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*** ** ***** INCIDENT REPORT
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Computer copy produced by the UFO Filter Center, Mt. Vernon, IN
Francis L. Ridge, State Director, MUFON INDIANA

Type of Report: Close Encounter 1
Possibly Significant

Classification: NO RESTRICTION

Computer ID#: 19 880510 1940 D NEW HAVEN IL C1 03 SHARKLIK
NO SOUND SECS

Lead Investigator: Francis Ridge

Local Evaluation: Unexplained, Possible Military Accident

Date of Report: March 2, 1989

Copy To: () Walt Andrus, MUFON HQ
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Flight Type:

- (X) 1-Within 200' of Ground
- () 2-Object Observed Under Cloud Ceiling
- () 3-Motion Began/Changed During Event
- (X) 4-Continuous Flight Path, No Deviation
- () 5-Stationary Target

Special Evidence Forms Used:

- (X) 01 General Case
- () 02 Computer Input
- () 03 Electrical/Magnetic Case
- () 04 Animal Effect Case
- () 05 Psychological/Physiological
- () 06 Landing Trace Case
- () 07 Entity Case
- () 08 Photographic Case
- () 09 RADAR Case
- () 10 Residual Radiation
- () 11 Aerial Sighting Report

INVESTIGATION REPORT

Date of Sighting: May 10, 1988
 Local Time & Time Zone: 7:40 PM CST
 Location of Sighting: Nr. New Haven, IL on Hwy 62
 Number of Witnesses: Three
 Principal Witness: Vivian Schaffer, (55) signature obtained.
 Adriel Schaffer, (57) obtained later
 Dannah Schaffer (29) obtained later
 Permission To Use Name: Given

SIGHTING BACKGROUND (FI-4)

A description of the circumstances surrounding the receipt of the initial UFO sighting information.

Received a call that very evening from the witnesses, residents of Mt. Vernon, Indiana, who reported that they had just observed a strange object a few miles west of the toll bridge on the Wabash River near New Haven, IL. The object was observed for a few seconds at approximately 7:40 PM CST. Object was traveling NE to SW at 50-100' (Form 1 stated 75') skimming the tree-tops (50-100' up) at "tremendous speed", looked "like a shark", gray, 25' long, smaller than a jet. Object had no wings, no sound, tail fins were different (like horizontal stabilizers). There was a jet fighter, most probably a F-4 Phantom, in the area at the time, flying higher, but on a parallel (possible pursuit) course. Witness say jet was seen & heard less than 10-seconds later and "on the same track". It appeared to be looking for the object. Object further described as missile-shaped with a nose slightly turned up slightly with some small fins where the rear horizontal stabilizers would be on a conventional aircraft. Also, there was an indentation or ring near the midpoint where it looked like it was joined together. "It was a missile or something else." Object came within 500', estimated at 100-200'.

Possible military accident? Sounds like the flat trajectory would preclude this. Also, size of object appears to be too large for an accidental aircraft launch. Sounds more like a Tomahawk cruise missile or drone gone haywire.

Need FOIA check on this one. Doesn't sound like UFO.

SIGHTING ACCOUNT-FORM 1 DATA

A brief chronological composite or consolidation of the UFO sighting account(s).

Form Completed On: 18 May 1988

Name: Vivian R. Schaffer

Age: 55

City/State: Mt. Vernon, IN

Occupation: Housewife

Education: Business College

Degree:

Major:

Special Training: Insurance agent

Vision: Fair

Colorblind:

Eyeglasses: Contacts

Hearing: Fair

Health: Fair, before and after.

Temperature:

Wind Direction:

Wind Speed:

Visibility: Clear

Ceiling:

Viewed From: Car

UFO Direction,

Initial: North of road (NW)

Final: South

Course: NW-SE (See drawing)

Elevation,

Initial: Not known

Final: Not known

Explanation: Low elevation, observed low from inside auto

Est. Distance: 200+ at closest point.

Sound Observed: No sound

Smell or Odor: None

Estimated Speed: ??? Fast

1. Where were you and what were you doing at the time?

Going to Two Tony's (smorgasboard) Carmi (IL), but it wasn't open on Tuesdays.
Seen about 4-miles West of Wabash River bridge on Indiana 62 or Illinois 141.

2. What made you first notice the object?

It flew so close to ground in front of the car.

3. What did you think the object was when you first noticed it?

A missile.

4. Describe your reactions and actions, during and after the sighting?

We had never seen one before and we talked.

5. Describe the object and its actions.

It flew right over tree tops, fast. Later, a jet flew low. It (object) could move up & down easy as it went. It was light gray (soft) with reddish small ring (See drawing). (Object) 20-25' long, no trail and silent, 75' or lower in the air, just skimmed trees.

White shark (like) nose, light gray (body) with red like ring. (Drawing shows upturned nose and side fin).

6. How did you lose sight of the object?

Hidden by trees.

SIGHTING INVESTIGATION (Activity Log)

Simple chronological log by date, time and place denoting the tasks the FI carried out during the investigation.

Activity Log:

10 May 1988. FI-4 completed.

11 May 1988. Two Form 1's mailed out to witnesses.

18 May 1988. Single Form 1 was completed and received here on the 20th. Other priority cases have delayed this investigation and report.

13 Jan 1989. Conducted additional interview to establish credibility of case and reliability of witnesses.

Produced computer copy. Re-contacted witnesses about additional signatures. Have been sick. Daughter is teacher and not as easy to catch. Will get signatures of these two witnesses.

INTERVIEW AND INTERROGATION

A description of the interview and interrogation including the FI's personal impressions of the primary witness and his or her home environment, interests, etc.

13 Jan 1989. Witnesses are not UFO enthusiasts or readers of those types of books. In fact, the conversation in both instances (the one in May of '88 and this one) stayed right on the incident and no deviations and/or questions about UFOs were noted. The description of the event never varied. It was determined that the object was very close to them and very fast, as they had originally stated.

ADDITIONAL WITNESS CHECK

The circumstances surrounding how, when, and where additional witnesses were located and any subsequent interviews and interrogations including the FI's personal impressions of the witnesses and their home environment, interests, etc.

No other cases reported in vicinity and time span.

SOURCE TEST (SYNOPSIS)

A list of what natural or man-made objects were checked in an effort to identify the stimulus for the reported UFO is attached to this report. The reasons for rejecting or suspecting each, as being the stimulus, should be clearly noted. Summary is as follows:

Natural Phenomenon, ruled out.

Man-made, possible missile mishap. However, lack of sound or means to stay at low level flight (no operating engine or lift sources, wings) seems to preclude this. Allowing for misperceptions, this case should be referred to CAUS for FOIA check.

See attached report.

WITNESS BACKGROUND CHECK

A list of the persons checked, their comments about the witness's character and their relationship to the witness. This section should include the FI's impressions of the witness personality, credibility, etc.

No references. My impression is much the same after 9-months, that these people, three adults, saw something close-enough and long-enough in duration to construct a detailed drawing.

SIGHTING EVALUATION

The result of the overall analysis of the data collected by the FI.

Unidentified. Need FOIA check for military accident.

Possible great significance if not conventional object.

DETAILED BACK-UP

Cross-reference list of all back-up material by date and location of sighting.

Questionnaires Used:

FI-4

Letter to witnesses, dated 11 May 88

Form 1, General Case

Descriptive drawing of encounter

Map of S. Indiana & Illinois
Source Test
Recording of interview, phone

COMMENTS, INTERROGATING FI

At this point I am convinced that these people are telling the truth about something they and I, too, have no explanation for. The object was evidently no larger than 20-25 feet long, no farther than 500' (actually considerably less), had no business in the air, let alone cruising along at low-altitude, high speed.

This incident occurred very near a point where F-4's have made low passes and, in one case, two vehicles were disabled by some form of E-M effects. No UFO was observed that time!

FINAL REPORT BY STATE DIRECTOR

At a time when the other two signatures are obtained, this case will be concluded. Copies of this report are being filed as per header, which includes CAUS for possible FOIA check.

Signed Francis L. Ridge
Francis L. Ridge
State Director, MUFON-Indiana

OFFICE OF THE STATE DIRECTOR
MUFON, 618 DAVIS DRIVE, MT. VERNON, IN 47620

(812) 838-3120

May 11, 1988

Adrial & Vivian Schaffer
RR 5, Box 59
Mt. Vernon, IN 47620

SUBJECT: Your UFO Sighting

Dear Mrs. Schaffer:

Thank you very much for contacting us. I have enclosed two Form 1's and a return envelope that we need to have you fill out to properly document your encounter. Please fill these out and return them to us as soon as possible so that all details will be accurately recorded. There will be some inconsistencies due to perception/vision/human nature, etc., but we ask that you each complete the Form 1 without comparing notes. We may ask Dannah to fill one out later.

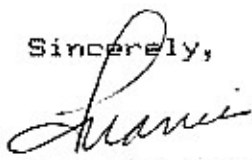
We are being watched very closely by both scientists and skeptics, so we need to interrogate witnesses according to specific guidelines. Each sighting could be very important. In fact, any one sighting could provide the ultimate answer we are seeking.

We do appreciate, very much, your consideration to report your sighting to the MUTUAL UFO NETWORK. If you request anonymity, you can be sure that your name will not be used in any manner. Simply check the appropriate box near the signature line on page two.

If you would like information on the subject of UFOs, please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to this office and we will send you an order sheet.

Again, thanks for your help.

Sincerely,


Francis Ridge

MUFON INDIANA

STATE DIRECTOR, 618 DAVIS DRIVE, MT.VERNON, IN 47620

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March 2, 1989

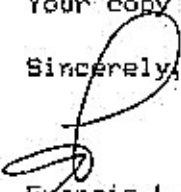
Dear Vivian:

I think I have a quick way of getting this case completed for all of us.

Enclosed is a page 2 copy where Adriel & Dannah can sign. Please put it in the handy return envelope.

Your copy of the report is enclosed to show you our sincerity.

Sincerely,


Francis L. Ridge
State Director

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STATE DIRECTOR, 618 DAVIS DRIVE, MT. VERNON, IN 47620

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March 7, 1989

FUND FOR UFO RESEARCH
Attn: Bruce Maccabee
PO Box 277
Mount Ranier, MD 20712

Dear Bruce:

Enclosed is a report that might possibly open up a crack in a government door. The case may represent a UFO, or it might be indicative of a military accident.

I investigated the case personally, but it is an Illinois case. I therefore have submitted a copy to the SD for that state, Mr. Thomas Stults. Copies were also filed as usual with MUFON HQ, DDI Dan Wright, CUFOS IC Robert Boyd, and my assistant investigation coordinator, Michael Palmiter.

If you would like further information, please contact me anytime you wish.

Sincerely,

Francis L. Ridge
State Director

cc: Thomas Stults, SD Illinois



UFO SIGHTING QUESTIONNAIRE - GENERAL CASES (FORM 1)

MAY 20 1988

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM (Print) AND RETURN TO INVESTIGATOR (For MUFON Use)

NAME OF INVESTIGATOR: FRANCIS L. RIDGE
 STREET ADDRESS: 618 DAVIS DRIVE PHONE: A/C 812/838-3120
 TOWN/CITY: MT. VERNON STATE: IN ZIP CODE: 47620 COUNTRY: USA

DRAW A SIMPLE SKETCH OF THE OBJECT. (Label any lights, colors, protrusions)

WHITE SHARK NOSE

LT GREY RED LIKE RING
(FLAT GREY)

SEEN
 ABOUT 4 MILES W. WABASH BRIDGE ON IND 62 OR
 ILL. 141 7:40 PM

(On a separate sheet, please sketch a simple map of the area showing your position and the object's position.
 Include an arrow denoting the direction of North. Indicate direction that the object was moving.)

PERSONAL ACCOUNT

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE INCIDENT AS IT HAPPENED. BE SURE THAT YOUR NARRATIVE INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:

1. WHERE WERE YOU AND WHAT WERE YOU DOING AT THE TIME?
2. WHAT MADE YOU FIRST NOTICE THE OBJECT?
3. WHAT DID YOU THINK THE OBJECT WAS WHEN YOU FIRST NOTICED IT?
4. DESCRIBE YOUR REACTIONS AND ACTIONS, DURING AND AFTER SIGHTING THE OBJECT.
5. DESCRIBE THE OBJECT AND ITS ACTIONS.
6. HOW DID YOU LOSE SIGHT OF THE OBJECT?

1. Going To Two-Tony's ^{CARM} BUT IT WASN'T OPEN ON TUE.
 2 IT FLEW SO CLOSE TO GROUND IN FRONT OF CAR.
 3. A MISSILE
 4. WE HAD NEVER SEEN ONE BEFORE AND WE TALKED
 5. IT FLEW RIGHT OVER TREE TOPS - FAST. LATER, A
 JET FLEW LOW, IT COULD MOVE UP & DOWN EASY AS
 IT WENT. IT WAS LIGHT GREY (SOFT) WITH REDDISH
 SMALL RING. 20-25 FT LONG - NO TRAIL AND SILENT
 75 FOOT OR LOWER IN AIR - JUST SKIMED TREES.
 6. HIDDEN BY TREES.

(Continue narrative on reverse side)

PLACE OF SIGHTING

USA

COUNTRY

NEWTON

CITY/TOWN

COUNTY

ILL. (141)

STATE/PROVINCE

SIGHTING TIME

7:40 PM () AM ()

DURATION: 34 SEC () MIN () HRS ()

DATE OF SIGHTING

10 MAY 88

DAY MONTH YEAR



FOR MUFON USE

TEMPERATURE: _____

DIRECTION: _____

WIND SPEED: _____

VISIBILITY: _____

CEILING: _____

EDUCATION: BUSINESS COLLEGE

DEGREE: _____

MAJOR: WAS IN SURVIVAL

SPECIAL TRAINING: HOUSEWIFE - AGENT

VISION: FAIR COLORBLIND? () EYEGLASSES? (X)

HEARING: GOOD () FAIR? (X) POOR? () USE AID? ()

HEALTH: DURING SIGHTING: FAIR AFTER: SAME

WITNESS' NAME: VIVIAN SCHAEFFER AGE: 53

STREET: R5 BOX 59

TOWN/CITY: MT. VERNON TN PHONE: 818 8427

PROVINCE: _____ COUNTRY: _____

OCCUPATION: _____

EMPLOYED BY: _____

ENVIRONMENTAL SITUATION (Check/Fill In As Applicable)

VIEWED FROM: OUTDOORS() INDOORS() CAR(✓) AIRCRAFT() BOAT() OTHER _____

VIEWED THROUGH: (GLASSES() WINDOW(✓) SCREEN() BINOCULARS() TELESCOPE() STILL CAMERA())
(MOVIE CAMERA() THEODOLITE() RADAR() OTHER _____)

AREA/LOCATION: CITY() SUBURBAN() RURAL(✓) INDUSTRIAL() COMMERCIAL() RESIDENTIAL()

AREA/TERRAIN: FIELDS(✓) WOODS(✓) HILLS() MOUNTAINS() CLOSE RIVER(✓) POND() LAKE()

AREA/TECHNICAL: AIRPORT() POWERLINES() POWER STATION() RAILROAD TRACKS() OTHER _____

SKY CONDITION: CLEAR(✓) PARTLY CLOUDY() OVERCAST() FOGGY() HEAVY() MEDIUM() LIGHT()

PRECIPITATION: NONE(✓) RAIN() FOG() SLEET() SNOW() HEAVY() MEDIUM() LIGHT()

UFO DIRECTION: FIRST SEEN IN N OF RD LAST SEEN IN S SLIGHTLY WEST IT MOVED FROM NE TO SW

DON'T KNOW (FIRST SEEN - 1/4() 1/2() 3/4() OF THE WAY UP HORIZON; OVERHEAD() OTHER _____)

UFO ELEVATION: (LAST SEEN - 1/4() 1/2() 3/4() OF THE WAY UP HORIZON; OVERHEAD() OTHER _____)

UFO DISTANCE: WHEN CLOSEST TO ME 1000 YDS UFO ALTITUDE: WHEN CLOSEST TO THE GROUND _____

(IN-FRONT-OF ✓ WHICH WAS 200 FT IN DISTANCE FROM THE WITNESS)

UFO PASSED: (BEHIND _____ WHICH WAS _____ IN DISTANCE FROM THE WITNESS)

ALSO IN AREA: JET - LATER - FEW SECONDS
AIRPLANE(✓) HELICOPTER() BALLOON() SEARCHLIGHT() OTHER _____

BEFORE WITNESS SIGHTED UFO() DURING UFO SIGHTING() AFTER UFO SIGHTING()

OBJECT DESCRIPTION (Check/Fill In As Applicable)

OBSERVED: (AN OBJECT (✓) NUMBER OF 1 SHAPE OF NOSE PROTRUDE LIKE SHARK COLOR(s) LT. GREY)

(A LIGHT () NUMBER OF _____ SHAPE OF _____ COLOR(s) _____)

DESCRIBE: SOUND SILENT SMELL ✓ SPEED FAST

REAL SIZE: (LARGER () SMALLER () SAME SIZE () AS THE OBJECT LISTED BELOW 20-25')

(BASKETBALL () COMPACT CAR () STANDARD CAR () HOUSE () OTHER _____)

APPARENT SIZE: (HOW MANY TIMES LARGER () OR SMALLER () IF PUT IN THE SKY BESIDE OBJECT BELOW)

JUST COLOR (_____ TIMES THE SIZE OF A STAR _____ TIMES THE SIZE OF A FULL MOON)

BRIGHT AS: A STAR () THE MOON () OR A _____ LIGHT IF PLACED AT SAME DISTANCE AWAY

DID THE OBJECT(S) OR LIGHT(S): (Please elaborate on items checked below by using a separate sheet)

CHANGE DIRECTION? ()	HOVER? ()	AFFECT RADIO/TV? ()	FLUTTER? ()
TURN ABRUPTLY? ()	DESCEND? ()	AFFECT ELECTRICITY? ()	SPIN? ()
FALL LIKE A LEAF? ()	ASCEND? ()	AFFECT MAGNETISM? ()	BLINK? ()
Absorb OBJECT(s)? ()	OVER POWERLINES? ()	AFFECT TIMEPIECE? ()	PULSATE? ()
EJECT OBJECT(s)? ()	OVER A BUILDING? ()	AFFECT ENGINE? ()	APPEAR SOLID? (✓)
CHANGE SHAPE? ()	LAND ON GROUND? ()	AFFECT VEHICLE? ()	HAVE FUZZY EDGES? ()
CAST SHADOW? ()	LAND IN WATER? ()	AFFECT ANIMAL? ()	HAVE OUTLINE? ()
CAST LIGHT? ()	CARRY OCCUPANTS? ()	AFFECT HUMAN? ()	WOBBLE? ()
REFLECT LIGHT? ()	COMMUNICATE? ()	AFFECT WATER? ()	VIBRATE? ()
LEAVE A TRAIL? ()	GIVE OFF HEAT? ()	AFFECT GROUND? ()	GLOW? ()
DISINTEGRATE? ()	LEAVE RESIDUE? ()	AFFECT VEGETATION? ()	APPEAR TRANSPARENT? ()

HOW MANY OTHER WITNESSES? 2 DID ANY OTHER AGENCY CONTACT YOU? NO

PLEASE PROVIDE THE NAMES/ADDRESSES/PHONE NUMBERS OF OTHER WITNESSES AND/OR INVESTIGATORS OR AGENCIES ON SEPARATE SHEET IF APPLICABLE AND KNOWN.

DANNAH(29) SCHAEFFER
ADRIAN(57)

Vivian R Schaeffer
SIGNATURE OF OBSERVER
YOU MAY (✓) MAY NOT () USE MY NAME
DATE THIS FORM SIGNED 18 5 88
DAY MONTH YEAR

EDUCATION: PUBLIC SCHOOL - 1968
DEGREE: MAJOR: WAS IN MURDER
SPECIAL TRAINING: HOUSE WIFE - AGENT
VISION: FAIR COLORBLIND? () EYEGLASSES? ()
HEARING: GOOD () FAIR? () POOR? () USE AID? ()
HEALTH: DURING SIGHTING? FAIR AFTER? SAME

WITNESS NAME: VIVIAN SCHAEFFER
STREET: R 5 BOX 59
TOWN/CITY: MT. VERNON IND 818
PHONE: 2427
PROVINCE: INDIANA COUNTRY: USA
OCCUPATION: HOUSE WIFE
EMPLOYED BY: SELF

PRECIPITATION: NONE (☒) RAIN () FOG () SLEET () SNOW () HEAVY () MEDIUM () LIGHT ()
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UFO DISTANCE: WHEN CLOSEST TO ME 1000 YDS UFO ALTITUDE: WHEN CLOSEST TO THE GROUND 200 FT
UFO PASSED: (IN-FRONT-OF ✓) WHICH WAS 200 FT IN DISTANCE FROM THE WITNESS
(BEHIND ✓) WHICH WAS 200 FT IN DISTANCE FROM THE WITNESS
ALSO IN AREA: YES - LATER - FEW SECONDS
AIRCRAFT () HELICOPTER () BALLOON () SEARCHLIGHT () OTHER ✓
BEFORE WITNESS SIGHTED UFO () DURING UFO SIGHTING () AFTER UFO SIGHTING ()

OBJECT DESCRIPTION (Check/FILL In As Applicable) NOSE PROTRUDED
LIKE SHARK
OBSERVED: (AN OBJECT (☒) NUMBER OF 1 SHAPE OF ✓ COLOR (s) LT. GREY
(A LIGHT ()) NUMBER OF 1 SHAPE OF ✓ COLOR (s) LT. GREY
DESCRIBE: SOUND SILENT SHELL ✓ SPEED FAST
REAL SIZE: (LARGER ()) SMALLER () SAME SIZE () AS THE OBJECT LISTED BELOW 26-25
(BASKETBALL ()) COMPACT CAR () STANDARD CAR () HOUSE () OTHER ✓
APPARENT SIZE: (HOW MANY TIMES LARGER () OR SMALLER () IF PUT IN THE SKY BESIDE OBJECT BELOW?
JUST COLOR TIMES THE SIZE OF A STAR 1 TIMES THE SIZE OF A FULL MOON
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FALL LIKE A LEAF? () ASCEND? () AFFECT MAGNETISM? () BLINK? ()
ABSORB OBJECT(S)? () OVER POWERLINES? () AFFECT TIMEPIECE? () PULSATE? ()
EJECT OBJECT(S)? () OVER A BUILDING? () AFFECT ENGINE? () APPEAR SOLID? (☒)
CHANGE SHAPE? () LAND ON GROUND? () AFFECT VEHICLE? () HAVE FUZZY EDGES? ()
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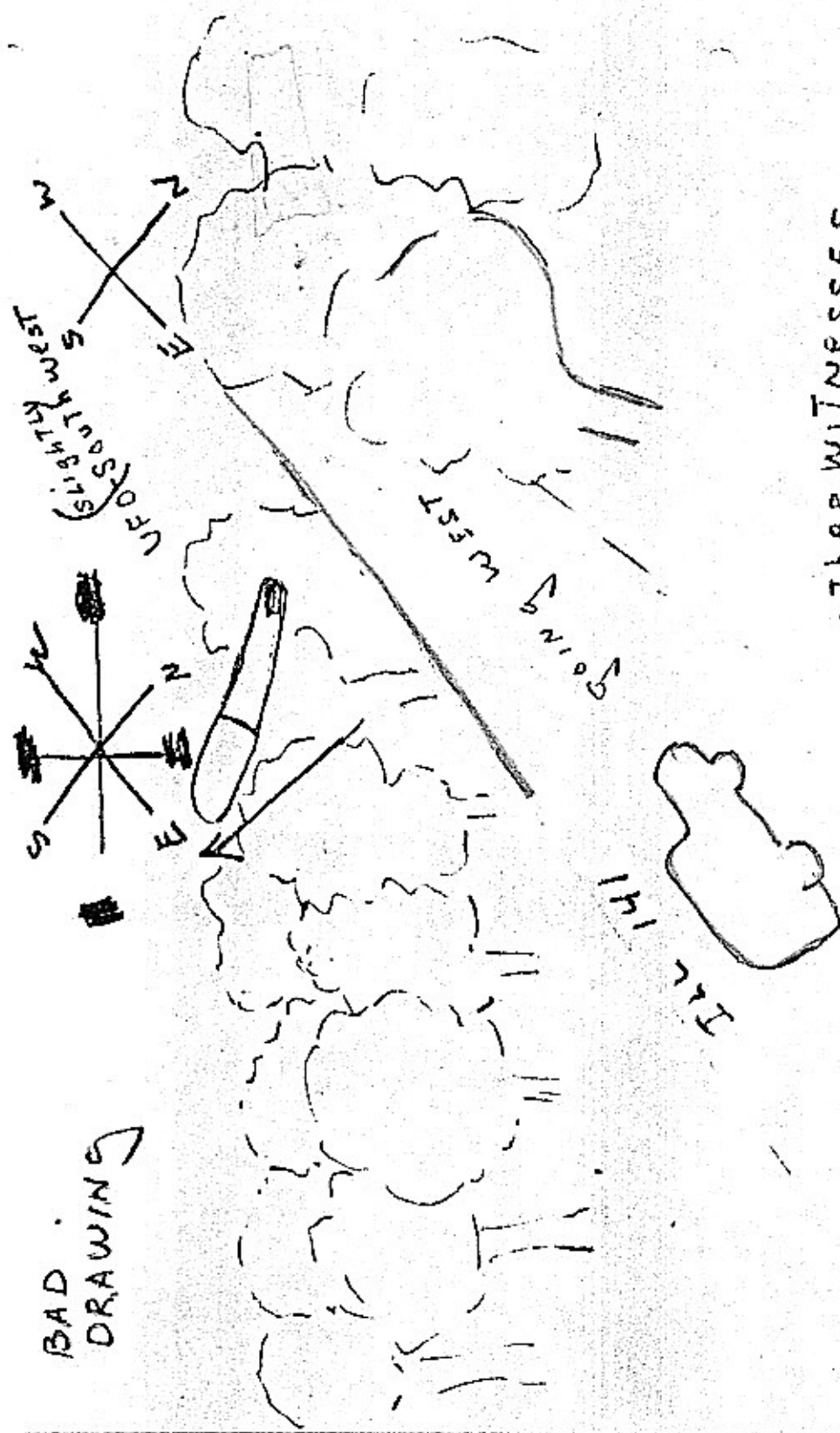
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ADDITIONAL WITNESSES

Adriel Schaffer
Dannah 2. Schaffer



OTHER WITNESSES
ON BACK

UFO INVESTIGATION SOURCE TEST

Below are natural and man-made sources of mistaken UFO reports (IFOs). Two human senses are usually responsible - sight (SI) and hearing (HE). Columns for these are on the right. The error may be directly by the witness, or an environmental factor may have caused it.

Based on the investigation, for each potential IFO factor indicate whether a misperception of sight/hearing may be involved by marking: L (Likely), P (Possible) or N (Not possible).

	SI	HE
Example (from Section B, #1, c - helicopter):	(L)	(P)
Comment: <u>Reported beam of light, likely from police helicopter verified in the area.</u>		
<u>Gusty wind may have blocked the sound of the rotors. See comment on wind in A, #2.</u>		

A. Natural Sources

	SI	HE
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1. Organic Source, Terrestrial

- | | | |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|
| a) Animal..... | (N) | () |
| b) Bird(s), reptile..... | (N) | () |
| c) Insect(s)..... | (N) | () |

Comment: _____

2. Inorganic Source Terrestrial

- | | | |
|---|-----|-----|
| a) Adverse weather (snow, rain, fog, wind)..... | (N) | () |
| b) Atmospheric (aurora, vapor trail, cloudcover)..... | (N) | () |
| c) Lightning (bolt, heat, ball), thunder..... | (N) | () |
| d) Other (mirage, fire, smoke, swamp gas)..... | (N) | () |

Comment: _____

3. Inorganic Source, Transterrestrial

- | | | |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|
| a) Bolide..... | (N) | () |
| b) Common meteor..... | (N) | () |

Comment: _____

4. Inorganic Source, Extraterrestrial

- | | | |
|---|-----|-----|
| a) Planet (Venus, Jupiter, Mars, other)..... | (N) | () |
| b) Star (Sirius, Vega, Arcturus, Capella, other)..... | (N) | () |
| c) Sun (including reflection)..... | (N) | () |
| d) Moon (including reflection)..... | (N) | () |

Comment: _____

5. Other (_____)..... () ()

Comment: _____

B. MAN-MADE SOURCE

SI

HE

1. Aircraft

- a) Advertising..... (N) ()
 b) Commercial, Military, Private..... (N) ()
 c) Other (helicopter, ultra-light, blimp)..... (N) ()

Comment: _____

2. Balloon

- a) Hot air..... (N) ()
 b) Weather, Test..... (N) ()
 c) Other (toy, prank)..... (N) ()

Comment: ACTED LIKE A BALLOON IN SOME WAYS - BUT
HIGH SPEED RULES THIS OUT.

3. Kite..... (N) ()

Comment: _____

4. Fixed Structure

- a) Building..... (N) ()
 b) Tower (water, power line, radio)..... (N) ()

Comment: _____

5. Miscellaneous Lights

- a) Searchlight..... (N) ()
 b) Vehicle..... (N) ()
 c) Porch, Yard, Reflection..... (N) ()

Comment: _____

6. Missile (launch, chemical cloud)..... (P) ()

Comment: POSSIBLE MISHAP, BUT EVIDENCE (NO SOUND?)
LEVEL FLIGHT CHARACTERISTICS SEEM TO ELIMINATE THIS

7. Satellite

- a) Orbiting (high-altitude)..... (N) ()
 b) Re-entry (similar to bolide)..... (N) ()

Comment: _____

8. Other ()..... () ()

Comment: _____



DAN WRIGHT
Deputy Director, Investigations

MUTUAL UFO NETWORK
103 OLDTOWNE ROAD
SEGUIN, TEXAS 78155

228 S. FAIRVIEW
LANSING, MI 48912
(517) 374-6705

PRELIMINARY EVALUATION
OF A UFO REPORT

Log Number: 890302 Initiator: FRANCIS RIDGE
618 DAVIS DR.
MT. VERNON, IN 47620

Received: 3/9/89

The report of a claimed UFO event witnessed by VIVIAN ADRIEL & DANNAN SCHAEFER on 5/10/88 has been evaluated. The current status of the case record is indicated below.

A. Complete: A preliminary rating is assigned. [See reverse side.]

Hynek - — Berliner - 5/1 Speiser - 53-P4

B. Resolved: A known event in the same time period involving _____ appears to account for the observation.

C. Incomplete: A determination cannot be reached at this time. The following is needed to finalize the case record.

1. Additional form(s) / materials: _____
2. Completion of form(s): _____

3. Information from collateral contact(s): _____

4. Explanation of sighting factor(s): _____

Thank you for your continued efforts and commitment to the UFO investigative process. Please forward any materials requested (indicating the Log Number) to your MUFON state or Provincial Director.

c: State/Provincial Director SAME

Walter H. Andrus Jr., International Director

REPORT CLASSIFICATIONS

HYNEK -

- DE-1 - Nocturnal light
- DE-2 - Daylight disc
- DE-3 - Radar-visual
- CE-1 - Light/object in proximity
- CE-2 - Physical trace
- CE-3 - Occupant

Berliner - 5/1

Strangeness Scale:

- 0 - Identified as a known object/phenomenon or a report lacking clear UFO content
- 1 - Night light with no apparent object
- 2 - Night object
- 3 - Daylight object seen at a distance
- 4 - Night Close Encounter of the First Kind
- ✓ 5 - Daylight CE-I
- 6 - Ambiguous CE-II
- 7 - Unambiguous CE-II
- 8 - CE-III
- 9 - CE-III with occupant reaction to witness
- 10 - CE-III with meaningful communication

Credibility Scale:

- 0 - Witness(es) lacking believability
- 1 - Single average witness
- ② Multiple average witnesses
- 3 - Single exceptional witness
- 4 - Multiple exceptional witnesses
- 5 - Radar/visual observation
- 6 - Still photo(s) by amateur
- 7 - Still photo(s) by professional
- 8 - Movie/videotape by amateur
- 9 - Movie/videotape by professional
- 10 - Live television

SPEISER - 53-P4

Strangeness Factor:

- S1 - Explainable or explained
- S2 - Probably explainable with more data
- ✓ S3 - Possibly explainable, but with elements of strangeness
- S4 - Strange; does not conform to known principles
- S5 - Highly strange; suggests intelligent guidance

Probability Factor:

- P1 - Not credible or sound
- P2 - Unreliable witness; possible hoax
- P3 - Somewhat credible or indeterminate
- ✓ P4 - Credible and sound
- P5 - Highly credible, leaving almost no doubt

COMMENTS: FRAN -

BOY, THIS IS A TOUGH ONE. YOUR SOUND AND THOROUGH ANALYSIS DOES HAVE THE EFFECT OF RAISING THE POSSIBILITY (THOUGH IMPROBABLE) THAT A CRUISE MISSILE WAS RESPONSIBLE. I AGREE THAT IS THE ONLY LOGICAL UFO SOURCE.

TO BE ON THE CONSERVATIVE SIDE, LET'S LEAVE THIS ONE AS INDETERMINATE FOR NOW, PENDING THE RESULTS OF AN FOIA INQUIRY. DO LET ME KNOW IF AND WHEN YOU GET A REPLY. ALSO, WITH THE ADDITIONAL SIGNATURES THIS CAN BE UPGRADED TO A MULTIPLE-WITNESS CASE.

THANKS AS ALWAYS FOR THE SUBMITTAL. INTRIGUING!

Dan