1. DATE - TIME GROUP 2 February 65 02/1610Z-2110Z	**2. LOCATION** Richmond, Virginia Virginia, Washington DC, Baltimore, Maryland
3. SOURCE Civilian and Military	**10. CONCLUSION** ✓ BALLOON
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Hours	**11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS** Round or cone shaped object observed by WX observer at Richmond, Va through Theodolite and considered to be a balloon. Picked up on Radar. Viewed air visually near Baltimore and Washington DC. Color of object bright silver or aluminum. Also viewed over Wallops Island and many other ground locations. COMMENTS: Balloon launched from Page, Arizona. 6×10^6 cu ft. Package cut down in Arkansas. Balloon not destroyed and continued to fly out over Atlantic. Held an altitude of 145,000 ft. Winds at this height were 129 knots, from 270 deg. Used in cosmic ray research.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Radar Ground & Air-Visual	
7. COURSE Easterly	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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Inter-Office Correspondence

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FROM

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145,000

Spt. Jones

Page — Arizona

6 cu. ft. balloon

6 x 10

and 11 AM Feb 2

Payload on

down in Arkansas

Balloon —

— held all. Up

sunset.

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UNCLAS DO 02093 FEB 65. HQ USAF FOR SAFOIP PROJ BLUE BOOK

ATTN: MRS. SARAH HUNT. AFSC (FTD).

SUBJECT: INITIAL REPORT OF INVESTIGATION OF UFO (CONSENSUS OF MULTIPLE SIGHTINGS). REFERENCE: PARAGRAPH 14, AFR 200-2HA. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT (QL SHAPE: ROUND OR ITNEQNV (NL SIZE: COMPARED WITH A QUARTER HELD IN THE HAND AT ABOUT AN ARM'S LENGTH FROM AIRCRAFT AT 50,000 FEET); (3) COLOR: BRIGHT SILVER OR ALUMINUM (4) NUMBER: ONENN B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT: (1) ATTENTION FIRST CALLED: AIRBORNE OBSERVATION (NL ANGLE OR ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH AT FIRST SIGHTING: 50 TO 57 DEGREES OF ANGULAR ELEVATION

1-5 EW(uFO)

WAS AT 30 MILES; (3) ANGLE OR ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH WHEN DISAPPEARED OBJECT REMAINED VISIBLE UNTIL SUNDOWN. APPARENT POSITION WAS OVER WALLOPS ISLAND NASA STATION AT AN UNDETERMINED ALTITUDE ABOVE AIRBORNE OVERSERVERS; (4) TIME VISIBLE: VARIED FROM 15 MINUTES TO 40 MINUTES; (5) FLIGHT PATH: OVER RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, AT 1630-1645E. (MR. FIELDS, RICHMOND WEATHER BUREAU); SOUTH AND EAST OF PATUXENT RIVER AT 1740-1810E (ANG JET OUT OF BALTIMORE); OVER WALLOPS ISLAND NASA AT 1705E-1800E (NAVY JETS OUT OF OCEANA NAS); C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION: (1) GROUND;VISUAL, AIR-VISUAL. (2) OPTICAL AIDS: THEOTOLITE USED BY RICHMOND WEATHER; (3) AIRBORNE SIGHTINGS: (A) TWO AIR NATIONAL GUARD F86H'S - MAXIMUM ALTITUDE 38,000 FEET - MARTIN ANG, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND; (B) TWO NAVY FOC'S. MAXIMUM ALTITUDE - 50,000 FEET, OCEANA NAS, NORFOLK, VIRGINIA; (4) TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTINGS: (A) 2100-2300 ZULU, 2 FEBRUARY 1965; (B) LIGHT CONDITION: DAY; (5) OBSERVER IDENTIFICATION: (A) MR. [redacted] RICHMOND WEATHER BUREAU; (B) LT. COL. HENRY, MARYLAND, ANG; (C) MAJOR WALTMAN, MARYLAND ANG; (D) LT. J. G. KINNARD, OCEANA NAS, VA; LT. J. G. SAPP, OCEANA (6) WEATHER; REPORTED CLEAR AND UNLIMITED VISIBILITY BY ALL

OBSERVERS. CONFIRMED BY LANGLEY AFB WEATHER DETACHMENT; (7) TAPED INTERVIEWS WITH PILOTS OF INTERCEPTOR AIRCRAFT ARE AVAILABLE.

BT

At 1040, 4 Feb 65, Mr Vincent ~~Raleigh~~, Boulder, Colorado called regarding Balloon observation over Virginia.

Yesterday he had indicated that their balloon had gone down over Arkansas, this was in error. There is a 95% chance that the balloon observed belonged to them. The 6 million cubic foot balloon was launched from Page, Arizona on 1 Feb 65, 2300 MST floated to 140,000 feet. It was carrying a Cosmic Ray Experiment. At 1100 EST on 2 Feb 65 the package cut free from the balloon and landed by parachute three miles South of Lightsville, Arkansas. The balloon normally shatters or bursts after this. They believe it descended to 145,000 feet until sunset at which time it descended in the Atlantic ocean about two or four hours after sunset. Winds at 140,000 were 270° at 129 knots. This is only data available on wind .