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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

A controller receiving a report about an unidentified flying object must obtain as much as information as possible required to complete a report in format shown below.

Report of Unidentified Flying Object

A Date, Time and Duration of Sighting

Local times to be quoted

14 JAN 2005. 0024Z, "THEY'VE BEEN THERE A WHILE"

B Description of Object

Number of objects, size, shape, colours, brightness, sound, smell, etc

2 BRIGHT ORANGE LIGHTS, REALLY BRIGHT AND ROUND

C Exact Position of Observer

Geographical location, indoors or outdoors, stationary or moving

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LEEDS. INDOORS

D How Observed?

Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or movie camera

NAKED EYE

E Direction in which Object was first seen

A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing.

NO INFORMATION

F Angular Elevation of Object

Estimated heights are reliable.

NO INFORMATION

G Distance of Object from Observer

By reference to a known landmark, wherever possible.

NO INFORMATION

H Movement of Object

Changes in E, F and G may be more useful than estimates of course and speed.

NO INFORMATION

J Meteorological Conditions during observations

Moving clouds, haze, mist etc.

STILL + CLEAR

K Nearby Objects

Telephone or 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 other lighting.

STREET LIGHTS

L To whom reported

Police, military organisations, the press etc.

REPORT RECEIVED FROM MEMBER OF PUBLIC VIA YORKSHIRE POLICE



From: **Section 40**
 Directorate of Air Staff – Freedom of Information 1



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Section 40

Stockport
 Cheshire

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

11 January 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 1 September 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. 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 air activity.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 1 September 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

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REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	1 September 2004 15.55L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object was a silver disc.
3.	Exact position of observer. Geographical location. (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	In his car, driving east of Glossop.
4.	How object was observed. (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	Direction in which object was first seen. (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Driving two miles east of Glossop, from the flight path of Manchester Airport down the A57.
6.	Approximate distance.	In the distance.
7.	Movements and speed. (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	Weather conditions during observation. (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	To whom reported. (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	Name, address and telephone no of informant.	Section 40 [Redacted] Stockport Cheshire Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	Said that it could have been a weather balloon.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	11 January 2005 10.30L



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Lisburn

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

22 December 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 15 December 2004, the details of which you reported to ATC Aldergrove. 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 air activity.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 15 December 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Yours sincerely

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AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL
BELFAST INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Date 15/12/04

REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT

A. Date, Time and duration of sighting 15/12/04 0830 20 MINS

B. Description of Object:- 3 BRIGHT LINES MOVING IN THE SKY

C. Exact Position of Observer:- GLENAVY

D. How Observed? NAKED EYE

E. Direction in which Object was first seen:- TOWARDS LISBURN

F. Angular Elevation of Object:- 20°

G. Distance of Object From Observer:- UNKNOWN

H. Movements of Object:- UNKNOWN

J. Meteorological Conditions during Observations:- CLEAR

K. Nearby Objects:- NIL

L. To Whom Reported:- ATC ALDERGROVE

M. Name and Address of Informant:- Section 40
Section 40 LISBURN Section 40

N. Any background on the Informant that may be volunteered: NIL

O. Other Witnesses:- NIL

P. Date and Time of Receipt of Report:- 15/12/04 1100

The details are to be telephoned immediately to AIS (Military), LATCC.

The completed report is to be sent by the originating ATSU to the MOD Sec (AS)



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Section 40

Letchworth
 Bedfordshire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

14 December 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in December 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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With regard to your particular observation, I can't confirm whether we had any other reports of 'UFO' sightings on the day, you saw the 'UFO', as you did not forward this office, (on the answerphone), a date or time of the sighting. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Yours sincerely

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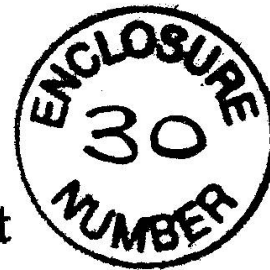
REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	(Didn't give date or time of the sighting on the answerphone).
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said there were two objects.
3.	Exact position of observer. Geographical location. (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	How object was observed. (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	Direction in which object was first seen. (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	Approximate distance.	Not given.
7.	Movements and speed. (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Said the objects were going quite slow at times. The objects were flying around the sky for about two hours.
8.	Weather conditions during observation. (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	To whom reported. (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	Name, address and telephone no of informant.	Section 40 Letchworth Bedfordshire Section 40
11.	Other witnesses.	Policemen, didn't say how many.
12.	Remarks.	Section 40 said that she contacted her local police station incident room and that they witnessed the two objects. She did not think it was a satellite. That the police officers said that the objects could not be explained.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	13 December 2004 11.30L

Fax from :

* (Have rung the witness - a few times, haven't got an answer).



No reply. No full address.

Report of Unidentified Flying Object

a) Date, Time and Duration of Sighting. 10/12/04 1725 2 mins

b) Description of Object
Ball of fire with a tail 5-7 times the diameter of the ball. Bright orange with a weaker orange tail.

c) Exact Position of
Broxburn, Edinburgh

d) How Observed
Naked eye from inside a car

e) Direction in which Object was First Seen
North

f) Angular Elevation of Object
± 60°

g) Distance of Object from Observer
Not known

h) Movements of Object
Moving at aircraft speed in a slight arc, north to south

i) Meteorological Conditions During Observations
Partly cloudy

k) Nearby Objects
-

l) To Whom Reported

ATC Edinburgh + SeACC Supervisor

m) Name and Address of Informant

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n) Any Background Information on the Informant that may be Volunteered

o) Other witnesses
-

p) Date and Time of Receipt of Report

10/12/04 1810



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Winscombe
 North Somerset

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Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

10 December 2004

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Dear

Thank you for your letter dated 26 November 2004, and the enclosed notes, regarding the sightings you saw in 1996 and 1998.

This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's.

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 air activity.

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Yours sincerely

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**** TO BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY *****Low flying/afos***TREAT OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE**To DAS (LA) PTPTO Ref No 10168 - /2004

cc:

Date 8 . 12 . 04 .

The Prime Minister/SofS/Min(AF)/Min(DP)/USofS/MOD* has received the attached correspondence from a member of the public, which this office has neither retained nor acknowledged. Please send a reply on behalf of the PM/Minister/Department*.

Ministers attach great importance to correspondence being answered promptly, and your reply should be sent **within 15 working days of the above date**. If, exceptionally, this should prove impossible, an interim reply should be sent within the same timescale. You should be aware that No 10 periodically calls for a sample of letters sent by officials on the PM's behalf for his perusal.

An 'Open Government Code of Practice on Access to Government Information' came into force in 1997. All replies to members of the public must be in accordance with the procedures set out in the Code. In particular, information can only be withheld if it falls within the scope of a particular exemption. However, some exemptions are subject to a 'public interest test', whereby the harm associated with disclosure must be weighed against the public interest in release. Applicants must be informed of any decision to apply an exemption and of their right to appeal against this decision by writing to D Info(Exp). A full explanation is contained in DCI(Gen) 232/01; further information is available from DG Info on **Section 40**

It is vital that branches ensure they have simple systems to record and track correspondence received from members of the public. This information should be regularly monitored and reviewed against the targets for answering correspondence published in the Spending Review 2000 Service Delivery Agreement for the Ministry of Defence. In addition, we are required to keep information on the number of requests for information that specifically refer to the Code of Practice.

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

Ministerial Correspondence Unit

Floor 5, Zone A, Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB

Section 40**Section 40**DII: Ministerial Correspondence; e: Ministerial-Correspondence@mod.uk.

Detailed guidance on handling TO Correspondence can be found on the Defence Intranet at http://main.defence.mod.uk/min_pari/ParlBrch/TOGuid.htm
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**** TO BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY ****

* Delete as appropriate.



INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

Revised August 2004

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WINSCOMBE, N. SOMERSET,

Section 40

26-11-04.

Defence Secretary.
Re: U.F.O.

Dear Sir,

I enclose details of the notes
I made in 1996 and 1998 when I was
living at Section 40 NEW MILTON.
in HAMPSHIRE.

Having recently seen a film
on television regarding UFO's. I managed
to find my notes, which may be of
interest for your records.

Yours sincerely

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These notes have not been given
to anyone in the past Section 40

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'96

NEW MILTON, HANTS

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Tuesday 1st October / approx 5.30 AM.

Fine Morning & clear sky - Stars visible.

I raised the blind in the kitchen window, which faces North and saw an object flying West to East. I went outside the house, (it took a few seconds to unlock the back door) I could still see the flying object, there was no noise, and it was illuminated, reasonably slow speed. However, the object was not travelling very fast, and much to my surprise another flying object coming along on the same course was visible, well lit, but just slightly smaller ^{in size}, but no noise from the sky. I checked the clock at 5.35 AM.

The flight path was West to East above the line of trees at the bottom end of our garden - difficult to judge the height. I only wished my binoculars were available, it was so unexpected.

Seeing is believing!!

Thurs 17 Sept-98. approx 5.22 am. clear, starlight sky, object flying West to East, illuminated, some sound, not travelling very fast. a further object some distance behind at higher level, not as ~~large~~ large as ^{first object} seen in '96.

The first one this morning showing at least 3 lights the second of with one bright light.

about 5 minutes after this event, aircraft noise arose from West from airport, in no way connected to objects seen in the sky. However, I was not so surprised as I was two years ago. I generally have a careful look after previous '96 sightings. Quite unexpected.

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Section 40

West Kilbride
Ayrshire
Scotland

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

2 December 2004

Dear **Section 40**

Thank you for your letter dated 26 November 2004.

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 26 November 2004, the details of which you included in your letter.

As stated in my previous letters, you will know our policy on 'UFO's.

With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 26 November 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied there there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

If the MOD ever became aware of any evidence which might suggest a potential threat, action would be set in hand to investigate, analyse and counter that threat in the light of the circumstances which prevail at the time. This applies to any form of threat to the UK's security from whatever source. UK airspace is continually policed to ensure that no such aircraft enters our airspace.

As to your other comments in your letter, they have been noted and your letter will be placed on our files.

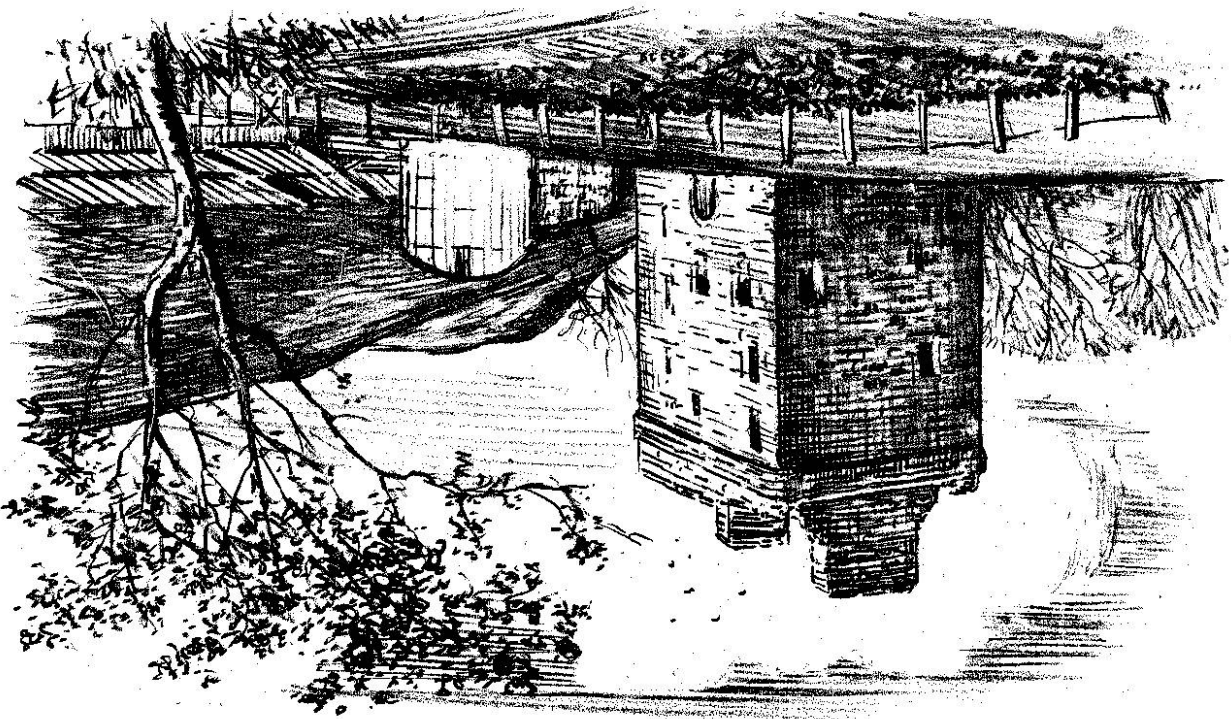
Yours sincerely

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Loch Castle and Hill, West Kilbride



West Kilbride

Ayrshire

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26th Nov. 04

Ref D/DAS/64/2

Directorate of Air Staff.

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Returning at 9 PM seeing a Sulphur Flame. I put my car in storage. 26th Friday. I looked up at moon I couldn't believe my eyes, I witnessed a 'wave' of yellow spheres at least 25, in groups of 5. Estantly Direction souly North. I called my son, He was trying to count them, But He couldn't handle it, He said it disturbs Him, So He went inside. I stood 15 minutes. It was hard to count them so many he said long distance sight. I know **Section 40** This is not a threat to your "Lower Air space". One, much lower Bright-Larger stepped, 2e Experienced this before, This time I didn't stay till 5 moved, too cold.

Surrement, is. If there is a cover up - they are Scott 'Beings' why would he need to cover up? why they are there? So that why I feel people need answers, Superior craft - Technology, leads to "who is in charge? if who." An Astronaut said some last week in Newspaper as he flew over Area 51 - Saw 'Things' He said, who is in charge of Area 51? People would rather know truth. It not truth if you, Don't worry.

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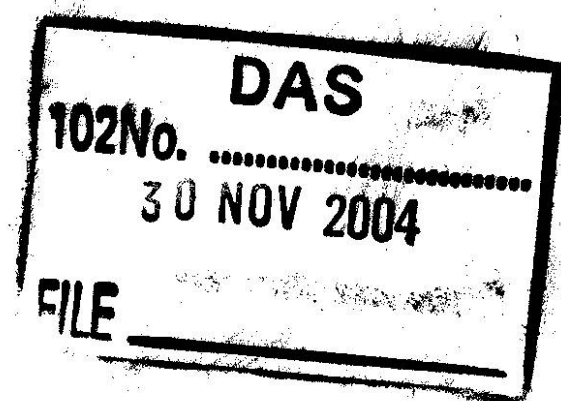
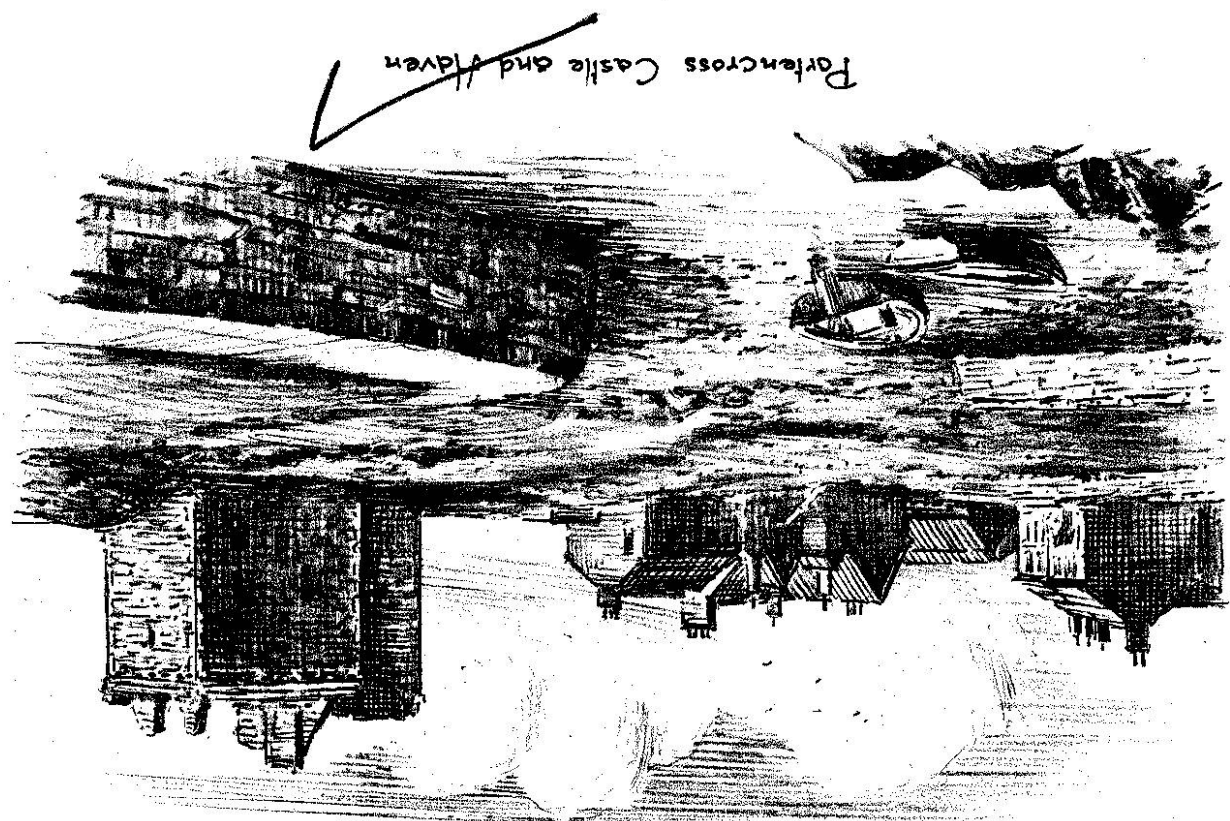
and it looks too, why am I involved to witness them? I hope you are aware, no doubt now. Yours sincerely **Section 40**

There been little sign of them since August - hardly any clear skies. He not been taken notice, except me

I saw, 6 weeks ago, as it flew over, & from behind a cloud, I witnessed what appeared to be a Laser Beam stood out from cloud, Blue-white colour. ~~Beam~~ ^{Beam} which I witnessed them, they do exist. He said I know. He never asked me anything of my views, as I said he who! - He said and unfortunately I'm involved. He seemed reluctant to talk, maybe he has had a bad score, as my son - I will not say by it actions. He looked very determined to find a book to give him answers.

I thought was Army & sphere, but I can't tell that. It was rather strange to see it. Not lightning, it puzzled me. On 24th Wednesday. I was in Ayr, went to Oakes Book Shop. To get books for sons Xmas, I couldn't get ~~Part~~ ^{Part} answers. He was for a man kneeling down to lower shelf. He was dressed in business suit, grey pin strip, white collar-tie, tall broad shouldered about 55 years old, in his hand was Tomilly's book 'Unearthly Disclosure' as I stood waiting to pass, I said, 'Oh I see you are interested in UFO. He said 'Unfortunately I am.' I said 'Do you believe in them?' yes he said, 'Are you a witness to them, he didn't answer that question. He said, "I want to find out if America is involved & energy up." He said 'if' so. Who is in charge of

Perhaps I should have asked him to join me in a coffee-talk. - share, but he was undecided in what I could have told him. I think he knows more than me. It is such a relief to find other witnesses. To me it date Judy mother Dimension in our life. The wave that flew over, is no illusion as I made sure I noted, & focused on stars - the difference of star size yellow spheres on the more. I was startled to see so many - had more passed before I noticed them? I wonder now why that gentleman found "unfortunately involved", the only question I'd feel I would ask of



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P.S.

I know you may not believe this, when I Rel. but
Triangle in Sky 2001 with green light in each corner
Near as Stiffed for Half an Hr.

2 months later, the most strange looking man knocked
on my door, asked if I wanted Kleenex Book.
He never made a move, held a ledger. He was
about 5 ft, emaciated looking face saunt-pale
very large thin feet, very splayed feet I noticed
as he walked down my path. I shut the door, I had
a bad feeling of the man, he looked so strange. I opened
my door. He was gone, I looked all over for him, the
way my house is situated I can see 3 streets clearly.
There no way he could have left my garden path even
I know the Kleenex store they just put Book through door
- collect. The next month she came - I said about the Kleenex
man. She said there no man.
He had no skills of a Seaman. He had the strangest feet-shoes

I Don't Believe in Men in Black

But there no way, that man could have got any
Distance from my Street, without Being Seen By me.
This is truth. There was no car. He never was to
Neighbours I asked. I'm left with a mystery?

He wore grey woolie Hat - grey anorak, I wanted to
Shoe trade with a **Section 40** in Edinburgh Medical
I've never seen anybody with Shiny feet like Him ever
- lay pointed shoes. He just vanished from my Path.
Definitely not 'Men in Black' He was a grey man all
over face & all. He looked Half Dead.

I told Him I only like from Bellerware, I Don't order Soak
& Kleenex Sire. Bellerware man Been around 26 years.
So He just look off. He was not carrying Kleenex Book
He stood far Back in ~~Parade~~, Hands crossed Holding a Ledger
He made no move at all to give me a Book
I wonder to this Day. If I had Said yes. I would have?

He Had No time to leave my Garden Path, yet He Vanished.

I Don't expect you to Believe the. But it's Truth

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Ministry of Defence

Section 40

(AIR STAFF)

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Douglas
 Isle of Man

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

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Date:

24 November 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 19 November 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 19 November 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40



REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	19 November 2004 08.02L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object was a silver disc, with solar panels.
3.	Exact position of observer. Geographical location. (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	How object was observed. (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the Naked eye. A picture was taken of the object too.
5.	Direction in which object was first seen. (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Said the object was flying near Ronaldsway Airport in the Isle of Man.
6.	Approximate distance.	Not given.
7.	Movements and speed. (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was moving from East to West.
8.	Weather conditions during observation. (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	To whom reported. (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	Name, address and telephone no of informant.	<p>Section 40</p> <p>Douglas Isle of Man</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	<p>Section 40 said that he got in touch with an Astronomy Department on the Island and that they said there was nothing else up in the sky at that time, and that there was no military aircraft seen in the area either. Section 40</p> <p>Section 40 said it was definitely a UFO, as he said he could see solar panels on the craft!!</p>
13.	Date and time of receipt.	<p>24 November 2004 11.30L</p> <p>(Message left on Das answerphone today).</p>



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Section 40

Romford
 Essex

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
 D/DAS/64/2

Date:
 12 November 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 11 November 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. 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 air 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.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 11 November 2004 from anywhere in the UK. With regards to there being any military aircraft in the area at the time of your sighting, I enquired, and I can confirm that there was not. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry, I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40





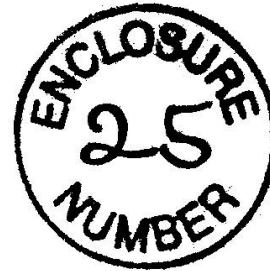
REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	11 November 2004 14.15L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object was the size of a round beach ball and black. Said it suddenly looked disc shape as it became stationary in the sky. The object didn't have any wings.
3.	Exact position of observer. Geographical location. (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Section 40 was outdoors, walking through Section 40 Ilford, Essex.
4.	How object was observed. (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	Direction in which object was first seen. (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The object was right behind a passenger plane, going in the direction of Heathrow Airport.
6.	Approximate distance.	So many thousand feet up, like the passenger plane.
7.	Movements and speed. (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was following the passenger plane, and then suddenly stopped and was stationary.
8.	Weather conditions during observation. (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	The weather was quite clear with a few small white clouds.

9.	To whom reported. (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	Name, address and telephone no of informant.	Section 40 Romford Essex Section 40
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	Said that after a few minutes, the object went behind a cloud and just disappeared. That he thought it was a Stelph bomber, but because of the lack of wings, he changed his mind. Asked if there were any military jets in the area, at the time of his sighting?
13.	Date and time of receipt.	11 November 2004 15.10L



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Section 40

Warmington
 Northants

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

10 November 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 9 November 2004, the details of which you reported to Northamptonshire Police. 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 air activity.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 9 November 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry, I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40



REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	9 November 2004 (Didn't give time).
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object was very bright like the sun. It looked from a distance, the size of a space hopper, one of those, bouncy toys. Said the object had flames coming off of it, as it was descending to the ground.
3.	Exact position of observer. Geographical location. (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	She was about half a mile away from her house driving in her car going home, along Section 40 , when the object seemed to just fall from the sky about half a mile away from behind her house, in the opposite direction.
4.	How object was observed. (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye from her car.
5.	Direction in which object was first seen. (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Behind her house in a field in Warmington, Northants.
6.	Approximate distance.	Half a mile away from her house.
7.	Movements and speed. (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Said the object was going quite fast. Said it could have been a meteorite, now thinking about how it looked it. (But then there would have been evidence of it, when it landed in the field).
8.	Weather conditions during observation. (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	To whom reported. (Police, military, press etc)	Rang the Control Room at Northamptonshire Police, who then rang the Das answerphone and left a message.
10.	Name, address and telephone no of informant.	Section 40 [REDACTED] Warmington Northants
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	Northamptonshire Police said that they had a quick look at the said area, where the object had landed, but the area is so big and they couldn't quite pin point the spot and said that they could not find any debris or scorch marks in the field. The Police rang RAF Whittering to see if there had been any military aircraft in the area, and they said that there hadn't been any aircraft flying in that area that evening.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	10 November 2004 10.45L



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Section 40

Driffield
 East Yorkshire

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
 D/DAS/64/2

Date:
 8 November 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 6 November 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. 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 air activity.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 6 November 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

I am sorry I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40



REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	6 November 2004 21.25L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object had three to four different colour lights around it.
3.	Exact position of observer. Geographical location. (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	How object was observed. (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	The naked eye.
5.	Direction in which object was first seen. (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	Approximate distance.	Hovering near his house in Driffield, East Yorkshire.
7.	Movements and speed. (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Section 40 said the object was hovering slowly near his house and that it suddenly moved fast and disappeared.
8.	Weather conditions during observation. (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	To whom reported. (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone. Section 40 [REDACTED]
10.	Name, address and telephone no of informant.	Section 40 [REDACTED] Driffield East Yorkshire Section 40 [REDACTED]
11.	Other witnesses.	One witness, but didn't say who it was.
12.	Remarks.	Section 40 [REDACTED] said that the object was definitely not a helicopter or a plane. That it was very weird to be either of those. That he is not mad. It was something that anybody would have had trouble identifying.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	8 November 2004 11.00L



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Section 40

Livingston
 West Lothian

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

2 November 2004

Dear **Section 40**

Thank you for your letter dated 22 October 2004. Sorry for not getting back to you sooner. Your letter took some time to get to the right department.

I am writing with reference to your report of the 'unidentified flying objects', seen in 2004, by two residents of Dumfries. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs', so UFO sightings should be reported to this office.

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 air activity.

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With regard to the particular observations, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for the 9 September 2004 and the 12 October 2004 from anywhere in the UK. With regards to there being any military aircraft in the area at the specific dates and times, there was no military aircraft in the area on the 9 September, but on the 12 October between the hours

of 8pm and 11pm, there was a lot of military activity over Dumfries, Torandos and Hercules jets were low flying training. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

I hope this has been of help.

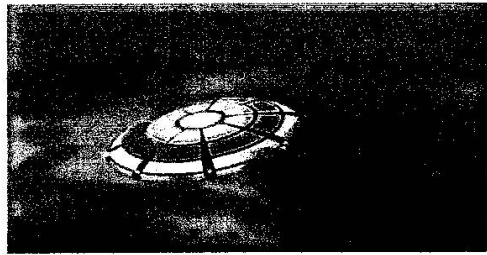
Yours sincerely

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LIVINGSTON
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22nd Oct 2004

Dear Sirs,

I am the Director of a serious Ufo Research Group here in Scotland. A resident of Dumfries contacted me to report strange lights over the town on the 9th of Sept at around 11:20pm. Another lady contacted me again from Dumfries to report strange lights over the town on the 12th of Oct around 8:07am.

I have investigated all my usual avenues airline traffic, weather satellites etc but have not come up with anything that would explain these lights over the town of Dumfries. Could you tell me if any military aircraft were in the area on these dates and times. I did e-mail this enquiry to your das-laopsol1@defence.mod.uk e-mail address but never received a reply.

I hope you can help me with this matter, thanking you in anticipation.

Regards

Section 40

Director of E2WUFOS



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Your Reference:

From

Our Reference:

Somerset

D/DAS/64/2

Section 40

Date:

28 October 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 16/17 August 1998, the details of which you left on our answerphone. 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 air activity.

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The integrity of the UK's airspace in peacetime is maintained through continuous surveillance of the UK Air Policing Area by the Royal Air Force. This is achieved by using a combination of civil and military radar installations, which provide a continuous real-time 'picture' of the UK airspace. Any threat to the UK Air Defence Region would be handled in the light of the particular circumstances at the time (it might if deemed appropriate, involve the scrambling or diversion of air defence aircraft). We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry, after your experience, that I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40





REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	16/17 August 1998 22.00L to 10.00L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	This is his second report, now says apart from one craft, saw about five others. One looked like a yellow moon, which was flickering. The second one looked like a triangle with three red lights flashing on the back of it. The other three looked like big silver balls moving in a circle formation in the sky above them. The noise overall was like a very loud roar of engines, the whole time the objects were moving around the sky.
3.	Exact position of observer. Geographical location. (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	The three men were in a wood on a camping holiday.
4.	How object was observed. (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	All three men saw the objects with the naked eye.
5.	Direction in which object was first seen. (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Section 40 said the objects were just going round in circles above them in the sky.
6.	Approximate distance.	Not really given, just said really high above them.
7.	Movements and speed. (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The objects were going really slow.
8.	Weather conditions during observation. (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	The sightings started at 10pm, so it was dark and were still visible at 10am the next morning and the weather was really clear.

9.	To whom reported. (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	Name, address and telephone no of informant.	Section 40 Frome Somerset Section 40
11.	Other witnesses.	His two friends that were with him.
12.	Remarks.	Said that apart from the objects, and the colours, lights and noises, that there was a strange smell, all around the area the men were standing in. They had a very bad taste in their mouths and that him and one of his friends' came out in a rash on their hands and faces, and they could taste blood in their mouths too. They said that in the morning, they saw figures/aliens, walking around the woods in which they were. They hid behind the trees and watched these beings jump around. After a while, the three men, got panicky, grabbed their stuff and made a run for it.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	28 October 2004 11.30L



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Idaho
 83686 USA

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

25 October 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your reports of 'unidentified flying objects', seen at various times in various years, in America, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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Defence of American airspace is clearly a matter for the American Government and you may wish to pursue your enquiries with them.

Finally, you indicated that details of your sightings could be found on your website. You may wish to be aware, that we are unable to access your website.

I'm sorry I could not have been more help.


Yours sincerely

Section 40





REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	Various sightings in different years. Mainly in 1997.
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Didn't really say. Just described what one craft was like inside.
3.	Exact position of observer. Geographical location. (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors and outdoors.
4.	How object was observed. (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	The naked eye.
5.	Direction in which object was first seen. (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Mainly over Idaho.
6.	Approximate distance.	Some of the crafts were very near to him at times and says that he has been on a space craft too in the 60's.
7.	Movements and speed. (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Slow and fast etc. 
8.	Weather conditions during observation. (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	To whom reported. (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	Name, address and telephone no of informant.	Section 40 Idaho 83686 USA
11.	Other witnesses.	His wife. The most recent craft was hovering above their house.
12.	Remarks.	Says that he has been abducted and was allowed to freely walk around the craft on his own and he says that these people from outer space are all over the place. Section 40 Section 40 says he has been seeing craft since he was a child.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	22 October 2004 12.30L



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Section 40

From
 Somerset

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

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Date:

25 October 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in 1998, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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With regard to your particular observation, I can't confirm whether we had any other reports of 'UFO' sightings on the day, of that year, you saw the 'UFO', as you did not forward this office a date or time of the sighting. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

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REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	Was seen in 1998. Didn't give specific date of the sighting.
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Not given.
3.	Exact position of observer. Geographical location. (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	How object was observed. (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	The naked eye.
5.	Direction in which object was first seen. (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	Approximate distance.	Not given.
7.	Movements and speed. (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	Weather conditions during observation. (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	To whom reported. (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	Name, address and telephone no of informant.	Section 40 Frome Somerset Section 40
11.	Other witnesses.	Two friends that were with him at the time.
12.	Remarks.	The object was in view from 10pm to 10am the next morning.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	14 October 2004 10.30L



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Wimbledon
 London

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

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Date:

19 October 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of 'unidentified flying objects', seen on many occasions in 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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With regard to your particular observation, I can't confirm whether other reports of 'UFO' sightings were seen on the days you saw the 'UFO's, as you did not forward this office any dates or times of the sightings. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

I'm sorry I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

