PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION
8 September 66 09/0130Z	Clarksburg, West Virginia (Multiple)
3. SOURCE Civilian	**10. CONCLUSION** Astro (ARCTURUS) ✓ Jrd
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	At the time of the observation Arcturus was on an azimuth of 283 deg at an elevation of 15 deg.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 70 Minutes	**11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS** Observers watched an object in the western sky for over one hour before it appeared to begin to move toward the NW. The object was spinning like a top and had lights flashing from i Its movements were similar to a helicopter-up and down side-ways. It would completely black out at times and then appear in a different place. ARCTURUS being a yellow-orange colored star with a stellar magnitude of approximately 0.2 is quite bright when low on th horizon. The available information is consistent with that of a star.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE NW	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes XX No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes XX No	

FORM
FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes. Your name will *not* be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

8 (Day) Sept. (Month) 1966 (Year)

2. Time of day: 9:30 (Hour) _____ (Minutes)

(Circle One): A.M. or (P.M.)

3. Time Zone: (Circle One): a. (Eastern) b. Central c. Mountain d. Pacific e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. (Daylight Saving) b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[redacted] (Nearest Postal Address) Clarksburg (City or Town) W. Va. (State or County)

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) 1 (Hours) 10 (Minutes) _____ (Seconds)

a. Certain
b. (Fairly certain)
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined? By a clock

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes ____ No ✓

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

NIGHT ✓
a. (Bright)
b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you b. In back of you c. To your right d. To your left e. Overhead f. Don't remember

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8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (*Circle One*):

a. None
b. (A few)
c. Many
d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (*Circle One*):

a. Bright moonlight
b. Dull moonlight
c. (No moonlight – pitch dark)
d. Don't remember

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS (*Circle One*):

a. (Clear sky)
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER (*Circle One*):

a. (Dry)
b. Fog, mist, or light rain
c. Moderate or heavy rain
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

10. The object appeared: (*Circle One*):

a. (Solid) ← the bright lights
b. Transparent
c. Vapor
d. As a light
e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? (*Circle One*):

a. (Brighter)
b. Dimmer
c. About the same
d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

like red green, orange & blue neon lights flashing off & on

12. The edges of the object were:

(*Circle One*): a. (Fuzzy or blurred)
b. Like a bright star
c. Sharply outlined
d. Don't remember
e. Other _____

13. Did the object:

(*Circle One for each question*)

a. Appear to stand still at any time?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?	(Yes)	No	Don't know
c. Break up into parts or explode?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
d. Give off smoke?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
e. Change brightness?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
f. Change shape?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
g. Flash or flicker?	(Yes)	No	Don't know
h. Disappear and reappear?	(Yes)	No	Don't know

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

It would disappear completely black out + then reappear sometimes with a different position.

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): (Yes) No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: It moved up + down behind the tops of some trees behind our house.

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what in front of: _____

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

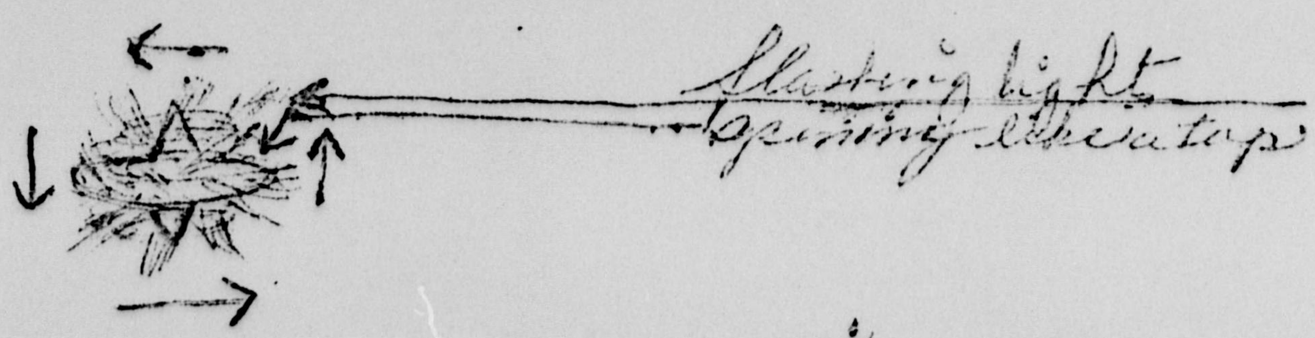
a. Sound It sounded like wind blowing fast but there was no wind.

b. Color Color of the lights were green, red, blue + orange lights

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

It wouldn't begin to cover the object at all.

19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



It moved up + down + sideways.

20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes (No)

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? Thousand feet up in the air

22. Where were you located when you saw the object? (Circle One):

a. Inside a building
b. In a car
c. (Outdoors)
d. In an airplane (type)
e. At sea
f. Other _____

23. Were you (Circle One)

a. In the business section of a city?
b. In the residential section of a city?
c. In open countryside?
d. (Near an airfield?)
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other Semi-residential area

24. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

24.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

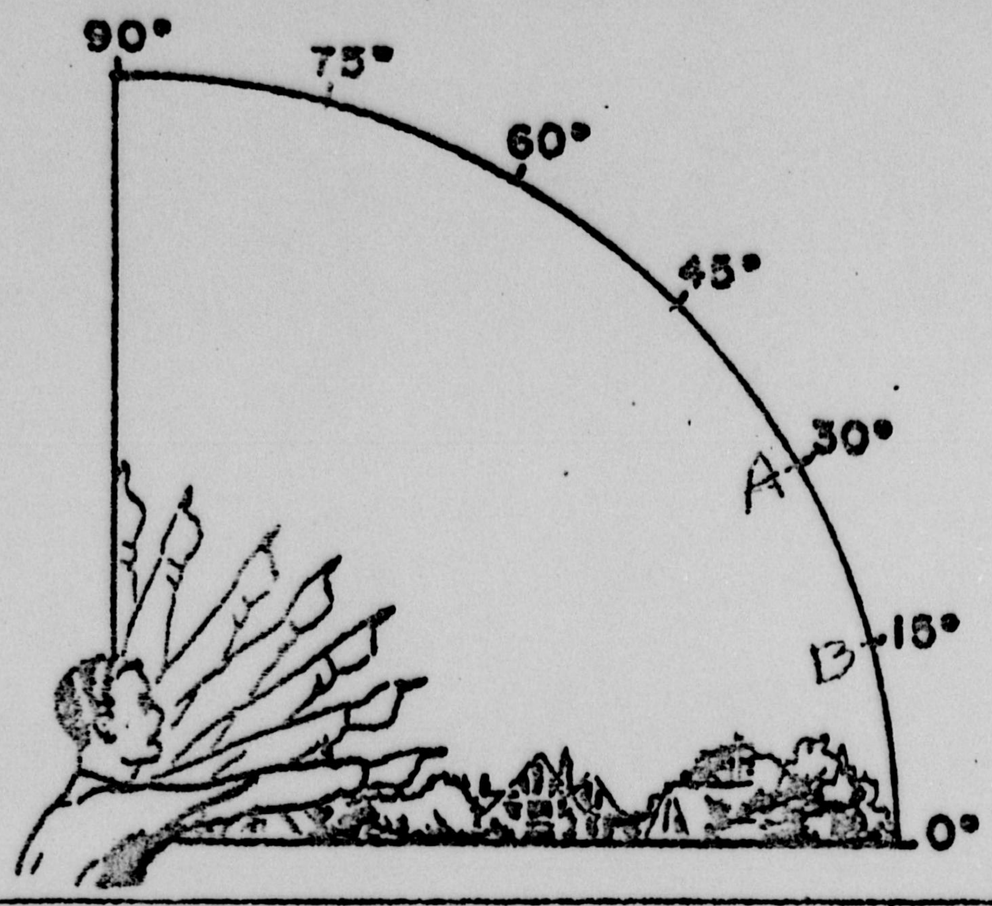
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following? Now

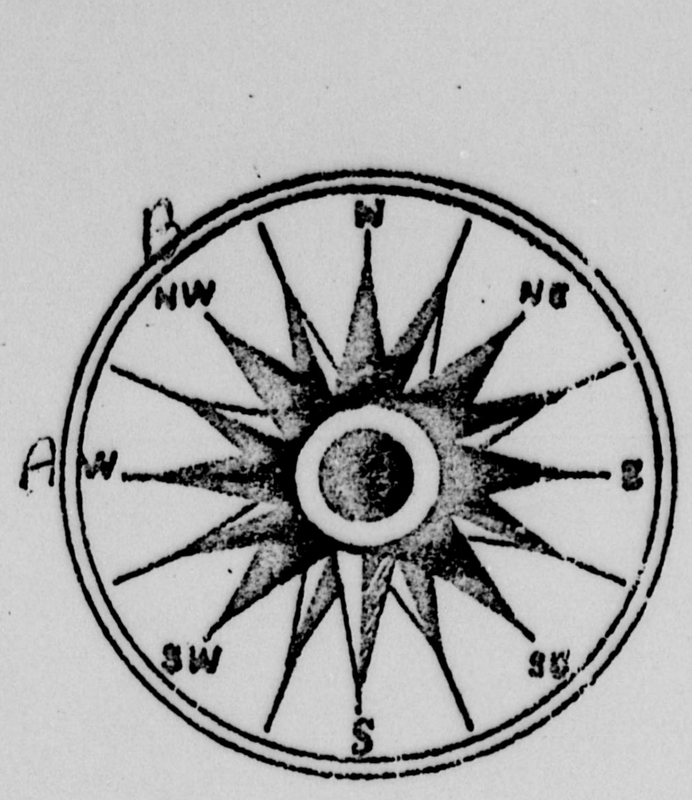
a. Eyeglasses	Yes	No	e. Binoculars	Yes	No
b. Sun glasses	Yes	No	f. Telescope	Yes	No
c. Windshield	Yes	No	g. Theodolite	Yes	No
d. Window glass	Yes	No	h. Other _____		

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

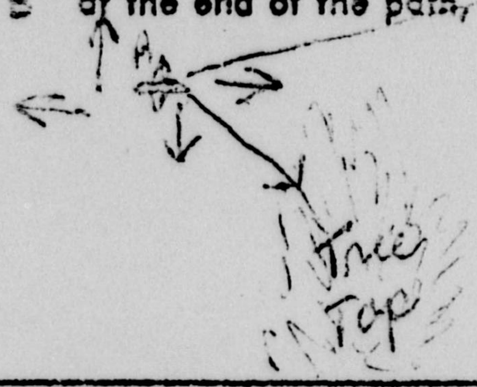
A large top spinning around with bright lights around the outside.

27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.





28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? _____
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

No.

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? *(Circle One)* (Yes) No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? *(Circle One)* (Yes) No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Son — [redacted], Butterfork, W. Va.
Daughter — [redacted] address same as above.
Serd friend — [redacted] R.t. 2. Clarksburg, W. Va.

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] (Last Name) [redacted] (First Name) O (Middle Name)

ADDRESS [redacted] (Street) Butterfork (City) (Zone) W. Va. (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] AGE 35 SEX female.

Mrs. Bennett

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

I finished 10½ years of school.
I read a lot or rather I did read a lot. I now have 8 children & don't have much time to read now. I'm considered a calm & stable person. I don't have hallucinations or see things that aren't there. I have also visions & I don't drink.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

8 (Day) September (Month) 1966 (Year) To reporter of the Clarksburg telegram.

34. Date you completed this questionnaire: 3 (Day) October (Month) 1966 (Year)

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

I filled this out the very day I received it. We live at Aspard - out from Clarksburg. We have dual Rural mail Boys. We should receive our [redacted] mail at (Box 235 Rt. 2 Clarksburg) but due to the fact my husband drives Tractor & trailer we kept the post-office box at Nutterfort. because he gets important papers & the mail which could get lost otherwise. I have no means of transportation right now & sometimes it is weeks before I get the mail or if it seems to be a long time since I returned this form it is because of the delay in receiving it.

I tried to fill out the questionnaire as best as I could & will endeavor to what I saw being an object I have never seen before. It was spinning like a top & had lights flashing from it. ~~It moved in~~ Its movements were similar to a helicopter up & down & sideways. It would completely black out at times & then appear in a different place. Usually behind the tree tops or above them. It then moved off N. W. Going towards a place called Glen Falls. It apparently was moving fast & we only saw it for a little while after it started moving. It seemed to be on a course.

Nutter Fort, W.Va. 8 Sept 66

FTD (TDETR) hl
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
27 September 1966

Mrs. [redacted]
Nutter Fort, West Virginia 26303

Dear Mrs. [redacted]

Reference your unidentified observation of 8 September 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,

HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book

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Sept. 16, 1966

Sirs:

I don't know exactly how to start this letter except to say that I am considered to be an intelligent, reliable & sane person. I do not drink & as far back as I can remember I have never had hallucinations or "imagined I saw things that weren't there." However on the evening of Sept. 8 about 9:30 P.M. I sent my 15 yr. old son to get a bucket of water from the well. Upon his return he said there was a strange object in the sky & he wanted me to go look at it. Having read & heard about people seeing strange objects & flying saucers I decided to take a look. I've always believed that seeing is believing & so these reports were more less skeptical to me even though my sister who I must say is a very reliable person also, saw an object a short distance from her house. This was about a year ago. Well, anyways my first impression ~~was~~ of it was that it was a very large planet until I noticed that it was spinning like a top, and moving up & down & to each side. If ~~put~~ that made me think about a helicopter & the way they move & can "hover" over an area. It was about 1,000 feet up & had a bluish-green & red glow about it. It was near some tree tops in some woods across from our house. Two or 3 times it completely disappeared & when it re-appeared it was in a different place. It was a very bright & clear night. There were no clouds at all & you could see as far as the naked eye would allow you. Two of the neighbors & five of my daughters joined me & my son & we watched the object for about 20 minutes trying to figure out what it was. Suddenly in the distance behind us we heard an airplane motor. We

live near the Benedum Air Port & planes are always flying
over. At the time we heard the plane the object dropped down
behind the trees & disappeared. After the plane had passed
over & we could'nt hear the motor any longer the obj^ect
appeared above the trees again & began moving South East
picking up speed. In a few seconds it was gone. To say the
least we were mystified. Remembering what my sister had told me
about the obj^ect she had seen I went directly to my neighbors
& called her. After I had given her my description she said it was
exactly what she had seen. She told me to report it to the paper. I
did so immediately. The editor & I talked for at least half an hour
& I was ~~not~~ the second person to report it that same night. Having
no person present who could identify it we could do nothing,
although the editor gave me as much information as she had
on the obj^ects that had been seen by local residents & even one of
her relations. The next day I looked through some old magazines
& found a Life magazine with pictures & stories on strange obj^ects.
There was also an article on your office, investigations & findings.
As I decided to write to you & tell you what I saw. Of course
~~my~~ what I have written here will not help you in your search for
the explanation of these obj^ects but I hope that you might
send me some information if you can about them.

Thank you for your time & consideration

Yours truly,

[redacted]