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DRS Sec. (FOI).

[FULL ADDRESS & TELEPHONE NUMBER]

SUBJECT 'UFO' - REPORTS. (SIGHTINGS).

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Signature

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(Block Capitals)

Grade/Rank: C2 Date: 13.7.10

Branch Title and Full Address:

RAF Bus Sec
HQ Air Cmd
RAF High Wycombe
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Tel No:

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Signature: ____

Name: ____
(Block Capitals)

Grade/Rank: ____ Date: ____

Witness not required

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

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
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(Fax) Section 40

ENCLOSURE NUMBER 50

Section 40
Worthing
West Sussex
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2

Date:
12 September 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 9 September 2005, the details of which you passed to Sussex 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.

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 9 September 2005 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.)	9 September 2005 05.45L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There was one light in the sky, that burst into four separate ones, before disappearing.
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 light was seen over Little Hampton, West Sussex.
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)	Sussex Police were informed who then rang Das answerphone.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 [redacted] Worthing West Sussex Section 40 [redacted]
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Not given.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	9 September 2005 11.30L

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ENCLOSURE 49 NUMBER

Section 40
Chelmsford
Essex
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2

Date:
8 September 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 3 September 2005, the details of which you passed to me during our conversation on the phone. 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 3 September 2005 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 help you in finding out what the object was.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	3 September 2005 17.45L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Section 40 saw a cylindrical shaped object, that changed colour from silver to black as it was moving across the sky. It then changed into a V shape before it disappeared. The object was extremely large, about 100ft wide.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Just said he was outside.
4.	**How object was observed.** (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye and then through 10/50 binoculars.
5.	**Direction in which object was first seen.** (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The object was going from East to West over Little Waltham, Essex.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Just said, it looked like it was above his head at one point, then moved into the distance.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was moving from East to West across the sky very slowly. Looked like it was drifting. Then the object looked like it was moving horizontally and then was moving vertically up into the sky.
8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	A few clouds, but otherwise clear.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	My personal work number was given to him by Section 40 after being contacted by the CAA. He then rang me and informed me of his sighting.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 [redacted] Chelmsford Essex Section 40 [redacted]
11.	**Other witnesses.**	His wife witnessed the object too.
12.	**Remarks.**	Section 40 said that at times, while watching the object, there were vapour trails. That is was also unusually large for a normal aircraft of any sort. It didn't have any lights or markings that he could decipher. Said it would have swamped a normal flight path.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	7 September 2005 I got the call at 14.30L.

ENCLOSURE 48 NUMBER

No reply, as address not given.

Section 40

From: Cro Raf [cro.wadd@virgin.net]
Sent: 05 September 2005 14:13
To: DAS-UFO-Office
Subject: UFO report

A local newspaper, the Louth Leader, have had a couple of calls about this. They seem to think the informants were quite sober and serious. We had no reports here but are further south. Our ATC was not manned Sunday evening in any case.

The info I have is:

date /time: Sun 4th Sep 05 2200 -2215
location: Above Louth, Lincolnshire
description: 2 orange orbs
seen outside with naked eye
moved very slowly at first then very fast towards North sea
clear night
no concerts/out door functions in area (quiet market town)
reported to Section 40 of Louth Leader newspaper.
not reported to civ pol, tried a few RAF Stations, then the RPRO Section 40 who contacted this office.

Section 40 would like to know if there was any flying in the area and if there was a logical explanation, hoping to do a follow up piece for the paper.

Thank you,

Section 40
CRO
RAF Waddington
(BT Section 40
(GPTN: Section 40

05/09/2005

Section 40

From: Section 40
Sent: 07 September 2005 15:57
To: 'Cro Raf'
Subject: Internet-Authorised: UFO Report.

Section 40

There could have been low flying in the area, but that would have been at a low height. No heights were given in the report.
We do not investigate UFO sightings, as we have a limited interest in the subject., We look at reports more for defence significance, i.e. that if the United Kingdom's airspace could have been compromised by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not have been more help.

Regards

Section 40

FOI 1
MOD
5th Floor, Zone H
Main Building
Whitehall
London
SW1A 2HB

Tel: Section 40

07/09/2005

ENCLOSURE 47 NUMBER

No reply as full address not given.

Section 40

From: Section 40

Sent: 07 September 2005 12:28

To: Section 40

Subject: FW: UFOs in Romford

Section 40

No UFO investigations or interest I assume in the following?... another report from the Romford Gazette

Mon 5 Sept shortly before 21.00

Roneo Corner, Hornchurch near Romford, Essex.

Thanks

Section 40

Ministry of Defence Press Office
Main Building 1.B.38
Whitehall
London
SW1A 2HB

Tel Section 40
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Fax

Section 40 @mod.uk

Replied to Section 40 7/9/05.
Informed her of the fact, that we don't investigate UFOs.

07/09/2005

ENCLOSURE NUMBER 4

no reply - as full address not given.

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	August 2005 Time not given.
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Section 40 said that there was this bubble like thing in the sky.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors.
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)	The bubble like thing flashed across the sky very quickly.
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] Section 40 (address wasn't clear) Somerset Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Not given.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	1 September 2005 10.40L

ENCLOSURE NUMBER 45

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

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(Fax) Section 40

Section 40
Rotherham
South Yorkshire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
1 September 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 6, 13, 20 August 2005, the details of which you passed to this office. 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 one other report of a 'UFO' sighting for 13 August 2005, and that one was from Gatwick, Sussex. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	Previous three Saturdays (6th, 13th and 20 August 2005). Between 22.00 – 23.30L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Thin band of cloud with beams of light coming down. Lights moved from side to side like search lights.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors at home.
4.	**How object was observed.** (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Naked eye.
5.	**Direction in which object was first seen.** (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Seen from 3 miles away. Lights were near Doncaster.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	3 Miles away.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Side to side.
8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Cloudy

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	Civil Aviation Authority gave Section 40 our number.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 Rotherham South Yorkshire
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Section 40 wife.
12.	**Remarks.**	This happens at this time every Saturday night. Section 40 phoned the Police and they suggested it might be laser lights from a night club. Section 40 said there are night clubs in Doncaster.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	23 August 2005 10.30L

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ENCLOSURE 47 NUMBER

Section 40
Ripon
North Yorkshire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2

Section 40

Date:
1 September 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen 21 August 2005, the details of which you passed to RAF Leeming. 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 21 August 2005 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

Fax from : Section 40

24/08/05 17:32 Pg: 1

REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

Send to: MOD Sec(AS) 2a

During working hours ☎: MOD ext 82140
FAX Section 40

Outside working hours: UNCLAS Signal to MODUK AIR SIC Z6D

A.	Date, Time & Duration of Sighting.	SUNDAY 21 AUG 05 1150L
B.	Description of Object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness).	ROUND, FOOTBALL SHAPE SHINY AND METALIC
C.	Exact Position of Observer. Location, indoor/outdoor, stationary/moving.	OUT SIDE FRONT DOOR
D.	How Observed (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or video/movie).	NAKEY EYE
E.	Direction on which Object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing).	BEHIND A PASSENGER AIRCRAFT
F.	Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable).	NOT KNOWN
G.	Distance (By reference to a known landmark).	NOT KNOWN
H.	Movements (Changes in e, F & G may be of more use than estimates of Course and Speed).	STATIC / HOVERING
I.	Met Conditions during Observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc).	BRIGHT SUNSHINE CLEAR SKIES
J.	Nearby Objects (Telephone Lines, High Voltage Lines, Reservoir, Lake or Dam, Swamp or Marsh, River, High Buildings, Tall Chimneys, Steeples, Spires, TV or Radio Masts, Airfields, Generating Plant, Factories, Pits or other sites with floodlights or night lighting).	PASSENGER AIRCRAFT. FOLLOWING AIRCRAFT
K.	To whom reported (Police, Military, Press etc).	RAF LEEMING - Section 40 DUTY OPERATIONS OFFICER
L.	Name & address of Informant.	Section 40 RIPON Section 40

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From: Section 40
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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 43

Section 40
Birmingham
West Midlands
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
24 August 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen 23 August 2005, 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 23 August 2005 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 in your quest to find out what these objects were.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	23 August 2005 No time given.
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Section 40 said that there were 8-10 circular things/objects that looked quite low in the sky. They were uniform shape, small and opaque. The things/objects were near to the car for the rest of the journey back to their house. They had been there, near her for a long time.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	In her car driving North of Derbyshire.
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.)	Coming from the direction of Scarborough, driving North of Derbyshire.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Section 40 said that the objects were quite low over her car and the fields at the side of the road.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	They were moving very slow and low over and around and behind her car. At one point, she said all of the objects seemed to be following her, as she drove home. At times too, they looked like they were going up & down in the sky.
8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Said the conditions were quite clear, that there was good visibility, hence why she could see them so clearly.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 Birmingham West Midlands Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	As Section 40 drove, she said that the objects, apart from following her, were swapping from side to side of the car. That they followed her right to her house and hovered over it for some time. She said she was nervous not knowing what these things were or what to expect, and that they were very weird. They didn't look like lasers from a nightclub or anything along those lines. Would like us to explain to her what they are or what they could be!
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	24 August 2005 11.30L

ENCLOSURE 2 NUMBER

FILE NOTE

The UK Airprox Board have confirmed that this was likely to be a meteorological balloon from Reading. The Pilot has been informed and has withdrawn his report.

No further action required.

Section 40

DAS-FOI
5-H-13
Section 40

25th August 2005

10W EGKK 17" 77N	300	AIR FRANCE AFR2569 6311 E145/W T450	LAS5 F270 SFD/F250 OPR/RA E F270 EGCC	LFPG

1-2m HEADING NE.
YELLOW. LONG CYLINDRICAL SHAPE

Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) Reports

Report of Unidentified Flying Object	
Date	13 AUG 05
Time	1711
Sighting Duration	10 SECONDS
Description of Object	1 TO 2 METRES IN LENGTH. COLOUR YELLOW. SHAPE - CYLINDRICAL. NOT A BALLOON SHAPE.
Exact Position of Observer	10 MILES WEST OF PRESTWICK FL300
How Object was Observed	PILOTS VIEW THROUGH COCKPIT WINDOWS
Direction in which Object was First Seen	TRAVELLING IN FRONT OF A/C RIGHT TO LEFT. MOVING NORTH EAST
Angular Elevation of Object	LEVEL
Distance of Object from Observer	NOT KNOWN
Movement of Object	MOVING NORTH EAST SPOT WIND CHECK AT 1749 285° AT 75KTS
Meteorological Conditions During Observations	VMC
Nearby Objects	—
To Whom Reported	ATC SWANWICK
Name of Informant	PILOT OF AFR 2569
Address of Informant	NOT KNOWN
Background Information on Informant that may be Volunteered	—
Other Witnesses	NONE.

Date of Receipt of Report	13AUG05
Time of Receipt of Report	1730

Actions	Time
Complete report of UFO with as many details as possible and send to FOI1	
Telephone details immediately and leave a message on 0207 218 2140.	1910

Fax from :Section 40 17/08/05 09:37 Pg: 1

Cover Letter

To:

From: UK AIRPROX BOARD

Comment:

Start Time: 17-08-2005 09:32 a.m.

Pages: 2 (except this sheet)

Fax number: Section 40

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Régional

ASR
Air Safety Report

Sécurité des Vols
Réf. : 608/ER4/05
Niveau de gravité : B

1.Type de rapport : Airprox

2. Cdb : BKR	**OPL :** VMK	**OBS :**	**PNC:** GGS
Vol N° : AFR2569	**De :** MAN	**à :** CDG	**4. DATE et heure approximative de l'évènement :** 13/8/2005 17:10 UTC
6. Lieu de l'événement (*) : Abeam WOD VOR 50 NM before SFD	**7. Parking (*) :**		**8. Type d'avion :** ER4
9. Immat : F-GUAM	**10. Type d'approche (*) :**		**11. Piste (*) :**

12. Phase de vol : Croisière

13. Etat Piste (*) :	**14. Conditions :** VMC		
15. MTO : Vent : 0 ° 0 kt **Visibilité :** 0 m **Nébulosité :** 0 ft **QNH :** 0 Hpa			
16. Temps significatif : Turbulences Faible	**17. IAS / MACH :** 1013	**18. Altitude : FL** 30000 Ft	**19. Réf. CRM :**

20. Configuration : vertical : Maintien Altitude — autopilote : ON
PA-DV : ON — latéral : HDG — automanette : NC — train : UP — volets : 0 — aérofreins : OFF

21. RVSM (*) : OUI **22. B-RNAV (*) :** OUI

23. Titre de l'événement (*) : Incident ATC

Conséquence Exploitation (*) : Sans conséquence

24. Description de l'événement : (description, actions correctives entreprises et résultat) en **MAJUSCULES**, en anglais pour les **AIRPROX, R/ATC et RA TCAS survenus à l'étranger :**

While cruising, a UFO crossed our route (more likely a drone, no met balloon), opposite direction, same height/level. A ma,oeuvre to avoid was not performable due to the quickness of crossing. We left the object on the left hand side, and roughly distant from 15 meters. Its size estimated around 2-3 meters wide.
ATC informedof event.

FAX Section 40
UKAB Section 40
17/8/05

25. COLLISION OISEAUX

Espèce ornithologique :
Nombre d'oiseaux aperçus :
Nombre d'oiseaux touchés :
Taille des oiseaux :
Phares d'atterrissage allumés :
Pilote averti de la présence d'oiseaux :

DECRIRE CASE 24 LES PARTIES DE L'AERONEF ATTEINTES ET LES DOMMAGES SUBIS

26. AIRPROX / RECLAMATION ATC

Gisement de l'autre ATC : 1
Trajectoire horizontale de l'autre ATC :
Degré de sévérité : Elevé
Signalé à l'ATC (organisme) : OUI
Votre indicatif d'appel : AFR2569
Cap : 155 degré
Séparation minimal vertical : 0 ft
Alerte TCAS : Aucune
RA suivi :
RA était :
Question PN :
Réponse à la question du PN :
Adresse de réponse :

Trajectoire horizontale de l'autre ATC :
Manœuvre d'évitement : NON
Instructions / infos ATC :
Fréquence :
Altitude autorisée : 0
Séparation minimal horizontal : 0,01 NM
Message RA :
Déviation verticale si RA suivi : 0

27 – TURBULENCE

Caractéristiques du phénomène :

Remarques :

Conformément à l'OPS1.420 , tout incident qui a menacé , ou aurait pu menacer la sécurité du vol doit être déclaré au moyen de ce formulaire et transmis par Fax à l'ASV dans un délai de 48 heures, l'original étant transmis par courrier ou via le dossier de vol.

28 – FOUDROIEMENT

Description du foudroiement :

a) VISUELLE :

b) AUDITIVE :

c) ODEURS :

d) AUTRES REMARQUES :

COORDONNEES DU SERVICE ASV :

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ENCLOSURE 4 NUMBER

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Section 40
St Helens
Merseyside
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
15 August 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen 7 August 2005, the details of which you passed to me during our phone conversation. 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 7 August 2005 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.)	7 August 2005 21.30L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There were four oblongs that were equally spaced. They also looked like bright lights. He took a video of the oblong objects on his mobile phone, but when he looked back at the picture, they were not there, but there was a black square wobbling in the shot.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Stationary in the police 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.)	Seen very high up over the town of Kirby.
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)	It was dusky.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	Section 40 from Merseyside Police rang my work number after I had left it for him and told me the details of his sighting. He had rung some other area in the MOD and they had put him through to my area too.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 Kirby Merseyside Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	The Constable that was with him in the car.
12.	**Remarks.**	Section 40 said that this was a strange thing that he witnessed and could we explain to him what it could be. I told him that we do not investigate sightings.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	15 August 2005 10.45L

ENCLOSURE NUMBER 4

No reply as full address not given.

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	11 August 2005 02.00L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Didn't see the object, but said that it sounded like a 1930's airship. It was very noisy, like it was being powered by an engine of some sort, and there was a low humming noise as it passed over the house. Also sounded like there were low frequency propellers on the craft. Didn't sound at all like a helicopter or a normal airliner or private plane.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors, looking out of his bedroom window.
4.	**How object was observed.** (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Didn't observe it, just heard it. Has heard the noise before a few times.
5.	**Direction in which object was first seen.** (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Was going across the town called Hurst, which is between Reading and Slough. Was going from West to East.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Sounded like it was just above the house.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Seemed to be going very slow, by the noise that he could hear, like a droning engine. Was going about 40 knots.
8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given, although at the time of the sighting, would have been dark.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 Hurst Berkshire Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	His girlfriend the night before, had heard the same noise.
12.	**Remarks.**	Section 40 said he is a retired RAF pilot and private pilot and said that he may sound mad, but him and his girlfriend do hear this noise some nights, and he would love to know what it is. He said that the craft took about 2 minutes to fully pass over his house.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	11 August 2005 14.20L

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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 39

Section 40
Walthamstow
London
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
11 August 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 10 August 2005, 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 10 August 2005 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 any help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	10 August 2005 18.30L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object was the size of a jumbo jet and was silver.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Section 40 was indoors looking out of her living room window.
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 flying to the right, towards Walthamstow College, Walthamstow. Was in the flight path that small planes take to London City Airport, also in the direction of Stratford.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Section 40 just said 'some distance away'.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was flying very low and going relatively fast.
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] Walthamstow London Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Section 40 said it was flying too low and was silver to be a normal aircraft. She rung Heathrow Airport for some advice. Didn't say what they said. That it seemed to her, that flying that low could be dangerous. Wondered if we could inform her of what it was?
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	11 August 2005 10.45L

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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 38

Section 40
Ipswich
Suffolk
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
8 August 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in 2005, 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 received any other reports of 'UFO' sightings on the day you saw the 'UFO', as you did not forward this office on the answerphone, a specific 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

Section 40

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.)	Just said saw a UFO.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	In the car driving on the A12 from Colchester down to London.
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.)	Just outside of Colchester, Essex on the A road.
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 Ipswich Suffolk Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Just said that it was definitely a sighting of something that was not a plane.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	8 August 2005 14.30L

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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 3

Section 40

Lichfield
Staffordshire
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
9 August 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in August 2005, the details of which you passed to Staffordshire Police. 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, Staffordshire Police did not inform me of the date that you saw the 'UFO', so I can not confirm whether there were any other sightings on the day you saw the 'UFO'. We are satisfied though, that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	August 2005 No time given.
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object was circular and was a dull orange colour/light. Was the size of a medium aircraft.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors at a concert in Staffordshire.
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.)	It flew over the stage and the crowds.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Was about 40 miles away, once it had flown past.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object moved in a straight line across the sky very fast, was 3-4 seconds.
8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	It was very cloudy.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	Section 40 Duty Officer at Staffordshire Police, who then in turn left a message on the Das answerphone for me to ring him back to retrieve the details of the sighting.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 Lichfield Staffordshire Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	His friends witnessed the object too, but he didn't say how many of them saw it.
12.	**Remarks.**	Section 40 said that he had been in the army, and knows the different sizes of aircraft. That this was definitely something that could not be identified. There was a laser show going on at the concert at the same time of the sighting, but everyone agreed that the orange, round light that they saw was totally separate.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	9 August 20005 10.45L

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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 36

Section 40

Peacehaven
East Sussex
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
4 August 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen 3 August 2005, the details of which you passed to West Drayton. 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 3 August 2005 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.)	3 August 2005 00.00L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Seven red and white flashing lights were moving around near the sea. Didn't have a particular shape.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors, looking out of her window.
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.)	Near the sea, flying over the inland hills at the back of her house near Peacehaven, East Sussex.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Not given.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The lights were moving in circles in an erratic type of way. They were stopping and starting and were continually flashing.
8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given, but was midnight, so would be dark.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	Flight Lieutenant Section 40 from West Drayton who then left a message on Das answerphone. Lieutenant Section 40 said that Section 40 had rung Sussex Police too, to report the sighting.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 Peacehaven East Sussex Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Section 40 was concerned and seemed quite frightened, because one of the lights broke off from the others and was flying straight towards her house and then flew over the top of it. Flight Lieutenant Section 40 said that there was nothing caught on radar.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	4 August 2005 10.30L

ENCLOSURE NUMBER 35

No reply - as full address not given.

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	2 August 2005 22.15L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Section 40 said that there were two objects above his house. They circled above it about five times.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	He was stationary outdoors filming the objects on his camcorder.
4.	**How object was observed.** (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye and then a camcorder.
5.	**Direction in which object was first seen.** (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	As before, just above his house.
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] Didn't give full address. Section 40 [redacted]
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Just said he couldn't believe he had objects above his house, so went inside, got his camcorder and filmed them.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	3 August 2005 11.30L

ENCLOSURE 34 NUMBER

no reply, as address not given.

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	Date and time of sighting not given.
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said that she saw two UFOs but didn't know at first who to contact.
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.)	Not given.
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.**	Woman, but did not give name. Section 40 [redacted]
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Just said she was not mad and knew what she had seen, and the two UFOs were certainly not planes.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	29 July 2005 11.30L

ENCLOSURE NUMBER 33

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Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
29 July 2005

Dear Section 40

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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.)	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.)	Not given.
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 [redacted] Tyla Garw Pontyclun Section 40 [redacted]
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Not given.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	28 July 2005 14.30L

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

ENCLOSURE NUMBER 32

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Section 40
Cardiff
South Wales
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
29 July 2005

Dear Section 40

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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 specific 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.

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.)	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.)	Not given.
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.
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8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

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10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 [redacted] Cardiff South Wales Section 40 [redacted]
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Not given.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	28 July 2005 14.30L

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Stapleford
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Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
29 July 2005

Dear Section 40

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 23 June 2005 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 in your quest to find out what the object was.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

** TO BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY **

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Low Flying / UFOs.

TREAT OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE

To DAS (CA) Pte.

TO Ref No 5698'/2005

cc.

Date 20. 7. 05.

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*.

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INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

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Section 40

STAPLEFORD
NOTTINGHAM ENGLAND Section 40
TEL: Section 40

16th July 2005

The Correspondence Unit
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To whom it may conceren.

On the 23rd of June 2005 I SAW A UFO. I can say this on oath, Bible held to my heart. Every Sunday morning I go to my Methodist Church ... and love every second. After the service we walk into the adjoining hall to have tea, coffee, biscuits and companionship. Birthdays, any announcement - all take place there. And I made the mistake of telling them all my amazing experience of seeing this UFO. To my distress, there are some people who have not believed me. It has left me dreadfully upset. On the other hand, some friends there have said: "If Section 40 says so, then it is true."

I rang the Police and spoke to them on three occasions. I rang Nottingham Airport, and had amazing co-operation from the Section 40 whom I mention in my write-up. But I have not been able to contact any of the UFO groups she found phone numbers for.

My son, Section 40 said: "Write it all down, Mum." So I have written it all down.

Several people, even after reading my statement and seeing my rough sketches, have said that, if anyone else had also seen them, they would have believed. Which, as you might imagine, cuts me in two.

I have deliberately not gone to the press. I want belief, not publicity.

Church friend, Section 40 told me that he daughter saw a UFO eleven years ago, but didn't tell anyone until she learnt others had seen it. My window cleaner saw one, 7-8 years ago, and called his wife to look. Friend Section 40 saw one in Yorkshire many years ago ... And not one of them mentioned it, pretty sure they wouldn't be believed.

I rang the Library to see if they could give me the address of the Air Ministry ... They came up with yours. I enclose my statement and sketch. I so dearly want to be believed, and wonder if, in any way, you could help.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Section 40

statement and sketches
enclosed

(widow, aged 91½)

Section 40

Section 40
STAPLEFORD, NOTTINGHAM
ENGLAND Section 40
Tel: Section 40

Section 40

28th June 2005

Last Thursday afternoon - 23rd June - I went across to the corner shop, posted a letter and bought a Cornetto ice-cream. It was around 3.15. Back home, eating my Cornetto as I sat on the settee, it began to get a bit melty, so not wanting it to drip onto my blouse, I went to stand on the local doorstep.

Immediately my eyes were focussed on two extremely bright, round lights. Very large. Up in the sky. There was no way I could relate these lights to any type of aircraft. I couldn't see any structure above the lights, or below. There was no tail or a 'nose'. Then the lights began to move apart a little. My mind thought: impossible. Then the huge light on the right moved to the left and stopped on the left of the other light. Again, my mind registered: impossible.

The sky was cloudless. We were in the middle of a heat-wave. Everything was clear. No haze.

As I watched, something came from the left side of the lights and came downwards. It was long and lozenge shape. The slight curve at the beginning of this drop - I realised later - meant that it had been somehow 'shot' from the (plane) thing. Had it dropped it would have come straight downwards.

As soon as this long thing had started to come down, the vehicle ... or whatever ... made off to the right ... <u>like an arrow</u>, at incredible speed. In a split second it was a mere dot before it vanished altogether.

I realised that, throughout my watching, there had been no sound at all.

AND I KNEW, <u>WITHOUT A SHADOW OF DOUBT</u>, <u>THAT I HAD SEEN A UFO</u>.

Some time later I phoned the local police. I made my statement and wondered if there had been any more sightings. No. I'm pretty certain that the police didn't believe me.

I didn't know who else to phone. Had a policeman come and stood on my back door step, I could have given an indication of the area in which the lezenge shape would have landed.

Within the next few days I rang the police twice more, asking for PC [redacted] whom I knew ... but never got him.

I phoned my son [redacted] in Upwell, Cambridge area and told him all the above. He knows his Mum. He knows I'm honest and don't lie. He suggested my ringing BBC Radio Nott. ingham. Which I did. They said that, without any other sighting / report, they couldn't do anything. Which I understood.

During the following days I spent ages searching the phone books under 'AIR', 'U...' etc. I decided to ring Nottingham Airport. A lady answered. Briefly, I said I'd seen a UFO. Could she pass me to the right person? She said: "Give me your phone number and I'll ring you back if I can be of any help."

Sure enough, some time later she rang me with phone numbers for 'UFO SIGHTINGS' and 'SKY SEARCH.'

The first number rings, but no-one answers. The second was a private house, 'SKY SEARCH' hadn't, apparently, cancelled the number.

Next day, to my surprise and delight, the lady at Nottingham Airport rang me again with phone numbers for 'UFO RESEARCH' and 'UFO MIDLANDS.' She had been so very helpful I asked for her name and address. I thought I'd write with my thanks for her interest - and enclose one of my bookmarks. She is Section 40 and lives in Cotgrave.

The man who answered the phone for the first one had it been involved for 5 years, but gave me a number - just in case. Again, it turned out to be a private house.

I did write to Section 40 and sent her a bookmark and a photo-copy of Section 40 winning entry in Serge's competition when we members had either a superb lunch at her house, published in SCRIBE with photo of myself and the snake on my 40th birthday.

In turn I rang [redacted] and [redacted] with my news. And - over the next days, - tried phoning again.

I felt so thwarted! If only P.C. [redacted], for instance, had come round, I could have stood with him on my back doorstep and described exactly where the lights were, how the 'lozenge' thing started Eastwards on a slight curve. He could have guessed where it might have landed and done something about it. And I could have described how the UFO shot off like an arrow, at colossal speed, disappearing in split seconds.

All without a sound.

On the following Sunday I decided to tell my Church friends when we were having our tea/coffee after the service. I described it exactly as it happened.

An embarrassing silence followed. Nobody questioned me, or spoke to me. I wished I hadn't told them. But how was I to keep such a fantastic, earth-shattering experience to myself?

June 2005

Signed [redacted]

This is my attempt to depict what happened. It is really impossible. I wasn't conscious of seeing any structure - right until it flew away. There was no tail, no nose, no wings, rotors, etc.

So .... Thursday, 3.15, 23rd June...

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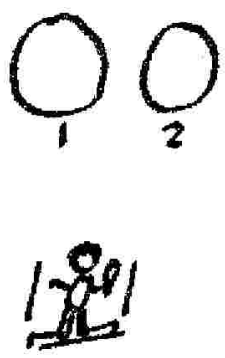

Very big, very round, brilliant white lights. I'd never seen anything like them before. Then they moved a little apart. Impossible, was my reaction.

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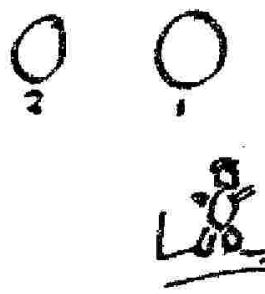

The light on the right had moved to the other side of the one on the left. Another impossibility!

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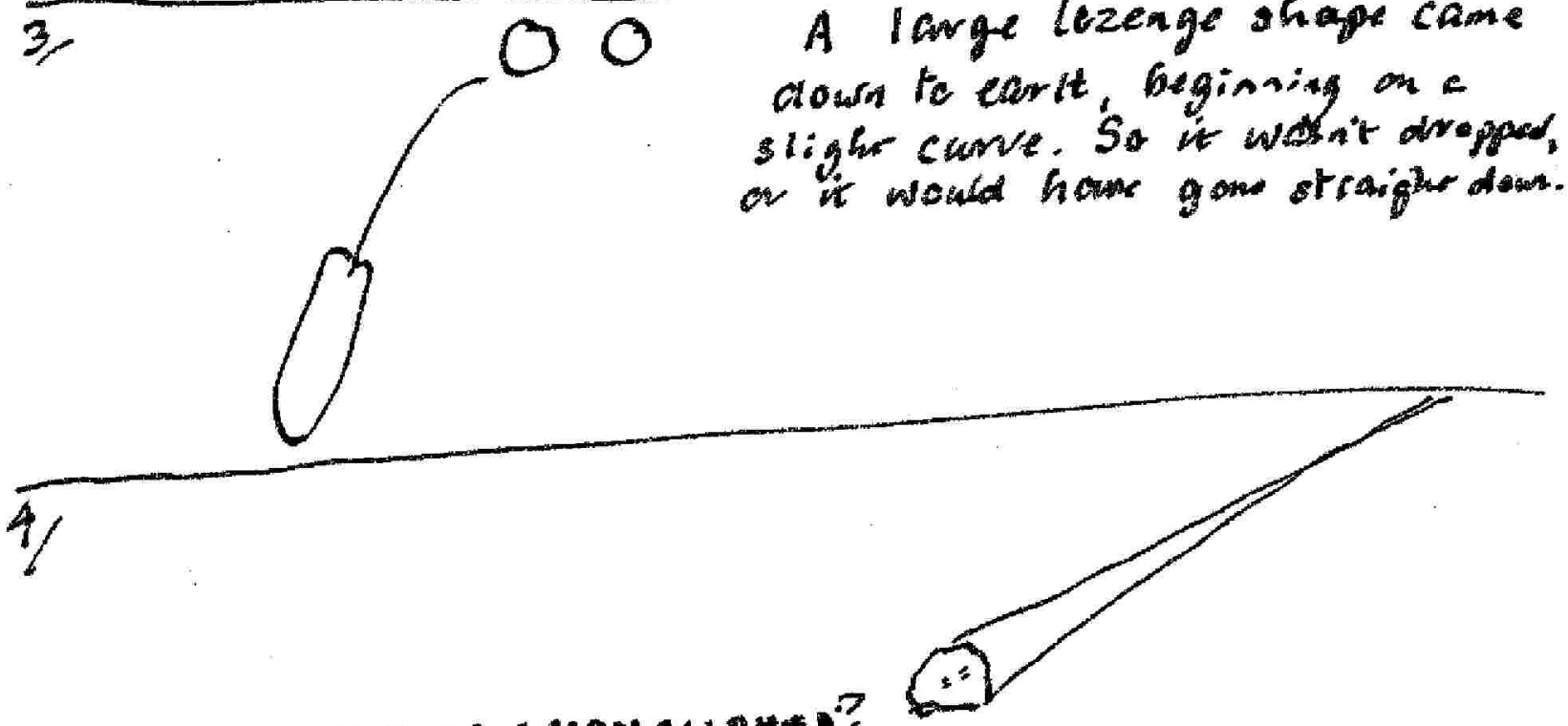

A large lozenge shape came down to earth, beginning on a slight curve. So it wasn't dropped, or it would have gone straight down.

The UFO flew like an arrow at colossal speed ... and disappeared.

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ENCLOSURE 30 NUMBER

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Section 40
Nailsworth
Gloucestershire
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
13 July 2005

Dear Section 40

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Sorry I could have not been more help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	11/12 July 2005 23.30L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Section 40 just said that both evenings, there had been strange 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.)	Over Nailsworth in Gloucestershire.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Section 40 said that the lights were at a very high altitude.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Going quite fast.
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 Nailsworth Gloucestershire Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	His brother and some of their neighbours, plus people were ringing him up and asking what it was, as he is in a UFO Research group.
12.	**Remarks.**	Says can the MOD explain to him, what he and many others are witnessing?
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	13 July 2005 11.30L

ENCLOSURE 29 NUMBER

No reply - full address not given.

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	Date not given. 09.34L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The lady said that the object looked like a telegraph pole.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Just said outdoors.
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.)	In West Devon, over the village of Chevithorne.
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.

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Section 40

ENCLOSURE NUMBER 28

Section 40
Middlesbrough
Cleveland
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
6 July 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 4 July 2005, the details of which you passed to Durham Tees Air Traffic Control, who then in turn, passed it to our Department. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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Sorry I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40 [redacted]

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	4 July 2005 21.00hrs
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	It was a triangular object, and the point of it, was sort of rounded. The object was silent and had no lights of any description.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Section 40 and Section 40 were outdoors in their 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 flew right over their heads going in an Easterly direction from the direction of Middlesbrough.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Not given, just said object flew over their heads below cloud cover.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was moving slowly above them.
8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Was a quite a clear night, just a bit overcast. The odd cloud etc.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	Section 40 left the report with Durham Tees – Valley Airport, Air Traffic Control, who then left the message on Das answerphone.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 Middlesbrough Cleveland Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Her husband.
12.	**Remarks.**	Section 40 said that it was definitely not a normal aircraft, as she could see it quite clearly.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	5 July 2005 16.00L

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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 27

Section 40

St Neots
Cambs
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
15 June 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 8 June 2005, the details of which you e.mailed to the Public Ministers office. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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Yours sincerely

Section 40

** TO BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY **

LOWFLYING/UFOS/E-MAIL

TREAT OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE

To DAS (LA) PsP

TO Ref No 4784 /2005

CC.

Date 14 JUN 05

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Revised January 2005

Section 40

From: Section 40@aol.com
Sent: 10 June 2005 19:30
To: public@ministers.mod.uk
Subject: Unusual sighting over St Neots Cambridgeshire - 8.6.05

Dear Sirs

I'm contacting you to report the sighting of a strange object in the sky above St Neots, Cambridgeshire on Wednesday 8 June 2005.

My daughter and 3 friends said they could see a "line" in the sky at approximately 4.45p. When I looked up to where they were pointing I could clearly see the object. It looked like a rod. It seemed to move around and at times I could only see the end of it which looked like a dot. My daughter got me her binoculars and I could see the rod more clearly - it appeared to shine silver when the sun caught it but was dark grey to the naked eye. It was slightly pointed at one end. It moved up and down in the sky and sometimes appeared to disappear. There were glider planes in the sky also (I counted 3 while looking at the object) and they appeared to fly under it giving the impression that the object was higher in the sky than the planes.

I watched the object for about 15-20 mins but then had to answer the phone, by which time it had disappeared. I happened to mention the sighting to some people at work and 2 colleagues confirmed that they also saw the object about 30 mins earlier than me but it looked a lot bigger and appeared to spiral down and then rise again several times. They also thought it looked metalic but was lower in the sky. Their sighting was also shared by both adults and children at the local after school club (where they work).

I'm not sure whether this is the correct place to report such a sighting but I feel I need to share this information to an official body. Please feel free to contact me if you need any additional information.

Section 40

St Neots
Cambs Section 40
Tel: Section 40

13/06/2005

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

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Section 40

ENCLOSURE NUMBER 24

Section 40
St Neots
Cambridgeshire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
6 June 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 4 June 2005, the details of which you passed to Cambridgeshire Police, who then in turn, passed it to our department. 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 4 June 2005 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.)	4 June 2005 00.30L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object looked like a red dim light.
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.)	Not given.
5.	**Direction in which object was first seen.** (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Flying easterly over St Neots, Cambridgeshire.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Not given.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was going very fast and was zig-zagging across the sky, and was there for about five to six seconds.
8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given, although as the sighting was seen at midnight, it would have been very dark.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	Cambridgeshire Police who then in turn left a message on Das answerphone.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 St Neots Cambridgeshire Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Section 40 said the object/dim red light, was going faster than any plane. By the erratic way it was moving too, said that it must be something else. Said he isn't a UFO believer, but this dim light moving in the sky was very strange and was something that could not be explained.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	6 June 2005 10.30L

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Section 40
Abbey Wood
Kent
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
6 June 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 27 May 2005, 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 27 May 2005 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.

As to your question of the pilot of the aircraft reporting the object to this Department, we have had no reports from the pilot about the sighting you saw that day, flying parallel with the airliner.

Sorry I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40 [redacted]

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	27 May 2005 15.15L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Was a small white object that was moving parallel with an airliner.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, but stationary looking up, over the cliffs.
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.)	Over Westcliffe? in Kent, overlooking the cliffs. The direction the airliner and object were travelling, were as if they were coming back from Holland.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Not given.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was going the same speed as the airliner as it was right by it's side.
8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Said it was quite cloudy. That the object disappeared behind clouds quite a few times. Then after a few minutes, disappeared altogether.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 Abbey Wood Kent Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Just said that he saw the aeroplane first and then noticed a strange white, round object flying next to it. Wondered if the airline pilot had noticed it, or had reported it to our department?
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	3 June 2005 14.30L

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

ENCLOSURE 24 NUMBER

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Section 40

New Malden
Surrey
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
7 June 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', that you saw, 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.' A letter was sent to your previous address, on the 19 May 2005, you can't have received it.

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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 specific 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.

You mentioned about a newspaper saying that our Department had a research team. As mentioned in my letter above, we do not investigate into UFO sightings, so a research team is not required.

The newspaper is incorrect in it's information, and should have asked this Department as in to what work we undertake, before publishing what it thought was correct information.

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 be deemed appropriate, involve the scrambling or diversion of air defence aircraft).
From that perspective, reports provided to us of 'UFO' sightings are examined, but consultation with air defence staff and others as necessary is considered only where there is sufficient evidence to suggest a breach of UK air defence.
The vast majority of reports we receive are very sketchy and vague. Only a handful of reports in recent years have warranted further investigation and none revealed any evidence of a threat.

Also, you asked for advice on how you could apply to join this office. MOD civil servants are generally posted every 2-3 years to undertake duties in a wide variety of areas within the Department. Staff with appropriate experience to carry out the broad range of tasks associated with general RAF secretariat work may be posted to serve in Das. Should you wish to become a MOD civil servant you may wish to look for job vacancies at your local employment office. However, I should emphasize that joining the civil service as a MOD employee would be no guarantee of a posting to Das.

Hope this will be helpful.

Yours sincerely

Section 40 [redacted]

letter not received — as Section 40 moved + rang DAS again

ENCLOSURE NUMBER 24

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Directorate of Air Staff – Freedom of Information 1

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Section 40
Brixton Hill
London
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
19 May 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', that you saw, 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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Yours sincerely

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1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	Time and date not given.
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said that she has seen a UFO sometime in 2005.
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.)	Not given.
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 Brixton Hill London Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Said that she wanted to discuss her sighting and different aspects to do with UFOs. She also asked on the answerphone, if she could get a posting within our department as she has just finished doing her degree. I mentioned that she should go to her local employment agency. Plus if she became a civil servant, there is no guarantee that she would get a posting to Das.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	18 May 2005 15.45L

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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 23

Section 40
Kendal
Cumbria
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
16 May 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in 2005, 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, a specific 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

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	Sometime in 2005. No specific details.
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.)	Not given.
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 [redacted] Kendal Cumbria Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Not given.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	16 May 2005 14.30L

16/5/05.

ENCLOSURE 22 NUMBER

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 14 May 2005, the details of which you put in your e.mail to this office. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

First may it 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' 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 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 14 May 2005 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

Section 40 [redacted]

From: Section 40 [redacted]@hotmail.co.uk]
Sent: 14 May 2005 22:02
To: DAS-UFO-Office
Subject: Sighting of UFO over London / SE-London

Date of Sighting:14/5/2005
Time: 21:43

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I was looking out of my window (which faces London) trying to find Venus, as I had seen it earlier that evening. I looked away, and when I looked back, I saw a black, cigar-shape/side on disc flying slowly over what appeared to be 10-30 miles away from my house. I continued to watch the object, which maintained it's slow speed and heading for about 15-20 seconds. Then, it accelerated to a speed that would easily outstrip a low flying fighter jet. It continued on its heading, but still gaining speed until I could not see it. I opened the window and leaned out to observe this further, but it had disappeared out of my sight. There were no markings on the craft, lights, or smells that accompanied the appearance of this aircraft, except a very low humming noise.

Yours sincerely,

Section 40 [redacted]

From: Section 40
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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 21

Section 40
Shrewsbury
Shropshire
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
16 May 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 11 April 2005, the details of which you passed to RAF Shawbury. 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 11 April 2005 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

MOD Form 953
(Revised 4/99)

Unit Ref: S4AW/2337/171/Cla (11/05)

MILITARY AIRCRAFT ACTIVITY PUBLIC COMPLAINT FORM

■ To be completed in CAPITALS
■ Forward the completed form to the authorities listed at Section 1 within 5 days.

SECTION 1: ACTION AUTHORITIES

Action	Info		Action	Info		Action	Info	
☐	☑	Unit	☐	☐	Comd Sec HQ Land	☐	☐	RAF HQ PTC
☑	☐	MOD Sec(AS)2b	☐	☐	D/C+L (F+S) Claims 3	☐	☐	Other
☐	☐	N9 (Sec2)SØ2	☐	☐	RAF HQ STC	Specify		

FOR MOD USE ONLY.

OS Grid Ref: | Serial No: 0515143 | File Ref: 6919/13E49

LFA: 9 | Previous Complaint | No. of Complaints to date:

NS: | Serial No: | File Ref:

SECTION 2: DETAILS OF COMPLAINANT

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr/Other: [redacted]
Surname: [redacted]
Forename(s): [redacted]
Address: [redacted]
Town/City: SHREWSBURY
County: SHROPSHIRE
Postcode: [redacted]
Telephone No. [redacted]

SECTION 3: LOCATION OF INCIDENT

☐ Address at Section 2,

or:

Address:
Town/City:
County:
Postcode:

SECTION 4: DETAILS OF INCIDENT

Date: MON 11 APR !!
Time: OVERNIGHT 0045 – 0130
How many aircraft involved: ONE ??

Type of aircraft

☐ Jet ☐ Prop ☐ Helo ☐ Light a/c UFO

Other (Specify)
UFO !

Markings

☐ Grey ☐ Camouflaged ☐ Red/White ☐ Black/Yellow

Other (Specify)
TRIANGLE-SHAPED RED LIGHTS ON STERN

Height

☑ Low ☐ Medium ☐ High

Estimation in Feet: ?

Direction: ?

Inside MATZ?

☐ Yes ☑ No

If Yes which MATZ?

NOW TURN OVER

SECTION 5: PARTICULARS OF COMPLAINT (Continue on a separate sheet if necessary).

HAVING MULLED IT OVER FOR A MONTH Section 40 Section 40 THOUGHT HE WOULD RING RAF SHAWBURY TO ASK IF WE HAD HAD ANY REPORTS OF A "HUGE" CRAFT WHICH APPEARED TO BE HOVERING AROUND THE SOUTHERN SUBURBS OF SHREWSBURY. 705 (SQUIRRELS) SQN WERE NIGHT FLYING LATER THAT EVENING BUT HAD ALL LANDED BY 2300.

SECTION 6: CLAIMS (DO NOT PROMPT)

Has the incident given rise to any injury to persons and/or livestock or damage to property which will result in a claim for compensation being submitted to the Ministry of Defence?

☐ Yes ☑ No

If Yes, give details and copy form to D/C+L (F+S) Claims 3.

SECTION 7: UNITS RESPONSE

	Yes	No
Return Telephone call	☐	☑
Full written response sent (attach copy)	☐	☑
Low flying leaflet sent	☐	☐
Written acknowledgement only (attach copy)	☑	☐
Visit arranged	☐	☑
Requires attention of HQ P&SS	☐	☑

Specify

Other (Specify)

SECTION 8: DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING COMPLAINT

Time: (Local) 1700

Date Complaint received: 10 MAY 05

Signature: Section 40 CKo

Name: Section 40

Rank: SQN LDR RAF R

Unit: RAF SHAWBURY

Tel. No: Section 40

IMPORTANT REMINDER

ALL ACTION TAKEN MUST BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAI J5002 OF 1999.

THE COMPLETED FORM IS TO BE FORWARDED TO THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES AS LISTED AT SECTION 1 WITHIN 5 DAYS.

ROYAL AIR FORCE
Shawbury Shrewsbury Shropshire SY4 4DZ

Please reply to the Community Relations Officer
Telephone: Section 40 **(+ answerphone)**
Fax: Section 40
e-mail: cro@direct.shawburyigs.raf.mod.uk

Section 40

Shrewsbury
Section 40

Your reference:

Our reference:
SHAW/2033/17/CRO
Date:
12 ~~April~~ May 2005

Dear Section 40

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT SIGHTING OVER MEOLE BRACE - 11 APRIL 2005

I am writing to follow up your telephone call to RAF Shawbury on 10 May at 5 pm to report a large unidentified craft which was seen flying in the area of Meole Brace between 0045 and 0130 on the morning of Monday 11 April.

None of our helicopters was operating at the time and therefore I am unable to explain the phenomenon. I am therefore passing details of the sighting to the Ministry of Defence for their records. There is a telephone number for members of the public to ring to pass details of such incidents - 0207 218 2140 - and a member of the staff will write to you in due course.

Thank you very much for reporting this sighting.

Yours sincerely,

Section 40

Section 40
Squadron Leader
for Officer Commanding

cc:

MOD DAS(C&E) - by fax

Fax From Section 40 13/05/05 09:25 Pg: 5

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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 20

Section 40
Kingswinford
West Midlands
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
9 May 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen 19 years ago in 1986, 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 regards to your observation 19 years ago, it is too far back for me to check if there was any military aircraft activity at the time, you saw the UFO.

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.)	The UFO was seen 19 years ago, in 1986.
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.)	Not given.
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 Kingswinford West Midlands Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Just said that she had witnessed this UFO over a Central Ammunitions Depot, where her Dad used to work when he was in the Army, 19 years ago. Something that scared her in a way, and that she has only just plucked up the courage to ring us now.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	9 May 2005 14.30L

ENCLOSURE NUMBER 19

No reply - Sent, as full details not given.

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	21 April 2005 06.31L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Three objects hovering 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.)	Not given.
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)	Norfolk Police rang the Das answerphone to report that a man had reported this sighting to them, and gave a number to ring the Station for extra details, but it doesn't work!! (Section 40 [redacted] neg - Section 40
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Norfolk
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Not given.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	21 April 2005 11.30L

ENCLOSURE NUMBER 18

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Section 40
Matlock
Derbyshire
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
20 April 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 18 April 2005, 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 18 April 2005 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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REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	18 April 2005 00.30L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Section 40 said that there was a descending white light. Then rotating beams of light going upwards from the ground. Stayed like that for about five minutes, and then all that he had seen had vanished.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, walking.
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.)	Over Massen Hill? in Derbyshire.
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, but it would have been dark, as the sighting was seen after midnight.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone. Derbyshire Police gave him our number.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 [redacted] Matlock Derbyshire Section 40 [redacted]
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Said that he told Derbyshire Police of the sighting, gave them a written account of it. Then said he told some site on the internet of his sighting too. Said he really couldn't work out what it was that he had seen.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	20 April 2005 11.45L

ENCLOSURE NUMBER 17

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Section 40
West Kilbride
Ayrshire
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2

Date:
13 April 2005

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your letter dated 7 April 2005.

I am writing with reference to your report of 'unidentified flying objects' seen on the 6/7 April 2005, the details of which you included in your letter.

With regard to your particular observations, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 6/7 April 2005 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.

Also, your comments have been noted and your letter will be placed on our files.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

Ref. D/DAS/64/2

[redacted]
West Kilbride
Ayrshire
[redacted]

[redacted]

7th April 05.

Directorate of Air Staff Secretariat 3A.

I am once again 'witnessing' yellow Spheres with Pendulum movements, except few are very Bright & going much faster. I Believe two Different types? Have not Seen any Since Dec. Really

6th April 2005 | 23.00 Going N/E from WEST

7th April 2005 3 within 5 minutes 23-15. West to N/E. Tonight I'll Let you know,

I know you instruct one, that you are in control of all over Air Space? One's Not afraid. I Have Experienced Really 'Awesome Views' last year. It certainly changes your life. It makes one Smile when you listen to other on T.V. what they 'Think' we Have witnessed. Think I understand what 'Mona Lisa' is Smiling about, It How you feel with witnessing close Views, & Lonely as Rafaelo last year. True Truth is told, 2 military Helicopters were around my Street, 2 night Running, above my House, Neighbours Said, I did Not go out, But watched from my windows. They Had Huge Beams on Searching Sky. Nobody Has found out why yet? 3 weeks ago, Black they were all lit up One Neighbour Said He Saw a Strange light in Sky? I've experienced enough to last me a life Time. They are Big Time, especially w/K. Yours Sincerely [redacted]

2005

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Section 40

Basildon
Essex
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
12 April 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in April 2005, and two years before, 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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You mentioned in your letter of Alien intelligence. If we 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. I should point out that to date the MOD is not aware of any evidence which might substantiate the existence of craft or lifeforms of extraterrestrial origin, and no threat has been discerned which has been attributed to a 'UFO'.

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, a specific 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

Section 40

[redacted]

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	(Didn't give date or time of the sighting and said that he had seen these crafts, about two years earlier too). (April 1955).
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The crafts have been different sizes. Plus that he has seen aliens, the greys, which are very cute. They sit on top of the spacecrafts!!!!!
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, in front of his bungalow.
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.)	Seen right over his bungalow.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Not given.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Move slow and then fast.
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] Basildon Essex Section 40 [redacted]
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Says that we must not send the RAF out to shoot any craft down, as they come in peace. The greys are very peaceful. He said that they haunt him.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	12 April 2005 11.45L

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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 15

Section 40
Harlow
Essex
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
12 April 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen about five to six years ago, 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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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). Only a handful of reports in recent years have warranted further investigation and none revealed any evidence of a threat.

With regard to your particular observation, 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 [redacted]

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	(Just said object was seen about 5 to 6 years ago).
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.)	Not given.
5.	**Direction in which object was first seen.** (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The object was seen over the Stort Valley in Essex.
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 Harlow Essex Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Just said that he would like these to be explained and that he finds this kind of thing disturbing.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	12 April 2005 11.00L

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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 14

Section 40
Shepton Mallet
Somerset

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2

Date:
12 April 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in April 2005, 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, a specific 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, just said that they come around every other night!)
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Looks like a star when it appears.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors in her house.
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.)	Just said over Shepton Mallet.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Not given.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Said it was moving slowly.
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] Shepton Mallet Somerset
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Section 40 said that she rang up Patrick Moore and asked what this object could be? Patrick said that he could not identify with what she saw and that perhaps she would like to tell someone in authority, to see if they could help.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	12 April 2005 10.30L

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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 13

Section 40

Crosby
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
6 April 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 4 April 2005, 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 4 April 2005 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

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	4 April 2005 No time given.
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said that he saw something late last night in the sky. Didn't know what it was.
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)	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] Crosby Section 40 [redacted]
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Not given.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	5 April 2005 10.30L

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Section 40

Islington
London
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2

Date:
5 April 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', that you saw and took a video of, of which you left a message about on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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We are willing to look at the video, of the strange lights, but as mentioned above, the MOD will not attempt to identify what the strange lights are. You can send the video to us at the address at the top of this letter. Please let us know if you wish for it to be returned to you, after we have looked at it.

Sorry if I have spelt your address wrong, the answering machine is not very clear.

Hope this will be of help.

Yours sincerely

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Tel: Section 40

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Section 40

Woking
Surrey
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
4 April 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 31 March 2005, 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 31 March 2005 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 have not been more help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	31 March 2005 21.15L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A bright star that moved to the side. It had bright lights.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors at home, looking out of the window.
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.)	Just said in the distance over Woking.
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 [redacted] Woking Surrey Section 40 [redacted]
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Her husband.
12.	**Remarks.**	Said that it was definitely not an aircraft and that the lights were too bright to be an aircraft's lights. Said it seemed to stay stationary for a while, they looked away for a second and it just seemed to disappear.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	4 April 2005 10.20L

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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 10

Section 40
Yeovil
Somerset
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
4 April 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in 2000, 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, a specific 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.)	Seen sometime in 2000. No time given.
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	At first the object looked like a white ball of light. After about a minute, it changed into a large, silver metal, shining ball. A dark mist surrounded it, and a blinding light surrounded the dark mist. It lit up the fences either side of the road.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Was indoors in his car, near Somerton.
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.)	He was driving towards Somerton, after dropping a client off. He is a taxi driver.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	The object was on the horizon about seven to eight feet off the ground.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Said it was stationary for a few minutes.
8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Was very still and clear.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 Yeovil Somerset Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	There were no other witnesses, was on his own in the car.
12.	**Remarks.**	Section 40 said it was strange, when he saw this object there was no other traffic around and he said there were no birds around like there had been before he saw it. The fields either side of the road were lit up too. He felt quite frightened and drove quickly home.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	4 April 2005 10.45L

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Please see attached MOD Form 953 & letter to complainant.

Thank you

PS. This is the first UFO paperwork received since I started in post. Please let me know if there is any thing else I need to do apart from record and file paperwork.

Regards Section 40

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A.	Date, Time and duration of sighting.	24 March 2130.
B.	Description of object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise).	Star like, colours of Rainbow. dancing around
C.	Exact position of observer (indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving).	Outdoors. looking south.
D.	How observed (naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder)	binoculars
E.	Direction in which object first seen (landmark may be more useful than an estimated bearing)	South.
F.	Angle of sight (estimated heights are unreliable).	low in the sky
G.	Distance (by reference to a known landmark).	Orion the hunter. To the left of his star
H.	Movements (changes in E, F & G may be of more use than estimates of course and speed).	dancing around.
J.	Met conditions during observation (moving clouds, haze, mist etc).	Clear night.
K.	Nearby objects (telephone lines, high voltage lines reservoir, lake or dam, swamp or marsh, rivers, high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, TV/radio masts, airfields, generating plant, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights).	
L.	To whom reported (Police, military, press etc).	Mod Army
M.	Name and address of observer.	Section 40 . Section 40 North Hylton.
N	Background of observer that may be volunteered.	Diver Council Driver.
O.	Other witnesses.	Section 40 North Hylton Hylcham?
P.	Date and time of receipt.	24 March 2130.
Q.	Any unusual met conditions.	None.
R.	Remarks.	was looking at UFO at time of ringing us. Was very cooperative !!

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Section 40
Hayes
Middlesex
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
21 March 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in March 2005, 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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Sorry I could not have been more help. Also, sorry if I have spelt your name wrong, the answering machine is not very clear.

Yours sincerely

Section 40 [redacted]

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.)	Said it was like a big shooting star.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors.
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.)	Seen over Bath Road in Slough.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Not given.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object shot through the air very fast, but the witness said it was going too fast to be a shooting star, as he had seen quite a few of those before.
8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Quite clear.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 [redacted] Hayes Middlesex Section 40 [redacted]
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Said that the sighting was amazing, has not seen anything like that before. Very bright and fast. Wow!! Wants to know if we have any idea what it is, and if we do, if we can tell him!
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	21 March 2005 11.45L

ENCLOSURE 7 NUMBER

No reply - no full address.

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	20 March 2005 19.35L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Section 40 just said it was a UFO.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors.
4.	**How object was observed.** (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Had a camcorder and was filming the object while talking on the Das answerphone. Said he filmed it for over half an hour.
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 North Wales Section 40 Section 40 Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Just said about having a video of it.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	21 March 2005 11.30L

ENCLOSURE 6 NUMBER

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Section 40
Grimsby
Humberside

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
15 March 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 14 March 2005, the details of which you passed to Grimsby Police. 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 14 March 2005 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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REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	14 March 2005 05.29L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Saw one strange white light, that stayed there for about an hour. It dimmed, then got brighter again.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors in his house looking out of the window.
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 in a Southern direction over Immingham, Grimsby.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Not given.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was stationary for an hour and then just disappeared.
8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Was dusky, as early in the morning.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	The sighting was reported to PC Section 40 at Grimsby Police Station who then in turn, left a message on the Das answerphone, for us to ring him, to obtain the details.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 [redacted] Grimsby Humberside
11.	**Other witnesses.**	His brother also witnessed the object, the whole time it was there.
12.	**Remarks.**	I was told that PC Section 40 in touch with Air Traffic Control in the local area and asked if they had noticed any lights, and they said no, they hadn't. PC Section 40 said that some other witness had come forward and said he had seen a white light too.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	15 March 2005 11.30L

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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 5

Section 40
Wokingham
Berkshire
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2

Date:
8 March 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 27 February 2005, 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 27 February 2005 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

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	27th February 2005 15-16 seconds
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Zoom of light which streaked across the sky from left to right in front of Section 40 car, changed into a silver ball, then a flying saucer shape, before disappearing. There was no noise.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	In car, driving between junctions 11 and 12 on the M4.
4.	**How object was observed.** (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Naked eye.
5.	**Direction in which object was first seen.** (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	In front of car at 45% angle.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Not known.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Fast. Side to side, then disappeared.
8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Dull and cloudy.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	Civil Aviation Authority gave Section 40 MOD telephone number.
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	Section 40 Wokingham Berkshire Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	None
12.	**Remarks.**	Section 40 was so shocked she had to pull off the motorway into a lay-by. She still felt shocked several hours later when she returned home.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	7th March 2005 0900L

ENCLOSURE 4 NUMBER

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Section 40
Yeldersley
Derbyshire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
4 March 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 20 February 2005, the details of which you passed to Ashbourne Police Station. 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 eleven other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 20 February 2005, from various counties 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

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	20 February 2005 11.00L
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object was missile shaped. Was turquoise in colour, metallic and looked reflective, and was the length of an estate car. Had no sound and didn't leave a trail.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors, in their house.
4.	**How object was observed.** (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	**Direction in which object was first seen.** (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Going from Osmaston to Shirley, and was at treetop level.
6.	**Approximate distance.**	Half km away.
7.	**Movements and speed.** (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was going very fast. It was on one course and then changed course suddenly.
8.	**Weather conditions during observation.** (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	**To whom reported.** (Police, military, press etc)	The sighting was reported to Sgt [redacted] at Ashbourne Police station, who then rang Das and relayed the message. (The CAA gave the Sgt the number for Das).
10.	**Name, address and telephone no of informant.**	[redacted] Yeldersley Derbyshire [redacted]
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Both husband and wife saw the object.
12.	**Remarks.**	Not given.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	3 March 2005 15.25L

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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 3

Section 40
Yeovil
Somerset
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
D/DAS/64/2
Date:
2 March 2005

Dear Section 40

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received ten other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 20 February 2005 from various counties 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

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	20 February 2005 No time given.
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said saw a flying 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.)	Was seen over East Coker, 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.**	Section 40 [redacted] Yeovil Somerset Section 40 [redacted]
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Said that she saw the UFO report in the Western Gazette and thought that she should report to us what she had seen.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	2 March 2005 11.45L

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Dorset
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:
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Date:
28 February 2005

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 20 February 2005, 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 nine other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 20 February 2005 from various counties 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

Section 40

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	20 February 2005 No time given.
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Saw a flash of blue light go across the sky.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, walking.
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)	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] Dorset Section 40 [redacted]
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	Said that he had seen the report in the local paper of the sighting and realised that he should report what he had seen too.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	28 February 2005 11.00L

No reply as no full address given.

REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	**Date and time of sighting.** (Duration of sighting.)	20 February 2005 No time given.
2.	**Description of object.** (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said saw a flash of blue light, like everyone else saw, in the area of Somerset on the date above.
3.	**Exact position of observer. Geographical location.** (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors.
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)	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 No address given. Section 40 Section 40
11.	**Other witnesses.**	Not given.
12.	**Remarks.**	That Section 40ead in the local paper about the sighting and thought that she had better report the UFO that she had seen too.
13.	**Date and time of receipt.**	28 February 2005 10.30L