

NFA REPORT - see 12

**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	21 <sup>st</sup> May 2000 at 23:30
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Bright flash in the sky like daylight which disappeared then re-appeared every 3 seconds with one bright flash. It was followed by what the informant presumed to be a satellite.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors - Back garden
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Secretariat Air Staff 2 answerphone
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<p>Section 40 [REDACTED]</p> <p>Havant Hants Section 40 [REDACTED]</p> <p>Tel: Section 40 [REDACTED] Tel: [REDACTED]</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Informant's wife came out to look at it.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	No reply sent as answerphone explains MOD's policy.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2000 at 09:00





From: **Section 40** Secretariat(Air Staff)2a, Room 8245  
**MINISTRY OF DEFENCE**  
 Main Building, Whitehall, London, SW1A 2HB

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**Section 40**

**Section 40**

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Your Reference

Our Reference  
 D/Sec(AS)/64/2

Date  
 15 May 2000

**Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 27 April 2000. Your report was passed to this office by RAF West Drayton as we are the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

First it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised foreign military activity.

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I have looked back through our sighting report files and can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 27 April from anywhere in the United Kingdom. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised military aircraft.

*Yours sincerely*

**Section 40**



28-APR-2000 08:48 FROM A15(M)JLH100

TO SEC 40

<b>TRANSMISSION DETAILS:</b>		<b>DTG of Transmission:</b>	
(M), LATCC(M), Porters Way, West Drayton Middlesex UB7 9AU Fax No: 01895 42 [Section 40]		To: [Section 40] SEC (AS)2, MOD Main Building, Whitehall London SW1A 2HB Fax No: 0207 218 2 [Section 40]	
AUTHORISING OFFICER:		TRANSMISSION OPERATOR:	
RANK, NAME & APPOINTMENT:		RANK/GRADE & NAME: SAC [Section 40]	
SIGNATURE:		SIGNATURE: [Redacted]	

<b>A</b>	DATE: 27 APRIL 00	TIME: 2100 Z	DURATION OF SIGHTING: NOT STATED
<b>B</b>	DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT: Number 1 Size LARGE Shape BALL Colour WHITE Brightness - Sound? -		Smell? Other
<b>C</b>	EXACT POSITION OF OBSERVER: Geographical location: AS104, LIVERINN, FORD CORWEN, RHYDTALOG. Indoors/Outdoors/Stationary/Moving: Moving		
<b>D</b>	HOW OBJECT WAS OBSERVED: Naked eye/Binoculars/Camera/Video camera		
<b>E</b>	DIRECTION IN WHICH OBJECT WAS FIRST SEEN: (A landmark may be useful)		
<b>F</b>	ANGLE OF SIGHT:		
<b>G</b>	DISTANCE (By reference to a known landmark if possible):		
<b>H</b>	MOVEMENT OF OBJECT: HOVERED THEN DISAPPEARED		
<b>J</b>	MET CONDITIONS DURING OBSERVATION (Moving clouds, mist, haze etc):		
<b>K</b>	NEARBY OBJECTS OR BUILDINGS:		
<b>L</b>	TO WHOM REPORTED: Press: Police: WREXHAM POLICE STATION, EASTERN AREA CONTROL ROOM. Military Organisation: RAF VALLEY Airport: Other:		
<b>M</b>	INFORMANTS' DETAILS: Name: [Section 40] Address: [Redacted] MOLD (?) [Section 40]		
<b>N</b>	ANY BACKGROUND OF THE INFORMANT THAT MAY BE VOLUNTEERED:		
<b>O</b>	OTHER WITNESS?		
<b>P</b>	DATE/TIME OF REPORT: 27 APRIL 00 2140 L		

MINISTER OF DEFENCE  
 SEC (AS)2  
 28 APR 2000  
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NORTH WALES POLICE  
FACSIMILE COVER SHEET  
WREXHAM DIVISION

DATE: 27/4/00 TIME: No. OF PAGES 2 (including this page)

TO: West Doughton

FOR THE ATTENTION OF:

FAX No.:

FROM: Eastern Area Control Room.  
WREXHAM POLICE STATION  
TEL: (01978) 290222 EXT Section 40  
FAX: Section 40

TEXT:

UFO SIGHTING?  
Details as requested.

The information contained in this communication is confidential. It may be legally privileged. It is intended solely for the person and organisation to whom it is addressed. If you are not the named recipient you may not copy it, make use of it or any information contained in it for purpose, or disclose its contents to any other person. To do so may be unlawful. If you have received this message in error, please contact us at once.

Mae'r wybodaeth sydd yn y ddogfen hon yn gyfrinachol. Fe all fod yn gyfreithiol freintiedig. Bwriedir ef ar gyfer y person a'r sefydliad yr anfonwyd o iddo/iddyn. Os nad chi yw'r derbynnydd a enwir, ni chaniateir ichi ei chopio, na'i defnyddio, na defnyddio unrhyw wybodaeth a geir ynddo I unrhyw ddiben, na dargelu ei gynnwys I unrhyw berson arall. Fe all fod gwneud hynny yn anghyfreithlon. Os cawsoch y neges hon drwy gamgymeriad, ymgysylltwch a ni yn ddi-oed os gwelwch yn dda.

28-APR-2000 08:49 FROM HIS(M)JLHIC TO SEC RD

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POLIS	Full Incident Log	Printed 27-APR-2000 22:53
Requested for		by JANF
All incidents from 295375 to 295375		Page 0001

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INCD REF 0309-E -270400 Grade A Status Un Taken by JANF  
 Crime No

Type UFO

Location **Section 40** Grid Ref 323407355023  
 Beat Code CA1  
 FFORDD CORWEN Parish Code  
 RHYDTALOG

Details AT ABOUT 2200HRS THIS EVENING MY SONS AND I WERE TRAVELLING ALONG THE  
 A5104 WHEN WE SAW A LARGE BALL OF WHITE IN THE SKY - IT WAS NOT A  
 PLANE OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT AS IT HOVERED FOR SOMETIME AND THEN JUST  
 DISAPPEARED. I HAVE BEEN UNSURE WETHER OR NOT TO RING IN INCASE YOU  
 THOUGHT ME A NUTCASE.

Informant **Section 40**  
 Address **Section 40** MOLD Source 999 CALL  
 Phone **Section 40**  
 Other BRISTOL

INCIDENT HISTORY

Received 27-APR-2000 22:40:52 JANF Initial Code  
 Logged 27-APR-2000 22:45:00 JANF TII  
 Proceeded  
 Closed  
 Crime No

OIC  
 Arrests 0000  
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Time	Source	OP	Narrative
2247	S	JANF	Action plan number 0661 Initiated
2248	S	JANF	Incident grade changed from D to A
2250	S	JANF	Air Traffic Control informed of UFO sighting.
2250	D	JANF	FROM WEST DRAYTON - CAN YOU FAX DETAILS ON 01895 42 <b>Section 40</b>
2252	S	JANF	RAF Valley informed of the UFO sighting.
2252	S	JANF	Action plan 0661 complete

----- End of report -----





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Whitby  
 Yorkshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference

Our Reference  
 D/Sec(AS)/64/2

Date  
 15 May 2000

**Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 26 April 2000. Your report was passed to this office by RAF Fylingdales as we are the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

First it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised foreign military activity.

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I have looked back through our sighting report files and can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 26 April from anywhere in the United Kingdom. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised military aircraft.

*Yours sincerely*

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Precedence ROUTINE  
 DTG 211310Z APR 00  
 From RAF FYLINGDALES  
 To MODUK AIR  
 SIC Z6F

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SUBJECT: AERIAL PHENOMENON

1. FOLLOWING SIGHTING OF A POSSIBLE UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT IS REPORTED:

- A. 26 APR 00, 2330 HRS
- B. ONE BRIGHT YELLOW AND WHITE OBJECT
- C. OBSERVED FROM BEDROOM WINDOW
- D. NAKED EYE
- E. NORTH EAST TO SOUTH WEST DIRECTION OF TRAVEL
- F. 70 DEGREES ELEVATION
- G. NOT KNOWN
- H. N/A
- J. CLEAR SKY
- K. N/A
- L. RAF FYLINGDALES
- M. Section 40 [REDACTED] WHITBY, Section 40 [REDACTED]
- N. KEEN AMATER ASTRONOMER
- P. NONE
- Q. 271250Z APR 00
- R. NIL
- S. MARKED VARIATION IN BRIGHTNESS OF OBJECT IS IT CROSSED SKY

2. POC FLT LT [REDACTED] CREW CMDR, RAFTN/UNITER EXT Section 40 [REDACTED]  
 Section 40 [REDACTED]

## ACTION DISTRIBUTION

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MODUK AIR

Z6F SEC(AS)

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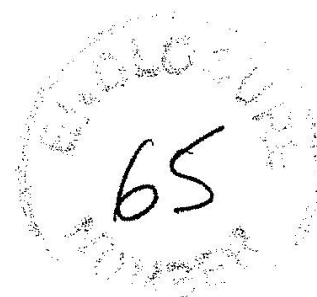
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Glasgow

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Our Reference **D/Sec(AS)/64/2** ←

Date  
 15 May 2000

**Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 8 May 2000. Your report was passed to this office by RAF Leuchars as we are the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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I have looked back through our sighting report files and can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 8 May from anywhere in the United Kingdom. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised military aircraft.

*Yours sincerely*

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ANNEX A TO  
 ORDER NO 16 TO  
 COC ORDERS  
 DATED 7 / JAN 95

REPORT ON AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

1. Date, Time and Duration of Sighting: ... 0130 L ... 08 MAY 00 ...
2. Description of Object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, sound, smell, etc): ... ONE RED CIRCLE : SUN SHAPED ...
3. Exact Position when Observed (Geographical Location, Indoors or Outdoors, Stationary or Moving): ... HOME ADDRESS ... INDOORS ...
4. How Observed (Naked Eye, Binoculars, Still or Movie Camera/VCR): ... NAKED EYE ...
5. Direction in which Object was First Seen (Possibly with Reference to a Landmark): ... POSSIBLY ... NORTH WEST ...
6. Angle of Sight (Estimated Heights are Unreliable): ... NOT KNOWN ...
7. Distance (With Reference to a Landmark if Possible): ... NOT KNOWN ...
8. Movements (Changes in 6, 7 & 8 may be better than Estimates of Heading and Speed): ... CHANGED SHAPE FROM ROUND INTO ELLIPTICAL ...
9. Weather: (Moving Clouds, Visibility) ... CLEAR SKIES ...



10. Nearby Objects (Telephone or Power Lines, Lakes, Rivers, High Structures, Airfields, Generating Plants, Factories, Pits or Other Sites with Floodlights or Night-lights):

..... KINGSTON BRIDGE .....

11. To Whom Reported: CONSTABLE

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TRAFFIC DIVISION  
GLASGOW

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12. Name and Address for Informant:

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GLASGOW .....

13. Any Background on Informant that may be Volunteered:

..... UNEMPLOYED ..... SPECIAL CONSTABLE ..... WITH STRATH CLYDE .....

14. Other Witnesses: WIFE

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15. Date and Time of Receipt of Report: 1550 L OSMAY 00

16. Is a Reply Requested: NO

Notes:

1. Members of the public who submit reports should be informed that their reports have been passed to the Ministry of Defence.

2. Sightings by Service personnel and action taken as a result of civilian sightings must not be disclosed to members of the Press who, if they make enquiries, should be referred to the Ministry of Defence.

3. A routine unclassified signal, or Fax (Ext Section 40) should be sent to Ministry of Defence, London (for the attention of MOD Sec (AS) 2A). The format of the signal is as set out in the report above. The signal SIC is 267. GPTN 96621

4. Contact MOD Sec (AS) 2a as soon as possible at MOD Main Building Ext 82140 or Fax Section 40

EXAMPLE of a completed signal below this line.



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Leeds.

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Your Reference

Our Reference  
D/Sec(AS)/64/2  
Date  
15 May 2000

**Section 40**  
[Redacted]

Thank you for your two recent letters. I can confirm that we have received no reports from the Wigsley, Notts area for 16 April 2000 nor have we received any reports from that area this year.

I can also confirm that we have received no reports of balls of light travelling at great speed as described in your letter, from anywhere in the United Kingdom over the past few weeks. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised military aircraft.

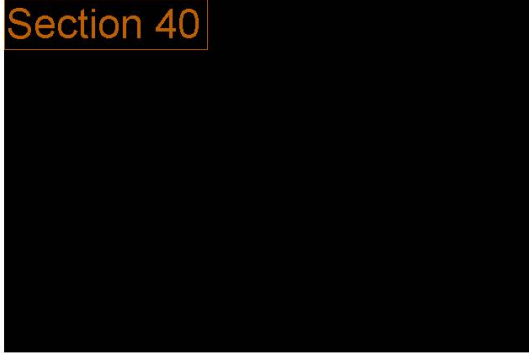
*Yours sincerely*

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**UFO INFO**

**Yorkshire UFO INFO**

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*I am writing to inform you of a UFO sighting that was reported to me.*

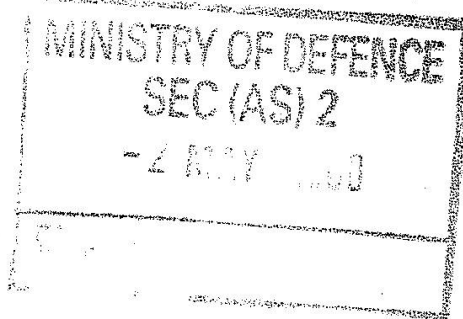
*The sighting is dated 16.4.00. time 14.00 hours, from Wigsley, Notts area. My witness has told me that he seen a very bright ball of white light traveling from South to North before turning East and leaving at great speed.*

*I would like to ask if you have received any further reports form this area, I would also like to know if you have had any reports of balls of light over the past few weeks.*

*I also sent you a letter several weeks ago, this letter was about a sighting from the Co. Durham area. As yet I have had no reply for this letter ... so I am sending a copy of the letter I sent to you.*

*I would be grateful if you could deal with my requests.*

*Yours sincerely,*



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Yorkshire UFO INFO

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*I am writing to inform you about a UFO sighting that was reported to me.*

*The sighting is dated 25.3.00, time 21.20 hours, from the town of Consett Co. Durham. My witness reported to me that they had seen a "object what looked like a cylinder", the object was visible for several minuets.*

*I would like to ask you if you have had any further reports of a UFO from the Co. Durham area, and I would like to know if you have had any other reports of a Cylinder shaped object over the last few weeks.*

*Yours sincerely,*

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SECRETARIAT AIR STAFF 2A

ROOM 8245

MAIN BUILDING

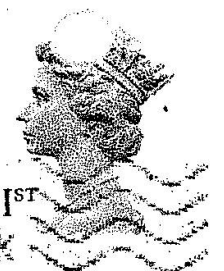
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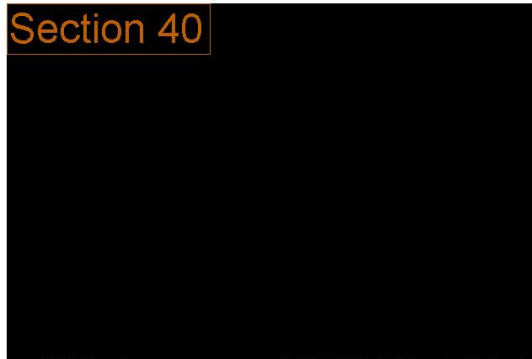
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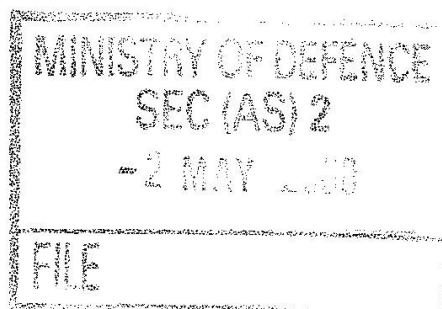
*Thank you for your recent letter in which you dealt with my two sightings from 20<sup>th</sup> March, and 25<sup>th</sup> March.*

*In a letter I have just sent to you I asked about these two sightings as I had not had a reply from the MoD in several weeks, but you have now dealt with my letters.*

*Please just deal with my new sighting that was with that letter, the sighting from 16.4.00, from the Wigsley, Notts area.*

*Yours sincerely,*

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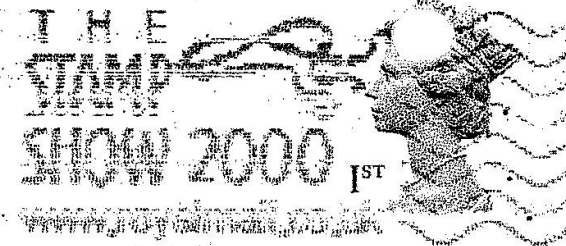
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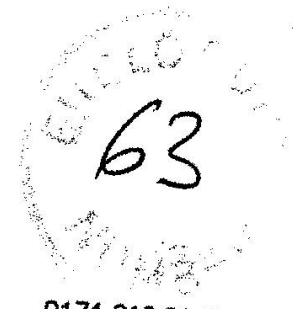


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**Birmingham**  
**Section 40**

Your Reference

Our Reference D/Sec(AS)/64/2 ✓  
Date 15 May 2000

**Section 40**

Thank you for letter dated 19 April 2000.

Firstly, I can confirm that we did not receive any 'UFO' reports from the Tipton area of the West Midlands during May 1990.

Secondly, I can confirm that we received one report from the Old Trafford area within the periods you specified, for 8 February 1996. A copy of the report with the informant's details blanked out to protect their confidentiality, is attached.

Finally, you asked about documents relating to the alleged incident over Rendlesham Forest in December 1980. As with other government files, all documents pertaining to the alleged incident are subject to the provisions of the Public Records Act of 1958 and 1967, and remain closed from public viewing for 30 years after the last action has been taken. Therefore, any files containing documents relating to the alleged incident will be open to the public from January 2011.

*Yours sincerely*

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OBJECT **RED IN COLOUR ROUND UP, DOWN, LEFT RIGHT + REPEAT.**

Actual Position Observed. ( Geographical location, indoors or outdoors, stationary or moving )

**WHILST TRAVELLING ALONG KINGS RD, STRETFORD (AD TRAFFORD) ~~HEAT~~**

How Observed ( Naked eye, Binoculars other optical device, still or movie camera )

**NAKED EYE**

Direction in Which Object was First Seen ( A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing )

**AD TRAFFORD CRICKET GROUND**

Angle of Sight ( Estimated heights are unreliable )

**50°**

Distance ( By reference to a known Landmark if possible )

**2 - 3 MILES.**

Movements ( Changes in E,F,G may be of more use )

**UP - DOWN - LEFT - RIGHT x 5**

Metereological Conditions During Observations. ( Moving clouds Mlst etc. )

**OVERCAST.**

Nearby Objects ( Telephone lines Spires Etc. )

**NOT KNOWN**

Other Witnesses

**NONE**

Date and Time of Receipt

**8/2/96 0100 HRS**



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BIRMINGHAM,

Section 40

19.4.2000

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We do not appear to have received a reply to our previous letter, in respect of any UFO reports for the Tipton area of the West Midlands, during May, 1990.

Secondly, can you tell us whether you have any UFO Sightings, reported by the Police, over the Old Trafford area of Manchester, for the 7th-14th February, 1995, or 7th-14th February, 1996? We are not sure which year the Sightings took place.

Thirdly, are you in a position to confirm whether any documents relating to the Rendlesham Forest incident, which took place in December, 1980, will be made public under the 30 years Secrecy Rule in due course? Presumably, if the answer is yes, would we be looking at the Year 2010?

Can you let us have a copy of whatever documents are deemed available to be released into the public sector, relating to this incident, please?

Thank you for your help.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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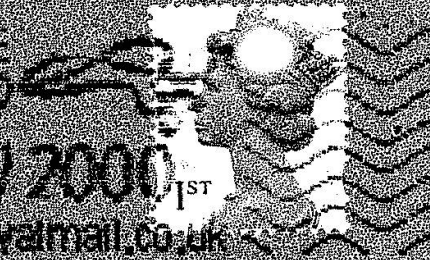
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Date  
 9 May 2000

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I am writing with reference to your letter reporting an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 16 April 2000. As you may be aware, this office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

I have looked back through our sighting report files and can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 16 April from the Beeston area or indeed from anywhere in the United Kingdom. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised military aircraft. You also asked if there could have been a test flight from "RAF Hack Green" on that day. There is no current RAF Station called "Hack Green" and we are not aware of any previous station by that name. I am therefore unable to help you with this particular query.

It may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised foreign military activity.

Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external military source, and to date no 'UFO' report has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so.

*Yours Sincerely*

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21<sup>st</sup> April 2000

Dear Sir/Madam,

A man claiming to have witnessed something very strange and unusual in the sky above Beeston approached me and said that he had taken some pictures of an object he had seen, and if I could help to offer an explanation as to exactly what this object was. The time of the sighting was between 2000 and 2020 hours on Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> of April 2000 near Beeston in Cheshire not far from Crewe, the weather conditions were dry and the lighting was as to be expected just before dusk with the sun setting. The witness was in the area taking photographs of wildlife and also near by Beeston Castle, he was using a Cannon SLR camera and a 400 speed colour film. He claims that he saw this very bright light in the sky "pulsing" and apparently changing shape, and although he could not guess the height and distance from himself he was able to get some photographs of the object and some trees in to try to show some perspective. He witnessed this for about 2 minutes and managed to take several photographs the object then seem to vanish. He was quite taken a back by what he had seen and then as he looked around he saw that the object had reappeared behind him once again he managed to take a few more pictures before the object disappear completely, after about 45 seconds, he didn't see the object fly away it just as he says in his words "went out like a light.... Instantaneously".

I would be very interested if you could tell me if anybody else has reported a sighting of something strange in the area on that day or if you could offer any explanation to what this object could have been. I believe that the RAF base Hack Green is also in this area, could it have been a test flight from this base?

I have enclosed a copy of two of the photographs taken by the witness for you to see and if possible give an explanation as to what this object could have been.

I hope that you can help and look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

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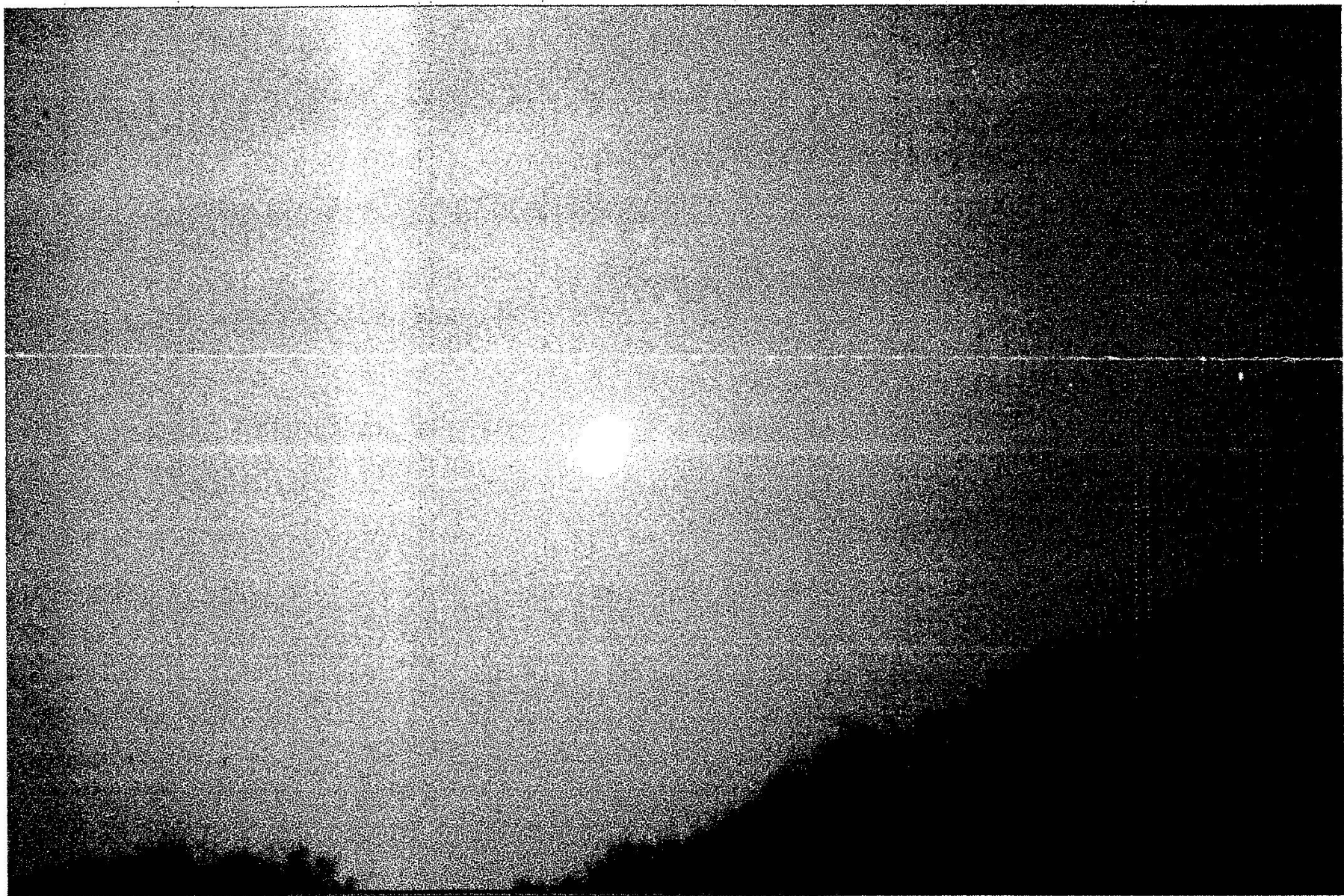
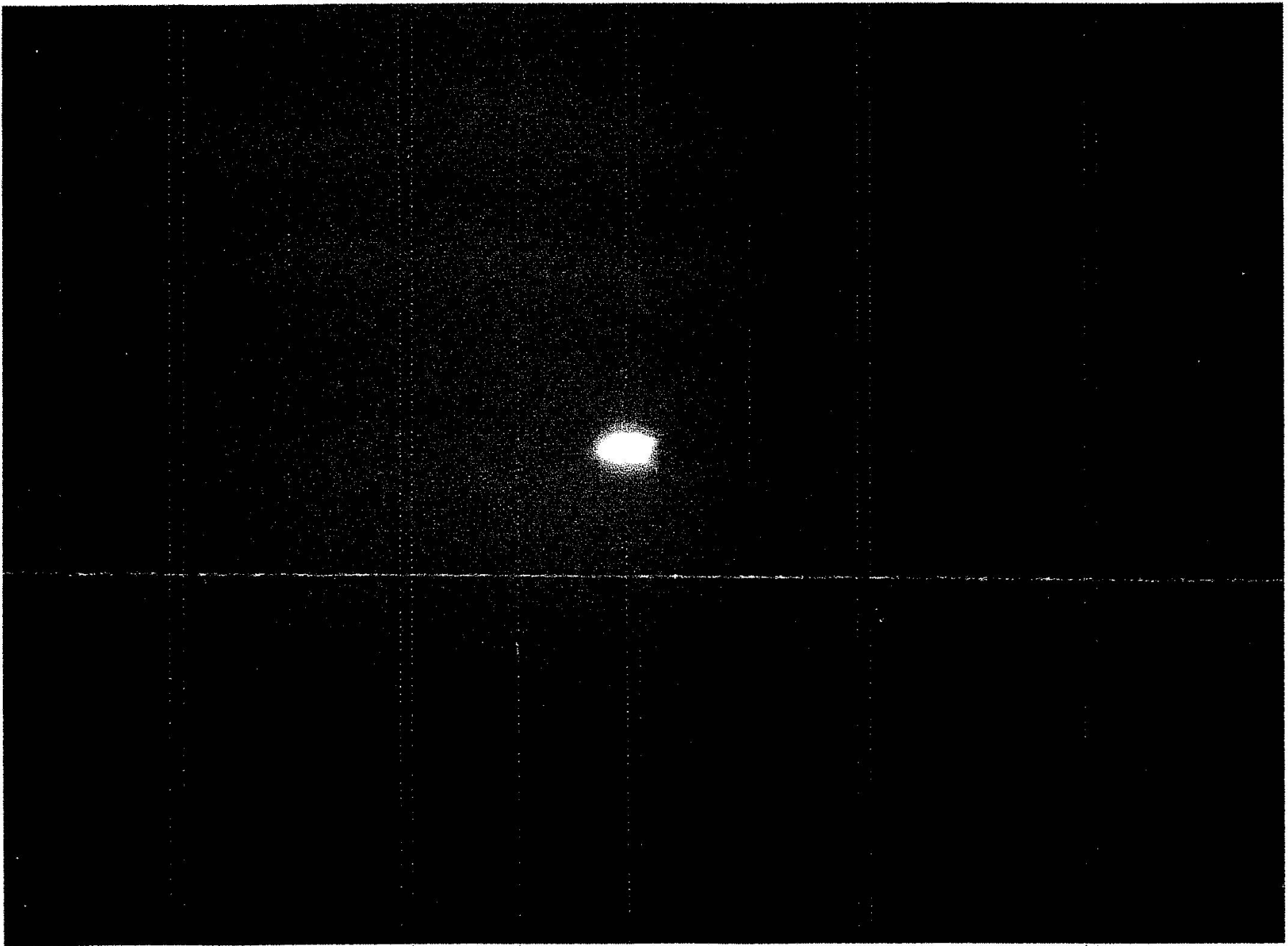


Beeston SJ5458

Hack Green SJ 6448



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**Section 40**  
Pontefract  
West Yorkshire  
**Section 40**

Your Reference

Our Reference  
D/Sec(AS)/64/2

Date  
9 May 2000

**Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your letter reporting 'unidentified flying objects', seen on 11 & 13 February 2000. I can confirm that we have not received any reports for 11 February 2000 from anywhere in the United Kingdom of a large fireball streaking across the sky. I attach two reports that we have received from the Yorkshire area for 13 February 2000, with the informant's details blanked out to protect their confidentiality.

We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised military aircraft, which as you know from previous correspondence, is our only interest in these matters.

*Yours sincerely*

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## REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

A	Date, Time & Duration of Sighting.	13 <sup>th</sup> FEB 08 1830 DURATION OF APPROX 1 MW
B	Description of Object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness).	1 OBJECT, ABOUT SIZE OF MOON IN THE SKY ROUND GLOWING WHITE.
C	Exact Position of Observer. Location, indoor/outdoor, stationary/moving.	INDOORS, BRADFORD
D	How Observed (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or video/movie).	NAKED EYE
E	Direction on which Object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing).	NORTHWEST
F	Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable).	QUITE HIGH IN THE SKY
G	Distance (By reference to a known landmark).	COULD NOT GIVE A LANDMARK BUT GAVE A DISTANCE OF A FEW MILES.
H	Movements (Changes in e, F & G may be of more use than estimates of Course and Speed).	THE OBJECT WAS SINKING DOWNWARDS QUITE FAST, DID NOT CHANGE COURSE
I	Met Conditions during Observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc).	WIND WAS QUITE BREEZY ABOUT 1/4 CLOUD IN SKY.
J	Nearby Objects (Telephone Lines, High Voltage Lines, Reservoir, Lake or Dam, Swamp or Marsh, River, High Buildings, Tall Chimneys, Steeples, Spires, TV or Radio Masts, Airfields, Generating Plant, Factories, Pits or other sites with floodlights or night lighting).	GAVE NO DETAILS OF NEARBY OBJECTS.

# REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

DATE:	13 FEB 00	TIME:	1830 Z	DURATION OF SIGHTING:	
DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT:				Smell? NO.	
Number				Other	
Number	TWO	Size	BIGGER THAN A STAR		
Shape	ROUND	Colour	RED + WHITE		
Brightness	VERY	Sound?	NO		
EXACT POSITION OF OBSERVER:					
Geographical location: CHAPELTOWN (LEEDS)					
Indoors/Outdoors/Stationary/Moving					
HOW OBJECT WAS OBSERVED:					
Naked eye/Binoculars/Camera/Video camera					
DIRECTION IN WHICH OBJECT WAS FIRST SEEN: (A landmark may be useful)					
NORTH					
ANGLE OF SIGHT: ON THE HORIZON					
DISTANCE (By reference to a known landmark if possible):					
6 MILES					
MOVEMENT OF OBJECT: STATIONARY					
MET CONDITIONS DURING OBSERVATION (Moving clouds, mist, haze etc):					
CLEAR					
NEARBY OBJECTS OR BUILDINGS:					
NO					

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Pontefract  
West Yorkshire  
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TEL: Section 40

Date: 24/4/00

Secretariat(Air Staff)2a  
Room 8245  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
Main Building  
Whitehall  
London  
SW1A 2HB

Dear Sir or Madam,

On Sunday February the 13<sup>th</sup> 2000 at 1830 I received numerous reports from all over West Yorkshire by people who had seen a fast moving brilliant white object coming from a northerly direction to a southerly direction. Some people reported a green object, so from all the information I have received I have established that at least two objects were seen at the same time, some reports also suggested that the white object might have hovered for a time.

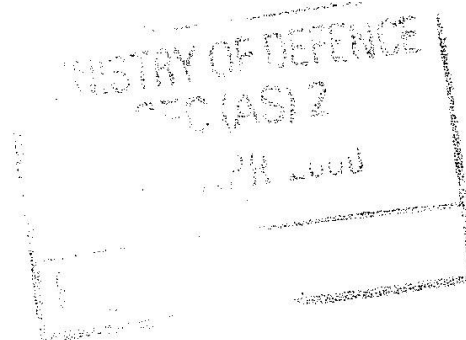
Two days previous on the 11<sup>th</sup> at 0650 two people said they saw a large fireball streaking across the sky.

Could you please tell me if you received any similar reports from the dates and times in question.

Any help would be greatly appreciated.

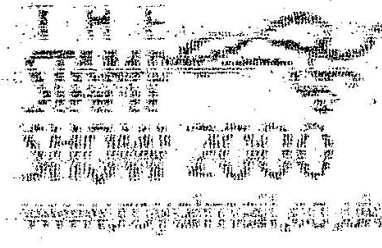
Yours sincerely

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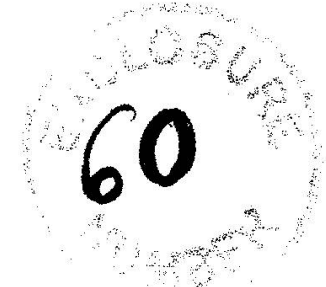
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Barnet by  
 Lincolnshire  
**Section 40**

Your Reference

Our Reference  
 D/Sec(AS)/64/2 ←

Date  
 5 May 2000

**Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 5 April 2000. Your report was passed to this office by RAF Waddington as we are the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

First it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised foreign military activity.

Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external military source, and to date no 'UFO' report has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so. As a result we are unable to assist with your particular query.

With regard to your particular observation, I have looked back through our sighting report files and can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 5 April from anywhere in the United Kingdom. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised military aircraft.

*Yours sincerely*

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Fax: 01522-720271 **Section 40**

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PLEASE FIND ATTACHED A COPY OF  
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TAKEN FROM A PHONE CALL.

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ANNEX A TO  
SOP 502REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

1. Date, time & duration of sighting	05/04/00 - 22:30L. 90 SECONDS.
2. Description of object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise)	BIG CHEVRON SHAPE. APPEARED SOLID WITH MANY TWINKLING ORANGE LIGHTS - SILENT.
3. Exact position of observer (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving)	1 MILE AWAY FROM HUMBERSIDE AIRPORT OUTDOORS - WALKING.
4. How observed (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder)	NAKED EYE.
5. Direction in which object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a roughly estimated bearing)	—
6. Angle of sight (Estimated heights are unreliable)	ABOVE ALL BUILDINGS AND TREES. 1000ft.
7. Distance (By reference to a known landmark)	—
8. Movements (Changes in 5, 6 & 7 may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	FAST.
9. Met conditions during observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc)	CLEAR.
10. Nearby objects (Telephone lines, high voltage lines, reservoir, lake or dam, swamp or marsh, river, high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, spires, TV or radio masts, airfields, generating plant, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lighting)	END OF RUNWAY.



11. To whom reported (Police, military, press etc)	RAF.
12. Name & address of informant	<b>Section 40</b> BARNETBY WINGS
13. Background of informant that may be volunteered	POLICE OFFICER.
14. Other witnesses	NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOUR <b>Section 40</b>
15. Date and time of receipt	06 <sup>th</sup> APRIL 2000 14 20Z.
16. Any unusual meteorological conditions	NONE.
17. Remarks	THE INFORMANT WAS OUT SHOOTING WITH HIS NEIGHBOUR.

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Your Reference

Our Reference  
D/Sec(AS)/64/2Date  
4 May 2000**Section 40**

Thank you for your letter dated 29 March 2000. As you are aware, this office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'unidentified flying objects.'

First it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised foreign military activity.

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With regard to your particular query, we have received no reports concerning the incident you describe. An airmiss can only be reported by the pilot who believes that his/her aircraft may have been endangered by the proximity of another aircraft (or, in regulated airspace, where an Air Traffic Controller believes there has been a risk of collision). The decision whether to file an airmiss report or not is exclusively the pilot's and rests entirely on his/her subjective assessment of the circumstances. This is because it is very difficult for someone on the ground, even for experienced observers, to estimate the absolute and relative heights and speeds of the aircraft, especially when the aircraft concerned are some distance away. Any information available to the public relating to an airmiss will be held by the The Civil Aviation Authority. You may write to them at: The Civil Aviation Authority, CAA House, 45-59 Kingsway, London, WC2B 6TE.

I hope this is helpful.

*Yours sincerely*

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LOW FLYING / UFOs

## MINISTERIAL CORRESPONDENCE UNIT

To Sec(AS)2 MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
SEC(AS)2  
26 APR 2000  
FILE Ref No 2818 /2000  
Date 27/4/00

The Secretary of State, / \_\_\_\_\_ has received the attached letter from a member of the public. It has not been acknowledged by this office.

Please send a reply on behalf of the Minister concerned. All Ministers attach importance to such letters being answered promptly, your reply should therefore be sent **within 20 working days** of receipt in this branch. If, exceptionally, this should prove impossible an interim reply should be sent within the same timescale.

A new Open Government Code of Practice on Access to Government Information came into force in January 1997. All replies to members of the public must be in accordance with the procedures set out in the Code. A full explanation of the Code of Practice is contained in DCI(Gen) 223/99, further information is available from DOMD on extension **Section 40**B.

Under the Citizens' Charter, Departments are now required to keep records of their performance. All branches and Agencies are required to keep information on the number of **requests for information which refer to the Code of Practice** including details of the correspondent and the nature and date of the reply. In addition, the Department is required to provide a record of the total number of letters from members of the public and provide statistics (which may be used on a valid sample) of its performance in providing replies within their published targets.

As part of our monitoring procedure, random spot checks on the accuracy of your branch records on correspondence will be performed throughout the year.

ROOM 6140 EXT **Section 40**

29 March 2000

Ministry of Defense  
Whitehall  
London  
England  
SW1A 2HB

I have been referred to your agency by the Safety Regulation Group of the Civil Aviation Authority located at Aviation House, Gatwick Airport South, West Sussex. Please see a copy of their reply letter attached, from which you can see that I inquired about the report submitted to the CAA regarding an aviation incident "... incident involving a Debonair flight on 3 February."

I am writing to request that I be sent copies of any and all reports, correspondence and/or memoranda related to the above aviation incident, including those between the CAA and MoD.

Please note that I am willing to pay reasonable fees for search, reproduction and postage if required. Please notify me in writing of any such costs before they are incurred.

Sincerely,

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## SAFETY REGULATION GROUP

Aviation House  
Gatwick Airport South  
West Sussex  
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Direct Dial  
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12 July 1999

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Thank you for your letter of 26 June 1999 about the incident involving a Debonair flight on 3 February.

I can confirm that the occurrence was reported to the CAA by the pilot. Details of the event have been recorded on the Civil Aviation Authority's Mandatory Occurrence Reporting System. This is the UK's national database for aviation safety records, containing aviation knowledge which can be studied and analysed by the CAA and by the aviation industry in general.

So called 'UFO' incidents are handled by the Ministry of Defence (Whitehall, London SW1A 2HB) and you should contact that organisation to make any further inquiries.

Yours sincerely

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Cheshire Paranormal Society

**Section 40**

Your Reference

Our Reference  
 D/Sec(AS)/64/2 ←

Date  
 3 May 2000

**Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your letter reporting an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 3 March 2000. As you may be aware, this office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

First it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised foreign military activity.

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With regard to your particular observation, I have looked back through our sighting report files and can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 3 March from anywhere in the Chester area. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised military aircraft.

*Yours sincerely*

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# Cheshire Paranormal Society

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13.04.00

Reference number : DKS/0001

Dear sir / madam

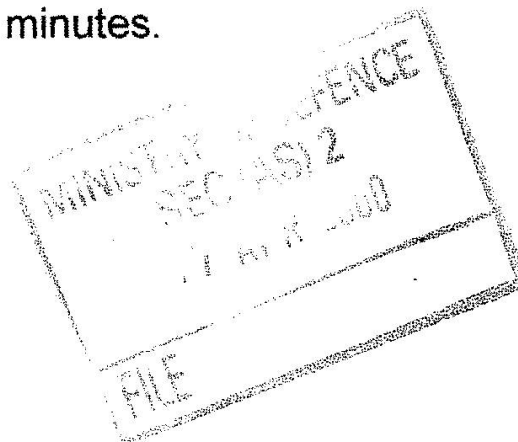
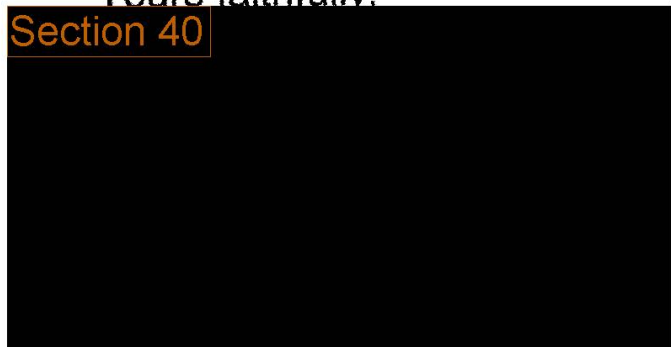
I am currently investigating a possible UFO case in the north of England and would like to know if you have received any other information regarding this case.

The incident occurred on Sunday 3rd March 2000 at 6.45pm, This was witnessed from a coach on the M56 travelling towards Chester, in the Area of Preston Brook, this sighting totalled for approximately 9 minutes.

Hopefully you will be able to assist me.

Yours faithfully,

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**Section 40**  
Southampton UFO Group  
**Section 40**

Your Reference  
  
Our Reference **D/Sec(AS)/64/2** ←  
  
Date  
**3** May 2000

**Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your letter reporting an 'unidentified flying object' or 'objects', seen on 3 March 2000. As you may be aware, this office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

First it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised foreign military activity.

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With regard to your particular observation, I have looked back through our sighting report files and can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 3 March from anywhere in Hampshire. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised military aircraft.

*Yours sincerely*  
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06 April 2000

Reference: SUFOG.02.00/SRR/Sec (AS) 2a.1

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**Section 40**

SUBJECT: REPORT OF UNIDENTIFIED ARIEL PHENOMENON

The Southampton UFO Group has received a report relating to the sighting of an object/objects that were seen to over fly the city of Basingstoke on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March this year at 23:45. The flight path was in an East to West direction. The object or objects was composed of some 20 to 30 lights and were at an approximate altitude of 1000ft.

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My name is [redacted] and I have been given the task of investigating this report for the Southampton UFO Group (SUFOG). I would like to note here that what the observer has reported is exactly what was seen. The observer is a local to the area and a pilot who has had previous sightings, which is what prompted him to report this observation.

The reason for writing to you is really to ask you two questions in relation to the above sighting. Firstly, have you received any reports of anomalous objects in the Basingstoke area, on or around the time of the reported sighting? Secondly, would you be able to help me with the possible identification of this object/objects, or would you know anyone else who could help me with this question. It is my intention over the coming weeks to contact the local Police and the London Airports to see if they can shed some light on the origin of what was seen by the witness.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for taking the time to read this letter and I would also like to offer you my thanks in advance for any reply or help that you may be able to offer me. Please reply to the C/O address (below) as I am in progress of moving to that address very soon.

Thank you once again.

Sincerely,

**Section 40**

Authorised Investigator  
Southampton UFO Group

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
SEC (AS) 2  
17 APR 2000  
FILE

C/O

**Section 40**

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No reply - message left  
on answering machine so informant  
knows MODS position/policy.

**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

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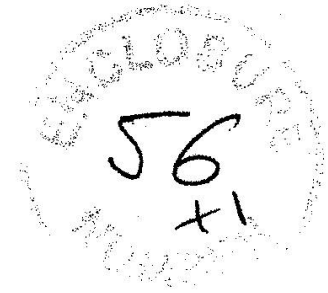
1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	1 May 2000
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Not described.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Moving like a satellite but more erratically, like a star moving towards other stars in constellation.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Sec (AS) 2a1 answerphone
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<div style="background-color: black; color: orange; padding: 2px;">Section 40</div> Marlow Bottom Bucks <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Section 40</div>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	Monday 1 May 2000 23:00





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Leeds.

**Section 40**

Your Reference

Our Reference  
D/Sec(AS)/64/2 ←  
Date  
25 April 2000

**Section 40**  
[Redacted]

Thank you for your two recent letters. I can confirm that have we received no reports for 20 March 2000 from the Saddleworth Moor area or for 25 March 2000 from the County Durham area.

You also asked whether we had received any similar reports to those detailed in your letter throughout the UK. We received no reports that fit the description on the dates that you gave but earlier this year we received the following that may be of some interest to you:

- 09:15 on 1 January 2000: one "cigar shaped object, grey colour" in Tenbury Wells.
- 21:03 on 17 January 2000: two "changing colour, oblong/cigar shaped figures" in Dumfries.

We have received no reports of any "cylinder" type objects.

I hope this is helpful.

*Yours sincerely*

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**UFO INFO**

**Yorkshire UFO INFO**

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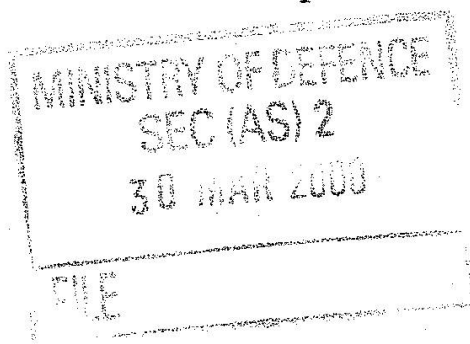
*Dear Sir/Madam,*

*I am writing to inform you about a UFO sighting that was reported to me, the sighting us dated 20.3.00, time 22.50, and the sighting was on the M62 close to Saddleworth Moor.*

*My witness reported to me that they had seen "a cigar shaped object descending at high speed, the object was luminous green in colour and approximately 2 minuets later the exact same scenario was observed with a second object".*

*I would like to know if you have received any further UFO reports from this area at the given date, I would also like to know if you have received any reports similar to this report throughout the UK.*

*Yours sincerely,*



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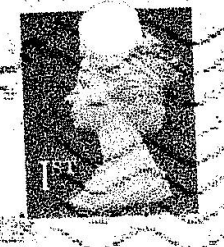
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Yorkshire UFO INFO

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*I am writing to inform you about a UFO sighting that was reported to me.*

*The sighting is dated 25.3.00, time 21.20 hours, from the town of Consett Co. Durham. My witness reported to me that they had seen a "object what looked like a cylinder", the object was visible for several minuets.*

*I would like to ask you if you have had any further reports of a UFO from the Co. Durham area, and I would like to know if you have had any other reports of a Cylinder shaped object over the last few weeks.*

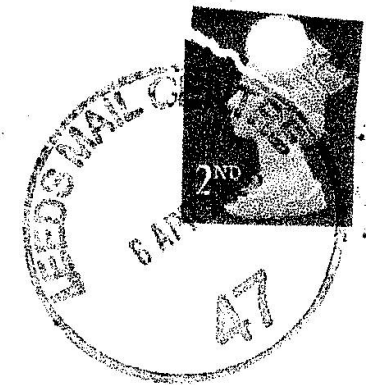
*Yours sincerely,*

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**ENCLOSURE 55 FROM Section 40 IS NOW  
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ON FILE 64/3/14 PT A E2**

No reply sent 95  
 answer phone explain our  
 policy - Section 40 16/05/00

**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

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1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	17 April 2000
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Bright lights heading through the sky
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Naked eye
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Stondon, heading towards Luton
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Moving towards the ground very fast
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	



9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Sec (AS) 2a1 answerphone
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Meppershall Bedfordshire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	Monday 17 April 2000 09:00

14-APR-2000 08:08 FROM AIS(M)LATCC

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<b>AX TRANSMISSION DETAILS:</b>		<b>DTG of Transmission:</b>	
<b>From:</b> AIS(M), LATCC(M), Porters Way, West Drayton Middlesex UB7 9AU Fax No: 01895 42 <b>Section 40</b>		<b>To:</b> <b>Section 40</b> SEC (AS)2, MOD Main Building, Whitehall London SW1A 2HB Fax No: 0171 218 <b>Section 40</b>	
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<b>A DATE:</b>	13 APR	<b>TIME:</b>	2023 Z	<b>DURATION OF SIGHTING:</b>	10 SECS
<b>B DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT:</b>	Number 1 Size Shape STAR Colour Brightness Sound? NIL		Smell? Other	NIL	
<b>C EXACT POSITION OF OBSERVER:</b>	Geographical location: CROSS KEYS, NR NEWPORT CROSS KEYS NR NEWPORT				
<b>D HOW OBJECT WAS OBSERVED:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Naked eye <input type="checkbox"/> Binoculars/Camera/Video camera				
<b>E DIRECTION IN WHICH OBJECT WAS FIRST SEEN: (A landmark may be useful)</b>	WEST		No reply as <b>Section 40</b> has written before and knows our policy.		
<b>F ANGLE OF SIGHT:</b>					
<b>G DISTANCE (By reference to a known landmark if possible):</b>	ABOVE CLOUDS				
<b>H MOVEMENT OF OBJECT:</b>	HEADING SOUTH				
<b>J MET CONDITIONS DURING OBSERVATION (Moving clouds, mist, haze etc):</b>	HIGH CLOUDS				
<b>K NEARBY OBJECTS OR BUILDINGS:</b>	MYNYDD-Y-LAN MOUNTAIN.				
<b>L TO WHOM REPORTED:</b>	Press: _____ Police: _____ Military Organisation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airport: _____ Other: _____				
<b>M INFORMANTS' DETAILS:</b>	Name: <b>Section 40</b> Address:  NEWPORT <b>Section 40</b>				
<b>N ANY BACKGROUND OF THE INFORMANT THAT MAY BE VOLUNTEERED:</b>					
<b>O OTHER WITNESS?</b>	NIL				
<b>P DATE/TIME OF REPORT:</b>	13 APRIL 00 - 2055 GMT				





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Your Reference

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Date  
 13 April 2000

**Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 7 April 2000. Your report was passed to this office by RAF Waddington as we are the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

First it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised foreign military activity.

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With regard to your particular observation, I have looked back through our sighting report files and can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 7 April from anywhere in the United Kingdom. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised military aircraft.

*Yours sincerely*  
**Section 40**



07-APR-2000-FRI 05:50 OPS LEEMING

FAX: 95851 Section 40

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# REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

Send to: MOD Sec(AS) 2a

During working hours ☎: MOD ext 82140  
 FAX Section 40

Outside working hours: UNCLAS Signal to MODUK AIR SIC Z6D

A. Date, Time & Duration of Sighting.	07 Apr 00 0020L
B. Description of Object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness).	Red to orange lights in the sky
C. Exact Position of Observer. Location, indoor/outdoor, stationary/moving.	Outdoors
D. How Observed (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or video/movie).	Naked eye
E. Direction on which Object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing).	North easterly
F. Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable).	?
G. Distance (By reference to a known landmark).	Spanning from Richmond to Wensleydale
H. Movements (Changes in e, F & G may be of more use than estimates of Course and Speed).	Moved north easterly to south westerly then disappeared
I. Met Conditions during Observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc).	Clear sky
J. Nearby Objects (Telephone Lines, High Voltage Lines, Reservoir, Lake or Dam, Swamp or Marsh, River, High Buildings, Tall Chimneys, Steeples, Spires, TV or Radio Masts, Airfields, Generating Plant, Factories, Pits or other sites with floodlights or night lighting).	Nothing
K. To whom reported (Police, Military, Press etc).	Military - Leeming Operations
L. Name & address of Informant.	Section 40 Leeming Section 40

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M. Background of Informant that may be volunteered.	
N. Other witnesses.	Section 40 2 x Neighbours
O. Date, Time of Receipt.	07 Apr 00 0045L
P. Any unusual Meteorological Conditions.	NIL.
Q. Remarks.	





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**Section 40**

Your Reference

Bury

Our Reference  
D/Sec(AS)/64/2 ←**Section 40**Date  
13 April 2000**Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 4 April 2000. Your report was passed to this office by the Aeronautical Information Service (Military) at RAF West Drayton through Manchester Airport. We are the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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With regard to your particular observation, I have looked back through our sighting report files and can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 4 April from anywhere in the United Kingdom. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised military aircraft.

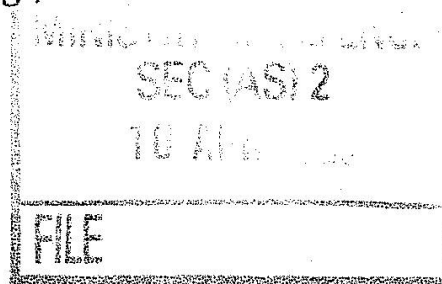
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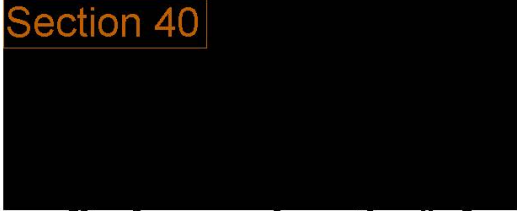
REPORT of an UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

- a. Date/Time and Duration of Sighting ( Local times to be quoted )  
4/4/2000 1730 DURATION 5 MINUTES
- b. Description of Object ( No. of objects, size, shape, colours, brightness, sound, smell etc )  
AT LEAST 12 OBJECTS, SMALL, SAUCER, SILVER, GLINTING IN SUN  
SHAPE
- c. Exact Position Observed. ( Geographical location, indoors or outdoors, stationary or moving )  
INDOORS, LIVING ROOM WINDOW  
Section 40, BURY
- d. How Observed ( Naked eye, Binoculars other optical device, still or movie camera )  
BINOCULARS 20X60
- e. Direction in which Object was first seen ( A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing )  
VERY ERRATIC HIGH SPEED
- f. Angle of Sight ( Estimated heights are unreliable )  
25/30° Approx estimate 1500'  
LOCATION IS HIGH UP ON A HILL.
- g. Distance ( By reference to a known Landmark if possible )  
APPEARED V. CLOSE TO MANCHESTER AIRPORT
- h. Movements ( Changes in E,F,G may be of more use )  
VERY ERRATIC, HIGH SPEED  
INTERCHANGING WITH ONE ANOTHER  
APPEARED CLOSE TO SLIGHTLY ABOVE, AIRCRAFT ON FINALS TO
- i. Meteorological Conditions During Observations. ( Moving clouds Mist etc. ) MANCHESTER  
CLEAR SKY
- j. Nearby Objects ( Telephone lines Spires Etc. )  
NONE
- k. To Whom Reported ( Police, Military Organisations, the Press )  
ATC MANCHESTER,  
MANCHESTER AIRPORT SWITCHBOARD



l. Name and Address of Informant

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m. Any Background on the Informant that may be Volunteered.

AMATEUR RADIO AND  
AIRCRAFT ENTHUSIAST

n. Other Witnesses

NONE

o. Date and Time of Receipt

4/4/2000 1820,

The above details are to be faxed immediately to AIS (Military), LATTC on 7-144-Section 40

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The completed form is to be despatched to:

Ministry of Defence

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Message/Remarks: Please find enclosed a copy of a U.F.O. report faxed to us from Manchester Airport. Kind regards, <b>Section 40</b>			
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AINTWORTH, BURY.
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MANCHESTER
- i. Meteorological Conditions During Observations. (Moving clouds Mist etc.)  
CLEAR SKY
- j. Nearby Objects (Telephone lines Spires Etc.)  
NONE
- k. To Whom Reported (Police, Military Organisations, the Press)  
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**l. Name and Address of Informant**

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**n. Other Witnesses**

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Your Reference

Our Reference  
 D/Sec(AS)/64/2 ✓

Date  
 13 April 2000

**Section 40**

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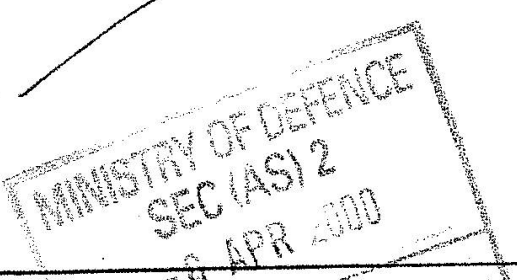
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*Yours sincerely*

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REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

A. Date, Time & Duration of Sighting	29. 3. 00 Midnight 2-3 secs
B. Description of Object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness)	Comet shape with about 1ft long tail 4-6 times bigger than star
C. Exact Position of Observer Location, indoor/outdoor, stationary/moving	Standing on farm-yard
D. How Observed (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or movie)	Eye
E. Direction in which Object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing)	East - North East
F. Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable)	120° - 130°
G. Distance (By reference to a known landmark)	
H. Movements (Changes in E, F & G may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	Travelling away from observer
I. Met Conditions during Observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc)	Clear
J. Nearby Objects (Telephone lines, high Voltage lines, reservoir, lake or dam, swamp or marsh, river, high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, spires, TV or radio masts, airfields, generating plant, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lighting)	

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RAF COMMUNITY RELATIONS OFFICER(WALES)

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Ffôn/Phone 01938 55 **Section 40**



K. To whom reported (Police, military, press etc)	CRO WALES
L. Name & Address of Informant	Section 40 [REDACTED] WELSHPOOL POWYS
M. Background of Informant that may be volunteered	Farmer. In contact with
N. Other Witnesses	His office previously
O. Date, Time of Receipt	30. 3. 00.
P. Any Unusual Meteorological Conditions	Section 40 [REDACTED]
Q. <u>Remarks</u>	

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RELATIONS OFFICER (WALES)  
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**Section 40**

Oxford,

**Section 40**

Your Reference

Our Reference  
 D/Sec(AS)/64/2 ←

Date  
 13 April 2000

**Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 25 March 2000. Your report was passed to this office by RAF Lyneham as we are the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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*Yours sincerely*

**Section 40**



25-MAR-2000 21:50 FROM:

Section 40

**UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING REPORT**

LYN /

Elicit as many details from the caller as possible using the list of questions then dispose of as Low Flying/Noise Complaints

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1	Date & Time of Sighting	25 2140
	Duration of Sighting	30 min
2	Description of Object: No of objects	ONE
	size	NOT KNOWN
	shape	OVAL
	colour	FLASHING RED/GREEN/BLUE
	brightness	BRIGHTER THAN STARS
	did it make any noise?	NO
3	Exact position of observer: (In/Outdoor)	OUTSIDE
	(stationary/moving)	STILL
4	How observed: Naked eye/binos/camera/other optical device	EYE
5	In what direction was the object first seen A landmark may be of better use than a rough bearing	E.N.E (EAST)
6	Angle of sighting from horizon (estimated hts are unreliable)	15°-20°
7	Distance Reference to a landmark helps	
8	Movement of object (changes in 5,6 and 7 above may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	HOVERING
9	Weather conditions during observation haze or mist, moving cloud	CLEAR
10	Nearby objects Telephone/power lines/floodlights Water features (river/lake/dam/reservoir/marsh High buildings / chimneys / steeples / masts Other: Airfields/factories/pits/power stations Other plant using floodlighting	TREES PLAYING FIELD
11	To whom reported apart from us	NO
12	Informer's Name	Section 40 (MR)
13	Informer's Address: Section 40 OXFORD Section 40	14 Witness Names/Tels NOT GIVEN (DOUBLE BARREL NAME)
	Informer's Tel No.	Section 40
15	Any other details volunteered	
16	Date/time of this report	
17	Remarks about informer by person taking call:	

Annotate a LYN no. and fax the form directly to MOD:

Tel GPTN 96218 Section 40

25MAR00

FAX GPTN 9621 Section 40

Annotate the form "FAXED" with the date.

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