

Yours sincerely

Section 40



REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	24 August 2008 21.00
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There was a bright yellow light in the sky.
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 sighting too, but it came out very dark.
5.	Direction in which object was first seen. (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The object was seen over Emsworth in Hampshire.
6.	Approximate distance.	The object was approximately 12,000 ft up.
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.	<div>Section 40</div> <div>Emsworth Hampshire Section 40 Section 40</div>
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	<div>Section 40</div> <div>asked if we could call him back so that he could talk about his sighting and could we explain what it was that he saw.</div>
13.	Date and time of receipt.	28 August 2008 10.45L

From: **Section 40**

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020 7218 9000**Section 40****Section 40**Larkhall
Lanarkshire**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2Date:
19 August 2008Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 11 August 2008, the details of which you passed to Glasgow Airport Information Desk. 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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The MOD does not have any expertise or role in respect of 'UFO/flying saucer' matters to the question of the existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial life forms, about which it remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 11 August 2008 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

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REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

- a. **Date/Time And Duration Of Sighting** (Local times to be quoted)
11/08/08, 2205hrs, approx 50secs
- b. **Description Of Object** (Number of objects, size, shape, colours, brightness, sound, smell etc).
1 single round light, orange/red colour, no sound at all
- c. **Exact Position Observed** (Geographical location, indoors or outdoors, stationary or moving).
Larkhall, Lanarkshire (approx 18nm SE of Glasgow). Observed initially from indoors then reporter moved outdoors.
- 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).

South east following the normal flight path of a/c inbound to Glasgow
- f. **Angle Of Sight** (Estimated heights are unreliable).

Lower than normal a/c inbound to Glasgow. Estimated 1000-4000ft
- g. **Distance** (By reference to a known landmark wherever possible).

Not known
- h. **Movements** (Changes in E, F, G may be of more use than estimates of course and speed).

Tracked SE to NW
- i. **Meteorological Conditions During Observations** (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc.)

Dry and clear with some stratus clouds
- j. **Nearby Objects** (Telephone lines, Spires Etc.)
N/A
- k. **To Whom Reported** (Police, military organisations, the press etc).
Glasgow Airport Information desk who passed it on to ATC



1. Name And Address Of Informant

Section 40

Larkhall
Lanarkshire

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m. Any Background On The Informant That May Be Volunteered

Section 40 was previously a Met Observer at both Stansted and Heathrow
Airports

n. Other Witnesses

N/A

o. Date And Time Of Receipt

11/08/08 2230hrs

The above details are to be faxed immediately to AIS (Military), LATCC
on 7-144-3031 (01895-423031)

The completed form is to be despatched to:

Ministry Of Defence
Sec (AS) 2A
Room 8245
RAF Main Building
Whitehall
London
SW1A 2HB

DAS**14 AUG 2008****MINISTRY OF DEFENCE****NATS**

Please find enclosed a 'Report of an Unidentified Flying Object' received by Glasgow Air Traffic Control on 11th August. Information was passed to D&D and to AIS (Military). If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me at or call O41 840 8029.

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With compliments

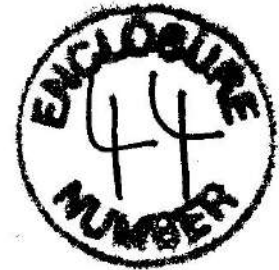
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Deputy Watch Mgr, A Watch.

Catalogue Reference: defe/24/2624/1



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Section 40

Glen Loch Steading
 Highlands

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
 D/DAS/64/2

Date:
 19 August 2008

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in August 2008, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's. I apologise if I have misspelt any of your address, the answerphone can be hard to understand.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings from Scotland so far in August 2008. 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

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REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Saw three UFOs. They looked like red light orb things.
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.)	The UFOs were coming from the East, and moving across Steading in the Highlands.
6.	Approximate distance.	Not given.
7.	Movements and speed. (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The objects were moving across the sky.
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>Glen Loch Steading Highlands</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	Section 40 said that the lights went different ways.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	18 August 2008 10.30L



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Hinckley
 Leicestershire

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
 D/DAS/64/2

Date:
 19 August 2008

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 15 August 2008, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 15 August 2008 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

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REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	15 August 2008 Time not given.
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Two bright lights.
3.	Exact position of observer. Geographical location. (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	In a car.
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 lights were seen near the car, flying over Burbage in Leicestershire.
6.	Approximate distance.	Quite close.
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] Hinckley Leicestershire Section 40
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	Section 40 said that it looked like a spectrum of light shone through the car. Said that she saw the same sighting about two weeks before, and has that on video.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	18 August 2008 10.15L

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Section 40Bromsgrove
Worcs**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

12 August 2008

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in 1987/1988, the details of which you passed to the Low Flying Complaints Cell. 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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Finally, with regard to your particular observation in 1987/1988, the MOD has already released a great deal of information about UFOs which is available for public viewing. The files for those years are in The National Archives. They can be contacted at Ruskin Avenue, Richmond, Kew, Surrey TW9 4DU, telephone 0208 876 3444. The National Archives also have a website giving information on the records they hold and how to access them. This can be found on the internet at: <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk>.

I hope this is helpful.

Yours sincerely

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From: Section 40 on behalf of Low Flying
 Sent: 11 August 2008 14:43
 To: Section 40
 Subject: FW: Low Flying Complaints

Section 40

Directorate of Airstaff (Lower Airspace) Complaints & Enquiries Unit Floor 5, Zone H
 Main Building Whitehall London SW1A 2HB


-----Original Message-----

From: no-reply@feedback.mod.uk [mailto:no-reply@feedback.mod.uk]
 Sent: 11 August 2008 14:41
 To: Low Flying
 Subject: Low Flying Complaints

This request has been received via www.mod.uk.

txtfirstname: Section 40
 txtlastname:
 txtaddress1:
 txtaddress2:
 txttowncity: bromsgrove
 txtstatecountry: worcs
 txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40
 txttelephone: Section 40
 txtcountry: UK
 txtemailAddress: Section 40
 txtincident: 1987/1988

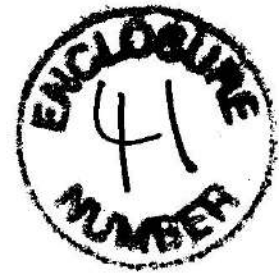
txtrequest: hi im wondering if you can help me. my memory isnt what it was but a few years ago well i think it was 1987/1988 i was walking in catshill, bromsgrove, worcs and noticed a huge black object in the sky above what looked like another area of bromsgrove which is called lickey end. a few days after i saw this there was an article in the local newspaper regarding an UFO being spotted around the same time i saw this "UFO" could you please verify if you have ever had any record of this because i have been in contact with my local paper but their resources only stretch back to the early 1990's. your assistance in this matter is much appriciated. my life has changed considerably since this "specticle" if thats what you call it. im looking for answers to this so i can maybe find answers to other things that have happened in my life

thank you and regards 

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Ascot
 Berkshire **Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
 D/DAS/64/2

Date:
 12 August 2008

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 20 July 2008, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a 'UFO' sighting for the 20 July 2008, and that was from Redruth in Cornwall. 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	20 July 2008 00.50L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	It resembled a white light, and was travelling at low speed. Was about two to three times bigger than Venus. Sometimes it looked like a spotlight, but there was no silhouette or shadow of an aircraft. There was no noise.
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.)	The object was travelling from West to East and moved across and above the witnesses' house in Ascot, Berkshire.
6.	Approximate distance.	It wasn't too far away.
7.	Movements and speed. (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	It travelled slowly across the sky.
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>Ascot Berkshire Section 40</p>
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	<p>Section 40 said that he didn't think the light was an aircraft or a satellite. But, that we would know those details more.</p>
13.	Date and time of receipt.	<p>11 August 2008 12.30L</p>



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Section 40

Swansea
 Dyfed

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

13 August 2008

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in August 2008, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's. I apologise for the address above, but could not decipher the street name on the answerphone.

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 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 from Swansea in South Wales for August 2008. 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

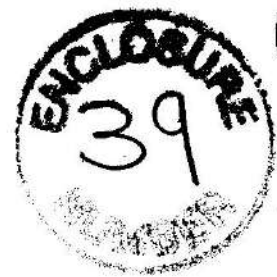
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REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	(No date or time given).
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A UFO.
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.)	The UFO was seen over Swansea, Dyfed in South Wales.
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.	<div style="background-color: black; color: red; padding: 2px;">Section 40</div> <div style="background-color: black; width: 200px; height: 60px; margin: 5px 0;"></div> Swansea Dyfed <div style="background-color: black; color: red; padding: 2px;">Section 40</div>
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	Not given.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	11 August 2008 12.30L

No reply,
as address
not given.



REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	7 August 2008 22.25L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A bright red object.
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.)	The object was seen over Buckinghamshire.
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)	The sighting was reported to Thames Valley Police, who in turn, left a message on DAS answerphone.
10.	Name, address and telephone no of informant.	No name passed on. Buckinghamshire
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	Not given.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	8 August 2008 15.30L



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Aylesbury
 Buckinghamshire **Section 40**

Your Reference:

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Date:
 11 August 2008

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received two other reports of 'UFO' sightings for August 2008, and they were also both from Buckinghamshire. 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

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REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A UFO.
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.)	The object was seen over Brill, Aylesbury in Buckinghamshire.
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.	<div style="background-color: black; color: red; padding: 2px;">Section 40</div> <div style="background-color: black; width: 100px; height: 40px; margin: 5px 0;"></div> Aylesbury Buckinghamshire <div style="background-color: black; color: red; padding: 2px;">Section 40</div>
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	<div style="background-color: black; color: red; padding: 2px;">Section 40</div> said that he would like us to get back to him.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	8 August 2008 15.00L



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Your Reference:

Our Reference:

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Date:

11 August 2008

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 7 August 2008, the details of which you left on our answerphone. 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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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a 'UFO' sighting for the 7 August 2008, and that was also from Buckinghamshire. 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

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REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	7 August 2008 22.30L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A red light was seen slow moving in the sky.
3.	Exact position of observer. Geographical location. (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, in the back garden.
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 seen moving over Brill, Aylesbury in Buckinghamshire.
6.	Approximate distance.	The object was not terribly high up.
7.	Movements and speed. (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was moving slowly across the sky.
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.	<div>Section 40</div> <div></div> Aylesbury Buckinghamshire <div>Section 40</div>
11.	Other witnesses.	<div>Section 40</div> wife and a friend.
12.	Remarks.	<div>Section 40</div> said that at 22.30, his dog went beserk, and that's when he went outside to investigate.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	8 August 2008 14.45L



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



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 (Fax) **Section 40**

Section 40

Barry
 Vale of Glamorgan

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
 D/DAS/64/2

Date:
 8 August 2008

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 23 June 2008, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a 'UFO' sighting on the 23 June 2008, and that was from Lincoln in Lincolnshire. 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

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REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	23 June 2008 23.10L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Eleven objects in the sky.
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.)	The objects were seen over Barry in the Vale of Glamorgan.
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.	<p>Section 40</p> <p>Barry Vale of Glamorgan</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	Other witnesses.	Her husband Section 40
12.	Remarks.	Not given.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	7 August 2008 15.30L

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decipher -
st. name.



REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	3 August 2008 22.00L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Three UFOs or something!
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.)	The UFOs were seen over Barry in Glamorgan.
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.	<div>Section 40</div> <div>Barry Glamorgan</div> <div>Section 40</div>
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	Not given.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	7 August 2008 14.30L

**Section 40****From:** **Section 40****Sent:** 06 August 2008 15:09**To:** **Section 40****Subject:** Release-Authorised: UFO Sighting.

Dear Sir,

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 30 July 2008, the details of which you passed to the MOD by e.mail. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a 'UFO' sighting for the 30 July 2008, and that was from Gateshead in Tyne and Wear. 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

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06/08/2008

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Section 40

From: Section 40
 Sent: 05 August 2008 15:17
 To: Section 40
 Subject: FW: 20080805-HIVE_Form_Results_LandHIVE_IM-U

-----Original Message-----

From: LANDHIVEGM [mailto:LANDHIVEGM@land.mod.uk]
 Sent: 05 August 2008 15:00
 To: Section 40
 Subject: 20080805-HIVE_Form_Results_LandHIVE_IM-U

Dear Section 40

I am sending you this report from Section 40 a sighting of a "space craft" in Somerset. I do hope that you can help to direct this report to the correct desk - I'm afraid your email address was the only one I found that had any connection to UFO literature on defence intranet.

Best wishes,

Section 40

Information Manager

HIVE UK & Overseas

Tel: Section 40

Mil:

www.hive.mod.uk

-----Original Message-----

From: no-reply@feedback.mod.uk [mailto:no-reply@feedback.mod.uk]
 Sent: 31 July 2008 00:25
 To: LANDHIVEGM
 Subject: HIVE Form Results

This request has been received via www.mod.uk.

txtname: Section 40

txtemailAddress: Section 40

txtcontacttelephone: Section 40

txtlocation: somerset

txtrequest: i was out walking the dogs. i noticed a distinct humming sound which went quieter then louder. 20 to 30 ft above the houses where i was stood, the dogs stopped and looked as did i only to see a space craft, about 5,6 plane spans wide hovering, there was three lights on each point of a perfect triangular stone looking object at the back was a bright molten looking fire ball, firing off the front nose cone was a blue light (what looked like a welders tool) oxy acetelene. i tried to video it on my mobile phone but the screen went red blue green and black flashing, my battery (which i have charged today and was on full when i went out) totally emptied and my phone turned off, the dogs then started barking loudly as the object dissapeared into the clouds, faster than ive seen a military or public airline craft take off. luckily for me a man on a pushbike riding past was looking at the craft at the same time, but he peddled off rather quickly and i was unable to get his details but i have a description of him. i have logged and written out what i have seen, and drawn a rough picture. could these details be passed to the correct department please. THANKYOU VERY MUCH.



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West Kilbride
 Ayrshire

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

6 August 2008

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 28 July 2008, the details of which you passed to us by letter dated 28 July 2008. 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.

Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external 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 28 July 2008 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

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other stopped. and it lit up with an intense light and zoomed down, Halfway down, it suddenly stopped as it is now in lower Air Space. Its intense light was  and its sphere then condensed on South. The sphere was Right above me. I know it wasted space to write. I definitely know there are Solid craft Guided, & stop as well, as he is Part. Have had very close sightings of Saucers etc. And there more & more being witnessed by other towns near Bury & they are not Chinese lanterns. He on 10 of 124. Not exactly stopped. If I'd been good at math I would have been Hyper.

What I feel about all this going on is, you will tell. Let me tell you for / look. He kept coming about all this, the only one he talked to in depth is Rich. Jr Michael Fallon my cousin in Law in Edinburgh. People are scared. So I understand. for he had the very daylight frightened with a sphere that shot Right down when I was alerted by Cousin Bellowing 10.30 as night ²⁰⁰⁴ by son was there too. He 40 now. They are still about & I don't think Ministry of Defence is in control. Sorry to feel so. I like what you say. Yours Sincerely Mrs Norma Donley

Tele Section 40

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Ref. D/DAS/64/2

28th July 08.West Kelbridge
Ayrshire

Ministry of Defence.

Section 40

My last letter to you was November 2004 your Reply 2 Dec 2004.

I Reported 25 groups of 5 craft Golden Spheres Battling against a storm at 9.30 PM. November 26th ²⁰⁰⁴ difference between those spheres were, they all had 2 ft Uapoc tails, which other spheres witnessed here in Part - Presens' class?

He been keeping track since 2004, Quite a lot of Action 2006. I kept notes tonight Putting Rabbit out in Bin 28th July 08. 2 spheres passed rapidly by 1 Soy North 23-05 PM. And one 23-17 PM the one came from W - to S/East. definitely lower Air Space. extremely bright Soy faster than the normal Rendelium action spheres. definitely Guided. We are not stupid. we're used to Aircraft here and know the difference there are no "twinkling stars". They do not "twinkle", Golden Spheres. extremely bright when lower. more on straight course. there is no noise from the Reference date 24/2004 I witnessed 2 spheres pass each other one went on North to

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Section 40Shirley
West Midlands**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
TO03527-2008Date:
6 August 2008Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 27 July 2008, the details of which you passed to The Rt Hon Des Browne MP. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received three other reports of 'UFO' sightings for the 27 July 2008, and they were from Helston in Cornwall, Pontypridd in Wales and Scunthorpe in Humberside. 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

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From: no-reply@feedback.mod.uk
Sent: 27 July 2008 23:55
To: Ministers
Subject: Ask a Minister

This request has been received via www.mod.uk.

txtfirstname: Section 40
txtlastname: Section 40
txtsubject: strange thing in the sky
txtaddress1: Section 40
txtaddress2: shirley
txttowncity: shirley
txtstatecountry: west midlands
txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40
txtcountry: UK
txtemailAddress: Section 40
txtrequest: sorry to trouble you, but i was sitting in my garden and i saw this
starnge thing in the sky, it looked triangle shape but not sure it never made a
noise, ot had three white lights and a red one, iv never seen anythink like it
before, i live in shirley near solihull uk, i was just wondering if you could
shed any light on to what it is, i typed it into google, it comes up saying its
a ufo thing but i dnt belive in ufos or anythink like it. but just intested in
to knowing what it was, any info would be great kind regards Section 40

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From: **Section 40** on behalf of Low Flying
Sent: 04 August 2008 08:46
To: **Section 40**
Subject: FW: Release-Authorised: Treat Official Correspondence: TO03527/2008
Attachments: TO03527 2008 - 20080801115813 - **Section 40**

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Directorate of Airstaff (Lower Airspace)
 Complaints & Enquiries Unit
 Floor 5, Zone H
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From: Parli Branch-Treat-Official
Sent: 01 August 2008 11:59
To: DAS-Sec; Low Flying
Subject: Release-Authorised: Treat Official Correspondence: TO03527/2008

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To: DAS Sec
Copy To:
Our Reference: TO03527/2008
Due Date: 21 August 2008
Correspondent: **Section 40**
Additional Advice:

The Rt Hon Des Browne MP 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 date of this message**. 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.

If correspondence includes a specific request for recorded information then it should be treated under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, even if the Act is not specifically mentioned. In general, if you meet the Department's 15 working day deadline and respond fully to the request for information, then there is no need to follow the full procedures for FOI requests. However, you will still need to acknowledge that you have applied the Act and provide details of their right of appeal (see link below). If the correspondence requests information which is not already in the public domain, and particularly if you considering withholding information, then you should formally treat it as a FOI request. The correspondence should be logged on the Access to Information toolkit and you should consult and comply with the separate FOI guidance from DG Info. Note, the

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shorter deadline for responding to Ministerial and Treat Official correspondence will still apply. If you are in any doubt as to whether a piece of correspondence should be treated as an FOI request, you should ask your FOI Focal Point or refer to the guidance produced by DG Info. (See the guidance at <http://defenceintranet.diiweb.r.mil.uk/DefenceIntranet/Admin/RespondToRequestsForInformatic>)

It is important that branches ensure they have simple systems to track correspondence received from members of the public, though the Parliamentary Toolkit records the basic details. If you have access to a DII/C terminal, please follow this link (once a response has been sent) to add your Final Reply Date and close the case to remove it from your TO Task List:
http://pt/_Layouts/PT/TaskList/TaskList.aspx. Lead Branches without access to the Toolkit should notify the Ministerial Correspondence Unit (via ParliBranch-Treat-Official@mod.uk) of the date of their reply so that Parli Branch can close the record on the Toolkit.

Detailed guidance on handling TO Correspondence can be found on the Defence Intranet at http://main.defence.mod.uk/min_parl/ParlBrch/TOGuid.htm. If you do not have access to the Intranet, please inform the Ministerial Correspondence Unit.

Email: ParliBranch-Treat-Official@mod.uk

Regards,

**MOD Parliamentary Branch
Ministerial Correspondence Unit**

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Cornwall**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

5 August 2008

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 31 May 2008, the details of which you passed to us by letter, dated 30 July 2008. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received two other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 31 May 2008, and they were from Stranraer in Scotland and Leeds in West Yorkshire. 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 be any help.

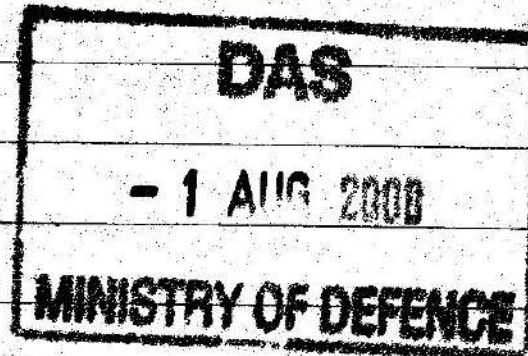
Yours sincerely

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Telephone

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Yorpoint
Cornwall

Section 40

30/7/08

Dear Sir or Madam

On May 31st this year
I went out side my house with
my husband at 11.20 PM to have a
smoke. all of a sudden I became
aware of a very bright light above
our heads, we watched it zig zag
across the sky Southwards until it
vanished into cloud. I did mention it
to several locals at the time but did
not know who to report it to until
recently. I know it was not a plane
or helicopter I am quite used to seeing
those. I would be quite interested to
know what it was a thought perhaps

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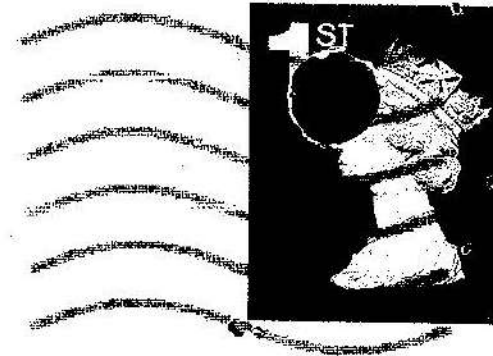
you might know. I also know it was
not a mistake. Looking forward to
your response.

Yours Sincerely

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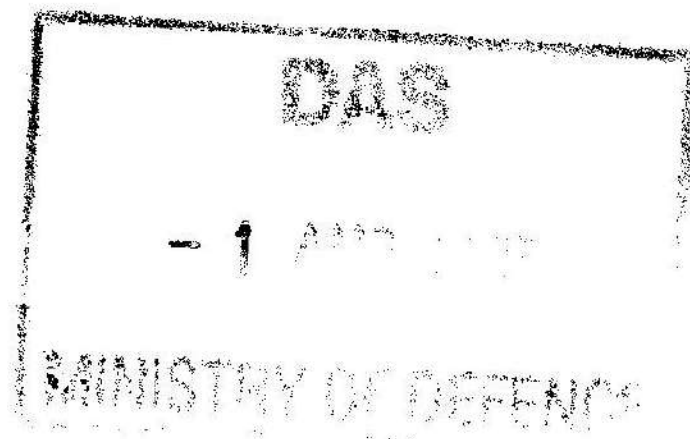


M.O.D.

U f o investigator.

Whitehall

London



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 Cornwall

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Your Reference:

Our Reference:

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Date:

5 August 2008

Dear **Section 40**

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a 'UFO' sighting for 31 July 2008, and that was from Godalming in Surrey. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Finally, thank you for the offer of being on your mailing list, but we decline the offer.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40



REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	31 July 2008 01.15L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A UFO.
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.)	The UFO was seen over Bodmin Moor in Cornwall.
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.	<div style="background-color: black; color: red; padding: 2px;">Section 40</div> <div style="background-color: black; width: 100px; height: 20px; margin: 2px;"></div> Bodmin Cornwall <div style="background-color: black; color: red; padding: 2px;">Section 40</div>
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	<div style="background-color: black; color: red; padding: 2px;">Section 40</div> said would we like to be on his mailing list for all things regarding UFOs!
13.	Date and time of receipt.	4 August 2008 14.30L

No reply,
as full
address not
given.

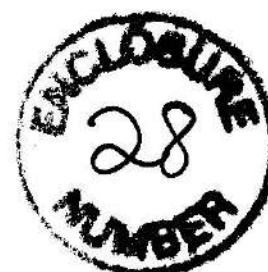


REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	29 July 2008 00.00L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There was a UFO.
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.)	The UFO was seen over South Croydon in Surrey.
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.	<p>Section 40 (couldn't understand the surname on the answerphone).</p> <p>Full address not given. Section 40 South Croydon Surrey Section 40</p>
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	<p>Section 40 said that she informed the Police of her sighting too.</p>
13.	Date and time of receipt.	4 August 2008 14.00L

No reply
as no full
address.



REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	31 July 2008 No time given.
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A UFO.
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.)	The UFO was seen over Witley, Godalming in Surrey.
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.	<p>Section 40</p> <p>No street name or number given.</p> <p>Section 40</p> <p>Godalming</p> <p>Surrey</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	Other witnesses.	Section 40 husband.
12.	Remarks.	Not given.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	4 August 2008 12.30L



From: **Section 40**
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Section 40

Northampton
 Northamptonshire

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

4 August 2008

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in 2008, the details of which you left on our answerphone. 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.

Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external 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't confirm whether we received any other 'UFO' reports on the day you had your sighting, as you did not forward this office a date of your 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	(Date not given). 23.00L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	An unusual sighting.
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.)	The sighting was seen over Northampton in Northamptonshire.
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.	<p>Section 40</p> <p>Northampton Northamptonshire</p> <p>Section 40</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	Wants us to ring her and talk about the sighting.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	4 August 2008 23.00L



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Telephone (Direct dial) 020 7218 2140
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 (Fax) **Section 40**

Section 40
 Winchmore Hill
 London
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
 D/DAS/64/2

Date:
 4 August 2008

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 2 August 2008, the details of which you passed to the Met Police. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's. I apologise for not putting your name, the Met Police did not pass that information on 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 your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a 'UFO' sighting for the 2 August 2008, and that was from Bridgewater in Somerset. 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40



REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	2 August 2008 22.30L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Lights in the sky.
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.)	The lights were seen over Winchmore Hill in London.
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)	The sighting was reported to the Met Police, who then in turn left a message on DAS answerphone.
10.	Name, address and telephone no of informant.	No name given. Section 40 Winchmore Hill London Section 40
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	Not given.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	4 August 2008 11.50L



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 (Fax) **Section 40**

Section 40

Leeds
 West Yorkshire

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
 D/DAS/64/2

Date:
 4 August 2008

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in July 2008, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for Morley so far for 2008, either from members of the public or from any newspapers. No sighting report was sent to this office, regarding that area of West Yorkshire. 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 be any help.

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Lights were seen.
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.)	The object was going over Morley in West Yorkshire.
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.	<p>Section 40</p> <p>Leeds West Yorkshire Section 40</p>
11.	Other witnesses.	<p>Section 40</p> <p>said there must have been lots of other witnesses, because her sighting (that other people had reported), was in the local paper and had been on the television.</p>
12.	Remarks.	<p>Section 40</p> <p>said that she would like us to get back to her, to explain to her, what it was that she could have seen. Did we get sent any of the sighting reports that were shown in the local paper.</p>
13.	Date and time of receipt.	<p>4 August 2008 11.15L</p>



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Section 40

Chard
 Somerset
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
 D/DAS/64/2
 Date:
 4 August 2008

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in 2008, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for Chard in Somerset so far for 2008. 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

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REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A sighting.
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.)	The object was seen over Chard in Somerset.
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.	<div style="background-color: black; color: red; padding: 2px;">Section 40</div> Chard Somerset <div style="background-color: black; color: red; padding: 2px;">Section 40</div>
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	Wants us to get in touch with her, so she can explain her sighting.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	4 August 2008 11.05L

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Section 40Gateshead
Tyne and Wear**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2Date:
4 August 2008Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 30 July 2008, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 30 July 2008 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

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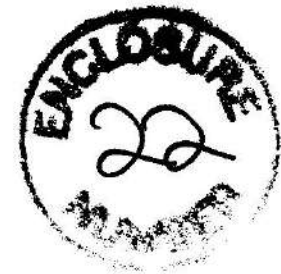
REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	30 July 2008 Time not given.
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Ten orange/amber orb shaped ships. Some were in clusters and some were scattered.
3.	Exact position of observer. Geographical location. (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Section 40 was in a car on the A1 road, North of Darlington.
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 lights were flying over Gateshead in Tyne and Wear.
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 Gateshead Tyne and Wear Section 40
11.	Other witnesses.	Section 40 and three friends.
12.	Remarks.	Section 40 said that some of the lights seemed to form a band shape.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	4 August 2008 11.00L

From: **Section 40**

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Section 40Loughborough
Leicestershire**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2Date:
4 August 2008Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 1 August 2008, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's. Sorry if I have misspelt your surname, the answerphone can be hard to understand.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 1 August 2008 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	1 August 2008 22.30L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Twenty to twenty five lights were moving across the sky. They were in a uniformed lighting formation.
3.	Exact position of observer. Geographical location. (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors in the back garden.
4.	How object was observed. (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye and also the sighting was recorded on video.
5.	Direction in which object was first seen. (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The lights were moving over Loughborough in Leicestershire.
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 Loughborough Leicestershire Section 40
11.	Other witnesses.	About twenty people witnessed the sighting. Section 40 family and a few neighbours that were altogether in the garden.
12.	Remarks.	Section 40 doesn't want an explanation, but thought that she had better report this, and that the MOD should do something about this.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	4 August 2008 10.35L

From: **Section 40**

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Section 40Bridgewater
Somerset**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2Date:
4 August 2008Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 2 August 2008, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's. Sorry if I have misspelt your address, the answerphone can be hard to understand.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a 'UFO' sighting for the 2 August 2008, and that was from Winchmore Hill in London. 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 be any help.

Yours sincerely

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REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	Date and time of sighting. (Duration of sighting.)	2 August 2008 23.45L
2.	Description of object. (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said there was a strange sighting.
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.)	The object was seen moving over Bridgewater in Somerset.
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.	<div>Section 40</div> <div>Bridgewater Somerset Section 40</div>
11.	Other witnesses.	Not given.
12.	Remarks.	<div>Section 40</div> said that she wanted us to ring her back.
13.	Date and time of receipt.	4 August 2008 10.30L