1. DATE-TIME GROUP [illegible] 01/02[illegible]	2. LOCATION Lafayette, Nebraska
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION INSUFFICIENT DATA FOR EVALUATION
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 45 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS SEE CASE
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE Not Reported	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes XX No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes XX No	

FORM
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La Platte, Neb. 30 June 66

FTD (TDETR)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
17 August 1966

[redacted]
Plattsmouth, Nebraska 68048

Dear Mis[redacted],

Reference your unidentified observation of 30 June 1966. The information which we have received is not sufficient for evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and return it in the envelope provided.

We wish to thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

Sincerely,

AJ Marley Jr.
HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS 3902D AIR BASE WING (SAC)
OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE, NEBRASKA, 68113

REPLY TO ATTN OF: BDXI(Lt. Sisk/402-294-4050) 6 July 1966

SUBJECT: UFO Report

TO: Foreign Technology Div (FTD)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433

1. The following UFO report is hereby submitted in compliance with AFR 200-2.

a. Shape: Round - metorite like.

b. Size compared to known object: About the size of the North Star as viewed without the aid of binoculars or telescope.

c. Color: White with red light circling the object.

d. Number: One (1).

e. Discernable features: None.

f. Tail, Trail, or Exhaust: None.

g. Sound: None.

2. Description of course of object: Zig - Zag, vertical and horizontal.

a. Nothing in particular called the observer's attention to the object. She was just looking at the sky.

b. Elevation and Azimuth of object when first observed: Northwest approximately 50 degrees.

c. Elevation and Azimuth of object upon disappearance: Did not disappear while observer was watching.

d. Description of flight path and maneuvers of object: Just zig - zag.

e. How did the object disappear: It did not disappear while observed.

f. How long was the object visible: The observer watched it for approximately 45 minutes.

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3. Manner of observation:

a. Ground - visual.

b. No optical aids were used by the observer.

4. Time and date of sighting:

a. Zulu time-date group: 1930 to 2015Z, 30 June 1966.

b. Light conditions: Night. — 0130 - 0215 CST

5. Location of observer: Approximately 41 degrees zero minutes latitude and 95 degrees 52 minutes longitude - west side of U.S. Highway 73-75 about ¼ mile, on the south side of a viaduct just south of LaPlatte, Nebraska.

6. Observer identification:

a. Name: [redacted]

b. Address: [redacted], Nebraska.

7. Weather and wind conditions:

a. Observer's account of weather conditions: Clear with full moon and temperature was about 70 degrees.

b. Report from Offutt AFB Weather Station: At 0058 CST, surface winds were 120 degrees at six (6) knots; at 0158 they were 110 degrees at five (5) knots; and at 0255 they were 120 degrees at six (6) knots. As of midnight CST, winds and velocity at various altitudes were as follows: 6,000 feet - 190 degrees at 15 knots; 10,000 feet - 130 degrees at 10 knots; 16,000 feet - 110 degrees at 10 knots; 20,000 feet - 080 degrees at 5 knots; 30,000 feet - 330 degrees at 15 knots; and 50,000 feet - 330 degrees at 25 knots.

c. Ceiling at 0058, 0158, and 0255 CST were as follows respectively: 7,000 and scattered, 8,000 and thinly scattered, and clear.

d. Visibility at 0058, 0158, and 0255 CST was: 9 miles, 10 miles, and 10 miles respectively.

e. Amount of cloud cover at 0058, 0158, and 0255 was one-tenth, one-tenth, and zero respectively.

f. Although the Offutt radar was out for maintenance, back charts indicate there were no thunderstorm echoes within 250 miles.

g. Vertical temperature gradient: Surface to 4,800 feet - temperature change of -5 degrees per 4,800 feet. From 4,800 - 9800 feet - minus 16 degrees per 5,000 feet. From 9,800 - 11,000 feet - zero degrees per 1,000 feet. From 11,000 to 18,000 feet - minus 15 degrees per 7,000 feet. From 18,000 to 30,000 feet - minus 29 degrees per 12,000 feet. From 30,000 to 45,000 feet - minus 24 degrees per 15,000 feet. From 45,000 to 52,000

feet - minus 6 degrees per 7,000 feet. NOTE: The tropopause was at 52,000 feet.

8. There was no meteorological activity which might account for the sighting.

9. No interception or identification action was taken since the sighting was not reported until 1 July 1966.

10. The radar approach control facility at Offutt only had one aircraft in the area at the time of the sighting. An Air Force C-131, call sign HOT 50 was handled by RAPCON from 0112 to 0129 hours CST on 1 July 1966. The aircraft was inbound from Souix City, Iowa, and was landing at Offutt AFB, Nebraska.

11. Report prepared by the Deputy Director of Information, 3902d Air Base Wing, Offutt AFB, Nebraska 68113. It is entirely possible that the aircraft mentioned in paragraph 10 above could account for this sighting. Offutt AFB is only 4 to 5 miles north of LaPlatte. Therefore, on a clear evening, an observer might be able to see aircraft approaching the base. It is also possible that an aircraft approaching from the north and on a landing pattern for Offutt might appear to zig zag as it makes its turns. It is felt that the person making the report was reliable. She wanted no publicity and only made the report upon the advice of her boss, an attorney in Plattsmouth.

12. There was no physical evidence connected with this occurrence.

Julian L. Hill

JULIAN L. HILL, Major, USAF
Director of Information