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Date of Observation 2 March 49 Date of Interview 2 March 49

Observer (1) 0000

Place of Observation Los Alamos, N.M. 35° 53' 09" North  
Longitude 106° 14' 54" West

Ground, Station 103

Light

One

Low in sky

HELI North to South

Two seconds

Very Fast, Covered half of field of view (90°) in two seconds

Self luminous

Horizontal flight

Disappeared behind trees.

Dim light constant intensity.

Thin overcast at 20,000'

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Paul J. Sewald  
AEC Los Alamos, New Mexico  
Inspector AESS, Los Alamos, N.M.

Requisite for employment with AEC

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At approximately 0010, 2 March 1949, while making ~~XXX~~ a foot patrol at station 103, I observed a light low in the sky. It appeared quite dim and constant in intensity. It was traveling nearly in a horizontal plane from north to south. I saw it for about two seconds when the trees cut off my view. It appeared to be traveling very fast as it ~~00000~~ crossed one half my line of vision during the time I observed it.

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AESS Inspector  
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TO: Lt. Earle B. Lightner, Operations Officer  
Protective Force, ABSS

FROM: Inspector Paul J. Sewald

TIME: 0010

DATE: 2 March 1949

DIRECTION: Horizontal plane from north to south.

SPEED: very fast

COLOR:

ALTITUDE:

POINT OF OBSERVATION: Station 103

SOUND:

OBSERVER: Inspector Paul J. Sewald

STATEMENT BY OBSERVER: At approximately 0010, 2 March 1949, while making a foot patrol at Station 103, I observed a light low in the sky. It appeared quite dim and constant in intensity. It was traveling nearly in a horizontal plane from north to south. I saw it for about two seconds when the trees cut off my view. It appeared to be traveling very fast as it crossed one half my line of vision during the time I observed it.

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## GUIDE TO INVESTIGATION

## UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS

Incidents

1. Date of Observation: 2 March 1949 Date of Interview: 2 March 1949
2. Exact time of observation (local): 0010 hours
3. Place of Observation: 35 deg 53 min 09 sec N  
(Map Coordinates) 106 deg 14 min 54 sec W
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):  
Outdoors: Station 103, Los Alamos, New Mexico
5. What attracted attention to object: Light
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping: One
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length): N/S
8. Color of object: N/S
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object): N/S
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0° at horizon, 90° overhead): "Low in sky"
11. Direction from observer (angle clockwise from north): N/S
12. Distance from observer (distance to town, etc., over which object appeared to be): N/S
13. Direction of flight of object (s): North to South, horizontally.
14. Time in sight: Two (2) seconds.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance): Very fast; covered half of field of view in two (2) seconds. (90 degrees ?)
16. Sound and odor: N/S

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17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)

N/S

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescent, other - degree of brilliance):

Self-luminous

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):

N/S

20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):

N/S

21. Manner of disappearance: **disappeared behind trees.**

22. Effect on clouds: **N/S**

23. Additional information concerning object: **Dim light, constant intensity**

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

**Thin overcast at 20,000 feet.**

Name and address of observer: **Inspector Paul J. Sewald, Atomic Energy Security Service, Los Alamos, New Mexico**

Occupation and hobbies: **Atomic Energy Security Service Inspector (guard)**

Comments of interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

**CBI requisite for employment.**

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material?

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