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**Section 40**

Kenton Mandeville

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

25 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.’

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 eight other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 20 February 2005, and two were from Somerset, Wilts, Dorset, Devon, Leicestershire, London and Cardiff in South Wales. 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.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	20 February 2005 No time given.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A blue flash of light going across the sky.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Section 40 was indoors, looking out of her kitchen window, when she saw the light.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Was going quite fast.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] Kenton Mandeville Section 40 [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Her husband.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Said that she had read about the light in the local paper – The Western, and realised, that that is what she saw when she had been looking out of her window.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	25 February 2005 15.20L



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**Section 40**

Barrington  
Somerset

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
25 February 2005



Dear **Section 40**

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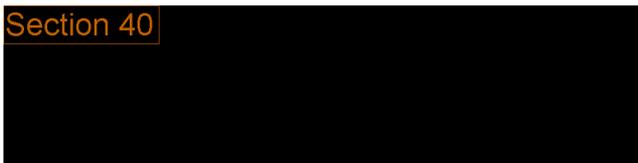
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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received seven other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 20 February 2005, and they were from London, Leicestershire, Somerset, Wilts, Dorset, Devon and Cardiff in South Wales. We are satisfied 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.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	20 February 2005 09.45L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Saw an amazing blue light travelling very fast across the sky. Left a trail.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	In her car.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	On an A road near Taunton.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Just said travelling very fast.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] Barrington Somerset Section 40 [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	25 February 2005 11.30L



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**Section 40**

Yeovil  
Somerset

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
24 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 five other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 20 February 2005, and they were from London, Leicestershire, Somerset, Wiltshire and Cardiff, South Wales. 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.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	20 February 2005 No time given.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Noticed a green/blue light go across the sky. Looked like it had a tail.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, playing golf on the Sherborne Golf Course in Dorset.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Was going quite fast.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Yeovil Somerset
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Three friends that were playing golf with him witnessed it too.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that it could have been a meteorite, as it looked like it was disintegrating as it was moving across the sky. Asked us, if anyone else had reported this green/blue light?
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	24 February 2005 11.30L



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**Section 40**

Feltham  
Middlesex

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
24 February 2005

Dear **Section 40**

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received four other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 20 February 2005, and they were from London, Leicestershire, Somerset and Cardiff, South Wales. 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.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	20 February 2005 No time given.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A bright blue flash was seen in the sky.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	In his car on the A303 going past Stonehenge.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Flying in a Westerly direction over the A303. <i>(Yeovil)</i> .
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] Feltham Middlesex Section 40 [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	He was driving near to Stonehenge and just happened to look up when he saw the blue flash in the sky. Mentioned that it could have been a meteorite.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	24 February 2005 11.00L

**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**



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1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	20 February 2005 09.45L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	<b>Section 4</b> heard a swishing noise, like a firework and looked up to find a bright green light travelling from East to West. It had a white trail and then it just disappeared.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Nr Minehead, Somerset.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Section 40 received an e.mail.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Minehead Somerset Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	23 February 2005 10.00L



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**Section 40**

Cardiff  
South Wales

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

22 February 2005

Dear **Section 40**

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received two other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 20 February 2005, and that one was from London and the other from Leicestershire. 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**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	20 February 2005 09.50L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Bright blue object, broke into about three to four pieces, before disappearing.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Cardiff South Wales Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	22 February 2005 14.40L



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**Section 40**

Walthamstow  
London

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

22 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 passed to Leyton 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 two other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 20 February 2005, and that one was from Leicestershire and the other from Cardiff, South Wales. 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.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	20 February 2005 10.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Saw a light in the sky.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Leyton Police Control Room who then passed it to the Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Walthamstow London Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	22 February 2005 14.30L



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Winkleigh  
Devon

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

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Date:  
22 February 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 21 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 two other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 21 February 2005, and that one was from Middlesex and the other from Shropshire. 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**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	21 February 2005 09.56L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Said he spotted an object in the sky.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Winkleigh Devon Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	22 February 2005 11.45L



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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received two other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 20 February 2005, and that one was from London and the other from Cardiff, South Wales. 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.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	20 February 2005 No time given.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Said she saw an object in the sky, although, thinking about it now, said that it could have been a meteorite.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was going really fast across the sky.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Leicester Leicestershire Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	22 February 2005 11.40L



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**Section 40**

Teddington  
Middlesex

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
22 February 2005

Dear **Section 40**

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received two other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 21 February 2005, and that one was in Shropshire and the other from Devon. 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**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	21 February 2005 10.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said she saw something.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Teddington Middlesex Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	22 February 2005 11.20L



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**Section 40**

Chivnal  
Shropshire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
22 February 2005

Dear **Section 40**

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Sorry I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	21 February 2005 No time given.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Small silver object/ball with a tail on it.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The silver ball was going very fast.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone, twice.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Chivral Shropshire
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Wasn't a plane.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	22 February 2005 11.00L



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**Section 40**

West Glamorgan  
South Wales

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

22 February 2005

Dear **Section 40**

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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, a date or time of the sighting. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

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2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said she saw something.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40  West Glamorgan South Wales Section 40 
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	22 February 2005 10.30L

**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**



No reply,  
as address  
not given

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	11 February 2005 No time given.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Section 40 just said that it was a 'UFO'.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.



9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	RAF Wyton, who then in turn, rang the answerphone and passed the info on to us.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 No address given. Section 40 (Huntingdon number though)
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	15 February 2005 15.30L

ENCLOSURE  
48  
NUMBER

No reply -  
as address  
not given

# Report of Unidentified Flying Object

- a) **Date, Time and Duration of Sighting.**  
15<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2005, 0100z. 5-10 MINUTES
- b) **Description of Object**  
LARGE YELLOW CONICAL SHAPE
- c) **Exact Position of**  
290° KILCREEGAN POINT (NORTH WEST OF GREENOCK)
- d) **How Observed**  
EYESIGHT
- e) **Direction in which Object was First Seen**  
WEST NORTH WEST
- f) **Angular Elevation of Object**  
APPROXIMATELY 2,000FT DESCENDING FROM ABOVE CLOUD
- g) **Distance of Object from Observer**  
NOT KNOWN
- h) **Movements of Object**  
DESCENDING GRADUALLY
- j) **Meteorological Conditions During Observations**  
EXCELLENT VISIBILITY, DRY
- k) **Nearby Objects**  
HILLSIDES
- l) **To Whom Reported**  
CLYDE COASTGUARD [Section 40]
- m) **Name and Address of Informant**  
[Section 40] TEL: [Section 40]
- n) **Any Background Information on the Informant that may be Volunteered**  
DID NOT SOUND TO BE UNDER THE INFLUENCE + APOLOGISED FOR-
- o) **Other witnesses** EX NAVY WARRANT OFFICER + BELIEVED MAKING REPORT  
NIL IT MAY HAVE BEEN AN AIRCRAFT
- p) **Date and Time of Receipt of Report**  
15<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2005 AT 0116z



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**Section 40**

Southwick  
Brighton

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
15 February 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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Yours sincerely

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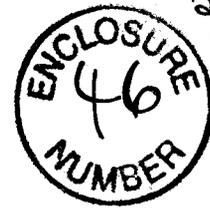
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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	Didn't give date or time of sighting. Seen sometime in 2005.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Not given.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Southwick Brighton Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	15 February 2005 10.30L

**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**



No reply -  
as no  
full  
address  
& name.

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	Ten years ago. (1995).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said a UFO.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.



9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Didn't give name. <b>Section 40</b> Wootton Bassett Wiltshire
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	9 February 2005 10.30L



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**Section 40**

Orpington  
London

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
10 February 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 8 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 8 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.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	8 February 2005 22.55L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There was a massive light. The object was shaped like an iron.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors, in the living room.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	In the distance over Orpington, London.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	She said, watched it for ten minutes and it hadn't moved, so they went to bed.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given, although it was night time.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Orpington London Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Her husband.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Just said it didn't do anything, just sat in the sky, and they could see it quite clearly. Got fed up watching it, and they were tired, so just went to bed, so she didn't know if it moved or not.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	9 February 2005 11.30L

No reply.  
Doesn't have  
full address.



### Report of Unidentified Flying Object

- a) Date, Time and Duration of Sighting. 010205 ~~1058~~  
1030
- b) Description of Object  
BLACK SAUCER HOVERING
- c) Exact Position of DUNYAT HILL NE OF STIRLING
- d) How Observed EYE + VIDEO RECORDER
- e) Direction in which Object was First Seen NE
- f) Angular Elevation of Object SLIGHTLY ABOVE HORIZON (500-600 ft)
- g) Distance of Object from Observer ~~1/2~~  
1 MILE
- h) Movements of Object HOVERING
- i) Meteorological Conditions During Observations NO CLOUD  
SUNNY
- k) Nearby Objects /
- l) To Whom Reported SCACC WATCH
- m) Name and Address of Informant Section 40  
Section 40 Section 40  
STIRLING
- n) Any Background Information on the Informant that may be Volunteered
- o) Other witnesses NO
- p) Date and Time of Receipt of Report  
010205  
1135



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**Section 40**

Portadown  
Belfast

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

1 February 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 24 January 2005, the details of which you reported to Belfast Int. Airport and RAF Aldergrove. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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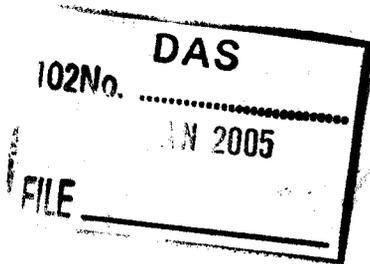
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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 24 January 2005 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



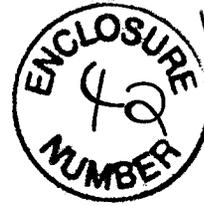
AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL  
BELFAST INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Date 25/1/05

**REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT**

- A. Date, Time and duration of sighting 24/1/05 - 2310 - 15 MINS.  
2345 - 10 MINS.
- B. Description of Object:- 18 LIGHTS MOVING ACROSS SKY
- C. Exact Position of Observer:- HOUSE AT PORTADOWN
- D. How Observed? NAKED EYE
- E. Direction in which Object was first seen:- TOWARDS THE NORTH
- F. Angular Elevation of Object:- 70° - 90°
- G. Distance of Object From Observer:- UNKNOWN
- H. Movements of Object:- TOWARDS THE NW
- J. Meteorological Conditions during Observations:- CLEAR SKY
- K. Nearby Objects:- NIL

**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**



No full name & address - So no reply.

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	31 January 2005 05.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A bright orange ball, like a star in the sky. Had sort of spiderish legs coming off of it.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Reported to the West Glamorgan Police, who then rang Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Port Talbot West Glamorgan South Wales
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	31 January 2005 10.20L

**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

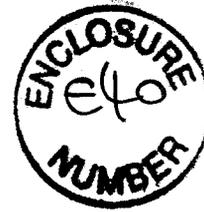


No full name + address - So no reply.

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	Not given.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Said the object looked like a parachute flare.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Out in the sea, near the Welsh Coast.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Welsh Coast Guard reported the sighting to the West Glamorgan Police who then rang Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Swansea West Glamorgan South Wales
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	31 January 2005 10.45L

**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**



No full  
name +  
address -  
so no  
reply.

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



9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	West Glamorgan police who left a message on Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Port Talbot West Glamorgan South Wales
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	31 January 2005 10.30L



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



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(Fax) **Section 40**

**Section 40**  
[Redacted]  
Birmingham  
West Midlands  
**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

28 January 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 5 September 2004, the details of which you e.mailed to the Public Ministers office, who then in turn passed it to us. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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

Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external military source, and to date no ‘UFO’ report has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so.

The MOD does not have any expertise or role in respect of ‘UFO/flying saucer’ matters to the question of existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial lifeforms, about which it remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a ‘UFO’ sighting for 5 September 2004 and that was in Barry, South Wales. 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

A large black rectangular redaction box covers the signature area, with the text 'Section 40' written in orange at the top left corner of the box.

**\*\* TO BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY \*\***



Lowflyer  
E-MAIL  
DAS  
102No. ....  
25 JAN 2005  
FILE

**TREAT OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE**

To DAS (LA) P&P

TO Ref No 830 /2005

cc.

Date 25-1-05

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

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

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

**Ministerial Correspondence Unit**

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

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DII: Ministerial Correspondence; e: Ministerial-Correspondence@mod.uk.

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INVESTOR IN PEOPLE



Section 40

From: Section40@tiscali.co.uk  
Sent: 24 January 2005 12:10  
To: public@ministers.mod.uk  
Subject: OBSERVATION REPORT  
Importance: High

FOR THE PERSONAL ATTENTION OF  
The Right Hon. GEOFF HOON MP,  
Secretary of State for Defence

Dear Sir,

*No trace  
No trace!*

Further to my two e-mails of the 21 and 24 September 04, I still await a response from the MOD staff. Please find below a copy of the main e-mail I sent at the time.

I would prefer not to send anything in the post as it is a sensitive matter.

Yours sincerely,

Section 40  
Birmingham, Section 40  
Tel. Section 40  
Section40@tiscali.co.uk

From: Section40@tiscali.co.uk Add to address book  
To: dibcr-cg1@defence.mod.uk  
Cc:  
Subject: URGENT - OBSERVATION REPORT  
Send: Fri, 24 Sep 2004 15:58:43 +0100

I HAVE NOT YET HAD ANY RESPONSE TO MY ORIGINAL E\_MAIL  
SEE BELOW

>-- Original Message --

>Date: Tue, 21 Sep 2004 15:38:06 +0100

>From: Section40@tiscali.co.uk

>Subject: OBSERVATION REPORT

>To: dibcr-cg1@defence.mod.uk

>

>

>Hello,

>

>I wish to report the following observation to you, but I would like to provide

>a FULL report as soon as possible on an official form:

>

>On Sunday morning 5 September 2004 at 10:24 BST, from my home address as

>below, I was viewing the moon through my binoculars on a bright clear morning,

>when I noticed a small object traverse across the face of the moon. It

was

>metallic in appearance and travelled from just left of the moon, across  
>its face near its 'equator', to some distance from the moon on the right,  
>then disappeared from view. If the moon was regarded as the size of a 10p  
>coin, the object was about 2-3mm wide, with a domed top and bottom.

>  
>I have e-mailed these details to the Civil Aviation Authority **Section 40**  
>who suggested the following postal address for an MOD contact regarding  
>flying craft - is this an up-to-date address? -

>  
>DAS (AD4)  
>Room 668  
>Ministry of Defence  
>Metropole Building  
>Northumberland Avenue  
>LONDON  
>WC2N 5BP

>  
>Regards,

**Section 40**

>  
>Address - **Section 40**, Birmingham, **Section 40**

>Location - **Section 40**

>Ordnance Survey Grid Ref - **Section 40**

>  
>Tel - **Section 40** Mobile - **Section 40**

Section 40

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**From:** Section 40

**Sent:** 31 January 2005 15:44

**To:** Section 40@tiscali.co.uk'

**Subject:** Internet-Authorised: UFO Report

Dear Section 40

I did not receive your e-mails of 21 and 24 September 2004, to this office, that is the focal point of 'UFO's, until last Tuesday 25 January 2005, as your e-mails were forwarded to the wrong department.

I have forwarded you a response, for which I sent today in the post, you should receive it very soon.

Hope this will be of help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

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TOC 830/2005  
refer.

DAS /E-MAIL  
102No. ....  
31 JAN 2005  
FILE

**TREAT OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE**

To DAS (LA) PAP.  
cc.

TO Ref No 1037 /2005

Date 31-1-05

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\* Delete as appropriate.



INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

Section 40

From: [redacted]@tiscali.co.uk  
Sent: 27 January 2005 12:00  
To: public@ministers.mod.uk  
Subject: URGENT ATTENTION

Importance: High

Dear Sirs,  
I have still not recieved any response to the correspondence I sent to you on the 24 January 2005.  
Please can you deal with the Observation matter described below and respond.  
Thank you.  
For security reasons, I do not wish to use the post to send a full report of the matter - perhaps a MOD or local military officer could visit my home to obtain a full report. The government still needs to fulfil its international obligations in these matters regardless of whether or not the UK government itself wishes to acknowledge or record such incidents.

Regards,

[redacted] Birmingham, Section 40

Tel - [redacted] Mobile - [redacted]

Email - [redacted]@tiscali.co.uk

Location - [redacted], approx.

on the left-hand side of [redacted] about one third way up from second bend.

Ordnance Survey Grid Ref - [redacted]

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Dear Sir,

Further to my two e-mails of the 21 and 24 September 04, I still await a response from your staff. Please find below a copy of the main e-mail I sent at the time.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted] Birmingham, Section 40 or Section 40  
[redacted]@tiscali.co.uk =====

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To: dibcr-cg1@defence.mod.uk  
Cc:  
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Send: Fri, 24 Sep 2004 15:58:43 +0100  
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>Northumberland Avenue

>LONDON

>WC2N 5BP

>

>Regards,

**Section 40**

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>Address - **Section 40** Birmingham, **Section 40**

>Location - **Section 40**

>Ordnance Survey Grid Ref - **Section 40**

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>Tel - **Section 40** Mobile - **Section 40**

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Bargain holidays - <http://www.tiscali.co.uk/travel/holidays/>



From: **Section 40**  
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**Section 40**

Whitstable  
Kent

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
28 January 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in January 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 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.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Didn't give a date or time of sighting on the answerphone).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said that she saw strange lights in the sky.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Whitstable Kent Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	27 January 2005 14.30L



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**Section 40**

Chatteris  
Cambridgeshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
20 January 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in January 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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Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

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

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Chatteris Cambridgeshire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	20 January 2005 11.30L



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**Section 40**

Stoke-on-Trent  
Staffordshire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

17 January 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 15 January 2005, the details of which you reported to Staffordshire Police. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 15 January 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.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	15 January 2005 23.15L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said it was a flying saucer.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Sargeant <b>Section 40</b> at Staffordshire Police, who then rang the Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<b>Section 40</b> [Redacted] Stoke-on-Trent Staffordshire  <b>Section 40</b> [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	17 January 2005 10.30L



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



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(Fax) **Section 40**

**Section 40**

St. Clements  
Cornwall

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
17 January 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 14 January 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.

Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external military source, and to date no ‘UFO’ report has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so.

The MOD does not have any expertise or role in respect of ‘UFO/flying saucer’ matters to the question of existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial lifeforms, about which it remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a ‘UFO’ sighting for 14 January 2005, and that was in Leeds, West Yorkshire. 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**



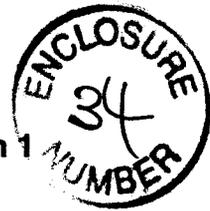
**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	14 January 2005 (Time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Said it was a bright light.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The object was flying over St. Clements, Cornwall.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The bright light was heading towards earth, quite quick through the cloud base.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Cloudy.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<p>Section 40    St. Clements  Cornwall  Section 40  </p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	17 January 2005 11.30L



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**Section 40**

Leeds  
West Yorkshire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

14 January 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 14 January 2005, the details of which you reported to Yorkshire 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 military source, and to date no ‘UFO’ report has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 14 January 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.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	14 January 2005 00.24L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There were two bright lights, really round, and orange in colour.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors in his house.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Was very still and clear.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Yorkshire Police reported the sighting to the Watch Tower at the London Terminal Control Centre at West Drayton, who then rang the Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Leeds West Yorkshire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	14 January 2005 10.30L

**M Name and Address of informant**

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**N Any background information on the informant that may be volunteered**

**O Other witnesses**

**P Date and Time of receipt of report**

0030 FRI 14 JAN 2005

The details are to be telephoned immediately to AIS (Military), LTCC. The completed report is to be sent by the originating ATSU to the Ministry of Defence Sec (AS).

INFORMATION RECEIVED AT THE LONDON TERMINAL  
CONTROL CENTRE FROM INSPECTOR JOHN  
BARROW OF YORKSHIRE POLICE.

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WATCH MANAGER

LTCC

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with the compliments of  
**Ministry of Defence**

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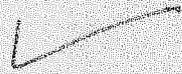
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26 JAN 2005

The attached was sent ~~FILE~~ me in error,  
as I used to do the 'UFO job'.

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MOD Form 195 (7/94)



UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

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

**Report of Unidentified Flying Object**

**A Date, Time and Duration of Sighting**

Local times to be quoted

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

**B Description of Object**

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

2 BRIGHT ORANGE LIGHTS, REALLY BRIGHT AND ROUND

**C Exact Position of Observer**

Geographical location, indoors or outdoors, stationary or moving

Section 40 LEADS. INDOORS

**D How Observed?**

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

NAKED EYE

**E Direction in which Object was first seen**

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

NO INFORMATION

**F Angular Elevation of Object**

Estimated heights are reliable.

NO INFORMATION

**G Distance of Object from Observer**

By reference to a known landmark, wherever possible.

NO INFORMATION

**H Movement of Object**

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

NO INFORMATION

**J Meteorological Conditions during observations**

Moving clouds, haze, mist etc.

STILL + CLEAR

**K Nearby Objects**

Telephone or high voltage lines, reservoir, lake or dam, swamp or marsh, river, high buildings, tall chimneys, steeples, spires, TV or radio masts, airfields, generating plant, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or other lighting.

STREET LIGHTS

**L To whom reported**

Police, military organisations, the press etc.

REPORT RECEIVED FROM MEMBER OF PUBLIC VIA YORKSHIRE POLICE



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**Section 40**

Stockport  
Cheshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
11 January 2005

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 1 September 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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

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

Sorry I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

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

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



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**Section 40**

Lisburn

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
22 December 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 15 December 2004, the details of which you reported to ATC Aldergrove. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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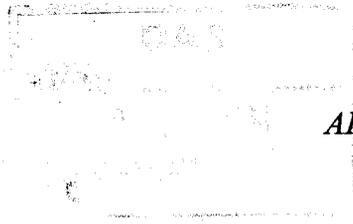
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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 15 December 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s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

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL  
BELFAST INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Date ..... 15/12/04 .....

REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT

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

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

C. Exact Position of Observer:- ..... GLENAVY .....

D. How Observed? ..... NAKED EYE .....

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

F. Angular Elevation of Object:- ..... 20° .....

G. Distance of Object From Observer:- ..... UNKNOWN .....

H. Movements of Object:- ..... UNKNOWN .....

J. Meteorological Conditions during Observations:- ..... CLEAR .....

K. Nearby Objects:- ..... NIL .....

L. To Whom Reported:- ATC ALDERGROVE

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

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

O. Other Witnesses:- NIL

P. Date and Time of Receipt of Report:- 15/12/04 11.00

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

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



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**Section 40**

**Section 40**

Letchworth  
Bedfordshire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
14 December 2004

Dear **Section 40**

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

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

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

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

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

\* (Have rung the witness - 2 x times, haven't got an answer).



No reply. No full address.

# Report of Unidentified Flying Object

- a) Date, Time and Duration of Sighting. 10/12/04 1725 2 mins
- b) Description of Object  
Ball of fire with a tail 5-7 times the diameter of the ball. Bright orange with a weaker orange tail.
- c) Exact Position of  
Broxburn, Edinburgh
- d) How Observed  
Naked eye from inside a car
- e) Direction in which Object was First Seen  
North
- f) Angular Elevation of Object  
± 60°
- g) Distance of Object from Observer  
Not known
- h) Movements of Object  
Moving at aircraft speed in a slight arc, north to south
- j) Meteorological Conditions During Observations  
Partly cloudy
- k) Nearby Objects  
-
- l) To Whom Reported  
ATC Edinburgh + SeACC Supervisor
- m) Name and Address of Informant  
\* Section 40 Section 40 Section 40
- n) Any Background Information on the Informant that may be Volunteered  
-
- o) Other witnesses  
-
- p) Date and Time of Receipt of Report  
10/12/04 1810



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**Section 40**

**Section 40**

Winscombe  
North Somerset

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

10 December 2004

**Section 40**

Dear

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

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

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

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Also, the MOD does not have any expertise or role in respect of 'UFO/flying saucer' matters to the question of existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial lifeforms, about which it remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

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**

**\*\* TO BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY \*\***



*Low flying photos*

**TREAT OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE**

To DPS (LA) P+D

TO Ref No 10168 /2004

cc:

Date 8.12.04

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

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

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

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

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

**Ministerial Correspondence Unit**

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If you do not have access to the Intranet, please inform the Ministerial Correspondence Unit.

**\*\* TO BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY \*\***

\* Delete as appropriate.



INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

Revised August 2004

**\*\* TO BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY \*\***

**\*\* TO BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY \*\***

Section 40

WINSCOMBE, N. SOMERSET,

Section 40

26-11-04.

Defence Secretary.  
Re: U.F.O.

Dear Sir,

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

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

Yours sincerely

Section 40

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

COPY  
 '96  
 Tuesday 1st October / approx 5.30 AM.

Fine Morning & clear sky - Stars visible.

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

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

Seeing is believing!!

Thurs. 17 Sept. 98. approx 5.22 AM. clear, starlight sky, object flying West to East, illuminated, some sound, not travelling very fast. a further object some distance behind at higher level, not as ~~with~~ large as <sup>first object</sup> seen in '96.

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

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



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**Section 40**

West Kilbride  
Ayrshire  
Scotland

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

2 December 2004

Dear **Section 40**

Thank you for your letter dated 26 November 2004.

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

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

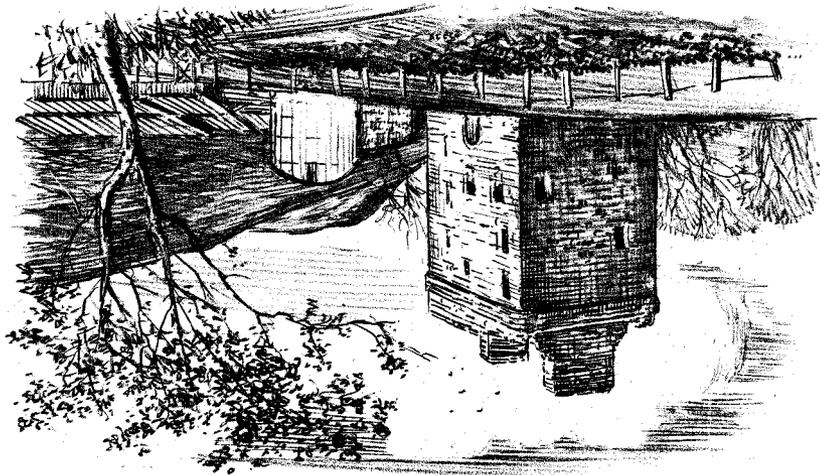
With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 26 November 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied there there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

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

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

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



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Returning at 9 PM See a Sulphur Home. )  
 Put my car in storage. 26<sup>th</sup> Friday. ) Looked up at moon  
 I couldn't believe my eyes, I witnessed a wave of  
 Yellow spheres at least 25, in groups of 5. E. S. E. S. E. S. E.  
 Direction Joy North. I called my son, He was trying  
 to count them, But He couldn't handle it, He said  
 It disturbs Him, So He was inside. I stood 15 minutes,  
 It was hard to count them so many he said long distance sight.  
 I know **Section 40** This is not a threat to your "Lower  
 Air space." One, much lower Bright - larger spheres, we  
 experienced the before, This time I decided stay till 5  
 moved, too cold.

There been little sign of them since August - Hardly  
 any clear skies we not been taken notice, except one

Surrement, is. If there is a cover up - they are good things?  
 why would he need to cover up? why they are there?  
 So that why I feel people need answers, Sufferer car  
 crafts. - Technology, leads to "who is in charge? of who."  
 An Astonaut said some last week in News paper as he  
 flew over Area 51. - Saw 'Things' he said, who is in charge of  
 Area 51? People would rather know truth. It not truth  
 if you, Don't worry. © Judges Postcards Ltd., Hastings, England PN/971  
 and it looks too, why am I involved to witness them? close  
 I hope you are aware, no doubt now. Yours sincerely **Section 40**

I saw, 6 week ago, as it flew over, from behind a cloud, I witnessed what appeared to be a Laser Beam stood out from cloud, Blue-white colour. ~~Beam~~ <sup>Beam</sup> which

I thought was Army or Space, But I can't tell that. It was Peter Strange to see it. Not lightning, it puzzled me.

On 24<sup>th</sup> Wednesday. I was in Ayr, Went to Oakes Book Shop. To get Books for Sons Xmas, I couldn't get ~~Part~~ <sup>Part</sup>

He took for a man kneeling down to lower shelf. He was dressed in Business Suit, Grey Pin Strip, white collar-tie, Tall Broad Shouldered about 55 years old, In His Hand was Tomilly Soles Book, 'Unearthly Disclosure' as I stood waiting to pass, I said, 'Oh I see you are interested in UFO. He said 'Unfortunately I am'.

I said 'Do you believe in them?' yes He said, 'Are you a witness to them, He didn't answer that question. He said, "I want to find out if America is involved 'covering up". He said 'if' so. Who is in charge of

who! - He said and 'Unfortunately I'm involved. He never asked me anything of my views, as I said he witnessed them, they do exist. He said I know.

He seemed Reluctant to Talk, maybe He Has Had a Bad Score, as my Son - I will hint slightly by it actions.

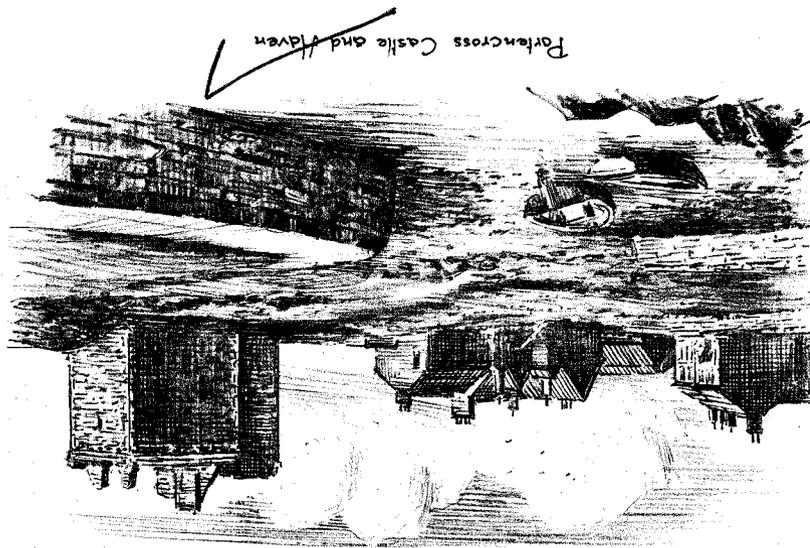
He looked very determined to find a Book to give him answers.

Perhaps I should have asked him to join me in a coffee talk. - share, But He was uninterested in what I could have told him. I think He knows more than me.

It is such a Relief to find other witnesses to me it like Judy mother Dimension in ones life.

It were that flew over, is no illusion as I made sure I noted, & focused on stars - the difference of star size yellow spheres on the more. I was startled to see so many - Had more passed before I noticed them?

I wonder now why that gentleman found 'Unfortunately Involved', The only question I'd feel I would ask of



P.S.

I know you may not believe this, when I Red. 6.7  
Triangle in Sky 2001 with green light in each corner  
Near as Stuffed for Half an Hr.

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

1 Dad Believe in Men in Black

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

He wore grey woolie Hat - grey unbrak, I worked in  
Shoe trade with a **Section 40** in Edinburgh 'Medical'  
I've never seen anybody with Splay feet like Him ever  
- Lay Pained Shoes. He just Vanished from my Path.  
Definitely not 'Men in Black' He was a grey man all  
over face & all. He looked Half Dead.

I told Him I only live from Bellinmore, I Dad order Socks  
& Kleenex Sock. Bellinmore man Been around 26 years.  
So He just look off. He was not coming Kleenex Socks  
He stood far Back in Parcel, Hands crossed Holding a Ledger  
He made no move at all to give me a Book

I wonder to this Day. If I had said yes. I would have?

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

I Dad expect you to Believe the. But it's hutt

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**Section 40**

Douglas  
Isle of Man

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
24 November 2004

Dear **Section 40**

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

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

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The MOD does not have expertise or role in respect of 'UFO/flying saucer' matters to the question of existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial lifeforms, about which it remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

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

Sorry I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

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

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



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**Section 40**

Romford  
Essex

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
12 November 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 11 November 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external military source, and to date no 'UFO' report has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so.

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

Sorry, I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

A large black rectangular redaction box covers the signature area, obscuring the name and any handwritten notes.

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

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

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



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**Section 40**

Warmington  
Northants

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
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Date:  
10 November 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 9 November 2004, the details of which you reported to Northamptonshire Police. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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

Sorry, I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

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



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



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**Section 40**

Driffield  
East Yorkshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
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Date:  
8 November 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 6 November 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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

I am sorry I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

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

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



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**Section 40**

Livingston  
West Lothian

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

2 November 2004

Dear **Section 40**

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

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

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

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

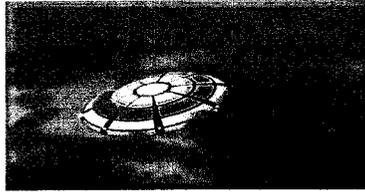
I hope this has been of help.

Yours sincerely

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22<sup>nd</sup> Oct 2004

Dear Sirs,

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

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

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

Regards

Section 40

Director of E2WUFOS



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From  
Somerset

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
28 October 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 16/17 August 1998, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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

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The MOD does not have any expertise or role in respect of 'UFO/flying saucer' matters to the question of existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial lifeforms, about which it remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

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

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

Yours sincerely

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## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

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

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



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**Section 40**

Idaho  
83686 USA

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Our Reference:

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Date:

25 October 2004

Dear **Section 40**

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

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

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

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

Yours sincerely

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

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

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



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Date:

25 October 2004

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, of that year, you saw the ‘UFO’, as you did not forward this office a date or time of the sighting. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

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

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



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**Section 40**

Wimbledon  
London

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
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Date:  
19 October 2004

Dear **Section 40**

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

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

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

Yours sincerely

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	Didn't give any dates or times of the sightings, he's seen.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	<b>Section 40</b> just said that he is sick of seeing these things/objects! Sees them quite a lot.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<p>Section 40</p> <p>Wimbledon London</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<p>Just said that he was not on drugs/drinks etc, and that he was not mad, but said that he keeps seeing things/objects in the sky, and that he wants us to make them go away. That all this is getting him down. Said on the answerphone, that we must take him seriously and that we must take the things/objects seriously.</p>
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	<p>18 October 2004 16.00L</p>



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**Section 40**

Colchester  
Essex

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

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Date:

13 October 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 10 October 2004, the details of which you passed to Swanwick ACC. 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 one other report of a ‘UFO’ sighting for 10 October 2004 and that was in Glasgow. 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**

FROM Section 40 [REDACTED] WATCH SUPERVISOR  
SWANWICK ACC. ✓



(phone call -  
11/10/04)

Section 40  
FORM/ATC/086

## Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) Reports

Report of Unidentified Flying Object	
Date	10 OCT 2004
Time	2215 UTC
Sighting Duration	50 sec
Description of Object	BRIGHT OBJECT RAPIDLY + RANDOMLY CHANGING DIRECTION, ORANGY-RED COLOUR SPED OFF FROM E TO W. FAST!
Exact Position of Observer	Section 40 [REDACTED] COLCHESTER ESSEX. Section 40
How Object was Observed	
Direction in which Object was First Seen	NORTH
Angular Elevation of Object	35°
Distance of Object from Observer	CAN'T TELL.
Movement of Object	RANDOM, RAPID CHANGES OF DIRECTION
Meteorological Conditions During Observations	clear
Nearby Objects	NONE
To Whom Reported	ME. (STANSTED CAN'T SEE ANYTHING ON RADAR - I ASKED THEM)
Name of Informant	Section 40 [REDACTED]
Address of Informant	AS ABOVE
Background Information on Informant that may be Volunteered	NO AVIATION BACKGROUND,
Other Witnesses	NONE



Date of Receipt of Report	10 OCT 2004
Time of Receipt of Report	2235UTC .
Actions	Time
Complete report of UFO with as many details as possible and send to MoD Sec (AS).	
Telephone details immediately to AIS (Military), LATCC(Mil), either direct or via D & D.	

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SAID THIS IS ALL OUT OF DATE  
CALL ANYAHOME 0207 218 2140.

# UFO Report

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Colchester

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looking N up to sky  
at 35°. object ch. dirn  
+ randomly  
E → W fast  
darkly if orange/red color

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Preston  
Lancashire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

13 October 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 11 October 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 11 October 2004 from anywhere in the UK. With regards to there being any aircraft in the area at that time, it could have been civilian aircraft, but I have been told that no military aircraft, would have had the permission to be low flying at that time of the morning. 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.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	11 October 2004 02.35L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object was a round sphere like the moon and the colour of the moon one minute and then Section 40 could see that the colour had changed to green and red flashing lights. She said the object was very, very noisy.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors, looking out of the bedroom window.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	The naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Says the object was hovering over her house for about five minutes in Forton, Lancs, and that a neighbour told her it had been hovering for a while too, before it had woken her up.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Seemed to appear to be just hovering a few feet above the house that Section 40 and her Mum live in.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was hovering really slowly in one spot for about five minutes.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Was 2.35am, so was very dark.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Preston Lancashire Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Her Mum, who, she woke up and about two neighbours, who had said the object was hovering over her and her Mum's house.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that they have a lot of Police helicopters in the area, but this certainly didn't look anything like a helicopter, or any other aircraft and even though it was noisy, it was a different noise to any aircraft that she had ever heard. Wondered if it could be any military aircraft?
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	11 October 2004 11.30L



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**Section 40**

Glasgow  
Scotland

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Date:  
11 October 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 10 October 2004, the details of which you reported to the National Air Traffic Services in Scotland Atlantic House. 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 October 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	10 October 2004 10.15L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object looked like a wide test tube shape that moved from the South East.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	The naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The object was seen flying over the Queen's Park area of Glasgow.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Was moving sideways from the South East and was descending slowly.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	The sky was clear blue, with just a few tiny white clouds dotted around.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	The sighting was reported at 18.15L to the National Air Traffic Services in Scotland-Atlantic House and then on to SAC <b>Section 40</b> at DND West Drayton who then left the message on the Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<b>Section 40</b>  Glasgow Scotland  <b>Section 40</b>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Her children were with her and witnessed it too.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<b>Section 40</b> said there was no known elevation?!
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	11 October 2004 10.30L



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**Section 40**

Newport  
South Wales

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

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Date:

8 October 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 24 September 2004, the details of which you passed to CRO Wales. 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 two other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 24 September 2004 and that they were in Wiltshire. 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 UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

A. Date, Time & Duration of Sighting	24 Sep 04 0630 A few minutes
B. Description of Object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness)	DISC WITH TAIL ONE OBJECT SHINY
C. Exact Position of Observer Location, indoor/outdoor, stationary/moving	OUTDOORS STATIC NEWBRIDGE GWENT
D. How Observed (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or movie)	NAKED EYE
E. Direction in which Object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing)	OVER NEWBRIDGE AREA
F. Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable)	NK
G. Distance (By reference to a known landmark)	NK
H. Movements (Changes in E, F & G may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	HDN WEST TO EAST
I. Met Conditions during Observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc)	CLEAR IN AREA OF OBJECT BUT CU/CB NEAR BY
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)	ABOVE HORIZON

K. To whom reported (Police, military, press etc)	CEO WARD
L. Name & Address of Informant	Section 40 [REDACTED] Section 40 Section 40 NEWPORT South Wales.
M. Background of Informant that may be volunteered	Nil
N. Other Witnesses	Nil
O. Date, Time of Receipt	04 OCT 04 1220
P. Any Unusual Meteorological Conditions	Nil
Q. <u>Remarks</u>	Tel No of Section 40 [REDACTED] Section 40 [REDACTED]



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**Section 40**

Porchester  
Hampshire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

4 October 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 30 September 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 30 September 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	30 September 2004 21.10L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just mentioned a sighting.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Porchester Hampshire Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	4 October 2004 11.00L



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**Section 40**

Swindon  
Wilts

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
28 September 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 24 September 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a ‘UFO’ sighting for 24 September 2004 and that was in Calne, Wilts. 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**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	24 September 2004 (Didn't give time).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Saw a big orange disc going from East to West. Said the object was totally silent.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outside his house having a smoke.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Flying over Swindon.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Said the object was going quite slow, moving across the sky.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] Swindon Wilts Section 40 [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said the object was definitely something he could not identify. That it was the weirdest thing he'd seen, and that it was quite cool!
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	24 September 2004 14.30L



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**Section 40**

Calne  
Wiltshire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
24 September 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 24 September 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that this office received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 24 September 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Yours sincerely

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## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	24 September 2004 06.30L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Looked like a big ball of fire coming down from the sky with a tail and sparks coming off of the end of it.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors, looking out the window at the front of his house.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	The naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The object came from the direction of Headington, Oxfordshire and then went over an area called Blackland and headed south in the direction of Devizes.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	<b>Section 40</b> said the object was about three miles away.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was descending from the sky at a great speed and crashed on the ground about three miles away. <b>Section 40</b> said he did not hear the impact, was very silent.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Calne Wiltshire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said he contacted Wiltshire Police and reported the sighting. Plus said the Police had mentioned that someone from Lyneham Airfield had seen the object too, and reported it.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	24 September 2004 15.30L



Section 40

**From:** Section 40  
**Sent:** 22 September 2004 14:42  
**To:** Section 40 @dasa.mod.uk  
**Subject:** Internet-Authorised: Re: Photograph.

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your e.mail of 20 September 2004 and the picture that was taken by your Dad on 28 July 2004, at the Valley of the rocks at Lynton near Exmoor. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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

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The MOD does not have any expertise or role in respect of 'UFO/flying saucer' matters to the question of existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial lifeforms, about which is remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

With regard to the 'UFO' that your Dad took a picture of on the 28 July 2004, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 28 July 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40



Section 40

From: Section 40 [redacted]@dasa.mod.uk  
Sent: 20 September 2004 08:56  
To: Section 40 [redacted] dad 2  
Subject: [Fwd: picture]



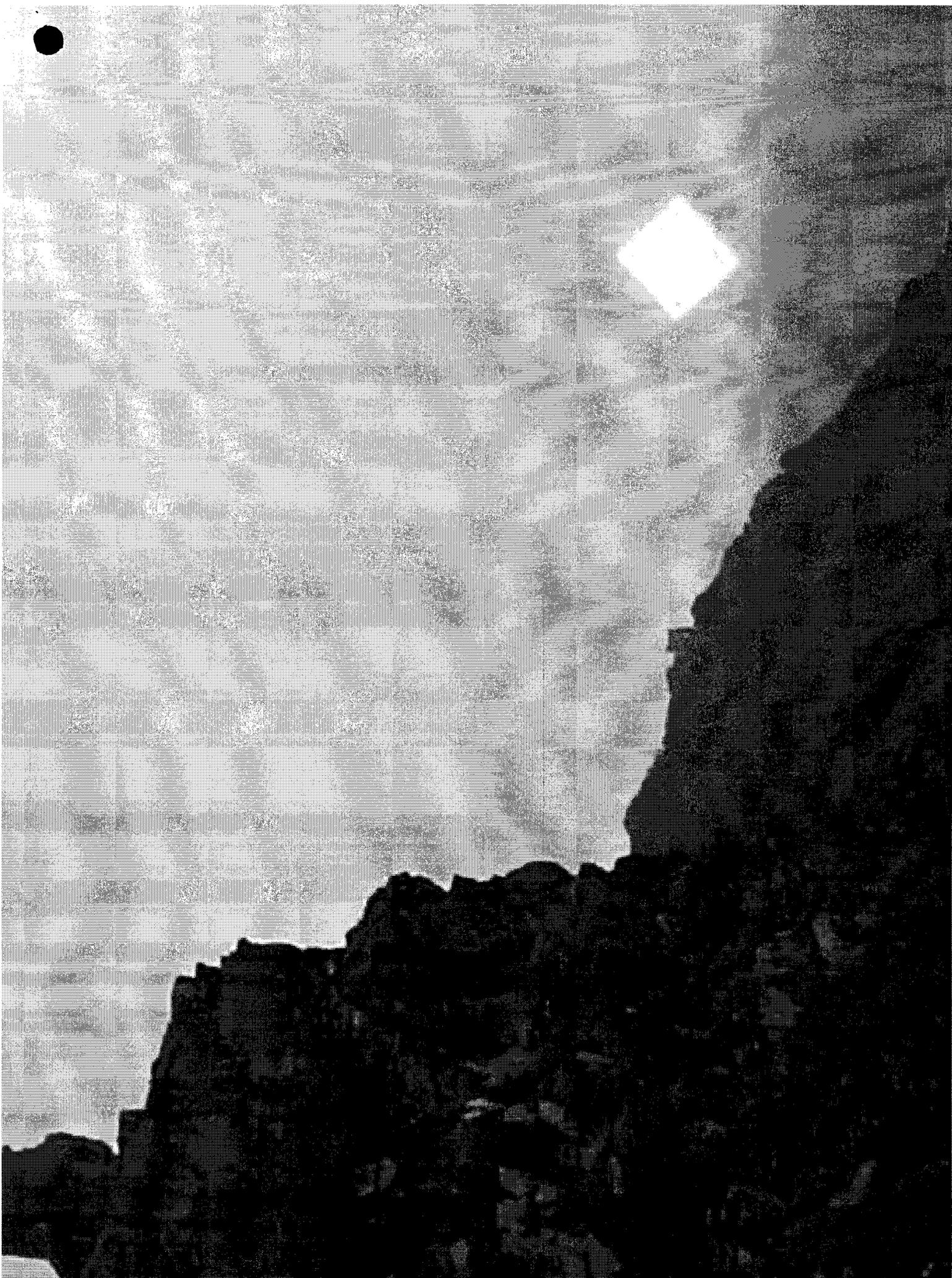
picture

Hi Section 40

This picture is actually my dads picture that he took on 28/07/04 at the Valley of the rocks at Lynton near Exmoor, i wasn't sure if this picture was clear enough but if you need a hard copy of this then let me know.

Many Thanks

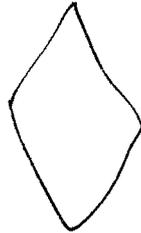
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**From:** Section 40 @aol.com  
**Sent:** 19 September 2004 12:19  
**To:** Section 40 @dasa.mod.uk  
**Subject:** picture





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**Section 40**

Lutterworth  
Leicestershire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
21 September 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 20 September 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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

Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external military source, and to date no 'UFO' report has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so.

With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 20 September 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	20 September 2004 22.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Saw flashing lights.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Lutterworth Leicestershire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Her daughter.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Said she saw my article? in the Western Gazette, in Somerset. That some other lady in that area saw flashing lights too.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	21 September 2004 10.30L



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**Section 40**

Leicester  
Leicestershire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
17 September 2004

Dear **Section 40**

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

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

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With regard to your particular observation, I can’t confirm whether other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings were seen or not seen on the day you saw the ‘UFO’, as you did not forward this office the exact date 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**

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## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	Couldn't remember the date or time, just said three to four weeks ago.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There were three to four discs, that looked oval shape when the discs moved to the side. Said that they moved in a triangular formation as they moved through the sky.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors, <b>Section 40</b> was in bed, looking out of the window.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	The naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Going really fast. Took only about a second and a half to do a width across the sky.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] Leicester Leicestershire Section 40 [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Says at first he thought the discs were aircraft, but decided against that theory, when he said at some point, they looked like they were just hovering in an odd formation.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	16 September 2004 12.30L



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Section 40

Leicester  
Leicestershire

Section 40

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/3

Date:

24 September 2004

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Dear Section 40

Thank you for your message on our UFO line on Thursday 23 September 2004.

The MOD does not have any expertise or role in respect of 'UFO/flying saucer' matters to the question of existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial lifeforms, about which it remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

Sorry I could not have been more help during our phone conversation, or in my letter of the 17 September 2004.

Yours sincerely

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**Section 40**

Yeovil  
Somerset

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
17 September 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 16 September 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 16 September 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	16 September 2004 03.50L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object looked like a great bright light. Said the light was really intense. Like a big ball of fire, rapidly moving towards the ground.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Section 40 was driving in his car on the A350 Blandford Road south of Shaftesbury.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	The Naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	In the distance along the A350 Blandford Road, approaching a village called Iwerne Minster.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was quite fast, moving downwards towards the ground.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Early in the morning, dark/dusky.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Yeovil Somerset Section 40 [Redacted]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Was on his own in the car.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Said at first he thought it was an aircraft, but the light was so intense, he changed his mind. Then the object looked like it was crashing to the ground in front of him in the distance. He actually thinks it did crash!
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	16 September 2004 11.40L



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**Section 40**

Greenside  
Newcastle upon Tyne

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
16 September 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 7 August 2004, the details of which you passed to Northumbria 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 one other report of a 'UFO' sighting for 7 August 2004 and that was in Chingford, North London. 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**

# NORTHUMBRIA POLICE



## Gateshead Area Command

Whickham Police Station  
Front Street  
Whickham  
Newcastle upon Tyne  
NE16 4HE

Our Ref: C3/Insp.7935/SS Log 171 07/08/04

10 August 2004

Tel: Section 40

Fax: [REDACTED]

The Ministry of Defence  
Room 673  
Metropole Building  
Northumberland Avenue  
London  
WC2N 5BL

Dear Sir/Madam,

Section 40 [REDACTED] has contacted Northumbria Police and reported alien sightings above his address at Section 40 [REDACTED]. This has been reported to Northumbria Police, our log reference 171 07/08/04 refers.

Yours faithfully,

Section 40 [REDACTED]

Section 40 [REDACTED]

'A' Rota  
Whickham Police Station





With the compliments of

Section 40

Defence Intelligence Joint Environment  
Room [redacted] Old War Office Building  
Whitehall, London SW1A 2EU  
Tel: Section 40 Fax Section 40  
CHOTs e-mail: Section 40



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**Section 40**

Loughton  
Essex

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
15 September 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 29 August 2004, the details of which you passed to Essex Police. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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

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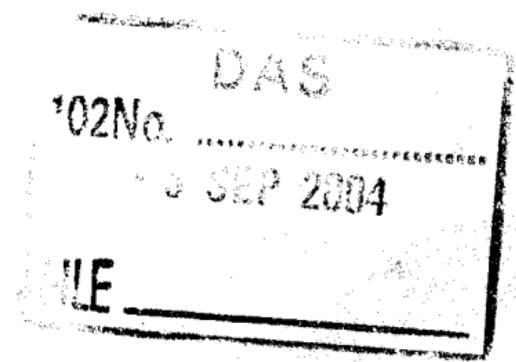
With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 29 August 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

1. <b>Date, time &amp; duration of sighting</b>	0305 29/8/04 10 MINUTES
2. <b>Description of object</b> (No. of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise)	WHITE - HAZY - ROUND NO NOISE
3. <b>Exact position of observer</b> (Indoors / outdoors, stationary / moving)	INDOORS - AT BEDROOM WINDOW
4. <b>How observed</b> (Naked eye, camera, camcorder, binoculars or other optical device)	NAKED EYE THEN CAMCORDER BUT POOR QUALITY
5. <b>Direction in which object first seen</b> (A landmark may be more useful than a roughly estimated bearing)	EAST OF ADDRESS ? 200' AWAY
6. <b>Angle of sight</b> (Estimated heights are unreliable)	NK. + MOVING FROM TIME TO TIME
7. <b>Distance</b> (By reference to a known landmark)	GUESS @ 200'
8. <b>Movements</b> (Changes in 5, 6 & 7 may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	GRADUAL MOVEMENTS THEN DISAPPEARED INTO STARS
9. <b>Met. Conditions during observations</b> (Moving clouds, haze, mist, etc.)	CLEAR NIGHT. SOME LIGHT CLOUDS
10. <b>Nearby objects</b> (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)	STREET LIGHT OUTSIDE WINDOW.
11. <b>To whom reported</b> (Police, military, press etc.)	POLICE. ESSEX - STORM REF 0248 of 29/08/04
12. <b>Name, address and telephone number of informant</b>	Section 40 LOUGHTON ESSEX
13. <b>Any further detail volunteered</b>	STATED HAD SEEN 'OBJECTS' BEFORE
14. <b>Other witnesses</b>	HUSBAND.
15. <b>Date and time of receipt</b>	0315 29/08/04
16. <b>Remarks</b>	No other persons reported anything remotely similar.

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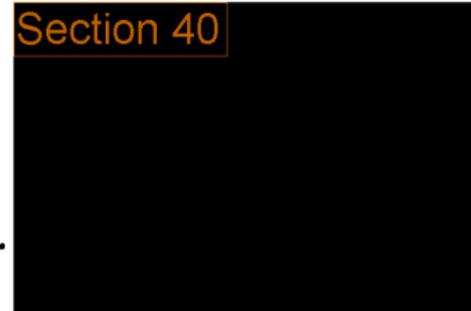
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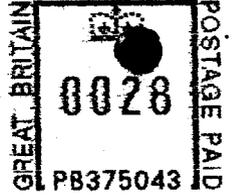
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**Section 40**

Barry  
South Wales

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
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Date:  
13 September 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 5 September 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 5 September 2004 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Yours sincerely

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	5 September 2004 15.20L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object was a bright light at first and then looked like a box kite. There was no sound, wings or fuselage.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	<b>Section 40</b> and his wife were sitting out in their garden.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Both witnessed the object with the naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The object after flying towards them, over their garden in Barry, flew due west over Cardiff Airport.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	2,000 ft to 3,000 ft above them in the sky.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was going quite fast overhead.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	The sky was very clear, was a very sunny day.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Barry South Wales
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	His wife.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said visibility was excellent and that you could not mistake it for a plane. Was definitely something you could not explain.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	13 September 2004 12.15L



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**Section 40**

Holywell  
Flintshire  
North Wales

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
9 September 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 7 September 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

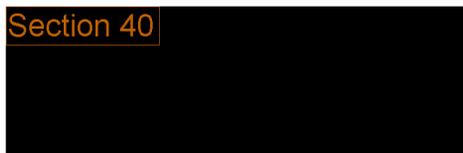
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Yours sincerely

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	7 September 2004 11.30L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Two silvery objects, very high up in the sky on the horizon. They were moving apart and pulling together again, they did this in a matter of ten seconds. They left vapour trails as they were moving.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Not given.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Said about 40,000 ft up, as high as a plane on the horizon.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	They were moving so fast and moving side to side, i.e. apart, then moving towards each other again.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<p>Section 40</p> <p>Holywell Flintshire North Wales</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<p>Section 40 said it was an amazing sight, has never seen anything like that before. Said it certainly was not a plane, and that he'd done some investigation work and was told it wasn't a plane, by whom, I don't know. Someone then told him to report his sighting to a lady called Section 40 (whoever she is)! She said it was definitely a UFO!! Then he was told by someone else, (he didn't say), to report his sighting to this office!</p>
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	9 September 2004 12.30L

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Cardiff  
South Wales

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

9 September 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 8 September 2004, the details of which you passed to Cardiff Police Control Room. 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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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	8 September 2004 20.15L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Large flash of light which turned into a grey object descending over Cardiff bay, with trailing smoke behind it.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	Not given.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Just said over Cardiff bay.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Going quite fast as it was descending.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Cardiff Police Control Room, who then in turn left a message on the Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] Cardiff South Wales Section 40 [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] that left the message on the Das answerphone, said he contacted the Coast guard, being that Cardiff is a coastal area and enquired if there were any aircraft over the bay, that day, i.e. from a base and the Coast guard said no. Being that the object was spotted over the bay aswell. Also said he spoke to Air Traffic Control - Cardiff, but didn't say on the message of what the outcome was.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	9 September 2004 11.30L



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**Section 40**

White Hill  
East Hampshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
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Date:  
6 September 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 4 September 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 4 September 2004 from anywhere in the UK. As to your question from our telephone call, whether it was an aircraft of some sort, I enquired as to if there were any aircraft flying over Aldershot that day from the nearest base or any others, at the time of your sighting and have been told that there was not. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry, I could not have been more help.

Yours sincerely

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## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	4 September 2004 14.30-14.45L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object was a black cylinder rectangle shape and was the size of a house. The colour was black, but then depending on what angle you looked at it, it changed to bright silver and then to white.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors/stationary.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	The naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The object was seen hovering over Willbourg car park next to Aldershot Police Station.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Was constantly moving slowly up and down in the sky. Said it looked like it was going to land on top of them, as it moved horizontally and then vertically down towards him and his wife.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Very sunny, clear day.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<p>Section 40</p> <p>White Hill East Hampshire</p> <p>Section 40</p> <p>Home – Section 40</p> <p>Work –</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	His wife, children, and said about 30 other people witnessed the object, who were also in the vicinity of the car park.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Says that as they watched this object, sometimes, as it moved, it looked as thin as a pencil, and hovered for a good 15 minutes. Section 40 said him, his wife and other people were very scared and that it was the weirdest and scariest thing to happen to his family in their lives so far. Said it was scary, because at one point, it looked like the object was going to land on top of them. That the object wasn't in a rush to move away from the area that they were in.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	6 September 2004 11.00L



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**Section 40**

Deal  
Kent

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

3 September 2004

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 2 September 2004, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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Yours sincerely

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	2 September 2004 23.50L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object was very bright and was of large proportions. Large in <b>V</b> elocity. He said it was definitely not a shooting star!
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, walking along the road near Kingsdown beach.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	The naked eye.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Was above Kingsdown beach in Kent.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	About two miles away.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Moving down to land on the beach. Speed not given.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Das answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<p>Section 40</p> <p>Deal Kent</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<p>Section 40 said the object was two miles up in the sky, and about two miles away from him, going downwards, and he reckons that the craft? landed on Kingsdown beach. He was walking towards it in a straight line. He said it took about four seconds to reach ground level.</p>
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	<p>3 September 2004 11.15L</p>