

A1C Lloyd M. ISLEY, 91st Missile Maintenance Squadron, from his AF-117 dated 28 October 1968:

The object was observed from 0030 to 0430 A.M. CDT (determined “by the time we were on N-7”) and length of time as “3 1/2 to 4 hours.” [All of Isley’s specified times in his AF-117 are inconsistent with other information in the documentation.] When he initially observed the phenomenon as a passenger riding in a pickup at 30 mph he was “Traveling south from N-1 (LCF) to N-7 (LF) on a gravel road about five miles north of N-7.” He notes their attention was drawn when “We saw the light in the sky.” At one point they stopped the truck and “also observed the object from outside the vehicle.” He indicates the initial observation was in the east at 50° altitude. “We first saw the object to the east of us while we were traveling toward the site. It started moving south. We arrived at the site and then started observing the object from outside the truck. It was moving in a large circular area to the south of us. It came within hearing distance twice. The sound was that of jet engines. It was in the same area for two or three hours. When we last saw it the object was in the southeast and went low and out of sight.” He includes a drawing of the object moving in a large CCW oval pattern south of N-7. [The minimum distance to N-7 is 15 mm, and the axes of the pattern are 53 and 30 mm with the larger axis oriented east-west, subtending an angle of approximately 90°.]

Regarding the conditions, he notes that the night was clear and a few stars were visible. His impression of the speed of the object was “slow,” and his estimate of the distance to the phenomenon was “2 miles.” He notes the phenomenon would stand still; change brightness; flash or flicker, disappear and reappear; and make a noise.

In response to the question of whether the phenomenon was in sight continuously he notes that he observed the phenomenon in open countryside and it was not in sight continuously: “It went out of sight a few times and then reappeared.” He provides a drawing showing two objects SW and SE of N-7 and states, “At one time there were two in the area.”

He describes the phenomenon indicating: “The object had lights on the front like head lights or landing lights. It had a green flashing light toward the middle or rear. I could not tell any shape or size.” Regarding the angular size: “My estimate is that the object was the size of a KC-135

[Stratotanker]. *I could only tell by the lights on the object.*” Comparing the phenomenon to a common object he stated *“The lights on the object were the same as on a jet aircraft.”*

His final observation was in the southeast at 10° altitude. He noted *“A B-52 was in the same area as the object, just before the object left our view.”* In addition, *“It went low and out of sight in the southeast.”* He reported the observation to FSC Bond at N-1, and Base Operations.