1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION
13 Oct 53 14/0335Z	Dobbins AFB, Ga
3. SOURCE Military (Tower Prs)	**10. CONCLUSION** OTHER (SEARCHLIGHTS) Ref msg (MFCS16-K-1) from Maxwell AFB FSC: UFO was caised by auto lights or a searchlight.
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Still in sight 2 Hours 30 Minutes	**11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS** Round object emitting fireball of different colors appeared to be at a stationary position. Appeared on Radar sent crew to investigate. Aircraft scrambled
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Radar Ground=Visual	
7. COURSE Stationary	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSIC 13 Oct	Dobbins AFB, Ga. searcl. _ .t c-1
☐ Yes ☒ No	

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SIGHTED A MYSTERIOUS OBJECT EMITTING FLASHES OF COLORED LIGHT
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APPROX 500 FT. HIGH.
SHAPE UNKNOWN SIZE UNDETERMINED COLOR COLORED LIGHT
NUMBER ONE SOUND NONE COURSE STATIONARY
SIGHTED BY--- NOT IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE
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COMDR ATIC

TO: COMDR MAXWELL AF BASE ALABAMA

INFO:

DATE-TIME GROUP: 141745Z OCT 53	SECURITY CLASSIFICATION: [redacted]
PRECEDENCE FOR: ACTION: ROUTINE	INFORMATION
☐ BOOK MESSAGE	☐ ORIGINAL MESSAGE
☐ MULTIPLE ADDRESS	CRYPTOPRECAUTION ☐ YES ☒ NO
REFERS TO MESSAGE:	
IDENTIFICATION: Msg dtd 140614Z	CLASSIFICATION: [redacted]

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FROM: AFOIN-ATIAE-10-4-E FOR MAXWELL FLT SV CEN (MATS)

Reurmsg dtd 140614Z Oct 53 regarding the observation of an unidentified flying object at Dobbins AFB, Georgia. Request you notify this Center on your findings as soon as your investigation is completed.

In reply cite Project Blue Book.

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COORDINATION:

ATIAE-5 M. Futch DATE 14 Oct 53
A/1C FUTCH

ATIAE H. B. Johnston DATE 14 Oct 53
LT COL JOHNSTON

ATIA William F. O'Hern DATE 15 Oct 53
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DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature, when required): A/1C M. Futch/jos	RELEASING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE: R C Schum
SYMBOL: ATIAE-5 / TELEPHONE: 65365	OFFICIAL TITLE: R. C. SCHUM, CWO, USAF ASST ADJUTANT

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/[redacted]D/UFOB (SUPPLEMENTAL) COMMANDER DOBBINS AFB

MARIETTA GA REPORTS AT 5 MILES 2800 FT OBJECT APPROXIMATELY SIZE

AUTO HEADLIGHT, ROUND , REDDISH HUE, STATIONARY EMMITTING FIRE

BALL, AT INTERVALS 7 MINUTES AND 6 MINUTES, TO NORTH WEST

OBJECT APPEARS ON WEATHER RADAR. NOW BEING INVESTIGATED BY TRUCK

AND AIRCRAFT. SIGHTED ORIGINALLY BY A/1C SCHWITZ , A. L.

TOWER OPERATOR, DOBBINS AFB MARIETTA GA

SGNED GOLINSKY

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Form A

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

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, and will be regarded as confidential material. 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?

13 (Day) OcTobeR (Month) 1953 (Year)

2. Time of day: 2235 (Hour) X (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?

1926-5 (1526TH ARCSSq) (Nearest Postal Address) Dobbins AFB (City or Town) GeoRgiA (State or Country)

Additional remarks: SeNioR conTroLleR Dobbins TowER

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. 2 (Hours) 30 (Minutes) _____ (Seconds)

5.1 *Circle* one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

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

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Bright daylight
b. Dull daylight
c. Bright twilight
d. Just a trace of daylight
(e) No trace of daylight
f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, 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

N/A

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, 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. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One): (a) Yes b. No c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

N/A

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?
b. Several blocks away?
c. A block away?
d. Several yards away?
e. Other

11. 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. Flicker, throb, or pulsate?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: _____

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

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

14. Did the object appear: *(Circle One)*: a. Solid? b. Transparent? (c) Don't Know.

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

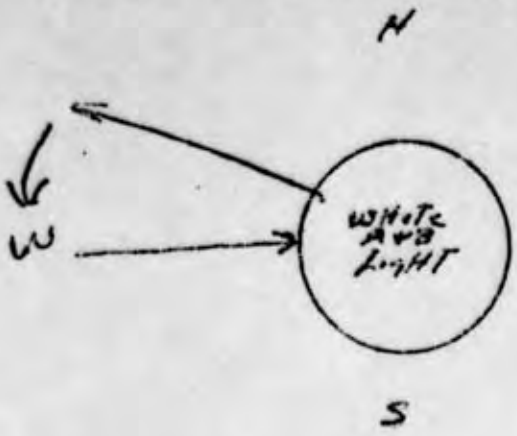
a. Eyeglasses	Yes	(No)	e. Binoculars	(Yes)	No
b. Sun glasses	Yes	(No)	f. Telescope	Yes	(No)
c. Windshield	Yes	(No)	g. Theodolite	Yes	(No)
d. Window glass	(Yes)	No	h. Other _____		

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

a. Sound N/A

b. Color N/A APPEAR AS AN UNFOCUS LIGHT

17. 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.



SPLIT

OBJECT APPEAR TO MOVE WEST AND RETURN

NO EXHAUST OR VAPOR TRAILS

18. 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 AS AN UNFOCUS LIGHT

19. 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.

See 17 ABOVE

20. 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.

See 17

21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.
_____ feet.

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects *held in the hand* and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

a. Head of a pin
(b) Pea
c. Dime
d. Nickel
e. Quarter
f. Half dollar
g. Silver dollar
h. Baseball
i. Grapefruit
j. Basketball
k. Other _____

22.1 *(Circle One* of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

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

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? Relieved from DUTY, SUCCEEDING OPERATORS SAW THE OBJECT DISAPPEARED AT DAYLIGHT

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? 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.

APPEARED TO AN UNFOCUS LIGHT, AND CIRCULAR IN SHAPE

TYPE & MATERIAL UNKNOWN

25. 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
e. At sea
f. Other _____

26. 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. Flying near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other CONTROL TOWER PAFB

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

Saw the object when working Traffic in the control Tower, notice the object when the A/C was on Downwind leg in the Traffic pattern

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

28.1 What direction were you moving? *(Circle One)*

N/A

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

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

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

(Circle One) Yes No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? *(Circle One)*

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

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? *(Circle One)*

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

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

31.1 When it first appeared:

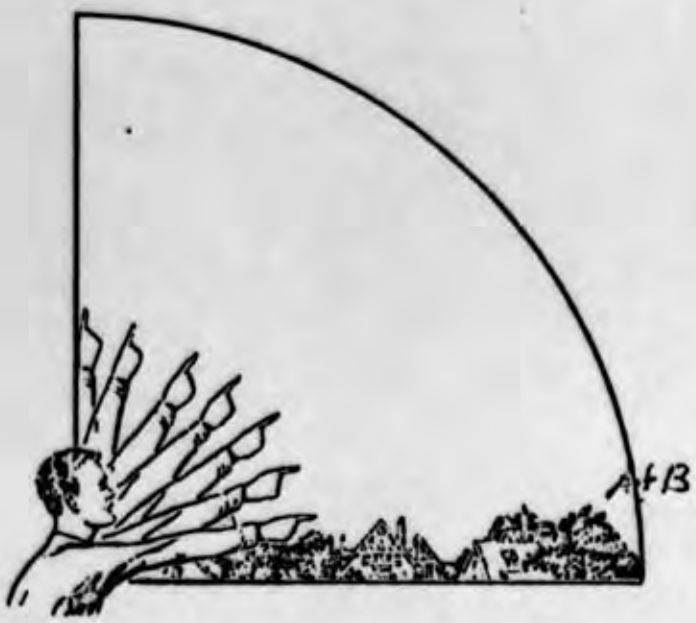
a. From true North 355 degrees.
b. From horizon 03 degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

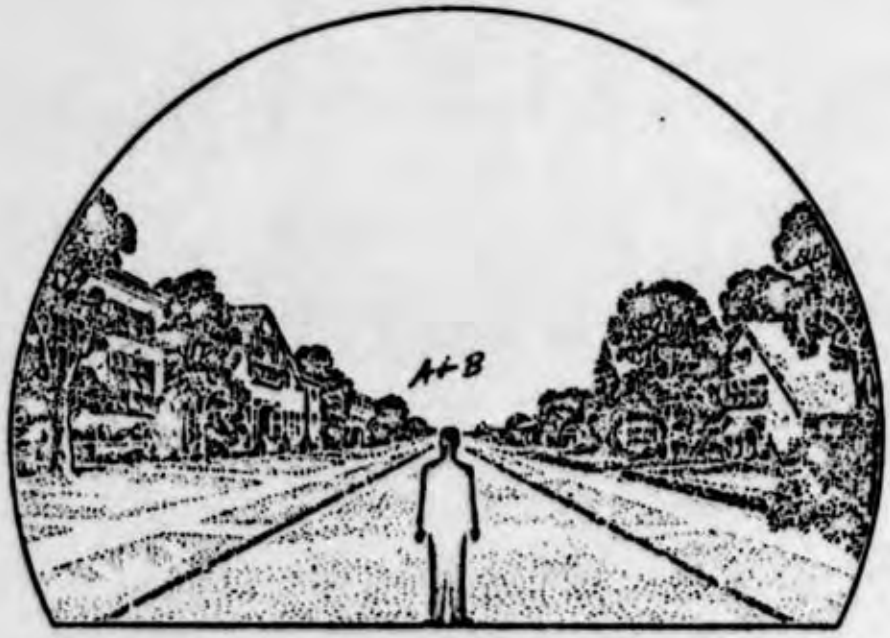
N/A

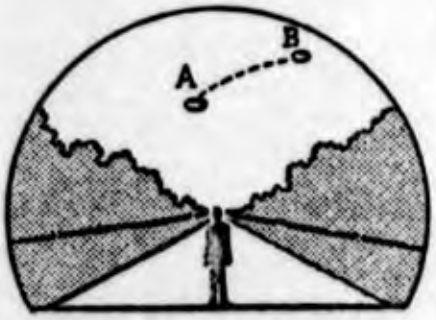
a. From true North _____ degrees.
b. From horizon _____ degrees.

32. 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.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.





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

34.1 CLOUDS *(Circle One)*

a. Clear sky
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
(d) Thick or heavy clouds
e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND *(Circle One)*

a. No wind
(b) Slight breeze
c. Strong wind
d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER *(Circle One)*

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

34.4 TEMPERATURE *(Circle One)*

a. Cold
(b) Cool
c. Warm
d. Hot
e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

13 (Day) October (Month) 1953 (Year)

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

[redacted] Dobbins AFB, Georgia
[redacted] Dobbins AFB, Georgia

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

Don't know

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

N/A (Circle One) Yes No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____ m.p.h.

40. 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? 6 Miles ~~feet~~.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

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

1926-5 DET (1926 TO MAR 54)

ADDRESS Robbins AFB (Street) MARIETTA (City) _____ (Zone) GEORGIA (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

What is your present job? SUPERVISING CONTROLLER

Age 21 Sex MALE

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

(a) Grade school _____

(b) High school _____

c. College _____

d. Post graduate _____

(c) e. Technical school CONTROL TOWER + (Type) APPROACH CONTROL SCHOOLS

f. Other special training _____

42. Date you completed this questionnaire: _____ (Day) _____ (Month) _____ (Year)

Form B

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

(SUMMARY DATA)

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME [redacted]
(Please Print)

SIGNATURE [redacted]

DATE 15 October 1953

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

I first notice the object at 2235 hours the 13 Oct 53
It appeared to be approximately six miles north of the Control tower. The light appeared to be unpowered and circular in shape, also the light appeared to cast off a light and proceed west and return to the stationary unpowered light. Then at times the light appeared to drop directly to the ground, this happened several times during the night.

The object never appeared to have wings or give off exhaust or vapor trails