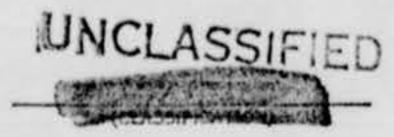
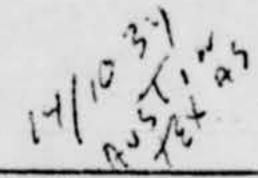
1. DATE - TIME GROUP	- LOCATION
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3. SOURCE	10. CONCLUSION .
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4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Object rose into clouds. Description indicates balloon observation.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
40 - 60 Sec.  5. TYPE OF OBSERVATION  Ground-Visual  7. COURSE	Object appeared 18-24 in diameter, completely circular. Silvery color, no sound, no exhaust. Estimated speed about 500-750 mph. (Jet a/c in area).
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8. PHOTOS D Yes XX No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE  13 Yes  XX No	

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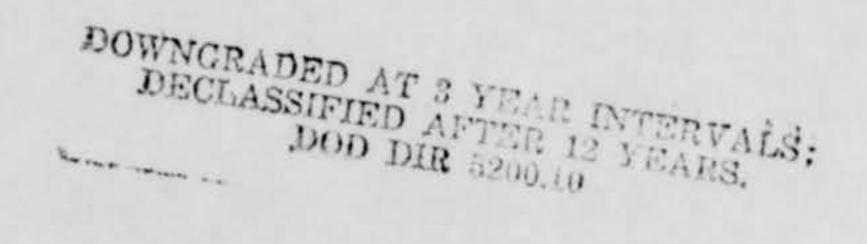
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The following is information gained from interview with the interview with the concurrance observation of unidentified object:

- 1. DESCRIPTION: Object appeared to be 18 to 24 inches in diameter, or about the same size as the Moon. The chaps was round, completely circular class, and apparent size was 18 to 24 inches. It was silvery in color, and only one in sight. There was no trail of exhaust or compulsory system. Estimated speed sould be about 500 to 750 miles per hour. There was no sound. Object was in a straight and level flight. Object disappeared from sight above horizon.
- 2. Thus of sighting: 1034 hours, 14 January 1953. Observed object for from
- 3. OBBASHVATION HADE: Surface visually.
- 4. LOCATION OF CHILIFFER Mortheast section of Lustin, Tucus.
- 5. LOCATION OF OBJECT: Approximately 60° above the hordson, traveling in the direction of south-southeast.
- 6. WHATHER AND WIFES ALOFT: Cloud condition, LEOO scattered. Visibility, L2 miles. Temperature, 64? Dew-point, 59°. Surface winds, L8 lmots from the south. There were high conttored clouds at 30,000 feet. Winds aloft were as follows:

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- 7. No activities or conditions, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting are known.
- 3. There was no physical evidence such as fragments, photographs, and the like of the sighting.
- 9. Location of air traffic in the general area at the time of the sighting: Local flights recorded at Dergatron Air Force Dase, six miles southeast of Austin, included two (2) F-84s, one (1) T-33, and one (1) U-47.



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and I live at 610-3 Park | Lace, Ambia, Taxas. My occupation is part time school petrolman. A brief description of the object: In shape it was the shape of a plate - not shaped as a ball and appeared to be from 13 to 24 inches in dismeter, about the same size sa the full koon; and the color was allvery, or rather it have off a allyery reflection. Number: There was only one, and there was no brail or exhaust. The speed seemed to be about 500 and 750 miles per hour. There was no sound, and there was no maneuvering, and it was going in a oursignt, direct lire. It disappeared, by moving out of sight, well above the horizon. The time of sighting was approximately 10:30 AM on mednesday, the lith day of January 1953. The observation was visual. The observer of this object was at Mobert L. Lee Johool, which is located at Harris Avenue and Hampton Boad in northeast Austin; and at the time I observed the object, I was throwing balls to a group of first grade etudenka - boys and girls. A heavy typo alrahans appeared overhood; and when I looked up, it (the airplane) passed on going north; and I observed the allvery object which appeared to be very high; and I asked the childran what the object was; and they all replied, "Flying Jameer", almost to a child. They were very excited over it. I watched the object almost constantly until it disappeared, unich was probably about a minute. It once appeared to pass through very high, thin clouds. For the past sevgral years I have been a very close observer of alreraft in flight, and I don't think that there is a possibility of my being mistaken in the appearance of this object. Of course, as to what it actually is, I wouldn't care to venture a guess; but there were no wings on it, no broken lines; and I firmly believe that it was some kind of a disk or round object not as a ball, however. Inaxwoh as my son was a Havy idlot and instructor for four years during world wer II and I also have a son-la-las who was a navigation instructor at Ellington Field, I have always had an unusual interest in aircraft. I couldn't estimate the height because I do not lasor the size of the object but think the object was ton or twelve or fifteen thousand feet or more and the cloud it appeared to mas through was very high. The clouds were thinly scattered all over the sky, and the micy was largely blue. The visibility was practically unlimited yesterday morning. I was out in an open space; there were no obstructions; there were very few brees and no houses at all. It was an open school yard where visibility in that direction was unlimited. I was facing almost due south, and the object was traveling a little east of south. The object, when I observed it. - it did not mess over me - was, I'd say, about a 60 angle above the horizon flying away from me.



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## METEORS

The Hydrographic Office is cooperating with astronomers who are studying meteors. Morin rs reporting their observations of these bodies are greatly assisting in a hiswork. It is desired to have the Greenwich time and point of appearance and disappearance as accurate as possible, either by bearing and altitude, or by relation to fixed stars, or both.

Complete observations on long-enduring trains and their direction of drift are of especial importance, as they determine wind direction in the upper

atmosphere.

## MEDITERRANEAN SEA

Third Officer T. Vaira, of the Italian SS. Monrosa, Capt. E. Ranise, Master, reports that at 0915 G. M. T., January 15, 1953, in lat. 39°50′ N., lon. 1°10′ E., he observed a meteor with a very long red trail visible for 3 seconds, bearing 35° at an altitude of 45°. The meteor descended vertically and disappeared at an altitude of 10°.

Clear weather, air temperature 52° F., barometer 30.20 inches. Chief Officer D. F. Gottschalt of the Israeli SS. Meir Dizengoff, Capt. G. Gladioli, Master, reports that at 0350 G. M. T. on March 6, 1953, in lat. 39°34′ N., lon. 12°24′ E., Cadet A. Lubinski on lookout sighted an object silver in color of about second magnitude and approximately twice the diameter of a star. It appeared at about 80° altitude bearing 200° and moved at a very rapid rate in a direction of 110° for about 3 seconds until it was obscured by the foremast. The vessel's heading was 117°.