

A1C Joseph JABLONSKI, November-Security Alert Team member, 862nd Security Police Squadron, in his AF-117 dated 25 October 1968:

The object was observed from 0308 to 0518 A.M. CDT determined by *“The time my team stayed out from dispatch as shown on AF Form 53,”* and observed over a period of *“2 hours on and off.”* [According to specified times 2 hours 10 minutes.] He includes a drawing showing his location at N-1 and the object 9 miles to the south (slightly east), and a second drawing locating the object 2-3 miles south-southeast of the N-7 Launch Facility. Jablonski notes the initial observation was in the south-southeast at 35° altitude; and his final observation in the west-southwest at 15° altitude.

He was first drawn to the phenomenon when, *“Other persons had brought it to my attention. Although I had not seen it immediately, they gave a good estimate of its location. When it reappeared 3 or 4 minutes later it was quite bright and gradually weakened.”* He was a passenger in a 4x4 truck traveling south at 30 mph on a gravel road with windows occasionally open. At one point they stopped while observing the phenomenon. He observed the object out of the windshield and side window of the truck. Two similar objects were observed: *“When first dispatched to N-7 another object exactly the same appeared out of the east and had picked up speed in a path moving towards the other. Never did see the two join or meet as the second one disappeared and no longer could be seen.”*

In response to the question of whether the phenomenon was in sight continuously he observed the phenomenon outdoors in open countryside and it was not in sight continuously: *“Not due to our movement, but the behavior pattern of the phenomenon. Object appeared as orangish-red lighted, seem to switch to almost completely white and there was some green. This pattern was not always the same and at certain times a combination of all could be seen at once. Object first appeared to hover then move slowly, speed up, always alternating in color. Then lights would vanish, but return some minutes after.”* Regarding the conditions, he notes that the night was clear, a few stars were visible, and sources of illumination were *“headlights, site lights.”* He estimates the speed as approximately 70-100 knots and impression of the distance of the phenomenon as 3-5 miles.

He describes the phenomenon indicating: *“The object was self-luminous with glowing orange-red, white, greenish alternating and at times combinations could be seen. The object appeared rather solid, although not very wide and slender in shape. Edges were fuzzy. Lights were much too bright to determine exact shape. This object appeared much brighter than a star.”* The object would move in a straight line; stand still; speed up; change color and brightness; flash or flicker; disappear and reappear. He noted: *“A B-52 diverted to the general area. First seen and heard approx. 35 minutes after first sighting of object. The object stayed basically to the southeast while the B-52 was in the southwest.”* In addition: *“Just prior to our sighting of the diverted B-52 in the WSW, the object had descended gradually and for a minute or two had appeared to be obstructed by trees.”* It finally disappeared: *“Prior to return to N-1 it caught our attention again, this time WSW in location. It had appeared as before starting bright, orange-red, to white and finally green. The object was stationary at the time and appeared approx. 1000 feet above ground. The green light started to diminish slowly till no longer seen.”*

In addition:

“As previously stated, although the object appeared to be solid matter, the illumination rendered no logical shape to be determined. It had appeared quite slim and not very wide. [He includes a drawing of a long oval about 35 x 4 mm.] The object appeared to move more westerly each time but never could be seen in the westerly direction until the last and final illuminations at 05:10 lasting until approx. 05:18 when it could no longer be seen.”

Asked to compare the phenomenon to a common object he noted:

“As to the alternating illumination, particularly the white, it appeared as two or three automobile headlights. When the B-52 had flown in its search it had been using its landing lights which were quite similar in nature. As to avoid confusion between the plane and the object Base Ops had pointed out where and when we saw the B-52. Must add that the B-52 engines could be easily heard while the UFO made no sounds to be heard at about the same distance.”

Further:

“The object had various maneuvers which occurred basically in one general area. It stayed pretty well SSE of the launch facility but at several

times started northward and westward always returning to its previous (SSE) position. For some reason it appeared to be trying to travel west but we never did see it take the direct path. When the B-52 flew in the vicinity (SSE) it was no longer seen in that location. When the plane had started to travel to the base and after it was out of sight we had also started back to N-1. Our attention was again caught when it appeared approx. 5 miles due west where it remained until it finally disappeared about 15 minutes afterwards."

Regarding the angular size he noted: *"Offhand I'd say that close to one-half would be covered by the match head [held at arm's length]."* This would be approximately 46 arc minutes, or nearly 1.5 times the diameter of the full moon.