

**SSgt. James F. BOND**, November-Flight Security Controller, 862nd SPS, in his AF-117 dated 25 October 1968:

The object was observed from 0308 to 0500 A.M. CDT (determined by an eight-day clock) over a period of 2 hours and 26 minutes. [The length according to the specified times indicates he observed the object until 0534.] Bond includes a drawing showing his location approximately 10 miles north of the N-7 Launch Facility indicating that the initial observation was in the south-southeast at 15° altitude.

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 due to the *“movement of the phenomenon.”* For an unspecified period of three minutes there were two objects observed and he includes a drawing showing the objects moving towards each other and one object disappearing at the point they meet. Regarding the conditions, he notes that the night was clear, a few stars were visible, and the closest source of illumination was the town of Mohall four miles to the east.

He describes the phenomenon indicating: *“The object was a light, but shape couldn’t be determined. Appeared to be self luminous. Appeared to be solid. Edges appeared to be fuzzy. Appeared as a point of light.”* The object did not move in a straight line, it did stand still, change color and brightness, flash, disappear and reappear. His *“Attention was first called by a maintenance team at the launch facility.”* He indicated that *“No shape could be seen and it moved in directions indicated below,”* providing a drawing of the large circular or oblong CCW movements of the object subtending an angle of over 65°. He could not estimate the speed and his impression was that the object was 10-12 miles distant. In comparison to a common object he stated, *“Object appeared about the same as landing lights on aircraft (B-52 diverted to area) except for flashing red lights on B-52. The object acted like a helicopter in flight.”* His final observation was in the southwest just a few degrees above the horizon: *“Appeared to land and slowly changed to a dim green, after about 15 minutes it disappeared (gradually).”* He noted that he had observed similar phenomena *“off the coast of Alaska (1956) and Okinawa (1965).”*

He stated that his Security Alert Team of A1C Adams and A1C Jablonski

also observed the phenomenon, and Bond reported the observation to SSgt. Underhill and SSgt. Neal at 91st Wing Security Control.

Regarding the angular size he noted: "*A match tip held at arm's length would have been covered.*" This would be approximately 23 arc minutes or .75 times the diameter of the full moon.