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### SUMMARY OF SIGHTINGS

INSTRUCTIONS TO BE FOLLOWED  
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NO	PLACE DATE	PERSON	REPORT	REPLY	REMARKS
1	WANDSWORTH VIC	PETER BAKER	14 MAY	30 JUN 73	PROBABLE MURDER/REMOVAL OF CAR.
6	22 APR 73			✓	
2	CARRINGTON WA	JUDI KIMBER	16 MAY	15 JUN 73	BALLOON ACTIVITY
2	6 APR 73			✓	
3	AMBERLEY QLD	AC CURVIN	8 MAY	5 JUN 73	HELI-COPTERS
7	2 MAY 73			✓	
4	AMBERLEY QLD	LAC JONES	8 MAY	30 MAY 73	UNPREDICTED SPACE VEHICLES & PAGES 2
9	5 MAY 73			✓	
5	CAOYDON VIC	J.R. TEMERSON	21 MAY	22 MAY 73	AMBULANCE SIREN
11	9 MAY 73			✓	
6	MTN CARLTON VIC	M.H. TAYLOR	21 MAY	14 JUN 73	SPACE VEHICLE 1973-0188
10	6 MAY 73			✓	
7	KORONG VALE VIC	LORNA GROVER	21 MAY	12 JUN 73	NO DETERMINATION. CLOUDS MARKINGS
5	14 APR 73			✓	MAY HAVE CAUSED BY FARM MACHINERY - TIME LAG
8	UNNA NSW	MRS JOHNSON	21 MAY	6 JUN 73	MIRAGE AIRCRAFTS
8	2 MAY 73			✓	
9	MINTO NSW	J. TERRY	25 MAY	5 JUN 73	CANOPUS
16	22 MAY 73			✓	
10	NOBIE PARK VIC	ROSANNE BUCKLAND	28 MAY	5 JUN 73	SPACE VEHICLE 1973-0188 REENTRY
12	10 MAY 73			✓	
11	NUNAWADING VIC	GIL S.M. AUGUSTINI	28 MAY	13 JUN 73	CRESCENT MOON SETTING
3	8 APR 73			✓	
12	SUBIACO W.A.	MR. A.S. FOLEY	29 MAY	4 JUN 73	AIRCRAFT - PERTH AIRPORT
1	13 MAR 73			✓	
13	MASCOT NSW	MR. C. McPHERA	29 MAY	N/R	VEG.
13	12 MAY 73				
14	WYNYARD TAS	MR. H. FENTON	30 MAY	4 JUN 73	SALYUT
14	15 MAY 73			✓	
15	RIVERSIDE TAS	MR. A.B. EVANS	30 MAY	4 JUN 73	SALYUT
15	15 MAY 73			✓	
16	CANBERRA ACT	MR. McINTOSH	17 MAY	22 MAY 73	MINISTERIAL SECRETARY
4	12 APR 73			N/R	BESSIE A/C.



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Reference AF554/1/30 (34)

Subject: RECLASSIFICATION OF FILES

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7 May 82

  
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12 APR 73

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CANBERRA  
HST

MR. WINTOSH



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CANBERRA  
ACT

MR. WINTOSH



NOTE OF ACTION AND FIXING

Sighting # 16 was the subject of a letter to the Minister and as such was treated as a "Ministerial". All data and the reply is held on 569/8/975.

The most probable cause was a sighting of a Hermes aircraft operating at Fairbairn airport.

30 MAY 78

Ralph  
John Lott



15 MAY 73

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RIVERSIDE (LANCASHIRE) MR A.D. EVANS  
TAS



# Salyut Elements Separate, Signals Lost

Salyut space station orbited by the Soviet Union Apr. 3 suffered a catastrophic malfunction Apr. 14 that ripped the vehicle's solar cells and boom-mounted rendezvous radar and radio transponder from the spacecraft's main body and left the vehicle tumbling in space without telemetry return.

Breakup of the spacecraft was violent enough to divide the separated parts into 15-25 pieces, many of which already have decayed from orbit. At least three of the pieces were large enough to provide good tracking data shortly after the failure, but one also has since decayed.

The failure might have occurred while the Salyut was out of range of Soviet ground stations, preventing the Soviets from obtaining reliable data as to the cause of the accident.

Failure of the Soviets to launch a manned Soyuz spacecraft for a rendezvous with the Salyut (AW&ST Apr. 16, p. 19) may have averted a major space tragedy, although a crew on board the spacecraft might have prevented the trouble.

It is believed the Soviets delayed the liftoff of a Soyuz because of extreme solar flare activity, which revealed itself on Apr. 4, one day after the Salyut's launch. A launch pad booster or spacecraft malfunction might also have precluded a Soyuz launch, because the Salyut station was boosted into a high parking orbit Apr. 8.

The main bulk of the Salyut is expected to decay and re-enter the earth's atmosphere about September.

Destruction of the Salyut in the manner observed could have resulted from some type of explosion or possibly a wildly firing thruster, which could have sent the spacecraft into tumbling maneuvers too great for the solar panels and other appendages to withstand.

The almost immediate orbital decay of some Salyut debris lends credence to the theory that the spacecraft suffered an explosion.

The quick decay of pieces indicates an explosion that applied retrograde forces to some debris, thrusting it backward along the orbital track where it would lose altitude much more quickly than those pieces blown forward along the orbital track.

Loss of the Salyut is expected to have a more serious effect on the Soviet manned program than the death of the three Soyuz 11/Salyut crewmen almost two years ago. That fatal mishap was traced quickly to a decompression accident (AW&ST July 5, 1971, p. 12).

The latest mishap marks the fourth time in two years the Soviets have clearly failed in a space station exercise. Besides losing three cosmonauts in the Soyuz 11

tragedy, the Soyuz 10/Salyut mission also ended in a partial failure when the Soyuz crew failed to enter the Salyut once docked with it (AW&ST May 3, 1971, p. 14).

The Soviets also failed in an attempt to orbit a second functional Salyut in July, 1972, when it did not achieve orbit because of a booster malfunction (AW&ST Apr. 9, p. 21).

Other problems believed to have occurred in the Salyut program are indicated in the 1969 Soyuz 6, 7 and 8 triple manned flight launched by the Soviets in October of that year.

Originally set for May, 1969, Soyuz 6 is believed to have been designed as a solo engineering flight. The mission was delayed, however, because of pressure at Baykonur to launch the Luna series.

The follow-on mission to Soyuz 6 was to have been the launch of another Soyuz, in conjunction with a boilerplate Salyut where rendezvous and possibly docking could have been tested in preparation for a manned long-duration mission with a Salyut in 1970.

Soyuz 6's delay into the fall of 1969 is also believed to have led to a decision to fly Soyuz 7 and the boilerplate Salyut in a joint flight with Soyuz 6.

Problems eventually occurred with the Salyut, however, which would have pushed the joint flight into the winter of 1969 when manned missions were undesirable. Instead of waiting for Salyut, the Soviets readied Soyuz 8 and subsequently launched it in connection with Soyuz 6 and 7.

A relatively quick decision to launch a third manned spacecraft during October probably prompted the selection of an experienced crew consisting of cosmo-

nauts Vladimir Shatalov and Alexei Yeliseyev, who had flown on the Soyuz 4 and 5 missions the previous January.

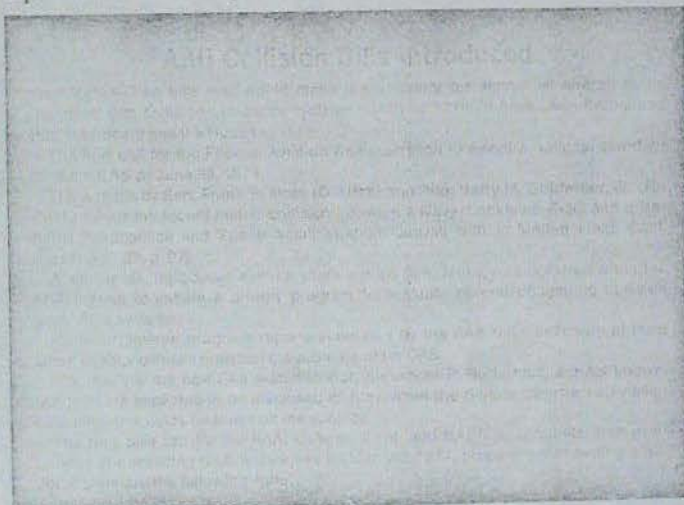
A month later, in November, 1969, tracking data indicate the boilerplate Salyut was launched but failed to achieve orbit. Observers said the boilerplate failure transmitted telemetry "quite similar" to a later successful Salyut boilerplate launch.

Without a Salyut vehicle in which to conduct tests, the Soviets flew the 18-day Soyuz 9 mission in June, 1970, to collect medical data on extended flights.

In December, 1970, a second boilerplate Salyut was launched successfully and tested under the guise of Cosmos 382. The successful test of the second boilerplate spacecraft set the stage for the Soyuz 10 and 11 missions, which rendezvoused with the only successful Salyut ever launched. With the Salyut inoperative, the Soviets are left with at least one SL-13 launch vehicle mated to a Soyuz spacecraft.

The Soviets are not expected to postpone manned flights until their linkup with an Apollo spacecraft under the Apollo Soyuz Test Project in July, 1975, so a manned Soyuz flight using the existing hardware might take place soon in spite of the Salyut loss. For the Soviets not to use the existing Soyuz/SL-13 combination or other vehicles this year would mean a delay of more than four years between Soviet manned flights.

Had it been flown, this month's Salyut/Soyuz mission probably would have drawn from a group of cosmonauts in training for such flights including Pavel Popovich, who piloted Vostok 4; Valery Bykovsky, pilot of Vostok 5; Boris V. Volynov, who flew on Soyuz 5; and Georgi G. Shonin, who flew on Soyuz 6.

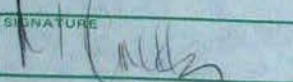




FROM DEPAIR	FILE 5801.1.P.23 (155)	DATE 5 JUN 73	REFERENCES Your 5/6/1/AIR (69) OF 28 MAY 73
TO HQSC ATTENTION CINTELLO			
SUBJECT Reports Of UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS			

Enclosed, for your records, are copies of letters from this Department to Mr M Fenton and Mr A J Evans in reply to their reports of unusual aerial sightings.

ENCLOSURES: Copies of letters to Mr M Fenton and Mr A J Evans.

SIGNATURE 	NAME M GRETTON	RANK FLC OFF	APPOINTMENT IR 2	PHONE NO 2408
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580/1/1 Pt 23 (15a)

- 4 JUN 1973

Mr M. Fenton,  
48 Basin Road,  
LAUNCESTON TAS 7250

Dear Sir,


With reference to your report of an unusual aerial sighting on 15th May 1973, it has been determined that the most probable cause of the sighting was orbiting debris of the Russian space station, SALYUT.

The Salyut space station was orbited by the Soviet Union on April 3rd but suffered a major malfunction on April 14th that caused the vehicle's solar cells and boom mounted radar and radio transponder to separate from the main body. Subsequent tumbling of the vehicle caused further break up, and observations have since been made of items of debris re-entering Earth's atmosphere. The main hulk of the Salyut and other items are maintaining orbit and are expected to decay and reenter the atmosphere by September.

The sighting was also witnessed by an observer at Riverside and his report is almost identical to yours.

We trust that this explanation is satisfactory and thank you for your interest.

Yours faithfully,



(G.J. ODGERS)  
Director of Public Relations

*Handwritten notes:*  
A  
S. J. Odgers  
D. J. Odgers  
4 Jun 73



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9 JUN 1973

Mr A.D. Evans,  
175 Alanvale Road,  
NEWMHAM TAS 7250

Dear Sir,

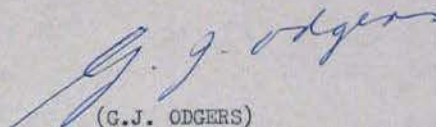
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The sighting was also witnessed by an observer at Wynyard and his report is almost identical to yours.

We trust that this explanation is satisfactory and thank you for your interest.

Yours faithfully,

  
(G.J. ODGERS)  
Director of Public Relations

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4 Jun 73*



# MEMORANDUM

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FROM

HQSC

DATE

28 MAY 73

TO

DAFI DEPAIR

ATTENTION

DAFI IR-2

REFERENCES

DEPT. OF AIR  
DAFI 0-5-72  
S80-1-1  
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SUBJECT

UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING REPORTS

1. Attached are unusual aerial sighting reports from Messrs A.D. EVANS and M. FENTON of Tasmania.
2. No further information can be provided by this office, due to the lack of relevant satellite prediction material.



SIGNATURE

*R.O.Gibbs*

PRINTED NAME

R.O.GIBBS

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- .....
11. If there was more than one light/object : .....
- a. how many were there? ..1 leading followed by 6 others .....
  - b. in what formation were they? 1 in advance 4 in line behind 2 behind .....
- but slightly to west of formation
12. What was the colour of the light or object? .....
- Yellowish white (star coloured)

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REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Part 1 - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form.)

1. Name of observer ..... A.D. EVANS ..... Age ..... 35 .....
2. Address of observer ..... 175 Alanvale Road .....  
..... Newnham ..... Phone ..... 26 3054 .....
3. Occupation of observer ..... Teacher .....
4. Date and time of start of observation ..... 15th May 1973 ..... 5.50 a.m. .....  
How certain is the date? ..... Certain .....  
How accurate is the time of start? ..... Approx. .....
5. Duration of observation ..... About 5 minutes .....  
How accurate is your estimate? ..... Within a minute or so .....
6. Observer's location at time of sighting Fairway Cres. Riverside .....  
.....  
How familiar is observer with this locality? ..... Very .....
7. Weather conditions at time of observation ..... Clear .....
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation ..... No Aids .....
9. Where was object first observed? :
  - a. Relative to your surroundings Due south in vicinity .....  
..... of Southern Cross .....
  - b. angle of elevation ..... 30° from horizon .....
  - c. compass angle bearing ..... 180°T .....
  - d. how accurate are these estimates? ..... Approx. .....
10. What first attracted observer's attention? ..... Moving lights .....
11. If there was more than one light/object : .....
  - a. how many were there? ..... 1 leading followed by 6 others .....
  - b. in what formation were they? 1 in advance 4 in line behind 2 behind .....  
..... but slightly to west of formation .....
12. What was the colour of the light or object? .....  
..... Yellowish white (star coloured) .....

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13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, e.g. ordinary street light at 100 yards)  
..... Bright as Southern Cross stars .....
14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach? :  
a. relative to Venus or Moon ..... Satellite size .....
- b. relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from the eyes) .....
15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed? ..... Directly overhead (about 70°/80°) .....
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? ..... No .....
17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity  
..... None .....
18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)? ..... 80°/30° .....
19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances .....
- ..... 5 mins for approx 50° radius .....
20. Give duration of any stationary phases ..... None .....
21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres ..... None .....
22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen ..... No .....
23. Where was object last observed :  
a. relative to your surroundings ..... Towards NE .....
- b. angle of elevation ..... Approx. 40° .....
- c. compass angle bearing ..... NE .....
24. What was the manner of its disappearance? ..... Gave up looking .....
25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity etc) ..... No .....
26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity .....
- ..... School teacher dealing in Maths and Science .....
27. How many witness to the sighting? ..... None known .....

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28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area?  
..... No .....
29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to  
explaining your observation? ..... Satellite .....
30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation?  
..... Formation behind the leading light .....
31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate,  
sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your  
surroundings. Use back of form, if needed.

Signature ..... Date .....

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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 :

A/C type .....(1).....(2).....(3)
Heading .....T ..... T ..... T
Height .....000 ft .....000 ft .....000 ft.
Speed ..... K ..... K ..... K
ATD/ATA\* ..... hrs ..... hrs ..... hrs

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

A/C type None Known.....(1) .....(2) .....(3)
Heading ..... T ..... T ..... T
Height .....000 ft .....000 ft .....000 ft.
Speed ..... K..... K ..... K
ATD/ATA\* ..... hrs ..... hrs ..... hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA

34. Observer's location : Latitude ..... Longitude .....

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that portion of the sky at that time. By day, give location of Venus only .....

36. A meteorological balloon was released from ..Launceston.....
at .....1630.....Z Colour Silver.....Weight.....gm
Radio-sonde \*\*/radar \*\* : Candle \*\*/ battery\*\* (\*\* delete as required)
General wind profile ..... S - SW .....
Maximum height tracked .....45,000 ft at 1800.....Z
Was it known to have burst? Yes

37. The first significant temperature inversion was of .....Nil.....°C at ..... ft, measured at .....Z hrs from ..... station.

38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, comets meteorites etc. relevant to the sighting .....

39. When an aircraft is a possible identification, include radar trace

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if available, and ascertain which of the aircraft lights were operating

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40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting can\*/cannot\* be determined.

41. The object reported probably ~~was~~\*/may have been\* (delete as required)

Skylab

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..... LAUNCESTON A.T.C.(D.C.A.) (Unit) ..... J. T. W. DOBSON ..... (Name)

..... 15/4/73 ..... (Date) ..... S.O.C. .... (Rank)

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MR. H. FENTON



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Part 1 - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form.)

1. Name of observer... MALCOLM FENTON ..... Age. 22 .....
2. Address of observer... 48 Basin Road .....  
..... Launceston ..... Phone. 31.3551
3. Occupation of observer... News Delivery .....
4. Date and time of start of observation... 15/5/73 6.10 a.m. .....  
How certain is the date?..... Positive .....
- How accurate is the time of start?... Pretty sure .....
5. Duration of observation... approx. 2-3 minutes .....  
How accurate is your estimate?..... .....
6. Observer's location at time of sighting... Wynyard Golf Course .....  
..... .....
- How familiar is observer with this locality?..... Very .....
7. Weather conditions at time of observation... Clear .....
- ..... .....
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation... Nil .....
- ..... .....
9. Where was object first observed? :  
a. Relative to your surroundings... South West .....  
..... .....
- b. angle of elevation... 20 - 30° .....
- c. compass angle bearing... 220° .....
- d. how accurate are these estimates?..... Approx .....
10. What first attracted observer's attention?... Fast moving lights .....  
..... .....
11. If there was more than one light/object :..... .....
- a. how many were there? 1 very bright in front followed by 5 .....  
1 in front followed by 2 in line then 3
- b. in what formation were they?..... staggered .....
12. What was the colour of the light or object?..... Like stars .....  
1st brighter than others

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13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, e.g. ordinary street light at 100 yards)  
..... 1st like street light..... others like stars.....
14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach? :
- a. relative to Venus or Moon..... Larger than Venus.....
- b. relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from the eyes).....
15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed?..... To South.....
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?..... No.....
17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity  
..... No.....
18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)?.....
19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances..... Faster than any acct seen.....
20. Give duration of any stationary phases.....
21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres.....
22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen..... No.....
23. Where was object last observed :
- a. relative to your surroundings..... East - then turned North.....
- b. angle of elevation..... Disappeared with daylight.....
- c. compass angle bearing.....
24. What was the manner of its disappearance?..... Daylight.....
25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity etc)..... No.....
26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity..... Nil.....
27. How many witness to the sighting?..... No.....

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- 28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area?  
..... No .....
- 29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to  
explaining your observation? ... Not known .....
- 30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation?  
.....
- 31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate,  
sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your  
surroundings. Use back of form, if needed.

Signature ..... Date .....

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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:

A/C type.....(1).....(2).....(3)  
Heading.....T.....T.....T  
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

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

A/C type <sup>None Known</sup>.....(1).....(2).....(3)  
Heading.....T.....T.....T  
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA

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at.....Z Colour.....Weight.....gm

Radio-sonde \*\*/ radar \*\* : Candle \*\*/ battery\*\* (\*\* delete as required)

General wind profile.....

Maximum height tracked.....,000 ft at.....Z

Was it known to have burst?

37. The first significant temperature inversion was of.....°C at

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Use back of form, if needed.

Signature.....

Date.....



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operating.....

- 40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting can\*/cannot\* be determined.
- 41. The object reported probably was\*/may have been\* (delete as required)  
.....

..... O.C.C. LAUNCESTON AIRPORT (Unit) ..... J.T.W. DOBSON ..... (Name)  
 ..... 15/5/73 ..... (Date) ..... SOC ..... (Rank)

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MASCOT  
NSW

MR. C. McCREA



REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Part 1 - Report by Observer

1. Name of observer Nigel van HAMBURG Age 28  
 Address 27 Duntroon Ave., ROSEVILLE 2069  
 State NSW Postcode 2069  
 Occupation Air Traffic Controller  
 Phone (home) 4064402 (business) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Exact location of observer Control Tower, MASCOT AIRPORT

3. Start of observation: Date 12MAY73 Time 1355Z ~~xxx/xxx~~

End of observation: Date 12MAY73 Time 1800Z ~~am/pm~~

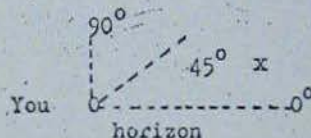
4. Accuracy of date pos times pos

5. Weather conditions at time of observation, referring to cloud, wind, visibility etc. Fine. Nil cloud. Calm QNH1014/1015, Temp 9°C

Dewpoint 8°C. Vis 25ML. light mist forming from 1800Z

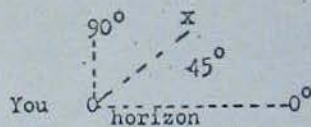
6. In what direction was the sighting first observed? 020°M

At what angle to the horizon?



7. In what direction was the sighting last observed? north (000°)

At what angle to the horizon?



8. Estimate of distance and/or altitude from observer unknown

9. Describe the object(s)/light(s) in your own words, referring to the number, colour, size, shape, brightness (relative to full moon/star), movement, sound, speed, method of propulsion, manner of disappearance and any other unusual features. If possible provide a sketch.



Description/sketch of object

The object, when first seen, appeared as a bright, suffused light with occasional red, blue and green flashes. The flashes appeared to be on the periphery of the white light as a segment of a halo. The appearance of the object did not change when viewed through a pair of 7 x 50 binoculars except to be more visible. There was no apparent movement of the object except that it appeared to oscillate with the flashes. The object was kept under observation for 4 hours in which time it moved from 620 deg to north and climbed to an elevation of about 45 deg from the horizon. At this time the object had assumed the appearance of a star.

At approximately 1600Z, the captain of a FOKKER FRIENDSHIP aircraft reported that a light appeared to be forming on and following his aircraft on the starboard side. The aircraft had just departed from MASCOT and was climbing over the city at an altitude of 5000 feet. A series of turns made under supervision of SYDNEY RADAR proved that the light was a star. The appearance of the light was consistent with that observed by the Air Traffic Controller.

Mr van Hamburg is now convinced that the light was from a star as the light, without the colour changes, was viewed in the same position on the two following nights.



10. Have you any photographs of the sighting, or is there any physical evidence of fragments, scorching or ground indentations? \_\_\_\_\_  
No \_\_\_\_\_

11. How many other witnesses to the sighting? (Please provide names and addresses if possible) FOKKER FRIENDSHIP PILOT (name not given)

Unidentified woman telephone caller from West Ryde

12. Any additional comments you wish to make.

This sighting was initiated by a telephone call from a woman in North Ryde to the Senior Operations Controller, Mr C McRAE, DCA MASCOT. (extract of DCA SOC Log attached). The information was passed to the Tower Operator, Mr N van HAMBURG, who was unable to sight the object at first but who eventually made a sighting in a position different to that given by the woman caller.

Date 19JUN73

Signature *D.W. Neumann*

D.W. NEUMANN Flt Lt



Part 2 - Unit Report

1. a. Details of military aircraft activity in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed from	ATD	Destination	ATA
NIL							

Source of information Area Control SYDNEY

- b. Details of civil aircraft activity, including light private aircraft and international flights, in the area at the time of the sighting.

Type	Heading	Height	Speed	Departed from	ATD	Destination	ATA
F27	North	5000+	200+	Sydney	1600	Brisbane	

Source of information DCA SYDNEY

2. Give the bearing, elevation and movement of any planets or major stars that were in that portion of the sky at the time of the sighting.

see below

Source of information AIR ALMANAC

3. Details of any predicted satellites, rockets, comets or meteorite activity in the area at the time of the sighting NONE KNOWN

Source of information \_\_\_\_\_

4. Details

STAR	MAG.	2355K		0400K	
		BRG	ELEV	BRG	ELEV
RASELHAGUE	2.1	038T	34	320T	35
ALPHECCA	2.3	010T	34	305T	15
VEGA	0.1	020T	15	350T	20



Details of any meteorological, research or radar balloons known to have been in the area at the time of the sighting (refer to point of release, size, colour, ROC, wind profile and whether it was known to have burst)

None

Source of information Met Office SYDNEY AIRPORT

Details of any unusual radar traces or images, which may relate to the sightings, as recorded by military or civil networks NONE

Source of information ACC SYDNEY

Provide the following information relating to the weather and atmospheric conditions at the time of the sighting:

Temperature (dry bulb) 9 °C (wet bulb) 8 °C Relative Humidity 90 %

Cloud cover nil type \_\_\_\_\_

Temperature inversion of nil °C at \_\_\_\_\_ ft measured at 130001x hrs  
from \_\_\_\_\_

Wind direction calm at \_\_\_\_\_ ft  
upper air levels not available  
\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ ft  
\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ ft

Pollution level not significant

Details of terrain and natural and/or man-made features in the area. (Attach map with significant points marked, if possible) viewed seawards

over the city lights.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



Part 3 - Investigating Officer's Evaluation

1. a. Date of interview 18 JUNE 73  
b. Place of interview SYDNEY AIRPORT

2. Names and addresses of persons interviewed (include phone numbers where applicable)

1. Nigel van HAMBURG 2. Robert POWELL  
27 DUNTROON AVE Senior Ops Officer  
ROSEVILLE 2069 MASCOT AIRPORT

3. Narrative evaluation of personalities of witnesses (include any relationship with UFO organizations and their interest in subject matter).

Mr C. McRAE, who submitted the report to HQOC, was not available for interview as he was involved in a court case. Mr McRAE received the report from the original caller, whose name was not recorded in the log.

Mr NIGEL van HAMBURG, Duty Air Traffic Controller, made the sighting from the Air Traffic Control Tower. He has been employed as an ATC Controller for 6 years and is regarded as very reliable.

4. Investigating officer's evaluation of possible cause(s).

Mr McRae is certain that the object seen was a star as he saw it on the two following nights; but without the technicolour effects. The initial sighting co-incides with the position of VEGA and so does the subsequent track, but the final elevation is somewhat low. RASELHAGUE and ALPHECCA are two other possibilities. It is interesting to note that the Control Tower does not contain a compass rose to confirm visual bearings, consequently all bearings and elevations of visual sightings are estimates based on the apparent relationship to the airfield runway.

HEADQUARTERS RICHMOND (Unit) D.W. NEUMANN (Name)

19 JUN 73 (Date) FLT LT (Rank)

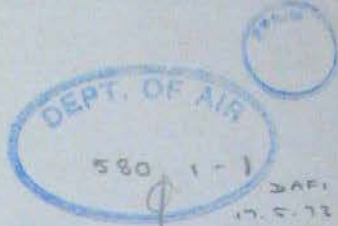


DATE	TIME	REMARKS	SIGNATURE
		BE on course M. Williams - staying at motel (not known) ID CAN CONTACT - RING MOTEL AT SJ 9189202	
		Passer above 1500 to ml soc WHO INDETERMINATE CONTACT	
	0805	FROM SEC 6 (Relay ASDS) BA 926 URGENT MSG FOR DANTAS - DOCTOR NEED ALERT - IN STOMACH PAIN SUSPECT APPENDIX - PASSER DANTAS OPS ✓	
	1250	On Duty Soc	Red
12/5/73	12355	Report from NTR Base of white light with red-green occasional flashes on <del>light</del> line NTR Base/MASCOM about 5000! No observation by tower. Sec 6 subsequently checked object is a star. Tower subsequently advises sighting a light in the sky about 0200 possibly along coast about Mona Vale Stationary and though brightness gives off occasional red-green flashes On Duty while detectable with the naked eye. Reported to SLN HQY (UFO reports).	
	1450	On Duty, OFC	Some time Brown
	1500	On Duty	
	2000	on OFD	
	2000	On duty	
12	2000	On OFC	Bluff
	2200	Info received from ASDS briefing office to the effect that WOH TR would	





ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE



TELEPHONE: PENRITH 311,311

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS: "AIRCOMMAND, SYDNEY"

HEADQUARTERS OPERATIONAL COMMAND RAAF

PENRITH NSW 2750 23rd May 1973

IN REPLY QUOTE 5/15/1/Air(24)

Department of Air (Attn: DAFI) CANBERRA

DAFI

HEADQUARTERS EVALUATION OF UFO

1. Enclosed are the report and evaluation forms completed on a UFO sighting on 12 May 1973 by Mr. Colin McCrea of the Department of Civil Aviation, Mascot NSW.

2. From perusal of the Air Almanac the object was most probably Jupiter and Mr. McCrea has agreed with this finding.

*do not agree!*

*[Signature]*  
(W. STICKLEY)  
Wing Commander  
for Air Officer Commanding

Encls: Report and Evaluation forms

*No further action until we hear from HQCC with another report of investigation!  
19-78*



(b) in what formation were they?.....



REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Part I - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form.)

1. Name of observer..... MR C McCRICA ..... Age.....
2. Address of observer..... C/ Detachment of CIVIL AVIATION, MASCOE NSW ..... Phone..... 669 4876
3. Occupation of observer..... SENIOR OPERATIONAL AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER MASCOE ATC
4. Date and time of start of observation..... 12 MAY 73 2355 HRS.  
How certain is the date?..... CERTAIN  
How accurate is the time of start..... ACCURATE
5. Duration of observation..... FROM 2355 TO APPROX 0100  
How accurate is your estimate?..... ACCURATE
6. Observer's location at time of sighting..... MASCOE TOWER  
.....  
How familiar is observer with this locality?..... COMPLETELY FAMILIAR
7. Weather conditions at time of observation..... CLEAR SKY - NO CLOUD BUT SLIGHT HAZE
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation..... MASCOE AIRFIELD ORIENTATION. Fd AZIMUTH - EXTENDED HAND FOR ELEVATION
9. Where was object first observed:
  - (a) Relative to your surroundings..... 020° MAGNETIC FROM MASCOE CONTROL TOWER
  - (b) angle of elevation..... ABOUT 5°
  - (c) compass angle bearing..... 020°
  - (d) how accurate are these estimates..... RELATIVELY ACCURATE
10. What first attracted observer's attention?..... CALL BY WOMAN (NAME NOT GIVEN) FROM N. RYDE THAT SHE HAD OBSERVED THE OBJECT IN THE EASTERN SKY) McCRICA THEN
11. If there was more than one light/object: OBSERVED FROM TOWER
  - (a) how many were there?..... ONE
  - (b) in what formation were they?..... —



12. What was the colour of the light or object? *WHITE LIGHT WITH OCCASIONAL RED / GREEN FLASHES. OBSERVED THROUGH BINOCULARS*
13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, e.g. ordinary street light at 100 yards)..... *BRIGHT*
14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach:
- (a) relative to Venus or Moon .....
- (b) relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from the eyes).....
15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed?..... *020 FROM MASCO. TOWER - 5° ABOVE HORIZON.*
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?..... *No*
17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity..... *No*
18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)?..... *LOW ON HORIZON.*
19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances..... *ONLY SWIFT MOVEMENT OBSERVED BETWEEN 235 HRS - 0100 HRS*
20. Give duration of any stationary phases..... *Slow moving*
21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres..... *None*
22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen..... *None*
23. Where was object last observed:
- (a) relative to your surroundings..... *MOD. W. FROM E. SLOWLY THROUGH N.*
- (b) angle of elevation ..... *LOW (ABOUT 5°)*
- (c) compass angle bearing ..... *020 - 030 (APPROX)*
24. What was the manner of its disappearance?..... *No RECORD*
25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching, ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity etc)..... *NO*



- 26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity ..... *Ex RAAF AND RCAF FOR MANY YRS.*
- 27. How many witness to the sighting? ..... *AT LEAST FOUR*
- 28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area?.....  
*CAPT SID FOSTER OF AIRLINE OF NSW WHO WAS BRIEFED*
- 29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to explaining your observation? ..... *JUPITER* *SIGHTING BY R/T*
- 30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation?.....  
*None -*
- 31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate, sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your surroundings. Use back of form, if needed.

Signature..... *[Signature]* Date..... *23 May 73*

*(Spoke to Mr. The Cree on the phone - he later agreed that it was most likely JUPITER)*



Part 2 - Unit Evaluation

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

A/C type.....	(1).....	(2).....	(3)
Heading.....	T.....	T.....	T
Height.....	,000 ft.....	,000 ft.....	,000 ft
Speed.....	K.....	K.....	K
ATD/ATA*.....	hrs.....	hrs.....	hrs

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

A/C type.....	(1).....	(2).....	(3)
Heading.....	T.....	T.....	T
Height.....	,000 ft.....	,000ft.....	,000 ft
Speed.....	K.....	K.....	K
ATD/ATA*.....	hrs.....	hrs.....	hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA.

34. Observer's Location: Latitude.....Longitude.....

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that portion of the sky at that time. By day, give

location of Venus only..... *JUPITER - AT 2300 HRS*  
*12 MAY AT LAT 30° WAS IN THE E/SW SKY (110° T)*  
*AND ABOUT 5° ABOVE THE HORIZON*

36. A meteorological balloon was released from.....

at.....Z Colour.....Weight.....gm  
 Radio-sonde\*\*/radar\*\* : Candle\*\*/battery\*\*(\*\* delete as required)  
 General-wind profile.....  
 Maximum height tracked....., 000 ft at.....Z  
 Was it known to have burst?.....

37. The first significant temperature inversion was of.....°C at  
.....ft, measured at.....Z hrs from.....  
.....station.

38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, comments, meteorites etc. relevant to the sighting.....



39. When an aircraft is a possible identification, include radar trace if available, and ascertain which of the aircraft lights were operating .....

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting can\*/cannot\* be determined.

41. The object reported probably was\*/may have been\* (delete as required)

*Jupiter*

*Does not equate to reporter's description of bearing (020°M).*

*[Signature]*

*14905* (Unit) ..... *D. Stuber* (Name)  
*23 May 53* (Date) ..... *1st Lt.* (Rank)



13 MAR 73

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SUBIACO  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

MR. A. S. FOLEY





COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

TELEPHONE: 65-9111

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS  
"AIRFORCE, CANBERRA"

IN REPLY QUOTE 580/1/1 Pt23 (12a)

DEPARTMENT OF AIR  
RUSSELL OFFICES  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

- 4 JUN 1973

Mr A.S. Foley,  
1 Rokeby Road,  
SUBIACO WA 6008

Dear Sir,

With reference to your report of an unusual aerial sighting on 13th March 1973, we regret that because of the delay in receiving this report, our investigating team has been unable to conclusively determine its cause.

Normally, logical explanations are available in answer to sighting reports and we feel that the most likely cause of your sighting was an aircraft entering the final approach circuit for Perth Airport, but due to destruction of traffic information pertaining to that date, this theory is impossible to verify.

We hope that this explanation will be satisfactory to you and thank you for your interest.

Yours faithfully,

(G.J. ODGERS)  
Director of Public Relations



H.M.S.



Mr A.S. Foley,  
1 Akeley Road,  
SUBIACO, W.A. 6008

*RETURN SENDER*

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TO DEPAIR	FILE 580/1/P.23(12b)	DATE 5 Jun 73	REFERENCES
ATTENTION FLG OFF PYERS			
SUBJECT REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING			

Enclosed, for your records, is a copy of a letter from this Department to M. A. S. Foley, in reply to his report of an unusual aerial sighting.

ENCLOSURE: Copy of letter to M. A. S. Foley

SIGNATURE M. CRETTON	NAME M. CRETTON	RANK FLG OFF	APPOINTMENT R.2	PHONE NO J408
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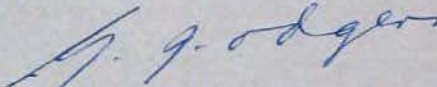
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(G.J. ODGERS)  
Director of Public Relations

*Handwritten note:*  
A  
Graham  
DAN  
1 June 73





ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE



TELEPHONE: 69 0550

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
"AIRCOMMAND, MELBOURNE"

IN REPLY QUOTE 5/6/1/Air(66)

24 MAY 1973

Department of Air (DAFI)

DAFI

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Enclosed is an unusual aerial sighting report forwarded from RAAF Pearce. The original report was apparently forwarded in error to Headquarters Operational Command.

(R.O. GIBBS)  
Flying Officer  
For Air Officer Commanding

Enclosure: 1. Report by A.J. Foley, Subiaco





REWRITE of REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Part I - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form)

1. Name of observer ANTHONY SHAWN FOLEY ACD 4-1
2. Address of observer No 1 Kokeby Rd Subiaco  
WA 6008 Phone.....
3. Occupation of observer .....
4. Date and time of start of observation 13 MARCH 9PM  
How certain is the date? .....
5. Duration of observation ABOUT 1 MINUTE  
How accurate is your estimate? .....
6. Observer's location at time of sighting.....  
NO 1 Kokeby Rd Subiaco  
How familiar is observer with this locality?.....  
WENT AROUND AREA SOMETIMES
7. Weather conditions at time of observation.....  
CLEAR EVENING
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation  
EYES
9. Where was object first observed? :  
(a) Relative to your surroundings ..... OVAL OFF THOMAS  
ST ONSLOW RD AND ST SHENTON PARK NEAR SIR CHARLES  
GARDINER HOSPITAL  
(b) Angle of elevation STRAIGHT UP TURNED SOUTH  
(c) compass angle bearing 87 1/2 DEGREES WITH NO COMPASS  
(d) how accurate are these estimates .....
10. What first attracted observer's attention? UNUSUAL  
LIGHTS IN SKY



11. If there was more than one light/object: *SEEMED SEVERAL LIGHTS CLOSE TO ONE ANOTHER*
  - (a) how many were there? *RED & WHITE LIKE SHAPES*
  - (b) in what formation were they? *WHITE LIGHT RED LIGHT IN CENTRE*
12. What was the colour of the light or object? *RED AND WHITE*
13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, eg, ordinary street light at 100 yards) *ABOUT BRIGHTNESS OF STARS*
14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach:
  - (a) relative to Venus or Moon .....
  - (b) relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from the eyes) *ABOUT 8 FT LONG 4" TO 8" WIDE*
15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed? *STRAIGHT THEN TURNED ARC LIKE SOUTH THEN SOUTH WEST TO COAST*
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? *NO*
17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity *ROSE FIRST NOTICED ABOVE GROUND LEVEL TO ABOUT 200 FT IN SKY*
18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)? *ROSE TO ABOUT 200 FT STRAIGHT UP TURNED IN SOUTH DIRECTION THEN DESCENDED*
19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances .....
20. Give duration of any stationary phases .....
21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres *TURNED SOUTH THEN DESCENDED*
22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen *WHITE RED WHITE TRAIL*
23. Where was object last observed? :
  - (a) relative to your surroundings *SOUTH WEST OF ADDRESS*
  - (b) angle of elevation *STRAIGHT UP TURNED SOUTH*

/(c)



- (c) compass angle bearing. *87 1/2 degrees with no compass*
- 24. What was the manner of its disappearance? *SIMILAR TO SWITCHING ELECTRIC LIGHT OFF*
- 25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching, ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity, etc)?  
*IS DAYS AFTER SOME DRY GRASS AT CORNER OF OVAL AND THOMAS ST AND OFF THOMAS ST & ONSLOW RD SHENTON PARK [CAUGHT FIRE?]*
- 26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity .....
- 27. How many witnesses to the sighting? .....
- 28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area? .....
- 29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to explaining your observation? *WHITE & RED LIGHTNING*
- 30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation? *DID NOT SEEM TO BE A USUAL OBJECT OR LIGHTS IN SKY*
- 31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate, sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your surroundings. Use back of form, if needed.

Signature .....

Date .....

*WHITE RED LIGHTS*



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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:

A/C type .....(1).....(2).....(3)  
Heading.....T.....T.....T  
Height.....,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

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

A/C type .....(1).....(2).....(3)  
Heading.....T.....T.....T  
Height.....,000ft.....,000ft.....,000ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA.

34. Observer's Location: Latitude.....Longitude.....

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that portion of the sky at that time. By day, give location of Venus only.....  
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36. A meteorological balloon was released from .....  
at .....Z Colour ..... Weight.....  
Radio-sonde\*\*/radar\*\* : Candle\*\*/battery\*\*(\*\*delete as required)  
General wind profile .....  
Maximum height tracked.....,000ft at .....Z  
Was it known to have burst?.....



- 37. The first significant temperature inversion was at .....°C at .....ft, measured at ..... hrs from .....station.
- 38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, comets, meteorites etc. relevant to the sighting .....
- 39. When an aircraft is a possible identification, include radar trace if available, and ascertain which of the aircraft lights were operating .....
- 40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting can\*/cannot\* be determined.
- 41. The object reported probably was\*/may have been\* (delete as required) .....

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



REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Part 1 - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form)

1. Name of Observer *ANNA D. STANLEY* Age *46*
2. Address of Observer *101. Parkside Rd., Linton, W.A.*  
*Dist. No. 6888* Phone Number.....
3. Occupation of Observer.....
4. Date & Time of Start of Observation *13 MAR 73 9 PM*  
How certain is the date?.....  
How accurate is the time of start? *Maybe about 10 to 15 minutes of local twilight some days after - not known how many days after.*
5. Duration of Observation *Several hours*  
How accurate is your estimate?.....
6. Observer's location at time of sighting *Rd. 1. Parkside Rd. Linton, W.A.*  
How familiar is observer with this locality? *I went round several times*
7. Weather conditions at time of observation *C. I. B. E. L. W. M.*
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation *Eyes*
9. Where was object first observed?:
  - a. Relative to your surroundings *South East of Home Rd - Doctor Rd*
  - b. Angle of elevation *Strength up towards south*
  - c. Compass angle bearing *S 72 degrees with no compass*
  - d. How accurate are these estimates?.....
10. What first attracted observer's attention? *V.V.V.V.V.V. Object*  
*in sky*
11. If there was more than one light/object: *Several several light due to each other*
  - a. How many were there? *Two* *RED & WHITE LIGHTS* *LOW SHAPE*
  - b. in what formation were they? *WHITE LIGHT RED LIGHT IN CENTRE*



- 12. What was the colour of the light or object? *RED + WHITE*
- 13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, eg ordinary street light at 100 yards)  
*NOT BRIGHTNESS OF STARS*
- 14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach? *about 8 feet long*
  - a. relative to Venus or Moon.....
  - b. relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (About 20 inches from eyes) *8 FT. 4 IN. 8 FT. 4 IN. 4 IN. 6 IN. 8 IN. 10 IN.*
- 15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed? *STRAIGHT THEN TURNED ARC LIKE SWATH*  
*1.5m down the hill South west to South*
- 16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? *NA*
- 17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity  
*1. Bow. 2. Int. rattle. 3. Int. rattle*
- 18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)? *to about 20ft in sky*  
*RES. TO OBS. AT 200 FEET. Straight up. Turned in South west direction then descended*
- 19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances. *about 18 mph per hour.*
- 20. Give duration of any stationary phases..... *descended*
- 21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres ..... *1. Sharp. 2. Turned. 3. Turned. 4. Turned*
- 22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen. *WHITE RED.*  
*WHITE TRAIL*
- 23. Where was object last observed? :
  - a. relative to your surroundings *S. East. N. West. O.E. ROAD BRESS.*
  - b. angle of elevation ..... *straight up. 4m. 4m. 4m.*
  - c. compass angle bearing. *87.5 degrees. West. 70 degrees.*
- 24. What was the manner of its disappearance? *SWATH. To SW. 1000 ft. ELECTRIC LIGHT OUT*
- 25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching, ground indentations, residual magnetism or radionactivity, etc)  
*1. 8 days after lights. 2. 5m. dry grass. at corner of road. 3. 10 ft. 4. 10 ft. 5. 10 ft. 6. 10 ft. 7. 10 ft. 8. 10 ft. 9. 10 ft. 10. 10 ft.*  
*1. 10 ft. 2. 10 ft. 3. 10 ft. 4. 10 ft. 5. 10 ft. 6. 10 ft. 7. 10 ft. 8. 10 ft. 9. 10 ft. 10. 10 ft.*



State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity.

.....

27. How many witnesses to the sighting? .....

28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area?  
.....

29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to explaining your observation?

WHITE + RED LIGHTING? →

30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation?  
.....

...dot not seem to be a usual light or light in sky.....

31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate, sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your surroundings. Use back of form if needed.

WHITE + RED - LIGHTS.



87 1/2 degrees 3  
with no compass

Signature.....

Date.....



recall being asked questions by police in Sydney rather  
of 1952, a long time ago - Not since 1952.

Also at "Red AS. Callatross Row" N.S.W. in 1952.

at Terminus Guest House Gladstone N.S.W.

by man who cut me down with long

knife. You gave the name of Ronald Morrison

Morrison - 1967 June July August 1967

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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*

A/C type.....(1).....(2).....(3)  
Heading.....T.....T.....T  
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

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

A/C type.....(1).....(2).....(3)  
Heading.....T.....T.....T  
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA.

34. Observer's Location: Latitude.....Longitude.....

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that position of the sky at that time. By day, give location of Venus only.

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36/ : A meteorological balloon was released from ... *APPH* ...  
*1400 WST* at ..... *1100* .....Z. Colour. *WHITE* ..... Weight..... *500* .....gm

Radio-sonde *\*\** radar *\*\** ; Candle *\*\** battery *\*\** (\*\* Delete as required.)

*23" TARGET* *SMALL LANTERN ON BOTTOM* *required.*  
*010-010 070 100 120 OF SUNDRIE* *450 530*  
General wind profile..... *070/16 350/12 270/10 270/26* → ..... *270/30 280/62*  
Maximum height tracked..... *90,000* ft at ..... *17.30* .....Z

Was it known to have burst ?

*+26.7*

37. The first significant temperature inversion was of *+28.5* .....°C  
at ..... *1500* ft, measured at ..... *1100* .....Z hrs from .. *APPH* .....  
.....station.

38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, comets, meteorites etc relevant to the sighting.

*NIL*

.....

/ 39. When an



39. When identified as possible aircraft, include radar trace if available, and ascertain which of the aircraft lights were operating.

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

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting ~~was~~ \*/cannot" be determined.

41. The object reported probably was \* / may have been\*  
(delete as required)

..... AN AIRCRAFT .....  
.....

..... HEADQUARTERS RAAF PEARCE ..... 3 MAY 73 .....  
..... (Unit) ..... (Date) .....

..... R. PEARS ..... FLG OFF .....  
..... (Name of Investigating Officer) ..... (Rank) .....



APR  
8 ~~11~~ 73

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NUNAWADING  
VICTORIA

G.L. & S.M. AUGUSTINI



580/1/1 Pt25 (11a)

17 JUL 1973

G.L. & S.M. Augustini,  
6 Koala Avenue,  
NUNAWADING VIC 3131

Dear Mr & Mrs Augustini,

With reference to your report of an unusual aerial sighting on 8th April 1973, it has been determined that the most probable cause was the crescent moon setting.

At 9.00 pm on 8th April the moon was visible to the WNW low on the horizon, and during the period of the sighting would have disappeared below the horizon. Pollutants in the air over Melbourne would account for the changing shape of the object and the bright orange glow described in your report.

Returned herewith are your two negatives. We trust that this explanation is satisfactory, and thank you for your interest.

Yours faithfully,

(G.J. ODGERS)  
Director of Public Relations

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12 Jul 73

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Copy sent to HACC  
on 580/1/1 Pt 25 (5b)  
16 Jun 73.  
Luggall  
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Aug 4 1973  
13-73  
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PLEASE POST EARLY  
BEFORE LUNCH  
BEFORE FOUR O'CLOCK



Director of Air Force  
Intelligence,  
Department of Air,  
Canberra  
A.C.T.

6 Koala Ave,  
Nanawading 313.  
Victoria

Dear Sis,

I enclose negatives of  
photos my husband took of a  
U.F.O. We have told your  
Melbourne office that they were  
blank, but they asked us to  
send them to you.

Yours faithfully

Sylvia Augustin





ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE



TELEPHONE: 69 0550

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
"AIRCOMMAND, MELBOURNE"

HEADQUARTERS SUPPORT COMMAND  
RAAF  
VICTORIA BARRACKS  
MELBOURNE SC1 VIC 3004

IN REPLY QUOTE 5/6/1/Air(65)

24 MAY 1973

Department of Air (DAFI)

DAFI

REPORTS OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

Attached are unusual aerial sighting reports from  
Mr, Mrs Augustini and Miss R. Brockfield.

*R.R. Roddy*  
(R.R. RODDY)  
Squadron Leader  
For Air Officer Commanding

Enclosures: 2 Reports







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REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Part I - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form.)

1. Name of observer GARY LYSUE AUGUSTINI Age 28  
SYLVIA MAT. AUGUSTINI Age 28
2. Address of observer 6 KOALA AVE NUNAWADING  
MELBOURNE VICTORIA Phone 8771048 5738309
3. Occupation of observer LADIES HAIRDRESSER
4. Date and time of start of observation 8-4-73 9-18 PM  
How certain is the date? EXACT  
How accurate is the time of start? ALMOST EXACT
5. Duration of observation 10 MIN APPROX  
How accurate is your estimate? ALMOST EXACT
6. Observer's location at time of sighting ABOVE ADDRESS FROM  
KITCHEN WINDOW & SIDE FENCE STANDING ON TOP  
How familiar is observer with this locality? VERY FAMILIAR
7. Weather conditions at time of observation VERY CLEAR NIGHT
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation TOOK PHOTOS  
& HAVE GOOD EYESITE FROM LATE INSURANCE TESTS
9. Where was object first observed? : JUST PAST SHOPPING TOWN
  - a. Relative to your surroundings LOOKING FROM OUR HOUSE
  - b. angle of elevation IT WAS THE SAME HEIGHT PLANES COME IN FROM TASMANIA
  - c. compass angle bearing
  - d. how accurate are these estimates?
10. What first attracted observer's attention? A BRIGHT ORANGE TO RED FIRE LIKE GLOW IN THE SKY
11. If there was more than one light/object :
  - a. how many were there? ONE
  - b. in what formation were they? LARGE HALF MOON LIKE & CHANGE. SHOE SHAPE
12. What was the colour of the light or object? ORANGE TO RED



- 13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, eg ordinary street light at 100 yards).... FIRE FROM 4 MILES LIKE WHEN BOB WATSON SCOTT WAS ON FIRE (APPROACHED BOB WATSON SCOTT BUT NOT PERMITTED SET FIRE TO HOUSE AND BURNED DOWN BUILDING - WILL REPORT)
- 14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach?
  - a. relative to Venus or Moon..... SAME SIZE AS 1/2 MOON THE FOLLOWING NIGHT
  - b. relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from the eyes).....
- 15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed?.....
- 16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?..... A SMALL PROPELLER LIKE ON A HELICOPTER
- 17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity  
.....
- 18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)?..... SAME AS THE PLANES THAT GO TO TULLA FROM TASMANIA
- 19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances .. ABOUT THE SAME AS THE PLANES MENTIONED
- 20. Give duration of any stationary phases..... IT WENT SLOW AT THE BEGINNING OF OBSERVATION
- 21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres..... SEEMED TO CHANGE SHAPE
- 22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen..... ALL WERE SAID TO COME TO A END NO EXHAUST SEEN
- 23. Where was object last observed :
  - a. relative to your surroundings..... GOING OVER HORIZON
  - b. angle of elevation.....
  - c. compass angle bearing.....
- 24. What was the manner of its disappearance?..... FAST ) IT SEEMED TO GO SMALL
- 25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching, ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity etc)..... PROMS BUNG DEVELOPED
- 26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity.....
- 27. How many witness to the sighting?..... MY WIFE + 1

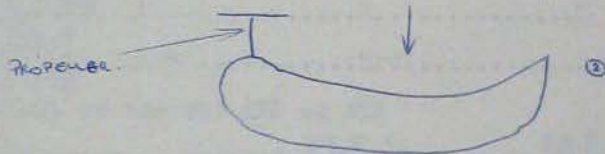


- 28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area?... NO.....
- 29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to explaining your observation?... NO.....
- 30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation?.....  
..... NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS BEFORE.....
- 31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate, sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your surroundings. Use back of form, if needed.

FIRST SIGHT THROUGH WINDOW BRIGHT RED TO ORANGE.



THEN MOVING WITH EAST CHANGED SHAPE TO



IT SLOWED DOWN WHEN THIS HAPPENED ↗

Signature..... Jerry Conroy.....

Date..... 11-4-73.....



Part 2 - Unit Evaluation

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

A/C type... Nil .....(1).....(2).....(3)
Heading..... T .....T..... (T)
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft
Speed.....K.....K.....K
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

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

A/C type... 65N, 727 .....(1).....(2).....(3)
Heading... about 300° .....T.....T.....T
Height... about 3,000 - 5,000 ft.....000 ft.....000 ft
Speed... about 240 .....K.....K.....K
ATD/ATA\*... 2127 / 2105 .....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA

34. Observer's Location: Latitude 37.508 Longitude 145.09E

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that position of the sky at that time.
By day, give location of Venus only.

Not considered

36. A meteorological balloon was released from LAV
not considered due rate of rise (500' per min)
at.....Z..Colour.....Weight.....gm

Radio-sonde\*\* radar\*\* : Candle\*\* battery\*\*
(Delete as required)

General wind profile.....

Maximum height tracked.....00 ft at.....Z

Was it known to have burst?

37. The first significant temperature inversion was of

not considered
at.....It measured at.....Z hrs from.....
.....station.

38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, comets, meteorites etc, relevant to the sighting.

Nil



10 MAY 73

NOBLE PARK  
VICTORIA

# 10

MISS ROSALIE BROCKFIELD



FROM DEPAIR	FILE 58011.P.25(05)	DATE 7 Jun 73	REFERENCES Hosc 5161/AIR(65) of 24 May 73
TO HOSC ATTENTION CINTIELLO			
SUBJECT REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING			

Enclosed, for your records, is a copy of a letter from this Department to Miss R. Brockfield, in reply to her report of an unusual aerial sighting.

ENCLOSURE: Copy of letter to Miss R Brockfield

SIGNATURE M. GLETON	NAME M. GLETON	RANK FLC OFF	APPOINTMENT IR-2	PHONE NO 2408
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580/1/1 Pt 23 (10a)

- 5 JUN 1973

Miss R. Brockfield,  
2 Knox Street,  
NOBLE PARK, VIC 3174

Dear Miss Brockfield,

With reference to your report of an unusual aerial sighting on 10th May 1973, it has been determined that the most probable cause was the re-entry to Earth's atmosphere of the space vehicle 1973-018C.

Extracts of information contained in the Space-warning Bulletin, issued from the World Warning Agency for Satellites, shows that the space vehicle 1973-018C was an associated item of equipment involved in the launching of MOLNIYA 2, (1973-018A). MOLNIYA 2 is a Russian satellite which was launched on April 5 and carries apparatus for transmitting television programmes and multichannel radio communications. 1973-018C was predicted to decay from orbit and re-enter the atmosphere on May 10.

From your description of the sighting, the investigating team is of the opinion that you saw the commencement of re-entry of 1973-018C on a trajectory through the southern hemisphere. The unusual lighting of the object was probably due to variations in atmospheric density and separation of smaller items from the main body.

We thank you for your interest and trust that this explanation is satisfactory.

Yours faithfully,



(G.J. ODGERS)  
Director of Public Relations

*Handwritten notes:*  
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G.J. Odgers  
4 Jun 73



REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Part I - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form.)

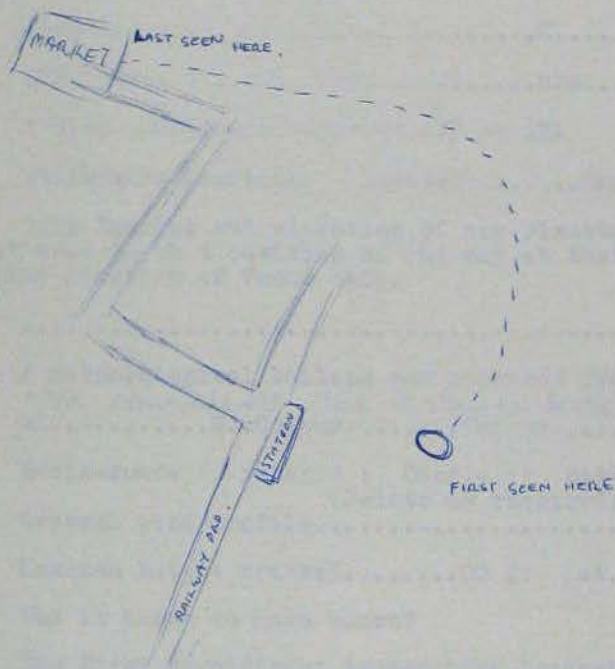
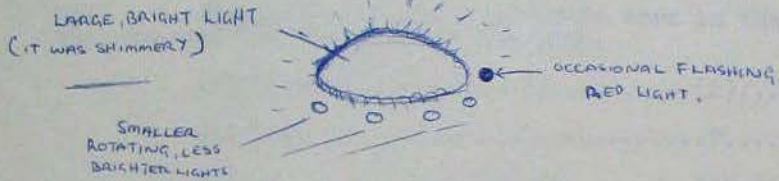
1. Name of observer .. ROSALIE BROCKFIELD .. Age 15 YEARS ..
2. Address of observer .. 2 KNOX STREET NOBLE PARK. 314. ....  
..... Phone 546-7619 .....
3. Occupation of observer .. STUDENT ..
4. Date and time of start of observation 10-5-73 TIME - 7.30 P.M ..  
How certain is the date? .. VERY CERTAIN .. (WRITTEN IN DIARY) ..  
How accurate is the time of start? .. FAIRLY ACCURATE .. (BETWEEN 7.30-7.45)
5. Duration of observation .. APPROX 7 MINUTES ..  
How accurate is your estimate? .. VERY ACCURATE ..
6. Observer's location at time of sighting .. NEAR RAILWAY STATION,  
RAILWAY PAD, DOWDENONG ..  
How familiar is observer with this locality? .. VERY FAMILIAR ..
7. Weather conditions at time of observation .. VERY CLEAR ..
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation. NO AIDS ..
9. Where was object first observed? :  
a. Relative to your surroundings .. IN THE SKY THROUGH WINDSCREEN  
FROM FRONT SEAT OF A CAR ..  
b. angle of elevation .. 20° ..  
c. compass angle bearing .. EAST ..  
d. how accurate are these estimates? .. FAIRLY ACCURATE ..
10. What first attracted observer's attention? .. A BRIGHT LIGHT ..  
TRAVELLING LOW IN THE SKY ..
11. If there was more than one light/object :  
a. how many were there? .. NO ..  
b. in what formation were they? ..
12. What was the colour of the light or object? .. WHITE ..



13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, eg ordinary street light at 100 yards).... VERY BRIGHT.....
14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach?:
  - a. relative to Venus or Moon... AS BIG AS A FULL MOON.....
  - b. relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from the eyes).... 3 1/2 inches.....
15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed?.. NORTH EAST BY EAST; BY KNOWLEDGE OF BEARING LEARNED AT SCHOOL.....
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?... NO.....
17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity  
..... NONE.....
18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)?.. 20° and elevated to 45°.....
19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances .. TRAVELLING  
..... EARLY SLOWLY.....
20. Give duration of any stationary phases APPEARED NOT TO STOP (BEING BLOCKED A FEW TIMES BY BUILDING).....
21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres. A SLOW CIRCULAR SWEEPING MOVEMENT ACROSS SKY.....
22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen.. NONE.....
23. Where was object last observed :
  - a. relative to your surroundings DISAPPEARED BEHIND DANDY PRODUCE MARKET (NORTH)
  - b. angle of elevation... 10°.....
  - c. compass angle bearing... NORTH.....
24. What was the manner of its disappearance? GRADUALLY INTO THE DISTANCE.....
25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching, ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity etc)..... NONE.....
26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity. JUST  
..... HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE KNOWLEDGE.....
27. How many witness to the sighting?... THREE.....



- 28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area?..NO.....
- 29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to explaining your observation?...A LOW FLYING HELICOPTER?.....
- 30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation?..THERE WAS NO SOUND FROM IT AND THE OTHER SMALLER LIGHTS WERE NOT IN THE CORRECT PLACE.....
- 31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate, sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your surroundings. Use back of form, if needed.



Signature Paul Brookfield

Date 15-5-1973



Part 2 - Unit Evaluation

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

A/C type...*Nil*.....(1).....(2).....(3)  
Heading..... T .....T..... (T)  
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

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

A/C type...*Nil*.....(1).....(2).....(3)  
Heading.....T.....T.....T  
Height.....000 ft.....000 ft.....000 ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA

34. Observer's Location: Latitude.....Longitude.....

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that position of the sky at that time.  
By day, give location of Venus only.

.....

36. A meteorological balloon was released from...*LAV*....  
*not considered due distance rate of rise.*  
at.....Z..Colour.....Weight.....gm

Radio-sonde\*\* radar\*\* : Candle \*\* battery \*\*  
(Delete as required)

General wind profile.....

Maximum height tracked.....00 ft at.....Z

Was it known to have burst?

37. The first significant temperature inversion was of  
*3.5* at *5.41* ft measured at *1100* Z hrs from *LAV*

.....station.

38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, comets, meteorites etc, relevant to the sighting.

*Nil, sorry, Nil*

*21 9pm.*

*1100Z 10MAY*

/39. When an

*I am very strong inversion low broke during day reformed at night from about 7:30 5,500*



39. When an aircraft is a possible identification, include radar trace if available and ascertain which of the aircraft lights were operating.

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40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting  
\*\* can/cannot be determined.

41. The object reported ~~probably was~~ / may have been connected with a very strong inversion which broke during the day and reformed after sunset. It is the opinion of the Melbourne Met. Bureau that the inversion ~~is~~ may have been reforming in Dandenong area at the time of the sighting reported. The 1100Z reading showed strong development which continued during the night. No other ~~is~~ probable causes available at this time.

HSSCU  
(Unit)

24 MAY 73  
(Date)

R. O. Gibbs

Flg Off.

(Name of Investigating Officer)

(Rank)

Miss Brockfield told Sqn Ldr Reddy that her father did not like her talking to/bothering strange men. The address & telephone number given at Part I MAY be that of a girl friend. It is possible that a reply could embarrass the girl.

\*\* Delete as necessary

*[Signature]*

Decay of 1972-090B 10/5  
1973-018C 10/5 ✓  
*[Signature]*



22 MAY 73

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MINTO  
NSW

MR JOHN TERRY



FROM DEPAR	FILE 580/11P.23(95)	DATE 7 JUN 73	REFERENCES HORIC 5/9/AR(62)
TO HORIC	ATTENTION FIO (A.R.A.)		
SUBJECT REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING			

Enclosed, for your records, is a copy of a letter from this Department to Mr J. Terry, in reply to his report of an unusual aerial sighting

Enclosure: Copy of letter to Mr J. Terry

SIGNATURE 	NAME M GRETTON	RANK FLC OFF	APPOINTMENT IR 2	PHONE NO 2408
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580/1/1 Pt 23 (9a)

- 5 JUN 1973

Mr J. Terrey,  
82 Minto Road,  
MINTO NSW 2566

Dear Sir,

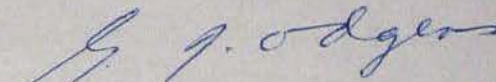
With reference to your observation of an unusual aerial object as reported by you to the Army Duty Officer (Sgt. Lang) at Moorebank, and subsequently to the Royal Australian Air Force Operations Officer at Richmond, it has been determined that the most probable cause was an unusual sighting of the star CANOPUS.

On the evening of 22nd May 1973, Canopus was situated in the south western quadrant at 25° elevation and magnitude of -1. Additionally, a significant temperature inversion of 6.5°C at 2,800 feet altitude was in evidence. Sgt Lang has confirmed the sighting and has stated that he is positive that it was of a star and that when viewed by the naked eye, it appeared to pulsate, oscillate and change colour from white to a dull reddish purple. This colour change occurred when thin white cloud drifted across the line of view, as seen through binoculars.

Apparent pulse, oscillation and colour change are common optical illusions when incandescent bodies are viewed through temperature inversions or an atmosphere of greater than normal density variation.

We trust that this explanation is satisfactory and thank you for your interest.

Yours faithfully,



(G.J. ODGERS)  
Director of Public Relations

*Handwritten notes:*  
J. Terrey  
DAF  
4 Jun 73



REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Part 1 - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form)

1. Name of Observer.. John TERREY ..... Age. Not given
2. Address of Observer... 82 Minto Road MINTO .....  
 ..... Phone Number. 6053406
3. Occupation of Observer. not given .....
4. Date & Time of Start of Observation.. 222030K MAY 73 .....  
 How certain is the date?.. Positive .....  
 How accurate is the time of start?.. Positive .....
5. Duration of Observation... One hour plus .....  
 How accurate is your estimate?.. positive .....
6. Observer's location at time of sighting. at home address .....  
 .....  
 How familiar is observer with this locality?.. home .....
7. Weather conditions at time of observation cold and clear .....  
 .....
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation.....  
none .....
9. Where was object first observed? :  
 a. Relative to your surroundings... south west .....  
 .....  
 b. angle of elevation..... about 30 deg .....  
 c. compass angle bearing... not known .....  
 d. how accurate are these estimates?..... guess .....
10. What first attracted observer's attention?.. peculiar colour  
and size .....
11. If there was more than one light/object :  
 a. how many were there?..... one .....  
 b. in what formation were they?.....



changing  
white/red/purple

- 12. What was the colour of the light or object?.....
- 13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, eg ordinary street light at 100 yards)  
..... duller than the brightest star but larger
- 14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach? :
  - a. relative to Venus or Moon. twice the size of the largest star
  - b. relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from eyes). larger than a match head at arms length
- 15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed?  
guesses.....
- 16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?....no.....
- 17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity.....none.....
- 18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)?  
no major change in position.....
- 19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances.....none.....
- 20. Give duration of any stationary phases.... one hour plus ..
- 21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres. oscillating.....
- 22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen.....  
..... none .....
- 23. Where was object last observed? :
  - a. relative to your surroundings..... same place .....
  - b. angle of elevation.....
  - c. compass angle bearing.....
- 24. What was the manner of its disappearance?..still visible..  
.....
- 25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching, ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity, etc)  
..... no .....

/26. State any



26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity.

none

27. How many witnesses to the sighting? reported to, army. at... MOOREBANK,

28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area? Army Sgt reported to have seen it.

29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to explaining your observation?

no guess

30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation?

31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate, sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your surroundings. Use back of form if needed.

This report is the substance of a telephone call. The observer declined to complete the form 'In case I'm just making a fool of myself'.

Signature.....Date..... 23MAY73



Part 2 - Unit Evaluation

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

A/C type.....none.....(1).....(2).....(3)  
Heading.....T.....T.....T  
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

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

A/C type.....none.....(1).....(2).....(3)  
Heading.....T.....T.....T  
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA.

34. Observer's Location: Latitude.34Q2S...Longitude.15151 E

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that position of the sky at that time. By day, give location of Venus only.

DENEbola 240° 30°

36. A meteorological balloon was released from...Masqqt...

at.0800.....Z. Colour.....Weight.....gm  
Radio-sonde\*\*/ radar\*\* : Candle\*\*/ battery\*\* (\*\* delete as required)

General wind profile.....calm.....

Maximum height tracked.....,000 ft at.....Z

Was it known to have burst?

37. The first significant temperature inversion was of 6.5 °C

at 300.....ft, measured at.....1000.....Z hrs from Richmond

.....station. *6.5°C at 2800'* *0°/5800'*

38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, comets, meteorites etc relevant to the sighting.

.....none.....



39. When identified as possible aircraft, include radar trace if available, and ascertain which of the aircraft lights were operating.

none

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting can ~~be determined~~\*

41. The object reported probably was ~~the STAR DENEbola~~\* (delete as required)

the STAR DENEbola

*STAR. CANOPUS.*

Met Conditions, RICHMOND:	Surface Temp	1000Z	10C
		1030Z	9.5C
	Dew Point	1000Z	9C
	Wind		Calm
	Visibility		hazy, mist forming
	Cloud		thin cirrus

Investigating Officers Remarks

1. The report was originally made to ARMY AVIATION DUTY OFFICER (Sgt LANG) at MOOREBANK, who, after hearing the report, referred Mr TERREY to the Operations Officer at RAAF RICHMOND.

2. Sgt LANG confirms the sighting. He stated that he viewed it through binoculars (7.50 x 10) and he is positive that it was a star. When viewed by the naked eye, the object appeared to be pulsating and oscillating and changing colour from white to a dull reddish purple. When viewed through the glasses, it was at times visible as a white light similar to other stars but changed colour when thin white cloud drifted across it. The object was first sighted at 2030K and was still visible at 2345K when the Sergeant has to leave to perform other duties.

Headquarters RAAF RICHMOND

23MAY73

(Unit)

(Date)

D.W. NEUMANN

FLT LT

*D.W. Neumann*

(Name of

(Rank)

Investigating Officer)



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MRS. JOHNSON



580/1/1 Pt 23 (8a)

- 6 JUN 1973

Mrs M. Johnson,  
46 Birdwood Avenue,  
UMINA NSW 2257

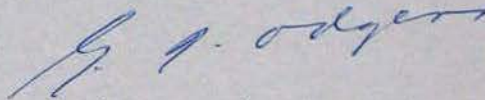
Dear Mrs Johnson,

With reference to your report of an unusual aerial sighting on 2nd May 1973, it has been determined that the most probable cause was the sighting of two Mirage aircraft.

At the time of sighting, two Mirages were carrying out training in the Richmond - Gosford area. This training involved climbing subsonic intercepts and included the use of afterburners. No significant temperature inversion was apparent in the area and consequently viewing conditions were optimum. The vibrating sound heard would have been the noise associated with the use of afterburners.

We trust that this explanation of your sighting is satisfactory and thank you for your interest.

Yours faithfully,



(G.J. ODGERS)  
Director of Public Relations

*Handwritten note:*  
M. Johnson  
46 Birdwood Ave  
5 June 73



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FROM DEPAIR	FILE 580/11 P. 23(86)	DATE 7 JUN 73	REFERENCES HOWHM 5/0/AIR(43) of 11 May 73
TO HOWHM		ATTENTION F10	
SUBJECT REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING			

Enclosed for your records is a copy of a letter from this Department to Mrs M. Johnson in reply to her report of an unusual aerial sighting

ENCLOSURE: Copy of letter to Mrs M. Johnson

SIGNATURE <i>M. C. GRETTON</i>	NAME M. GRETTON	RANK FLC OFF	APPOINTMENT IR 3	PHONE NO 2408
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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

DEPT. OF AIR  
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TELEPHONE: Newcastle 65 1221

Headquarters  
RAAF Base  
WILLIAMTOWN NSW 2314

IN REPLY QUOTE 5/2/Air(43)

11th May 1973

Secretary  
Department of Air  
Russell Offices  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

DAFI

For Information:

Headquarters Operational Command (Attention: CC INTELL O)

REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

1. Attached is a report on an unusual aerial sighting submitted by Mrs Marie Johnson of 46 Birdwood Avenue Umina New South Wales. Mr Harry Griesberg of the Central Coast UFO Research Bureau assisted with compilation of the report including the taking of compass bearing angles the day after the sighting. Mrs Johnson mentioned at that time that she had only recently moved to Umina from Bexley in Sydney, and was quite used to seeing aircraft flying overhead to and from Mascot Aerodrome.

2. The sighting took the form of a series of red and white lights as per the sketch, over a period of 3 minutes. However, in a telephone conversation with the writer early on 3rd May, Mr Griesberg described the sighting as "3 lights initially, and later one long light similar to a neon light". The object was first observed bearing 230° elevation 45°, and disappeared out to sea bearing 150° elevation 15°.

3. Two Mirage aircraft were active in the Gosford/Sydney area, at 35,000 feet executing climbing subsonics, ATD WLM 1827 hours, ATA WLM 1940 hours. No planets or major stars were visible. No temperature inversions were recorded. No satellites etc, were visible.

4. Allowing for a slight variation in reported times, the two Mirages executing climbing subsonics, which includes the use of after-burner, would fit the description given.

5. Forwarded for your further investigation.



*A.F. Blackburn*  
(A.F. BLACKBURN)  
Flight Lieutenant  
for Officer Commanding

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

/17. Describe



REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING



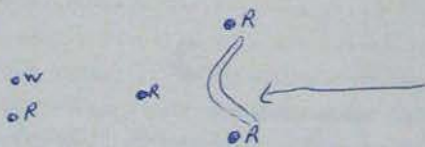
Part I - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is advised to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form.)

1. Name of observer... Marie Johnson Age 29
2. Address of observer... 46 Birdwood Ave  
Umina 2257 Phone 415996
3. Occupation of observer... House wife
4. Date and time of start of observation... 2-5-73 - 7.35pm  
How certain is the date?... certain  
How accurate is the time of start?... certain
5. Duration of observation... about 3 mins  
How accurate is your estimate?... APPROX. GUESS
6. Observer's location at time of sighting... in back yard  
How familiar is observer with this locality?... Am resident  
at this address
7. Weather conditions at time of observation... clear - no clouds  
? No Moon
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation... None
9. Where was object first observed:
  - a. Relative to your surroundings... above house next door
  - b. Angle of elevation... 45°
  - c. Compass angle bearing... 230°
  - d. How accurate are these estimates?... by compass
10. What first attracted observer's attention... lights
11. If there was more than one light/object:
  - a. How many were there?... 5
  - b. In what formation were they?... see set sketch
12. What was the colour of the light or object?... red & white
13. What was the brightness? (Compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, eg ordinary street light at 100 yards)  
... Same as full moon
14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach:
  - a. Relative to Venus or Moon...
  - b. Relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from the eyes)... 20 cent at arms length  
to cover all lights
15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed?... 45°
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?... No



- 17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity  
*Sound of slow moving aircraft - only vibrating*
- 18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)? *both 45°*
- 19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances. *Seemed to move faster than fast moving plane*
- 20. Give duration of any stationary phases. *See reverse page*
- 21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres. *changed direction*
- 22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen.
- 23. Where was the object last observed:
  - a. Relative to your surroundings. *out to sea*
  - b. Angle of elevation. *1.5°*
  - c. Compass angle bearing. *150°*
- 24. What was the manner of its disappearance? *disappeared in distance*
- 25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching, ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity etc). *N/A*
- 26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity. *Mr. Griesberg of CCUFORB helped*
- 27. How many witnesses to the sighting? *two - myself & mother*
- 28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area? *No*
- 29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to explaining your observation? *Plane*
- 30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation? *too many lights - just moved from Sydney near Airport have seen many planes*
- 31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate, sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your surroundings. Use back of form,



*white beam not as bright as other lights*

*w - white  
R - Red*

Signature *Mavis Johnson*

Date *3rd May '73*



20 object went behind tree seem  
to stay there longer than necessary  
for speed of 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:  
 A/C type... *MIRAGE* (1) *MIRAGE* (2) ..... (3)  
 Heading... *various* T... *various* T..... T  
 Height... *350* *35*,000 ft..... *35*,000 ft.....,000 ft  
 Speed... *max 0.9* K... *max 0.9* K..... K  
~~ATA~~/ATA\* *wlm* *1940* hrs... *wlm 1940* hrs..... hrs
33. The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported UFO position at the time:  
 A/C type... *N/A* (1) ..... (2) ..... (3)  
 Heading..... T..... T..... T  
 Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft  
 Speed..... K..... K..... K  
 ATD/ATA\*..... hrs..... hrs..... hrs  
 \*Give location of nearest ATD or ATA.
34. Observer's Location: Latitude... *33° 30'* ..... Longitude... *151° 21'* .....
35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that portion of the sky at the time. By day, give location of Venus only... *none visible* .....
36. A meteorological balloon was released from... *N/A* .....  
 at..... Z... Colour..... Weight..... gm  
 Radio-sonde\*\*/radar\*\*; Candle\*\*/battery\*\* (\*\*delete as required)  
 General wind profile.....  
 Maximum height tracked.....,000 ft at..... Z  
 Was it known to have burst?.....
37. The first significant temperature inversion was of *NIL* °C at  
 .....ft, measured at..... Z hrs from.....  
 .....station.
38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, ~~comets~~,  
 meteorites etc relevant to the sighting... *none visible* .....
39. When an aircraft is a possible identification, include radar trace if  
 available, and ascertain which of the aircraft lights were operating  
 .....
40. The ~~cause~~ (or likely cause) of the sighting can\*~~cannot~~\* be determined.
41. The object reported probably was\*~~may have been~~\* (delete as required).  
*2 Mirage aircraft executing climbing Subsonics* .....

*RAAF Base WILLIAMTOWN* (Unit)..... *A.F. BLACKBURN* (Name)  
*11 MAY 73* (Date)..... *F.C.T. LT* (Rank)



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580/1/1 Pt23 (6a)

13 JUL 1973

Miss Lorna Grover,  
7 Crown Road,  
IVANHOE VIC 3079

Dear Miss Grover,

With reference to your report of unusual ground markings sighted near Korong Vale on 14th April 1973, investigations have not been conclusive in determining the cause.

A possible cause, however, considered feasible by the investigating team, is that the markings were made by some type of farm machinery. Enquiries conducted in the Wedderburn district did not produce any other witnesses who may have been able to aid in the determination of the cause and we are, therefore, unable to substantiate the above theory. Additionally, the time lapse between the date of the sighting and the report being submitted precluded early investigation and by the time an investigating officer visited the area, the markings were no longer visible.

We regret that we are unable to provide a positive explanation for the markings, but should reports of similar markings be received in the future your report will be re-examined.

Thanking you for your interest.

Yours faithfully,

(G.J. ODGERS)  
Director of Public Relations

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7 Crown Rd.

Ivanhoe 3079

May 14th

Dept. for Unexplained  
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Close to K.Vale Town (1/2 mile)  
on Wedderburn Rd. ~~on~~  
on South half of Rd.

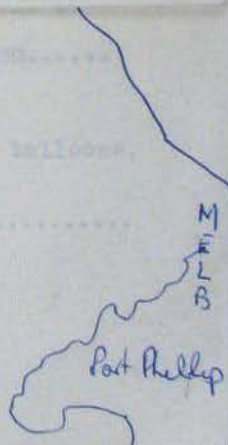


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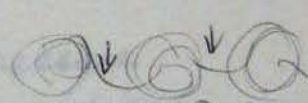
Lacking more specific direction I  
use the above heading to report tracks  
seen before Easter at Korang Vale, Victoria.

I am a trained observer, being an  
art and craft lecturer at Melbourne  
Kindergarten Teachers College.

On Saturday 14th April around  
midday or later I drove into K.V.  
from Wedderburn where I was  
staying in the Bakehouse, owned by  
Mr. H. R. Huphan. As I approached





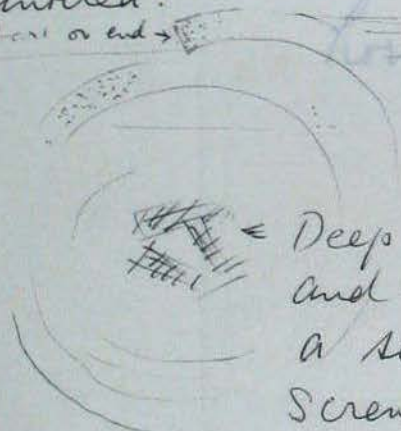
The town I noticed, over the sandy car tracks, on the other side of the road four spiral tracks, each distinct, with at the centres deeply impressed and scuffed marks. At first I thought these could have been made by children or some farm machinery I was unfamiliar with and having seen children not far distant related ideas to their presence. I made a point of driving back that way and went on the wrong side of the road to avoid driving over the spirals and slowly inspected them closely. I felt that had there been connection with children or motor scooters etc there would have been connecting lines like  but each spiral started (or ended) with a crisp, light edge quite unlike the heaviness of even a bicycle track. I

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would say the lines were six inches  
 in breadth, the impression was lightly textured  
 but not with anything approximating a  
 tyre tread pattern. The diameters were  
 about 8-10 feet and each spiral  
 was characterised by a clear <sup>lay</sup> edge,  
 crisp commencing or ending edge and  
 the central pressure marks. There were no  
 footsteps or other indications of any means of  
 making the marks, but I have continued  
 since then to sieve through my mind to  
 find any possible source I have ever  
 encountered.

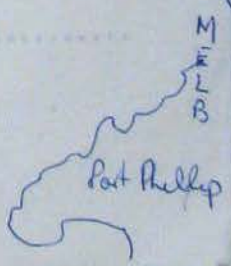
- start or end ->



Car tracks scarcely  
 depressed by "pattern"  
 of stipple texture.

Deep marks pressure  
 and movement indicating  
 a sort of agitated  
 screwing action.

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I may add that my almost immediate return was related not to deep curiosity about the tracks but to having gone to a garage for petrol and discovered I had no purse. Not knowing about Saturday pm petrol selling in Wedderburn I was intent rather on getting back there in time, in case of closing, than the tracks.

But I have continued to puzzle about this set of four spirals.

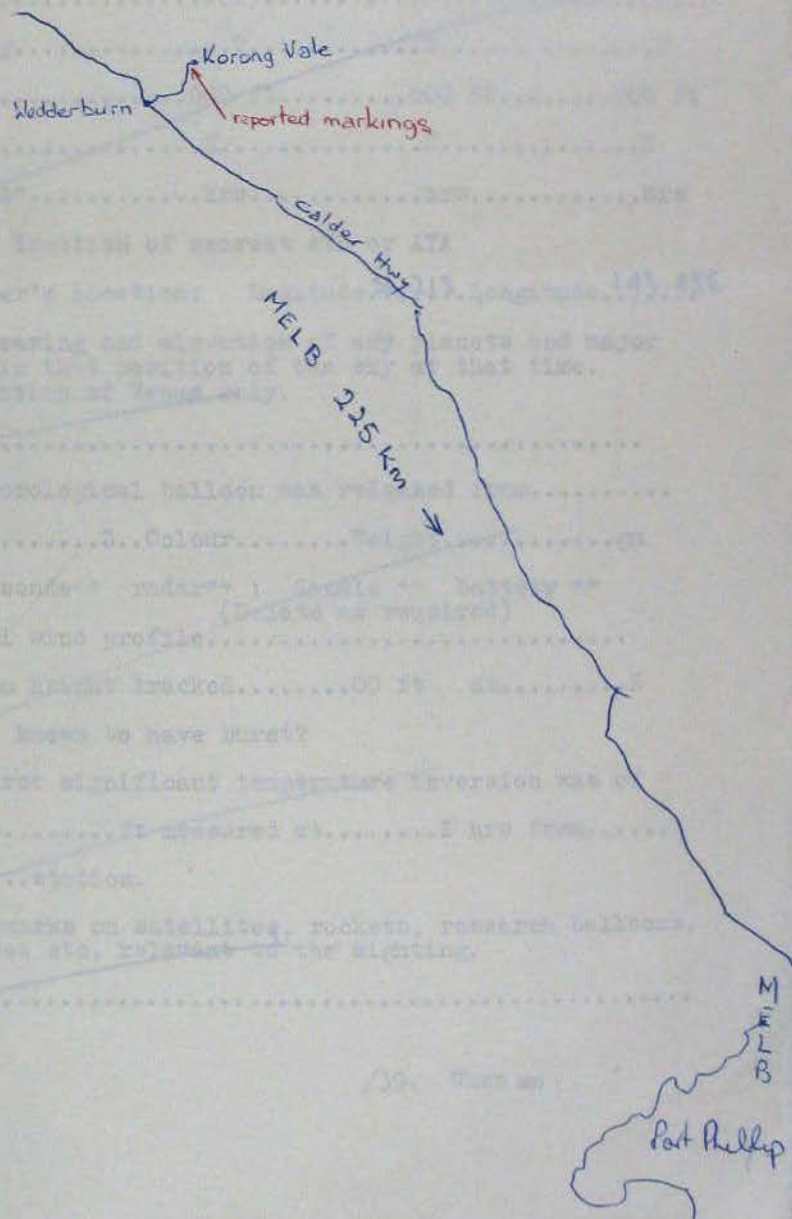
Yours sincerely,  
Lorna Grover

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The following civil aircraft were in the vicinity of the reported sighting at the time.



14. Observer's location: MELB 225 km

15. Give bearing and altitude of any clouds and major stars that were in the vicinity of sighting at that time. If any, give location of stars.

16. A meteorological balloon was released at MELB at 225 km at 22.00 hours. Colour red and white (Delete as required) General wind profile light Maximum height tracked 10000 ft Did it seem to have burst?

17. The first significant temperature inversion was observed at 22.00 hours at MELB at 10000 ft altitude.

18. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, meteors, comets etc, relevant to the sighting.



Part 2 - Unit Evaluation

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

A/C type.....(1).....(2).....(3)  
 Heading..... T ..... T ..... (T)  
 Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft  
 Speed.....K.....K.....K  
 ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

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

A/C type.....(1).....(2).....(3)  
 Heading.....T.....T.....T  
 Height.....000 ft.....000 ft.....000 ft  
 Speed.....K.....K.....K  
 ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA

34. Observer's Location: Latitude. 36.21S. Longitude. 143.43E

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that position of the sky at that time. By day, give location of Venus only.

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36. A meteorological balloon was released from.....

at.....Z..Colour.....Weight.....gm

Radio-sonde\*\* radar\*\* : Candle \*\* battery \*\*  
(Delete as required)

General wind profile.....

Maximum height tracked.....00 ft at.....Z

Was it known to have burst?

37. The first significant temperature inversion was of

....at.....ft measured at.....Z hrs from.....

.....station.

38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, comets, meteorites etc, relevant to the sighting.

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/39. When an



39. When an aircraft is a possible identification, include radar trace if available and ascertain which of the aircraft lights were operating.

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40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting  
\*\* can/cannot be determined.

41. The object reported probably was \*\* / may have been

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Observer said marks lay on top of tyre tracks on dirt road. She does not recall seeing any wheeled machinery in the area. Seemed to be pleasant vague type of academic, possibly middle aged, a petter on a solitary holiday. She appreciated fatality of report after 1 month but "you must think about this for a bit."

H.Q.E.C.U

(Unit)

17 MAY 73

(Date)

R.O.Gibbs

(Name of Investigating Officer)

Flg Off.

(Rank)

\*\* Delete as necessary



MELBOURNE  
14 MAY  
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PLEASE  
EARLY  
BEFORE LUNCH  
BEFORE  
FOUR O'CLOCK



Dept. of Commanding Officer  
Headquarters RAAF  
Victoria Barracks  
St. Kilda Rd.  
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6 MAY 75

SIGHTING # 6

NTH CARLTON  
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M.H. TAYLOR



FROM DEPAIR	FILE 580/1/1 R. 23(65)	DATE 18 JUN 73	REFERENCES HOSC 5/6/1/AIR(64) OF 17 MAY 73
TO HOSC		ATTENTION CINTEMO	
SUBJECT REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING			

Enclosed for your records, is a copy of a letter from this Department to Mr. M. H. Taylor, in reply to his report of an unusual aerial sighting

ENCLOSURE. Copy of letter to Mr. M. H. Taylor

SIGNATURE <i>M. Gretton</i>	NAME M. GRETTON	RANK FLY OFF	APPOINTMENT IR 3	PHONE NO 2406
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15 JUN 1973

580/1/1 Pt23 (6a)

Mr M.H. Taylor,  
Flat 18, 980 Lygon Street,  
NORTH CARLTON, VIC 3054

Dear Sir,

With reference to your report of an unusual aerial sighting on 6th May 1973, it has been determined that the most probable cause was the space vehicle designated 1973-018B burning-up on re-entry into Earth's atmosphere.

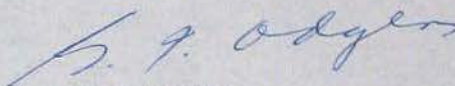
Information contained in the Space Warn Bulletin, issued by the World Warning Agency for Satellites, shows that the space vehicle 1973-018B was an associated item of equipment involved in the launching of MOLNIYA 2 (1973-018A). MOLNIYA 2 is a Russian satellite which was launched on 5th April 1973, and carries apparatus for transmitting television programmes and multichannel radio communications.

Although the predicted decay date for 1973-018B was 3rd May, irregular fluctuations in solar activity can greatly affect upper atmosphere density thus making accurate predictions very difficult. Should further information come to hand to indicate that 1973-018B decayed on a date other than 6th May, further investigation will be conducted.

For your information, of the 6397 man-made objects catalogued since 1957, 2902 were still in space on 29th April 1973.

We trust that this explanation is satisfactory, and thank you for your report.

Yours faithfully,



(G.J. ODGERS)  
Director of Public Relations

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REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Part I - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form.)

1. Name of observer... MARK HEDLEY TAYLOR Age 25 YEARS
2. Address of observer... FLAT 18, 980 LYGON STREET,  
NORTH CARLTON, 3054 Phone 622241 (BUSINESS ONLY)
3. Occupation of observer... SOLICITOR
4. Date and time of start of observation... 6<sup>th</sup> MAY 1973 at 6.40 PM.  
How certain is the date?... POSITIVE  
How accurate is the time of start?... WITHIN 5 MINUTES EITHER SIDE.
5. Duration of observation... APPROX. 5 MINUTES.  
How accurate is your estimate?... AN APPROXIMATION ONLY.
6. Observer's location at time of sighting... NORTH CARLTON  
(LYGON STREET) - MY RESIDENCE  
How familiar is observer with this locality?... VERY
7. Weather conditions at time of observation... CLEAR SKY -  
STARS EVIDENT - COOL EVENING.
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation... NONE USED
9. Where was object first observed? :
  - a. Relative to your surroundings... FAIRLY HIGH IN THE SKY  
AS A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF LOWER HORIZON IS  
OBSCURED BY HOUSES.
  - b. angle of elevation... 45° to 50°
  - c. compass angle bearing... NORTH WEST OF MY LOCATION (SEE SKETCH FOR Q.31)
  - d. how accurate are these estimates?... APPROXIMATIONS ONLY.
10. What first attracted observer's attention?... MOVEMENT OF A  
LIGHTED BODY - I FIRST THOUGHT IT WAS AN AIRPLANE.
11. If there was more than one light/object :
  - a. how many were there?... NOT APPLICABLE
  - b. in what formation were they?... DITTO.
12. What was the colour of the light or object?... YELLOW TO ORANGE  
WITH A WHITE TAIL.

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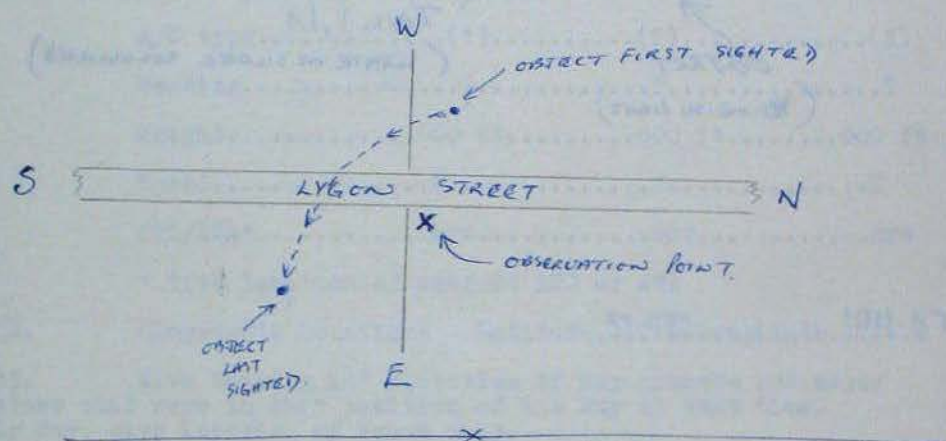
PROBABLE  
1973-08B or 1973-08C  
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- 13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, eg ordinary street light at 100 yards) NOT AS BRIGHT AS A STREET LIGHT - MORE LIKE A TORCH AT 100 YDS.
- 14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach?:
  - a. relative to Venus or Moon... VERY LIKE A LARGE STAR NOWHERE NEAR THE SIZE OF THE MOON
  - b. relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from the eyes) I COULDN'T REALLY ESTIMATE
- 15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed? WEST / APPROX 60° ELEVATION / GUESSWORK ONLY
- 16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? NO
- 17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity NONE HEARD
- 18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)? MAX. 60° - to MIN 25° - 30° (THEN DISAPPEARED FROM VISION)
- 19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances SLIGHTLY FASTER THAN A COMMERCIAL JET AEROPLANE VIEWED FROM A DISTANCE
- 20. Give duration of any stationary phases NOT APPLICABLE
- 21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres NONE MADE
- 22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen WHITE TO SILVERY TAIL MANY TIMES THE OBJECTS LENGTH
- 23. Where was object last observed :
  - a. relative to your surroundings FROM CARLTON IT LOOKED LIKE IT WOULD BE OUT OVER RAINWOOD OR SLIGHTLY FURTHER SOUTH. EAST
  - b. angle of elevation 25° to 30°
  - c. compass angle bearing SOUTH EAST OF MY POSITION (SEE Q 31)
- 24. What was the manner of its disappearance? GREW INDISCERNABLE
- 25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching, ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity etc) NO
- 26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity NO SUCH FORMAL TRAINING
- 27. How many witness to the sighting? NONE



- 28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area? No.
- 29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to explaining your observation? A COMET OR LARGE FALLING STAR (BUT TRAVELLING APPROX. HORIZONTAL TO EARTH NOT VERTICALLY TO IT.)
- 30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation? I DO NOT EXCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY OF A COMET FOR ALTHOUGH I HAVE NEVER OFFICIALLY OBSERVED ONE THAT IS WHAT TO ME IT MOST CLOSELY RESEMBLED
- 31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate, sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your surroundings. Use back of form, if needed.



(P.T.O.)

Signature Alfred D. Taylor

Date 9-5-1973



the report the 13.02.33  
A 1

28. In your case of reference to similar objects in the sky.....  
29. That several specimens (or specimens) would be present in your  
your observations.....  
30. That you will search for evidence in the sky.....  
31. How you will search for all data in the sky.....  
32. How you will search for all data in the sky.....  
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34. How you will search for all data in the sky.....  
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36. How you will search for all data in the sky.....  
37. How you will search for all data in the sky.....





Part 2 - Unit Evaluation

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

A/C type... *N1!* .....(1).....(2).....(3)  
Heading..... T .....T..... (T)  
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

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A/C type... *N1!* .....(1).....(2).....(3)  
Heading.....T.....T.....T  
Height.....000 ft.....000 ft.....000 ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA

34. Observer's Location: Latitude *37.47S* Longitude *144.57E*

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that position of the sky at that time. By day, give location of Venus only.

.....

36. A meteorological balloon was released from.....

at.....Z..Colour.....Weight.....gm

Radio-sonde\*\* radar\*\* : Candle \*\* battery \*\*  
(Delete as required)

General wind profile.....

Maximum height tracked.....00 ft at.....Z

Was it known to have burst?

37. The first significant temperature inversion was of

.....at.....ft measured at.....Z hrs from.....

.....station.

38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, comets, meteorites etc, relevant to the sighting.

..... *possibly space junk or meteorite* ..... *No space prediction charts received this office since March 73.*

/39. When an



39. When an aircraft is a possible identification, include radar trace if available and ascertain which of the aircraft lights were operating.

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.....

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting  
\*\* can/cannot be determined.

41. The object reported probably ~~was~~ / may have been

.....  
Space junk or meteorite  
.....  
.....

H. Q. S. C. U ..... 17 MAY 73 .....  
(Unit) (Date)

R. O. Gibbs ..... Flt Off .....  
(Name of Investigating Officer) (Rank)

\*\* Delete as necessary



9 MAY 73

SIGHTING #5

CROYDON  
VIC

J.R. T. EMERTON



DAF/

18 Northcott Ave

Longwood 3136

4/1/73.

MR G. J. ODGERS P.R. RAAF

C' BERRA

I'm getting back a while since I've heard "that" noise, but as I've been doing building alterations for some time now, your letter was misplaced for a time. It came to light again the other day when everything was being restored once more to its usual position. I've not an Argentine type, but feel I had to have one last day (just for the record, & the interest of accuracy). Attached is a map of the area in which we live, it is heavy steel & acts as a damper in most outside sounds (outside the immediate area however, we have) but over the years (about 30) the birds here I've been able to identify sounds as follows. AAA etc. Ambulances & Police Cars in Maresandah Hwy, BBB etc. the project of tyres as the local lads do "wheelies" around the roundabout at the four ways at Maresandah ecc etc. Sound of trains to & from as far as the Dorset Rd Cutting & Bridge, DDD etc. Police Cars, Ambulances along Lincoln Rd, EEE The Railway Bell at the Maresandah level crossing (but only on a clear, steel cold night) Sounds from any other location are infinitely muted by some kind of acoustics caused by terrain - trees etc.

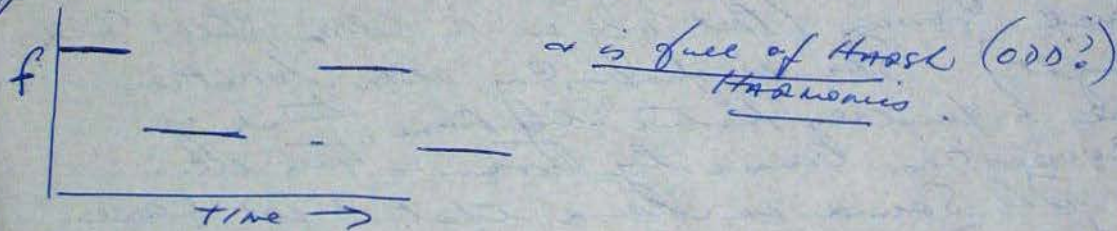
The sound we heard that night came from directly overhead, rising so quickly to



Press an intensity that my first impulse  
 was to dive under a table & cover my  
 fingers (old Soldier training) & when he  
 dashed, outside I carefully followed the  
 direction with hands cupped to ears (also  
 a la old Soldier training listening for apparently  
 hostile aircraft) until it was no longer  
 audible. As I explained earlier, I

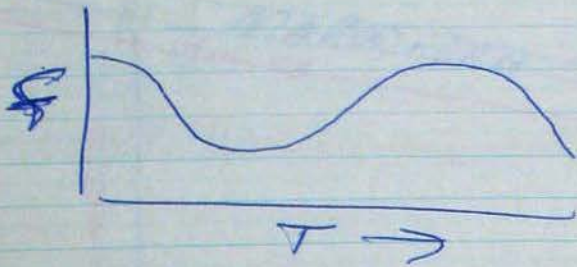
had made a very accurate stab at the  
 frequency & was able to reproduce it in our lab  
 at work. The only modification I had to  
 do was to produce a few overtones by the  
 addition of a small capacitor to the off of  
 the oscillator. This to an ear not trained  
 would make very little difference to the sound  
 reproduced, but was done up to give an  
 accurate reproduction. The pump from  
 one  $f$  to another was done manually. It  
 would have been very much more accurate if  
 our automatic sweep could have been  
 adjusted, but ~~our~~<sup>our</sup> sweep only over  
 the range .2 Mc to 3.6 Mc.

The second point in your argument was  
 that an Ambulance has a 2 fundamental  
 Beep & does not ~~change~~ smoothly change  
 from one tone to another. It's like this: -





The case of dispersion, however  
has



→ has almost no distortion!

Miss Sweeney  
J. R. Egan



Melbourne

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

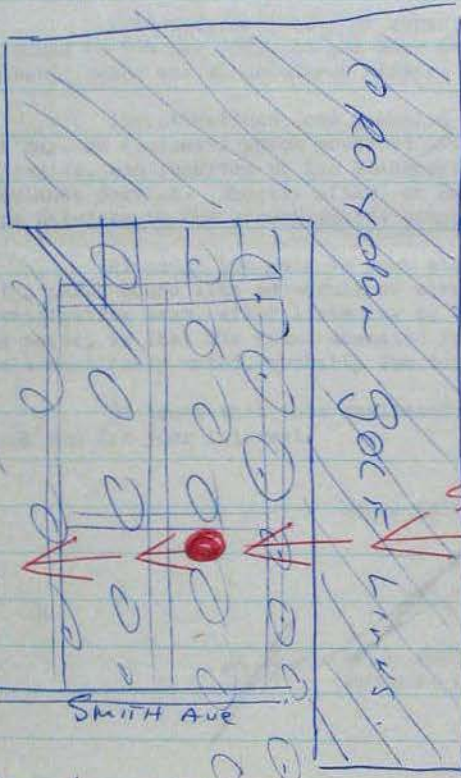
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MAROONDHA HWY

LILIMACE

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DORSET RD



PROYON Golf Links

SOUND

SMITH AVE

MOORPOOL ROAD

to c.c. RAILWAY-1 line

LILIMACE  
BBB

MURDOCH

Lincoln RD

DDDD

Melb.





COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

TELEPHONE: 65-9111

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS  
"AIRFORCE, CANBERRA"

IN REPLY QUOTE 580/1/1 Pt 23 (5a)

DEPARTMENT OF AIR  
RUSSELL OFFICES  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

19 JUN 1973

Mr J.R. Emerton,  
18 Northcott Avenue,  
CROYDON, VIC 3136

Dear Sir,

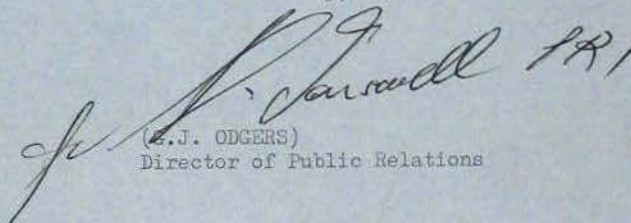
With reference to your report of an unusual occurrence of sound on 9th May 1973, it has been determined that the most probable cause was an ambulance siren.

Investigations have revealed that at 10-07 PM on 9th May, an accident, which occurred in Mountain Highway, Bayswater, was reported to the Headquarters of the Victorian Ambulance Service. Shortly after, an ambulance was dispatched from Lilydale to the scene and its route was along Dorset Road.

Although you said in your statement that the sound was not a harsh sound like an ambulance siren, the opinion of the investigating team, after listening to the taped simulation of the noise, is that the sound emanated from this ambulance but was acoustically muted, probably due to terrain/vegetation effects.

We trust that this explanation is satisfactory and thank you for your interest.

Yours faithfully,

  
(G.J. ODGERS)  
Director of Public Relations



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*G.J. Odgers*  
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Director of Public Relations

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*G.J. Odgers*  
*R2*

*20 JUN 73*





ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

TELEPHONE: 69 0550

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
"AIRCOMMAND, MELBOURNE"

HEADQUARTERS SUPPORT COMMAND  
RAAF  
VICTORIA BARRACKS  
MELBOURNE SC1 VIC 3004


IN REPLY QUOTE 5/6/1/Air(64)

17 MAY 1973


Department of Air (DAFI)

REPORTS OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS

1. Attached are unusual aerial sighting reports from Mr, Mrs Emerton, L. Grover and M.H. Taylor.
2. The 2" magnetic tape accompanying the Emerton report is the personal property of INT1, HQSC, and its return is requested.

  
(R.R. RODDY)  
Squadron Leader  
For Air Officer Commanding

Enclosures: 3 Reports

*Tape returned to INT 1 HQSC 23/5* 



REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Part I - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form.)

- JOHN ROBERT EMERTON 57
1. Name of observer THEWNA... EMERTON..... Age 54.....
  2. Address of observer 18 NORTHCOTT AVE.....  
CROYDON VIC..... Phone 7231715.....
  3. Occupation of observer SEN TECHNICAL OFFICER PMG Dept RICHMOND 424560  
HOUSEWIFE
  4. Date and time of start of observation 10-35 PM 9/5/73  
How certain is the date? POSITIVE  
How accurate is the time of start? ± 2 MIN
  5. Duration of observation.....  
How accurate is your estimate?.....
  6. Observer's location at time of sighting INSIDE HOUSE NO RADIO ON  
NO TELEVISION ON  
How familiar is observer with this locality? VERY 28 YRS RESIDENCE
  7. Weather conditions at time of observation OCCASIONAL CLOUDS  
Still, no wind.
  8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation.....  
MAGNETIC COMPASS
  9. Where was object first observed? :  
a. Relative to your surroundings ABOVE + TO EAST  
.....  
b. angle of elevation.....  
c. compass angle bearing TRAVELLING 260°  
d. how accurate are these estimates? ± 5°
  10. What first attracted observer's attention? Sound As Described  
RAPIDLY REACTING CASUALTY TIE FADING
  11. If there was more than one light/object :  
a. how many were there?.....  
b. in what formation were they?.....
  12. What was the colour of the light or object?.....

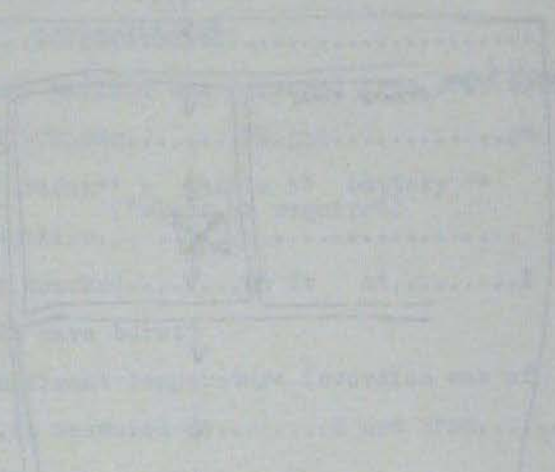


- 13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, eg ordinary street light at 100 yards).....
- 14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach?:
  - a. relative to Venus or Moon.....
  - b. relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from the eyes).....
- 15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed?.....
- 16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?.....
- 17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity  
*SEE BACK of LAST SLIP*.....
- 18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)?.....
- 19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances .....  
*AT A GUESS ABOUT 50 MPH*.....
- 20. Give duration of any stationary phases.....
- 21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres.....
- 22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen.....
- 23. Where was object last observed :
  - a. relative to your surroundings.....
  - b. angle of elevation.....
  - c. compass angle bearing.....
- 24. What was the manner of its disappearance?.....
- 25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching, ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity etc).....
- 26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity.....
- 27. How many witness to the sighting?.....

*NEXT DOOR NEIGHBORS HEARD IT*  
*Mrs Baggot 16 Northcott Ave*  
*Mrs Richardson 22 Northcott Ave*



- 28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area?.....
- 29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to explaining your observation?.....
- 30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation?.....  
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- 31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate, sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your surroundings. Use back of form, if needed.



Signature J. R. Ebert.....

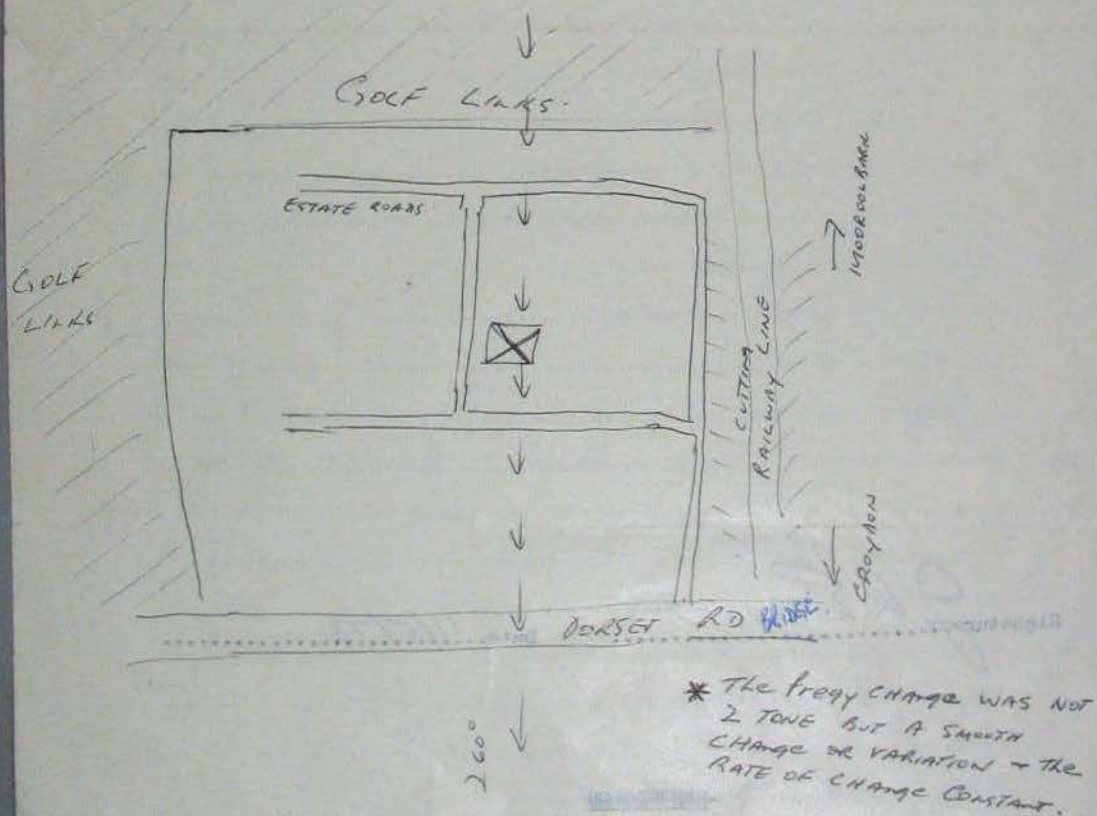
Date 11/5/73.....



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Sitting in lounge with wife quietly talking. Suddenly we both heard the noise which reached crescendo in about 5 secs. Both startled. Then both ran outside - could hear noise gradually fading. It appeared to come from east then low over house & gradually faded to inaudible in approx 20 secs after it passed over. I checked direction with compass & seemed to be heading  $260^\circ$ . When we came inside after a couple of minutes the electric clock in kitchen showed 10:40 PM.

The noise was a whistle changing frequency at approx 1 cycle/sec. The highest frequency was in vicinity of 1Kc - 1.1Kc & the lowest frequency about 500 cycles. I went into lab at work first thing next morning & checked freqs with oscillator. It struck me then however that the sound I heard did not appear to be sinusoidal but rather a heterodyne producing the range of sound described. The sound at its loudest prevented (or would have prevented) conversation at normal level. There was no other sound such as an aircraft engine, helicopter blades etc. No noticeable Doppler. Definitely not a harsh sound like new airplane engine.



\* The freq change was not 2 tone but a smooth change or variation - the rate of change constant.



Part 2 - Unit Evaluation

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

A/C type... Nil ..... (1) ..... (2) ..... (3)  
Heading..... T ..... T ..... (T)  
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

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

A/C type... Nil ..... (1) ..... (2) ..... (3)  
Heading.....T.....T.....T  
Height.....000 ft.....000 ft.....000 ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA

34. Observer's Location: Latitude. ~~37.47S~~ Longitude. 145:15E

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that position of the sky at that time. By day, give location of Venus only.

..... Not considered .....

36. A meteorological balloon was released from. not considered

at.....Z..Colour.....Weight.....gm  
Radio-sonde\*\* radar\*\* : Candle \*\* battery \*\*  
(Delete as required)  
General wind profile.....  
Maximum height tracked.....00 ft at.....Z  
Was it known to have burst?

37. The first significant temperature inversion was of  
.....at.....ft measured at.....Z hrs from.....  
.....station.

38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, comets, meteorites etc, relevant to the sighting.

..... Nil .....

/39. When an



39. When an aircraft is a possible identification, include radar trace if available and ascertain which of the aircraft lights were operating.

..... Nil .....

40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting  
\*\* ~~can~~/cannot be determined.

41. The object reported probably was \*\* / may have been

..... ? .....

Observer described sound as badly loaded artillery shell tumbling in flight.

Sound has been duplicated in PMG lab by observer and recorded on my personal 2" tape at (I hope) 1 7/8" on 2 track recorder. Please return tape.

HQSCU  
(Unit)

17 MAY 73  
(Date)

R. O. Gibbs  
(Name of Investigating Officer)

Flg. Off.  
(Rank)



5 MAY 73

SIGHTING # 12

AMBERLEY  
OLD

KAC JONES



FROM DEPAIR	FILE 580/11 P-23(4b)	DATE 1 JUN 73	REFERENCES Your 82W/S/9/AR(21) OF 16 MAY 73
TO HQAMB ATTENTION WIO			
SUBJECT REPORTS OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS			

Enclosed for your records is a copy of a letter from this Department to WAC R.J. Jones, in reply to his report of an unusual aerial sighting

ENCLOSURE: Copy of letter to WAC R.J. Jones.

SIGNATURE M. Gretton	NAME M. GRETTON	RANK FLC OFF	APPOINTMENT IR-2	PHONE NO 2408
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REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Part I - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form.)

1. Name of Observer... LAC JONES A.S. ..... Age 28
2. Address of Observer... 108 Garrison St. Aub. .....  
..... Phone SECT. 2648
3. Occupation of Observer... S/GUARD .....
4. Date and time of start of observation... SATURDAY (MAY) 18 25 47 .....  
How certain is the date?..... Pos. .....  
How accurate is the time of start?..... Pos. .....
5. Duration of observation... APPROX 2 1/2 to 3 min .....  
How accurate is your estimate?..... FARLY GOOD .....
6. Observer's location at time of sighting... 82 wing HARD STAND .....  
AREA .....  
How familiar is observer with this locality?..... VERY .....  
FAMILIAR .....
7. Weather conditions at time of observation... V/C .....
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation.....  
NONE .....
9. Where was object first observed:  
(a) Relative to your surroundings..... NTH. .....  
.....  
(b) angle of elevation... See sketch on .....  
(c) compass angle bearing... weather reports .....  
(d) how accurate are these estimates.....
10. What first attracted observer's attention?.....  
.....

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11. If there was more than one light/object:
  - (a) how many were there?.....4.....
  - (b) in what formation were they?.....
12. What was the colour of the light or object?.....WHITE.....
13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, e.g. ordinary street light at 100 yards).....VERY BRIGHT.....
14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach:
  - (a) relative to Venus or Moon.....VENUS.....
  - (b) relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from the eyes).....THE SIZE OF  
.....A ONE CENT PIECE.....
15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed?.....  
.....
16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?.....NO.....
17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity.....NONE.....
18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)?.....NO.....
19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances.....
20. Give duration of any stationary phases.....4 min.....
21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres.....LEFT TURN.....
22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen.....  
.....NONE.....
23. Where was object last observed:

.../3



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- (a) relative to your surroundings.....
- (b) angle of elevation... *See weather reports* .....
- (c) compass angle bearing.....
- 24. What was the manner of its disappearance?.. *DISTANCE* .....
- 25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching, ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity etc)..... *No* .....
- 26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/~~her~~ ability to estimate angles and angular velocity..... *None* .....
- 27. How many witness to the sighting?..... *NONE* .....
- 28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area?..... *No* .....
- 29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to explaining your observation?.. *Large star* .....
- 30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation? .....
- 31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate, sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your surroundings. Use back of form, if needed. *See attached sketch*

Signature..... *[Signature]* .....

Date..... *7 May 73* .....

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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:

A/C type.....(1).....(2).....(3)  
 Heading.....T.....T.....T  
 Height.....*N/A*.....,000 ft.....,000 Ft.....,000ft  
 Speed.....K.....K.....K  
 ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

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

A/C type.....(1).....(2).....(3)  
 Heading.....*See investigating officer's written report*.....T.....T  
 Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft  
 Speed.....K.....K.....K  
 ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA.

34. Observer's Location: Latitude *27° 39'* Longitude *152° 43'*

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that portion of the sky at that time. By day, give location of Venus only.....

36. A meteorological balloon was released from *BRISBANE* at *1030* Z Colour.....Weight.....G<sup>m</sup>

Radio-sonde\*\*/radar: Candle\*\*/battery\*\*(\*\*delete as required)

General wind profile.....*Westerly*.....  
 Maximum height tracked.....,000 ft at.....Z

Was it known to have burst?.....  
*Details not known, but would be irrelevant.*.....15.



- 37. The first significant temperature inversion was of .....°C at SURFACE ft, measured at 10.20 .....Z hrs from BRISBANE .....station.
- 38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, comets, meteorites etc. relevant to the sighting 18.28K  
PAGE 1 Az 103° Ft. 50° Hdg 182°
- 39. When an aircraft is a possible identification, include radar trace if available, and ascertain which of the aircraft lights were operating.....
- 40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting can\*/cannot\* be determined.
- 41. The object reported probably was\*/may have been\* (delete as required)  
Satellite, not a rocket, except first object


82 WING .....(Unit) R. M. GORMAN .....(Name)  
14 MAY 73 .....(Date) Sgt Ldn .....(Rank)



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REPORT ON UFO SIGHTING  
AT AMBERLEY ON 5TH MAY 1973

1. LAC JONES R.J., Security Guard, was on duty at the Phantom flight lines when he noted the unusual lights, first at 1825K, and then at 1854K.
2. Nature of Sighting. He states that at 1825K he noticed a star-like object appear from the north and stop directly above the base. A second object followed, and as it approached the first one, they both moved off towards the south. Then, a similar object came from the east and flew between them, disappearing to the west. The first southerly one veered off slowly to the east and disappeared, while the second one continued out of sight to the south. At 1854K, he saw another light similar in appearance, appear from the north but more to the west. It disappeared as it entered the glare of an overhead security light on a nearby hangar.
3. Remarks on the Sighting. LAC JONES'S estimate of bearings may be a little inaccurate. After questioning, he qualified his statement 'from a northerly direction', by saying that the objects appeared 'just west of the northern end of the strip, about two or three degrees,' and crossed the strip to the south. Two or three degrees is impossible to judge. Subsequently, assuming that it was about 10 degrees, and assuming that he knew where the end of the strip was, the direction of approach can be estimated to be about  $330^{\circ}$  to  $150^{\circ}$  true. Also, as he was standing facing the west, the overhead estimation could have been a little out. Quite possibly, it could have been well to the west, as the object was very high in the sky.
4. Aerial Activity. The only civil aircraft movements recorded at the time were jets leaving Brisbane airport at 1820, 1822, 1840 and 1842 local on an outbound track of 189 M to Sydney, and a southbound 707 about 200 nms to the west. None of these would be visible from Amberley. The only satellite activity that even remotely coincides with direction and time is PAGEOS I at 1838K. This had an azimuth of  $103^{\circ}$ , elevation  $52^{\circ}$ , and heading  $183^{\circ}$ .
5. Possible Causes. Three out of the four objects could have been satellites, meteorites or some such thing. However, the first object sighted reportedly stopped, started, and then turned. This is not consistent with the movements of bodies of that nature. No explanation can be found for that one.

  
(R.M. BERTRAM)  
Sqn Ldr  
82 Wing Intell10

14MAY73



At 1825 hrs. I noticed a star-like object come from a northerly direction and stop above the base. Then I noticed another object, come from the same direction as the first, this object was of the same shape as the first.

When the second object came within 5" to 4" from the first, the two of them started moving in a southerly direction, as they did a third object coming from an easterly direction passed between them. The third object seemed to continue in a westerly direction.

I watched the first two which were still moving slowly south, when the first object started to turn in an easterly direction very slowly, while the second object continued south.

The size of these objects were about the size of a one cent piece held in the fingers, with the arm out stretched above the head.

At 1854 hrs another sighting, object same as before except a bit smaller. It was moving the same direction as the first two from "north to south". I lost sight of the object when it passed over the glare of the security light I was sitting under.



TAXI-WAY

GRASSED AREA

- MARKED AS BELOW
- ① - - - - -
  - ② ~~~~~
  - ③ >>>>>
  - ④ x x x x

FIRST SIGHTED OBJECT N°1



FIRST SIGHTING OBJECT N°4



HANGER N° 363

LOST SIGHT

My APPROX POSITION

HANGER N° 455

HANGER N° 454

FIRST SIGHTING OBJECT N°2

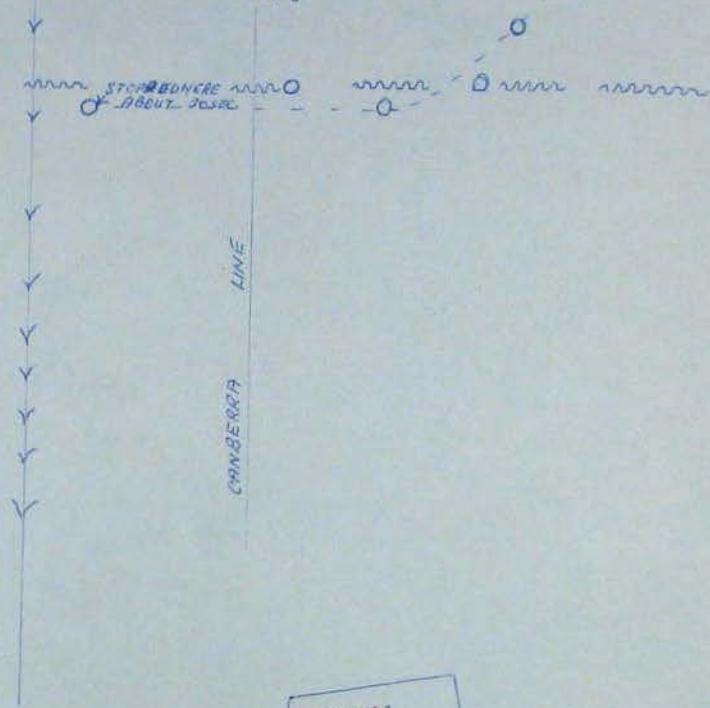
PHANTOM LINE

X MY APPROX POSITION

FIRST SIGHTING OBJECT N°3

STOPPED HERE ABOUT 2000

CANBERRA LINE





580/1/1 Pt 23 (4a)

LAC R.J. Jones,  
6 Garrison Street,  
AMBERLEY, QLD 4305

UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS - 5 MAY 73

With reference to your report of unusual aerial sightings at RAAF Base Amberley on 5th May 1973, investigations have determined that the most probable causes were orbiting space vehicles and a meteorite.

Normally logical explanations are available for reported sightings and the investigation of your report covered aircraft movements, planet/star positions, meteorological measuring devices and phenomena, and space vehicle movement.

At the time of sighting, there were 2702 man made objects in space, and predictions are made for viewing of selected long lived satellites of optimum visible magnitude. Other bright objects seen could be short lived satellites or rocket stages, decaying objects rendered incandescent on re-entry to Earth's atmosphere or meteorites.

In the opinion of the investigating team, the sightings were probably as follows:

- a. First Object - unpredicted space debris which was in slightly different orbit and of greater apogee to the object sighted second. This accounts for the apparent higher speed of the second object. The reported short stationary period was probably due to an optical illusion which occurred whilst focussing on both objects simultaneously.
- b. Second Object - Satellite PAGEOS I which was predicted to be visible from the Brisbane area on a heading of 183°T at the reported time of sighting.
- c. Third object - unpredicted space debris.
- /d. Fourth object



- d. Fourth Object - meteorite or space debris entering Earth's atmosphere.

We trust that this explanation is satisfactory and thank you for your interest.

*for* *D. Jassall PR1*  
(G.J. ODGERS)  
Director of Public Relations

*A*  
*gplapl*  
*DJK*  
*24 May 73*



2 MAY 73

SIGHTING # 3

AMBERLEY ~~WATER~~  
OHS

AC GIRVIN



FROM DEPAR	FILE 80/1/1 P. 23 (3b)	DATE 7 JUN 73	REFERENCES 82 W/5/9/AIR (21) of 16 MAY 73
TO HQAMB	ATTENTION W/O		
SUBJECT REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING			

Enclosed, for your records, is a copy of a letter from this Department to AC D.B. Cirdin, in reply to his report of an unusual aerial sighting.

ENCLOSURE: Copy of letter to AC D.B. Cirdin.

SIGNATURE M. CRETTON	NAME M. CRETTON	RANK FAC OFF	APPOINTMENT IR-2	PHONE NO 2408
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- 6 JUN 1973

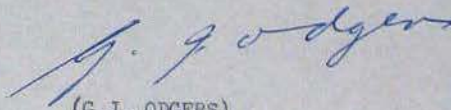
AC D.B. Girvin,  
18 Birrell Street  
Leichhardt  
IPSWICH QLD 4305

UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS - 2 MAY 73

With reference to your report of an unusual aerial sighting on 2nd May 1973, investigations have determined that the most probable cause was KIOWA helicopters returning to Amberley from navigational training.

Normally logical explanations are available for reported sightings and investigation of your report covered aircraft movements, meteorological measurement devices and space vehicle movement. From these, aircraft activity was the only feasible explanation, as helicopters were operating on the night and at the time of sighting. It was determined that helicopters completed their navigational training by tracking from Beenleigh to Amberley, turning south into the circuit and landing to the north. The speed, lighting and elevation coincide with the route of the helicopters, and as the Kiowa is a reasonably quiet aircraft, and coupled with a westerly wind, evidence of characteristic noise would be minimal.

We trust that this explanation is satisfactory and thank you for your interest.



(G.J. ODGERS)  
Director of Public Relations

*Handwritten note:*  
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DAG  
5 Jun 73

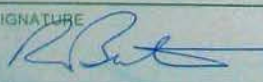


Royal Australian Air Force <b>A373</b> Feb 70 <b>MEMO</b>		For use within the RAAF only Write or print clearly	OUR FILE 82w/5/9/AIR	FOLIO 21
FROM HQ AMB			DATE 16 MAY 73	REFERENCES
TO DEPAIR			ATTENTION DAFI-IR	
SUBJECT UFO REPORTS				

1. Forwarded is one copy each of UFO reports made by AC GIRVIN DB and LAC JONES R.S., Security Guards, AMBERLEY.

4.

- Enclosures :
1. UFO Report by AC GIRVIN
  2. UFO Report by LAC JONES

SIGNATURE 	PRINTED NAME R. A. BERTRAM	RANK Sq Ldr	APPOINTMENT W/O	PHONE EXT 2357
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REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Part I - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form.)

1. Name of Observer.. AC. GIRVIN. D. B. Age. 26
2. Address of Observer... 18. BIRRELL ST. HEICHHARDT,  
. I. PSWICH, QHP. 4305. Phone EXT. 2648  
SECURITY GUARD SECTION
3. Occupation of Observer.. SECURITY. GUARD.
4. Date and time of start of observation. 2. MAY. 73, 2200HRS.  
How certain is the date?.. EXACT.  
How accurate if the time of start?.. EXACT.
5. Duration of observation..... FOUR. MINUTES  
How accurate is your estimate?.. CLOSE
6. Observer's location at time of sighting.. PHANTOM FLIGHT  
LINE., R.A.A.F. AMBERLEY.  
How familiar is observer with this locality?.....  
VERY. FAMILIAR.
7. Weather conditions at time of observation.....  
CLEAR., MOONLIGHT.
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation.....  
NONE.
9. Where was object first observed:
  - (a) Relative to your surroundings LOOKING FROM PHANTOM  
FLIGHT LINE., OBJECT WAS ~~FOR~~ OVER HEICHHARDT
  - (b) angle of elevation..... 20-30°
  - (c) compass angle bearing..... EAST
  - (d) how accurate are these estimates..... ROUGH
10. What first attracted observer's attention?.. FAST. MOVING.  
BRIGHT. LIGHT. IN. SKY.

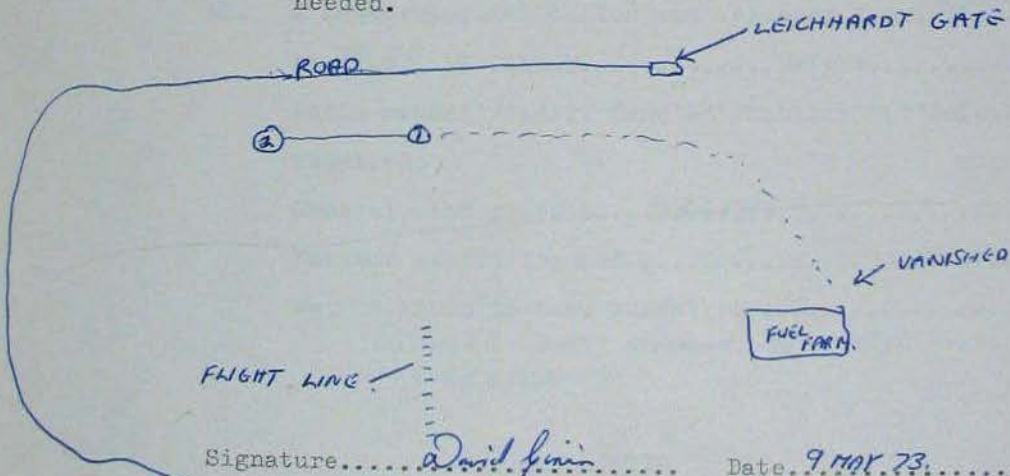
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- 11. If there was more than one light/object:
  - (a) how many were there? TWO
  - (b) in what formation were they? ONE BEHIND THE OTHER
- 12. What was the colour of the light or object? WHITE
- 13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, e.g. ordinary street light at 100 yards) ELECTRIC LIGHT. 444.8, 10 YDS
- 14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach:
  - (a) relative to Venus or Moon.....
  - (b) relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from the eyes).....  
OBJECT MAINTAINED SAME SIZE
- 15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed?.....  
140° (T) / 20°-30° - ROUGH ESTIMATIONS
- 16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? NO
- 17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity..... NONE
- 18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)?.....
- 19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances..... PHANTOM AIRCRAFT IN CIRCUIT
- 20. Give duration of any stationary phases. ONE MINUTE
- 21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres STOP AND START
- 22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen.....  
LIGHT WENT OFF THEN PICKED IT UP FURTHER ON
- 23. Where was object last observed:



- (a) relative to your surroundings OVER FUEL FARM
- (b) angle of elevation.....
- (c) compass angle bearing.....
- 24. What was the manner of its disappearance? VANISHED
- 25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching, ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity etc). NO
- 26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity... NONE
- 27. How many witness to the sighting? NONE
- 28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area? NO
- 29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to explaining your observation? NO IDEA
- 30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation?
- 31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate, sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your surroundings. Use back of form, if needed.



Signature..... David Finin ..... Date 9 MAY 73 .....



Part 2 - Unit Evaluation

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

A/C type... See weather report (3)
Heading... Paragraph 3 T T T
Height... ,000 ft. ,000 Ft. ,000ft
Speed... K K K
ATD/ATA\*... hrs. hrs. hrs

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

A/C type... (1) AIRCRAFT (2) (3)
Heading... T AIRCRAFT T T
Height... NIL ,000 ft. ,000 ft. ,000 ft
Speed... K K K
ATD/ATA\*... hrs. hrs. hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA.

34. Observer's Location: Latitude 27°39' Longitude 152°43'

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that portion of the sky at that time.

By day, give location of Venus only... NIL

36. A meteorological balloon was released from BRISBANE

at 10.30 % Colour... Weight... gm

Radio-sonde\*\*/radar: Candle\*\*/battery\*\*(\*\*delete as required)

General wind profile... WESTERLY

Maximum height tracked... ,000 ft at... Z

Was it known to have burst?...

DETAILS NOT KNOWN AS THEY WOULD BE IRRELEVANT

...../5.



- 37. The first significant temperature inversion was of .....°C at ..8000...ft, measured at ..20.30...Z hrs from.....BRISBANE.....station.
- 38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, comets, meteorites etc. relevant to the sighting.....  
.....SEE WRITTEN REPORT PARA 4.....
- 39. When an aircraft is a possible identification, include radar trace if available, and ascertain which of the aircraft lights were operating.....  
.....
- 40. The cause (or likely cause) of the sighting can\*~~cannot~~\* be determined.
- 41. The object reported probably was\*~~may have been~~\* (delete as required)  
.....Army HELICOPTERS.....

.....82 Wing.....(Unit).....R. M. BOTTENRY.....(Name)  
 .....14 MAY 73.....(Date).....Sqn Ldr.....(Rank)



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REPORT ON UFO SIGHTING  
AT AMBERLEY ON 2ND MAY 1973

1. AC GIRVIN D.B., Security Guard, was on duty in the Phantom lines in the north west section of the base, when he observed the lights.
2. Nature of Sighting. He first noticed a bright white light over Leichardt, residential suburb between Amberley and Ipswich. It moved from left to right at about aircraft speed, and then disappeared for a short while. It reappeared further south as if either the object has flown behind something or the light had gone out while the object had kept moving. The second light followed it about a minute later and did the same thing. AC GIRVIN could not give an estimation of height, but indicated, during an interview on 14 May, the elevation. This was judged by the investigating officer to be about 20°-30°. Both lights disappeared over the fuel farm, a bearing of approx 140° T from his position.
3. Helicopter Activity. The Army was flying navies that night, in 'Kiowa' helicopters, from 1900K to 2245K. The planned route was Amberley (056° T) - Brisbane - Coolangatta - Bromelton (333° T) - Amberley, at 5000ft. These aircraft carry a white light in addition to the normal navigation lights. The white light would dominate at any distance.
4. Other Activity. There was no other activity that could be associated with the sighting in any way. The satellite, Pageos I, passed at 2134K with an elevation of 49° and direction of 183°, but the azimuth of 262° and the time do not coincide.
5. Probable Cause. The lights were probably helicopters that had departed from their route and flight plan. The speed, appearance and elevation coincides within reason, and the position is possible. The 'Kiowa' is a reasonably quiet aircraft, and this, coupled with the westerly wind, could account for the lack of noise. AC GIRVIN was not concerned about the lights and was only prompted to report them after he had seen LAC JONE'S report in the guard log book seven days later.

*Helis in fact came en route Beenleigh Area & landed to the north of pad. H. 2794.*

*use choppers as reason!*



*R. Bertram*  
(R.M. BERTRAM)  
Sqn Ldr  
82 Wing Intel10

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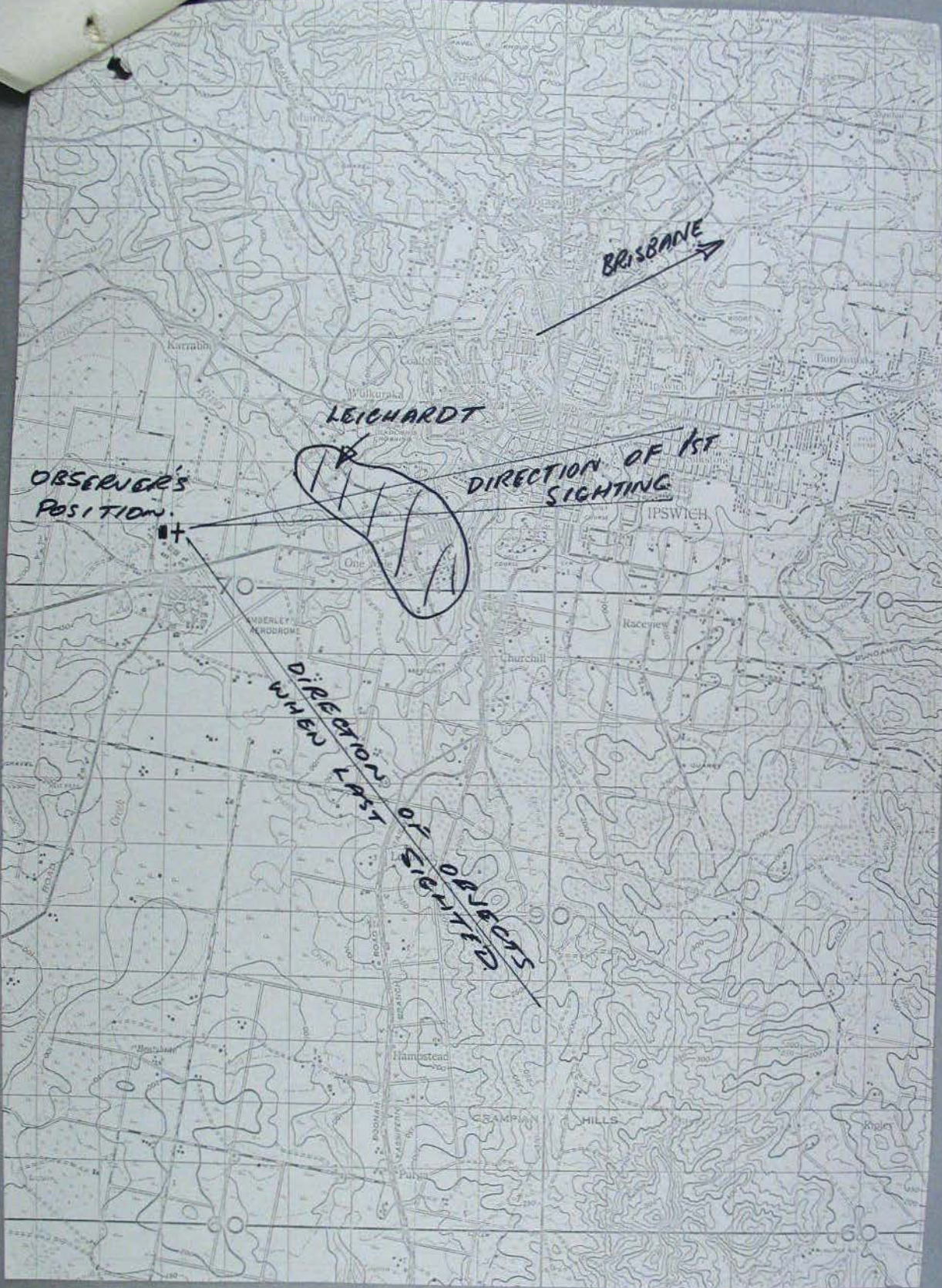
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POSITION

DIRECTION OF 1ST  
SIGHTING

DIRECTION  
LAST  
SIGHTED  
OBJECTS





6 APR 73

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SIGHTING # 2

CHRISTINE VAN  
AYR (OW)

MISS JUDI KIMBER



FROM DEPAIR	FILE 58011/P.23(23)	DATE 18 Jun 73	REFERENCES HOTUK 5/40/AIR(45) OF 11 MAY 73
TO HOTUK ATTENTION F.O			
SUBJECT REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING			

Enclosed for your records is a copy of a letter from this Department to Miss J. Kimber in reply to her report of an unusual aerial sighting.

ENCLOSURE: Copy of letter to Miss J. Kimber

SIGNATURE M. Gretton	NAME M GRETTON	RANK FLC OFF	APPOINTMENT IR-2	PHONE NO 2408
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580/1/1 Pt 23 (2a)

14 JUN 1973

Miss J. Kimber,  
CLAREDALE Via AYR,  
QUEENSLAND 4807

Dear Miss Kimber,

With reference to your report of an unusual aerial sighting on 6th April 1973, the opinion of the investigating team is that the object sighted was a high flying balloon, and this theory has been subscribed to by personnel involved in balloon research in Australia.

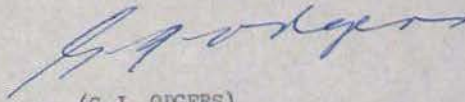
Balloon launchings are conducted in Australia by numerous organizations including The Department of Supply, The Department of Science, the Bureau of Meteorology, and international agencies approved by The Department of Civil Aviation. Unfortunately, enquiries made of these organizations resulted in no record of launchings from within Australia during a reasonable period of time prior to your sighting. However, information was gained from these organizations that launchings from other countries are common, and balloons circumnavigate the Earth relaying scientific information to interested agencies.

It is thought that this sighting was of an internationally launched balloon which was drifting westward on an easterly wind at 70,000 feet. Meteorological records of wind for 6th April show that westerly winds were prevalent up to 55,000 feet then they veered through north to become easterly at 65,000 feet. Although you assessed the altitude of the object sighted as being approximately 30,000 feet, this was probably an underestimate, as the actual size of the object is unknown and records show that underestimation of altitude is normal in these sightings.

Concerning the light pattern observed on the object, it is considered that this was the result of the reflection of the sun on the material of the balloon, as the sun would have been relatively low in the eastern sky.

We trust that this explanation is satisfactory and thank you for your interest.

Yours faithfully,



(G.J. OIGERS)  
Director of Public Relations

*File  
D.A.S.  
14 Jun 73*





ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

TELEPHONE 795666

Headquarters  
RAAF Base  
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810



IN REPLY QUOTE 5/40/Air(48)

11th May 1973

DAFI  
3-5-73

Department of Air (Attn: DAFI)

DAFI

For Information

Headquarters Operational Command (SO INTEL)

UNIT EVALUATION OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

1. The following aspects were investigated and considered by the Formation Counter Intelligence Officer (FCIO) in his attempt to find a satisfactory explanation for the sighting referred to in the attached enclosures 1 and 2:-

- a. Aircraft. There were no known civil or military aircraft operating in the area at the time.
- b. Visible Satellites. None of the twelve highly luminous satellites listed by the Weapons Research Establishment in the predictions bulletin received fortnightly at this headquarters can be related to the sighting.
- c. Meteorological Balloons. The OIC Meteorology Townsville, when contacted, stated that no balloons would have been in the area at the time from either Townsville or Mackay.
- d. Meteorological Conditions. Weather conditions at the area of the sighting indicated a minimum of cloud, no significant temperature inversion was present and the wind was from the north west at approximately 8 knots.
- e. Celestial Bodies. Enclosures 3 and 4 are photo copies of the relevant sections of the Air Almanac. Originally it was thought that an eclipse of Jupiter or Mars may have produced an astronomical phenomenon which would account for the sighting. However, this has subsequently been discounted because of the movement of the object from 40°

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Through the theodolite it was a line of sight  
the sketch is how it was through the theodolite



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COMBAT AIR 010 1940  
BYE BURE  
GUYDON/1010

elevation to 15° elevation

2. After consideration of all the information gained in the evaluation process, this headquarters is unable to offer any probable explanation as to the nature of the occurrence.

Part I - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this report, the observer is invited to describe the object in his or her own words, using either sketches or the back of this form)

*W.G. Canniffe*

(W.G. CANNIFFE)  
Flying Officer  
for Officer Commanding

1. Name of observer *Wing Pilot Canniffe*

2. Address of observer *CLAYTON*

3. Occupation *CLAYTON*

4. Date and time of observation *21st Nov 1940*

5. How accurate is your estimate of time? *Very accurate*

6. Observer's location at time of sighting *Northampton Aerodrome*

7. How familiar is observer with this locality? *Not over 10 years*

8. Weather conditions at time of observation *Clear, 11.15, about 1000 ft*

9. Describe any other objects seen in the observation *None*

10. Where was object first observed?

(a) Relative to your surroundings *SW*

(b) Angle of elevation *40°*

(c) Compass angle bearing *SW*

(d) How accurate are these estimates? *Very accurate*

11. What first attracted observer's attention? *Lighted by searchlights*

12. How reported it observed?

- Enclosures:**
1. Report and Evaluation Proforma
  2. Statement by observer
  3. Photo copy of Air Almanac Sky Diagram
  4. Photo copy of Planet Location Diagram

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The sketch is how it was through the theodolite



REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Part 1 - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form)

1. Name of observer **Miss Judi KIMBER** Age **19**
2. Address of observer **CLAREDALE**  
**VIA AYR** Phone **827-207**
3. Occupation of observer **Clerk-Typist**
4. Date and time of start of observation **0800K 6Apr73**  
How certain is the date? **Positive**  
How accurate is the time of start? **As Above**
5. Duration of observation **70 mins**  
How accurate is your estimate? **Quite Accurate**
6. Observer's location at time of sighting **Marandah Irrigation Commission**  
**Office**  
How familiar is observer with this locality? **Has been in area 2 years**
7. Weather conditions at time of observation **Fine - Lt cloud cover**  
**extending to 15° above horizon**
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation **Binoculars and**  
**Theodolite**
9. Where was object first observed?  
(a) Relative to your surroundings **WSW**  
(b) Angle of elevation **40°**  
(c) Compass angle bearing **240° approx**  
(d) How accurate are these estimates? **Quite Reasonable**
10. What first attracted observer's attention? **Sighted by workers who**  
**reported it observer**

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The sketch is how it was through the theodolite



- 11. If there was more than one light/object:
  - (a) how many were there? .. **Five** .. *Probably reflection from the differing materials*
  - (b) in what formation were they? .. **In vertical line** ..
- 12. What was the colour of the light or object? **Gold. Red. Blue** ..
- 13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, eg, ordinary street light at 100 yards)
 

**Reported as very shiny only... (see report attached)** ..
- 14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach:
  - (a) relative to Venus or Moon .. **UNK** ..
  - (b) relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from the eyes) .. **UNK** ..
- 15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed? .. **240° / 40° Elevation. Theodolite** ..
- 16. Was any method of propulsion obvious? .. **No** ..
- 17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity
 

..... **None** ..
- 18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)? .. **40° to 15° - 30,000ft** ..
- 19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with movement of familiar objects at stated distances
 

**None. apparent. except. slow. descent. to. 15°** ..
- 20. Give duration of any stationary phases .. **None** ..
- 21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres .. **Straight line only** ..
- 22. Describe any trail or exhaust, vapour or light seen. **Lights are described in observers own written report** ..
- 23. Where was object last observed?
  - (a) relative to your surroundings .. **WSW** ..
  - (b) angle of elevation .. **15°** ..

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 the sketch is how it was through the theodolite*



(c) compass angle bearing ... **240°** .....

24. What was the manner of its disappearance? **Behind or into cloud** .....

25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching, ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity, etc)? **No** .....

26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity

**Witnesses were familiar with use of theodolite** .....

27. How many witnesses to the sighting? **13 people saw phenomenon** .....

28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area?

**UNK** .....

29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to explaining your observation? **unable to answer** .....

30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation?

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

31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate, sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your surroundings. Use back of form, if needed. (See enclosure 2)

Signature W.G. Canniffe ..... Date **30APR73** .....

**(W.G. CANNIFFE)  
Flying Officer  
Headquarters  
TOWNSVILLE**

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Through the theodolite it was a line of light  
The sketch is how it was through the theodolite



Part 2 - Unit Evaluation

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

A/C type ... N/A ... (1) ... (2) ... (3)
Heading ... T ... T ... T
Height ... ,000ft ... ,000ft ... ,000ft
Speed ... K ... K ... K
ATD/ATA\* ... hrs ... hrs ... hrs

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

A/C type ... N/A ... (1) ... (2) ... (3)
Heading ... T ... T ... T
Height ... ,000ft ... ,000ft ... ,000ft
Speed ... K ... K ... K
ATD/ATA\* ... hrs ... hrs ... hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA.

34. Observer's Location: Latitude ... 19.47 ... Longitude ... 147.12

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that portion of the sky at that time. By day, give location of Venus only ... E-N-East at 35° angle of elevation

36. A meteorological balloon was released from ... at ... Z Colour ... Weight ... gm
Radio-sonde\*\*/radar\*\*: Candle\*\*/battery\*\*(\*\* delete as required)
General wind profile ...
Maximum height tracked ... ,000ft at ... Z
Was it known to have burst? ...

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OIC Met contacted. Advised that no balloons from Tvl or Mackay would tie in with sighting.

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- 20K 270/20
30K 280/28
40K 280/46
50K 270/36
60K 380/14
70K E/right

through the theodolite it was a line of lights
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- 37. The first significant temperature inversion was of  
 ..... **N/A** ..... °C at .....ft, measured at .....Z  
 hrs from .....station.
- 38. Any remarks on satellaties, rockets, research balloons,  
 comets, meteorites etc. relevant to the sighting.... **None**.....
- 39. When an aircraft is a possible identification, include  
 radar trace if available, and ascertain which of the  
 aircraft lights were operating ..... **N/A**.....
- 40. The cause (or likely cause of the sighting ~~xxxx~~/cannot be determined.
- 41. The object reported probably was\*/may have been\* (\*delete as required)  
 .....**UNK**.....

..... **HQTVL** .....(Unit)..... **W.G. CANNIFFE** .....(Name)  
 ..... **1MAY73** .....(Date)..... **Flying Officer** .....(Rank)

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*through the throttle it was a line of lights  
 the sketch is how it was through the throttle*



19-4-73

F/O Kammiff

H/Q R.A.F. Base

Townsville H210.

u Sighting from Clondale - 6th April, 1973.

At approximately 8am on 6th April, Mr. K. Peete, a Water Officer, reported that a spot had been seen from the new pump station site in the Bundaberg River, three quarters of a mile from the Clave I.W.S. Office.

I went home to get a pair of binoculars and lost sight of the spot. I did not see it until I got back to the Office verandah.

We lined it up with the Workshops roof, some 50 yards from the Office. It was  $40^\circ$  from the horizon in a W.S.W. direction & seemed to be moving in the same direction in its own orbit.

It has been approximated at 30,000 feet high and 200 feet long.

Thirteen people sighted it through both the theodolite and binoculars during the 70 minutes it was in sight. I saw it last about  $15^\circ$  from the horizon. The weather conditions were exceptional with a light cloud cover extending to about  $15^\circ$  above the horizon. I lost it when it reached this cloud cover.

Through the binoculars, it seemed to be as follows.



It was shining a pearly colour. Through the theodolite it was a line of lights. The sketch is how it was through the theodolite.



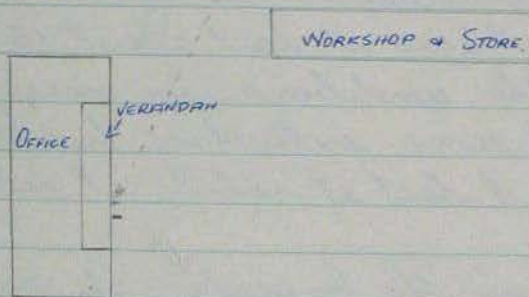
The gold circle was around the last 2 sections and was a haze. It could have been a reflection from the sun or a balloon.

Three men, one being the policeman, S/Const. A. Henry, O.I.C. of Clare Police Station, saw a blue & red colouring on the lights, the red going into a gold towards the end.

All spots were very shiny

The 'x' is at the bottom of the back steps of the Office where the theodolite was set up. We lined it up in a line from the end of the roof.

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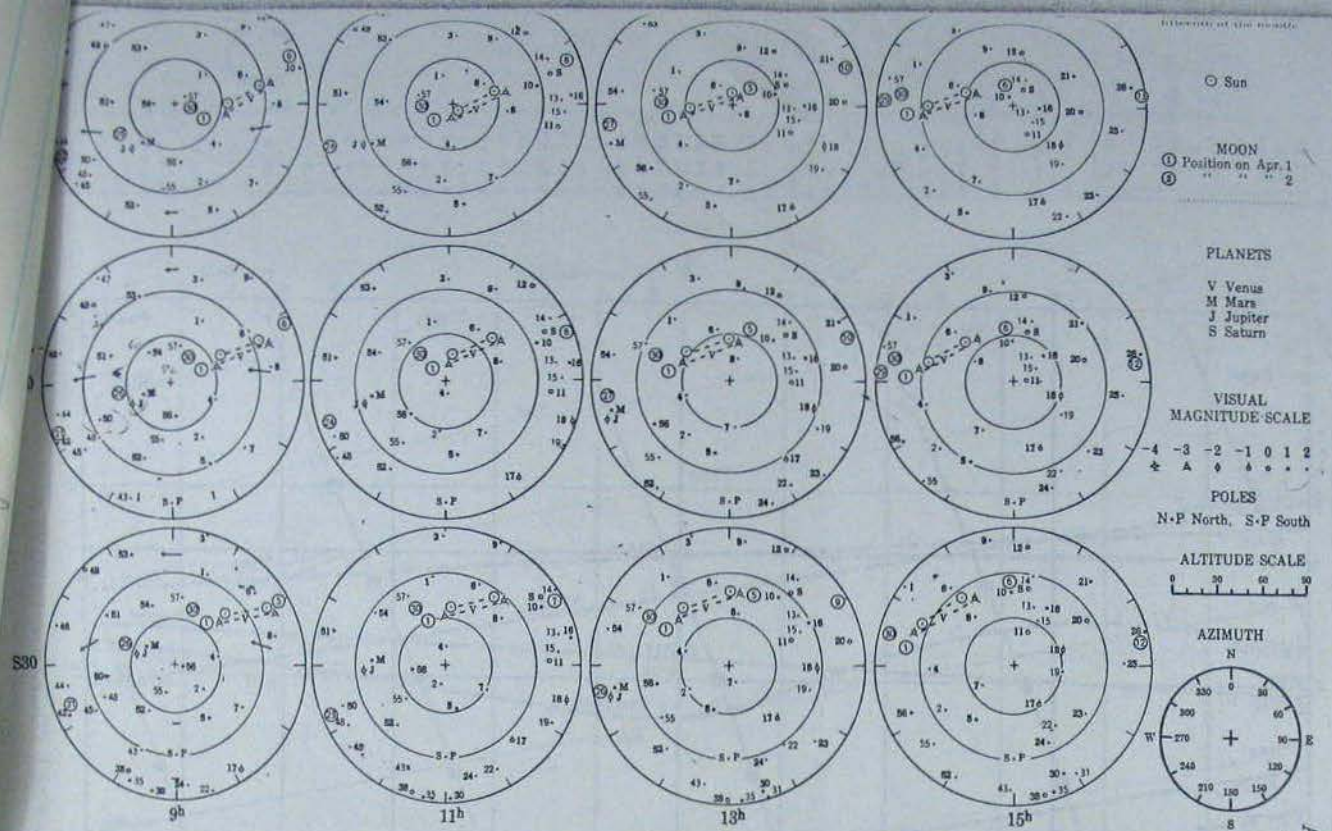


I hope this will be of some help to you. Please ring if you have any more queries

yours faithfully  
Jude Hunter.



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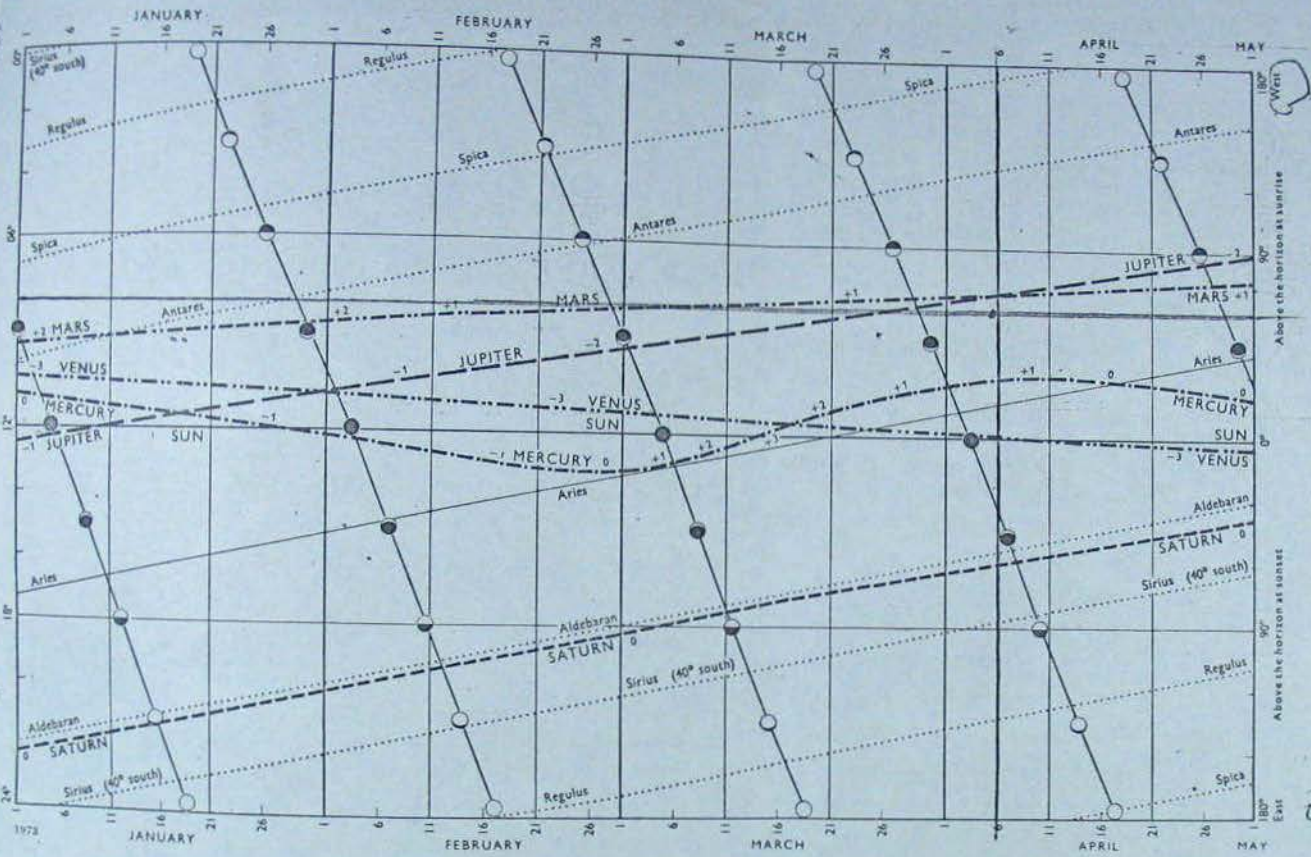
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90° East  
Above the horizon at sunset



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SIGHTING # 1

WANDIN EAST  
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MASTER P BAKER



FROM DEPAIR	FILE 5801/P.23(16)	DATE 1 JUN 73	REFERENCES Your S/G/1/AIR(a) of 11 MAY 73
TO HOSC		ATTENTION CINTENNO	
SUBJECT REPORTS OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTINGS			

Enclosed, for your records, is a copy of a letter from this Department to Master P. Baker, in reply to his report of an unusual aerial sighting.

ENCLOSURE: Copy of letter to Master P. Baker

SIGNATURE M. GRETTON	NAME M GRETTON	RANK FLY OFF	APPOINTMENT R 2	PHONE NO 2408
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580/1/1 Pt 23 (1a)

31 MAY 1973

Master P. Baker,  
Wandin East Road,  
WANDIN EAST, VIC 3139

Dear Peter,

With reference to your report of an unusual aerial sighting on 22nd April 1973, it is regretted that the observation cannot at this stage be logically explained.

A great deal of interest has been generated from your report and a theoretical explanation which is impossible to prove is that the sighting was actually a mirage, or refracted image, from a vehicle moving along Old Baker Road. At the time of sighting, the position of the sun would have been such that reflection from a car could have been refracted through the lower atmosphere to appear as a flying object. At the time of sighting we must assume that many other people would have been outdoors in your area. If the object were solid it would be logical to assume that some of those people would also have reported sighting an unusual object. As they didn't, we believe that your position relative to the sun was critical.

Perhaps your parents or your teacher may be able to explain the refraction process mentioned in paragraph 2. We thank you for your report and trust that the suggested explanation is satisfactory to you.

If in the future, further reports relating to your sighting are received, further investigation may be warranted.

Yours faithfully,

*G. J. Odgers*  
(G.J. ODGERS)  
Director of Public Relations

*Accepted  
DAM  
30 May 73*





ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

TELEPHONE: 69 0550

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
"AIRCOMMAND, MELBOURNE"

HEADQUARTERS SUPPORT COMMAND  
RAAF  
VICTORIA BARRACKS  
MELBOURNE SC1 VIC 3004


IN REPLY QUOTE 5/6/1/Air(59)

11 MAY 1973

Department of Air (DAFI)

REPORT OF UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Attached is an unusual aerial sighting report  
from Master P. Baker.

  
(R.R. RODDY)  
Squadron Leader  
For Air Officer Commanding

Enclosure: 1. Report by P.Baker



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REPORT ON UNUSUAL AERIAL SIGHTING

Part I - Report by Observer

(As a preliminary to completing this form, the observer is invited to describe the sighting in his or her own manner, using either separate sheets or the back of this form.)

1. Name of observer PETER BAKER Age 11
2. Address of observer WANDIN EAST RD.  
WANDIN EAST Phone
3. Occupation of observer STUDENT
4. Date and time of start of observation 22/4/73 ≈ 3:30 P.M.  
How certain is the date? ACCURATE  
How accurate is the time of start? ± 30 minutes
5. Duration of observation 1 MINUTE  
How accurate is your estimate? REASONABLE ± 30 SECONDS
6. Observer's location at time of sighting ≈ 20 metres ~~N.E.~~  
of dam on property of father  
How familiar is observer with this locality? very
7. Weather conditions at time of observation Fine with a  
few clouds (cumulus)
8. Describe any aids/equipment used in the observation NIL
9. Where was object first observed? :
  - a. Relative to your surroundings ~~N.E.~~ at about  
80-100 ft. above the ground
  - b. angle of elevation
  - c. compass angle bearing ≈ ~~N.E.~~ 1
  - d. how accurate are these estimates? REASONABLE
10. What first attracted observer's attention? ITS PRESENCE
11. If there was more than one light/object :
  - a. how many were there?
  - b. in what formation were they?
12. What was the colour of the light or object? DULL GREY

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① Peter, Lorraine and Michael:

We were walking North along a fence in my father's property when our attention was attracted by a flying object. It was flying slowly towards us at a height of about 80-100 ft. It was not spinning but had flashing amber lights all around its side. As it drew near us it slowed down for a few seconds. Lorraine hid in a drain. Michael and I stood and watched it. It then resumed its approach speed and left heading South. After about 25 yds. it instantly disappeared.

Signed: Peter Baker.

Witnessed: J. G. Flott

② Jim:

I was walking South near my house when I looked up and saw a flying object which appears to be identical to the one described by Peter. It approached at about walking pace from the South. It slowed down near me for a few seconds. I stood and watched it. It then departed in an Easterly direction towards Seville and disappeared. This was at about 3.30 P.M. 22/4/1973.

Signed: Jimmy GAUDION

Witnessed: J. G. Flott



- 13. What was the brightness? (compare with full moon or common light source at a stated distance, eg ordinary street light at 100 yards)..... DULL.....
- 14. What was the apparent size at nearest approach?:
  - a. relative to Venus or Moon..... ≈ DIAMETER 30 ft......
  - b. relative dimensions in inches at arm's length (about 20 inches from the eyes).....       .....
- 15. What were the bearing and elevation angles at nearest approach and how were these values assessed?..... EAST ~~WEST~~ A.T. ≈ 50° ABOVE HORIZONTAL.....
- 16. Was any method of propulsion obvious?..... NO.....
- 17. Describe any sound heard, including changes in pitch and intensity..... NO SOUND.....
- 18. What was the maximum and minimum angle of elevation (or height, if an estimate can be justified)?.....       .....
- 19. What was the maximum and minimum angular velocity (or speed, if an estimate can be justified)? If necessary, compare with the movement of familiar objects at stated distances. MAXIMUM ≈ 4 M.P.H. MINIMUM ≈ 1 M.P.H. DISAPPEARED INSTANTLY
- 20. Give duration of any stationary phases..... NIL.....
- 21. Describe any deviations or manoeuvres..... APPROACH N.W. DEPART S.
- 22. Describe any trail of exhaust, vapour or light seen..... FLASHING AMBER LIGHTS PN... TOP... PERIMETER.
- 23. Where was object last observed :
  - a. relative to your surroundings..... S. at ≈ 50 ft......
  - b. angle of elevation..... ≈ 45°.....
  - c. compass angle bearing..... S......
- 24. What was the manner of its disappearance?..... INSTANT.....
- 25. Do you know of any associated physical evidence (such as fragments, photographs, scorching, ground indentations, residual magnetism or radioactivity etc)..... NIL.....
- 26. State any training which enables observer to be reasonably certain of his/her ability to estimate angles and angular velocity..... Questioning from teacher using familiar distances and heights
- 27. How many witness to the sighting?..... THREE + SELF.....

1. Father's



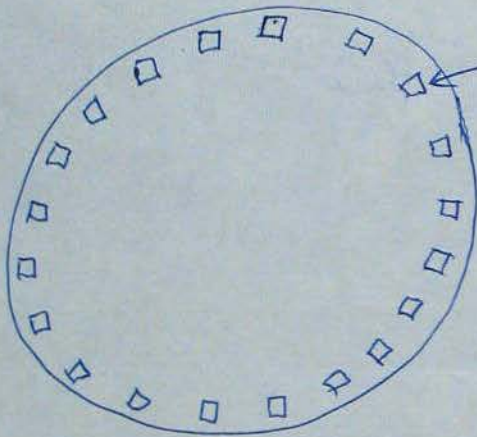
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JAMES GAUDION  
LORRAINE BAKER  
MICHAEL HALL

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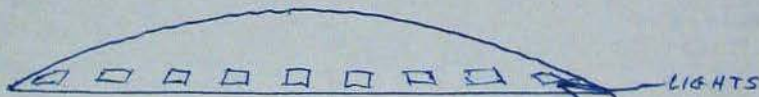
28. Do you know of witnesses to similar sightings in the area?.....
29. What natural phenomenon (or phenomena) would be nearest to explaining your observation?..... NIL.....
30. What are your main reasons for excluding this explanation?..... SIGHTING EXTREMELY CLOSE AND OBVIOUS.....
31. Please sketch the light/object with all details. If appropriate, sketch position and/or movement of object in relation to your surroundings. Use back of form, if needed.

PLAN  
FROM  
ABOVE



FLASHING SQUARE LIGHTS  
(FLASHED SIMULTANEOUSLY)

PROFILE



P.T.O.

Signature Peter Baker.....

Date 30<sup>th</sup> April, 1973.....

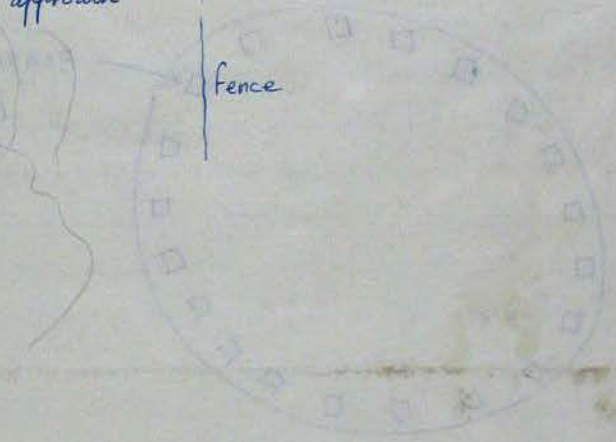
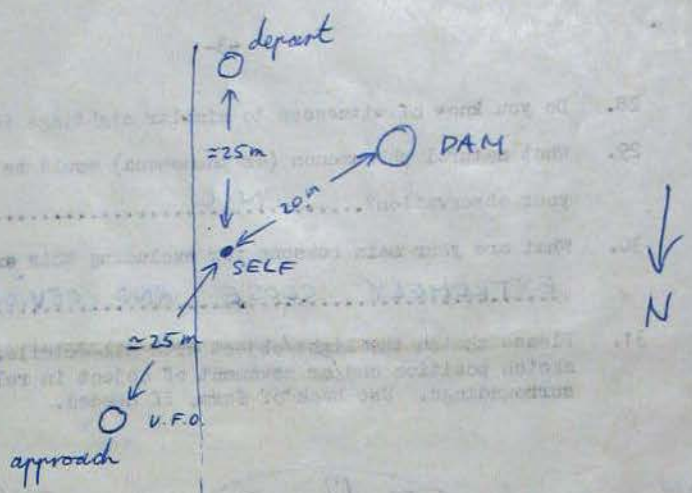
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Part 2 - Unit Evaluation

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

A/C type.....*Nil*.....(1).....(2).....(3)  
Heading.....T.....T.....T  
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

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

A/C type.....*Nil*.....(1).....(2).....(3)  
Heading.....T.....T.....T  
Height.....,000 ft.....,000 ft.....,000 ft  
Speed.....K.....K.....K  
ATD/ATA\*.....hrs.....hrs.....hrs

\* Give location of nearest ATD or ATA.

34. Observer's Location : Latitude.....*37493*.....Longitude.....*14527E*

35. Give bearing and elevation of any planets and major stars that were in that portion of the sky at that time. By day, give location of Venus only.....*not considered*.....

36. A meteorological balloon was released from .....*LAVERTON*.....  
at.....*1500k*.....h. Colour.....Weight.....gm  
Radio-sonde \*\*/ radar \*\*: Candle \*\*/ battery\*\* (\*\*delete as required)  
General wind profile.....*Not considered due distance from LAV & rate of climb*.....  
Maximum height tracked.....,000 ft at.....Z  
Was it known to have burst?

37. The first significant temperature inversion was of .....*Nil*.....°C at .....ft, measured at.....Z hrs from.....station.

38. Any remarks on satellites, rockets, research balloons, comets, meteorites etc. relevant to the sighting.....*not considered*.....

39. When an aircraft is a possible identification, include radar trace



39. When identified as a possible aircraft, include radar trace if available, and ascertain which of the aircraft lights were operating.  
N/A

40. The cause/likely cause of the sighting cannot be determined.

41. The object reported etc (N/A)  
Unidentified.

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1. I interviewed Mrs Baker, the mother of Peter and Lorraine, and Mr Baker the children's grandfather on 7MAY73. The adult Bakers vaguely recall the children seeing something "odd" a fortnight ago. Mrs Baker had not known the children had completed Part 1 of this report. Wandin East is a fruit and vegetable growing area about 30 miles East of Melbourne. The State School attended by Peter and Lorraine and James Gaudion has one class and one teacher, Mr Flattley.

2. I visited the Wandin East State School and spoke with Mr G.J. Flattley. He told me the Baker children had reported the sighting to him on Monday morning, 23APR73. He had asked if any other children had seen the subject of the report and Gaudion claimed he had. Mr Flattley said that Peter Baker is a level-headed child and he has no cause to doubt his statement. He said the children had told him the story simply and without embellishment and this had led him to believe they were not "making it up".

3. Peter Baker stated that the object shown in Part 1 travelling roughly NNW to SSE at walking speed. It was not spinning, pitching, rolling or yawing and travelled at a constant height of about 100'. The amber lights were flashing continuously at about 1 second intervals. The object was dull light grey with only the lights visible. When it passed overhead the bottom surface was bare. It disappeared instantly when it was about 100 yards away to the South. Lorraine told the same story. The Baker children seemed quite mature, were off-hand about the matter, and seemed reasonably reliable.

4. I then interviewed Mrs Gaudion and James Gaudion who live about 700 yards S-E of the Baker sighting (see map). James is a very vague child of about 10. Mrs Gaudion did not know about the report. James took me straight to a spot in his backyard where he had seen the object. He said it was mid-grey and appeared from behind tall pine trees to the East of the rear of the house, travelling roughly East. Not spinning, pitching, rolling or yawing; in level flight. Red-ish lights on top flashed on then off and stayed off. The object diminished in size towards the East but he looked away and wasn't very interested. He said he didn't tell his parents because he did not want to get into trouble. He was very unconcerned as a child of his age can be. His interview differed greatly from his written report where he seems to have copied Baker but he did not appear to be lying at the interview. It was not possible to ascertain an accurate time for the Baker or Gaudion sighting.

5. Inconsistencies included direction of travel, method of disappearance, the way the lights are said to have flashed and a difference in the reported colour of the lights.

6. The interviews did not determine whether the report is a hoax. The Baker children seem reliable. Gaudion is very vague and unconcerned. The teacher seemed a practical, responsible person who accepted Peter Baker's report because he seemed to be telling the truth.

7. Michael Hall is a cousin of the Bakers' who lives 10 miles away. He was visiting the Bakers' with his parents on 22APR. I do not intend interviewing him because I did not find any significant difference in the descriptions given by the Baker children and Gaudion.

6 MAY 73

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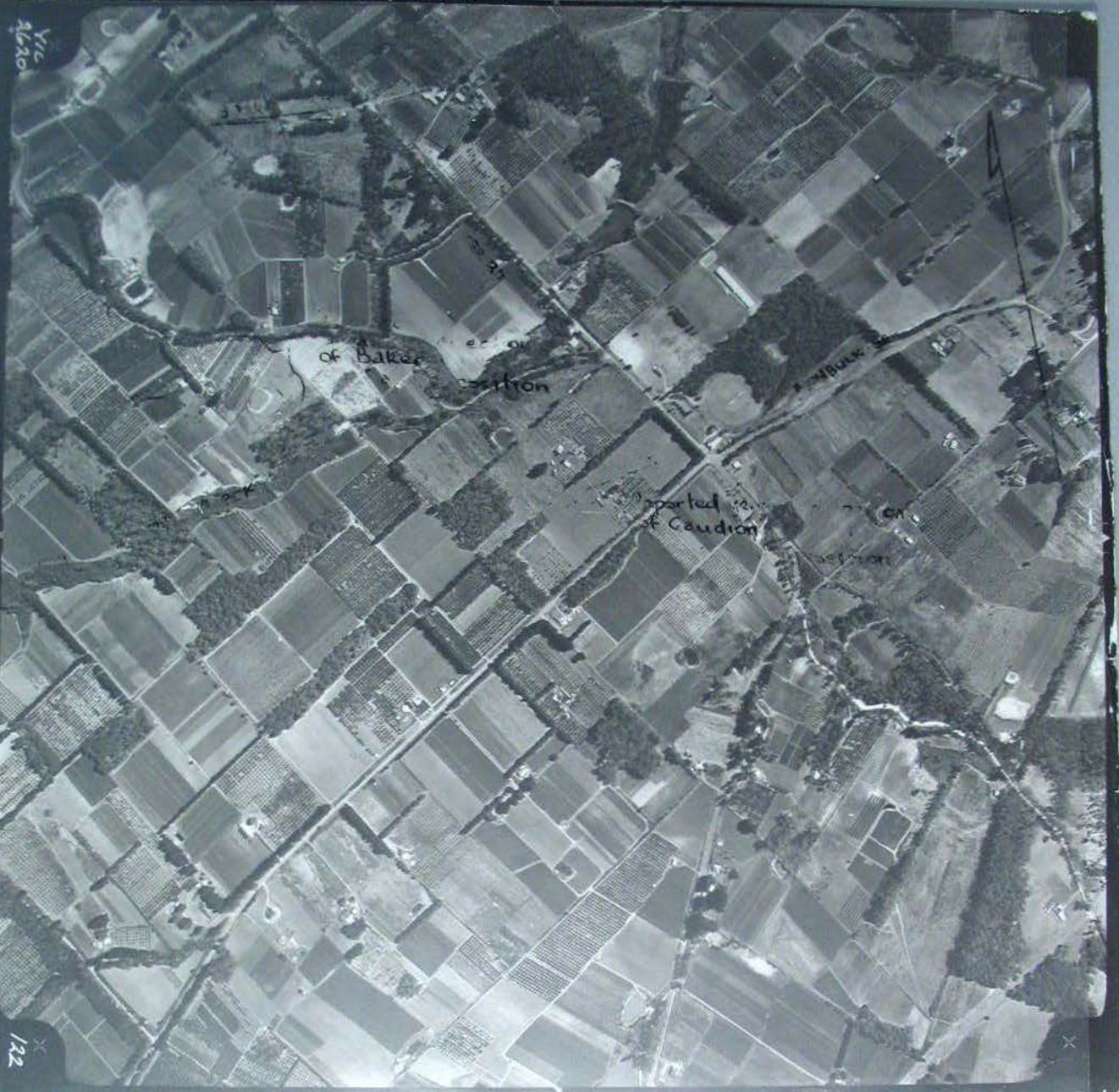
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