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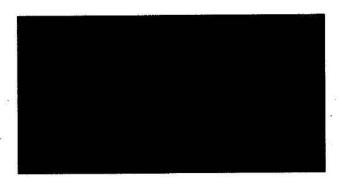
From: Sent:

To:

24 October 2006 11:09 DAS-UFO-Office

Subject:

Freedom of Information request



24 October 2006

Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to make a request under the FOI for the following information:

- a) a copy of any current advertisement (internal MoD or external, in whatever format) for the vacant post at DAS which is responsible for dealing with FOI and UFO inquiries.
- b) with reference to (a) a copy of the job description, list of responsibilities, qualifications required for this post
  - c) any information relating to the Civil Service grade relevant to the vacant post
- d) any internal correspondence relating to the current vacancy not covered by exemptions to the FOIA.

Please could you supply any subtantive information as hard copy to the address given above, please use my email address if you require any further information in handling this request.

I look forward to hearing from you,

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----Original Message----

From: no-reply@feedback.mod.uk [mailto:no-reply@feedback.mod.uk]

Sent: 03 September 2008 14:27

To: Info-Access-Office

Subject: FOI written request PS D 08-09-2008-070638-005 Section 40

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

txttitle: Section 40
txtfirstname: Section 40
txtlastname: txtoccupation: Journalist

txtorganisation: Scotland on Sunday txtaddress1: Scotland on Sunday txtaddress2: 80 St Vincent Street

txttowncity: Glasgow

txtstatecountry: Glasgow City txtzipcodepostcode: G2 5UB

txtcountry: UK

txtemailAddress: Section 40

txttelephone: Section 40

txtinforequest: Dear Sir/Madam,

I understand that within the MoD two staff are specifically tasked, among other things, with dealing with UFO-related inquiries. I wish to find out where these two staff are based, what their job descriptions are and what their duties entail. (If possible I would like to see copies of the official job descriptions) I also wish to find out their annual levels of renumeration as well as what qualifications and skills are required for the posts.

Also, are candidates for the positions required to keep an open mind on the subject of UFOs in line with the MoD's general position?

I would also like to see copies of correspondence relating to these posts from the past two years. (2007 and 2008)

I realise that you are regularly inundated with inquiries relating to this particular subject and your help and patience are greatly appreciated.

Many thanks and best wishes,

Section 40

senior reporter, Scotland on Sunday





From: Section 40

Directorate of Air Staff - Freedom of Information 1

## MINISTRY OF DEFENCE 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Zone H, Main Building, Whitehall, London SW1A 2HB

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(Direct dial) (Switchboard) (Fax)

020 7218 2140 020 7218 9000

Section 40

Highams Park
London
Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference: 01-09-2008-065632-005 Date:

23 September 2008

Dear Section 40

I am writing concerning your Freedom of Information request asking how many UFO sighting reports from the London Borough of Redbridge have been investigated by the MOD in the last five years. Your request has been passed to this Department as we are the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to UFOs.

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

With regards to there being any sighting reports investigated from the London Borough of Redbridge, I have checked our records and we have not received any reports from that area in the last five years.

I hope this is helpful. If you are unhappy with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of this request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Director of Information Exploitation, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail InfoXD@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain unhappy following an internal review, you may wish to take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <a href="http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk">http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk</a>.

#### Yours sincerely

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If you have filled this survey out before, we invite you to fill it out again in light of the recent response to your request.

EXP 29 Sep 08

----Original Message----

From: no-reply@feedback.mod.uk [mailto:no-reply@feedback.mod.uk]

Sent: 27 August 2008 12:21

To: Info-Access-Office

Subject: FOI written request PS 01-09-2008-065632-005 Section 40

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txttowncity: Highams Park

txtstatecountry: London

txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40

txtcountry: UK

txtemailAddress: Section 40

txtinforequest: How many, if any, reports of UFO sightings above the skies of the London Borough of Redbridge been investigated by the MoD

in the last five years?





Applicant: Section 40

Case Number: 01-09-2008-064539-001

**Expiry**: 29 Sept 2008

## The Applicant has made the following request for information:

Would it be possible for you to send me or tell how to access all reported UFO sightings from 1980-1983?

## Case for withholding information

The information can be found in The National Archives.

## Proposed use of the following FOI Exemptions

Exemption 21 (Information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means.

## **Authorisation**

I hereby give authorisation to withhold the aforementioned information to the Applicant.

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With regard to your request of asking for access to all reported UFO sightings from 1980-1983, you can find the information in The National Archives. The National Archives can be contacted at Ruskin Avenue, Richmond, Kew, Surrey TW9 4DU or telephone, 020 8876 3444. The National Archives also have a website giving information about the records they hold and how to access them. This can be found on the internet at: <a href="http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk">http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk</a>. Therefore, as provided by exemption s.21 (Information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means), the MOD is not obliged to comply with your request.

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EXP: 29 Sep 08

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Sent: 01 September 2008 00:14

To: Info-Access-Office

Subject: FOI written request PS 01-09-2008-064539-001 Section

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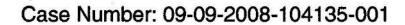
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access all reported ufo sightings from 1980-1983?

Kind regards Se







Expiry: 30 Sep 08

The Applicant has made the following request for information:

Copies of Ops record book for 2 Sqn Nov 1990.

Details of MoD papers on various UFO sightings 1997-2003

## Case for release of information

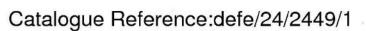
Other than names, addresses telephone numbers and other such details which are not relevant to the information requested, there is no reason to withhold information on the UFO sightings.

Requested clarification of information required from Ops Record Book.

### **Authorisation**

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Date:	22/01/08		*

I hereby give authorisation to release the aforementioned information subject





From:

Section 40

Sent:

23 September 2008 10:18

To:

Section 40

Subject:

Release-authorised: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 03-09-2008-104135-001

Attachments:

Section 40 pdf

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request of 2 September 2008 asking for copies of the Operations Record Book for 2 Squadron, RAF Laarbruch. Additionally, you asked for copies of documentation regarding a number of UFO sightings between 1997 and November 2003.

I regret that, as 2 Squadron were not on operational duty during November 1990, the Operations Record Book entry for this month is not date specific but is merely a summary of Squadron activities. The Freedom of Information Act entitles individuals to have access to information not documentation per se. As the 2 Squadron Operations Record Book for November 1990 contains information which is likely to be irrelevant to you, I should be grateful if you would specify what information you are seeking from this document.

I enclose copies of documentation held on the sightings you mentioned. Some personal information such as names, addresses, occupations, telephone or room numbers has been withheld as it is not relevant to the information requested.

You also asked whether the MoD would be interested in learning of any mundane explanations for the sightings. Given the length of time since the sightings occurred, we consider the sightings closed and I must therefore refuse your very kind offer.

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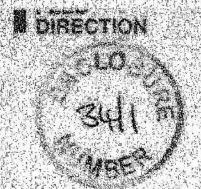
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D. WAKED EYE AND BINDCULARS

E. LOOKING SOUTH FORM BEVERLEY TOWARDS THE HUMBER BRIDGE. HOVERING A

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M. REPORTER

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From: Directorate of Air Staff (Lower Airspace) Operations & Policy 1a MINISTRY OF DEFENCE Metropole Building, Northumberland Avenue, London.

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17 September 2002

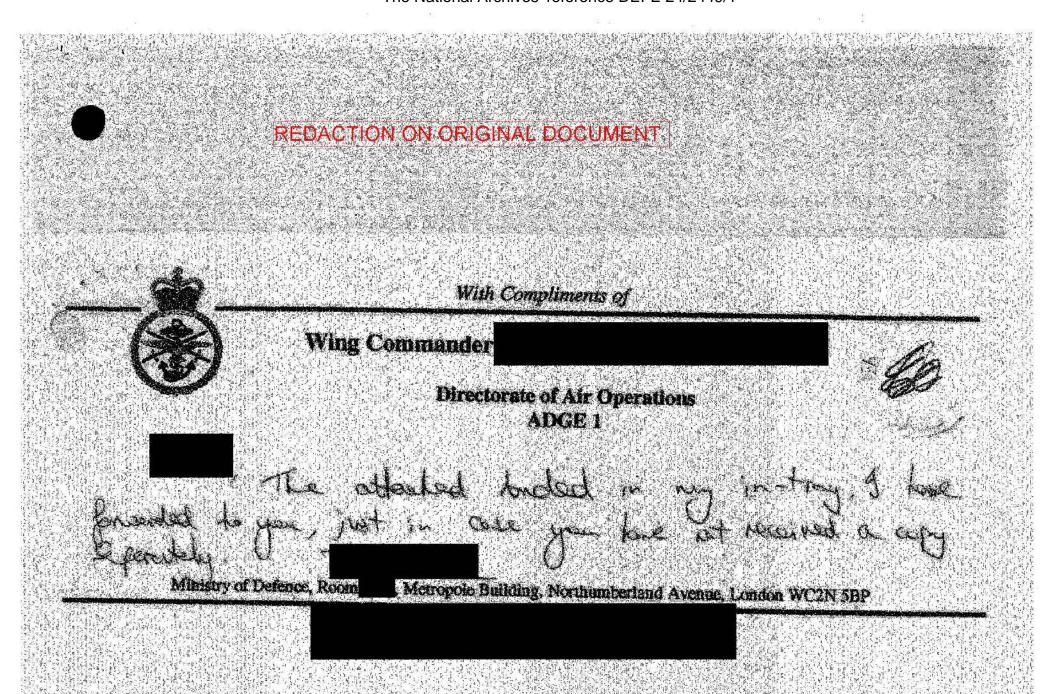
I am writing with reference to your report of a sighting of an 'unidentified flying object' on 12 August 2002. The report was passed to this office by RAF Fylingdales as we are the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

First, it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised air activity. Unless there is evidence of a potential threat, and to date no 'UFO' report has revealed such evidence, MOD does not attempt to identify the precise nature of each reported sighting. We believe it is possible that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. We could not justify expenditure of public funds on investigations which go beyond our specific defence remit.

With regard to your particular observation, I have looked back through our sighting report files and can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 12 August from anywhere in the United Kingdom. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised air activity.

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Subject ACTION:

To:

MODUK AIR

SUBJECT:

SUBJ: MSG ID/FYD/0003/131300ZAUG02 SUBJECT: AERIAL PHENOMENON

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

A 122200 - 2230 LOCAL AUG 02

B. 1 X PURPLE AND WHITE PULSATING JELLY FISH LIKE OBJECT, WITH SMALLER LIGHT CIRCLES SURROUNDING MAIN OBJECT. A SMALLER HAZY LOOKING OBJECT APPEARED TO BE ATTACHED TO THE MAIN OBJECT AND FOLLOWED SAME

C. ON THE N YORK MOORS. ON THE ROAD NEAR RALF'S CROSS VIEWPOINT OUTSIDE THE VILLAGE OF ROSEDALE, NEAR ROSEDALE ABBEY

D. NAKED EYE

E. OBJECT STARTED OUT ON VIEWERS RIGHT

F. APPROX. 10-15 DEGREES, ROOFTOP HEIGHT AT A RANGE OF ABOUT 100 YARDS WAS HOW IT WAS DESCRIBED

G. NO MORE THAN 100-200 YARDS, INITIALLY VIEWED ON BLAKELY RIDGE H. PATH OF OBJECT CROSSED FROM RIGHT TO LEFT AND FOLLOWED THE VIEWER'S CAR FOR APPROX. 4 MILES KEEPING ON THE LEFT

J. CLEAR, CLOUD LESS EVENING

K. NIL

L RAF FYLINGDALES THROUGH MOD OPERATOR

M

N.

Q. 131330 LOCAL AUG 02

R. SOME SOLAR ACTIVITY SEEN IN THE FORM OF SHOOTING STARS

S. INFORMANT SEEMED CONCERNED THAT SHE MAY HAVE BEEN THE ONLY OBSERVER AND HOPED THAT OTHERS MAY HAVE SEEN THE OBJECT

2. POC CPLES B CREW OPS - RAFTN/UNITER EXTINEED OR FLT SGT

- SPACE INFO OFFICER - EXT

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## CREDIBLE WITNESS REPORT - 17 OCT 02

Reference:

- A. Your Loose Minute dated 21 Oct 02.
- 1. At Reference, you asked whether the credible witness report submitted by 2 police officers from Humberside represented anything of air defence interest. Following enquiries through HQ 2 Gp and RAF Neatishead, there is no evidence that unauthorised military activity or any other activity of air defence interest occurred on 17 Oct 02 in the Hull area.

Signed on CHOIS

Wg Cdr DAO ADGE I

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LOOSE MINUTE

## CREDIBLE WITNESS UFO SIGHTING - 17/10/2002

- 1. In line with our current policy, please find attached a 'UFO' report two police officers from Humberside in the early hours of 17 October 2002.
- 2 I would be grateful if you could let me know if the report represents anything of air defence interest.



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Force Duty Officer

For the attention of Ministry of Defence

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Message

Sighting Of Unidentified Flying Object

Humberside Police Incident Log Number 70 of 17/10/02 timed at 0239hrs Thursday

At 0239 hrs on Thursday 17th October 2002 a member of the public contacted Humberside Police to report seeing a UFO. The adult male caller wished to remain anonymous but it is believed he lives in Hull (eastern area of the City). Whilst making the report the caller stated he could see two lit objects in the sky - one over the the Eastern Cemetary, Preston Road, Hull and the other one over B.P. Saltend. He stated the objects appeared to be communicating with each other. He described one of the objects as having a blue light in the middle, a white light and two green lights with a red light going around the top. The object was spinning around and hovening. The caller was looking

Local Police Officers were alerted and sighted what they believed to be the object being reported by the caller. The below report is from two Police Officers rather than from the initial caller who was reluctant to become involved. Other officers also saw the 'object'.

a) Police Officers involved - PC

and Po

- b) 0254 hrs 17/10/02 duration of approx 45 minutes
- c) Appeared as the size of a 'normal' bright star but of different colours blue, green, red
- d) Viewed from various locations in the Hedon area (east of Hull) from a police vehicle
- f) First viewed by officers to be in the sky over B.P. Chemicals Plant at Saltend near Hull and then in the Thorgumbald area.
- g) Angular elevation of approx 45 degrees
- n) Distance from observers is difficult to estimate (but not near to them)

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