABOVE THE NORTHWESTERN HORIZON MOVING

AT MEDIUM SPEED TOWARDS THE NORTHEAST IN A STRAIGHT PATH MAKING VERY
SMALL CHANGES IN ALTITUDE CMM OBJECT FADED IN DISTANCE PD WEATHER
CLEAR VIS GOOD PD NO OTHER WITNESSES PD SIGHTING TWO 100850Z APR 68
PD DULL RED/ORANGE LIGHT FLASHING ON/OFF ABOUT EVERY SECOND SIGHTED IN
NORTHWEST MOVING AT SLOW SPEED TOWARDS THE NORTHEAST IN A STRAIGHT PATH
AT A LOW ALTITUDE PD OBJECT DISAPPEARED IN CLOUD CMM WEATHER CLOUDY AND
HAZY PD ONE WITNESS PD SIGHTING THREE 100855Z PD DULL WHITE LIGHT
SIGHTED IN SOUTH MOVING AT HIGH SPEED FROM SOUTH TO NORTH AT A VERY
HIGH ALTITUDE PD OBJECT DISAPPEARED INTO THE NORTH CMM WEATHER CLOUDY
AND HAZY PD ONE WITNESS PD SIGHTING FOUR 100905Z APR 68 PD BRIGHT
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CLOUD MOVING AT MEDIUM SPEED IN A CURVED THEN STRAIGHT PATH PD
OBJECT DISAPPEARED INTO NORTH CMM WEATHER CLOUDY AND HAZY PD
ONE WITNESS PD SIGHTING FIVE 100915Z APR 68 PD DULL WHITE LIGHT
SIGHTED IN NORTHWEST MOVING AT SLOW SPEED CMM SIMILAR TO SIGHTING
TWO CMM FROM NORTHWEST TO NORTH TO NORTHEAST AT A LOW ALTITUDE PD
OBJECT DISAPPEARED IN CLOUD CMM WEATHER

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POINT OF LIGHT SIGHTED 45 DEGREES ABOVE THE NORTHWESTERN HORIZON MOVING

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ONE WITNESS PD SIGHTING FIVE 100915Z APR 68 PD DULL WHITE LIGHT
SIGHTED IN NORTHWEST MOVING AT SLOW SPEED CMM SIMILAR TO SIGHTING
TWO CMM FROM NORTHWEST TO NORTH TO NORTHEAST AT A LOW ALTITUDE PD
OBJECT DISAPPEARED IN CLOUD CMM WEATHER CLOUDY AND HAZY PD ONE
WITNESS PD INITIAL CHECK REVEALS CIVIL AIRCRAFT OPERATING IN THE
AREA AT THE TIME CMM NO MET BALLOONS HAD BEEN RELEASED IN THE
TIME PERIOD PD REPORT FOLLOWS PD

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8 APR 1968

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UN-IDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Enclosed are reports on UFOs sighted on 19th March 1968 and investigated by RAAF East Sale.
2. This Headquarters agrees with the Investigating Officer that probably two different sightings were made - one by Messrs Morgan and Bennett which was probably a meteorological balloon, and the other by Mr Scott and Flg Off Bennetts. As the latter sighting was for a period of 1 1/4 hours, it is unlikely that it would be an aircraft or a satellite and in view of the quite different descriptions given in these two reports, no firm assessment can be given.
3. Accompanying the above reports is a written proforma transcribed from a telephoned report from the O i/c Bacchus Marsh Aerodrome to C Intell O. In this instance the sighting is considered to be Satellite Echo-1.

L.B. Brown
(L.B. BROWN)
Wing Commander

For Air Officer Commanding

Annex: A. and Appendices
B.



N.B. Timing, wind profile, and
balloon physics ~~are~~ incompatible
with description given by Morgan & Bennett.

Tracked for 21 minutes.

	Wind Direction (a)	Wind Level (b)	Wind Speed (c)
1.	South East	0 - 2000 ft	8 Knots
2.	North East	2000 - 3500 ft	5 Knots
3.	South East	3500 - 5000 ft	3 Knots
4.	North East	5000 - 10000 ft	5 Knots

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ANNEX A TO HQSUPCOM
5/6/1/AIR(16)
DATED 8 APRIL 1968

INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT OBSERVED IN SALE AREA
19TH MARCH 1968

Reference : A. HQESL 5/2/Air(41) - UFO Sighting Report of 19th March 1968 compiled by Flying Officer P.J. Bennetts (0317443).

INTRODUCTION

1. A telephone report of an unidentified light was received by the Duty Air Traffic Controller, Flying Officer P.J. Bennetts, from Mr R.J. Morgan of Cobains and Mr N.W.C. Bennett at 2050 hours on 19th March 1968.
2. As stated in Reference A Melbourne DCA and adjacent airfields were contacted concerning aircraft movements at the time. The groundman at West Sale airfield, Mr M.P. Scott, subsequently sighted an object and continued to observe it through binoculars.
3. On 25th March 1968 the following witnesses were interviewed :-
 - a. Mr R.J. Morgan - Farmer
 - b. Mr N.W.C. Bennett - Water Bailiff
 - c. Mr M.P. Scott - Senior Groundsman DCA
 - d. Flying Officer P.J. Bennetts (0317443) ATC

The reports of the witnesses are attached as Annexes A to D inclusive including a copy of Reference A.

DISCUSSIONS

Meteorological Aspects

4. The weather conditions recorded at the Meteorological Section RAAF Base East Sale at the time of sighting were :-
 - a. wind calm, visibility 10 miles, smoke haze and one eighth of strato-cumulus cloud at 5000 feet.
 - b. the Temperature Gradient Graph also showed that there was an inversion (5° temperature difference) at a height of 5000 feet.
5. At approximately 2015 hours on 19th March 1968 a meteorological balloon was released from the Meteorological Section at East Sale and tracked for 21 minutes. The recorded wind observations were :-

	<u>Wind</u> <u>Direction</u> (a)	<u>Wind</u> <u>Level</u> (b)	<u>Wind</u> <u>Speed</u> (c)
1.	South East	0 - 2000 ft	8 Knots
2.	North East	2000 - 3500 ft	5 Knots
3.	South East	3500 - 5000 ft	3 Knots
4.	North East	5000 - 10000 ft	5 Knots

/Satellite

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Satellite Data

6. The Visible Satellite Passes Bulletin for 19th March 1968 indicates that two satellites may have been visible at the time as follows :-

- a. Echo I could be sighted from Melbourne ^{at} between 1916 hours and 2016 hours in direction of azimuth 332° to 184° and of elevation 77° to 44°.
- b. Pageos I could be sighted from Melbourne between 1903 hours and 2217 hours in direction of azimuth 264° to 221° and of elevation 68° to 19°.

ECHEL 1916K 322° 77°
2016K 184° 44°

PAGEOS 1903K 264° 68°
2217K 221° 19°

CONCLUSION

7. Due to the conflicting reports of the witnesses it appears possible that two objects may have been sighted. The vague report by Mr Scott roughly co-incides with the observations by Flying Officer Bennetts. I am in agreement with Flying Officer Bennetts in that their sightings were those of an aircraft on an un-notified flight.

8. The presence of smoke haze and the inversion made it possible for the light on the meteorological balloon to be reflected and refracted. This possibility, and the co-incidence in time, indicate it was the light suspended from the balloon that was seen by Mr Morgan and Mr Bennett.

for 2 1/2 hrs?!

(A.W. PERKINS)
Flying Officer
Investigation Officer

27 Mar 68

- Annexes :
- A. Report of Aerial Object observed by Mr R.J. Morgan.
 - B. Report of Aerial Object Observed by Mr N.W.C. Bennett.
 - C. Report of Aerial Object Observed by Mr M.P. Scott.
 - D. Report of Aerial Object Observed by Flying Officer P.J. Bennetts.

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

ANNEX A TO
HQESL 5/2/AIR(42)
27 MAR 68

1. Name of Observer REGINALD JAMES MORGAN Age 41
2. Address of Observer CLIDRANK RD. COBAINS VIC.
3. Occupation of Observer FARMER
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
19 MAR 68 2000 HRS
5. Duration of Observation(s) APPROX 1 1/2 HRS
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
TURN OFF FROM MAIN ROAD INTO FARM
AND FARM YARD (ABOUT 300 YDS)
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s) CLEAR NIGHT
MOON DID NOT RISE TILL 2230
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation)
NO AIDS
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
DISTANCE
FAR TO SOUTH OVER HORIZON
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
HAPPENED TO NOTICE LIGHT WHILE TALKING
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
ONLY A LIGHT
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was their formation.
ONE OBJECT
13. What was the colour of the light or object BRIGHT DFT. ORANGE LIGHT
14. What was its apparent shape ROUND LIGHT
15. Was any detail of structure observable NO
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious NO
17. Was there any sound NO
18. Height, or angle of elevation 20° ABOVE HORIZON TO SOUTH
19. Speed, or angular velocity VERY FAST
20. Was the object stationary APPEARED TO BE STATIONARY AT TIMES WHEN IT HAD CLIMBED TO SOUTH WEST
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass.

MOVED FROM SOUTH OF AERODROME TO SOUTHWEST. CLIMBING IN SOUTHWEST TO ABOUT 80° HOVERED, THEN DESCENDED AGAIN TO 20° BEFORE TRAVELLING VERY FAST FROM SOUTHWEST TO EAST.

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22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?

MAINTAINED STRAIGHT PATH; CLIMBED, HOVERED, DESCENDED AND RETURNED ON RECIPROCAL HEADING.

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen NO TRAIL.

24. Where did object disappear, eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.

DISAPPEARED TO EAST BEFORE REACHING HORIZON.

25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.

NO EVIDENCE

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously ONLY SATELLITES

27. If so, give details of incident(s) N/A

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.

NO EXPERIENCE

29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?

NO

30. Name and Address of organisation N/A

31. Any additional information APPEARED THE SIZE OF LARGE STAR ORIGINALLY BUT ON RETURN FROM SOUTH WEST TO EAST, APPEARED AS LARGE BALL OF ORANGE LIGHT WITH HAZE REFLECTION.

Signature of Observer

R. J. Morgan

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.

NO AUTHORIZED TRAFFIC FROM MELBOURNE, EAST SALE, WEST SALE OR BAIRNSDALE

33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.

RAAF EAST SALE

34. Comments

Signature of Interrogator

R. J. Morgan

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

Note:

Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height, and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

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REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

APPENDIX B TO
HQESL 5/2/AIR(42)
27 MAR 68

1. Name of Observer NEVILLE WILLIAM MARRIES BENNETT Age 31.....
2. Address of Observer RACLAN ST SALE VIC......
3. Occupation of Observer WATER BAILIFF.....
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
19 MAR 68 2000HRS.....
5. Duration of Observation(s) APPROX 2 1/2 HRS.....
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by
map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
TURN OFF FROM FARM MAIN ROAD INTO FARM AND FARM YARD (ABOUT 300 YDS).....
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s) SKY WAS CLEAR
ONLY ABOUT 3 SMALL CLOUDS.....
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation)
NO AIDS.....
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a
hill, over the horizon, etc.
OVER HORIZON WELL TO THE SOUTH.....
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
ATTENTION ATTRACTED TO LIGHT BY MR REG MORGAN.....
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
ONLY A LIGHT.....
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was
their formation.
ONLY ONE OBJECT.....
13. What was the colour of the light or object BRIGHT SILVER-GOLD LIGHT.....
14. What was its apparent shape ROUND LIGHT.....
15. Was any detail of structure observable NO.....
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious NO.....
17. Was there any sound NO.....
18. Height, or angle of elevation 20° ABOVE HORIZON TO SOUTH.....
19. Speed, or angular velocity VERY FAST.....
20. Was the object stationary APPEARED TO BE STATIONARY AT TIMES.....
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points
of the compass.
MOVED FROM SOUTH TO SOUTH WEST, CLIMBING TO 80° THEN DESCENDED TO
20° TRAVELLING FROM SOUTH WEST TO EAST.....

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22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?

MAINTAINED STRAIGHT PATH; CLIMBED; DESCENDED AND RETURNED ON RECIPROCAL
HEADING.

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen .. NO TRAIL ..

24. Where did object disappear, eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.

SEEMED TO GO OUT BEFORE REACHING HORIZON.

25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.

NO.

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously NO. ONLY SATELLITES

27. If so, give details of incident(s) N/A.

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.

NO EXPERIENCE.

29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?

NO.

30. Name and Address of organisation N/A.

31. Any additional information ORIGINALLY A SMALL LIGHT. VNTIN.
OBJECT RETURNED, WHEN IT APPEARED TO BE A LARGE BALL OF
LIGHT TRAVELLING VERY FAST TO EAST, JUST SOUTH OF FLADDROME,
WITH HAZE REFLECTION FROM LIGHT.

Signature of Observer [Signature]

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.

NO. AUTHORISED TRAFFIC FROM MELBOURNE, EAST SALE, WEST SALE OR
BAIRNSDALE.

33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.

RAAF EAST SALE

34. Comments SKETCH OF AREA ADJACENT TO SIGHTING IS ATTACHED.

Signature of Interrogator [Signature]

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

Note: Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height, and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

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Form TO REPORT BY Mr. N.W.C. BENNETT, RAGLAND ST. SALE VIC.

NAME OF AIRCRAFT OBSERVED

Name of Observer *James Bennett* Age *24*

Address of Observer *Box 1112, Ragland St., Sale, Vic.*

Occupation of Observer *Student*

Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)

1944/11 11:30

Duration of Observation (s) *4 min*

Observer's location at time of sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)

Box 1112, Ragland St., Sale, Vic.

Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation (s) *OK, clear*

Side to Observation(s) *Left*

Position of aircraft at time of sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)

Box 1112, Ragland St., Sale, Vic.

Direction of flight (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)

Box 1112, Ragland St., Sale, Vic.

Distance of flight (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)

Box 1112, Ragland St., Sale, Vic.

Direction of flight (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)

Box 1112, Ragland St., Sale, Vic.

Distance of flight (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)

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Direction of flight (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)

Box 1112, Ragland St., Sale, Vic.

Distance of flight (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)

Box 1112, Ragland St., Sale, Vic.

Path of aircraft

Initial sighting

Initial sighting

Initial sighting

Initial sighting

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APPENDIX C TO
SAN 5/2/ATR (42)
27 MAR 68

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer MAURICE PHILLIP SCOTT Age 26
2. Address of Observer WEST SALE AERODROME FULHAM VIC.
3. Occupation of Observer SENIOR GROUNDHAND
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
19 MAR 68 2130 HRS.
5. Duration of Observation(s) 1 1/2 HRS
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
BEHIND GROUNDHANDS RESIDENCE
AT WEST SALE AIRPORT.
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s) SKY CLEAR WITH PATCHES OF LIGHT STRATUS TO NORTH.
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation)
BINOCULARS.
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
TO NORTH WEST APPROX 290° AT AN ANGLE OF 40° ELEVATION OVER HORIZON.
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
PHONE CALL FROM AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER RAAF EAST SALE
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
ONLY A LIGHT.
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was their formation.
ONE OBJECT
13. What was the colour of the light or object YELLOW CENTRE RED BORDER.
14. What was its apparent shape APPR. CIRCULAR.
15. Was any detail of structure observable NO.
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious NO.
17. Was there any sound NO.
18. Height, or angle of elevation 40° ELEVATION ESTIMATED 6000-8000 FT.
19. Speed, or angular velocity APPR. 1/2 MIN.
20. Was the object stationary APPEARED STATIONARY.
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass.
APPEARED TO BE STATIONARY IN DIRECTION SLIGHTLY SOUTH OF TOWNSHIP OF TOONGABBIE.

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22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?

REMAINED STATIONARY

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen NO TRAIL

24. Where did object disappear, eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.

IN CLOUD ABOVE THE HORIZON

25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.

N.O.

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously NO

27. If so, give details of incident(s) N/A

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.

NO EXPERIENCE

29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?

NO

30. Name and Address of organisation N/A

31. Any additional information

Signature of Observer C. Maurice P. Scott

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.

NO AUTHORIZED TRAFFIC FROM MELBOURNE, WEST SHALE, EAST SHALE

OR BARNIDALE

33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.

RAAF EAST SHALE

34. Comments OBSERVER SEEMED VAGUE CONCERNING DIRECTION, AND

SPEED, COLOUR OF OBJECT.

Signature of Interrogator [Signature]

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

Note:

Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height, and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

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APPENDIX D TO
SAN 5/2/AIR(42)
27 MAR 68

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer PETER JOHN BENNETTS Age 22
2. Address of Observer 4 RAAF EAST SALE VIC
3. Occupation of Observer FLG OFF AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
19 MAR 68 2050 HRS
5. Duration of Observation(s) 40 MINS
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
RAAF CONTROL TOWER
EAST SALE VIC
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s) SKY CLEAR
OVERHEAD; LESS THAN 1/2 ALTO STRATUS TO FMR NORTH WEST
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation)
BINOCULARS
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
TO NORTH WEST; APPROX 300 M, 40° ELEVATION ABOVE HORIZON
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg, light or noise.
PHONE CALL FROM MR REG MORGAN WHO LIVES ADJACENT TO AIRFIELD
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
FLASHING RED AND GREEN LIGHTS
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was their formation.
ONLY ONE OBJECT
13. What was the colour of the light or object FLASHING RED AND GREEN LIGHTS
14. What was its apparent shape NO SHAPE OBSERVED
15. Was any detail of structure observable NO
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious NO
17. Was there any sound NO
18. Height, or angle of elevation 40° ELEVATION
19. Speed, or angular velocity COULD NOT ESTIMATE BUT DID NOT SEEM VERY FAST
20. Was the object stationary NO; APPEARED TO MOVE AWAY
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass.
APPEARED TO MOVE AWAY ON APPROX HEADING OF 300° M

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22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?

..... REMAINED ON STRAIGHT PATH

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen NO

24. Where did object disappear, eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.

..... INTO CLOUD

25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.

..... NO

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously NO

27. If so, give details of incident(s) N/A

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.

..... TRAINED AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER

29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?

..... NO

30. Name and Address of organisation N/A

31. Any additional information APPEARED TO BE AN AIRCRAFT

..... BECAUSE OF FLASHING LIGHTS, PRESUMABLY NAVIGATION LIGHTS

Signature of Observer Phil Bennett

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.

..... NO AUTHORIZED TRAFFIC FROM MELBOURNE DCA, WEST SALE

..... EAST SALE OR BAIRNSDALE

33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.

..... RAAF EAST SALE

34. Comments OBSERVER'S INITIAL REPORT ATTACHED

Signature of Interrogator Phil Bennett

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

Note:

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UFO SIGHTING REPORT

19MAR68

A phone-call was received at 2020 hours from Mr. Reg Morgan and Mr. Neville Bennett (phone COBAINS 35), reporting an unidentified flying object.

The object had appeared low over RAAF EAST SALE aerodrome at about 2000 hours. It had then zig-zagged at high speed in a southerly direction, and went very high, before proceeding on a westerly course.

I proceeded to the Control Tower where I could use the binoculars, but initially was unable to sight the object. At 2040 hours I rang Mr. Morgan and was informed that the object was now south-southwest from the observer, and apparently over WEST SALE.

At 2050 hours I sighted the object, on a bearing of about 300°M from the Control Tower and elevation of about 40°. It was very similar to an aircraft at night, appearing to have flashing red and green navigation lights.

During the time that I watched the object, it appeared to maintain about 300°M, but became less intense and lowered in elevation to about 30° as if with distance.

By 2115 hours I could no longer see the object with the naked eye, and by 2130 hours contact was lost altogether.

During the time I had the object in sight, I rang Mr. Morgan twice and from his position the object appeared to move quite rapidly, whereas from the Control Tower it appeared to move quite slowly.

During this time I also checked with MELBOURNE DCA Flight Service Unit, who advised that they had no known traffic in the vicinity.

I also checked with the DCA resident groundsman at WEST SALE, who advised that all the helicopters which had been operating from WEST SALE were on the ground. The groundsman also followed the object with binoculars, and it appeared to be west-northwest from his position and about 15-20 miles, as if over

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17. Was there any sound.....
18. Height, or angle of elevation..... NOT KNOWN } 150° SP21.
19. Speed, or angular velocity..... NOT KNOWN }
20. Was the object stationary..... NO.
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass...

... OBJECT WAS HIGH AND NOISELESS. IT TRAVELLED OVER GEELONG
TOWARDS MELBOURNE.

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[Comment: This would make the direction of travel SW → NE at a bearing of about 150°]

ROSEDALE. He lost visual contact at the same time as I did ---- the object appearing to enter a patch of thin cloud. The cloud had passed by 2230 hours, but the object was no longer visible.

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Alfred Bennett
Flg Off
Duty Controller

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17. was there any sound.....
18. Height, or angle of elevation.....
19. Speed, or angular velocity.....
20. Was the object stationary.....
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass....

...OBJECT WAS HIGH AND NOISY. IT TRAZLED OVER GEELONG
TOWARDS MELBOURNE.

[Comment: This would make the direction of travel SW → NE at a bearing of about 150°]

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer... MR. CALDWELL Age.....
2. Address of Observer... BACCHUS MARSH AERODROME
3. Occupation of Observer... O/K AERODROME
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
..... 1 APR 68 - 1917 K.
5. Duration of Observation(s)..... NOT KNOWN
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own
..... BACCHUS MARSH AERODROME position by map reference
..... if possible, or by known
..... landmarks)
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s).....
..... FINE, WARM & CLEAR
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the
..... NIL observation)
9. Where was object first observed, eg overhead, coming from
..... OVERHEAD behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise.
..... LIGHT
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
..... LIGHT
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and
..... ONE what was their formation.
13. What was the colour of the light or object... BRIGHT WHITE
14. What was its apparent shape..... ROUND
15. Was any detail of structure observable..... NO
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious..... NO
17. Was there any sound..... NO
18. Height, or angle of elevation..... NOT KNOWN } SEE Q21
19. Speed, or angular velocity..... NOT KNOWN }
20. Was the object stationary..... NO
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks
or points of the compass...

OBJECT WAS HIGH AND NOISELESS. IT TRAVELLED OVER GEELONG

TOWARDS MELBOURNE.

[Comment: This would make the direction of travel SW → NE at a
bearing of about 150°]/2.

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?
..... *STRAIGHT ACROSS SKY*
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen..... *NO*
24. Where did object disappear, eg mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.
..... *NOT KNOWN*
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.
..... *NIL*
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously..... *NOT KNOWN*
27. If so, give details of incident(s)..... *N/A*
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to paras 18 and 19.
..... *NOT KNOWN*
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?
..... *NOT KNOWN*
30. Name and address of organisation..... *N/A*
31. Any additional information..... *NIL*

Signature of Observer.....

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.
..... *NIL*
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
..... *NIL*
34. Comments..... *This Report compiled from report telephoned to Duty Officer. Lighting witnessed by two others at aerodrome. Assumed as satellite sighting ECHO 1, SW → NE, AZ 171° @ 1930K. Timing is astray, but this is not unusual for ECHO 1.*

Signature of Interrogator.....

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

note... Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved and the time taken to do this.

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C. M. T. L. L. O.
H. P. S. L. O. N.*

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MEMORANDUM

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5/15/1/HR (50)

DATE

8 APR 68

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FROM

HEADQUARTERS OPERATIONAL COMMAND

TO

ATTENTION

SUBJECT

DEPARTMENT OF AIR

(D/DAF RPS)

UFO SIGHTING

ENCLOSED FOR YOUR ACTION IS COPY OF A
UFO SIGHTING REPORT RECEIVED FROM RAAF RICHMOND
TOGETHER WITH THEIR COVERING LETTER GIVING
REASONS FOR THE LATE SUBMISSION OF THIS REPORT.



SIGNATURE

John C. Lusk

PRINTED NAME

JOHN C. LUSK

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TELEPHONE: WINDSOR 2111

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE
Headquarters
RAAF Base
RICHMOND NSW 2755

IN REPLY QUOTE HQ/5/9/Air(24)

1st April 1968

Headquarters Operational Command

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. The attached report was received at Headquarters RICHMOND during March 1968 and held subject to the return of the Formation Intelligence Officer who was absent on duty till 1st April 1968.
2. Forwarded for your action.

Encl. Report

DW Neumann.
(D.W. NEUMANN)
Flying Officer
for Officer T/Commanding

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer... D.F. GODFREY AGE... 43
2. Address of observer... 6 TAWARRI CRESCENT
... KYLE BAY NSW PHONE... 546 6086
3. Occupation of observer... PILOT
4. Date and time of observation... 8 MAR 68 2030 EST
5. Duration of observation... 4-5 SECONDS
6. Observers location at time of sighting... OVER YASS (NSW)
... WHILE ON ML-54 FLIGHT
7. Weather conditions at time of observation... CLEAR - VISIBILITY
... GOOD - ONLY SCATTERED SLY CLOUD
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation... COMPASS
... TO FIX BEARING OF LIGHT - BRG WAS 150° M
... FROM YASS
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from
behind a hill, over the horizon).
... O/H FALLING TO EARTH
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
... LIGHT
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?.....
... LIGHT
12. If there was more than one object:- . . .
(a) how many were there?..... ONE
(b) in what formation were they?..... -
13. What was the colour of the light or object? GREEN-TURNING PINK
14. What was its apparent shape?..... ROUND
15. Was any detail of structure observable?..... NO

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?..... No
17. Was there any sound?..... No
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation)?..... FALLING WITH
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity)..... TRAJECTORY OF A BOMB
20. Was the object stationary?..... NO
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
..... 150°M FROM YASS
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
..... CONSISTENT WITH FALLING OBJECT
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen?..... NO
24. Where did object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
..... BEHIND HORIZON SE OF CANBERRA
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
..... NO
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously?..... NO
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s)..... N/A
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19. ① WARTIME BOMBER PILOT. ② 14,000 FLYING HRS. ③ 20 YRS. AIRLINE PILOT
29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena? ~~WARTIME BOMBER PILOT 2 14,000 FLYING~~
..... NO
30. Name and address of organisation..... N/A
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
UNABLE TO ESTIMATE DISTANCE. BUT IT IS MY OPINION THAT THE LIGHT WAS FALLING INTO THE SEA SE OF CANBERRA

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PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type.....
Heading.....T.....T.....T
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time :-

.....*NOT KNOWN*.....

35. A meteorological balloon was released from.....*N/A*.....

at.....Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were

.....(comet, meteorite shower, etc).

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons).....

.....*large amount of satellite activity*.....

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was.....

39. The object reported could have been.....*Satellite debris or*.....

.....*Satellite re-entry*.....

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

RACC SYDNEY APT......(Unit).....*G. SUGARS*.....(Name)
11 MAR 68.....(Date).....*FLG OFF*.....(Rank)

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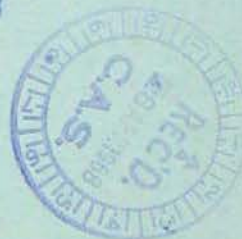
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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Enclosed are two intelligence reports of aerial objects observed.
2. The circumstances in respect of the report where the name of the observer is unknown is described in the following paragraphs.
3. Approximately ten different reports of an unusual aerial object were received by radio 4 BH Brisbane at 210515Z. The persons reporting the object were not prepared to give their names, but the reports came from areas both north and south of Brisbane. Mr. Pearce of the newsroom notified RAAF Base Amberley.
4. Although the persons reporting the object were not able to be interviewed, the enclosed report was compiled by RAAF Base Amberley from the overall information supplied to the newsroom. No reports were received by the State Observatory or the Department of Civil Aviation.
5. There appear to be three possible explanations for the object:
 - a. a Canberra bomber,
 - b. a meteor, or
 - c. a meteorological balloon.
6. The green colour and shape of the object would be consistent with a Canberra at certain angles, however the direction of flight and flame-like tail does not make either of the Canberras the likely cause.
7. The meteorological balloon does not seem to account for the object because of speed, shape and the flame-like tail.
8. The most likely explanation would be a meteor or the re-entry of some space vehicle. However, for this explanation to be held the reports of the object being at cloud height would have to be discounted. The 2/8 - 3/8 cloud height was 2400ft and Mr Robertson of the State Observatory has suggested that a large meteor at 2400ft would most likely have hit the ground. The fact that it was reported to be moving fairly slowly could indicate that it was in fact a fast moving meteor at a much greater height.

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Note Not used in summary of sightings as previous sightings were unable to be interviewed 7 Jun 68

9. The possibility of an organized hoax against radio
4BH cannot be overlooked.

J. L. G. L.
(J. L. G. LUKER)
Flight Lieutenant
For Air Officer Commanding

Enclosure: Two Intelligence Reports of Aerial Objects

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/4/5)

PART I - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer... Unknown - About ten sightings Age... 4
2. Address of observer... Not known
..... Phone... --
3. Occupation of observer... -----
4. Date and time of observation... 210515Z
5. Duration of observation... Unknown
6. Observers location at time of sighting... Mt Gravatt, Cleveland, Sandgate,
Belmont and other places.
.....
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation.....
.....
.....
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill,
over the horizon).
At cloud height
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
.....
.....
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?.....
Definite object
.....
12. If there was more than one object:-
(a) how many were there?..... One object
(b) in what formation were they?.....
13. What was the colour of the light or object?..... Green-Metallic
14. What was its apparent shape?..... Cigar
15. Was any detail of structure observable?..... No

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? Object left a flame-like tail.
17. Was there any sound? Whistling sound was heard.
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation) About cloud height (2400 feet)
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity) Same as aircraft.
20. Was the object stationary? No.
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
South-East.
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
Straight path.
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen?
Yes. A flame-like tail.
24. Where did the object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
Below City horizon.
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
No.
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? -----
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s) -----

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.

29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?

30. Name and address of organisation -----
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
Path of object was in direction of Gold Coast; Southport Police Station
received no reports of any objects in that locality.
WEATHER - Fine $\frac{2-3}{8}$ cloud at 2400 feet.

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PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-

Aircraft type... Canberra Canberra
 Heading... Evan's Head - Amberley (NW) Flying in L/L area
 Height.....,000 ft..... 3,000 ft.....,000 ft
~~Speed~~... TIME - 210515Z - 0535Z K 210504Z K

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-

Aircraft type... QANTAS HS125 (BCF)
 Heading... South (Townsville T Sydney) T T
 Height..... 38 ,000 ft ,000 ft ,000 ft
~~Speed~~... TIME - 210504Z K K K

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time:-

..... N/A

35. A meteorological balloon was released from... Eagle Farm
 at... 210515 Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city confirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at that time were

..... No reports (comet, meteorite shower etc)

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons)

..... No suitable satellite movements known

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was:-

.....

39. The object reported could have been:- A Meteor or re-entry of space

vehicle

40. ~~The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.~~

.....
No. 82 Wing (Unit) D.L. MACPARIANE (Name)
22nd March 1968 (Date) Flying Officer (Rank)

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART I - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer... Unknown - About ten sightings Age?
2. Address of observer... Not known
..... Phone.
3. Occupation of observer... ..
4. Date and time of observation... 210515Z
5. Duration of observation... Unknown
6. Observers location at time of sighting... Mt Gravatt, Cleveland, Sandgate,
Belmont and other places.
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation.....
.....
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill,
over the horizon).
At cloud height
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
.....
.....
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?.....
Definite object
12. If there was more than one object:-
(a) how many were there?..... One object
(b) in what formation were they?.....
13. What was the colour of the light or object?..... Green-Metallic
14. What was its apparent shape?..... Cigar
15. Was any detail of structure observable?..... No

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?..... Object left a flame-like tail.
17. Was there any sound?..... Whistling loud was heard
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation)..... About cloud height (2400 feet)
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity)..... Same as aircraft.
20. Was the object stationary?..... No.
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
..... South-East.
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
..... Straight path.
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen?.....
..... Yes - A flame-like tail.
24. Where did the object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
..... Below City horizon
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
..... No.
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously?.....
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s).....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
.....
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?
.....
30. Name and address of organisation.....
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
..... Path of object was in direction of Gold Coast; Southport Police Station
..... received no reports of any objects in that locality.
..... WEATHER - Fine / 2-3 cloud at 2400 feet.

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PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-

Aircraft type.....	Canberra	Canberra
Heading.....	Evan's Head - Amberley(NMV)	Flying in L/L area
Height.....	3,000 ft.	3,000 ft.
Time.....	210515Z - 0535Z	210504Z

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-

Aircraft type.....	CANYAS	HS125 (BOF)
Heading.....	South (Townsville - Sydney)	
Height.....	38,000 ft.	38,000 ft.
Time.....	210504Z	

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time:-

N/A

35. A meteorological balloon was released from.....
 at.....210515Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city confirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at that time were

No reports

.....(comet, meteorite shower etc)

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons)

No suitable satellite movements known

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was:-

39. The object reported could have been:-
 vehicle.

A Meteor or re-entry of space

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

No 82 Wing.....(Unit)

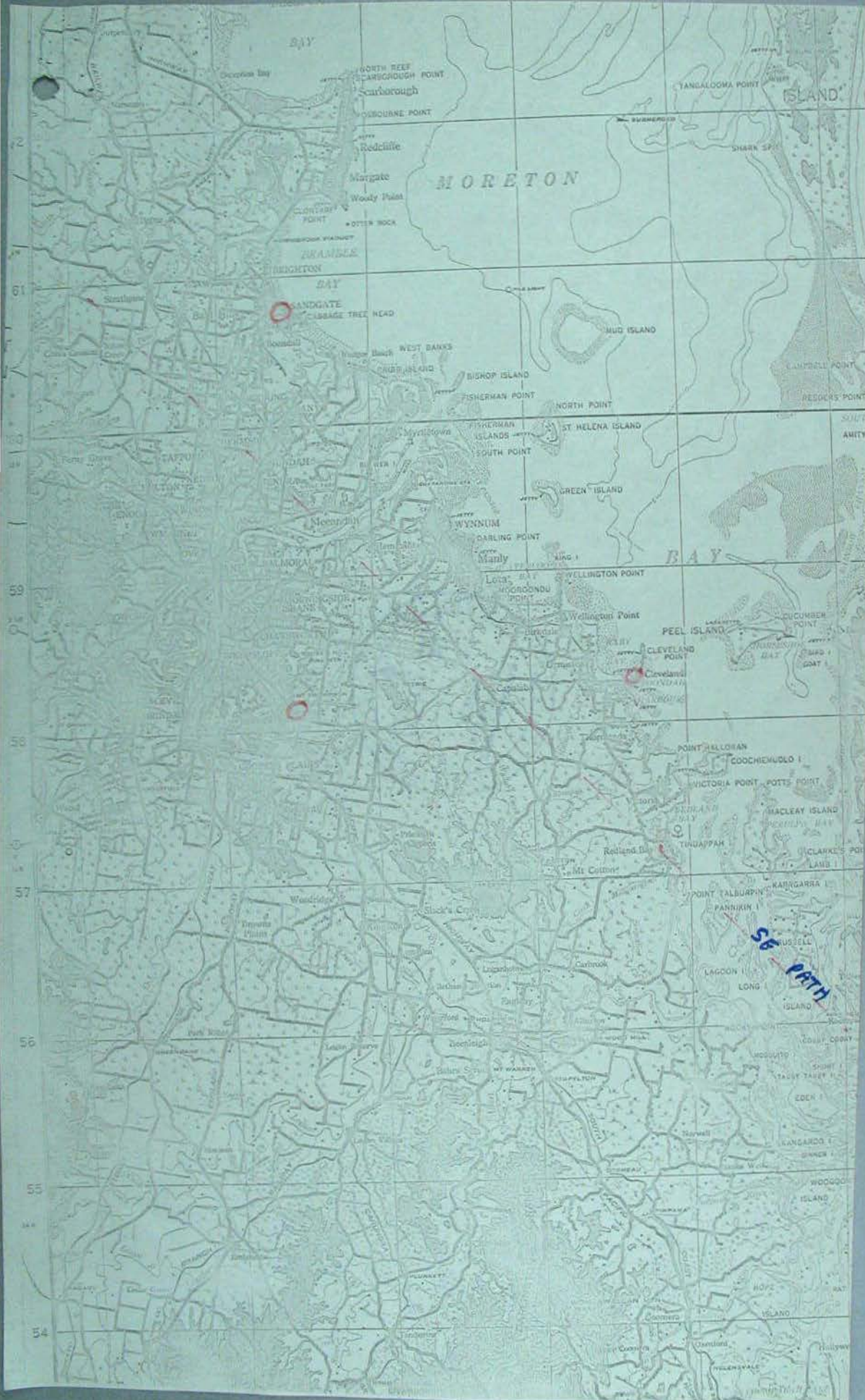
22nd March 1968.....(Date)

D.L. MacFarlane

D.L. MACFARLANE.....(Name)

Flying Officer.....(Rank)

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART 1 - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer..... LT MCKENZIE AGE 38
2. Address of observer..... NAS NOWRA
..... PHONE
3. Occupation of observer..... AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL
4. Date and time of observation .. 28 MAR 68 1928K
5. Duration of observation
6. Observers location at time of sighting. TOWER AT NOWRA
.....
7. Weather conditions at time of observation. FINE & HAZY
Vis 8 WIND CALM 1/8 22000 FT
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation.....
NAKED EYE & BINOCULARS
.....
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from
behind a hill, over the horizon).
WEST 15° ELEVATION
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
MOVEMENT
.....
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?.....
LIGHT BRIGHTER THAN STAR
.....
12. If there was more than one object:-
(a) how many were there?.....
(b) in what formation were they?.....
13. What was the colour of the light or object?..... WHITE
14. What was its apparent shape?.....
15. Was any detail of structure observable?..... NO

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?..... NO
17. Was there any sound?..... NO
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation). Very High
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity) west To South in 10 mins
20. Was the object stationary?..... NO
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
..... WEST TO EAST
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
..... STRAIGHT PATH
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen?..... LIGHT
24. Where did object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
..... ABOUT 30° ANGLE TO SE OF NWA
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
..... NO
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously?..... NO
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s)..... —
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
..... OCCUPATION
29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena?
..... NO
30. Name and address of organisation..... —
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
..... PASSED IN FRONT OF SOUTHERN CROSS
..... AT 1935K - MORE THAN ONE OBSERVER
..... SIGHTED OBJECT

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PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type..... *ONLY LOCAL FLYING NOWRA*
..... *ALL ACCOUNTED FOR*
Heading.....T.....T.....T
Height.....,000 ft ,000 ft ,000 ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K

33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time :-

Aircraft type..... *Nil*
Heading.....T.....T.....T
Height.....,000 ft ,000 ft ,000 ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K

34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time :-.....

35. A meteorological balloon was released from.....

at.....Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.

36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city affirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at the time were

.....(comet, meteorite shower, etc).

37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons).....

38. There is conclusive evidence that the object reported was.....

39. The object reported could have been.....

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.

.....(Unit)(Name)
.....(Date)(Rank)

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2nd April 1968

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The Secretary
Department of Air
Russell Offices
CANBERRA ACT 2600

REPORT ON AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

Enclosed is a copy of a report received by this Headquarters on the observation of an aerial object by a Mr. BARR of MYREE, Western Australia.

Encl.

(G.A. MARTIN)
Flight Lieutenant
For Officer Commanding

For Information

Headquarters Support Command Victoria Barracks MELBOURNE SCI VIC 3000

1. Name of Observer **Mr. Barr** Age **Not Given**
2. Address of Observer **195 High Road MYREE**
3. Occupation of Observer **Service Station Owner - Telephone: 501998**
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
212055H MAR 68
5. Duration of observation(s) **5 Minutes**
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by
map reference if possible, or by
known landmarks)
ARMADALE - about 15 miles south east of Perth
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s)
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation).
NIL
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill,
over the horizon, etc.
Approaching from SE direction
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise?
Light
11. Did the object appear as a light or as a definite object.
As a bright white light
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was
their formation.
One object
13. What was the colour of the light or object? **White**
14. What was its apparent shape? **-**
15. Was any detail of structure observable? **NIL**
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? **NO**
17. Was there any sound? **NO**
18. Height, or angle of elevation. **High**
19. Speed, or angular velocity. **-**
20. Was the object stationary? **NO**
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points
of the compass.
**Leading NW until Byford then turned towards S with the light fading
as it turned.**

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?
..... See 21
23. Was there any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen..... NO
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.
..... Not Known
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or any other supporting evidence.
..... NIL
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously..... NO
27. If so, give details of incident(s)..... -
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
..... NIL
29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena?
..... NO
30. Name and Address of Organization..... -
31. Any additional information: Telephone: 501998
.....
When the object turned it was in line with southern tip of
.....
southern cross stars
.....

Signature of
Observer: (Mr. BARR)

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.
One F27 RPT ex ALBANY was turned to intercept PARKERVILLE locator.
.....
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
.....
34. Comments: The report was discussed with Perth tower and Mr. Barr...
was rung and the details of his report fitted the course and details
of the F27.
.....

Signature of Interrogator:
for (P.M. ROOKE)

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator. Flying Officer

NOTE: Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.

East Bullsbrook 200



Headquarters
RAAF Base
PEARCE WA 6085

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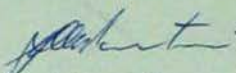
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REPORT ON AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

Enclosed is a copy of a report received by this
Headquarters on the observation of an aerial object by a
Mr. BARR of MYREE, Western Australia.

Encl.


(G.A. MARTIN)
Flight Lieutenant
For Officer Commanding

For Information

Headquarters Support Command Victoria Barracks MELBOURNE VIC 3000

1. Name of Observer **Mr. Barr** Age **Not Given**
2. Address of Observer **195 High Road MYRES**
3. Occupation of Observer **Service Station Owner - Telephone: 501998**
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
212055H MAR 68
5. Duration of observation(s) **5 Minutes**
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
ARMADALE - about 15 miles south east of Perth
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s)
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation).
NIL
9. Where was object first observed, eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
Approaching from SE direction
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise?
Light
11. Did the object appear as a light or as a definite object.
As a bright white light
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there, and what was their formation.
One object
13. What was the colour of the light or object?
White
14. What was its apparent shape?
NIL
15. Was any detail of structure observable?
NO
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?
NO
17. Was there any sound?
High
18. Height, or angle of elevation
-
19. Speed, or angular velocity
NO
20. Was the object stationary
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass.
Leading NW until Ryford then turned towards S with the light fading as it turned.

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?
See 21
 **NO**
23. Was there any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen.....
24. Where did object disappear, eg in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.
Not Known

25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or any other supporting evidence.
NIL
 **NO**
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously.....
27. If so, give details of incident(s).....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
NIL

29. Are you a member of any organization interested in aerial phenomena?
NO

30. Name and Address of Organization.....

Telephone: 501998
31. Any additional information:
When the object turned it was in line with southern tip of
southern cross stars

- Signature of
 Observer:
(Mr. BARR)
32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.
One F27 RPT ex ALBANY was turned to intercept PARKERVILLE locater.

33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.

The report was discussed with Perth tower and Mr. Barr
34. Comments:
was rung and the details of his report fitted the course and details
of the F27.

Signature of Interrogator:
(T.M. HOOKS)

Flying Officer

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

NOTE: Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved, and the time taken to do this.



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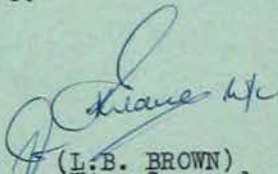
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UN-IDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Forwarded are reports of UFOs sighted from
Elwood and Avalon Victoria by Messrs Banks and Cappelletti,
together with comments by C Intell O.


(L.B. BROWN)
Wing Commander
For Air Officer Commanding

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*insufficient for file
not date of sighting
summary included in summary of
sighting*

2 March 88.

King Commander R. E. Brown
Dear Sir

This is the first
time I have ever reported such an
observation, and I presumed I would
not hear any more about it.

As the date was about 3 wks.
ago I cannot be sure of the exact
month but I suspect that would
have been noted when I rang.

Hoping this information may be
of some use to you

Yours sincerely

Robert Brank's

41, Daley St

Elwood 31874

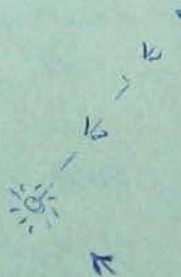
P.S. Since receiving your letter I mentioned
the matter to a friend, who said a
friend of hers also noticed this unusual
observation, but I should imagine by
now the details would be a bit more
vague.

P.T.O.

- any detail of structure observable.....
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious..... *no*.....
17. Was there any sound..... *no*.....
18. Height, or angle of elevation..... *60°*.....
19. Speed, or angular velocity..... *about speed of shooting star*.....
20. Was the object stationary..... *no*.....
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks
or points of the compass....
..... *upwards*

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SOUTHEAST CROSS.

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PAINTERSEXPLOSION TOOK PLACE,FIRST NOTICES ARRIVE FROMDIRECTION OF PAINTERS,ABOUT THE SIZE OF VENUSBUT NOT QUITE SO BRIGHT ONDISINTEGRATION

HORIZON.

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

- Name of Observer... *Mr. Bert Banks* Age *28*
- Address of Observer... *41 Daley St Elwood*
- Occupation of Observer... *rearing machine mechanic*
- Date and Time of Observation... *Feb. about 8:30 pm* (Time to be given in local time)
- Duration of Observation(s)... *about 2 seconds*
- Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of position by map reference if possible, or by landmarks)... *Elwood facing South*
- Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s)... *Clear*
- Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment observed)
- Where was object first observed, eg overhead behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
- What first attracted observer's attention... *travelling upwards Southeastern*
- Did object appear as a light or as a definite shape... *light only*
- If there was more than one object, how what was their formation... *only one*
- What was the colour of the light or object
- What was its apparent shape...
- Was any detail of structure observable
- Was any method of propulsion obvious
- Was there any sound...
- Angle of elevation... *ab*
- Velocity...

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer... *Mr. Bert Banks* Age *38*
2. Address of Observer... *41 Daley St. Elwood 3184*
3. Occupation of Observer... *rearing machine mechanic*
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
..... *Feb. about 8.30 pm*
5. Duration of Observation(s)... *about 2 seconds*
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
..... *Elwood facing South*
7. Weather Conditions at time(s) of observation(s)..... *Clear*
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation)
.....
9. Where was object first observed, eg overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
travelling upwards South-eastern about 60°
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise.
..... *light*
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
..... *light only*
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation.
..... *only one*
13. What was the colour of the light or object... *brass yellow*
14. What was its apparent shape... *spherical*
15. Was any detail of structure observable... *no*
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious... *no*
17. Was there any sound... *no*
18. Height, or angle of elevation... *60°*
19. Speed, or angular velocity... *about speed of shooting star*
20. Was the object stationary... *no*
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass...
..... *upwards*

22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all? *straight*

23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen.... *no.*

24. Where did object disappear, eg mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon. *mid-air*

25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence. *none.*

26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously. *yes.*

27. If so, give details of incident(s). *cannot clearly recall details*

28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to paras 18 and 19. *Happened to be in back garden looking at the sky*

29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena? *no.*

30. Name and address of organisation.....

31. Any additional information. *after brief sighting appeared to explode - without leaving any sound - rough diagram included*

Signature of Observer. *[Signature]*

32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting. *none.*

33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.

34. Comments. *Reporter unable to give any approximate date of sighting. Impossible to follow up. Appears to be meteorite or decaying space matter from information available*

Signature of Interrogator. *[Signature]*

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

note... Since it is normally impossible to estimate the height and speed of a strange object, it will usually be better to endeavour to determine the angle of elevation of the object, the angle through which it moved and the time taken to do this.

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECT OBSERVED

1. Name of Observer... JOHN CAPPELLETTI... Age... 22...
2. Address of Observer... FLAT 14, 30 WESTERN BEACH, GEELONG, VIC.
3. Occupation of Observer... AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER...
4. Date and Time of Observation (Time to be given in local time)
... WEDNESDAY, 6.3.68 ... TIME 1923 LOCAL ... (0923Z)
5. Duration of Observation(s)... 3 SECONDS ... (MAY BE LESS.)
6. Observers Location at Time of Sighting (Give details of own position by map reference if possible, or by known landmarks)
... IN AVALON ATC CONTROL TOWER ...
... 144° 30' E ... 38° 02' E ... LOOKING EASTWARDS ...
7. Weather Conditions at time of observation... WIND 160°/20 KNOTS ...
... VISIBILITY 20 MILES ... FINE ... 1/8 CU 3000 FT. ... TEMP 17°C ... DEW PT 9°C ... 1021 MB ...
8. Aids to Observation(s). (Describe any equipment used in the observation)
... NIL ...
9. Where was object first observed, eg overhead, coming from behind a hill, over the horizon, etc.
... 45° ABOVE HORIZON ... (COULD NOT SEE ABOVE THIS DUE MY POSITION & ROOF OF TOWER.)
10. What first attracted observer's attention, eg light or noise.
... WHITE LIGHT ...
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object.
... WHITE LIGHT ... (SIMILAR TO FALLING STAR.)
12. If there was more than one object, how many were there and what was their formation.
... ONE ONLY ...
13. What was the colour of the light or object... WHITE ...
14. What was its apparent shape... / ...
15. Was any detail of structure observable... NO ...
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious... NO ...
17. Was there any sound... NO ...
18. Height, or angle of elevation... 45° ABOVE HORIZON DOWN TO 05° ...
19. Speed, or angular velocity... / ...
20. Was the object stationary... NO ... FALLING DOWN. ...
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass...
... 110° ... 110° MAG. ... FROM AVALON TOWER. ...

2. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate or manoeuvre at all?
 STRAIGHT PATH APPEARED TO BE HEADING DOWN.
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen... NOT... OBSERVED.
24. Where did object disappear, eg mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon.
 WENT OFF OUT OF SIGHT APPROX. 5° ABOVE HORIZON
25. Existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence.
 NIL
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously... NO
27. If so, give details of incident(s).....
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to paras 18 and 19.
 AS AN AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER ASSESSING THIS TYPE OF INFORMATION IS PART OF TRAINING
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?
 NO
30. Name and address of organisation.....
31. Any additional information... THE 44 ABOVE INFORMATION WAS CONFIRMED BY QANTAS TRAINING AIRCRAFT (BOEING 707) CAPT. MERV SCHIPPARD
 Signature of Observer A. Gappell
32. Location of any air traffic in the vicinity at the time of sighting.
 QANTAS TRAINING AIRCRAFT VH-EAC (B707)
 POSITION 3 MILES SOUTH/EAST OF AVALON TOWER HEADING 090°M AT 1500 FT.
33. Location of any meteorological stations in the general area.
 AVALON TOWER. ALL CONTROLLERS ARE QUALIFIED.
34. ~~Comments~~ METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVERS.
 Satellite Activity: PAGEOS! at 1920 hrs AZ 264 EL 85.
 Comment: Lighting not PAGEOS! Assessed as meteorite.
 Signature of Interrogator [Signature]

QUESTIONS 32, 33 and 34 to be answered by interrogator.

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Department of Air (DAF)

UFO Sighting

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DAF 1

Enclosed herewith for your action is
a report of a recent UFO sighting.

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PRINTED NAME

RANK AND APPOINTMENT

PHONE EXTN

Grant Hayes

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14. What was its apparent shape? Circular. period
15. Was any detail of structure observable? Nil

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TELEPHONE: IPSWICH 81-1511

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No. 82W/5/9/Air(42)

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

Headquarters
RAAF Base
AMBERLEY QLD 4305

26th February 1968

Headquarters Operational Command
RAAF
PENRITH NSW 2750

REPORT OF AERIAL OBJECTS OBSERVED

Reference: A. Headquarters Operational Command ASI 13/A/5.

1. Further to our message AI55 21st February 1968 enclosed are two copies of a report of aerial objects observed by Mr J. Galt, 848 Wynnum Road Cannon Hill.
2. The first two objects were observed accidentally on 20th February 1968 and the second pair were observed by planned viewing on 22nd February 1968.
3. Although Mr Galt did not consider the objects were satellites, the appearance and flight paths of the objects seem to suggest that they were.

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(C.H. SPURGEON)
Group Captain
For Officer Commanding

13. What was the colour of the light or object?.....white all cases - pale green colour disappearance pulsating with 1-2 sec period
14. What was its apparent shape? Circular.....period
15. Was any detail of structure observable?.....Nil

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INTELLIGENCE - REPORT OF AERIAL

OBJECT OBSERVED

(Operational Command ASI 3/A/5)

PART I - REPORT BY OBSERVER

1. Name of observer... Mr J. Galt Age... 38
2. Address of observer... 848 Wynnham Road Cannon Hill QLD
..... Phone... 955754
3. Occupation of observer... Departmental Manager
4. Date and time of observation... (i) 200948Z (ii) 220932Z
5. Duration of observation... (i) 1/2 minute approximately (ii) 1/2 minute approximately
6. Observers location at time of sighting... Cannon Hill
.....
.....
8. Describe any aids or equipment used in the observation.....
... (i) Nil
... (ii) Binoculars
9. Where was object first observed? (eg, overhead, coming from behind a hill,
over the horizon).
... (i) Noticed overhead (ii) Noticed overhead
10. What first attracted observer's attention? (eg, light or noise).
... (i) Accidental sighting (ii) Planned viewing
11. Did object appear as a light or as a definite object?.....
... Light
12. If there was more than one object:-
... (a) how many were there?... (i) Two objects (ii) Two objects
... (b) in what formation were they?... Separate
13. What was the colour of the light or object?... White all cases - pale green before
disappearance pulsating with 1-2 sec
period
14. What was its apparent shape? Circular.
15. Was any detail of structure observable?... Nil

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16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? No
17. Was there any sound? No
18. What was its height? (or angle of elevation) Very high, all cases
19. What was its speed? (or angular velocity) (i) & (ii) 5 deg/sec (approx)
20. Was the object stationary? No
21. What was the direction of flight with reference to landmarks or points of the compass?
See attached diagrams
22. Did the object remain on a straight path, deviate, or manoeuvre at all?
(i) No 1 veered to NE. No 2 described erratic course (ii) Straight paths.
23. Was any trail of exhaust, vapour, or light seen? No
24. Where did the object disappear? (eg, in mid-air, behind a hill, over the horizon)
In mid-air - very sharp cut-off after turning green.
25. Do you know of any physical evidence? (such as fragments, photographs, or other supporting evidence)
No
26. Have you observed any unusual phenomena previously? Publicised USA Satellite.
27. If so, give brief details of incident(s) Objects seemed dissimilar to this previously observed satellite.
28. State any experience which enables observer to be reasonably certain about the answers given to 18 and 19.
Nil
29. Are you a member of any organisation interested in aerial phenomena?
No
30. Name and address of organisation N/A
31. Any additional information which relates to the sighting.
See attached diagram.

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PART 2 - UNIT EVALUATION

32. The following military aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-
- Aircraft type... (i) 2 x Pilatus Portac (ii) 3 x Helicopters.....
- Heading... Local flyingTT Local flyingT
- Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
- Speed.....K.....K.....K
33. ^{Nowhere near Cannon Hill} The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:-
- Aircraft type... (i) Electra 200932Z (ii) DC4 201020Z.....
- Times do not correspond with sightings
- Heading.....T.....T.....T
- Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
- Speed.....K.....K.....K
34. Calculations show that the following planets or major stars were in that portion of the sky at the time:-
-
- 2 x
35. ~~A~~ meteorological balloon was released from ~~Eggleston~~ ^{not} ~~FAA~~.....
- at ~~201100~~Z and could have been in the reported UFO position at the time.
36. The State Observatory in the nearest capital city confirms that aerial phenomena in that portion of the sky at that time were
- ... No meteors reported(comet, meteorite shower etc)
37. Any other relevant remarks (eg about satellites, rockets, research balloons)
- Mr Newell of State Observatory could not suggest definite satellites -
- Not Echo I x II
38. There is ^{inconclusive} ~~conclusive~~ evidence that the object reported ^{were} ~~was~~:- Satellites.....
- ... but their behavior and appearance was consistent with satellites.....
-
39. The object reported could have been:- Satellites.....
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40. ~~The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting cannot be determined.~~

No 82 Wing.....(Unit) D.L. MACFARLANE.....(Name)

26th February 1968.....(Date) Flying Officer.....(Rank)

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N°1

FIRST SIGHTED AT 7-32 P.M

SAME APPEARANCE AND SPEED AS

N°1 ON NIGHT OF 20.2.68

ABOUT SAME POSITION

DIDNT FADE OUT, SIMPLY DISAPPEARED
AFTER A SHORTER PERIOD OF
OBSERVATION.

FLIGHT PATH STRAIGHT.

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N°2

SIGHTED ABOUT 1 MINUTE AFTER
LOSING SIGHT OF N°1

FLIGHT PATH STRAIGHT.

OBSERVED THROUGH BINOCULARS
ITS LIGHT INTENSITY CHANGED
FROM DULL TO BRIGHT IN
PULSATING FASHION AT
REGULAR INTERVALS, ALL THE
TIME UNTIL IT VANISHED.

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N°2

← VANISHED

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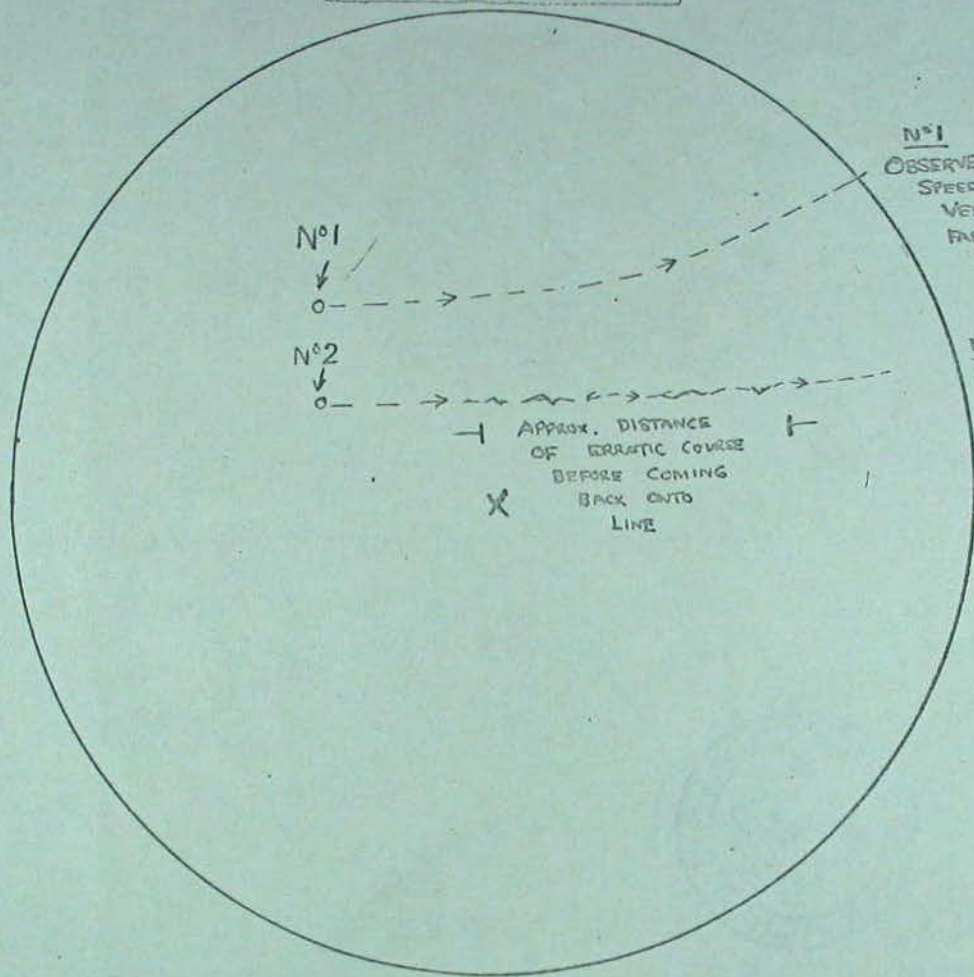
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ITS APPEARANCE WAS THAT
OF A MEDIUM SIZED STAR,
ROUND, WITH ITS PERIMETER
IF ANYTHING MORE CLEARLY
DEFINED

COLOUR : WHITE

BOTH N°1 AND N°2
DIDNT APPEAR TO BE
OF DIFFERENT SIZE,
HOWEVER N°2 WAS
CLOSER.

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N°1

OBSERVED FOR 30 SECS.
SPEED CONSTANT

VEERED TO NORTH EAST
FADED GRADUALLY WITH A CHANGE IN
COLOUR FROM WHITE TO VERY PALE GREEN
VANISHED AT 7.48 PM.

N°2

OBSERVED FOR APPROX. SAME TIME
SPEED NOT CONSTANT

TRAVELLED STRAIGHT EAST EVEN THOUGH
COURSE BECAME ERRATIC FOR
A PERIOD
THIS ONE DISPLAYED
AMAZING MANOEUVRABILITY IN
VERTICAL FASHION.
FADED OUT ABOUT

1 1/2 MINUTES AFTER

N°1, AGAIN IN
PALE GREEN COLOUR

DURING ITS ERRATIC COURSE IT GAVE
ME THE IMPRESSION THAT ITS LIGHT
INTENSITY CHANGED FROM DULL TO
BRIGHT QUICKLY, JUST AS IF A
SAUCER WERE TURNING OVER AND
OVER AND ITS TOP WERE
SHINING BRIGHTLY.

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① Aircraft ATA & ATD not given

② Movement of white light from 1950 to about 2000 hours at an elevation of about 25° from W to S may correspond to the 727 descending to Sydney airport provided that

- (a) times roughly agree
- (b) track from Church Pt would appear to be W to S.
- (c) white light on and red lights hidden
- (d) too far to be heard

③ Detailed manoeuvre at about 1945 -- "my important observation; There is no possible doubt of the authenticity of this"

Angled turns were particularly sharp. This report indicates that one light was observed continuously and executed manoeuvres most unlike ordinary a/c.

→ consistent with ^{angular} departure of aircraft ^{from} south of runway then proceeding to intercept ^{on} runway for landing

④ Points for aircraft (1) approx correct angular velocity

⑤ Points against aircraft (1) sharp angle (2) reversed direction

(3) white light, no red light (4) no sound ^{could appear as at some distance}
 quite possible \ to far away.

- Not optimal path and pattern in
operation in mechanism that makes *

f. 49

- ① Was net balloon released at 1415 or 1615. If 1415, the balloon would be between 15,000' at 1428, not 1128. ✓
- ② No radar contact is not unusual for UFO's
- ③ A plane is most likely normal explanation, but if there are no "owners", then it must be either an optical illusion or "saucer"

f. 48 "Aircraft"

- ① Was the PC in the ^{possible} area at 0100 hrs.
- ② Would landing lights be on at that time? YES MOST DEFINITELY

f. 45 "Aircraft"

- ① Falling slowly vertically with a waver } does not fit action of a plane
- ② If seen at 30° SW, not so good a reflector of the sun, as if seen in the E.

f. 44 "Aircraft"

- ① Why landing light over Templestone? DEPENDS ON APC CAPTAIN
- ② Why 6-8 red lights seen when no white light? ROTATING BEACON & REFLECTORS ON FUSELAGE & WINGS
- ③ How did it appear to be stationary at first? NOT STATIONARY BUT FLYING HEAD ON.
- ④ Would Holant - Exandon a/c appear at 45° NW from Templestone? COULD DO
and why fly SSW? These a/c should be low in the S.W. sky and be moving NNW THIS DEPENDS ON THE APPROACH PATTERN

f 42 P 19 "Aircraft"

- ① No planes known in area, yet assumed to be one.
- ② What would be the bright yellowish white light seen from "over Melbourne" to beyond the Sandhills? Landing lights? Cabin lights?
- ③ Why no mention of red (or green) lights? ~~too distant~~.

f 41 "Aircraft"

~~on the basis of~~ ^{on the basis of} ~~misconception~~ ^{of time}

- ① Again no planes identified, but presumed to be from Moorabbin.
- ② 10 mts after sighting, plane was seen & heard - "flashing the usual lights" - illustrating that sighting differed from a/c ^{signals close to observer}.
- ③ Why would a Moorabbin a/c be described as silver brilliant glittering mass ~~or why not if seen reflecting off it?~~

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- ① Sighting explained as a star or planet with movement due to observer.
- ② Does "it moved across the sky and went down behind the hills, ^{for about 10 mts} and then came up again --- remained stationary" ~~seem~~ ^{seem} like a planet with or without observer movement (who appear to have been static anyway).
- ③ In $\frac{1}{2}$ hour, only $\sim 11^\circ$ of movement expected, and because of dom ^{from overhead to hills} and hills behind, would require impossible observer movement to go.

f 32 "Object thrown from aircraft"

- ① Would any aircraft dispose of an object in flight large enough to be seen for 5-10 mts at 45° ~~too late to verify now~~ ^{have flying & even part of a/c, but it is too late to verify now}.
- ② Why would object appear to be climbing? ^{could be due to slope. Observer at speed of a/c "climbing" is consistent with ditch or severe drop.}

f28 "Star"

No star of reasonable magnitude in direction quoted, yet interrogator quite willing to assume that one was there as a "bright white light"

f26 "Mirage" or "balloon"

Does the interrogator honestly believe that the one description can fit either a Mirage aircraft or a balloon?, merely by whether the time was 1145 or 1245?

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